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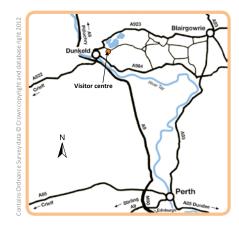
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Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre

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By car

If using sat nav, use the postcode PH8 0ES. Follow the signposts from the A9. The reserve is located 1.8 miles north east of Dunkeld, just off the A923 Blairgowrie road. Free car parking is available at the visitor centre.

By public transport

The nearest railway station is Dunkeld & Birnam. There are also bus stops in Dunkeld and in Birnam.

On foot

Follow the Fungarth Path from Dunkeld which brings you to the reserve and visitor centre.

Opening times

- 1 Mar to 31 Oct: open daily from 10.30am-5pm
- 1 Nov to 28 Feb: open Fri-Sun from 10.30am-4pm

Restricted opening hours over Christmas and New Year period.

Admission*

Adults £4.50
Concessions £4.00
Family £8.50
(2 adults and 2 children under 16)
Children £1.00
Members FREE
Discounted rates apply from Nov-Feb:
adults £4.00, concessions £3.00,
family £8.00, children and members
free. 10% discount for groups of 11+.

Special provision

The visitor centre is wheelchair friendly, including toilet facilities. An induction loop is fitted. Education activities are available for school groups. Ask at the visitor centre for more information. Dogs welcome under strict control on woodland path. Guide dogs only in the visitor centre and viewing hides.

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Loch of the Lowes

Visitor Centre and Wildlife Reserve

What's going on

at Loch of the Lowes this year?

Every day until 31 Oct	Wildlife-themed family fun activities Learn fascinating facts about different wildlife every month. Loads of fun children's activities and crafts available. Check out Facebook and Twitter for a new theme each month.			
April				
Wed 10 and Wed 24 at 7pm-9pm	People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch Join a member of staff for a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Nonmember £10, member £8, child £5.*†			
Sat 13 at 10.30am- 4pm	Optics fair A wide selection of binoculars and telescopes to try and buy, with expert advice from the Viking representative.			
May				
Wed 8 and Wed 22 at 7pm-9pm	People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch Join a member of staff for a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non- member £10, member £8, child £5.*†			
Sat 11 at 10.30am- 4pm	Scottish Badger Week Join a representative from Scottish Badgers to celebrate Scottish Badger Week! There will be an illustrated talk about badgers at 2pm, and you can try your hand at some badger detective work throughout the day. Can you solve the crime?			
Sat 18 at 10.30am- 4pm	Optics fair A wide selection of binoculars and telescopes to try and buy, with expert advice from the Viking representative.			
Fri 24 at 7pm-9pm	Bats: why should we care? Liz Ferrell from the Bat Conservation Trust will give an informative talk about the work of the charity, the bats found in the UK and why we should all care about these unique mammals. Non-member £6, member £5, child £3.*†			
June				
Every Wed at 7pm-9pm	People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch Join a member of staff for a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Non- member £10, member £8, child £5.*†			

