



# Garth Wood Aberdeenshire

Garth Wood is a young mixed plantation, a haven for wildlife with plenty of potential for forestry enthusiasts.

## **Details**

Price: £59.500 Freehold

Location: Lairshill, Newmacher, Aberdeenshire

Size: About 7 acres for sale
OS Landranger: OS No 38
Grid ref: NJ 867 191

Nearest post code: AB21 0PX

## Local manager

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## Description

Garth Wood is part of the wider woodland of Lairshill situated near the village of Newmachar: the area has many links with nearby Aberdeen and takes its name from St Machar who was sent to convert the Picts to Christianity in 580AD.

Entering the woods along a wide winding track, there is spruce to the right and an area suitable for camping or a vehicle, though you may well be drawn in the direction of the deciduous area ahead.

These trees are 25 years old and are a good example of what can be achieved in a relatively short time; the track continues to wind through an avenue of cherry, followed by ash. Around each bend is a new species, birch followed by oak and alder. The understory of white and pink flowering dog rose provides an abundance of nectar for butterflies.

Passing through the various plantings the landscape opens out. These were once Pictish lands ruled by the tribal chieftains though nowadays there is a more tranquil air to the surrounding area. This more open area would be perfect for a tree nursery to re-stock your woodland.

As you follow the path round you will come across a triangle of mature sycamore and Scots pine, flanked by an avenue of mature willow coppice, ready for a coppice worker's attention.

To your right is the main body of spruce with many internal tracks that could be opened up once a master plan has been decided. Conifer woodlands will allow for creativity in establishing tracks and secret clearings, as well as providing a good source of wood fuel.

The purchasers of the woodland will be asked to enter into a <u>covenant</u> to ensure the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of adjoining woodlands and meadows.

#### Trees

There is a good mix of trees within the deciduous areas, though the plantation is very much monoculture. The woods would make an excellent project to transform this woodland into something more native, using the concepts of continuous tree cover management.

#### Wildlife

There is plenty of birdlife visible though more likely heard, especially through April, May and June at the height of the nesting season. Wildlife cams are affordable and east to set up and are a good way of seeing what is around when the humans are not.

#### Features

This woodland is a good size at about 7 acres with fine views across the Aberdeenshire countryside.

#### Access, tracks and footpaths

Internal access is along a grassy track approximately 400m from the main gates.

#### Rights and covenants

All sporting and mineral rights are sold with the land.

#### Activities

This will be a fantastic woodland for providing a sustainable source of firewood with potentials for hut building subject to the relevent planning permissions.

### Local area and history

**Surrounding area:** Aberdeen is Scotland's third largest city profiting from a booming oil industry with property being very sought after. The beaches of St Cyrus are within an hour's drive and to the west is the fertile and attractive area of Deeside and beyond are the eastern fringes of the Cairngorn National Park. To the north is the whisky producing area of Speyside whilst the north east coastline provides empty beaches and historic fishing villages.

## How to find this woodland

You are welcome to visit this wood by yourself, but please ensure that you have a copy of these sales details with you - many of our woodlands do not have mobile phone reception or internet access so we recommend either printing the details or downloading them to your phone/tablet/laptop.

Do remember to also check that it is still available for sale. If you have seen the woodland and wish to be accompanied on a second more detailed visit please contact our local manager.

## **Directions**

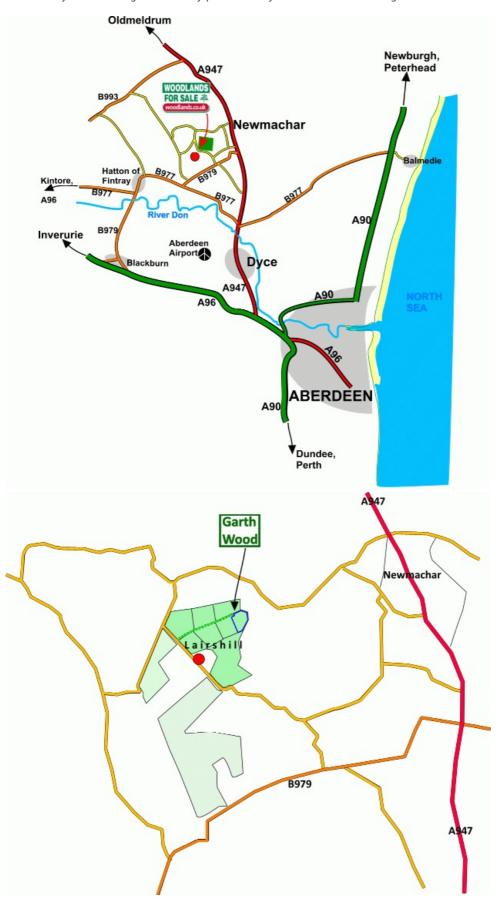
Garth Wood is located 25 minutes NW of Aberdeen

