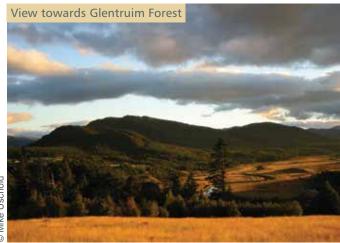
## Welcome to Laggan

For centuries Laggan has occupied a strategic position at the centre of the Scottish mainland, with strong lines of communication. Historically, travellers, soldiers, cattle drovers and pack-horse teams found a warm welcome here. The area boasts fine views, stunning waterfalls and an abundance of wildlife.

So take a moment and enjoy what the area has to offer.







For information on paths, local events, facilities and accommodation:

Visitor Centres
Newtonmore: 01540 673912
Aviemore: 01479 810930

Useful web sites:

www.laggan.com
www.visitcairngorms.com
www.walkhighlands.co.uk
www.laggan.eu/cyclingandwalking

If you enjoyed using the "Laggan Paths Leaflet" look out for other Community Paths Leaflets to help you explore more of the Park.

## Cairngorms Paths

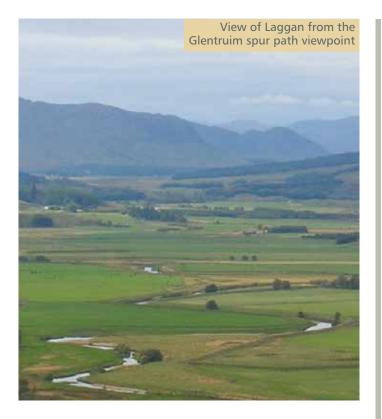
# Laggan Paths



## Discover Laggan







## Laggan Paths

Walks around Glentruim



half mile

one kilometre

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car park



view point

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national cycle route

#### **Glentruim Forest Walk**

The main route is a circular walk along a well surfaced gravel track through open forest, with a final stretch along a quiet public road. This is marked by blue arrows. An optional spur, marked by light-green arrows, leads to a viewpoint.

About 200m from the start a finger-post points right to the viewpoint at the summit of Creagan an Fhithich. From here you get splendid views along the Spey valley west towards Laggan, and north-east towards Aviemore. After another 100m you reach a second finger-post, at which you turn left. Eventually you reach the public road, where you turn left again.

**Distance:** Circular route is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles (2.5km), or  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles (4km) if you include the spur to Creagan an Fhithich.

**Approximate time:** About  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours ( $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours with the the viewpoint).

