



<b>Trailhead</b>	Car Park, Mountain Grove Woods, Piltown, Co Kilkenny
<b>Services</b>	Piltown (4km), Carrick-on-Suir (10km)
<b>Dist/Time</b>	4km / 1hr - 1hr30mins
<b>Ascent</b>	90m / 70m
<b>Difficulty</b>	Easy
<b>Terrain</b>	Forestry tracks and woodland trails
<b>To Suit</b>	All levels of fitness
<b>Minimum Gear</b>	Trekking shoes, raingear, and fluid.

### Directions to Trailhead

Start from the village of Piltown which is just off the N24 from Carrick-on-Suir and Waterford. Take the R698 northward in the direction of Owing and Kilkenny. After 2km continue straight towards Templeorum as the R698 turns left. At a crossroads after 4km veer right – the trailhead is less than 1km on the left. [Note: The trailhead is signposted from Piltown.

### Walks Directions

**A-B.** From the trailhead the loop immediately enters the woodlands and follows a forestry track along the left bank of a stream. After a short distance the loop joins a Y-junction of tracks – you veer left here onto the ‘upper’ track.

**B-C.** Follow the track uphill and parallel to a stone boundary wall on your left. After almost 1km the loop turns sharp right near the boundary to the forestry and descends sharply towards a stream. Watch out for a fine example of a standing stone in a bordering field on your left.

**C-D.** Cross the stream and follow the boundary wall (on your left) for 1km before swinging right and downhill to reach an exit point from the forestry. Here the loop sweeps right and joins a wider sanded forestry roadway.

**D-E.** The wider sanded roadway soon gives way to a narrow ‘green’ track and after 500m reaches a 3-way junction. Turn sharp left here.

**E-F.** After less than 100m, the loop turns right and crosses a short section of forestry to join a forestry track where it turns left. Following the stream this track descends gently to a 3-way junction where it turns right and reaches an exit from the forestry through a stone stile.

**F-A.** Joining the surfaced road, turn right - the trailhead is only 30m away.

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# Trailhead 35

## Loop 35

# Mountain Grove Loop

Ascent  
90m/70m  
Easy  
Forestry and  
woodland trails.

- A Trailhead
- B Stone boundary wall
- C Stream
- D Sanded forestry
- E 3-way junction

