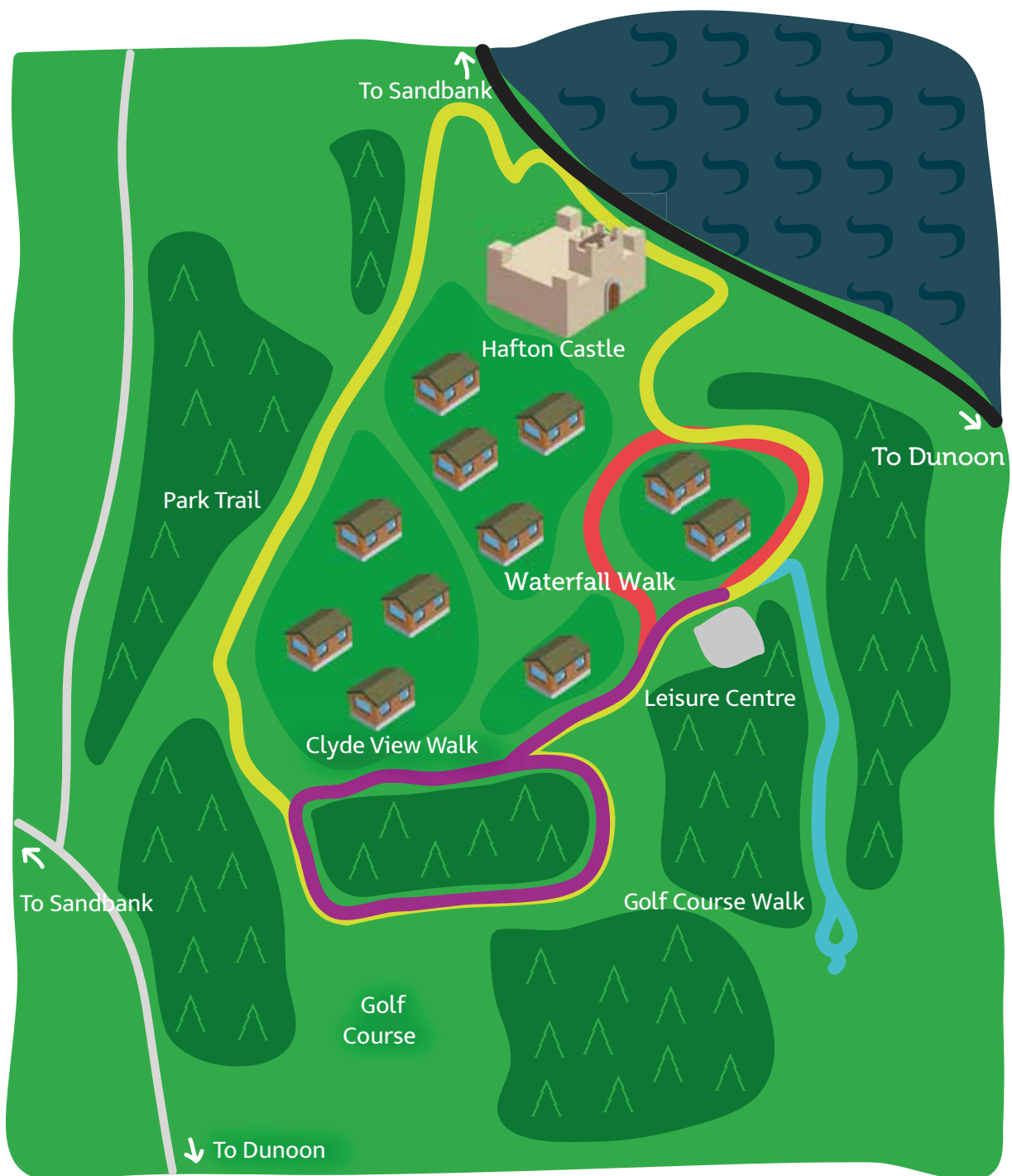


Hunters Quay Walking Trails

Here at Hunters Quay, we want you to enjoy the spectacular surroundings as much as we do. We've devised a number of walking trails through the surrounding countryside, ranging from short 20-minute strolls to longer hikes of over an hour.



Golf Course Walk

20 mins (turquoise line)

There's plenty to see along the way, from picturesque views across the Holy Loch and the Firth of Clyde (a fantastic photo opportunity) to an amazing array of flora and fauna within the woodland and surrounding park. Each trail offers a unique opportunity to get closer to nature, so choose your route, fasten your boots and get walking!

