



Tirkeeran Wood Londonderry

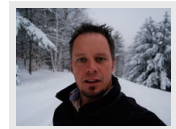
Young but beautiful, white barked birch and oak woodland, ready for thinning for firewood.

Details

Price: £85,000 Freehold
Location: Derry/Londonderry, Londonderry
Size: Over 4½ acres for sale
OS Landranger: OS No 7
Grid ref: C 497 102
Nearest post code: BT47 3TQ

Local manager

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Description

Tirkeeran Wood is a young, predominantly birch wood, established about 20 years ago on former agricultural land.

The wider landscape of the Faughan Valley, long an important route into the Sperrin mountains and beyond, is one of the most wooded in this part of Ireland, with a combination of ancient woodland such as Ness Wood, and more recently planted areas of native woodland.

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Trees

Being a pioneer species, the birch has established well. The inclusion of groups of oak, a climax species and a key component of the woods that clothe the slopes of the Faughan Valley, shows the forethought of the forester who planned Tirkeeran Wood. Given time, these will come to dominate wood as the short-lived birches give way to the long-lived oaks.

This succession might take a hundred years or more if allowed to happen naturally, but the owners of Tirkeeran Wood may choose to hasten the process by thinning out the birches and favouring the best oak trees to develop broad acorn bearing crowns. This will generate a welcome supply of firewood.

The native species, hazel is also present.

Wildlife

You might be lucky enough to see a family of roe deer in daylight, or at twilight when local badgers are also likely to be on the move.

Tirkeeran Wood is also a haven for songbirds, with the young trees providing many nesting opportunities. Imagine waking to your very own personal dawn chorus!

As yet, red squirrels and pine martens are not known to visit, but they are present in the local area so there's a chance they may take up residence.

Access, tracks and footpaths

An all weather track has been laid especially for the owners, with a stoned car parking area tucked away in the trees.

It is easy to make your way through the woodland, with natural winding trails formed by the rows of planted trees, and the lightly branched silver birch trees aiding progress.

Rights and covenants

The owners of Tirkeeran Wood have a right of way from Gosheden Road.

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Activities

Camping out and getting back to basics are what woodland ownership is all about for many, and Legaghory Wood is the perfect location to get away from it all without being too far away from modern conveniences.

A foray across the border is also easy, with Co Donegal a similar distance west.

Local area and history

The Faughan Valley is an important historic link between the North-West and the rest of Northern Ireland still in use today by many motorists who may be unaware of its importance for nature as they speed along. The valley and those of its tributaries together form one of the largest ASSIs in Northern Ireland, with the River Faughan being one of the most important salmon systems in the British Isles, as well as home to the remarkable lamprey.

The Valley was known by Ireland's earliest peoples too, with many archaeological sites from the Bronze Age and Neolithic Period. Nearby, the ruins of Brackfield Bawn date from the Plantation of Ulster.

The valley forms the centrepiece of a new planting project to restore ancient woodland, plant new native woodland to connect habitats and improve the water quality.

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

Tirkeeran Wood is just 6 miles south east of Derry/Londonderry and lies on the western side of the Faughan Valley, mid way between Claudy and Drumahoe.

Although the new A6 dual carriageway seems completed there is restricted access at present. Heading north up the dual carriageway the bridge on to Ardmore Road was open on our last visit to the woods. Heading south the route on the A6 goes past the turnoff and onto the next exit where the dual carriageway can be joined north bound, then take the exit off onto Ardmore Road.

