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Falls of Clyde Visitor Centre & Wildlife Reserve, New Lanark

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On the edge of the World Heritage site of New Lanark, breathtaking ancient woodlands line a series of spectacular waterfalls. Meet the resident bats, badgers and peregrines.



Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre & Wildlife Reserve, Dunkeld

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Each spring, ospreys arrive to breed at the eyrie on the loch's edge. The displays in the centre tell their story of the reserve and its wildlife including red squirrels.



Montrose Basin Visitor Centre & Wildlife Reserve, Montrose

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The Basin is a favourite destination for many birds from eider ducks to pink-footed geese. Interactive displays bring the history and creatures that live there to life.

Scottish Wildlife Trust

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Keltneyburn Wildlife Reserve near Aberfeldy, Perthshire

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Opening times

This reserve is open all year round. The best time to see wildflowers is in the spring and summer (June for orchids). Summer is also a good time to see butterflies and dragonflies.

Location

OS grid ref. sheet 51 NN767508
The reserve lies 5 miles (8 km) west of Aberfeldy on the B846. Balchroich Meadow can be accessed by a steep track next to General Stewart's statue in Keltneyburn village.

Parking

There is a small parking area at the northern end of the meadow.

Other nearby reserves

Balnaguard Glen, Pitlochry NN939513
Tummel Shingle Islands, Pitlochry NN973528

Te care

Please abide by the Scottish Outdoor Access Code when visiting this reserve.

There is no public access to Keltney Burn Gorge for safety reasons.

For your own safety, please take note of any on-site instructions.

During the spring and autumn this reserve is grazed by sheep and cows. Please keep your dog under proper control. Dogs can disturb birds and other wildlife.

Please take your litter home and clear up after your dog.

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Keltneyburn Wildlife Reserve Perthshire



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Keltneyburn

See wonderful wildflowers in abundance

This reserve consists of two distinct parts. Firstly the species-rich Balchroich Meadow and secondly the largely inaccessible woodland of Keltneyburn Gorge.



The gorge was carved out by torrents pouring from receding glaciers, both the mounds on the northern end of the meadow were formed from sand, gravel and boulders deposited by the meltwater. The resulting soil mix harbours rich botanical diversity which has been left untouched by arable farming for decades.

More than 200 different species of plant have been recorded in the meadow. The colourful display of wildflowers is well known locally and is particularly notable for its eight species of orchid (see separate self-guided trail leaflet).



The wealth of plant life makes this a favoured spot for butterflies including the scotch argus, common blue and small pearl-bordered fritillary.



In marshy areas, moisture-loving plants thrive such as marsh marigold, cuckooflower, rushes and meadowsweet.



Across the glen towards Kenmore and Aberfeldy are spectacular views of the surrounding countryside.

In May, the hawthorn woodland is bursting with blossom and below are carpets of meadow crane's-bill. If you are lucky you may spot a roe deer wandering in the shadow of the trees.



By the pond, damselflies such as the common red and emerald flit about with hawkers and common black dragonflies also present.



Remember a visit to Perthshire wouldn't be complete without a visit to Loch of the Lowes just a few miles away where you can see ospreys and red squirrels (more details overleaf).

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