

WALK TITLE: Loch Muick Circuit

DISTANCE: 8 miles

OS GRID REFERENCE: 309851

LANDRANGER /EXPLORER SHEET: 44/388

Parking Available. Route way marked Toilet. Information centre Moderate to Strenuous walk

BRIEF DESCRIPTION: This is a mixed walk with easy tracks alongside the north bank of the loch and more difficult paths on the south bank. The views are lovely and there is always the possibility to see red deer.

GETTING THERE: You will need to have your own transport and there are parking charges at the car park.

The walk starts from the car park across the bridge from the toilets and visitor centre. Head down road to the bridge and on past the toilets and visitors centre to the road barrier. Turn right and follow the track, across a bridge over the River Muick and on to the houses at Allt-na-guibhsaich. Turn left onto the track heading towards the Loch passing the house on your right. This track takes you to the boathouse at the end of the Loch.

Keep on the track to the right as it follows the line of the Loch. Stay on the track until you reach Glas-allt Shiel house. Pass in front of the house and continue on the path through the woods which leads to a fork. Take the left, lower level, path at the fork and follow it along the water's edge at the head of the loch. The path crosses over several small bridges and pebble beach areas to the other side of the loch. This next section of the path is narrow, follows the hillside and can be difficult in places. There are a number of run offs crossing the path which can cause problems. Care is needed on this section.

The path gradually climbs to join a track at a bridge over the Black Burn. Turn left here, cross the bridge and follow the now wider land rover track back along the side of the Loch. You will eventually pass another boathouse on the right and the turning for the Capel Mounth track on the left. Stay on this track past the end of the loch back to the toilets and visitor centre. Cross the bridge and climb up to the car park.