IN BLOOM 2020
DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY
GARDENS & NURSERIES

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From palm-fringed coasts in the west and south to rugged moorlands in the north and east, you’ll find a huge variety of landscapes in this magnificent part of Scotland, as well as a wide spectrum of flora and fauna. A wonderful range of gardens and specialist nurseries thrive here too, all run by gardening enthusiasts who are happy to share their passion and offer advice.

Blessed by a mild oceanic climate, as well as free-draining and lime-free soil, Dumfries & Galloway provides the ideal growing conditions for many plant species. Being less exposed to harsh winds and hard frosts means that a diverse range of delicate blooms from the southern hemisphere grow happily alongside hardier plants, such as rhododendrons and azaleas. The climate and soils unite with the skills and passion of our gardeners to make Galloway a haven for garden enthusiasts, with an unparalleled number of gardens and nurseries waiting for you to explore. Dumfries & Galloway’s spectacular gardens all have their own unique stories to tell. If you’re looking for advice on which plants to grow in your own garden, the region is home to a wide range of specialist nurseries where you can browse rare and unusual plants, be inspired with ideas and get expert advice from knowledgeable staff, discover new plants and arrange for them to be delivered.

Keep an eye out for events and exhibitions in gardens across the region during your stay. You can find some of these listed on pages 7 and 8. To help raise money for charity, many gardens that are not normally open to the public will open their gates for one or two days each year as part of Scotland’s Gardens. A list of those open in Dumfries & Galloway can be found on pages 4 to 6 or visit www.scotlandsgardens.org for more information.

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- The warm air of the Gulf Stream allows for a wealth of inspirational gardens & nurseries throughout the area.
- Look out for wildlife in the water and on the land, especially in the region’s National Nature Reserves, National Scenic Areas, the Galloway Forest Park and in the forests of the Solway Coast.
- For a great day out, visit historic castles and abbeys located close to our beautiful gardens.
- Pop in to a VisitScotland iCentre and pick up your free copy of our Dumfries & Galloway Explore guide for more great ideas for fantastic days out.
Every year Scotland’s Garden Scheme offers around 500 gardens to visit - many of these are privately owned and normally not open to public. There are all types of gardens of horticultural interest: large and small, allotments, villages, kitchen gardens, snowdrops, autumn colours, winter walks and so on. Garden Openers may nominate charities to receive 60% of the funds raised at their gardens openings and the 40% net is shared between Scotland’s Gardens Scheme beneficiaries: Maggie’s, The Queen’s Nursing Institute Scotland and Perennial. Through our many Gardens open days we support around 250 different charities every year.

Go to www.scotlandsgardens.org to find out more about the gardens listed here and to purchase the 2020 Guidebook that includes hundreds of garden openings across the country.

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### What’s On

1 March - 30 April
**In and Out of the Garden**
Galloway by local painter Jenny Edwards.
[www.rbge.org.uk](http://www.rbge.org.uk)

12 May
**Guided Walk: the magic of Spring**
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Step into Spring with a member of the gardening team and enjoy the stunning delights in the guided walk.
[www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on)

9 June
**Guided Walk: Never ending colour**
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Come and enjoy a splendid walk and see summer sensations in this Exotic Garden!
[www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on)

14 July
**Guided Walk: The Magic of Summer**
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
See the vibrant colours and textures sparkle and lighten up the garden in a floral firework display. Salvia, Osteospermum, Penstemon and Fuschia are now in their element!
[www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on)

11 August
**Guided Walk: the Height of Summer**
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Come along and enjoy the Garden at one of its best times at the height of summer. See the stunning displays of waterlilies, exotic cannas and dazzling dieramas.
[www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on)

25 August
**Guided Walk: Never Ending Summer**
Discover the spectacular summer delights at Scotland’s most exotic Garden. Enjoy this late summer tour with a member of the gardening team.
[www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on](http://www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on)

