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A challenging and very scenic cycle route circumnavigating Slieve Gallion with spectacular views and taking in Springhill House and the plantation towns of Moneymore and Draperstown.

The red fox remains prolific and is an impressive sight with its luxuriant coat, alert appearance and purposeful gait.



Points of Interest



Springhill House A National Trust property

One of the prettiest houses in Ulster renowned as being home to a friendly ghost, believed to be Olivia Lenox-Conyngham, and during tours of the house visitors are taken to the room where she has appeared on several occasions.

Moneymore

It was the main town of the Northern Ireland plantation by the Drapers' Company of the City of London, which also included nearby Draperstown.

Manor House

The Manor House, built by the Drapers Company in the 1840's, is situated in the middle of the historic conservation village of Moneymore. Recent extensive renovations to the four storey building has combined contemporary comforts with 19th Century charm.

Model Village

The Victorian walled garden behind the Manor House is the location of the 1622 Model Village showing the village in 12th scale from exactly as it was at that time. The Model Village, complete with figurines, is set in landscaped surroundings depicting life in rural Ulster at the time of the Plantation. A second Model Village depicting the high Victorian era of 1880 is planned for the adjoining gardens.

Manor Park

An attractive park within the conservation village of Moneymore. The 1km circular walk comprises 5 habitat types - native broadleaf woodland, hedgerow, parkland, wildlife pond and environmental play area.

Draperstown

A bustling, attractive example of a plantation town.

Slieve Gallion

Slieve Gallion stands alone at the eastern edge of the Sperrins and offers wonderful views from all sides.

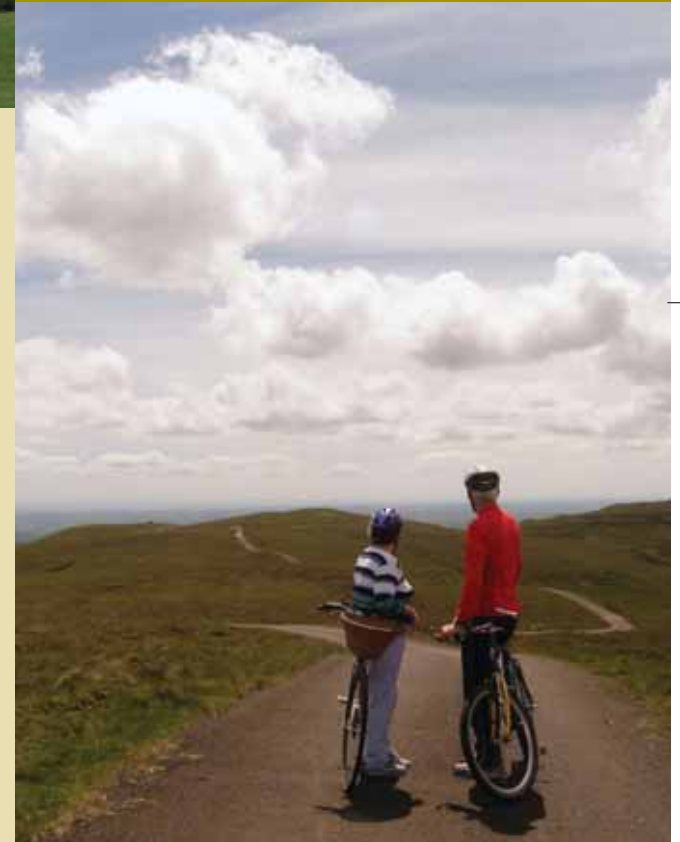


The Slieve Gallion Cycle Route

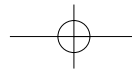


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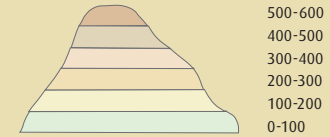


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| | Cafe |
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| | Shop |
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Height Information



Route Signing:
The **8** sign will guide you along the Slieve Gallion Cycle Route.

Advice & Recommendations:

- Springhill House is an ideal start location.
- This route has some steep climbs.

Local Tourist Information Points:

- Manor House, Moneymore
Tel: 028 8674 7700

Cycle Shop:

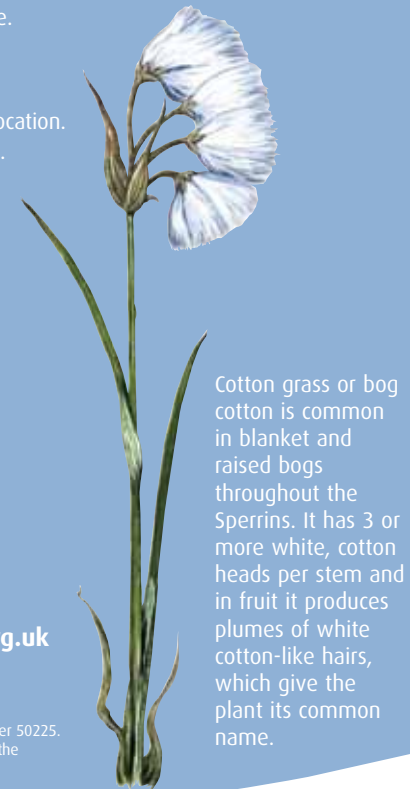
- Cicli Sport, Moneymore
Tel: 028 867 8748

Ulsterbus Public Transport:

- Cookstown
Tel: 028 8676 6440

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Cotton grass or bog cotton is common in blanket and raised bogs throughout the Sperrins. It has 3 or more white, cotton heads per stem and in fruit it produces plumes of white cotton-like hairs, which give the plant its common name.