- 1) Leaving the Leisure Centre take a right turn towards the Caravan Sales area. Follow the woodland track to the left of the sales area for approximately 40 metres.
- 2) You will come to a sharp right hand turn. Take the turn and continue along the track.
- 3) Look out for a variety of woodland creatures including red squirrel, roe deer, and barn owls along this section.
- 4) To your left is Cammesreinach Wood, an ancient wood dominated with oak trees. In spring this section of woodland bursts into colour with a lush blue carpet of bluebells and the occasional bright flash of yellow from a primrose.
- 5) Half way along the track, you will come to the 'skeleton tree root' on the left. This root has been exposed to the elements, and over the years has been weathered and worn into its current bone-like state. If you look closely you will see a variety of fungie that have made their home on the root.
- 6) Moving further along, you will come to a 'daddy beech' on your left. This is a fine example of a mature beech tree. If you stay quiet for a while you might even see the red squirrels collecting beech kernels.
- 7) Stay on the track for another 80 metres and you will emerge onto the golf course at the fifteenth hole. Here you can enjoy spectacular views across the Firth of Clyde and Ayrshire.

Enjoy your wee stroll!

Waterfall Walk

45-60 mins (red line)

- 1) Leaving the Leisure Centre take a right turn towards the Caravan Sales area. Follow the woodland track to the left of the sales area for approximately 40 metres.
- 2) You will come to a sharp right hand turn. Take the turn, cross the ditch and follow the woodland path to the right-hand side of Islay Village.
- 3) You will now reach the paddock - a clearing in the tree canopy. Continue along the path until you come to the waterfall, which was built as part of the water 2 system for Hafton Estate. Look out for dragonflies in this area; many different coloured varieties are known to gather here.
- 4) Continue along the path until you come to a small birch glade. Proceed along the path within the glade to experience the peace and tranquillity of a pioneer woodland.
- 5) You will come to the 'giant's seat' - a huge tree trunk on which you can have a well-deserved rest.
- 6) Hafton Castle will now come into view. Take the path to the main drive and turn left, then head back toward the start of the walk at the Leisure Centre (signposted).



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Clyde View Walk

1.5 hours (purple line)

- 1) Leaving the Leisure Centre, take a left turn and head toward the first roundabout.
- 2) Turn left at the roundabout and proceed through the barrier.
- 3) Turn right, then continue along the road until you reach Gigha Village.
- 4) Take the left-hand path up the hill for a spectacular view over the Firth of Clyde.
- 5) Continue along the woodland trail above Bute Village for approximately 60 metres. Remember to look out for the wildlife on the way!
- 6) On the left there is a viewpoint that boasts spectacular vistas over Benmore, Kilmun, Strone and the Holy Loch.
- 7) The next part of the walk is under the canopy of the woodland, along the fence line of the golf course.
- 8) On the left is the 8th green (ninth hole). Wave to the golfers!
- 9) The real adventure starts here where you have to climb over a tree root!
- 10) Follow the track past the large water tank and continue down to the road.
- 11) Turn right and continue along the road to Bute village, returning to the Leisure Centre via the same path you started on.



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Park Trail

2 hours (yellow line)

- 1) Leaving the Leisure Centre, take a left turn and head toward the first roundabout.
- 2) Turn left at the roundabout and proceed through the barrier.
- 3) Turn right along the road until you come to Bute Village.
- 4) Take the left-hand path up the hill for a spectacular view over the Firth of Clyde.
- 5) Continue along the woodland trail above Bute Village for approximately 60 metres. Remember to look out for the wildlife on the way!
- 6) On the left there is a viewpoint that boasts spectacular vistas over Benmore, Kilmun, Strone and the Holy Loch.
- 7) The next part of the walk is under the canopy of the woodland, along the fence line of the golf course.
- 8) On the left is the 8th green (ninth hole). Wave to the golfers!
- 9) The real adventure starts here where you have to climb over a tree root!
- 10) Follow the track past the large water tank down to the road.
- 11) Take the left-hand road through Colonsay and Gigha Village until you come to a T junction. Take a right turn.
- 12) Walk for approximately 1km along the track past Hafton Castle until you come to the main road.
- 13) Continue to the right, facing the traffic, for 300 metres until you reach the entrance to the holiday park.
- 14) Go up the drive past the junction on the left, signposted 'To Hunters Quay'. You will come to a woodland path on the left.
- 15) Take this path past the 'giant's seat' - a huge tree trunk on which you can have a well-deserved rest.
- 16) Meander along the path within the birch glade to experience the peace and tranquility of a pioneer woodland.
- 17) You will now reach the paddock - a clearing in the tree canopy. Continue along the path until you come to the waterfall, which was built as part of the water 2 system for Hafton Estate. Look out for dragonflies in this area - many different coloured varieties are known to gather here.
- 18) Follow the path right from the waterfall through the woodland until you come to the ditch at Cammesreinach Wood. Cross the ditch and turn right along the path until you come back to the Leisure Centre.
- 19) Treat yourself to a well-deserved refreshment in the Hunters Bar and Grill!!

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