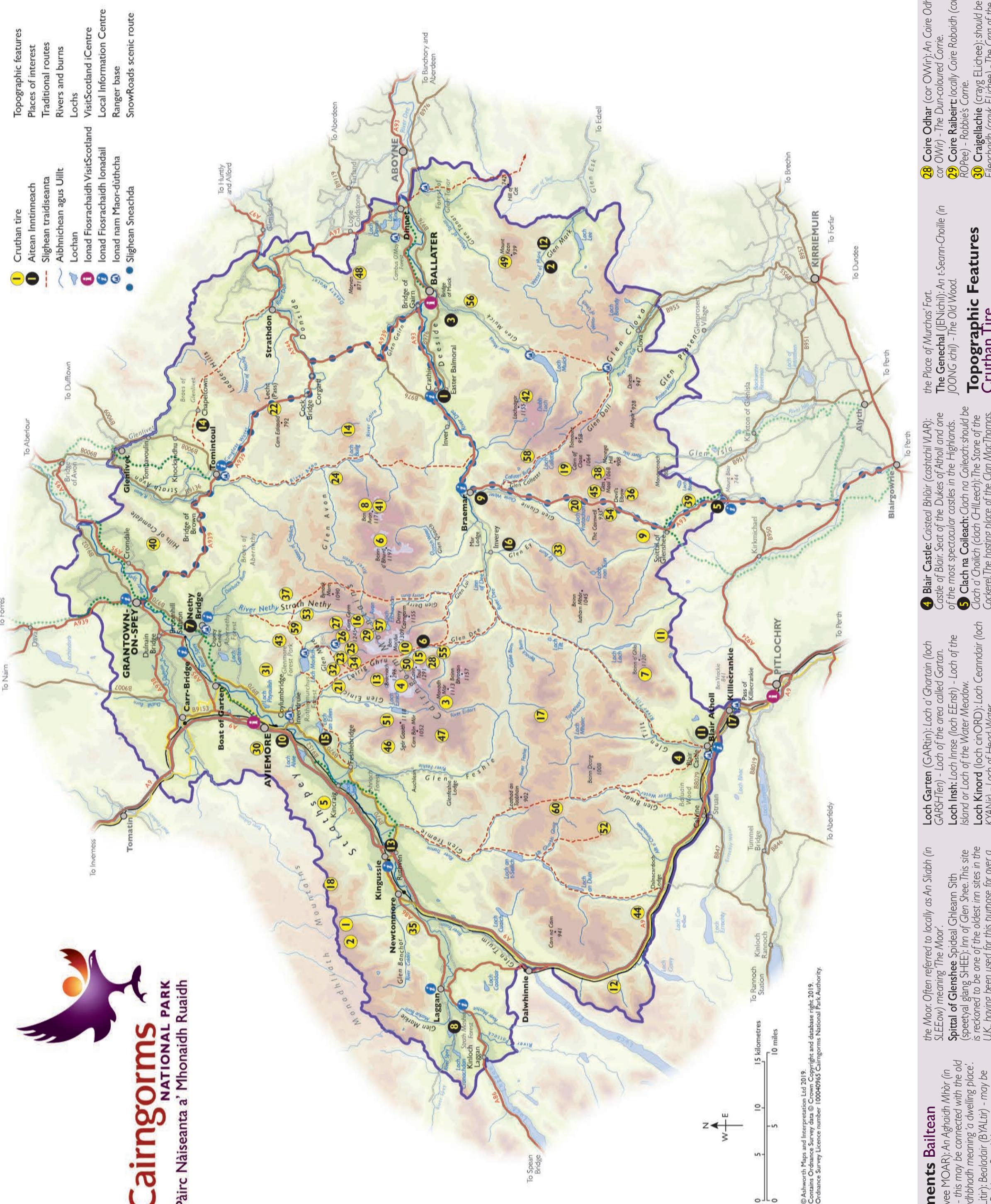




# Cairngorms NATIONAL PARK

Páirc Náiseanta a' Mhonaidh Ruaidh



## Settlements Bailean

Avenmore (ave MOAR) An Aghadh Mhòr (in acke VÀR) - this may be connected with the old Gaelic word 'dabhdach' meaning a dwelling place. Ballater (BALtir) Bealdrach (BÝALtir) - may be from Bealdrach Dohar - Pess Water. Bellabeg (BELLbeg) Am Baile Beag (im ball BECK) - The Little Town.

