

Do more walking

WALK 4

Camore Woods and Lonemore

Distance: 4.5 miles
 Time: 2.5 hours
 Grade: Flat easy walking on woodland paths and roads
 Suitable for: Children and dogs
 Picnic tables: Two in Camore Woods
 Starting point: Cathedral Green

Description: Camore Woods has a natural play area which includes tunnels, dens, a fort and games for children. Soak up the tranquility of the forest whilst watching out for buzzards hunting voles and woodland birds feasting on wild raspberries in summer. Hidden in the forest are more than 25 hut circles and chambered cairns. The first section of the walks is on pavements and the last section is on a single track road. You can also drive to this wood instead of walking the loop from the town centre and choose 30 minute or 1.5 hour forest paths.

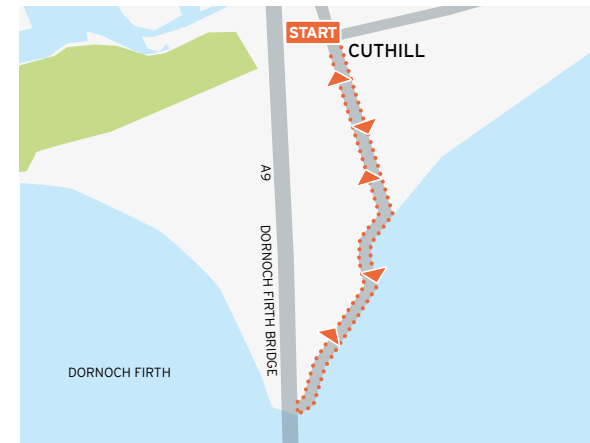


WALK 5

Cuthill links

Distance: 2 miles
 Time: 1 hour
 Grade: Flat easy walking, stones underfoot once on the beach
 Suitable for: Children and dogs
 Starting point: Cuthill (Limited car parking)

Description: This walk starts from Cuthill, about 3 miles outside Dornoch. The path leads from the road, past fields and down onto the shores of the Dornoch Firth. You will end up on a small peninsula, giving you fantastic views east and west as well as an unusual view of the Dornoch Bridge from below.



WALK 6

Tain Hill

Distance: 1 mile
 Time: 3/4 hour
 Grade: Some steep gradients on waymarked forest paths
 Suitable for: Children and dogs
 Picnic tables: Yes
 Starting point: Tain Hill Forest Car Park, Quarry Road

Description: Head to Tain on A9 and follow the bypass until you see the brown sign to 'Tain Hill Forest Walk' on the right hand side. The car park is one mile up this road. This is a circular walk, up Tain hill and past the remains of the disused quarry, with spectacular views of Tarbat Ness and the Dornoch Firth from the top.



WALK 7

Skelbo Woods

Distance: 1.5 miles
 Time: 1 hour
 Grade: Some steep gradients on waymarked forest paths
 Suitable for: Children and dogs
 Picnic tables: Yes
 Starting point: Skelbo Forestry Commission car park, Skelbo Street

Description: A great family walk. Follow the trail of carved wooden animals through this lovely wood, 3 miles north of Dornoch. Pass the pond and picnic area as you walk through Scots Pine woodland towards Skelbo Burn. During this walk you will also see the remains of a 2000 year old Broch, as well as enjoy great sea views and beautiful wildflowers in summer.



SEVEN WALKS IN AND AROUND DORNOCH



WALKS AROUND DORNOCH

INTRODUCTION

No holiday in Scotland would be complete without a walk to enjoy the scenery and wildlife. You can do it all from Dornoch - woodland walks, hill walking or a stroll along our beautiful beaches, each one building lasting memories you'll treasure. Dornoch enjoys the enviable climate of the Moray Firth, one of Scotland's driest and sunniest regions, but do make sure you take appropriate clothing just in case, as the weather can change quickly.

