

**WALK TITLE:**

**Kirkhill Forest, Standing Stones and Tappie Tower**

**DISTANCE: 6.5 miles or 4 miles**

**OS GRID REFERENCE: Start NJ 854114**

**OS LANDRANGER /EXPLORER SHEET: 38 / 421**

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION:**

An undulating forest walk with the option of 2 lengths

**GETTING THERE:**

The car park is just off the A96. There is not an actual marked bus stop but the No 37 Inverurie bus will stop near the entrance to the forest.

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION:**

Take the white waymarked trail which is the main forest track from the car park. Continue on this track as it meanders up through the forest for 2 miles. Ignore all other tracks until you pass through a gate and you will come to a T junction. At this point those on the shorter walk go left and continue on this track until they come to the sign for the Tappie Tower (approx. 0.5 miles). Turn right to the tower. Those doing the longer walk turn right at the T junction and continue on this track for 0.75 miles. You will now be at the other side of the forest and shortly after passing a house you will see a track going off to the left. You will return to this point after visiting the Standing Stones but meantime walk straight ahead to another T junction. Turn right and keep on the right hand track when the road splits quite soon. You will soon see another path going off to the right towards a field gate. Pass through it to get to the Standing Stones.

Return to the point mentioned earlier and take the path which is now on your right. Continue on this track until you come to the white waymarked sign for the Tappie Tower (tower off to your left but sign on the right of the track. Go up to the tower then return to main track and in a very short distance the white route turns off to the right. Both groups now follow the white waymarked trail back to the car park.