

# YORK...

...one of England's finest and most beautiful historic cities, was named Eboracum by The Romans before the invading Vikings called it Jorvik. Today's York is characterised by the world famous Minster, medieval architecture, Georgian town houses and the beautiful Victorian railway station. Every aspect of York's modern life is inextricably linked with its past.

In the dead of night, many visitors take to wandering through the city's shadowy snickleways and ginnels to find haunted and historical alehouses, of which York boasts a great many. As guardians of the heritage of Britain's alehouses, we pick only the best – pubs that are brimming with atmosphere and craftsmanship. Each Nicholson's pub has its story to tell. If you're looking for the real history of this culturally rich and vibrant city, the Nicholson's ale trail is your guide.



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Dating back to the late 1800s, The Cross Keys is a snug and traditional Victorian pub. Located in the main central shopping street of Goodramgate, our pub is a stone's throw of York Minster. This area was created in the Viking era and is chronicled through the history and magnificence of architecture, war, politics and social evolution, much of it documented by the epochs of the nearby Minster and York Viking Centre.

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### 4. THE CROSS KEYS

The Old White Swan is a collection of buildings with a rather colourful history that dates from the 16th Century. We are one of York's oldest pubs and are said to be haunted. Buildings at the rear of our courtyard date to medieval times and in 1781, the world's tallest man, Mr O'Brian, was exhibited here at the pub. O'Brian stood 8 feet tall and the then landlord charged onlookers a shilling.

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### 3. THE OLD WHITE SWAN

Said to be haunted, The Punch Bowl has been a pub for over four centuries, or perhaps we should say pubs, as we have suffered two major fires. We have a historical connection with the Whig Party from the 17th Century. Punch was the preferred drink of the Whigs, whilst the Tories liked their claret. Any pub displaying a punch bowl sign was therefore declaring its political allegiance.

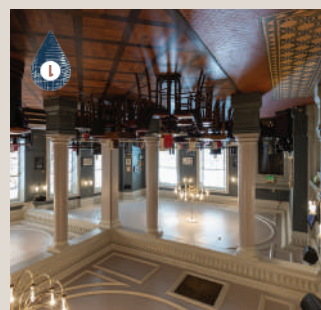
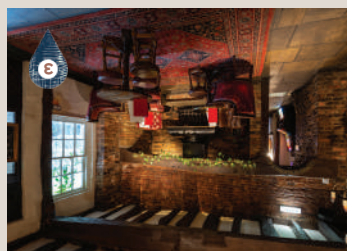
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### 2. THE PUNCH BOWL

The city's historic Roman Praetorian Gate stood across where Harkers is now. Probably rebuilt around 300AD, the gate was the main entrance to the City of York. Part of this structure is exposed in the basement of our pub. Our building was designed in 1840 as the head office for the Yorkshire Insurance Company, Harker's Hotel, which stood in nearby St. Helen's Square.

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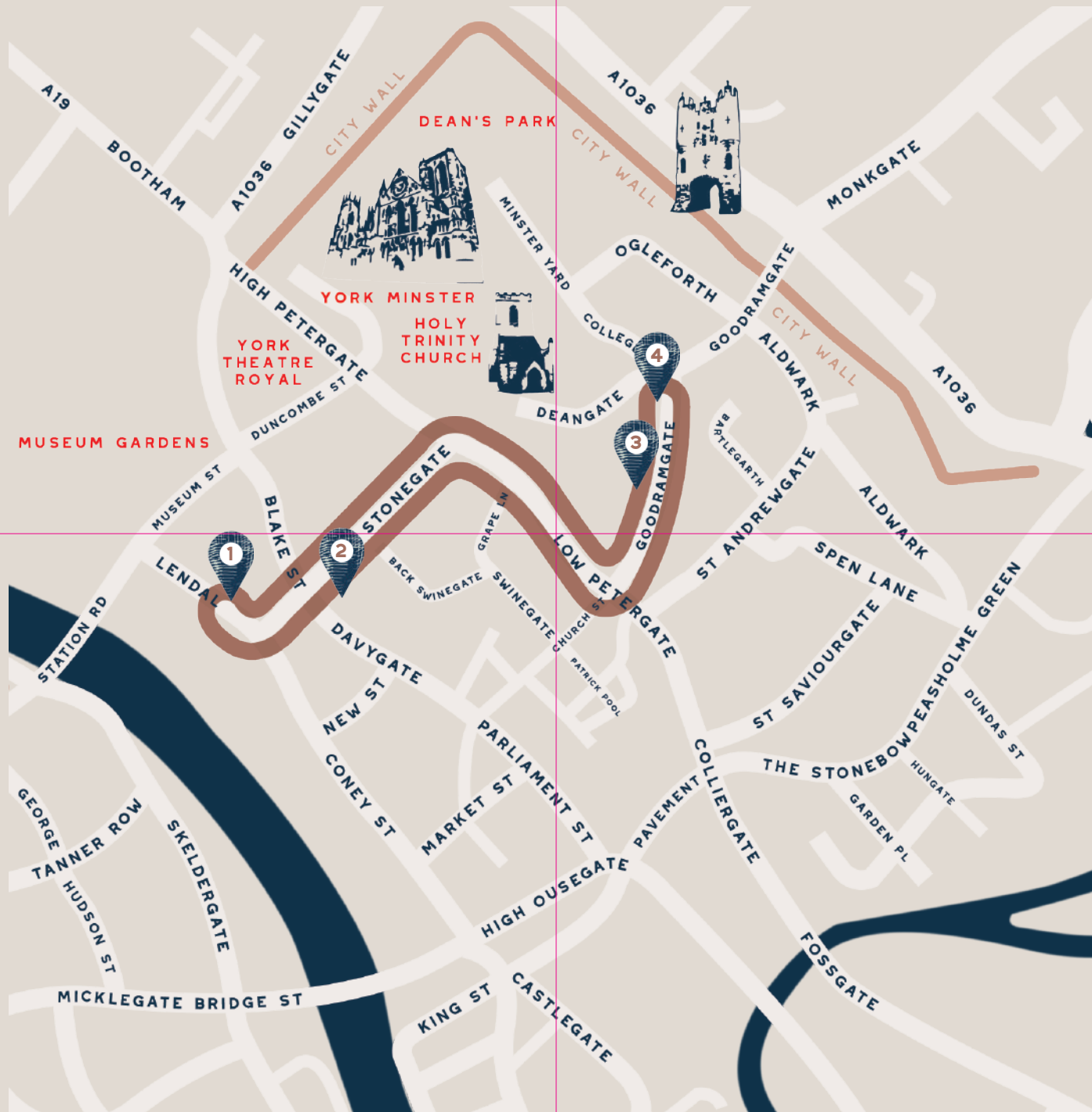
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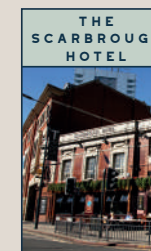
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