Walk

Vogrie circular walk via D’Arcy and Edgehead.

Distance: 7.5 miles / 12 km

Ascent: 230 ft / 70 m

Time: 3 1/2 hours

 Terrain—Field paths • Rough tracks • O Quiet roads • pavement by main roads •

OS Map: No 66 Edinburgh

Start point: Vogrie Country Park
Gr: NT 375 631

For Sat Nav users:
Lat: 49°49′42.26″N
Long: 007°31′02.19″W

Public transport: No

Car Parking: Yes

Refreshments: Seasonal

Routes: Midlothian Ranger Service

Photos: Midlothian Ranger Service

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**Introduction**

A short walk through a landscape telling the story of the last 300 million years. You will see extinct volcanoes, evidence of flooding and the last ice age and also, more recently, of the mining of coal and lime.

For information on the geology of this walk go to http://www.edinburghgeolsoc.org/downloads/GeologyWalk-VogrieCountryPark.pdf

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**Route details**

Follow signs from the car park (it is worth having a look at the info board here) to Vogrie House. Note the Latin inscription, Yellow line on map marks route.

Start from Vogrie House (or car park) and head for main entrance on busy road B6372. Just before entrance turn left onto track (Signposted: Newlandrig 3/4 mile) through narrow wood which runs along road and proceed 1km to end of track through gate onto minor road. Turn right and walk a few metres up to main road and village of Newlandrig. Cross road and turn left for 50m until sign (CampWood 1 mile).

Key Points of Interest

Vogrie Country Park, designated Scotland’s second Country Park.

A panorama of extinct volcanoes,

Clues to the economic past of coal mining, lime burning and other industrial activity.

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Campwood Path

Turn right following sign and proceed up grassy pathway. Cross Vogrie Burn after 100m and continue through gate up the hill to crossroads. Continue straight on (Signposted: Camp Wood 3/4 mile) on track 400m to corner of wood, then along edge of wood for 400m to right angle where path turns right. Follow along side of wood and dry stone dyke for 300m to road.

Go left onto road and 900m to crossroads with house and continue straight on (Signposted: Whitehill ½ m, Dalkeith 3m) uphill 500m to Limekiln Wood. Turn left before wood onto track (Signposted: Mayfield 3/4 mile) for 500m along edge of wood and then 100m to Lawfield (buildings). Turn right uphill and proceed along.

Turn right for 100m along main road and then right (Signposted: D’Arcy, Mayfield) onto minor road for 600m until road touches the edge of wood. Proceed south-east on track along edge of wood for 600m to Spy Law Wood where it joins farm road. Turn left along the road for 500m. Then take track through wood for 200m, then turn left on track for 100m passing Windmill House arriving at main road (B6372 again) and village of Edgehead.

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Vogrie House

The Old Windmill

Turn right along the road for 800m, then turn right onto minor road for 300m, then sharp right for 100m and then left again for another 500m. Then turn left onto track along a hedgerow and downhill for 700m to main road B6372 and the village of Dewartown.

Turn right for 100m to Vogrie Park back entrance and follow signs along tracks for 1000m to Vogrie House. Turn right for 100m to Vogrie Park back entrance and follow signs along...