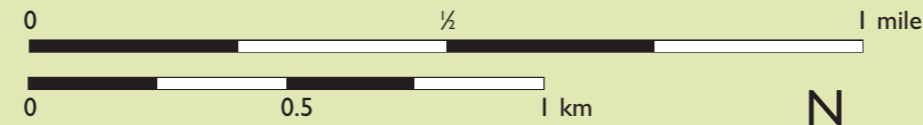


John Martin Heritage Trail

Southern Section



Start here
From the Information Panel follow Church Street towards Ratcliffe Road. Go through the subway, across the old bridge then turn right into Shaftoe Street. From Shaftoe Street turn right into Land Ends Road and follow the way markers.



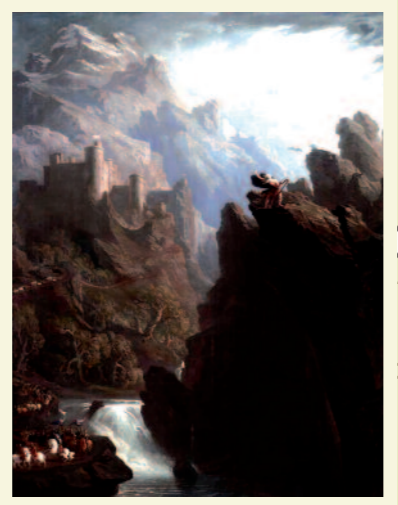
South Tyne valley near Tedcastle Farm



Allen Banks & Staward Gorge (National Trust)

This section of the walk can be hazardous, especially for children.

- Please observe warning signs and supervise children carefully especially near cliff edges, on steep paths and by the river;
- The River Allen can be particularly dangerous when in flood and high winds can bring down trees and branches.
- After rain the paths through the gorge can be very muddy.



The Bard 1817
John Martin
Laing Art Gallery (Tyne and Wear Museums)



- * From this point there is a choice of routes, both are way marked.
- The direct route to Staward Pele is steep and reveals the dramatic position of the pele but can be very slippery after rain.
- The alternative route continues on the riverside path, with gorge scenery similar to that seen in some of Martin's paintings, before rising through the trees to join the path from Staward Pele. To visit the pele turn left along the ridge and then retrace your steps to continue the trail.

- Please respect the countryside :**
- Protect trees, plants, wildlife and farm stock.
 - Leave things as you find them; take nothing away.
 - Keep dogs under proper control and on a short lead near farm animals.
 - Don't damage buildings, walls, fences, hedges or signs.
 - Leave no litter.
 - Keep to the way marked footpaths.



Figures on a stile 1840
John Martin
Laing Art Gallery (Tyne and Wear Museums)

The John Martin Heritage Trail was developed as part of a community project in 2004, celebrating the life and work of John Martin. It was officially opened in April 2006. The trail is now funded and managed by Haydon Parish Council. The Council thank The National Trust for their continued help and support in managing the trail through their Allen Banks and Staward Gorge Estates.

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