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The Sandy Beach

Distance: 3 miles

Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Grade: 2





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Directions

Start at Broughty Castle.

Walk through the lane and along by the sandy beach.

When the road swings left, follow the path through the grass above the shore and follow The Esplanade. The 'official' end of the walk is just before Balmossie Halt (station), because that's where you leave Dundee, but the path continues past Monifieth. Return by the outward route.

Points of interest

- The stony beach, where fishing boats could be hauled up, was responsible for the foundation of Broughty Ferry, but the sandy beach was responsible for its expansion. In the early 19th century, Broughty became a favourite holiday destination. At its height, this beach teemed with sunbathers, donkey rides, boat trips, ice-cream stalls, and even entertainment booths.
- Sharp eyes on a clear day may spot the Bell Rock lighthouse, nearly 20 miles away.
- Eastcott, the isolated mansion, was built for John T Stewart, a marine superintendent, about 1907.
- The Broughty Ferry Local Nature Reserve has an information board.
- The Barnhill Rock Garden is maintained by a team of volunteers. It also has an information board.