Scottish Mountain Bike Trails

9 ROUTE CARDS EXPLORING THE TRAILS OF THE KINGDOM OF FIFE

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We love riding in Fife and to make sure this is a popular mountain biking location for years to come, and to keep our good relationship with local landowners and other path users, we ask you to follow the advice below:

• Let other path users know you are coming as early as possible. We find a tinkle of our bell and a friendly greeting and smile help us all enjoy the paths together.

• Sometimes our fellow path users don’t hear us, so we slow down for them (sometimes even stop) and keep our patience (and our smiles)!

• Remember it’s good to go fast when you can see what is ahead, but please take care and watch your speed on blind corners and dips.

• Please take care near wildlife and leave the environment as you find it.

• If the route looks wet and fragile please go slowly (or walk) and try to stick to the line of the track.

• Help land managers and others to work safely and effectively. Respect requests for reasonable limitations on when and where you can go. See “Route Specifics” on each card.

• The route description may change over time so please be flexible with your plans and be ready to use alternative routes.

• We would recommend you use an Ordnance Survey map along with our route cards. This will help if you make a wrong turn!

• Check the weather and make sure you have all the equipment you need for your day out. If you are in any doubt please pop into one of our cycle centres or checkout www.outdoorfife.com for some friendly advice!

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GLENROTHES: ROUTE NO.1

BALBIRNIE PARK

Route Grading:
- **Easy (Green):** Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.
- **Intermediate (Blue):** Riders in good health with basic off-road riding skills. Suitable for basic Mountain Bikes.

**STARTING POINT(S)**

Balbirnie Park Car Park, Balbirnie St, Markinch, Fife, KY7 6NE. OS Map Ref. NO 292 018

**SUMMARY**

A short loop around the woodland paths of Balbirnie Park with a longer optional extension ride taking you to the Star Moss SSSI and some great views over the Firth of Forth.

**MAX HEIGHT GAINED**

133m

**LENGTH**

4.1km or 10.4kms with extension ride

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BALBIRNIE PARK

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

Take the estate road past Balbirnie House to the Golf Club. Go straight ahead through gate marked ‘Woodland Walks’ into trees. Continue onto gravel path until the Balbirnie Stone Circle. At the road, follow path into trees near ‘Bridle Path’ sign. Continue on faint path until you see the golf course (The extension route starts here).

Stay on path next to wall, following ‘Bridle Path’ signs taking care to avoid walkers on Woodland Walks. Cross stream at a small wooden bridge and go up a short hill, heading left at the top. Follow the gravel path until an opening and straight ahead at junction (The extension route finishes here).

Fork right shortly after junction and follow path to car park.

Balbirnie Park Loop Extension – marked on map

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ROUTE SPECIFICS

• Extension ride not suitable after extended wet periods as boggy in places.
• Extension ride features some short sections of public ‘B’ road, residential streets, and passes through working forests with possible grouse shooting operations Aug-Dec.
• Please check forest operations at www.forestry.gov.uk before riding route.

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WEST FIFE - KINCARDINE: ROUTE NO.2

DEVILLA FOREST LOOP

Route Grading:

- Easy (Green): Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

STARTING POINT(S)

Main Forest Car Park off the A985, approx 3.5kms from Kincardine Town Centre. OS Map Ref. NS 964 871

SUMMARY

A pleasant and mostly flat ride on forest tracks through Scots Pine trees. An extra ride on the new Red Squirrel Trail is a fun addition with points of interest and interpretation panels.

MAX HEIGHT GAINED

24m

LENGTH

9.5km Loop, Optional Red Squirrel Trail 1.8 Kms

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**DEVILLA FOREST LOOP**

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**ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

From main car park follow the forest track. At first junction head left then straight ahead at X roads, soon following a right hand bend in the trail. Head left at next junction & under pylons. At X roads head right, then right at junction through gate and right again at next junction. (Alternative access point here from Kincardine, via Tulliallan College)

Head left up hill on narrower forest track at north end of Moor Loch, soon passing under pylons. *(This section can be boggy after periods of wet weather)*. At next junction head Right on gravel path around Peppermill Dam. Straight ahead at junction (not on map) skirting the water. At large junction take the middle track straight ahead. (Access to National Cycle Network No 76, West Fife Trail from here: head left at junction)

To return to car park, head straight ahead at next junction, then left at T junction and right at final X roads. The Red Squirrel Trail is way-marked from the main car park.

