

All Grid references taken from 1:25000 series OS map "The Mourne"

Route Planner

Mountain – Carn and Ott

Distance – 4km

Approx time – 1.5hrs

Difficulty - Easy

Max Height – 588m

Start Point

Car park at **Grid 280,279**

Description – From Hilltown follow road up to and past Spelga Dam, follow road to T junction and take a left. Continue along road for approx 800m then as you start to go down hill there is a small car park on the left.

The Route

From the car park cross the road and head down hill till you see a stile crossing the wall on your right. From here there will be an obvious track heading up towards the mourne wall. After about 200m the track splits, at this point head right taking the track that leads upwards (the lower track runs out after 600m).

After 1km the track ends, at this point if visibility is bad it may be a good idea to turn around, unless you are confident of where you are and where you are heading. From the end of the track keep heading uphill until you reach the mourne wall roughly 500m from the end of the track.

Once at the wall turn right to climb easily up to the top of Carn Mountain at a junction in the wall. From here there are great views down to Lough Shannagh and over to Slieve Donard in the far distance.

To get to Ott mountain turn so that you back is to the junction of the wall, you will now be facing the lower peak of Ott mountain. The terrain is very rough between the peaks as there is no established path. After 1km you will be on top of Ott and will be able to see the car park. Now you can either head straight to the car park or drop downhill to the right until you find the path you walked up at the beginning.



View from Top of Ott Mountain