## Rivers and Burns

### Aibhneachan agus Uillt

Alt Druith; Alt Dùig (alt DROO) - probably means the Stream of the Dredging/Oozing. Avon (Av) Usge Athfainn (oosth-JEENG) - Water of the very bright One. Callater Burn (CALiter BURN) Usge Chaladair (osth CHALatir) - Caladair may mean 'Hard Water' or Calling Water.

Derry Burn: Usge an Doire (oostik in DIR) - Water of the Copse. Don: Usge Dheathain (osth YEN) - Water of Deathon (possibly a deity). Isla (EE) Usge le (oosth EEL) - Water of the High (osth CHLOAnnee) - Water of the pasture. Dear: Usge Dié (oosth YAY) - Water of Dè (possibly a deity).

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Lui (EE) Usge Li (oosth LEI) - possibly Water of Flood. River Garry Usge Garadh (oostik GAR) - Thicket River. River Tilt Abhainn Tilt (own TSHAY[LT]CH) - Stream of Pig's Tilt. Probably River of Teiltie This river is probably named after the Celtic goddess Taitli whose name is sometimes recorded in ancient Gaelic manuscripts in the variant form Taite.

Spey: Usge Spé (oosth SPE) - possibly River Spey of Haworth. Taras (TANir) Usge Thannar (oosth HANGir) - possibly connected to Tarans, a British/Gaulish name. Dùinidh Bridge (DUlIn) - Druaidh Thuilinn - (drochit CHUllin) - Bridge of the Bloody River.

Grantown-on-Spey: Baile ionn Granndach 'ba' ning GRONnach - town of the Gaels. Often referred to locally as 'Am Baile Ur' (im bal OOR) meaning 'The New Town'. Inverey (INvER) Inbhir Èirbh (inr EI) - The Mouth of the EY (river). Killecracke (kille KRANKee) Coille Chnagaidh (killy CHRACKee) Knotty Wood. The battlefield of Killecracke, where the Jacobite army under Bonnie Dundee obtained a notable victory in 1689 is Roan Ruairidh (in RODArEE) - Rory's Field.

Kincraig (KINGRAY) Cenn na Creige (crown ni CRÆgg) - The End of the Rock.

Kingussie (kinOSEE) Cenn d' Ghàidhseach (known in YOSEE) - the End of the Pine Wood. Kirktoun of Glenbuchat (glenBUCKt) - The mouth of the Neathy (river). Also Druoidh Neirth (druichit NYAteach). Lagan (LAGin) Logain (LAGAn) originally Logan Chonmich - St Kenneth's Hollow.

Nethy Bridge: Locally known in Gaelic as Obair Neithig of Glenbuchat (glenBUCKt) - The mouth of the Neathy (river). Also Druoidh Neirth (druichit NYAteach). Neive (nyo) locally known as the Neive - from An Neimheadh (in NYOw) - The Sacred Place. Newtounmore (nyoo tin MOAR) Buile dr an t-Sleibh (bal aer on TLATEV) - The New town of t-Sleibh (bal aer on TLATEV) - The Forest of the Harpers.

## Traditional Routes Slighean traidiseanta

Am Bealach Dearg (im byalach JERick); The Red Pass.

Beum a' Chaildeimh (ben ICHLEYe); The Gomhs of the Sword.

Goms' Road (CUMeens road) Rathod han Cuimeineach (rat ring COO/meneach), Gaick Pass: Gaig (GAICK) - a deft.

Lairig Ya: Lairig (LAIRIG) - Sape The House of Lude was at one time the centre of the Gaelic harp tradition in Scotland. The only two surviving Gaelic harps, both dating from the 15th century, were found here. The design of most modern Gaelic harps, descendants, is based on these.

