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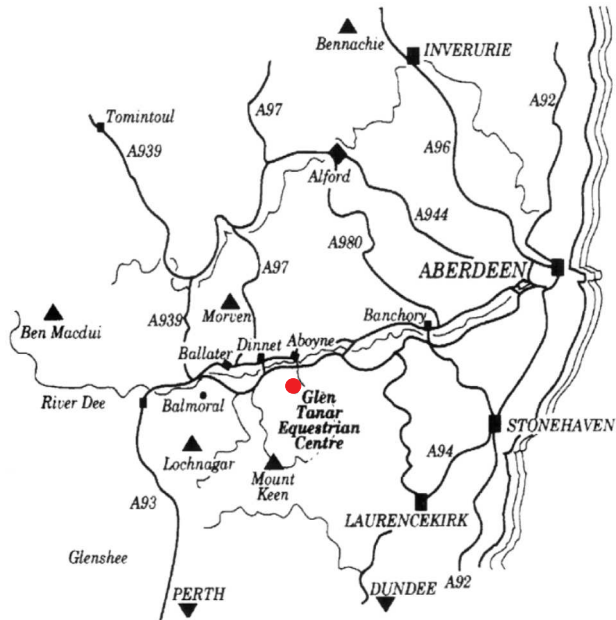
"Once you have been to Glen Tanar Equestrian Centre, you will keep coming back - as do many of our clients from all over the world!"

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"Set in a peaceful location of outstanding natural beauty....., the Centre offers safe, quality riding along riverside, forest and mountain trails."



The Glen

Glen Tanar is set amidst some of Scotland's finest scenery between Aboyne and Ballater on Royal Deeside. The Estate, which extends to 25,000 acres, encompasses a wide variety of terrain, ranging from the breathtaking summit of Mount Keen (939m) through the Ancient Caledonian Forest down to the picturesque Water of Tanar which flows into the River Dee. There is wildlife in abundance - the magnificent Red Deer, Roe Deer, Red Squirrel, Golden Eagle, Ospreys, Grouse, Oyster Catchers, Buzzards, Wildcat and if you are lucky, the elusive Capercaillie.

The Stables

The original stable block of Glen Tanar House now houses the Equestrian Centre. Excellent facilities include a covered arena, outdoor show jumping, cross country courses and spectacular riding along riverside, forest and mountain trails. It is, perhaps, unnecessary to mention that all of Glen Tanar's riding is completely traffic free.

Riding Out

One hour rides take you round the Trout Loch, into the Ancient Wood of Caledon, along the banks and through the Water of Tanar.

Two hour rides pass through the river and woods up into the hills to enjoy spectacular views of the glen and surrounding mountains.

Half and whole day rides high into the mountains for a relaxing picnic luncheon or to enjoy the hospitality of a local pub can easily be arranged.

Tuition

Professional tuition, in small groups or individually, on well schooled horses and ponies.

Experienced, friendly staff ensure a memorable ride for all ages of adults and children, from the first-time rider to the very experienced.

Riding hats and boots provided.



Children's Pony Days

During school holidays we dedicate a whole day each week to our Pony club, offering instruction and fun with ponies for children (6 - 14 years).

The day includes three hours of riding (a lesson, gymkhana games and a ride-out around the loch, into the forest and through the river), instruction in pony handling and care skills.

Rosettes and certificates are awarded to all children taking part.



Activities in and around Glen Tanar

Walking

The varied terrain and scenery offer opportunities for spectacular walking - from the summit of Mount Keen to gentle riverside trails.

Fishing

Glen Tanar offers boat fishing by the day or evening between April and October. The Loch is set in beautiful, tranquil surroundings and is stocked with rainbow trout. Fishing on the River Dee, by prior arrangement, is available by the day, part week or week. Rod and tackle hire can be arranged.

Mountain Biking

Glen Tanar's miles of traffic-free tracks offer excellent terrain for mountain biking.

Golf

Several courses are within easy reach of the Glen, including Aboyne (3 miles), Ballater (8 miles), Tarland (8 miles), Torphins (10 miles) and Banchory (13 miles). Also, in a spectacular setting just outside Banchory, there is an excellent golf driving range, offering first class Professional instruction for beginners or those who wish to improve their existing golfing skills.

Ski-ing

We are ideally situated for both downhill (Glenshee 30 miles, Lecht 27 miles) and cross country (Glen Tanar and many other locations). There is a dry ski slope with excellent instructors in nearby Ballater.

Gliding

Deeside Gliding Club (4 miles) is recognised as one of the premier gliding sites in the UK, offering unrivalled opportunities for exhilarating flying.

Water Ski-ing and Canoeing

Facilities are available at Aboyne Loch just 4 miles from Glen Tanar Estate.