

WALK TITLE: Dufftown to Botriphnie Kirk, Drummuir

DISTANCE: 5.5 - 6 miles

OS GRID REFERENCE: **NJ323399**

LANDRANGER /EXPLORER SHEET: 424

**Public transport available. Parking Available. Route waymarked Toilet. Cafe. Picnic Areas. Moderate walk**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:** This is a part of the Isla Way from Dufftown to Keith. It is a mixed walk with town, road and track walking and rising about 250m. There are various tourist facilities in Dufftown which are open most of the year.

**GETTING THERE:** There is a bus to Dufftown from Keith which passes through Drummuir.

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION:** You can begin this walk in three places in Dufftown. At the Square, by the Glenfiddich Distillery or at Dufftown Station. Wherever you choose the walk is well sign posted. From the Glenfiddich distillery car park and visitors centre head along the the main A941 past the bonded warehouses to the Railway Station. Go onto the platform, turn left along the platform and onto the path beside the railway and then heading onto the route of the old line. Keep on this track, past the Convalmore Distillery and continue along the former railway line until a signed junction. If you continued on the line you would reach [Craigellachie](#) but you turn right (signed Isla Way to Lochpark and Drummuir). Follow the path downhill, cross a minor road at the bottom, and on to a suspension footbridge over the River Fiddich. Cross the bridge and follow the path round to the left to join a track that leads up to a minor road. The path can be muddy at times. Turn right along this minor road, then left at the next road junction, climbing uphill past Tullich House. This section is a road walk on a fairly long but relatively quiet road which gradually climbs to about 300m. About 2.5km on you will come to a slight curve and a signed Isla Way track forks right. Take this track which descends through woodland to Lochpark. At Lochpark Adventure Centre keep straight ahead passing to the left of the whitewashed adventure centre building and through the complex to join a path leading to Drummuir Castle and Botriphnie Kirk. At the next fork take the left branch over the stone bridge and on to the next junction. At the next junction, go straight on, You will cross a minor road and signs for the castle. Further on a marker post indicates where to turn left onto a path through the woods, follow this passing Drummuir walled garden over to the left. Follow the signed footpath as it curves right to cross a bridge and then left over a second bridge to reach a car park at Botriphnie Kirk.

You may prefer to do this walk in reverse.