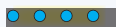


LOOP B



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The Witches Cottage

Just across the road from the site of the 18th century Change House, where travellers would have changed their horses, you can still see the ruins of the Witches Cottage. A reputed witch with an evil eye lived here 1820-1885. A most troublesome person, her death was a relief to the parish.

7

Bryce Memorial

Pass the Forestry Centre, and continue along the narrow road to this memorial stone for the eminent geologist, Dr James Bryce, who was killed in 1877 by an avalanche on Dun Dearduil (the towering hill opposite the memorial) caused by his rock-tapping.

8

Boleskine Graveyard

Boleskine House (destroyed by fire in 2015) was once inhabited by the occultist, Aleister Crowley. There are local rumours of a tunnel linking the house with the graveyard, some say to allow spirits to rise up to the house, others say it was to allow the remains of sacrifices to be taken to the burial ground.

9

Fraser Memorial

A couple of hundred years ago, young Jane Fraser's fiancé fell to his death whilst climbing a tree. Broken hearted, she would come to this viewpoint to look over the loch and yearn for her lover. At her own request she was buried here and the Fraser Memorial marks the spot.

10

Upper Falls of Foyers

Park at Camerons Tearoom, and walk 100m towards Foyers, turning left at the Intake. The Upper Falls are the smaller of the 2 falls before the River Foyers reaches Loch Ness. The waterfalls were used to generate the first hydro electric power in Britain in 1896. The spectacular lower falls are well worth a visit as you pass through the centre of the village.

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Loch Bran

Legend has it that a dog named Bran chased a stag, which disappeared strangely into the ground here. The dog dug down to find it, and the resultant pit filled with water, drowning the dog.

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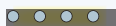
The War Memorial, Gorthleck

The memorial commemorates the local service personnel from Whitebridge, Gorthleck, Foyers, Inverfarigaig, Errogie and Torness who lost their lives during World War One and Two.

SPURS

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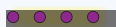
Wade Bridge (Whitebridge)



Built in 1732 as part of the military road linking Inverness to Fort Augustus, this is one of the best examples of a single span bridge. In summer it is covered in rare purple alpine Fairy Foxgloves.

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Loch Killin



On the west edge of the Monadhliath Mountains, this is one of the most scenic accessible lochs in Scotland. On the west bank, near vertical cliffs - heavily clad in birch trees - rise from the water. A glimpse of Scotland past.

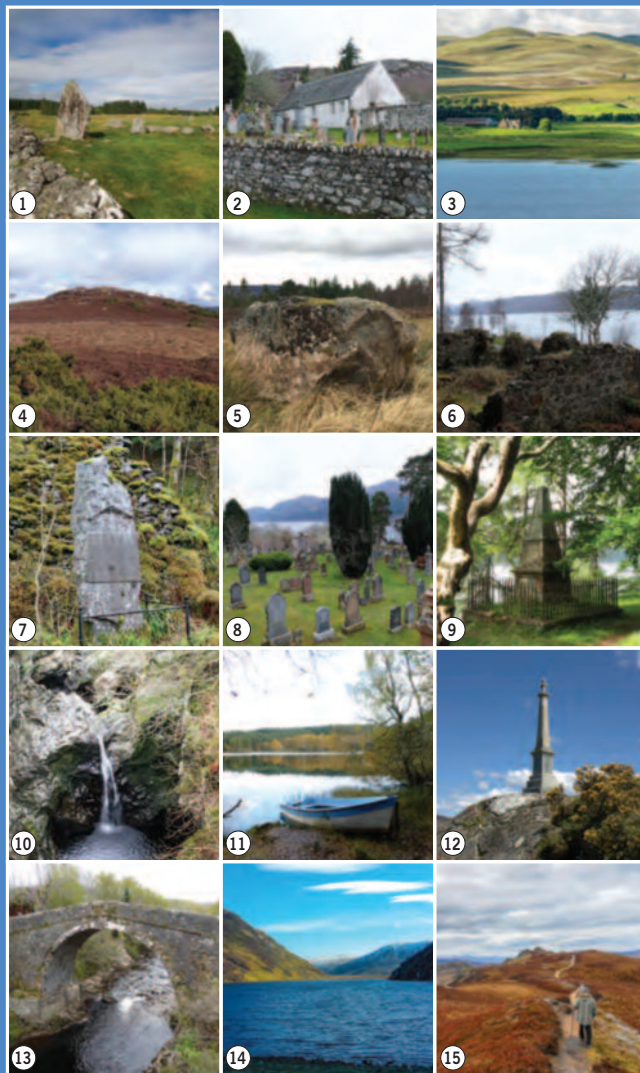
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Suidhe Viewpoint



At 1200ft / 366m above sea level, this is a great place to feel the breeze and enjoy the views of South Loch Ness stretching out before you. 360 degree views of mountains and lochs. A breathtaking short walk takes you even higher.

Hidden Gems of South Loch Ness



For more detailed information on these Hidden Gems, please visit:
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For a map of local walks, please see the [South Loch Ness Access Map](#), available at most local businesses.

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SOUTH LOCH NESS HIDDEN GEMS

Spend a day driving around
South Loch Ness,
discovering its natural
beauty and history

HIDDEN GEMS OF SOUTH LOCH NESS

LOOP A

26 miles / 42km



LOOP B

37 miles / 59km



SPURS

Loch Bran - Whitebridge

3 miles / 5km (allow 5 minutes)



Whitebridge - Loch Killin
4 miles / 6km (allow 10 minutes)



Whitebridge - The Suidhe
4 miles / 6km (allow 5 minutes)



Single Track Driving

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LOOP A

1 Gask Chambered Cairn & Circle

Cairns are ceremonial and burial monuments dating from around 2000BC. This is the largest ring-cairn in the area, 88ft / 27m in diameter, it is clearly defined by the outer ring of kerbstones. The tallest being about 11ft / 3.3m high.

2 Dunlichity Churchyard

An ancient place of worship where St. Finan is reported to have preached (approx. AD651), although the present church dates only from 1758. The graveyard has its own 1759 watch-house.

3 Loch Ruthven and its Crannog

This tranquil loch and RSPB reserve is fringed by sedges and birch woods. Visit in early spring, when the rare Slavonian grebe, looks its best in gorgeous red and golden plumage. A crannog is an ancient loch dwelling, usually built on an artificial island.

4 Caisteal an Dunriachaidh

If you look closely at this unassuming hill you will see the vestiges of an Iron Age fort. Take a few minutes to walk across the heather to climb up to see the fort walls and enjoy spectacular views.

5 The Merchant's Stone

This solitary boulder standing beside the road on the featureless landscape of Ashie Moor is believed to be where merchants would meet to socialise and trade their wares.

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A road	Toilets
B road	Restaurant
Minor road	Cafe
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