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**ROUTE SPECIFICS**

- Access to Peppermill Dam section can be boggy after periods of wet weather, alternative route shown on map.
- This is a working forest.
- Please check forest operations at www.forestry.gov.uk before riding route.

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EAST NEUK: ROUTE NO.3

CRAIL TO KINGSBARNS

Route Grading:

Easy (Green): Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

STARTING POINT(S)

Marketgate North Car Park, Crail KY10 3TH
OS Map Ref. NO 613 078

SUMMARY

Low level route along a former railway linking two pretty towns in the East Neuk area of Fife.

MAX HEIGHT GAINED

30m

LENGTH

6.6 km one way

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From the Marketgate Car Park, head East away from the shops. Turn left onto track beside Balcomie Links Hotel, signed Balcomie Caravan site. Pass caravan site, forking left at end onto farm track. Continue between fields and skirting final field to arrive at A917, cross with care onto B9171 and continue for approx 500m.

Turn right onto farm track signed Core Path 69. Continue on this track through gates and fields before reaching junction with Core Path 70 to Kingsbarnes. Upon reaching Kingsbarnes village, turn left to the village square. From here you can go on to the very popular and picturesque Kingsbarnes beach.

**ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

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**ROUTE SPECIFICS**

- Note there are short, linking sections on public B roads and residential streets.
- Please be aware that this route passes through open farmland, please respect livestock and leave any gates as you find them.
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GLENROTHES: ROUTE NO.4

GLENROTHES CIRCULAR

Route Grading:

Intermediate (Blue): Riders in good health with basic off-road riding skills. Suitable for basic Mountain Bikes.

STARTING POINT(S)

Lomond Centre, Woodside Way, Glenrothes KY7 5RA
OS Map Ref. NO 286 008

SUMMARY

A loop circuiting the outskirts of Glenrothes, linking up many short sections of singletrack and multiuse trail. Can be split into North & South loops using Bobligen Way cycle path.

MAX HEIGHT GAINED

140m

LENGTH

29.5 kms

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GLENROTHES CIRCULAR

**ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

This route illustrated is best followed using a map. Although there is often a feeling of relative remoteness in some sections, in reality you are never far from the town centre and the route can be shortened as required, or ridden in sections rather than starting and finishing at the Lomond Centre as illustrated.

Sections of trail to the North of the town through Formonthills Community Wood, are managed by Woodland Trust Scotland and are newly surfaced multi use trails. Other sections to the South of the town, and some riverside sections are more involving singletrack that can get muddy after periods of wet weather.

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**ROUTE SPECIFICS**

- Some short sections of public road and farmland.
- The route description and quality of path may change over time so please remain flexible with your plans and be ready to use alternative routes. Correct at time of print Jan 2014.
- Please take care, use cycle ways where possible and leave any gates as you find them.
- Please note this ride uses some short sections of busy road and as such is not suitable for inexperienced or young riders.

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KIRKCALDY: ROUTE NO.5

DUNNIKIER PARK

Route Grading:

Easy (Green): Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

STARTING POINT(S)
Dunikkier Park, Kirkcaldy, Fife KY1 3LP
OS Map Ref: NT 277 938

SUMMARY
Short route with gentle gradient through pleasant woodland around Dunikkier Park. Middleden MTB trails are just across the road too, with a variety of trails for all abilities.

MAX HEIGHT GAINED
30m

LENGTH
5km

Route Grading:

Easy (Green): Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

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Young MTB racer from Middleden MTB Club
**ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

Leaving car park, take pavement in front of school, turning right at Rosemount ave, head straight ahead into trees on well surfaced path. Continue up gentle hill straight ahead. At left bend, head right then immediately left following Core Path arrows into Dunnikier wood on forest path in trees.