Queen's Walk: Tobar non Clacan Geala (OAPring clacan GAL) - The Well of the White Queen Victoria to Glen Mark in 1861.

Ruthven Barracks (RUVin) Ruthven from Ruthven (ROOAen) - Red Place. The Highland Army gathered here in 1746 after the Battle of Culloden only to be disbanded, bringing to an end the last Jacobite rising.

Scolan: An Sgillean (in SCAlon) - The Shelter. This building played a vital role in the survival of Scottish Catholicism during the 18th century when the Roman Catholic Church was banned, a college situated here prepared around a hundred boys for the priesthood.

The Cat's Den: Uamh d' Chait (oostik in CHAICH) - hideout of the outlaw Sandy Grant, ridenart The Cat - said to be an ancestor of President Ulysses Grant of the USA.

The Colonel's Bed: Leabdh a' Choinneil (ypee CHORNiil) - man's hideout of John Farquharson of Inverey, better known as the Black Colonel. A colorful character who was a prominent Jacobite in the late 17th century.

The Soldier's Leap: A gorge over the River Garry Uachair nam Bo (Drum Uachair) - Ridge of the High Ground. Often referred to in Gaelic poetry as Drum Uachair (droeinen OACHKer) - Ridge of the High Ground. Uachair nam Bo (Drum Uachair) or Drum Uachair of the Grass.

The Tolmount (TOLmunt): An Duil Monadh (in DOOL mon) - meaning uncertain. This is also known as Jack's Road - named after John Winter, who fought for the right to walk over these mountains.

Chalamain Gap: Should be Egg Coire na Còmhagh (leck car ni COLagh) - The Ravine of the Corrie of All - also known as Egg na Sathbhairde - The Ravine of the Fox's Den.

Clach Bhàn (dachVAN) - Stone of Women. Clachan (stachd ni HYOOLir): The Mountain of the Deer Trap.

Coire Cas: An Coire Cas (ing con CAS): The Steep Corrie. Macinosis's Mountain.

Coire na Ciste (or ni CESHTCH): The Forest of the Two Views. Known locally as Sheen Da Chonmhidh (sheean da CHOrtch) - The Fairy Hill of the Two Views.

Uchd a' Chàrsair (oothch CHLArSair): The Slope of the Harpers.

## Forests and Woods Colilean

Ballochbuie (bailochBOOE): Am Bealach Builthe (im BALach BOOe) - The Yellow Pass.

Colaicheach (cell CHRECH): The Wood of the Aspen.

Colailea' Phobair (ceil FEEpin): The Piper's Wood.

Craignach (CRANEch): The Place of Strong Trees.

Gleomore Forest (gleinMOAR): Colle d' Ghlinne Mhòr (cell gleyen VOAR) - The Forest of the Big Gen.

Rothmuinch (rothmUinch): Colle drach Ràth Muirchais (ceil rach VOORchist) - Blach Rivermeadow. Highland home of Prince Charles.

Bràthail (berKHAA): Blàth Haugh (Sots) - Blach Rivermeadow. Highland home of Prince Charles.

Eanach - Loch of the Doggy Area.

Fionnraigh (feonRAGH): The Forest of the New Snap.

Grìmnis (grimNIS): The Devil's Point should be Bod an Dearman (bot in JEEN). The Devil's Pens.

Lang Strachit (Scots): The Long Straight.

Tom Dà Choilean (town da CHOYt): The Devil's Head.

Stac na h-Loine (stachd ni HYOOLir): The Range of the Edge.

The Cairnians: Cam Bhaig (cam VALky) - Mountain of Bag-shaped Lumps.

Snugger's Ridge (yEEr): The Devil's Pens.

The Snugger's Shank (Scots): The (whisky) Ridge.

## Topographic Features Crùthann

Coire Odhar (cor OWIr) An Coire Odhar (ing cor OWIr) - The Duncoloured Corrie.

