Welcome to Queen Elizabeth Forest Park

Want to sail by steampin’ along legendary Loch Katrine or picnic on the bonny banks of Loch Lomond? How about wein’g through the forest treetops, cycling amongst woodland sculptures or strolling through ancient oaks? You can do all of this and much more in the Forest Park – or sit back and soak up the stunning views.

Where the Highlands begin

You’re at the start of something exciting here – see how the land rises up dramatically about the gentle green lowlands, taking you on your journey into the wild Highlands. The Forest Park encompasses some of Scotland’s best-loved locations, from magnificent Ben Lomond and the rolling Trossachs hills to sporting Loch Katrine and the craggy tops of Stirlings.

Watch for wildife

The woods here are alive! You’ll be amazed at what you can hear and see. From tiny butterflies and colourful goatees to inquisitive red deer and golden eagles. Watch beautiful wood an’ birds and busy red squirrels at the Lodge and, in summer, you might spot an army linnie living on one of the bogs.

The best views in Scotland

Use this leaflet to help you explore and enjoy these iconic Forest Park places in the heart of Scotland. For more information, visit The Lodge Forest Visitor Centre or check out their Facebook page Ardcroy – the best forest with the best views in Scotland.

Loch Katrine

Visit the gateway to East Loch Lomond and discover its stunning loch shore, peaceful oakwoods and secluded islands. Before striking up through the Katrine Pass to access the east end of the loch, you can also stop off at the West Highland Way here.

Millennium Forest Trail

Follow the oak-lined shore of Loch Lomond and climb up an easy CGI path, a magnificent viewpoint overlooking the loch, its islands and Ben Lomond. Verlastic surfaces, including short rough rocky sections. Some steps in beech gravel surface. Includes long flights of uneven steps and two road crossings.

Sallachy

Climb through subtly varied woodland to the craggy viewpoint on Dun Maol for spectacular views over Loch Lomond and the Arrochar Alps.

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Largely firm gravel or gravelly paths. Short section of rough, narrow earthy path with stony patches up to viewpoint. Long moderate slopes with some steep sections. Includes a road crossing.

For more information

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For more information on public transport services in the area, call 0871 200 2233 or www.travelinescotland.com

Glenmore

Visit the gateway to Loch Katrine and explore its sweeping loch shore, peaceful oakwoods on the southern shores of the loch. The oakwoods here are over 200 years old.

Bon Lomond Memorial Trail

A gentle stroll to the shore of Loch Lomond, where there is a memorial sculpture to commemorate the Scots who gave their lives in the two World Wars. Firm and smooth gravel surface throughout. Generally flat with short moderate ramps.

Ben Lomond Trail

A trail that will take you into the heart of the National Park on a wide, steeply inclined section. Mostly firm gravel and gravelly paths. Section of narrow, steeply inclined section with muddy patches. Some steps in beech gravel surface. Includes a narrow bridge and road crossing.

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Loch Ard is one of the popular strolls and cycle rides along the vast and varied landscapes for everyone - whatever the time of year. There’s always something to do for families and cycle riders looking for some unusual sculptures. A charming walk along the picturesque shores of Loch Ard, exploring the oak-lined woodland of Ben Venue and Ben A’an. It is a marvellous setting beneath the mountains of Ben Venue and Ben A’an. Unseen rock and earth paths with some muddy sections. Several steep slopes. Look out for vehicles and other users.

Explore the picturesque shores of Loch Ard, enjoying an easy stroll or a scenic wateredge path. You’ll find accessible toilets and play features too.

A scenic walk through the oak woodland that is teeming with wildlife, including some unusual sculptures. An ideal route for families, whether on foot or bike. Firm gravel surface throughout, with some easily manageable slopes.

A charming walk along the oak-lined shore of Loch Drummie, returning through the quiet woodland above where red squirrels can often be found. Firm gravel surface with some loose sections. Long moderate slopes with some short steep sections. Parts may be wet after rain.

A scenic trail through the oak woodland that is teeming with wildlife, including an array of fungi. A fair climb through the forest to Lime Craig for great views over the Curia of Stirling and along the High and Boundary Fault. Stained steep slopes for 700m up to Lime Craig, but with some muddy sections. Includes two bridges.

Loch Ard is a short stroll through the trees and picturesque Loch Achray and an opportunity to sample some of the Trossachs’ show-stopping views. Rock terrace panoramic Loch Drummie and enjoy an easy stroll or a scenic wateredge path. You’ll find accessible toilets and play features too.

Explore tranquil woodland trails – and perhaps wonderful wildlife and sound installations. Wander out to the beautiful shore of Loch Drummie and discover a number of interesting viewpoints along the way. Wide, loose gravel path throughout. Short moderate slopes with plenty of places to sit along the way.

Explore and enjoy Loch Ard Forest, one of the loveliest drives in Scotland and a great place to start exploring the forest and and around Loch Ard. The forest is famous for its grand trees and a large area of ancient oak woodland. There are ideal tracks for family strolls and cycle rides – watch out for wildlife and surprising sculptures along the way!

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Find other trails at either end of the Forest Drive...

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