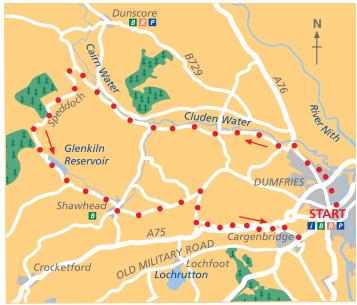
## SPEDDOCH AND GLENKILN

- START Devorgilla Bridge by the bus stands on the Whitesands in Dumfries
- 40km/25 miles
- Allow 31/2 hours
- Steep climb and descent over Speddoch Hill
- Glenkiln At the head and to the south and west of this reservoir you will find sculptures by Henry Moore, Sir Jacob Epstein and Auguste Rodin that were bought and erected in the 1950s by local landowner Sir William Keswick.
- **Speddoch** A steep, winding and rewarding climb moving from wood to moorland. Look out for buzzards soaring and circling on thermals.
- Miles Route

  0.0 Start from the Devorgilla Bridge by the bus stance and follow KM Trail/National Cycle Route 7 upstream, crossing the River Nith at the swimming pool. On meeting the road, turn right and continue to follow cycle routes.
- O.6 At the park the routes separate. Keep straight ahead on the KM Trail to cross the old railway line and the bypass. Continue straight on, passing the turn for Lincluden Abbey.
- I.6 Follow the road sharp left at the civic amenity site and climb uphill, through the crossroads and turn right on to the cycle route to Newbridge, crossing the A76 at the cycle crossing and into the village.
- 2.8 Take the first left, uphill, then right at the T-junction and follow the Cluden Water (Byway signs), past the distinctive Romanesque Church at Irongray.
- 7.0 Pause at Routin Bridge to admire the rockpools and falls. Bear right (signposted to Dunscore and Byway signs) and at the junction by the bridge stay on the Byway to join the Byway Loop.
- 9.4 Turn sharp left following the Byway Loop (and signposted to Speddoch Hill, Glenkiln and Shawhead) for a steep climb up Speddoch. Enjoy rewarding views and the descent down Margoly Glen to Glenkiln Reservoir and its sentinel statues. Follow the road downhill and turn right at the T-junction for Shawhead.
- 16.0 At the next junction turn left for Terregles. You may like to look around Shawhead before continuing on your way.
- 18.5 Turn right, one mile after Little Barncleuch.

- 19.8 Turn left (before the roundabout) to join the cycle route. Descend the Glen to the roundabout.
- 22.4 Turn right at the first roundabout, straight across the second and join the cycle path to turn left at the third roundabout. At the end of the cycle/ pedestrian path join the road. Carefully cross the junction by the Toll Bar to Rotchell Road. Turn right into Rotchell Park and straight across the offset junction to descend Suspension Brae. Wheel your bike across the suspension bridge to return to the Whitesands.
- 24.8 Whitesands.



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