29 August (10am-5pm)
**Moffat Show**
St Anns, Moffat
Agricultural show with cattle, sheep, horses also craft tent, tug o’ war, horticultural, floral arts, home industries, trade stands and an appearance of the Scottish lumberjacks.
[www.moffatshow.co.uk](http://www.moffatshow.co.uk)
8 September (10.30am-12noon)
Guided Walk: The Tail End of Summer
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Enjoy an autumnal tour around the garden in the company of one of the gardeners. See the early autumn joys on offer including Agapanthus, Eucryphia and Fascicularia.
www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on

22 September (10.30am-12noon)
Guided Walk: Sensational September Delights
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Experience the changing of the seasons as the garden progresses into autumn. See the daisies, tree ferns and palms on the guided tour.
www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on

1 October-15 November (10am-5pm)
Scottish Nature Photography Exhibition
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Stunning photographs of Scotland’s iconic coasts, wildlife and nature.
www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on

13 October (10.30am-12noon)
Guided Walk: Early Autumn Shades
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Enjoy a guided walk taking in the garden highlights including many grasses, Salvias, Dahlias and autumn flowering bulbs.
www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on

10 November (10.30am-12noon)
Guided Walk: Logan’s Last Walk
Logan Botanic Garden, Port Logan
Enjoy the last guided walk of the season with one of the horticulturists. See the final autumnal delights as the winter blooms start to appear.
www.rbge.org.uk/whats-on

Discover more of Dumfries & Galloway. Our friendly information experts can offer advice on what’s on and where to go, book accommodation and arrange tickets for events, activities and transport across Scotland.

We are also proud to promote local artisans through our Shop Local initiative. Inspired by our beautiful views and landscapes, we have gifts from local artists, designers and crafts people so we’re sure to help you find the perfect Scottish souvenir.

Check out our opening times at
visitscotland.com/iCentre

64 Whitesands, Dumfries
DG1 2RS – 01387 253862

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KEY TO SYMBOLS

Each entry has a range of symbols giving you extra “at a glance” useful information to help you plan your day.

Tearoom/Café
Toilets available
Dogs allowed
Guide dogs only
Car parking adjacent
Coach parking adjacent
Baby changing facilities
Special play areas
Assisted wheelchair access
Unassisted wheelchair access
Access for visitors with mobility difficulties
Wheelchair accessible toilets
Information in audio/induction loop

Information in large print
Credit cards
Children’s licence
Group discount
Vegetarian meals provided
Vegan meals provided
Green Tourism Business Scheme Gold Award
Green Tourism Business Scheme Silver Award
Green Tourism Business Scheme Bronze Award
Local bus route (* denotes a walk of up to 1 mile from the nearest bus stop). For more information on local bus routes see below.

The information denoted by symbols in each entry has been provided by the individual gardens and not verified by VisitScotland. Green Tourism Awards information can be found at www.green-tourism.com. Star ratings and Taste Out Best awards are verified by VisitScotland.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Route Index

Each garden listing within this guide notes the most appropriate bus route number. Where there may be a short walk (of up to 1 mile) from the nearest bus stop an * is shown. Please let the driver know which attraction you are visiting, so you can be dropped off at the nearest point. Look out for the destinations below on the front of the bus.


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SECRET GARDEN AT LIME ORCHID

Through the back of Lime Orchid in our secret garden we stock a large selection of plants for all seasons, alpines, perennials, shrubs, ferns, hostas, heathers, bulbs, etc. Also in Lime Orchid we have gifts for all occasions, fresh flowers and a large selection of artificial flowers and fascinators. All year round winter wonderland Christmas shop, wedding flowers, funeral flowers and monumental plaques.

