



Spurn Spring Migrants

22nd – 26th May 2023
Based at Westmere Farm, Kilnsea



An Action Packed Week of Birding!

<p>Day One</p> <p>Arrival 13:30</p> <p>1830 Eve Meal at the Marquis Granby in Easington a short drive away</p>	<p>Arrival at Westmere Farm. Our YCN guide will meet you at 13:30. We will start with a get to know your guides session, a brief talk about the itinerary, discuss any recommended changes and opportunities due to weather, birds etc. Followed by a birding walk prior to checking in at the farm shortly afterward with Andrew and Susan (Westmere Farm owners)</p> <p>14:00 approx. Our first birding session. An introductory walk getting to know the area, field skills and equipment used in birding and hopefully some good birds to see! The walk will be based in the area close to the farm encompassing the private farm footpath towards Kilnsea Wetlands unless there are great birds to see elsewhere...</p>
<p>Day Two</p> <p>07:30 Breakfast</p> <p>Lunchtime; packed lunches</p> <p>Meal at the Crown and Anchor approx. 10 minutes' walk from the farm</p>	<p>Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a full day birding. Destination choice will be based on weather and bird activity immediately prior to the day.</p> <p>Destinations/birding locations. Spurn, Kilnsea and Easington; Kilnsea Wetlands, Long Bank, The Triangle/Canal area, The Warren, YWT Visitor Centre & Canal Scrape, Beacon Ponds, Easington village and Sammy's Point</p> <p>12:30 approx. lunch break each day; a packed lunch and drink will be provided. There will also be opportunities for toilet stops during the day as required.</p>
<p>Day Three</p> <p>07:30 Breakfast</p> <p>Lunchtime; packed lunches</p> <p>Meal at the Crown and Anchor approx. 10 minutes' walk from the farm</p>	<p>Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a full day birding. Destination choice will be based on weather and bird activity immediately prior to the day.</p> <p>Destinations/birding locations. Spurn, Kilnsea and Easington; Kilnsea Wetlands, Long Bank, The Triangle/Canal area, The Warren, YWT Visitor Centre & Canal Scrape, Beacon Ponds, Easington village and Sammy's Point</p> <p>12:30 approx. lunch break each day; a packed lunch and drink will be provided. There will also be opportunities for toilet stops during the day as required.</p>
<p>Day Four</p> <p>07:30 Breakfast</p> <p>Lunchtime; packed lunches</p> <p>Meal at the Crown and Anchor approx. 10 minutes' walk from the farm</p>	<p>Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a full day birding.</p> <p>11am approx. Unimog trip to Spurn Point. We will travel down the Spurn Peninsular on the YWT Unimog accompanied by their guide. This is a great opportunity to see Spurn Point and birding in areas such as Chalk Bank where there is often a wader roost. The point can also be good for migrant birds.</p> <p>Destinations/birding locations. Spurn, Kilnsea and Easington; Kilnsea Wetlands, Long Bank, The Traingle/Canal area, The Warren, YWT Visitor Centre & Canal Scrape, Beacon Ponds, Easington village and Sammy's Point</p> <p>12:30 approx. lunch break each day; a packed lunch and drink will be provided. There will also be opportunities for toilet stops during the day as required.</p>

<p>Day Five</p> <p>07:30 Breakfast</p> <p>The tour finishes at approximately 1230pm</p>	<p>Breakfast at Westmere Farm followed by a half day birding. Final destination choice will be based on weather and bird activity immediately prior to the day.</p>
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In addition to the above we have also arranged access to SBOT Birding Hub and we will be invited to at least one bird ringing demonstration led by SBOT in partnership with YCN (weather dependant/timings to be decided by SBOT). There will also be two evening talks given by your leader and/or Bird Observatory staff. Talks to be arranged nearer the time.

Richard Baines YCN Director and birding guide will be leading this tour. We will work hard to ensure you have memorable experiences. Our small group tours ensure you learn a great deal, from identification tips to field craft advice, as well as getting to grips with those difficult-to-find species. With up-to-the-minute bird information, access and weather updates our timetable may change. The unpredictability of east coast birding is all part of the fun!

Please Bring

Warm, waterproof clothing, stout footwear and, if you have them, binoculars. We do have a limited number of high-quality binoculars for hire at £10.00/day; please let us know by email if you need a pair. A telescope will be available on the tour for closer views of the birds operated by the guide. **Please also make sure that you have masks and hand sanitiser with you at all times. An up-to-date Covid-19 risk assessment will be provided before the tour. Please note:** Food will be provided as follows: **Day one;** evening meal, **Day two;** breakfast, lunch and evening meal, **Day three;** breakfast, lunch and evening meal, **Day four;** breakfast, lunch and evening meal, **Day five;** breakfast.

The tour will include some walking on rough ground. If you have a medical condition, physical or sensory impairment or learning difficulty which is relevant to the event, please let us know as soon as possible. Every effort will be made to conduct the tour; however, in exceptional circumstances such as severe weather, Yorkshire Coast Nature reserves the right to change the content, guides or cancel the tour at short notice. In the event of cancellation by Yorkshire Coast Nature a full refund of the tour costs will be made. If you have any queries prior to the tour please call Richard Baines on 07747753260.

Westmere Farm address: Westmere Farm Kilnsea Road, Kilnsea, Hull HU12 0UB. Website [Click Here](#)

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