



SCOTLAND

Loch Garten Nature Centre
Open April to October



Welcome Hub
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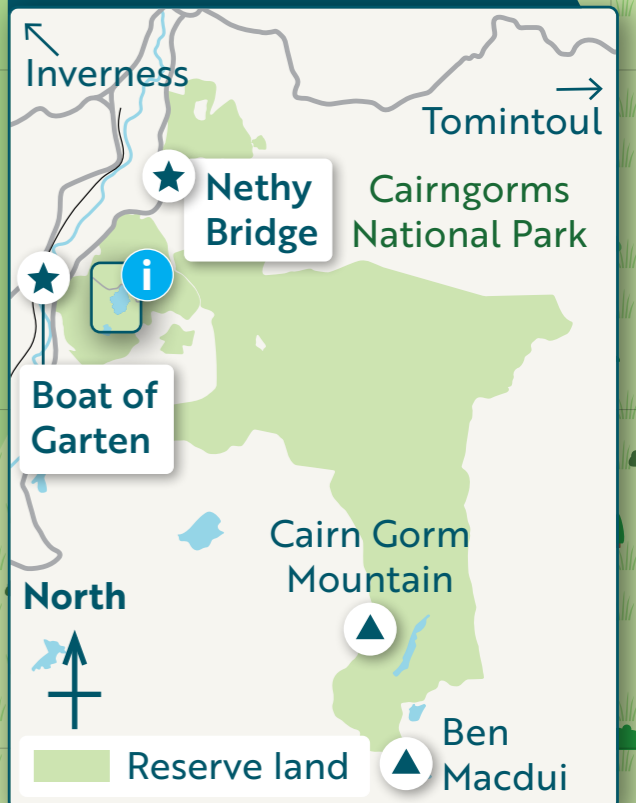


- Car park
- Bike parking
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- Information
- Toilets
- Accessible toilets
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- Baby changing
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- All terrain wheelchairs available
- Viewpoint (showing direction of view)
- Coach parking
- Benches and perches
- 5%10m
Gradient (higher is steeper) and distance
- Path
- Road
- Bog Woodland
- Woodland
- Bog

Walking speed based on 2 miles per hour at a gentle pace.

250m
≈ 5 minutes

Abernethy Reserve boundary



To Nethy Bridge

Nature Trail

Big Pines Trail

Two Lochs Trail

Loch Garten

Loch Mallachie

To Boat of Garten

Speyside Way

14%15m

12%40m

12%30m

34%34m

12%17m

14%53m

23%20m

14%34m

9%50m

12%15m

14%50m

18%15m

16%15m

16%10m

9%30m

23%23m

14%44m

14%40m

16%25m

11%30m

14%50m

18%30m

7%20m

18%15m

14%20m

16%40m

14%90m

- Dogs on lead April 1 – August 31
- Dogs under close control September 1 – March 31
- No fires or BBQs at any time

Discover Loch Garten



Visit the Nature Centre to catch up on this season's Osprey family drama.

Two Lochs Trail

2.7 km (1.7 miles),
50-minute loop walk
Gradient: up to 22%



Trail conditions

A mainly wide and firm path with some loose stones and uneven areas. There is a section near the Loch Mallachie viewpoint where there is a 22% slope over 23 metres.

Description

Take a peaceful stroll through towering Scots Pine trees and enjoy the vista from two beautiful viewpoints. The first overlooking Loch Garten and the second allows you to enjoy the tranquil delights of Loch Mallachie. You might be able to spot Goldeneyes and Greylag Geese on the lochs and Crossbills, Crested Tits and Red Squirrels in the tree canopy.

Good to know

The start point of this trail can be accessed from the Loch Mallachie Car Park, or if you've come along the Big Pines Trail, simply cross the road to the start of the trail at the car park..

There are benches and places to perch along the trail and at the two viewpoints.



Key

 Viewpoint

Big Pines Trail

1.6km (1 mile) there-and-back
35-minutes to walk there-and-back
Gradient: up to 34%



Trail conditions

This path is about 1 metre wide with some passing places. It has a mainly firm surface with some loose stones and uneven sections. There's one section with a 34% slope over a 34 metre distance.

Description

This trail features some of the biggest Scots Pines on the nature reserve and some fabulous bits of dead wood, which support many species and is vital for a healthy forest. There might be Great Spotted Woodpeckers and Crested Tits flitting between the trees, and in July and August look for the delicate flowers of the Creeping Ladies Tresses Orchids.

Good to know

You may wish to continue on from this Trail to walk the Two Lochs loop.

There are benches and perches to rest on along the trail, as well as two fallen trees, which make good natural places to perch.



Breathe in the peace and tranquility of Loch Garten.

For a general visitor map, please scan the QR code



Site facilities

If there's anything we can do to help during your visit, please contact us in advance, or ask when you arrive.

There's a wide, level path from the car park to the welcome kiosk and an incline up to the Nature Centre. There's stepped or ramped access to the Nature Centre and the centre and toilets have level thresholds from the decking. The Nature Centre has a mobile hearing loop system that can be moved around as needed. There's seating both inside and outside when the centre's open.

You can borrow a manual assisted wheelchair from the Nature Centre welcome kiosk. We recommend you contact us to book this in advance.

Out and about

Please read the trail descriptions for details of the surfaces and gradients so that you can decide if they're suitable for you. For full details on accessibility, please visit [rspb.org.uk/lochgarten](https://www.rspb.org.uk/lochgarten)



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