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### **Yorkshire's Bronte Country is an open book of adventure**

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Mia Wasikowska and Michael Fassbender play Jane and Rochester in the newest film adaptation of Charlotte Brontë's novel 'Jane Eyre.' Tourists can visit the moody lands that inspired the book's author.

The latest movie adaptation of Charlotte Brontë's "[Jane Eyre](#)" — with [Mia Wasikowska](#) as the determined Jane and [Michael Fassbender](#) as her partner in the tale of love, despair, triumph and tragedy — returns to the mysterious [West Yorkshire](#) moors that inspired [Charlotte](#) and her sisters Anne and Emily.

The writing Brontës were deeply influenced by the moors surrounding the village of Haworth, where they lived most of their brief lives.

A visit to Haworth today is as near as you can come to stepping back 150 years — and well worth the journey. Brontë Country is relatively unspoiled and truly striking.

In addition to the [Brontë Parsonage Museum](#) (the family's former home) and imposing churchyard complete with very spooky gravestones, Haworth's cobblestoned main street is lined with curiosity shops, teahouses, B&Bs, food and sweet shops, and public houses including the Kings Arms and the Black Bull with centuries of colorful history.

There is a lovely park to stroll through and even a steam railway with a station right out of a "Masterpiece Theatre" production.

Walking the moors is an adventure. Top Withens, thought to be the inspiration for "[Wuthering Heights](#)," is about 4 miles from Haworth. Remember to wear sturdy walking shoes, stick to the paths and keep an eye on the weather, which can change on a dime.

Accommodations in Haworth are reasonable by British standards and most include a traditional Yorkshire breakfast. With bacon, pork sausages, eggs, black pudding, grilled tomatoes, mushrooms, fried bread and strong Yorkshire tea who needs lunch?

**The 18th-century [Old White Lion Hotel](#) ([oldwhitelionhotel.com](#))** sits at the top of Main St. just around the corner from the Parsonage and features 14 charming rooms, a pub and restaurant. Weekend nights start at \$150 for a double room.

**The Old Registry** ([theoldregistryhaworth.co.uk](#)) is also on Main St. and features 10 individually themed rooms starting at \$130 per weekend night for a double.

**The Ashmount Country House** ([ashmounthaworth.co.uk](#)), located a few minutes from Main St., features luxury rooms starting at \$161 per weekend night for a double room (some with hot tubs).

You can't go wrong with pub dining and that includes the Haworth Old Hall, dating back to 1580, with much of its Tudor charm still in place. The Grouse Inn, a short drive from Main St., features local game.

Throughout Yorkshire, you will see the pairing of traditional fare — such as the famous Yorkshire pudding, pork belly and steak and ale pies — with a thriving contemporary dining culture.

This includes regional delicacies from [Michelin](#) star chefs such as [Frances Atkins](#) of the Yorke Arms. The Brimham Rocks, in Countydrumatic geological oddities that have fascinated generations, are well worth a visit, as is the Victorian village of [Saltaire](#). The walled city of York offers historic sites, museums, art galleries, restaurants, shops and nightlife.

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