Lime Orchid, 45 Queen Street, Stranraer DG9 7LQ
T: 01776 707222 | lizloch@hotmail.com | www.limeorchid.net
Location: Stranraer town centre. 365/500
Open: All year
Admission: Free.
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**Castle Kennedy Gardens**

“One of the showplaces of Galloway” the Gardens are located on an isthmus between two lochs, and extend to 75 acres of sculptured, landscaped, terraces, avenues and gardens. With the romantic ruins of 16th century Castle Kennedy at one end, and Lochinch Castle at the other, these famous Gardens with year round interest are well worth visiting. Originally designed in 1730 by the 2nd Earl of Stair who was Ambassador to France, and greatly influenced by Versailles, they are full of history and showcase rare and exotic plants.

Perfect for exploring, the gardens are a plants-man’s paradise and contain many Champion trees (tallest or largest of their type), spectacular rhododendrons, magnolias and azaleas, a Monkey Puzzle Avenue, a beautiful herbaceous Walled Garden and a 2 acre circular Lily Pond. Discover more with the guided walks, two birds hides, family fun ranger activities and the summer open air theatre and cinema.

The Earl & Countess of Stair, Castle Kennedy, Stranraer DG9 8SJ
Office T: 01776 702024  Gardens T: 01581 400225
marketing@castlekennedygardens.com
www.castlekennedygardens.co.uk

**Location:** 3 miles east of Stranraer on A75. 3/40*/500*

**Open:** Gardens, Tearoom, Gift Shop and Plant Centre 28 Mar – 31 Oct, Daily 10am – 5pm | Feb – Mar, Weekend Only

**Admission:** Adult £5.50, Child £2, Conc £4.50, Family £12

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**Glenwhan Garden & Tearoom and Arboretum**

Glenwhan is described as one of the most Beautiful Gardens in Scotland, 28391 situated 300ft above the spectacular Luce Bay & The Mull of Galloway. A labour of love, this Garden has been described by Kenneth Cox in his book “Scotland for Gardeners” as “a fine achievement on an impressive scale”. 40 years ago there was nothing but bracken, gorse and the odd willow, but with the warming influences of the Gulf Stream, magnificent collections of plants from round the world are flourishing.

The focus of the Garden is round attractive lakes, with masses of seasonal colour, where you may see wildfowl, many birds, and red squirrels. An added bonus is a 17 acre Moorland Walk with over 120 species of wildflowers and ferns, together with a numbered Tree Trail. Winding paths and well placed seats lead the visitor on, to all the viewpoints. Peace and tranquillity reign in this truly remarkable garden, where visitors fondly return year after year.

Dunragit, by Stranraer DG9 8PH
T/F: 01581 400222  tess@glenwhangardens.co.uk
www.glenwhangardens.co.uk

**Location:** One mile off A75 at Dunragit village. 430*

**Open:** Gardens open all year.
Tea room open Easter - end Sept.

**Admission:** Adult £6, Child £1.50, Family £13 up to 3 children. Season ticket £18. Concessions £4.50. Free Entry to RHS Member, on production of Card every Saturday.

A Marquee seating 100 persons may be hired for Weddings and Functions A bespoke Shepherds Hut accommodates singles and couples. Contact Tessa on 0778 799 0702

Parties catered for with some prior notice. Tearoom open daily serving delicious homefare.

DOGS are ALLOWED STRICTLY ON LEADS.
These historic gardens were created in 1740 by Lord Garlies, elder son of the 5th Earl of Galloway and are still maintained according to his original plans as informal pleasure grounds where wild flowers and plants have their place beside more exotic cultivated species.

In early spring the gardens are bright with snowdrops and daffodils, followed by a display of rhododendrons, azaleas and many fine trees, including a Handkerchief Tree (Davidia involucrata), flowering in late May. Enjoy peaceful walks among the lovely old trees and shrubs to the quiet seashore and sandy bay.

Garlieston, Newton Stewart DG8 8HF
T: 01988 600680
info@gallowayhousegardens.co.uk
www.gallowayhousegardens.co.uk

Open: All year
1 March - 31 October 9am - 5pm.
May be open on advertised days or by individual prior arrangement (see website for Visitor information and contact details).
Coaches by Prior arrangement only.
Admission: £4 per car. Donations at collection box.

