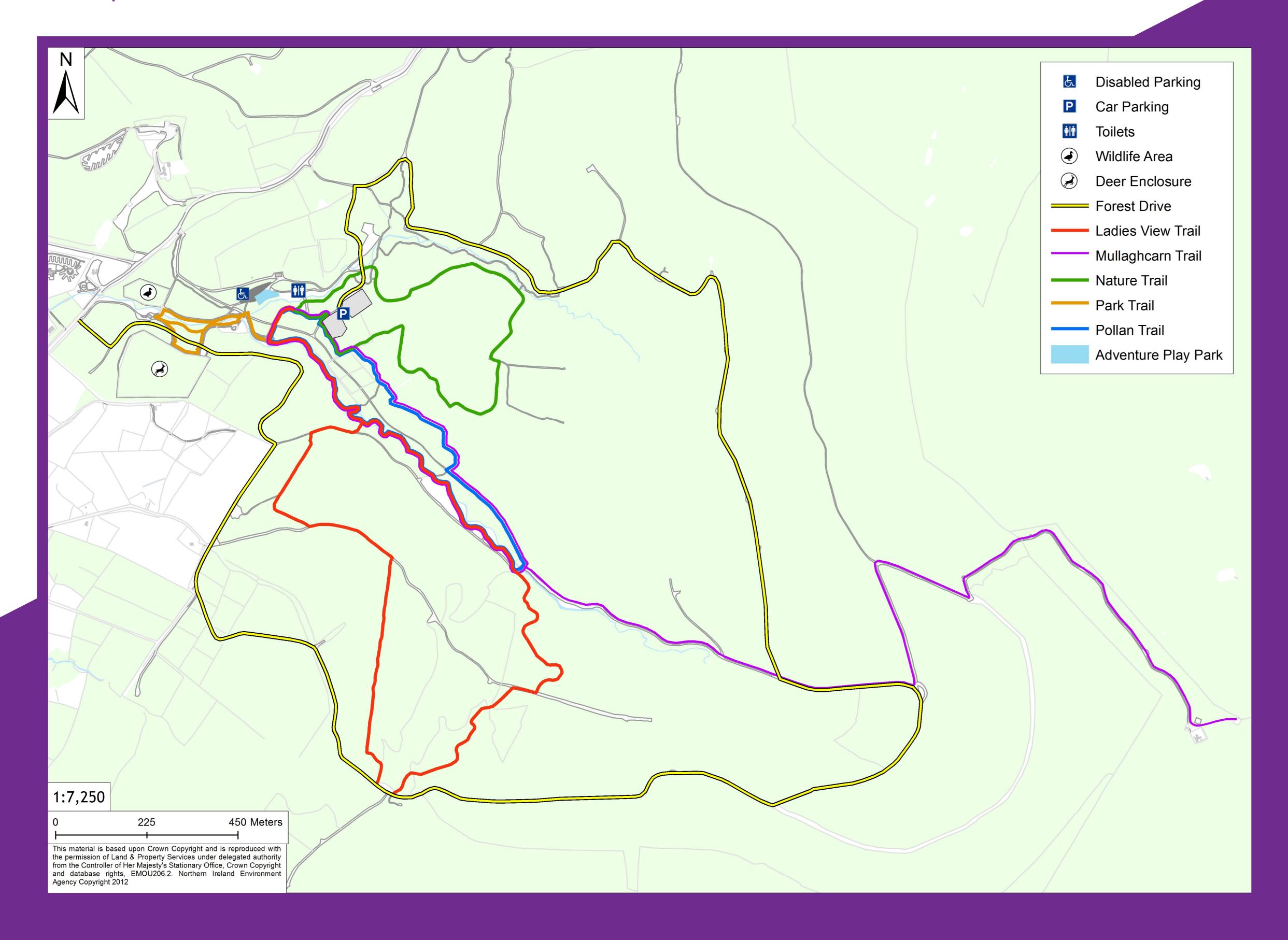
# Welcome To Gortin Glen Forest Park

Gortin Glen Forest Park is at the western gateway to the Sperrin Mountains. The Park was first opened in 1967 and embraces some 1534 hectares of ground. It has the distinction of being the first to be established in a purely coniferous woodland which was originally planted for the sole purpose of timber production.



## What to do here

There are lots of ways to enjoy Gortin Glen Forest Park. Choose from 5 unique trails over a range of distances and terrain.

### **Waymarked Trails**

A range of trails start from the trailhead. They give the visitor the chance to enjoy the Park's natural flora and fauna at its best. All the trails are colour coded and return to the car park.

### • Nature Trail (2 Km/1.25 miles)

This educational trail provides interest for the whole family by taking in a range and variety of habitats. Information points along the way give a broad insight into the nature of Gortin Glen and the surrounding countryside.

### • Pollan Trail (2 Km/1.25 miles)

This pleasant and rewarding trail follows up the course of the Pollan Burn as it tumbles down the mountainside. Stop, for a few minutes at the waterfall and enjoy the beauty that centuries of water have carved in the solid rock Continue on through forests of Lodgepole pine and Sitka spruce before returning to the the car park through Japanese larch planted in 1940.

• Mullaghcarn Trail (7km/ 4.2 miles) A challenging but rewarding climb to the summit of Mullaghcarn following the Pollan Trail. This trail offers spectacular views of the Sperrins.

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- Ladies View Trail (3.5 Km/2.25 miles) This strenuous but rewarding trail provides an excellent walk for those who enjoy exercise. The route rises to its highest point at 350 metres to give a superb view of the surrounding countryside. A brass plate pointing out prominent landscape features has been provided. The path then leads back to the car park through diverse conifer woodlands.
- Park Trail (1km/0.6 miles) A pleasant trail along the lower reaches of the Pollan River. This trail takes walkers past the wildlife area and deer enclosure.

### **The Forest Drive**

A major recreational feature of the forest is the five mile long drive which offers some breathtaking views. A number of vista parks have been created where the motorist can pull in and without getting out of the car enjoy the magnificent scenery.

#### **Hazards and Restrictions**

- These trails are situated in a working forest environment and may be subject to diversion and closure from time to time.
- All forest users should look out for vehicles, timber lorries and other machinery.
- Please observe all warnings, notices and signs during your visit.
- Care should be taken where trails run close to deep water.
- Exercise appropriate caution and respect other users.

### **Key Contacts/ Emergency Services**

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