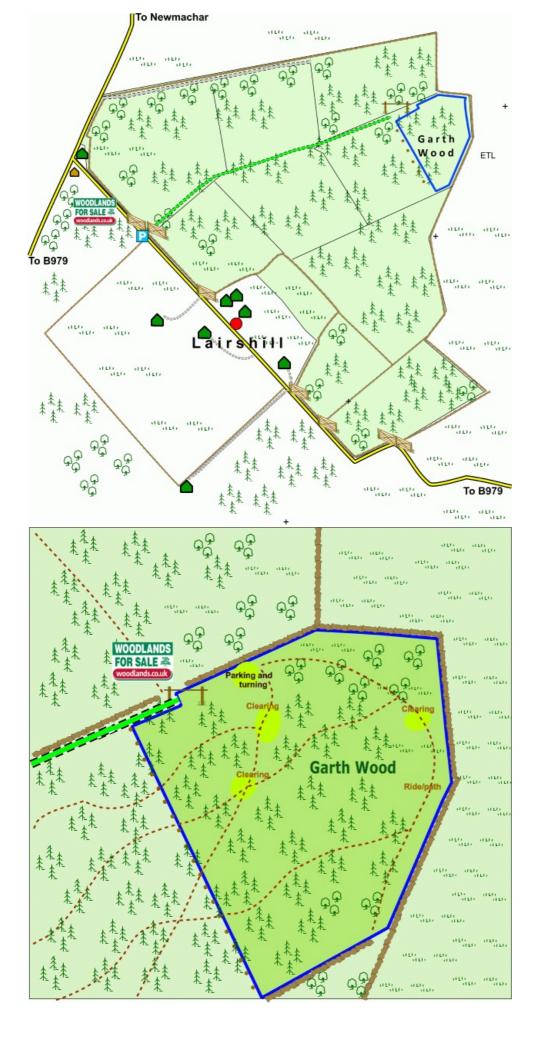
<u>For Directions From Bing Maps CLICK HERE</u>, enter your own postcode, (wood location already entered) click blue "Go" box, this will take you to the entrance.

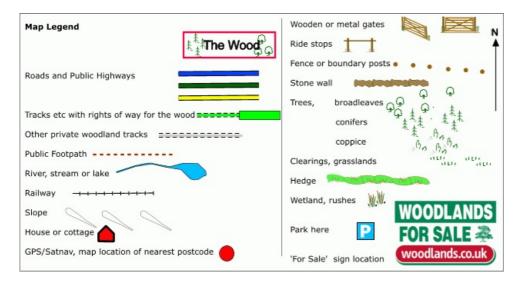
For Satnav: the postcode AB21 OPX is for the point shown by the red dot on the location maps. Satnav coordinates are Lat: N57:15:39 Lon: W2:13:44

- Garth Wood is located about 2 miles west from the village of Newmachar and about 11 miles northwest from Aberdeen city
- Travelling out from Aberdeen on the A96 take the A947 road north towards Newmachar/Oldmeldrum.
- Proceed for about 5 miles passing Dyce and, 1 mile before reaching Newmachar, turn left onto the B979.
- Proceed west for about 1 mile and then turn right at the sign directing towards Lairshill.
- Continue northwest along this road for about 2 miles where you will see the "Woodlands For Sale" sign and double metal entrance gates on the right. Please park here safely off the road.
- From inside the double gates walk approx. 400m along the access track to Garth Wood as shown on the detailed map.

Indicated by blue marking on boundary posts and dry stone walls surrounding the wood.







Our regional managers are often out working in our woodlands, so if you email an offer and want to be sure it has been received, please phone our manager on his or her mobile phone. The first offer at the stated price which is accepted, whether by phone or email, has priority.

Please take care when viewing as the great outdoors can contain unexpected hazards and woodlands are no exception. You should exercise common sense and caution, such as wearing appropriate footwear and avoiding visiting during high winds.

All woodlands are sold at a fixed price, and include free membership of the <u>Small Woodland Owners Group</u> and the <u>Royal Forestry Society</u>, as well as  $\underline{£300}$  towards paying for a course (or courses) to help with managing and enjoying your woodland.

These particulars are for guidance only and, though believed to be correct, do not form part of any contract.