ROUTE PLAN

Limited parking is available at the entrance to Ballaugh Plantation (SC352918)

From Enter plantation and follow forest road 165 metres

WP02 Turn left over bridge **(WP02a)** bear right and follow forest road past ponds on right 540 metres

WP03 Straight on at junction, through disused guarry 400 metres

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WP04 Straight on at junction uphill 290 metres

WP05 Turn left off forest road onto track (**WP05a**) bear left and follow track uphill 310metres

WP06 Gate. Exit plantation and follow zig zag track 160 metres

WP07 SC3625 9173 Druidale Road. Turn right and follow road 260 metres

WP08 Stone track (No vehicular access) turn left and follow track 330 metres

WP09 Straight on at junction, (path ill-defined) 510 metres

WP10 Turn right avoiding fenced off area ahead 350 metres

WP11 Turn right some 30metres before gateway and follow path parallel to hedge 530metres to junction WP11a. Continue straight ahead on an ill defined peaty track for 220 metres, heading roughly towards the summit of Snaefell, now in distant view.

WP12 Above boggy area bear left towards sheep pens 430 metres

WP13 Greenway Road. Turn right and follow road 900 metres

WP14 Druidale Road. Turn left and follow road 780 metres

WP15 Greenway Road. Turn right and follow road downhill 450 metres

WP16 Ballaugh Plantation. Enter and follow Greenway Road downhill 760 metres

WP17 Turn right off Greenway Road, follow forest road downhill 400 metres

WP18 Widened junction, turn left downhill and follow forest road 440 metres

WP19 Straight on at junction 440 metres

WP02 again then retrace 165 metres

WP01 (Start point)

WARDEN'S WALK Ballaugh Mountain

Warden's Walks are available as a series of leaflets, each with a detailed map and route description. They are also available on our website. They should be used in conjunction with the Outdoor Leisure Map 1:25,000 series.

This is a walk of nearly 9 kilometres, about 5 miles. Approx. 2.5 - 3 hours. It involves a steady climb through Ballaugh Plantation, crossing the Druidale Road onto Ballaugh Mountain. A relatively level walk around the plateau, before re-entering the plantation. It finishes with a descent by forest road returning to the start.

Ballaugh Plantation is popular for sporting events with horse riding, mountain biking and motorcycle trials taking place here.

Please keep dogs on a lead whilst following the route over open moorland and follow the way-markers. This is particularly important during lambing and bird nesting season (1st April and 31st July).

Moorland bird species in the area include Curlew, Red Grouse, Peregrines and Hen Harriers and, occasionally, Merlin. Other wildlife you may encounter includes the blue or mountain hare.

On the return leg of the walk, why not pause and rest awhile to watch the ducks on the ponds in the lower art of the plantation. NO.9 ()

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