

MENSTON HERITAGE GROUP

The Mills in the Glen

Access to what is left of the Mills in the Glen is gained by using the footpath along Bleach Mill Lane and after passing Bleach Mill turn left up the steep path by the stream - this is the Glen.

Halfway up was the **Middle or Hargreaves Mill**. This was a spinning and scribbling mill powered by water from a dam on Carr Back. In 1819, the Mill was owned by J Baldwin. It had a cast iron waterwheel. A steam engine was also used to supplement the water power. All that remains is the chimney and part of the dam sluices.

Myrtle Grove Mill was on the site of two existing cottages. Its water supply came from a dam in Green Lane higher up the Glen. This mill was also used for spinning and scribbling.

Houses on the left going up were workers' cottages and workshops.

Cross the Moor Road into Green Lane. To the west of Turnpike House there was a spinning mill in the early 19th century.

Some detailed research by Alun Clark of Burley Archive and Local History Group is available on the link below (copied below)

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