

# Horse Riding in the Cairngorms National Park

The Cairngorms National Park has some of the most spectacular scenery in the world and what better way to enjoy it than on horseback.

Several of the paths still used for trekking were originally cattle droving roads. Today, these tracks still cross the open moors and high passes so that from the saddle you can glimpse some of Scotland's secret places.

Pony trekking is said to have started in the Cairngorms, with the sturdy Highland ponies that work alongside stalkers, carrying deer off the hill. There are a variety of Riding Centres in the Cairngorms National Park, offering everything from short treks to long-distance rides over several days.

Whichever Riding Centre you choose, you can be sure that the view from the saddle will be an unforgettable experience.





## How to get here

The Cairngorms National Park is easy to reach by road, rail, plane or bike. We have train links from Inverness, Glasgow and Edinburgh, and have a direct service from London and the south to Aviemore and Aberdeen.

For everything you need for your visit to the Cairngorms
National Park including information on where to stay, what to do, places to eat, drink and shop, and what's on visit www.visitcairngorms.com or download the FREE Visit Cairngorms App.



# 10% off your visit to a second Riding Centre

Book your visit to one of the Riding Centres in this leaflet and receive 10% off your visit to any one of the other Riding Centres listed. Simply take along this voucher with your original receipt to secure a 10% discount at the second Riding Centre you visit.

First Riding	Centre	visited: _	
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Date of visit:

Your name:

Your email:

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**Terms and conditions apply.** Subject to availability. Visits must be pre-booked and voucher mentioned at the second Riding Centre at time of booking. Offer not valid during July and August. Please check terms and conditions at each Riding Centre as they may vary.

☐ Please tick if you would like to receive special offers and updates about the Cairngorms National Park by email.



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## Cairngorms on Horseback



Discover some of the world's most dramatic mountains, rivers and glens on horseback in the Cairngorms National Park

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#### I. Alvie Stables

Alvie Estate, Kincraig, Inverness-shire PH21 INE T: 07831 495 397 E: dmgrant19@aol.com

#### www.alvie-estate.co.uk/ horse\_riding.htm

We offer superb riding through miles of beautiful countryside. Novice, intermediate and experienced riders are catered for on well schooled horses and ponies, all with great characters. Families and children from 4 years are welcome. We look forward to welcoming you.



#### 2. Balmoral Riding Centre

The Estates Office, Balmoral Estates, Ballater, Aberdeenshire AB35 5TB T: 013397 42534 E: info@balmoralcastle.com

#### www.balmoralcastle.com/trekking.htm

Balmoral welcomes experienced riders to join one of our two hour, one day or two day treks, following in the footsteps of Queen Victoria. Ride a Highland, Fell or Haflinger pony across this magnificent estate, home to the Royal family.



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#### 3. Blair Castle Trekking Centre

Blair Castle Trekking Centre, Atholl Estates, Blair Atholl, Perthshire PH18 5TH T: 01796 481568 E: bookings@blaircastletrekking.co.uk

#### www.blaircastletrekking.co.uk

Experience the spectacular scenery of Atholl Estates from the back of a working Highland pony. A knowledgeable guide will take you off the beaten track and show you undiscovered spots, whilst you take in the wildlife in all its splendour.



### 4. Carrbridge Riding Centre

Ellan House, Station Road, Carrbridge, Inverness-shire, PH23 3AN T: 01479 841602

Established for over 30 years, we have safe, reliable horses and ponies to cater for everyone from beginners to experienced riders on 2 hour and 1 hour treks through beautiful countryside. Forest minitreks are also available for children.



Established in 1952 the Ormiston family have been breeding
Highland ponies for 150 years.
Try our trail riding, working or learning holidays, ABRS tests, lessons, treks, hacks, Pony Club, Carriage Driving, Ski Joring, Sleigh Rides - BHS, TRSS, ABRS, Pony Club approved.

#### 7. Strathspey Highland Ponies

c/o Rothiemurchus Centre, Inverdruie, By Aviemore, Inverness-shire PH22 IQH T: 01479 812345 E: info@rothie.net

#### www.rothiemurchus.net

6. Newtonmore Riding Centre

E: info@newtonmoreridingcentre.com

www.newtonmoreridingcentre.com

Biallid Farm, Fort William Road, Newtonmore, Inverness-shire PH20 IBP T: 01540 670000



Riding on Rothiemurchus is a special experience. Join our friendly, skilled guides to enjoy hill, moorland, river and pine forest riding, much of it off-track. There is the potential to see wildlife and enjoy the peace, space and magnificent scenery.

#### 5. Glen Tanar Equestrian Centre

Brooks House, Dinnet AB34 5EU T: 013398 86448 E: gtec@talk21.com www.glentanar.co.uk/riding

In an area of outstanding natural beauty with abundant wildlife, offering quality riding along riverside, loch, woodland and mountain trails. We have a range of well-schooled ponies and horses and experienced staff. Exciting hacks for experienced riders and gentle treks for the novice.



#### 8. Tomintoul Riding Centre

St Bridget Farm, Tomintoul, Banffshire AB37 9HS T: 01807 580210 E: enquiry@highlandhooves.co.uk

#### www.highlandhooves.co.uk

Enjoy I hour, half-day treks, day rides or trail riding holidays. Horses and routes matched carefully to rider's experience. Riding along forest tracks, hill paths and open moorland, our well-mannered horses and experienced guides ensure your ride is safe and enjoyable.



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