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| **Kirkcudbright Walks : Barhill Wood**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Walk Details** | | | | | **Distance** | **Approx. time** | **Height gain** | **OS Map** | | 3.5km / 2 miles | 1 hour | - | Landranger 84 | | |  | | --- | |  |   **Location** From A75, take A711 to Kirkcudbright.  **Start Point** Selkirk Arms Hotel   **Description** From the car park. Turn right onto the main road then left. Take the 2nd left which takes you up past Tesco. Follow the road uphill. The road bears left then takes you out of town until you reach a very sharp corner where the road goes left to Gelston. Go straight ahead here and the entrance to the woods is first on your right.  There are three routes through the wood. The one described here is called the Viewpoint walk and is waymarked throughout as yellow. From the car park, take the right hand path. Barhill is an ancient woodland site and has a mixture of trees including oak, beech, larch, holly and sycamore. There is also plenty of undergrowth and you will probably hear the rustlings of blackbirds and song thrushes as they search for worms. Also listen out for the drumming of the great spotted woodpecker.   Soon you will reach a viewpoint with a picnic bench. Here you can enjoy views over Kirkcudbright Bay and the Galloway hills beyond. To continue, follow the yellow waymarkers. These take you through the wood where there are further glimpses over the town and across the Bay. | | | | |  |