

**Education at
CAIRNGORM MOUNTAIN**



'I CAN' at CAIRNGORM MOUNTAIN

Memorable hands-on learning experiences outdoors



environment

outdoor education

healthy living

geography

ecology

tourism

climate

**glaciation
technology**

**creative arts
social studies**

Pupils and students of all ages can participate in a wide range of curriculum-based activities providing learning outcomes in the four capacities.

- Tailored presentations on environmental and other topics in the Aonach education room.
- Practical workshops in the natural outdoor environment of the hill.
- Discover the camera obscura in the mountain garden.
- Journey on the funicular railway to visit the viewing terrace and interpretive mountain exhibition.

We offer a memorable day out for a class and a chance for them to build their confidence, learn something new, contribute to the day and have fun while learning about sharing responsibility for this special place.

Pick and mix from a whole range of activities

- Explore the mountain with a ranger on one of our low-level paths
- Navigate on an orienteering treasure hunt
- Visit the weather station and take measurements with an anemometer
- Listen to the stories and legends of the Cairngorms
- Study and sketch the landscape using the camera obscura
- Learn about the plants still here since the ice age
- Help to plant trees in this hostile environment
- Ride the train and discover how a funicular works
- Experience the impact of altitude on weather and the landscape
- Discover in the mountain exhibition what it takes to survive at 1097m

Presentations available on

environment • healthy living • ecology
tourism • geography • history
geology • meteorology • creative arts
engineering • wildlife



FACILITIES

- Car park, public bus service, toilets, shops, café, restaurant
- All ages and abilities catered for
- Room available for packed lunches next to Base Station
- We can also supply packed lunches which may be eaten in our restaurants



COSTS

- Group rate £30 per group for presentations
- Funicular (educational rate) £4.50 per person; (£3.50 for downhill travel only)
- Free admission to camera obscura and mountain garden
- No limit on group size



BOOKING/CONTACTS

To make a booking or to discuss your requirements, contact Virginia Mustard on 01479 861341 or email education@cairngormmountain.org www.cairngormmountain.org • Follow us on twitter at CairngormMtn
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HOW TO GET HERE AND OPENING TIMES

GETTING HERE

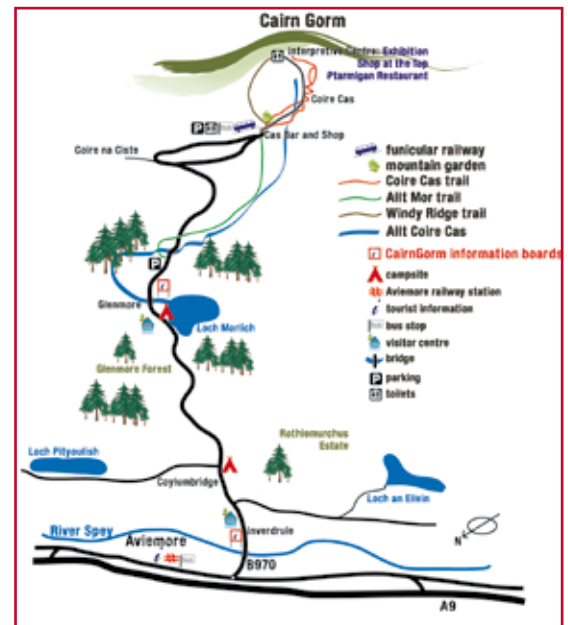
Cairngorm Mountain is approximately 9 miles from Aviemore just off the A9. Take the B970 from the roundabout at the southern end of Aviemore and follow the signs to Cairngorm Mountain thereafter.

OPENING TIMES

May – October
10.00 – 16.30 daily

Funicular closed November for annual maintenance

December – April
open daily, times vary



CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT

The flora, fauna, soils and habitats of the Cairngorm plateau are very special and can easily be damaged by trampling. This area at the top of the mountain is protected under European Natura legislation. Cairngorm Mountain Limited operates a conservation plan which prohibits funicular railway passengers from leaving the Ptarmigan top station and viewing terrace to go onto the mountain when we are not ski-ing. Please help us to protect our natural heritage by adhering to this plan.

Visitors walking from the car park are free to enjoy the mountain using the network of footpaths and may enter the Ptarmigan building. A down-only train ticket can be purchased in the Shop at the Top. Walking up and taking the train down can be accomplished comfortably in a morning or afternoon depending on weather conditions but suitable clothing and footwear are essential and more advice on this is available from the Ranger Base.