Situated in the old county town of Wigtown, Scotland’s Book Town, Bayview Nursery is within the walled garden of the Wigtown House Hotel having spectacular views overlooking Wigtown Bay and nature reserve.

Best in show and gold medal winner at the Galloway Garden Festival, Bayview Nursery has an extensive and eclectic range of plants. The vast majority of our range is grown on site with the remainder being locally sourced. Many are unusual and rarely available. Our aim is to give a warm welcome to all customers providing the right plants for the right place and cultivation information if required.

Thousands of plants are always in stock including alpines, perennials, shrubs, climbers, grasses, bamboos, ferns, exotics and a few trees including Acers and Eucalyptus. Bedding plants in season. Nice selection of Phormiums, Cordylines and tree ferns available.

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bayviewnursery@btconnect.com
www.bayviewnursery.co.uk
Location: Within the walled garden of the Wigtown House Hotel
Open: All year: daily, 9am-5pm closed Christmas & New Year.
Admission: Free.
### Newton Stewart

**Elmlea Plants**

**Location:**
Turn off A75 at junction for Minnigaff, turn left immediately onto B7079. After 1.5 miles turn right (signposted RSPB Reserve) immediately before Cree Bridge. Nursery is 200yds on left after Youth Hostel.

**Open:** Apr-Oct: 10am-5pm. Closed Tuesdays & Wednesdays

**Admission:** Free.

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### Gatehouse of Fleet

**Cally Gardens & Nursery**

**Open:** Mar-Oct

Cally Gardens and Specialist Plant Centre is a treasure trove of exotic and rare hardy plants gathered from around the Globe. The towering 18th century walls provide shelter to 1000’s of rare and exotic plants. The garden, which was created by the famous plant collector Michael Wickenden is now in the care of the plantsman and ecologist Kevin Hughes, who is working hard to get the gardens back in shape and ensure that the 4,000 plus plants are a delight for all to enjoy.

Since arriving, Kevin has brought his own stunning collection of Magnolias and Trilliums and also has added to the collection Nerines, Galanthus and Paeonies.

Sadly Cally Gardens have been neglected for the last few years and new owner, Kevin Hughes, is working hard to restore the gardens and bring his own informal and environmentally friendly style to Cally. The Garden is being managed as an organic and low impact garden.

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**Location:** Take the Gatehouse road off A75 and turn left up the Cally Place Hotel drive, following the signs to the gardens.

**Open:** 1 March – 31st October, Thurs – Sunday 10am – 5pm, other times by appointment.

**Admission:** Garden £5 Admission to nursery free. Plantsman Tours available (booked in advance).
KIRKCUDBRIGHT

Elizabeth MacGregor’s Nursery at Ellenbank

Open: Apr-Oct

Classic cottage garden plants grown at Ellenbank are sent to keen gardeners and public gardens all over the UK and abroad. Plants for sale include a large collection of violas, old favourites and new varieties, some first raised on site. Other specialities include hardy geraniums, penstemons, campanulas, eryngiums, primulas and iris along with hundreds of other delights and rarities.

In addition to the sales area, the half acre formal garden, with its high curved wall provides a showcase for plants in their mature form. At its best from mid-summer, the scents and colours of this herbaceous garden can be memorable.

Ellenbank
Tongland Road, Kirkudbright DG6 4UU
T: 01557 330620
info@elizabethmacgregornursery.co.uk

Location: A711 one mile north of town centre, opposite council ‘Kirkcudbright’ sign.

Open: Last weekend Apr-first weekend Oct:
      Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri and Sat 10am-5pm.

Admission: Free.

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DUMFRIES

Drumlanrig Castle and Country Estate

Open: April-September

Immerse yourself in history and grandeur at Drumlanrig Castle and Country Estate. You’ll enjoy the gardens whether you’re an avid gardener or a complete novice. The lovingly tended 40 acres offer both inspiration and relaxation and the garden’s colourful heritage and rich diversity are almost as inspiring as the sights and smells of the plants themselves.