At junction follow path right, in woods between motorway way and golf course. Skirt edge of golf course, following path to the right. Follow path left at Junctions, eventually leaving the park and arriving back at the cycleway. Follow this to return to the car park.

For the Middleden MtB Trails, cross the road and head into Middleden Wood, directly opposite the School. There are several trails here ranging from easy Green graded routes to more challenging Blue and Red routes with technical features, jumps and water splashes. All built and maintained by the Middleden MtB Club, full details are online.

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**ROUTE SPECIFICs**

- Park next to the football pitches next to the School, at the entrance to Dunnikier Park.
- Short sections of public residential road and access road for Dunnikier House Hotel.
- For more information on Middleden MTB Club trails please visit: www.middledenmtb.co.uk

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LOCHGELLY: ROUTE NO.6
LOCHORE MEADOWS COUNTRY PARK

Route Grading:
- Easy (Green): Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

STARTING POINT(S)
Lochore Meadows Country Park Outdoor Education Centre KY5 8BA. OS Map Ref. NT 171 959

SUMMARY
A well surfaced, gently undulating path around Lochore with other purpose built mountain bike trails leaving from the same location (information/maps available locally).

MAX HEIGHT GAINED
5m

LENGTH
5.3km max

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LOCHORE MEADOWS COUNTRY PARK

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

From car park, head through gate opposite Outdoor Education Centre (green buildings) into grassy field. Follow asphalt path through bushes and skirting water. Head right across bridge into trees, and right again at the T junction.

Through 1st gate into a field on a well surfaced path beside the loch. Straight ahead at junction in trees after 1st double gate. Then through a further 2 gates before reaching junction with interpretation panel. Here, choose straight ahead for a diversion to the bird hide, or right to continue loop across bridge onto asphalt path.

At T junction after gate, head right onto Fife cycleway. *Attention, vehicle access to loch*. Through gate and right onto loch side path again to return to the car park.

For the White Woods Bike Park, follow signed single track trail from the Outdoor Education Centre, past a skills loop and eventually through the forest to the White Wood. Here you will find a variety of graded trails and technical features, as well as jump lines of varying difficulty.

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ROUTE SPECIFIC

- This route passes through open farmland in places and a Nature Reserve.
- Please respect wildlife and livestock - leave any gates as you find them.
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**PITMEDDEN FOREST: ROUTE NO.7**

**PITCAIRLIE HILL**

**Route Grading:**
- **Easy (Green):** Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

**STARTING POINT(S)**
Pitmedden Forest Track between Auchtermuchty and Glenfoot. OS Map Ref. NO 193 137

**SUMMARY**
An undulating route on forest tracks with spectacular views across Fife, the River Tay, Perthshire and Tayside. A great choice on a clear day with plenty of other informal routes to explore within a popular forest for mountain bikers.

**MAX HEIGHT GAINED**
65m

**LENGTH**
19km

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PITCAIRLIE HILL

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

The start point can be accessed from the North via Glenfoot, or the South via Auchtermuchty, parking is available in lay-bys at the side of the main forest track.

From start point head north through the gate on forest track, up a short hill and follow main track for 2.8 undulating kms. Spectacular views to the South and East over Fife and towards the North Sea along this stretch.

At a left corner heading downhill, go straight ahead through gate and immediately straight ahead at junction, up-hill. Take 1st junction left to start skirting Pitcairlie Hill, initially up-hill before a fun winding descent skirts the hill and brings you back to the junction. Take a moment to stop for a drink on the descent and admire the views over the Tay from the bench! Return through the gate and retrace your route to the start.

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ROUTE SPECIFICS

• This is a working forest.
• Please use 'check before you go' information on forest operations at www.forestry.gov.uk/scotland before riding route.

• Help land managers and others to work safely and effectively. See Route Specifics.
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**NEWBURGH: ROUTE NO.8**

**RIVER TAY FIFE COASTAL PATH**

**Route Grading:**

- **Difficult (Red):** Proficient Mountain Bikers with good off-road riding skills & fitness. Suitable for good Mountain Bikes.

