

●●● Blue Route - Balcanquhal Circular

10km - 2½ hrs walking - 1 hrs cycling

The blue route is the second shortest of the four circuits and is mostly on minor roads or good paths through open countryside, with no steps or stiles, but some moderately steep gradients. The route includes the historic sites of Arngask Church and Balvaird Castle as well as fine views of the Lomond Hills and the Howe of Fife.

Starting from the village shop, go East along Ladeside and cross the B996 at the Hotel. Follow the path opposite crossing the motorway and continue up the road on the other side. At the brow of the hill past the last cottage, take the track heading left to visit the ruins of Arngask Church before returning back to the point at which you left the main route. Turn left downhill on the road you were earlier on arriving shortly at a t-junction. Turn right and continue along this road past the Commonwealth Graves Cemetery until the road reaches a sharp turn to the left. Continue along this road heading gently uphill passing through the Hilton of Balcanquhal. When you reach the next junction in the road take the left spur heading west. In a short distance turn right down the hill to visit Balvaird Castle. Return back to the point where you left the main route and continue west. Follow the road all the way round and down until you reach a t-junction at the bottom of the hill. Turn left until you reach the next t-junction and then turn right up the hill and retrace your steps back to the village shop.

●●● Red Route - Lochelbank & Dron Hill

14km - 3½hrs walking - 2hrs cycling

The red route is the second longest of the four circuits and includes hill tracks and rough terrain as well as some possible gate climbing. There is also a burn crossing on the optional part of the route. The route offers impressive views in all directions from the high points of Cairn Geddes and Dron Hill.

Starting from the village shop, go north across the River Farg before turning left onto Hayfield Road. At the end of Hayfield road, turn right up the hill and remain on this road for just over 4km. Just after Heatherleys Farm the road passes between two stands of pine trees. On the corner a long straight track goes off to your right heading directly toward the wind farm. Follow this track through the wind farm,

eventually turning east, heading out of the windfarm. Just off the track to the right is Cairn Geddes the highest point on the route at 278m. Continue along the track until you reach the next junction. Turn north here and follow the Wallace Road signs towards Dron Hill. On the way you will need to cross a stile and ford the Dron Burn. Retrace your steps back to the windfarm exit and head east downhill towards Lochelbank Farm. Take the left spur round the back of the sheds as you pass the farm, eventually emerging onto the Wicks o' Baiglie Road. Turn right down the hill and follow the road back to the village

●●● Purple Route - Reservoir Circular

15km - 4hrs walking - 2½hrs cycling

The purple route is the longest of the four circuits and includes hill tracks and rough and moderately steep terrain. The route traverses around the reservoir and offers great views in all directions.

Starting from the village shop, cross over to Church Brae and follow the road up the hill. Stay on this road for the next 3km until you reach the junction signposted for Path of Condie. Turn right up this road and follow it for 4½km until you reach a track heading up to the right signposted Craighead Farm. After about 1km you approach the farm but before you reach it, take the spur that goes round to the left and avoids the farm entirely. Beyond the farm continue along the track for a further 2km until you reach the head of the reservoir. The track continues on from here across an open field before eventually reaching the Glenfarg to Ardargie road. At this point you can either turn left to continue on the red route or turn right to follow the road back to the village.

This leaflet is just a rough guide. Those who follow these routes must accept responsibility for their own actions and safety. Please ensure you have the necessary fitness and equipment before you set off on any of these walks. The members of Glenfarg Path Network cannot be held responsible for any misfortune suffered by any individual whilst doing these walks. Please follow the Scottish Outdoor Access Code and respect other land users. All the sections of these routes which are not on public highway, follow Core Paths which allows non-motorised public access, however many sections cross agricultural land which may contain livestock or crops. If this is the case, please follow the guidance set out in the Outdoor Access Code.

For further information about the routes, Core Paths, the SOAC, or the Glenfarg Local Path Network please go to www.glenfarg.org

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A guide to walks around the village of Glenfarg and surrounding areas

●●● Green Route - Duncrive Circular

4.2km - 1 hr walking - 30 mins cycling

The green route is the shortest of the four circuits and is mostly on minor roads or good paths through open countryside, with no steps or stiles, but some fairly steep gradients. The route offers views west over Glenfarg reservoir towards the Turret Hills, as well as elevated views of Glenfarg and views east to the Lomond hills.

Starting from the village shop, cross over to Church Brae and follow the road up the hill. Stay on this road for just over a kilometre until you reach the Candy crossroads. Turn left up the steep hill and continue on this road over Hilton of Duncrive before dropping down into Duncrive village. Turn right at the t-junction and then immediately left onto Calford Brae. When you reach the B996 at the bottom of the hill, turn left and after a short distance turn left again following the well maintained path through the community woodland. When the woodland path joins a broader tarmaced path, turn right and follow the path through Wallace Park and then along Duncrive Road returning to the starting point at the village shop.

