



**Moray & Aberdeenshire Forest District**  
**Bennachie**

**Key features map**

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Scale: 1:18,000 at A1  
O.S. Grid Ref NJ 672215

-  Scheduled monuments
-  Parking
-  Visitor centre
-  Powerlines
-  Forest roads
-  Paths
-  Watercourses
-  Boundaries
-  Welcome visitor zone
-  Interactive visitor zone
-  Passive visitor zone
-  Ponds
-  DNB
-  SSSI
-  PAWS
-  LISS old plan
-  Natural reserve
-  Broadleaves only
-  Adjacent woodland
-  Rich nutrient soil

Many tracks cross over the site.

Most of the site is covered with medium nutrient soils. An area in the north of the site is covered with rich nutrient soils.

The Bennachie centre, Back o Bennachie and Donview car parks are 3 locations with a high recreation value and are the starting points of many walks.

The site is the highest point within the surrounding area and is a high recreation zone. It is highly visible from the surrounding area. It contributes significantly to the local landscape and tourism economy and also provides high quality visitor attractions.

Large open areas are located at the top of the hills. The boundaries between the woodland and the open spaces are a key issue in the landscape.

A Plantation on Ancient Woodland Site (PAWS) is located in the southwest of the block. Next to the plan area on neighbouring ground we have a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) with a native woodland located around the PAWS site.

Several scheduled monuments with a high heritage value are located in the site.

Dothistroma Needle Blight is present and has spread into pines areas across the area.