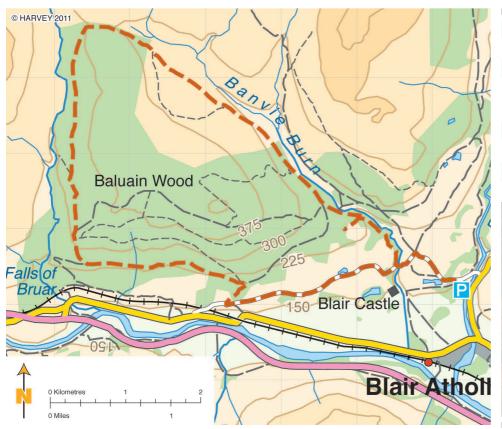
# Scottish Mountain Bike Trails: HIGHLAND PERTHSHIRE

**BLAIR ATHOLL: ROUTE NO.12** 

## THE BANVIE CIRCUIT







### STARTING POINT(S)

PH18 5TZ – Glen Tilt Car Park

### **SUMMARY**

A circular route, graded as moderate by Atholl Estates, with a mixture of woodland, moorland and great views.

### **MAX HEIGHT GAINED**

250m

### **LENGTH**

14.5km



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# **ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

From the car park, head left to Old Blair, going left at the crossroads. After crossing the burn turn right on the waymarked path with the burn on your right. The first part of the route is the territory of the roe deer. Climbing higher, closer to the moorland, you enter the domain of the red deer, with winter and spring being the best times to catch a glimpse of this majestic species. As the route progresses, views south to the dramatic Pass of Killiecrankie and distant peak of Ben Vrackie fill the scene. There is also an option to make a detour to the Falls of Bruar, a breathtaking woodland gorge with a series of spectacular waterfalls.

## DO THE RIDE THING

We love riding this route and to keep our good relationship with local landowners and other path users we ask you to follow the advice below:

- Let other path users know you are coming as early as possible.
- Please watch your speed especially on blind corners and dips
- Please take extra care near wildlife and leave the environment as you find it.
- Help land managers and others to work safely and effectively. See 'Route Specifics'.
- The route description and quality ROUTE SPECIFICS of path may change over time so please remain flexible with your plans and be ready to use alternative routes
- Check the weather forecast and ensure you have all the equipment you need for your
- If you are in any doubt please pop into one of our cycle centres for advice!

- As this is a working estate please observe all signage.
- You may meet pony trekkers on this route
- Please make your presence known especially if you are overtaking.



#### CYCLING FRIENDLY **BUSINESSES NEAR THIS TRAIL**

#### FOOD IN THE PARK

Blair Atholl 01796 481484 Large car park meeting place, Café, Fish & Chips, Pizza

### **BASECAMP AT THE FIRS**

Blair Atholl 01796 481256 Basic bike spares, ex-MTBikes sales, bike racks. Guest bike facilities www.firs-blairatholl.co.uk

#### BLAIR ATHOLL WATERMILL & TEA ROOM

Blair Atholl 01796 481321 Cycle friendly tearoom. Bike racks to be installed in 2011. www.blairathollwatermill.co.uk

#### ATHOLL ARMS & BOTHY BAR

Blair Atholl 01796 481205 Meals and bar Hose for bike wash www.athollarmshotel.co.uk

# CYCLING CENTRES IN HIGHLAND PERTHSHIRE

#### HIGHLAND SAFARIS

www.highlandsafaris.net

Biketrax MTB skills loop; bike hire/wash/ spares/racks. Local knowledge. Café. Visitor attraction inc Land Rover safaris. Dull, nr Aberfeldy. T: 01887 820071



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