

Glen Moriston
The emphasis on the future management of Glen Moriston will be the restoration of "Caledonian pine forest" over the next 50 years. In the broadest sense this will be comprised of predominantly Scots pine with Birch, a mosaic of Oak & Birch woodland on the fertile margins around the Moriston valley floor and Alder wet woodland on flushes. Juniper will continue as a significant feature of the open ground and as a component of the pinewood. Downy birch will predominate on the poorest peaty soils of the upper margins. The opportunity for native timber production will be optimised on the accessible terrain that can be worked conventionally. Productive Native Broadleaves will be located on the fertile soils & Productive Pinewood on poorer soils of good to moderate drainage (podzol, podzolic ironpans).

Significant private sector native woodland creation over the last decade. This will link in visually and ecologically with FCS future habitat and species proposals, creating a naturalistic transition from the Moriston River valley to the Meall na Faiche summit. Upper productive margins will be feathered to improve visual linkage over ownership boundaries

Aspiration with TFL to restore Riparian woodland along Allt Bhlaraidh

Productive Pinewood located on freely draining, poor soils (podzols) on accessible terrain that can be worked conventionally.

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Restoration of blanket bog habitat on the poorest wet peat (Calluna, Eriophorum vaginatum bog, Upland spagnum bog,) linking into the existing internal open habitat network of 74.5Ha. 8.5Ha of Bog restoration within the plan period. Future restoration of around 53.5Ha.

Trees For Life's Dundreggan Estate - Managed for native woodland restoration. Continue to work in partnership to achieve landscape scale restoration within Glen Moriston

Creation / restoration of Riparian woodland will have protective benefit for the tributaries of the River Moriston and River Oich (Inchnacardoch). It will create an approved spawning habitat for Salmonids and have significant positive impact for other native flora & fauna associated with riparian habitats.

Open Habitat- A mosaic of heathland and bog. Management will be focussed on maintaining habitat in good ecological condition.

Long term aspirations for native woodland expansion up riparian corridors, this will re-create a more natural transition from forest to open habitat. Linking woodland to existing populations of Dwarf birch and Juniper on the open hill.

Achlain new planting. Productive pinewood with an element of native mixed broadleaves. Gross Area of 16.7Ha scheduled for planting in phase 1.

Inchnacardoch new planting. Gross area 11.4Ha of proposed native woodland creation, accepting an element of exotic conifer regeneration

Low Input Native Woodland On south facing slopes it will be Birch dominated with Oak and Hazel progressing into pinewood on the poorer soils of the upper margins.

Productive Native Broadleaves Concentrated on fertile soils (brown earths, podzolic brown earths) within accessible terrain. Primarily comprised of Sessile oak & Birch (Silver/ Downy).

Productive Conifer The lower margins, with better climatic conditions and wider range of soils will allow a greater diversity of species choice, including, but not limited to, Sitka spruce, Norway spruce, Douglas fir, Scots pine, Western hemlock and Western red cedar.

Prescriptions
Low Input Native Woodland: A mosaic of native woodland types matched to the site, at a variable density, with integrated open space. Post establishment the majority of the area will be restored to natural processes.
Low Input Mixed Woodland: Native woodland, supplemented with exotic conifer regeneration, at a variable density, with integrated open space. Post establishment the majority of the area will be restored to natural processes.
Riparian Woodland: Low density native woodland, integrated with open space. Post establishment riparian woodland will be restored to natural processes.
Productive pinewood: High density Scots pine, managed commercially, with sub types of native woodland associated with Western pinewoods adding diversity.
Productive Native Broadleaves: High density native broadleaves matched to the site type and managed commercially.
Productive Conifer: High density mixed conifer species, matched to site type and managed commercially. Up to 25% of the area will incorporate open space and native broadleaves adding diversity.
Long term native treeline expansion: A mosaic of low density native species (Scots pine, Downy birch, Rowan, Willow spp) and open space. Established through planting and natural regeneration. Proposed out with the plan period.

Productive Conifer Concentrated in the Inchnacardoch block. The upper margins will be predominantly Sitka spruce grown in silvicultural mixture with Lodge pole pine (Alaskan provenance). Other lower demanding species such as Scots pine and Downy birch will form a significant component.

Legend

- Private Woodland Creation, SRDP-SFGS-WGS
- Blanket Bog Restoration**
 - Future Restoration - Out with FDP
 - Phase 2
- Future Habitat & Species Prescriptions**
 - Long term native treeline expansion
 - Low Input Mixed Woodland
 - Low Input Native Woodland
 - Productive Conifer
 - Productive Native Broadleaves
 - Productive Pinewood
 - Riparian Woodland
- Open habitat**
 - Grassland / Meadow / Arable
 - Heathland
 - Bracken
 - Water
 - Bogs
 - Rock
- Blocks**