Strongly influenced by the Victorian Era the gardens are steeped in historical design and architecture but with modern additions. The lawns and new mixed shrub and herbaceous borders now provide a scenic location for private events. The new double border is planted with contrasting foliage and flowering shrubs and climbers to give structure, colour and scent as well as seasonal interest. The shrubs and trees are underplanted with a variety of perennials and spring bulbs extend the colour and interest further.

As you stroll through the formal gardens you can’t help but admire the 183m Long Terrace Walk – along a magnificent stone balustrade that’s famous for growing tender climbing plants.

Drumlanrig Castle, Thornhill, Dumfries & Galloway, DG3 4AQ
Tel: 01848 331 555 | info@drumlanrigcastle.co.uk
www.drumlanrigcastle.co.uk

Open: Gardens and Country Estate: 1st April – 30th September, 10am – 5pm (Except 22nd-24th May)
      Castle: 10 April – 13th April inclusive; 8th May – 10th May inclusive; 1st July – 31st August inclusive Guided tours start from 11am, with the last tour at 4pm (approx. 1 hour).

Admission: Gardens & Parkland - Includes gardens, tearoom, cafe, shop, adventure playground, walks, cycle and mountain bike trails:
      Adult £6.00; Adult Concession (60+) £4.50; Child (5-16) £3.50;
      Under 5s Free; Family (2 Adults + 3 Children) £16.00
      Castle, Gardens & Parkland - Includes Castle tour, gardens, tearoom, cafe, shop, adventure playground, walks, cycle and mountain bike trails:
      Adult £12.00; Adult Concession (60+) £10.00;
      Child (5-16) £6.00; Under 5s Free;
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Garden Wise Plant & Garden Centre

Open: All year

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Most of the staff are either fully qualified gardeners/horticulturalists or have a very keen interest in gardening. We pride ourselves on giving the best advice and not just trying to sell you a product.

Castle Douglas Road, Dumfries DG2 8PP
T: 01387 262654
info@gardenwise-dumfries.co.uk
www.gardenwise-dumfries.co.uk

Location: Situated less than 2 miles from the Dumfries town centre.
Open: 9am-5.30pm (Sundays from 10am)
Coffee shop closes 4.30pm every day.
Admission: Free.
The Crichton Gardens

The Crichton Gardens sit within an 85-acre parkland estate at The Crichton on the outskirts of Dumfries in the South West of Scotland and are open to the public all year round. The gardens are beautifully maintained by The Crichton Trust gardeners.

With an impressive rock garden, complete with many specimen trees and plants, arboretum and exquisite rose gardens, The Crichton offers a stunning location to take a leisurely stroll, walk the dog, have a picnic or as the backdrop to wedding photographs.

The Crichton also features playing fields and an abundance of open spaces which are great for a range of outdoor activities and events including the weekly Crichton parkrun. The Crichton has also been used as a film location and a recording studio for tv broadcasts, which most recently included the BBC’s Beechgrove Garden Roadshow.

The Crichton, a former psychiatric hospital, is also home to the Crichton Memorial Church, Easterbrook Hall and Easterbrook Bistro, Bar and Spa, a 70-bedroom hotel, a business park and an academic campus.

Easterbrook Bistro offers brunch, lunch, afternoon tea, early suppers, dinner, pre-show meals and a selection of beverages and cocktails. Beauty treatments and spa packages are also available.

Open: All year

The Crichton, Bankend Road, Dumfries, DG1 4TL
T: 01387 247544  E: hello@crichton.co.uk
www.crichton.co.uk  @thecrichtontrust  #TheCrichton

Location: The Crichton is less than 2 miles from Dumfries Town Centre
Open: Free access to The Crichton grounds, gardens and car parks all year. Electric charging points. Easterbrook Bistro, Bar & Spa open daily from 7am to 9pm. See website for food service times. Please call Easterbrook Hall to gain access to the Crichton Memorial Church.

