

SOLWAY SLATE CHART AND TRAILS

SLATE	LOCATION	QUOTE STARTS
s1	ABBEY BURNFOOT	<i>set like a jewel</i>
s2	ABBEY BURNFOOT	<i>Stuck ridiculously</i>
s3	AUCHENCAIRN	<i>The village of today</i>
s4	AUCHENCAIRN	<i>If any traveller</i>
s5	AUCHENCAIRN	<i>The sunshine fell</i>
s7	AUMRY CAVE	<i>Cave of the Aumry</i>
s8	AUMRY CAVE	<i>Behind this the rock</i>
s9	BALCARY BAY	<i>that narrow shingly</i>
s10	BALCARY BAY	<i>on a dark night</i>
s11	BALCARY BAY	<i>the green and purple</i>
s12	DULSE CAVE	<i>the very slab</i>
s13	DULSE CAVE	<i>the pillared arch</i>
s14	GAUGERS HOLE	<i>The Gauger's hole</i>
s15	GAUGER'S HOLE	<i>Clinging to the sheer</i>
s16	KILLANTRINGAN	<i>We could see</i>
s17	KILLANTRINGAN	<i>All was a bustle</i>
s18	LITTLE ROSS	<i>on a rocky point</i>
s19	ORCHARDTON	<i>black smugglers</i>
s20	ORCHARDTON	<i>bottle green stretch</i>
s21	ORCHARDTON	<i>Two generations</i>
s23	ORCHARDTON	<i>It is delightful</i>
s22	ORCHARDTON	<i>The new house</i>
s24	ORRALAND	<i>only under the shadow</i>
s25	PALNACKIE	<i>there was no</i>
s26	RASCARREL	<i>The Heughs of</i>
s27	RATHAN	<i>if there be anything</i>
s28	RATHAN	<i>rathan is but a little</i>
s29	RATHAN	<i>more easily worn into</i>
s30	RED HAVEN	<i>a snug bay</i>
s31	ROSS ISLANDS	<i>Outside the shadow</i>
s32	ROSS ISLANDS	<i>every year</i>
s33	ROUGH	<i>one thing is certain</i>
s6	SOLWAY	<i>to be out on an adventure</i>
s34	SOLWAY	<i>unless you have</i>
s35	SOLWAY	<i>A solway night</i>
s36	SOLWAY	<i>Solway tide flows</i>
s37	SOLWAY	<i>The opposite coast</i>
s38	SOLWAY	<i>Wonderful spurs</i>
s39	WHITE HORSE BAY	<i>from Ben Rathan</i>

## POSSIBLE SOLWAY TRAIL ROUTES:

S37 Portowarren (on the Rockcliffe Path) west towards

S3-5, Auchencairn. Also S24 Orraland and S 16,17 Killantringan (Crockett conflated this with Auchencairn though it's really by Stranraer)

S27-29, S33 Rough and Rathan (Hestan) Islands are opposite (only approach with tides/guides)

S19-22 Orchardton (Torr peninsular for some of the Solway slates)

(Head inland from s23 Orchardton Tower to s25 Palnackie and back for view of s39 'White Horse Bay'.

S9-11 Balcary Bay area has coastal Caves: S7-8, S12-15 Aumry, Dulse and Gauger's Hole and S38 Needle's Eye (all hard to get to) go west S30 Red Haven toward S26 Rascarrel

Moving along the coast is S1-2 Abbey Burnfoot (MOD property Dundrennan, caution required)

Further along the coast is S18, S31,32 Little Ross Island (hard to get to, slates on coast facing, Kirkcudbright Bay) and

General Solway Slates: S 6 and S34-36 whose positions are still to be established. They will be updated when they have been laid. Keep your eyes open for them.

