

## Long walks or cycle routes from Temple Cottage

These walks will give different views and wildlife depending on the time of day.

Once you leave the tarmac it is advisable to wear boots or waterproof shoes.

These three walks or cycle routes spend a minimum time on the main roads.

On the next page you will find details of other walks and cycle routes together with a map of North mull.

1. Turn left out of the cottage and walk down the road along the loch side.  
Within 15-20 minutes the tarmac road becomes a track leading to Quinish Estate.  
Take the main facing central gate to Quinish Estate (not the left or right gates).  
Follow the track and turn right over a small bridge past Cuckoo house gate.  
Continue and walk past farm square and past Quinish house on the left.  
Go through a gate and continue to follow the track.  
As the track climbs you can take a left path to see a standing stone.  
After visiting the standing stone return to the track up the hill to Mingary.  
At Mingary farm you can either:
  - (a) Turn left to Mingary Aird and at the shore go left to follow the shore.  
On the way back you can see a horizontal fossilised tree and possibly otters and seals.  
At a ruined village follow the path left away from the shore, cross a burn and climb a stile.  
At the stile follow the right path up to the track and then turn right onto the track you came along.  
Follow the way you came back to the village.
  - (b) Turn right into the now felled forest and follow the forest paths back to the village,  
via Kilmore Terrace.

Either walk will take at least 4 hours.

2. Turn right out of the cottage and head up the street to the Bellachroy and turn left.  
Turn left down Kilmore Terrace into the felled forest.  
Follow the forest road until you come to a 3-way fork.
  - (a) The left fork will take you to Quinish and this is the reverse of 1(b).
  - (b) The smaller centre path goes to either Glengorm where you can lunch  
or to Loch Frisa and the main road to Tobermory.
  - (c) The right fork will take you to Loch Torr.All can be made circular if you use the main roads and will take at least 2 hours each way.

3. Nearby are two community forests which have interesting walks and cycle paths.  
The nearest is **West Ardhu** which offers a medium length circular route.  
After the passing the loch head take the road past the Old Byre to the forest entrance on the right.  
Follow the forest path (not the gravel road) which runs along side a burn and past a children's activity area. Continue on the path which eventually leads to a gate.  
Go through the gate and follow the path down near a bungalow to join the road to Calgary.  
Turn right onto the main road to return to the village.

To get to **Langamull** forest take the forest road through West Ardhu forest or take the main tarmac single track road to Calgary. The forest roads will take you to the Kildavie archaeological site and a beach. Simply follow the sign posts in the Langamull forest.

Both forests are community owned and are being harvested so heed any warnings and watch out for timber extraction vehicles.

There are many other interesting walks and cycles routes nearby (e.g. Calgary, Croig, Treshnish farm, Crater Loch, Loch an Torr, Loch Frisa, Speinne Mor) but they will require either taking a car, the bus or cycling on the main roads.

See our walking guide for those walks that can be taken using the bus.

Most of these walks are on the Tobermory to Calgary bus route so you can take or pick up the bus to avoid walking on the main road. Use the link below to download the bus timetable.

<http://www.westcoastmotors.co.uk/media/11255/494-summer-2015.pdf>

For more information see the guides in Temple cottage or see the WalkHighlands website:

<http://www.walkhighlands.co.uk/mull/tobermory.shtml>

