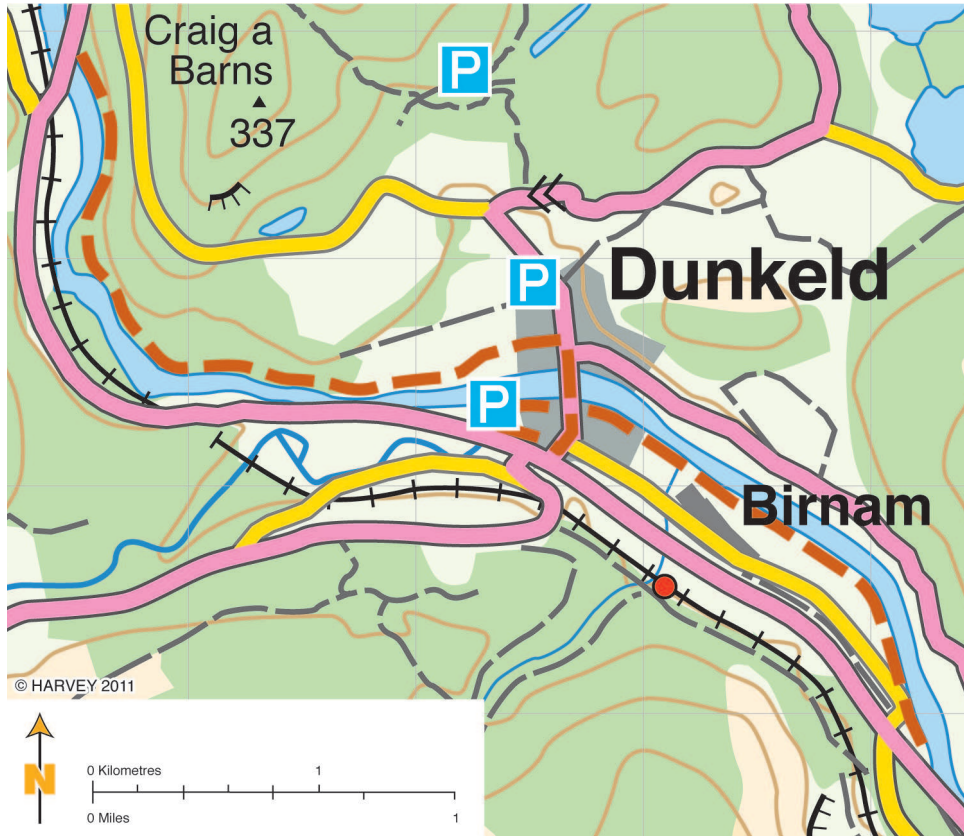


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**DUNKELD AND BIRNAM: ROUTE NO.1**  
**THE RIVER TAY AT DUNKELD & BIRNAM**



**STARTING POINT(S)**

PH8 0AQ (alternative – PH8 0AD, car park by tennis courts)

**SUMMARY**

Easy route divided into north and south sections. They can be ridden separately or as one longer route.

**MAX HEIGHT GAINED**

10m

**LENGTH**

6km (North Route), 7km (South Route)



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ROUTE NO  
**01**

## ROUTE DESCRIPTION

**North Route.** From the square in the centre of Dunkeld, go through the archway and follow the path past Dunkeld Cathedral. Reach the river and follow it upstream until you reach the beach under the A9 road bridge. Return along same route.

**South Route.** Cross the bridge to Birnam, taking the road on the right past the doctor's surgery and tennis courts (car parking available here). At the river, turn right downstream to reach the River Tay then carry on downstream past the Birnam Oak, continuing to the fishing hut at the far end of the path. Return via same route.



## DO THE RIDE THING

We love riding this route and to keep our good relationship with local landowners and other path users we ask you to follow the advice below:

- Let other path users know you are coming as early as possible.
- Please watch your speed especially on blind corners and dips.
- Please take extra care near wildlife and leave the environment as you find it.
- Help land managers and others to work safely and effectively. See 'Route Specifics'.
- The route description and quality of path may change over time so please remain flexible with your plans and be ready to use alternative routes.
- Check the weather forecast and ensure you have all the equipment you need for your route.
- If you are in any doubt please pop into one of our cycle centres for advice!

### Route Specifics

- Popular walking route please respect others.
- Let other users know you are coming and be ready to slow down or stop.
- Please stay to the promoted trail.

### CYCLING FRIENDLY BUSINESSES NEAR THIS TRAIL

#### ROYAL DUNKELD HOTEL

Dunkeld 01350 727322  
Meals and bar  
[www.royaldunkeld.co.uk](http://www.royaldunkeld.co.uk)

#### BIRNAM INSTITUTE

Birnam 01350 727674  
Café/bistro, local information  
[www.birnamarts.com](http://www.birnamarts.com)

### CYCLING CENTRES IN HIGHLAND PERTSHIRE

#### HIGHLAND SAFARIS

Biketrax MTB skills loop; bike hire/wash/spares/racks. Local knowledge. Café. Visitor attraction inc Land Rover safaris. Dull, nr Aberfeldy.  
**T: 01887 820071**  
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