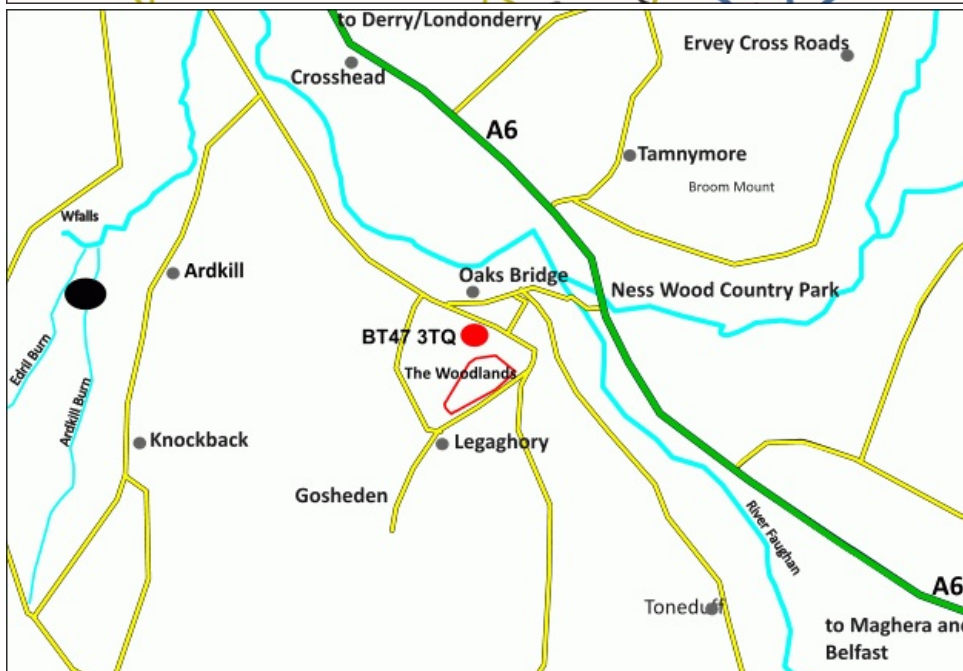
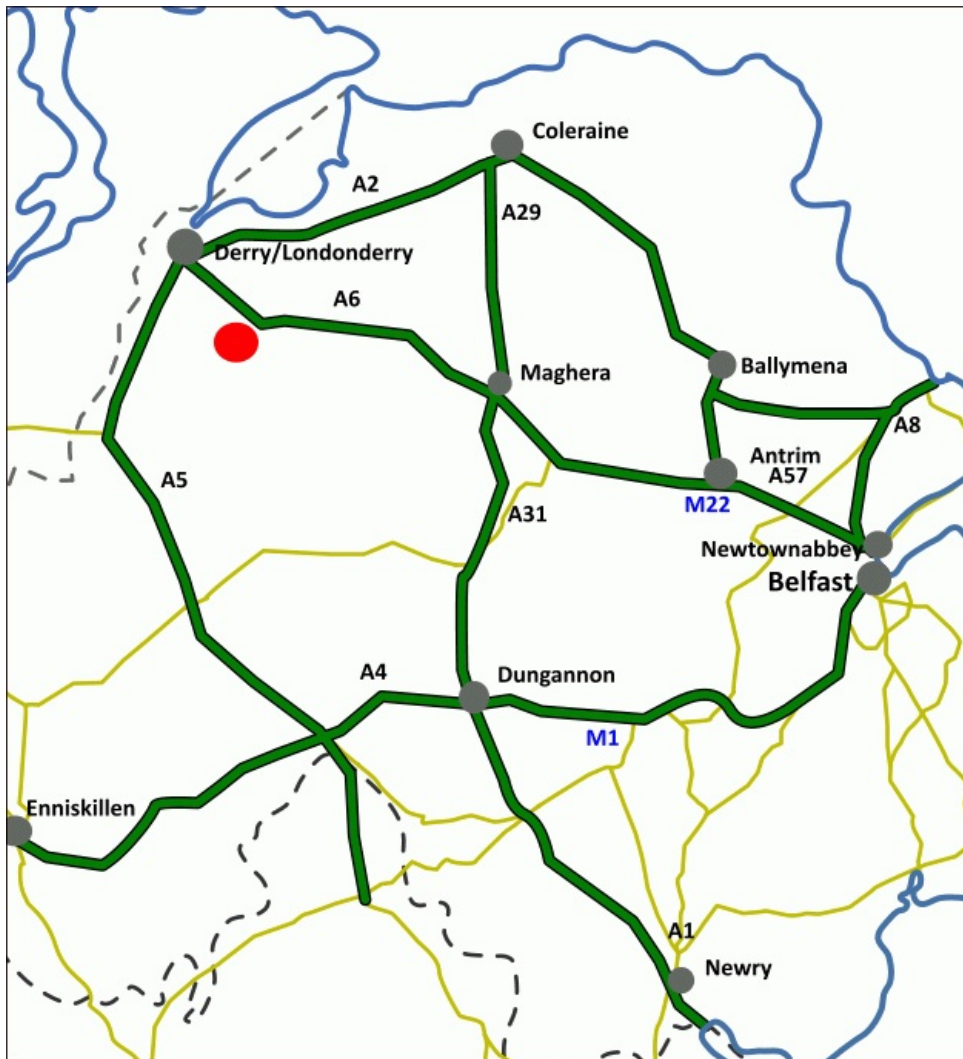
1. [Click here for Google Maps Directions](#) enter your own postcode, the coordinates for the entrance on Gosheden Road are already entered (the link above is google aerial view).

2. **For Satnav:** the nearest postcode is **BT47 3TQ** on Gosheden Road, as shown by the red dot on the maps: the coordinates are: **N54.9372 W7.2232** for the entranceway.

Upon reaching Gosheden Road, the entrance to the woodlands is immediately to your right. Climb the gate and Tirkeeran Wood is on the left where there is a ridestop, For Sale sign and the wood name.

Boundaries:

These are indicated by orange markings on free-standing posts along the north west and south sides. The boundary on the east is the roadside.





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 [Small Woodland Owners Group](#) and the [Royal Forestry Society](#), as well as [£300 towards paying for a course](#) (or courses) to help with managing and enjoying your woodland.

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