

RAILWAY WALKS

Dhoon Glen, Ballaragh, King Orry's Grave, Agneash, Laxey Village

A walk through Dhoon Glen, one of the Island's longest and most spectacular glens, is followed by some quiet lane walking to King Orry's Grave. The route then takes you through beautiful Manx countryside to the hamlet of Agneash, before descending to The Laxey Wheel and the village of Laxey. Watch out: Dhoon Glen is steep and can be muddy in places.

Distance:	6 miles	2	MODERATE C
Start:	Dhoon Glen Halt (Outdoor Leisure Map Ref: 451 864)	_	
Finish:	Laxey Station (Outdoor Leisure Map Ref: 431 858)		
By Manx Electric Railway:	Take the tram starting from Douglas or Ramsey, alight at Dhoon Glen Halt		
By Bus:	Services 3 and 3A connect Douglas with Laxey and Ramsey		

Facilities (subject to opening hours)

Dhoon Glen:	Public toilets, refreshment kiosk (seasonal opening)
Laxey:	Public toilets, several cafés and public houses, village shops

Route ...

- 1. Enter the glen, adjacent to the café and the station. Turn left and take the track in front of the toilets. This will immediately take you into the glen.
- 2. Continue along the riverside walk through the glen until you reach Dhoon Bay. Turn right. Cross the stream (usually accessible without any problems) and take the footpath at the cliff's edge until you reach Dhoon Bay and turn right.
- Continue to follow this track as it winds its way up to the headland. The path then turns inland above the glen. As you reach a minor road you will join the Raad Ny Foillan (coastal footpath).
- **4.** Take the ladder-stile signposted Ballaragh Road, cross the field and the Manx Electric Railway line. Cross the main road and head over a stile into a field up the hill, continuing to follow the *Raad Ny Foillan* (coastal footpath) signs.
- 5. Turn left onto a quiet road and continue along for 1.3 miles. When the road bends sharply to the right stay on the road, ignoring the *Raad Ny Foillan* (coastal footpath) signs.

- **6.** After 0.4 miles, as you enter Laxey, you will find King Orry's Grave situated on either side of the road. King Orry's grave is the largest known megalithic tomb on the island.
- 7. Facing back up the hill, bear to the left. The road crosses a small river and soon becomes a track as you head towards Croitrecloughbane just under a mile.
- 8. The footpath goes through a small wood and turns sharply left behind a house. The path then goes diagonally across the fields with old mine workings visible on your right, heading towards the ruins of an old house.
- 9. Continue on the clearly defined footpath, across a footbridge and alongside cottage gardens to the hamlet of Agneash. Turn left, walking down the steep and twisting lane to the village of Laxey.
- 10. Shortly after passing the entrance to Laxey Wheel (0.8 miles), continue down the lane past Ham and Egg Terrace. When you reach the main road (A2), the station is diagonally opposite on the right.





Points of Interest

Laxey: The Great Laxey Wheel, Snaefell Wheel and the Washing Floor, Snaefell Mountain Railway, Great Laxey Mines Railway, Victorian Laxey Glen Gardens, Laxey Woollen Mill, King Orry's Graye

subject to opening hours and admission costs where applicable)

