

Booking Arrangements

Ranger staff are available to assist with half day and one day visits or to help organise activities which are part of longer residential field trips. Group or bunkhouse accommodation can be organised in local outdoor centres if required and camping areas can be arranged. Teachers are also welcome to organise their own activities which make use of other facilities and services provided on the estate.

If you would like to visit Glenlivet Estate please contact the Ranger Service by phone. On confirmation of a date for your visit, please ensure that a booking form is then completed and returned to the Estate Office. Groups planning and supervising their own activities which do not involve estate staff are also asked to contact the ranger service to discuss their plans.

Costs for use of Ranger Services

Educational visits

Ranger Service fee / day: £50

Visits to see the Cairngorm Reindeer, the Drummin Country Museum and other farm businesses are charged separately, depending on arrangements. Please enquire for further details.

All prices include VAT. No charge is made for groups organising their own activities which do not involve estate staff. Groups wanting information about residential visits should contact the ranger for further details. Please contact the Ranger Service for further details.

For further information and booking forms contact:

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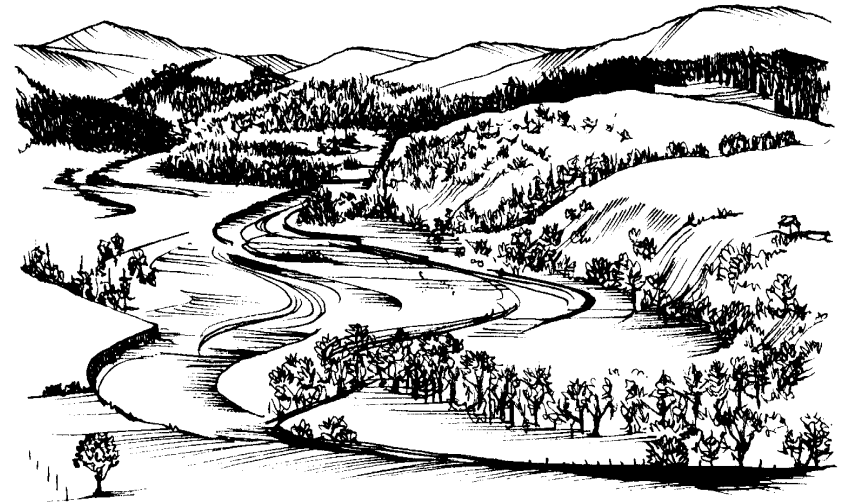


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Opportunities for Secondary School Visits



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Glenlivet Estate

The largest agricultural property owned by the Crown Estate, Glenlivet Estate encompasses an area of around 58,000 acres. It is a landscape of upland glens and heather covered hills interspersed with farms and forests lying within the north east corner of the **Cairngorms National Park**



A carefully managed mix of agriculture, forestry, sporting and tourism, Glenlivet represents a working example of integrated rural land use which illustrates many of the current issues facing land managers and remote Highland communities.

This close interaction of rural activities, the special character of the Estate, its size, location and the integrated style of management, combine to present a range of opportunities for rural land use management studies....

Opportunities for Field Study

A variety of topics be included in a visit with subject matter relevant to many of the key ideas and issues which form part of Standard grade and Higher courses (or their equivalent). These could include:

- Forest management
- Upland agriculture
- Habitat management
- Environmental issues
- Biology and ecology of upland areas
- Historical geography/rural population decline
- Access/recreational land management



Facilities and Resources for Groups

The Estate Office and Information Centre in Tomintoul is available for groups and can accommodate up to 50 persons, with resources for slide talks, presentations discussions and evening work. A CD-ROM and video with detailed information about the management of the estate is also available.

There is considerable scope for practical field based projects and a number of activities can be arranged including site visits or guided walks to study:

- Multiple-use forest areas
- Commercial plantations
- Working forest machinery
- Birch woodland conservation schemes
- Hill farms
- Diversified farm projects
- Conservation management projects/ ESA projects
- Interpretive displays and signs
- Historical / archeological sites
- Upland natural history / Sites of ecological interest / SSSI's
- The Cairngorm reindeer herd based in Glenlivet
- The Lecht Ski Centre
- The 14th Century Drumin castle



Qualified, experienced staff will guide and help with your visit and resources and facilities are available for a variety of both ranger led and teacher supervised activities including:

- Guided walks
- Individual student fieldwork/project work
- Outdoor activities including mountain biking, skiing, camping, walking and orienteering.
- Duke of Edinburgh Award exercises/project work (separate information is available for DofE expeditions / possible camping areas)
- Practical conservation work