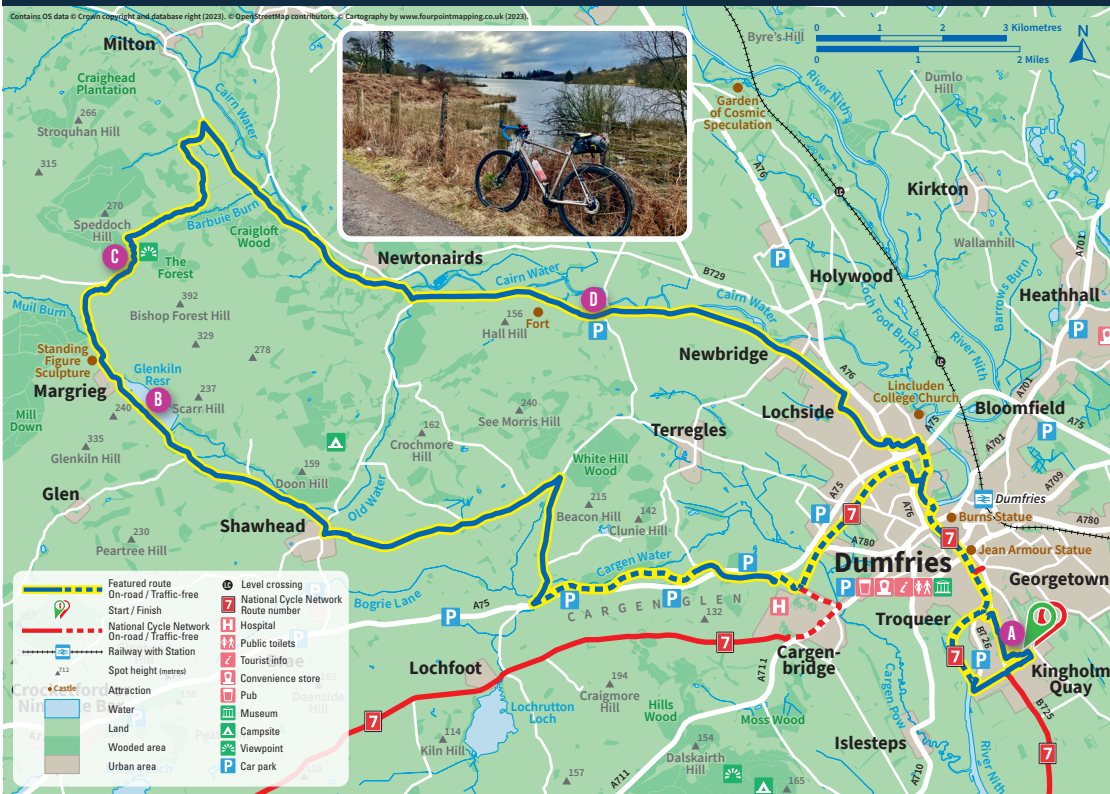


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ROUTE DETAILS

LEVEL Challenging ▲▲▲

DESCRIPTION Urban cycle path and quiet rural roads. Suitable for all bikes.

TIME 3½ – 4 hours

VIEWPOINTS / ATTRACTIONS

- A** THE CRICHTON MEMORIAL CHURCH
DG1 4ZZ
- B** GLENKILN RESERVOIR
DG2 9UE
- C** VIEWPOINT
DG2 9UB
- D** IRONGRAY PARISH CHURCH
DG2 9TR

ROUTE PROFILE

Total Ascent 420m Highest Point 217m

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ROUTE DESCRIPTION

From The Crichton, drop down through the grounds of Dumfries Castle to join NCN7 on the banks of the River Nith, which you will follow into the heart of Dumfries.

Leave the hustle and bustle behind by following the Maxwelltown Railway Path in a south westerly direction into the rolling countryside of Dumfries and Galloway. Keep a look out for Red Kites up above and the distinctive Belted Galloway Cattle – or ‘Belties’ as they are known locally – as you gently ascend Glenkiln.

Take a moment to enjoy the views across Glenkiln Reservoir before a final climb and then a long sweeping descent – beware of loose gravel - which marks the halfway point of the route.

Return via the Parish of Irongray, passing its distinctive church from 1803, en route back to your start point in Dumfries.

ROUTE LEVEL CLASSIFICATIONS

Introductory ▲

DISTANCE <15 KM
TERRAIN FEW TO NO HILLS

Intermediate ▲▲

DISTANCE 15-35 KM
TERRAIN SOME HILLS

Challenging ▲▲▲

DISTANCE >35 KM
TERRAIN HILLY

THE DISTANCES MAY VARY SLIGHTLY FROM THE CLASSIFICATION DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT OF HILLS AND THE NATURE OF THE ROUTE

FRIENDLY STOPS

EASTERBROOK BISTRO

The Crichton, Bankend Rd,
Dumfries, DG1 4TL
01387 702224



FROTHY BIKE CO

77-79 White Sands, Dumfries, DG2 1RX
01387 248770



G&G CYCLE CENTRE

14 Queensberry St, Dumfries, DG1 1EX
01387 259483



DG2 WHEELS

12 Terregles St, Dumfries, DG2 9AB
01387 256808



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