This leaflet is designed to give the visitor a range of interesting walks both around the town and in the surrounding countryside. Most of the walks are over relatively flat ground and are easy going. All routes are covered by the Ordnance Survey Landranger Map number 21 (Dornoch Firth). We have also produced separate sheets on each individual walk which have more in-depth information and step-by-step directions. These can be found in the Visitor Centre. Remember to always keep dogs under control and follow the country code. Some of the walks go over private ground, so please respect property.



WALK 1

Circular walk from Dornoch Town Centre to Dornoch Beach

Distance: 1.25 miles
 Time: 30 minutes
 Grade: Flat, easy walking on pavements and quiet roads
 Suitable for: Children, dogs and wheelchairs
 Picnic tables: At beach car park
 Starting point: Cathedral Green

Description: A leisurely stroll which takes you out of the town centre and past the caravan park to the beach. On the way you will pass the Witch's Stone on Carnaig Street (the spot where the last execution in Scotland for witchcraft took place). There is a play park for children on your right just before you reach the beach. Come straight back along the road through the Royal Dornoch Golf Course or spend some time relaxing on the beach before returning to Dornoch. Please respect golfers and wait quietly while strokes are played.

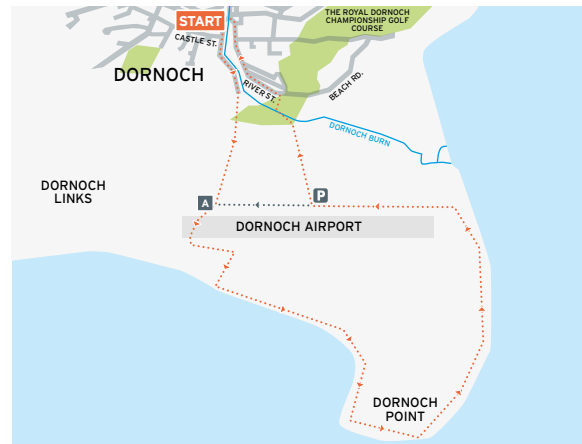


WALK 2

Dornoch Point

Distance: 4 miles
 Time: 2.5 hours
 Grade: Flat walking on grass, beach and sand dunes
 Suitable for: Older Children and dogs
 Starting point: Cathedral Green

Description: An excellent coastal walk with good opportunities to spot seabirds and seals. From the Point there are fantastic views westwards up the Dornoch Firth towards the Kyle of Sutherland and the mountains beyond. Care needs to be taken whilst at the Point to ensure you are not cut off by incoming tides (check tide times at the Visitor Centre). Good walking shoes or boots required, as there is some uneven and potentially wet ground. For a shorter walk drive to the Airfield and join the walk at point A.



WALK 3

Embo via the old Railway line

Distance: 5.25 miles
 Time: 2.5-3.5 hours
 Grade: Flat, easy walking on roads, beach and pathways
 Suitable for: Children and dogs
 Starting point: Cathedral Green

Description: This lovely circular walk from Dornoch to Embo and back takes in many different landscapes. During this walk you will pass through woodland, fields and beaches and walk alongside the world-famous Royal Dornoch Golf Course. Please respect golfers and wait quietly while strokes are played. On the way out you will get great views northwards towards Golspie and the Sutherland hills, whilst on the return you can view the historic skyline of Dornoch and the lighthouse of Tarbet Ness across the Dornoch Firth.



INFORMATION / RESOURCES

All the walks are available on the free Discover Dornoch Mobile App, available from the App Store, Google Play and Windows Store

see <http://www.visitdornoch.com/apps/>

Walkhighlands: www.walkhighlands.co.uk

Council Rangers: www.outdoorhighlands.co.uk

Forestry Commission: scotland.forestry.gov.uk

For more activities to enjoy on your holiday please see www.visitdornoch.com



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Do join us in Dornoch for a walk! Enjoy our lovely town, beaches, hills and surrounding countryside. Dornoch is an ideal walking base for the whole family, for dog-walkers or, if you prefer to walk in solitude, it's the perfect place to get away from it all.