

Glenfiddich Forest Land Management Plan Summary

This plan covers three blocks to the south east of Dufftown, Morinsh, Glenfiddich and Blackwater.

Analysis of the available information has led to the **primary objective** for these blocks being the production of a quality crop of timber.

Total plan area 2029 ha

Species breakdown	2016 (current)	2026 (end of plan period)
Primary species: Sitka spruce	48%	48%
Secondary species: Scots pine	10%	11%
Other conifers	16%	17%
Broadleaves	2%	2%
Open & felled areas	24%	23%

Planned operations	2016 - 2026 plan period
Felling	123 ha
Restocking	138 ha

Significant Environment/ Conservation Features	
Special Area of Conservation (SAC)	River Spey tributaries

Critical success factors:

- Continue with an active thinning programme to improve the timber quality of the final crop and encourage the conditions for successful natural regeneration in LISS areas.
- Use adaptive management of the LISS regeneration to achieve greater species diversity. Monitor the prevalence of SS in LISS recruitment and take necessary measures to ensure wider species diversity where this is a stand objective.
- Expand species and structural diversity to increase forest resilience, while retaining SS as a major crop element.
- Diversify SS stand structure and age class.

Consultation and Further Information:

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including local community representatives and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact Mark Reeve, Planning Forester, Forestry Commission Scotland on 07990802079 or mark.reeve@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

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