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**STARTING POINT(S)**

Cupar Rd, Newburgh KY14 6HA
OS Map Ref. NO 240 182

**SUMMARY**

A fantastic ride with stunning views above the River Tay, accessing Norman’s Law, one of Fife’s highest hills and the Eastern most peak in the Ochil Fault. Some challenging climbs and exposed hill sides make this suitable for more experienced riders.

**MAX HEIGHT GAINED**

225m

**LENGTH**

9.5km max

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Free car parking is available at the East end of Newburgh, opposite the petrol station. The Cafe in the petrol station is a Fife Coastal Path “Welcome Port” where you can buy supplies and use the toilets.

Leaving the car park, cross the main road, onto Abbey Rd. At Parkhill farm, turn right onto way-marked Coastal Path (CP) by pond, across 2 fields up-hill to bottom edge of woods. Head left onto farm track, uphill. Continue across open fields on well defined grass track, following CP way-marking posts through gates. At narrow patch of trees, head left on singletrack, right at junction onto farm track uphill & along the edge of a field.

Head left through gate, into narrow grass path between fields, then tree plantations following CP signs.

Follow farm track down hill & left at signed junction. Continue into field following grass path skirting the edge, uphill. Rejoin farm track at cottages and follow signs to Aytoun Woods, climbing steeply uphill to the shoulder of Normans Law. At left hairpin, a track on the right signed Norman Wood allows most direct (walking) route to summit.

Return via same route, or extend by continuing around Norman's Law and follow either CP signs onto public roads, or footpaths to Luthrie & Brunton, or Aytoun.

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**RIVER TAY FIFE COASTAL PATH**

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**ROUTE SPECIFICS**

- This route crosses exposed hill sides and open farmland so please ensure you are properly prepared, respect livestock and leave any gates as you find them.
- There are sections of private working forest, follow any local diversions in place.
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TAY ESTUARY: ROUTE NO.9
TENTSMUIR FOREST

Route Grading:

- Easy (Green): Suitable for all types of Mountain Bike and most riders.

STARTING POINT(S)
Follow signs for Kinshaldy Beach from B945 Leuchars to Tayport Road, KY16 ODR. OS Map Ref. NO 498 242

SUMMARY
A flat forest popular with families. An extensive forest track network and access to Kinshaldy Beach as well as BBQ sites, toilets and playpark.

MAX HEIGHT GAINED
4m

LENGTH
8.8km

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**Route Description**

Car parking is £2 all day, correct change required. Please note: The gate is locked overnight and visitors should check the closing time on the entrance board to prevent being locked in.

From the car park, follow the main forest track through the gate and continue on this, ignoring any junctions for approx 4 kms. You’ll pass various interest points such as the Ice House and March Stone with interpretation panels, as well as access to the Tentsmuir Point Nature Reserve.

At the point, the track curves left and this is a good detour to the beach for views of the Tay Estuary and beyond into Angus.

At the first major junction after the point, (second on map) head left on a surfaced forest track and follow this line of Beech trees back towards the car park. At junction marker 2, follow the sign left to return to the car park near the gate.

**Route Specifics**

- This is a working forest, please follow diversions as advised.
- Please use ‘check before you go’ information on forest operations at www.forestry.gov.uk/scotland before riding route.

**Do The Ride Thing**

We love riding this route and to keep our good relationship with local landowners and other path users we ask you to follow the advice below:

- Let other path users know you are coming as early as possible.
- Please watch your speed, especially on blind corners and dips.
- Please take extra care near wildlife and leave the environment as you find it.
- Help land managers and others to work safely and effectively. See ‘Route Specifics’.
- Check the weather forecast and ensure you have all the equipment you need for your route.
- If you are in any doubt please pop into one of our cycle centres for advice!
- The route description and quality of path may change over time so please remain flexible with your plans and be ready to use alternative routes. Correct at time of print Jan 2014.