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Fine dining meets equally fine views at The Devonshire Arms, with a choice of options from the Burlington Restaurant to the brasserie

Just for the weekend...

dine in the Dales

Eat and drink very finely at Yorkshire's best hotel restaurant, The Burlington, at The Devonshire Arms in Bolton Abbey

Why go: The Burlington Restaurant is not just any fine dining destination. It has nabbed multi-award-winning chef Adam Smith, and the wine list is both impressive and vast – perfect for a *Masterchef* fan like me, and my wine connoisseur friends. Guessing the ingredients in the surprise Tasting Menu and trying the recommended matching wines was great fun, and being able to just go upstairs to flop into bed afterwards was a real bonus.

First impressions: Situated on the Duke of Devonshire's huge estate with its pretty valleys, grazing sheep and charming local stone houses, the hotel was developed around the original 17th-century longhouse-hospitality inn. It's dog-friendly, with wellies at the door for guests, and, in winter, lots of log fires. It's a great place to slow down, both physically and psychologically.

Don't miss: Sister hotel the Devonshire Fell is minutes away by car and has another talented chef. I was beyond excited in the boho-chic dining room eating Oliver Adams' Mediterranean-influenced British menu. And for local brews like Cruck Barn Bitter and hearty home-cooked food, you can't beat the 16th-century Craven Arms at nearby Appletreewick. It was so good, this city girl forgot about the muddy walk there.

Ideal for: Those who fancy a foodie break and some country walking with the dog. There's no snootiness in the Burlington, so you won't be made to feel that choosing wine is an exam.

Rates start at £211 for a room for two with breakfast at The Devonshire Arms Hotel & Spa. Email res@devonshirehotels.co.uk, call 01756 710441 or visit thedevoishirearms.co.uk. The Burlington Restaurant's Tasting Menu costs £75pp. Recommended matching wines for each course are £50pp.

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