Coire Ràbeirt (locally Coire Robaidh (cor ROFee) - Robbie's Corrie.

Cràggallach (crag ELchee): should be Cregg Elcheach (crag ELchee) - The Crag of the Rocky Place - The steagan of the Clan Grant.

Craigownie: probably Cregg Ghobharaidh (crag GOWee) - Crag of the Goat.

Craig a' Chalanain (crag o' Chalanain (crag CHAlmen)) - The Crag of the Dove.

Craig an Fluathas (crag in Oeyley): The Crag of the Spectre.

Craig an Leth-choin (craggy in LEchin): The Lurcher's Crag.

Craig Dhubh (crag DOO): Newtonmore: A' Chearg Dhubh (chareek DOO) - The Black Crag - The slogan of the Clan MacPherson.

Craig a' Minadach (in moni ROOg): The Russet-coloured Mountain Range.

Craig an Garbh-Choire (ing GARrich): The Rough Corrie.

Craig a' Shuidhe (in SOOee): The Seat.

Beinn a' Bhuid (being NOOrb): The Mountain of the Table.

Beinn a' Ghlo (Locally Beinn Ghlotha (being GLo)) - The Mountain of the Yeal. This massive mountain has twenty-eight corries all of which have names.

Ben Avon (ben AN): Ben Avin (Aftfinn) (being Aeng) - Mountain of River Avon.

Ben Gulabin: Ben Gulbain (being GOUpree): Snouted Mountain. This, according to an ancient Gaelic ballad, is the place where Diarmid ua Dubhne, hero of the Fianna killed the wild boar and subsequently died himself after one of the boar's poisonously pierced his sole.

Ben MacDuit: Ben MacDùibh (being macdh DOO): The Mountain of the sons of Duff.

Ben Urrich: Benin a' Bhuirich (buying VOreich): - The Torc (in TORCH) - The Bear. This distinctive conical hill marks the boundary between Badenoch and Athol.

Lochnagar (lochNGAR): probably Lochnan na Gàire - The Little Loch of the Noisy Sound. This name probably refers to the loch in the eastern corrie of Lochnagar. The mountain is Beinn nan Cothan (being SHEE): Fairy Glen.

Hills of Cromdale: Beinn Chonmhaill (being CHROMMbl): The Mountain of Cromdale.

Leabdh a' Daimh Bhuidhe (lyopee in dey VOOCee): The Bed of the Yellow Stag.

Lochnagar (lochNGAR): Mountain of the Paps (Breadts).

Meall a' Bhuchaille (myowl VOOACHEel): The Hill of the Herdsman.

Meall an Raig (myjal in ROOFK): - The Hill of the Skirmishes.

Meall Odhar: Am Meall Odhar Mòr (im myowl our MOAR): - The Big Dun-coloured Hill.

Meall Tionail (nyowl TCHENi): Hill of Gathering.

Mòine Mhòr: A' Mhòine Mhòr (i vony VOAR) - The Big Peat Bog.

Monachan: Monachan (MORveen): - The Big Mountain.

Mountains of the Foothills.

Ngall: The Peak of the Little Green Loch. Known in English as Angel's Peak.

Scànaidh (skanNID): Scànaidh (scannID): The Hill of the Cleymont.

Seigirean: Seigirean (siegir EAN): - The Devil's Point should be Bod an Dearman (bot in JEEN). The Devil's Pens.

Sgor an Lochain Uaine (scorn lochen OOEy): The Peak of the Little Green Loch. Known in English as Angel's Peak.

Sgor an Tuirc (cam TOURch): The Mountain of the Wild Boar.

Sòn Asda (cam NOOeesh): should perhaps be Cam Nas (cam NOON):

Cairn (cam TOWil): should be Cam an t-Sabhal/cam TOWil) - The Barn-shaped Mountain.

Cairngorm (cam GORin): An Cairn Gorm (in cam GORin): - The Blue Mountain.

Càrn an Fhidheir (cam in YEEl): The Mountain of the Fiddler.

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