	Fri 14 at 8am-10am	Spring birdsong walk Discover the wonderful world of birdsong in the spring. Join the ranger for a morning walk along the woodland path to find out which birds are singing and how to identify common calls. Non-member £6, member £5.
	Sat 15 and Sun 16 at 10.30am- 4pm	Big Wild Weekend – 30 Days Wild Join us for a wild weekend to find out what lies beneath the loch and try your hand at building a mini beaver dam!
	Sat 22 at 11am-3pm	Wildflower surveying at Keltneyburn Join our ranger and local expert Faith Anstey, at the Trust's Keltneyburn Wildlife Reserve, for a day of learning how to identify and survey wildflowers and orchids. This will include advice on how to carry out surveys in your own area. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch needed for this event. Non-member £8, member £6, child £3.*†
	Sat 29 at 2pm-4pm	Sensory storytelling and crafts An engaging afternoon of storytelling and craft activities with Yvonne Skillin and Francesca Green. Use all your senses to find creative inspiration in the natural wonders around Lowes.
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	Every Wed at 7pm-9pm	People's Postcode Lottery beaver watch Join a member of staff for a talk about beavers, the first formerly extinct mammal to be officially reintroduced to Scotland – with a chance to spot them from our hides! Nonmember £10, member £8, child £5.*†
	Tue 9 at 10.30am- 12.30pm	Perth and District Beekeepers Association Come along to find out why honey bees are so important. Drop-in session to view the live bees and talk to the team, and a chance to buy honey and see the bees that made it.
	Thu 18 at 7pm-9pm	Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels Join your local Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels Conservation Officer for an illustrated presentation on Tayside's red squirrel population. Light refreshments provided. Free of charge.*
	Fri 19 at 8.45pm- 10.30pm	Bat roost survey Join a member of staff for an exciting chance to watch some local bats exit their roost for a night of foraging. Take part in the survey, learn how to use a bat detector and count how many exit the building. Meet at the visitor centre car park. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and torch essential. Nonmember £8, member £6, child £3.*
	Tue 23 at 10.30am- 3pm	Woodland Ways summer tracks and signs walk Spend a day with Woodland Ways Tracking Instructor, Stuart Wedge. We will start the day by looking at footprints and feeding signs, and identifying skulls. We will then set out along the woodland path looking for tracks and signs, potentially finding evidence of beavers, deer, badgers, foxes and birds! Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch needed for this event. Non-member £30, member £25.*†

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	August	
	Sat 3 and Sun 4 at 10.30am- 4pm	50th Anniversary weekend Join staff and volunteers at Loch of the Lowes to celebrate the reserve's 50 th Anniversary. Activities include a heritage trail and event timeline, and on Saturday a long-term volunteer will give a talk at 2pm. Free of charge.
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	Fri 16 7pm-9pm	Cairngorms Capercaillie Project Join a project officer for an illustrated talk about the Cairngorms Capercaillie Project. Find out more about these wonderful birds and the challenges the project faces to conserve them. Non-member £6, member £5, child £3.*†
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	October	
	Thu 10 at 10.30am- 2pm	Poetry and mindfulness Access to nature has been proven to improve your mental health. For World Mental Health Day, join us for a relaxing morning of poetry and a mindfulness walk. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch needed for this event. Nonmember £8, member £6.*
	Sun 20 at 10.30am- 2.30pm	Fungi foray Join experts for this great opportunity to forage and identify fungi species at Loch of Lowes Wildlife Reserve. Outdoor clothing, walking boots and packed lunch needed for this event. Non-member £8, member £6, child £3.*
	Sun 27 at 2.30pm- 5pm (procession begins at 4pm)	Samhuinn – winter is coming Join us to celebrate Halloween with a difference! Samhuinn (the Celtic New Year) marks the beginning of the journey into winter. Make masks and willow lanterns, carve pumpkins and join the twilight procession to meet Nicneven, Goddess of Samhuinn, for mystical storytelling. We will have a fire with hot drinks and marshmallow toasting (weather permitting). Child £5.*
	November	
	Sun 17 at 6.30pm- 8.30pm	Stargazing at Loch of the Lowes Join Robert Law from Mills Observatory, Dundee, to view the night sky and learn about the stars. If the weather is bad,

How much does it cost?

Events are free of charge unless otherwise stated and normal visitor centre charges apply. We invite donations for our free events. If you join the Scottish Wildlife Trust today, entry to the visitor centre is free!

Come prepared!

Please wear suitable outdoor clothing to children's events, outdoor events and walks; bring a torch to evening events. Children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult. Meet at the visitor centre unless otherwise stated. Walks subject to a minimum attendance being met.

Don't miss out!

Please note: * advance booking is essential for these events; † not suitable for children under 8. Book your place by phoning Loch of the Lowes Visitor Centre on 01350 727 337, or visit scottishwildlifetrust.org.uk/events

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Robert will give a talk in the visitor centre. Bring a torch. Non-