

Cycling to Torridon

- check weather forecast, pack water, National Trust card & money

We now have 4 bikes to hire (nominal charges to cover insurance & maintenance) – 2 ladies & 2 gents with the safety gear. To the Cafe takes about 1 ½ hours at a gentle pace – there is 1 large hill (timing allows for walking up the worst bits of hill) around 7 miles each way.

Cycle the main road in the Torridon direction. Up at the top of the steepest hill there is a viewing point with interpretive panel. A great spot for a breather, in the breeze overlooking Liathach and a mussel farm in Loch Torridon. Down the hill is easy – if you have earned a drink then stop in at the Torridon Inn – the 2 acre kitchen garden round the back (behind the hotel) is worth a detour if you need to stretch your legs. There is a small herd of Highland cows at the Torridon close to the road.



Continue along the flat section of road through Annat, there is an interesting little graveyard on the right, continue along the long straight. Take the road to the left (signed Torridon & Diabeg). The Countryside centre at the junction is a good stop off to explore – the centre has maps, books, a little natural history section & video loop. Down the concrete drive is the deer museum, deer in captivity, bird hide and a gentle shore walk – a lovely alternative route to the Café.



Or go back up the concrete drive to the Countryside centre and continue along the Torridon road, cycle past the medical centre (our doctors surgery - the waiting room has a pretty amazing view). On a bit further there is the Torridon shop & café with a great view and a bite to eat (WC). The jetty and beach is to explore if the tide is out.

From here you can push on around the loch which is all reasonably flat to the Torridon House Estate and walk through the estate – this will probably add another mile each way, this is just before the road starts to ascend there is a private drive. The walk through the Torridon House Estate is fabulous and links into a stretch of coastal path beyond which is fairly level. Past an old estate church & on to the road end at Alligin. Walks as far as you want, then return the same way. This is a favourite low level walk and gets the sun summer or winter.

