

ROUTE 8:

Philphaugh & Bowhill Loop



Learn about the area's prized wildlife before exploring the splendid grounds of Bowhill House with its adventure playpark, historic tower and beautiful way-marked trails. Return via the site of a fiercely fought battle.

Points of interest: (1) Eagle Information Point; (2) Salmon Viewing Centre; (3) Bowhill House; (4) Site of the Battle of Philphaugh.

Essentials

Start/finish: Waterwheel Café, Philphaugh

Distance: 11.2km (7 miles)/
11.5km (7.13 miles)
(second route avoiding Bowhill)

Total ascent: 607ft/ 534ft

Difficulty: Easy

Time: 1.5hrs (+ stops)

*Subject to admission/opening hours.

Route Pointers

From the Waterwheel Café, turn left towards Bowhill House*. Turn left over General's Bridge onto the estate and continue around the Upper and Lower Lakes. Exit the estate onto the B7009 after Carterhaugh Bridge. Head towards Selkirk, turning left on the A707 and left again after the bridge to return on the A708. To avoid Bowhill, turn left after crossing General's Bridge and pedal along the B7039 towards Carterhaugh Bridge. Rejoin the route here.