**Start:** Forest road junction at summit of Glentruim-Catlodge public road, just east of the Macpherson memorial.

**Terrain:** Surfaced forest road with easy gradients and public road. The spur route has one steep stretch.



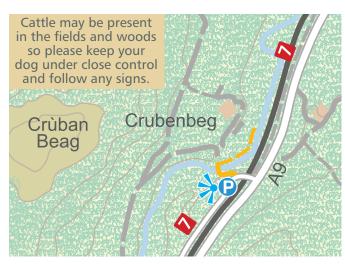
#### Falls of Truim

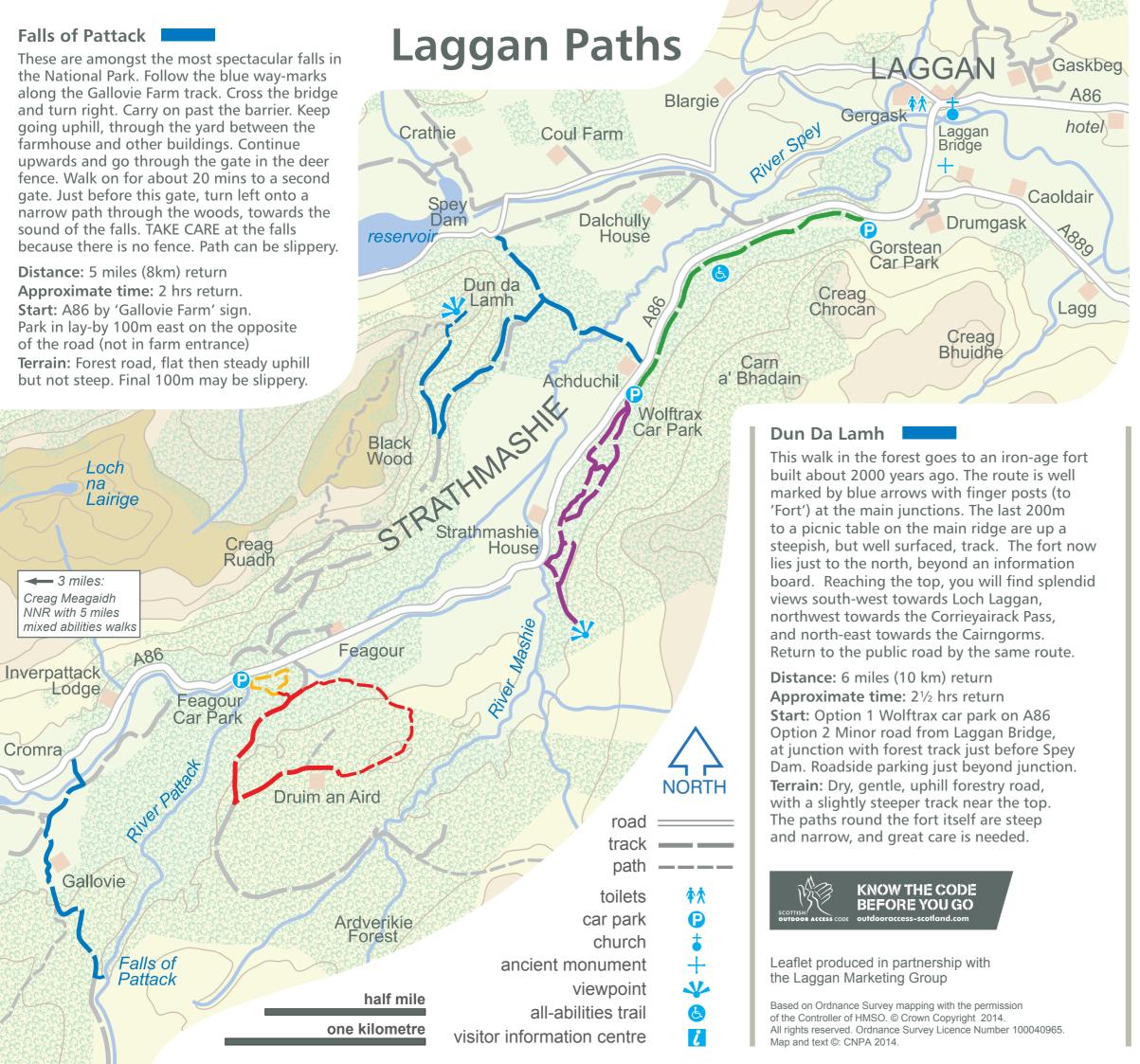
A lovely short walk alongside the River Truim to the Falls.

Distance: <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> mile (1km) in and out. Approximate time: 20-25 minutes Start: Take minor road off the A9, signed Crubenmore and Dalwhinnie. The Falls car park is on the left-hand side.

**Terrain:** Easy gradients but rough underfoot in places.







## Forest trails Start: Wolftrax Car Park

#### Forest Loops

A loop walk through mature forest starts at the SW corner of the car park at Wolftrax. Two crossing tracks allow for shorter walks of about 25 or 35 minutes. For lovely long views take the spur route up the hill at the far end

**Distance:**  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile – 2 miles ( $\frac{3}{4}$  – 2.7km) **Approximate time:** 25 – 65 mins return

of the loop, an extra 30 mins return.

#### All abilities trail

This easy all-ability well-surfaced trail runs between the Wolftrax and Gorstean car parks.

**Distance:** about 2 miles (2.7km) return **Approximate time:** 45 mins return

## Feagour: 2 loop walks

#### The Lower Pattack Falls

This short loop, marked by yellow arrows, starts at the Druim an Aird car park. Follow the yellow arrows to the River Pattack Lower Falls viewpoint which featured in the BBC series Monarch of the Glen. Follow the fence and left up the hill after the viewpoint (do not continue up the river) and the path takes you onto a sunny mound with gentle gradients. Follow the path round the hill then back down to the falls. Look out for song thrushes, buzzards and pine martins, lovely mature Scots Pine, Norway Spruce, birch, rowan and heather.

### The Druim an Aird

This loop starts by following the short loop above and is marked with red arrows. Follow the arrows down to the forest track and turn right. Follow the track up the hill (about 1km) to the second junction and turn left past a quarry. After about 800 metres on the right is the entrance to the village with its loop path round houses, barns, kilns, enclosures and head dyke. To complete the loop, return to the village entrance and follow the red arrows. These take you along the top and left down the hill, then left again back to the main track. Drum an Aird is a relatively well preserved, deserted, post medieval (after 1500 approx) settlement. It sits on a high (aird) ridge (druim) and is easily accessible. This was home to Corporal Malcom Macpherson who was shot in the Tower of London after the Black Watch mutiny in 1743.

**Distance:** Falls loop ½ mile (1km). Village loop 2½ miles (4km) return. **Approximate time:** Falls loop 30 mins.

Village loop approx 1 hr.

**Start:** Both walks, A86 Druim an Aird car park. **Terrain:** Gentle unsurfaced path, forest tracks.