## CLAYGATE AND THE BLOCH

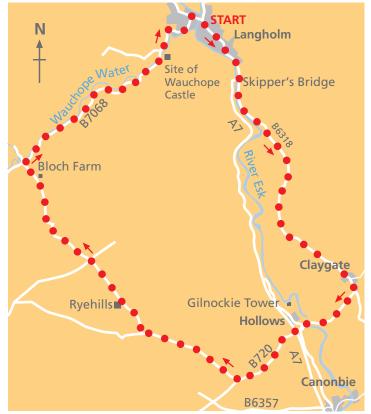
START Langholm Town Hall

24km/15 miles

- Allow 2 hours
- A varied route with some modest climbs

This ride follows the route of the old railway south to Gilnockie before crossing the Esk Valley and returning to Langholm over farm and moorland.

Miles	Route
0	Leave Langholm Town Hall going south along the A7. Take care on this busy road.
0.8	Go straight on at Skipper's Bridge traffic lights, onto the B6318, signposted Penton.
4.3	Leave the B6318 by going straight on at Claygate, signposted Canonbie.
4.5	Turn right, signposted Canonbie, and drop steeply down hill to the River Esk. After crossing the river, there is a turn off to the right if you want a short diversion to admire Gilnockie Tower. Otherwise keep straight on up the hill to the A7.
5.7	Cross the A7 at an offset junction, taking great care. Join the B720 signposted Kirkpatrick Fleming and Annan.
6.7	Leave the B720 and turn right onto the first minor road signposted Solwaybank.There is a stiff little hill on this section. Mercifully it is short.
8.2	Take first right on an unsigned road, heading up a short hill.
11.2	Turn right onto the B7068, signposted Langholm.
14.5	At the T-junction by the police station turn right.
4.7	Cross the Town Bridge then turn right to return to the Town Hall.



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ON SHARED USE PATHS • Please be courteous and be prepared to slow down or stop if necessary • Give way to pedestrians, horse-riders and wheelchair users, leaving them plenty of room • Carry a bell and use it - not all pedestrians can see you • Always follow the Highway Code • Be seen - most accidents to cyclists happen at junctions • Fit lights, wear a helmet and light and reflective clothing • Respect land management activities such as farming and forestry and take litter home • Be self-sufficient - in remote areas carry food, repair kit, map and waterproofs.

Bikes on Buses – the 500/X75 carries bikes along the A75 www.dumgal.gov.uk/timetables