



Glen Forsa

- Large scale, N-S direction, simple but more complex locally.
- Occupies flood plain of 'U' shaped glacial valley 90-140m's height with steep rocky hills either side
- Watercourses are a dominant feature, ground is very wet, with steep hills draining into zone
- SS trees are in check with patchy coverage, slightly better on shallow slopes. Striping of tree growth due to irregular fertiliser application?
- Small forest track. Most of zone is un-roaded. Challenging wet ground to road.
- No infrastructure other than Public Right of Way running through.

Ishriff West

- Large scale, steep slopes facing SE-E 160-350m's height. Medium complexity with changes to aspect and gradient. Cnoc nan Scolb is the prominent dominant rounded foothill. All Molach SSSI is geological, imposing constraints on tree planting, drainage and roading. Both are landslip hazard areas.
- Watercourse running vertically down steep slopes of Cnoc nan Scolb is very visible. Allt an Sgualain deeply incised.
- Mixed success of SS trees. Patchy growth, lots of open ground. Striping due to aerial fertiliser.
- Two small sections of track, rest un-roaded with no access.
- A849 along SE boundary, important tourist route. Sustained view of zone along road.

Ishriff East

- Medium to large scale, occupying half the very flat and wet 120-140m's height flood plain of 'U' shaped glacial valley to W of Lussa River. Bounded by A849 on W.
- Watercourses meander across the flat expanse. Allt Molach, Loch Sgeadain and Lussa River are all in the SPA, and adjacent to the forest. There is potential for better habitat links.
- Trees on flattest ground are in check, trees improve the further up the slope they are.
- Old public road runs the length of the zone, and most coupes would be accessible from this if it is suitable.
- A849 runs along NW boundary, but forest is mainly only visible along its edge, particularly as a setting for Loch Sgeadain.
- No other infrastructure or settlements apart from farm to the S.

Garmony central

- Medium landscape, E to NE facing, moderate complexity from sea level to 80m's height. Slopes vary from very shallow on lower slopes to very steep with exposed rock.
- A number of watercourses, some of which are incised.
- Large conifer coupes have been felled. BL / open ground on lower slopes. Open ground to be planted?
- New forest roads ensure most of zone is accessible.
- A849 runs along NE, with couple of farms and historical features. Only the edge by the road is visible.

Scallastle South

- Medium scale, moderately complex landscape, N facing, 30 to 200m's height. Shallow on lower slopes, steepening on higher slopes. Ground is rock above this.
- Watercourses run N into sea or Scallastle River, which is quite incised.
- Large conifer coupes are being felled. Rest is BL's and open ground
- New forest road cuts across to W, giving access to majority of zone.
- A849 and Craignure sit below the forest. A car park is to the NE, with walks from here.

Fishnish

- Medium to small scale, fairly complex from sea level to 80m's. Very gentle slopes and minor summits. Fishnish peninsula will be exposed to Sound of Mull.
- Small meandering watercourses. Sea is on three sides of Fishnish peninsula. salt may affect trees? Wet areas at A'Bhuigneach, may cause management issues
- Trees (mainly SS) grow well. fertile soils?
- Number of forest roads mean most of zone is accessible.
- A849 and A884 run through forest to Tobermorey and Lochaline ferry. Tourist area. Facilities (car parks, picnic area, walks) at Garmony Point and ferry terminal. New harbour looks stark and urban. Views either close up trees (SS hedge) or from Sound of Mull, of the forest edge.

Craignure East

- Medium scale moderately complex landscape of 30-100m's height. Steep slopes face E.
- Some slightly incised watercourses pass through to Sound of Mull SAC.
- Trees are a mix of conifers, and BL's on inaccessible steep slopes with better soils.
- There are just a couple of access points. The steep ground may inhibit access.
- A849 runs through, zone is very visible from ferries, acting as backdrop to Duart Castle.

Craignure West

- Large scale relatively complex, E facing, medium steepness, some small summits, at 100-260m height it is half the height of Maol nan Uan.
- A few watercourses, Allt na Goibhre Mor is slightly incised
- Trees predominantly monoculture of SS planted up to the boundaries, very visual from ferries.
- No forest roads or access. No infrastructure or recreation.



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Legend

- Zones
 - South_Mull_legal_boundary
 - - - ROW
 - ▨ SSSI (geological)
 - PAWS
- 0 0.5 1 2 3 4 Kilometers



West Region

South Mull LMP

Map 4.2 Landscape Character Zones