

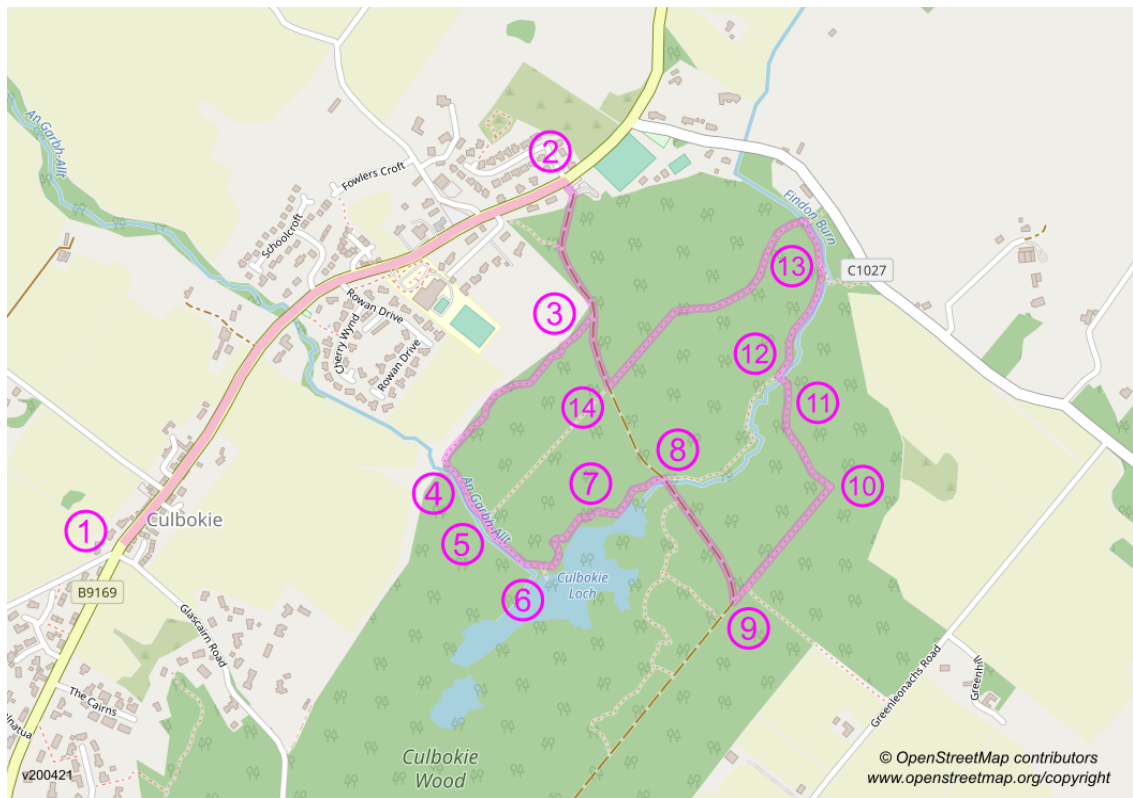
Walk from Culbokie

around

Culbokie Wood



Distance: 3.4 miles (5.4 km)
Time at 3 mph: 1 hour 10 mins
Time at 4 mph: 50 mins
Time at 5 mph: 40 mins
Total ascent: 65 feet (20 m)



Directions

1. Start at Culbokie Post Office and head NE on the B9169 towards Cromarty.
2. After 1.1km, just before the football field, turn right into the woods car park and bear right through the gate into Culbokie Wood.
3. Continue on the main track that leads through Culbokie Wood and after 300m, just beyond the corner of the field on your right, take a vague path right into the wood. There must be at least 3 paths at this point but they quickly converge and the path becomes much more obvious.
4. The path weaves through the trees for what seems a surprisingly long way. Eventually, after 700m you come to a deep burn and the path takes a sharp bend left.
5. Follow the bank of the burn until the end of a recently cleared track appears on your left. There is an orienteering control post here. Continue following the burn however.

6. After another 200m you get your first sight of Culbokie Loch. A short diversion will take you right to the edge of the loch.
 7. Come back from the loch side, step over a fallen tree and follow the path through the trees and bushes, just a few metres back from the loch. After wet weather there can be two or three wet, muddy patches on this section.
 8. Eventually you'll pop out on to the main path through Culbokie Wood where the Findon Burn exits the loch. Turn right.
 9. After 300m where the main track bends right and there's a wooden bench, turn left and then **don't** take the path immediately on your right.
 10. This path runs fairly straight for 300m then suddenly turns left and up over a small bank.
 11. The path descends and then curves right. As it rises again there's a fork. Take the left fork. They both end up at the same place but the left one is a bit less steep.
 12. Cross the Findon Burn again by a small wooden bridge and turn right, following the flow of the burn.
 13. Keep the burn on your right until you glimpse houses on the Mount Eagle road at which point the obvious path curves left away from the burn.
 14. Follow the path for another 500m until you arrive at the big cross-roads on the main path. Turn right and after 400m you'll arrive back in the car-park where you first entered the wood. Return to Culbokie Post Office by reversing the route you came.
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Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The latest advice from the Scottish Government is available here: **Coronavirus in Scotland** (<https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/>)

Tips for Cyclists

There is a wealth of advice for cyclists at Cycling UK (<https://www.cyclinguk.org/advice>). Have a look before you go.

Tips for walkers

Similarly, Ramblers Scotland has lots of good advice for walking in countryside such as the Black Isle. (<https://www.ramblers.org.uk/advice.aspx>)