



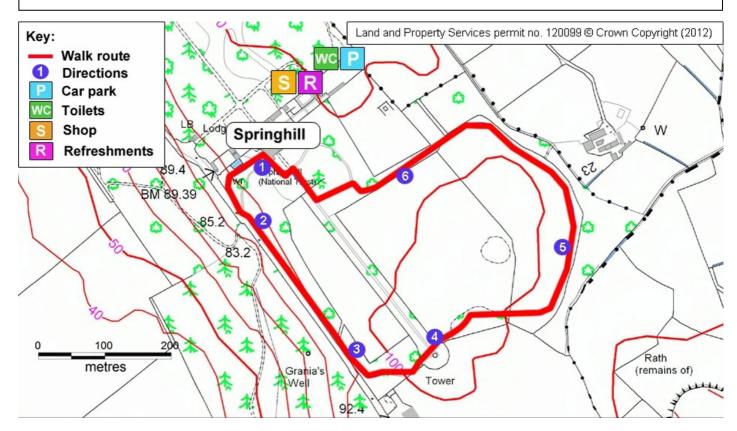
#### NORTHERN IRELAND

# Sawpit Hill walk

This short walk around the perimeter path of Springhill Estate is marked by the great oaks, and offers views of Slieve Gallion and a ring of trees where the sawpit was once located.

# • Entry to Springhill House and Estate

Normal admission charges apply. National Trust members free.



## Information

Address: Springhill, 20 Springhill Road, Moneymore,

BT45 7NQ

OS map: NI Discover 14

Activity: Walking

Moderate: The route follows steep slopes, with some uneven surfaces. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome at Springhill but must be kept on a lead at all times.

Full trail: Miles: 1 (km: 1.6) Duration: 30 mins - 40 mins

### Terrain

The Sawpit walking route follows steep slopes and the routes cover uneven surfaces.

# Total steps: 6

Start point: Springhill House, OSNI grid ref: H866828

- 1. Walk towards the house and take the gate to the right. Then make your way towards the stone path called Sawpit Hill walk. You'll see a copper beech tree before you head down the path towards the pond.
- 2. The path winds through laurels, and eventually opens out to a woodland on one side, with the path running parallel to Coagh Road.
- 3. The path begins to head up a steep slope, which will gradually bring you towards the tower, once a corn mill.
- 4. When you reach the tower look down the Beech Walk. On a clear day you can see the Sperrin mountains and Slieve Gallion. Walk across the front of the tower and when entering the kissing gate ensure that you put the latch back on for other visitors.
- 5. Continue your walk following the path down and to the left. The large oaks that line the edge of the path mark the boundary of Springhill Estate.
- 6. The walk will come to a gradual end through the display of rhododendrons, which are at their best in May and June, and into the ancient yew tree grove, part of the Great Forest of Ulster. The finish point is at the back of the house, where you can go into the garden or explore the costume museum.

End point: Springhill House, OSNI grid ref: H866828