Admission: Free access to the grounds, gardens and car parks.

Arbigland House & Gardens

Arbigland House and Gardens lie on a spectacular coastal promontory south of Dumfries, next to the John Paul Jones Museum and near Southerness with its lighthouse and championship golf course.

The Adam-style House was built in the 18th century nestling below Criffel and has sea views in three directions. The 24 acre Gardens are also 18th century in basic structure.

A straight 1/3rd of a mile Broadwalk lined with rhododendrons and 200 year old trees runs down from the House to the Devil Stane’s Beach on the Solway that offers panoramic views across to the Lake District Fells. Within the woods are several formal gardens that are being restored.

The Sundial Garden is so called because of the 1815 sundial commemorating the Battle of Waterloo; a Sunken Rose Garden with a Pavilion built by Italian POWs is overlooked by the Well Head Garden. There is a lake and above it a Japanese Garden with a range of Azelias and Cherries. Indeed unusual plants and trees abound. Arbigland is also part of Scotland’s Gardens Scheme.

Open: April-Sept

Alistair Alcock, Arbigland House, Kirkbean, Dumfries DG2 8BQ
T: 01387 880613  M: 0754 366 8326
arbiglandhouseandgardens@gmail.com
www.arbiglandhouseandgardens.co.uk

Location: Off A710, follow the signs to John Paul Jones’ Cottage.
Open: 1st April–30th Sept from 12 noon, last entry 4.30pm. 3pm talk and tour of House may be organised when buying a Garden ticket.

Admission: Adult £4.50, Concession £4, Children Free. Talk and tour of House, £2 per person.
MOFFAT
Craigieburn Garden & Nursery
Craigieburn House, Selkirk Road, by Moffat DG10 9LF
T: 07899 055144

Location:
Just 3 miles from the M74, junction 15. On the A708 road from Moffat to Selkirk, about 2 miles out of Moffat, turn left at the end of the bend with traffic lights.

Open: Easter Saturday - end of October; 10.30am - 6.30pm. Open every day except Mondays but open all bank holidays.

Admission: £3.50

A gem of a garden hidden in woodland in a fold of the Moffat hills, Craigieburn is now at its peak after its first 25 years. A garden for all seasons, noted for herbaceous plants and shrubs, especially those from the Himalayas.

Twin 80m long borders, spring and autumn gardens, bog garden, extensive woodland gardens planted with blue poppies, giant lilies, primulas and many other choice and usual plants, plus our famous Sherpa garden in the gorge of the Craigie burn with its waterfalls.

The nursery propagates and sells a wide range of plants, many rare and unusual.

LANGHOLM
Walled Garden at Arkleton
Ewes, Langholm DG13 0HL
T: 013873 80830
@walledgardenarkleton
www.the-walled-garden.co.uk

Location:
Located 5 miles North of Langholm on the A7, follow signs to the Garden from the Ewes Hall x95

Open:
Garden and Café, Thursday-Sunday 10am-4pm throughout July and August. Please check the website for other open days and schedule of events.

Admission: Adult £4, Concession £2, Yearly membership £10
**Tinnisburn Plants**

Open: April-Sept

Truly hardy perennials, particularly Himalayan species are the speciality of this RHS Gold Medal winning nursery. With over 30 years experience of challenging hillside gardening, Helen can give advice to gardeners looking for great results in similar conditions.

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The well stocked nursery is packed full of choice and unusual plants that have been grown on site by Helen and includes an increasing range of Meconopsis and Primula.

Mail order plants and seeds also available. The nursery is open Fri-Sun (other times by appointment).

Check our website for details of special open days and workshops.

Helen Knowles, Upper Millsteads, Canonbie DG14 0RY
T: 01387 371453, 0754 437 3815
helen@tinnisburn.co.uk
www.tinnisburn.co.uk

Location: B6318 between Harelaw and Claygate, approximately 4.5 miles from Canonbie (last 1.5 miles is a farm track).


Admission: Free.
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