

Character Area

Peak Fringe and Lower Derwent

White Peak





Landscape Character Types





- Gritstone Heaths & Commons
- Enclosed Moors & Heaths
- Riverside Meadows
- Wooded Slopes & Valleys
- Wooded Farmlands
- Plateau Pastures
- Limestone Slopes
- Limestone Dales
- Urban

— DerwentWISE Project Boundary

— Peak District National Park Boundary

— Main River

National Character Area (NCA)	Landscape Character Type (LCT)	Summary of key characteristics
White Peak	Plateau Pastures 	<p>A gently rolling, upland limestone plateau characterised by nucleated limestone villages, dry stone walls, a pastoral land-use and open and expansive views. Sparsely scattered, but visually prominent, small plantations with tree groups around farmsteads and settlement.</p>
	Limestone Slopes 	<p>A landscape of small nucleated limestone villages and dispersed farmsteads nestling within moderate to steeply sloping limestone slopes. Distinctive dry stone walls enclose former open fields and semi-regular fields with a pastoral land use. Scattered small plantations, occasional semi-natural woodland and small tree groups around farmsteads and settlement.</p>
	Limestone Dales 	<p>Narrow, deeply incised river valleys with steep slopes and extensive amounts of exposed rock. There are blocks of woodland, much of ancient origin and scattered watercourse trees. Areas of scrub and rough grassland grazed by sheep.</p>
Derbyshire Peak Fringe and Lower Derwent	Wooded Slopes and Valleys 	<p>This is a landscape of small pastoral fields on undulating, rising ground. Woodlands many semi-natural on steeper slopes, some of ancient origin, along steep slopes and valley sides, with densely scattered hedgerows and streamline trees contribute to a strongly wooded character.</p>

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Derbyshire Peak Fringe and Lower Derwent	Riverside Meadows 	<p>Broad, flat flood plains hold meandering rivers, with scattered trees along the river bank. Scattered boundary trees and transport routes punctuate the pastoral landscape.</p>
	Gritstone Heaths and Commons 	<p>Undulating gritstone slopes and hilltops characterised by geometric and regular field patterns with dry stone walls or thorn hedges. Sandstone farmsteads are scattered through the landscape, and clustered cottages and roadside dwellings are found on enclosed commons. Undulating slopes and hilltops with occasional small plantations and tree groups around farmsteads and settlement</p>
	Enclosed Moors and Heaths 	<p>Undulating slopes and hilltops with occasional small plantations and tree groups around farmsteads and settlement. An open, unwooded landscape on broad, rolling hill summits punctuated by occasional small plantations and tree groups around farmsteads.</p>
	Wooded Farmlands 	<p>This is a mixed farming landscape on undulating ground. Woodlands, hedgerows and streamline trees contribute to a strongly wooded character, of small, organic woodlands, some of ancient origin, with densely scattered hedgerow and watercourse trees.</p>