

**Walk description:**

All the paths are good and well-graded. The early part of the walk is through hazel and birch woods, the hazels, in days gone by, being cut annually for rods to make creels and barrels, sold to the fishermen passing through Loch Ness on their way to the herring fishing in the west. The other local industry, apart from the crofting, was distilling home-made whisky. Note the cruck frame at Waymark 12; such frames were used to support the roofs of crofts. There are some very nice views across Loch Ness.

**Access information:**

The Clansman Hotel, where the walk begins, is ten miles south west of Inverness on the A82, at NH 562330.

The Inverness to Fort Augustus bus stops at the Clansman.

**Start grid ref:** NH562330

**OS map:** Explorer 416

**Walk length:** 2.8 miles

**Duration:** 90 minutes

**Height gain:** 250 metres

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**Weathercall:** Get a local forecast for this walk.

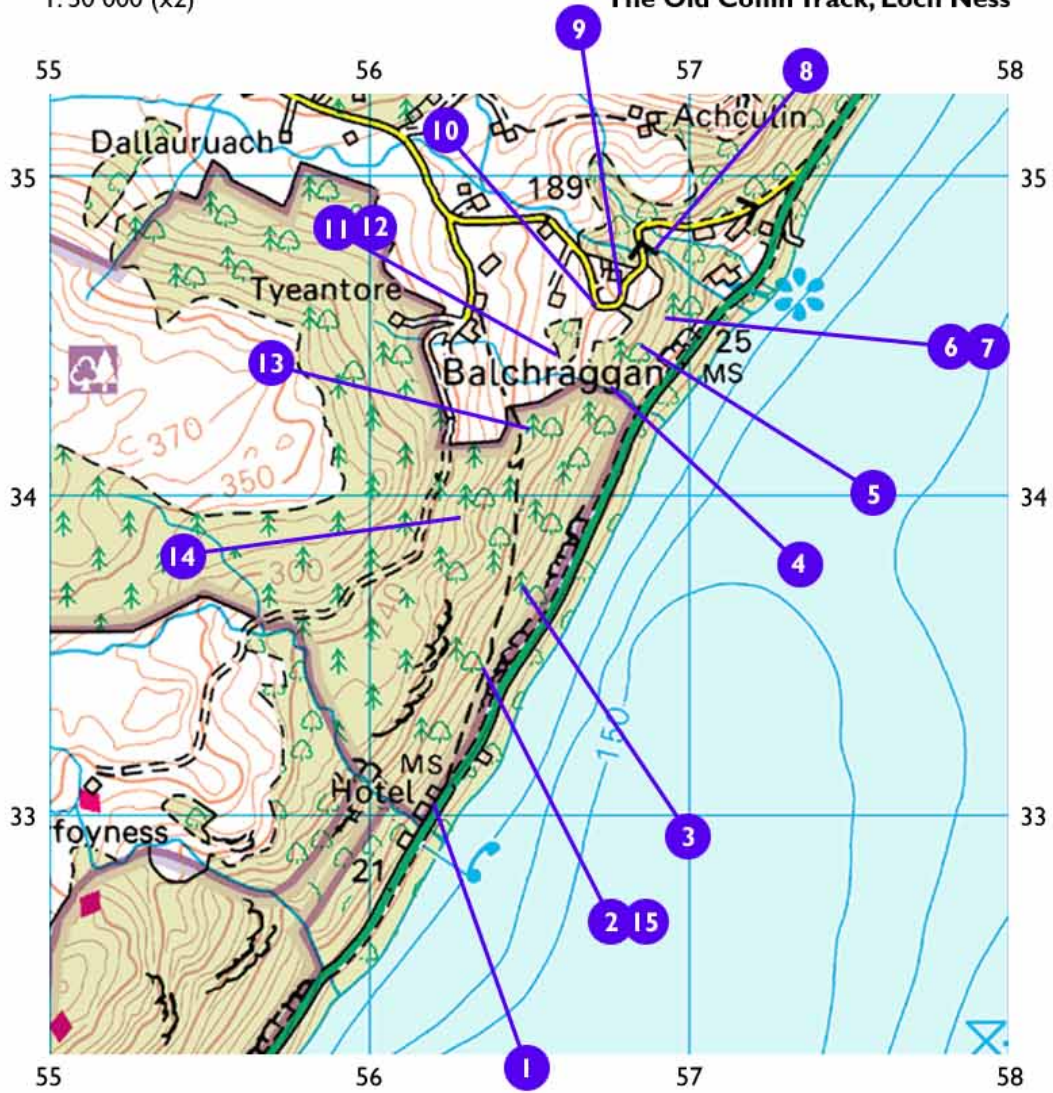
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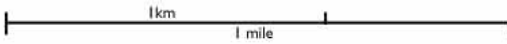
- Hills or Fells
- Lake/Loch
- Pub
- Toilets
- Wildlife
- Birds
- Flowers
- Great Views
- Butterflies
- Food Shop
- Good for Kids
- Moor
- Tea Shop
- Woodland

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### The Old Coffin Track, Loch Ness



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- 1**  Parking (and refreshments) are at the Clansman Hotel. Take the path at the north end of the car park. You soon pass an information board at the entry to Abriachan Wood and a little further on, reach a marked fork. (Grid ref: 562330)
- 2**  Here take the right fork, leading through a hazel wood... (Grid ref: 563334)
- 3**  Go through the hazel woods, with a nice view near a little wooden bridge. (Grid ref: 565337)
- 4**  View across Loch Ness; continue to another bridge. (Grid ref: 567343)
- 5**  Cross the second bridge, with another view. (Grid ref: 568344)
- 6**  View to Dores across the loch; there's a fork nearby. (Grid ref: 569345)
- 7**  At the fork keep left, uphill, to reach a stile (you might like to pop down to Abriachan Nurseries, right fork, before going up to the stile). (Grid ref: 569345)
- 8**  Across the stile there is a viewpoint about 50m on; and another 50m takes you to the Abriachan road, which you follow for a few metres. (Grid ref: 569347)
- 9**  View from the road; a few metres on there is a stile on your left. (Grid ref: 568346)
- 10**  Across the stile pick up the new path, surmount another stile and cross another wooden bridge. There's a view here. (Grid ref: 567346)

- 11**  View from near the cruck frame. (Grid ref: 566344)
- 12**  The cruck frame; continue, up steps, to a seat at a viewpoint. (Grid ref: 566344)
- 13**  View to Dores from the seat; behind the seat there is a fork. Go left to a T-junction and turn right up to a great viewpoint. (Grid ref: 565342)
- 14**  View across Loch Ness to the Moray Firth. Return to Waymark 13 and go left, downhill; after 50m there is a fork, where you turn right and the path leads down to Waymark 02. (Grid ref: 563339)
- 15**  From Waymark 02 continue down to the car park. (Grid ref: 563334)