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Work in progress to improve this area for wildlife. Ask us for more information about this project.

Loch Leven

Loch Leven Heritage Trail

Gillman Hide

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Visitor Hub

Waterston Hide

Wildflower Meadow Trail *(seasonal)*

Carden Hide

Entrance

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Leafy Loop

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Vane Hill summit

Sleeping Giant Path

150m

200m

250m

Reserve boundary

100m ≈ 2 mins

Walking speed based on 2mph at a gentle pace.

Please keep your dog in sight and under close control or on a lead. Well behaved dogs are welcome in the Visitor Hub, café and Gillman Hide. Help keep Loch Leven a special place for nature. Assistance dogs are welcome throughout.

North

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Discover Loch Leven

Lapwings may be seen from the Wetland Trail in spring.

Wetland Trail

800m (½ mile)
30-minute walk
Gradient: up to 18%
Steps: 0

A low-level route with stop off points at three hides and two pond dipping areas that bring you close to the wildlife on the pools and wet grassland. There can be thousands of Pink-footed Geese in autumn, and tumbling displaying Lapwings in spring.

What is the trail like?

A mainly flat, wide hard surface path, with a short, slightly steep section to the first hide. There's a swing gate near the end of the trail. Some sections stay wet after heavy rain.

Woodland Trail

1.6km (1 mile)
45-minute walk
Gradient: up to 25%
Steps: 472

A scenic route through mainly birch woodland, accompanied by the earthy scent of mosses. There might be birds such as Long-tailed Tits, Treecreepers, and tit flocks in winter.

What is the trail like?

This narrow, earth path has long steep sections with many steps. The surface can be loose in places and muddy after heavy rain.

Loch Leven Heritage Trail

21km (13 miles)
Up to 6½ hours walk

This long, circular trail goes beyond the extent of the RSPB nature reserve and goes all the way around Loch Leven. It takes you past some of the most attractive parts of the loch, where ducks, geese and swans enjoy the water.

What is the trail like?

This is a wide, all-purpose path. It is mostly flat with some moderate slopes, and includes accessible bridges.

Viewpoint Trail

2km (1¼ miles)
30-minute walk
Gradient: up to 27%
Steps: 187

This trail is a loop off the Woodland Trail. At the final ascent of this trail through the woodland fringe, Blaeberry transitions to purple Heather in summer. There's a breathtaking view for miles around. Look out for Meadow Pipits, Skylarks, Ravens and Peregrines.

What is the trail like?

A challenging climb up a very steep, narrow, earth path with steps. There are some rough surfaces, which can be muddy after heavy rain.

- Suitable for cycles
- Challenging terrain
- Dogs under close control

Leafy Loop

450m (¼ mile)
15-minute walk
Gradient: up to 18%
Steps: 0

This trail takes you through a young woodland, with birdsong as your soundtrack. There might be butterflies in the open glades, and possibly Red Squirrels too.

What is the trail like?

A one-metre wide, hard surface with a short, gentle slope. There is a bench halfway round the trail. This path is suitable for pushchairs and wheelchairs from the picnic area entrance.

Look out for Red Squirrels on the Leafy Loop.

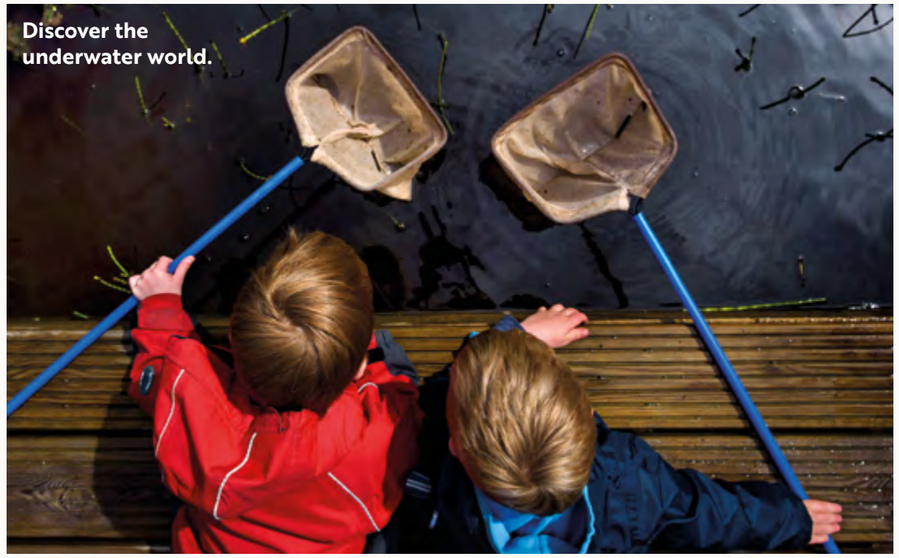
Sleeping Giant Path

7km (4½ miles)
3-hour walk
Gradient: up to 23%

Are you ready for an invigorating, steep trail through the woodland on Vane Hill? Here you can take in stunning views of Loch Leven. The path continues over Benarty Hill and on to Lochore Meadows Country Park.

What is the trail like?

A wide, hardcore path with long, steep sections. Some areas are uneven with loose surfaces and there are some rough patches. Parts of this path are challenging.



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