

The Formartine & Buchan Way

Mintlaw to Longside

2.5 miles



Walking, Cycling & Horse-riding



Directions

The route is accessed west and east of the town centre. There is parking available at the eastern side of Mintlaw next to the garden centre. Steps and a slight hill make the access difficult of wheelchair users.

Longside was home to the Lenabo Airship Station and during the Second World War vast squadrons of planes were based all around here. Most of the land here is flat and ideal for some of the local wildlife.

Passing steam trains often set alight the embankment and this gave the rose-bay willow herb its name 'fireweed' as it spread itself into the burnt areas.



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Hints and Tips

- Have a look for a roe deer in the early morning mist.
- Wildflowers are spread across the countryside by the wind and offer the visitor and insects an array of colour at certain times of the year. Look out for the wild pansy and meadowsweet.
- The shrill cry of the Oystercatcher, with its black and white plumage and long red bill, can be heard.



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