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G1	BALMAGHIE	<i>The parish of Balmaghie</i>
G2	BALMAGHIE	<i>The wind-swept muir road</i>
G3	BALMAGHIE	<i>The adjoining parts</i>
G4	BALMAGHIE KIRK	<i>when the years</i>
G5	BALMAGHIE KIRK	<i>let them lay me</i>
G6	BALMAGHIE KIRK	<i>Galloway Cult</i>
G7	BALMAGHIE KIRK	<i>mayhap that is</i>
G8	BALMAGHIE KIRK	<i>when in doubt</i>
G9	BALMAGHIE KIRK	<i>Balmaghie Kirkyaird</i>
G10	BLACK WATER	<i>The links o' the Black</i>
G11	BLACK WATER	<i>That is the Black</i>
G12	BLATES MILL	<i>The mill shines</i>
G13	BOGLE THORN	<i>The Little Green man</i>
G14	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>The fair was held</i>
G15	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>There was a part</i>
G16	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>There was hardly</i>
G17	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>Little town once</i>
G18	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>The Old Cameronian</i>
G19	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>the little whitewashed</i>
G20	CASTLE DOUGLAS	<i>woodland glades</i>
G21	CLATTERINGSHAWS	<i>That fascinating Clatter</i>
G22	CRAE BRIDGE	<i>the high backed bridge</i>
G23	CRAE COTTAGE	<i>the little walk</i>
G24	CRAE HILL	<i>you are in the heart</i>
G25	CRAE HILL	<i>I love the Crae hill</i>
	CRAE STEPPING	
G26	STONES	<i>There are just ten</i>
G27	CROSSMICHAEL	<i>The Kirk of Crossmichael</i>
G28	DALRY	<i>One may spend</i>
G29	DOUGLAS ARMS	<i>the best hotel</i>
G30	Drumbreck	<i>There is a huge slate</i>
G31	DRUMBRECK	<i>Second of the line</i>
G32	DRUMQUHAT	<i>I leaped cautiously</i>
G33	DRUMQUHAT	<i>upheld round the</i>
G34	DRUMQUHAT	<i>The great arch of</i>
G35	DUCHRAE	<i>There are many woods</i>
G36	DUCHRAE	<i>Nowhere to my</i>
G37	DUCHRAE	<i>It was the hottest</i>

SLATE	LOCATION	QUOTE STARTS
G38	EARLSTOUN	<i>Earlstoun on the hillside</i>
G39	EARLSTOUN	<i>There is a beautiful</i>
G40	GREEN DOOK	<i>Leaving Glenlochar</i>
G41	GRENOCH LOCH	<i>It was a glorious</i>
G42	GRENOCH LOCH	<i>Such a heavenly place</i>
G43	GRENOCH LOCH	<i>For there are no finer</i>
G44	GRENOCH LOCH	<i>I know a bank</i>
G45	GRENOCH LOCH	<i>If there be a fairer</i>
G46	KELLS RANGE	<i>As we looked, the sun</i>
G47	LAURIESTON	<i>All authors</i>
G48	LAURIESTON	<i>Northward away</i>
G49	LAURIESTON	<i>Whatever I have written</i>
G50	LAURIESTON	<i>For on cannot run back</i>
G51	LAURIESTON	<i>Laurieston on some still</i>
G52	LAURIESTON	<i>Verily it is good to be</i>
G53	LAURIESTON	<i>Few Recreations</i>
G54	LAURIESTON	<i>The village itself</i>
G55	LAURIESTON	<i>A stream of danger</i>
G56	LAURIESTON	<i>It was very nearly</i>
G57	LITTLE DUCHRAE	<i>The farm I know best</i>
G58	LITTLE DUCHRAE	<i>The steading</i>
G59	LITTLE DUCHRAE	<i>There is indeed</i>
G60	LOCH KEN	<i>Loch Ken</i>
G61	LOCH KEN	<i>The water meadows</i>
G62	MEMORIAL	<i>For above all</i>
G63	NEW GALLOWAY	<i>Going towards New</i>
G64	NEW GALLOWAY	<i>Before coming in sight</i>
G65	NEW GALLOWAY	<i>the bank of grey</i>
G66	NEW GALLOWAY	<i>at the lonely little</i>
G67	THREAVE	<i>Castle Thrieve</i>
G68	THREAVE	<i>I do forbid</i>
G69	THRIEVE	<i>The crumbling eighty</i>

## GLENKENS SLATE TRAILS

Many places along the route have multiple slates close to each other. A 'Complete' route goes from Threave north to Earlstoun, and then west to Clatteringshaws. This forms part of the route in *The Raiders* as well as many other Crockett novels.

You can also undertake shorter, self-contained parts of the route following the paths of novels you know, or discovering new stories as you travel. All of the slates on these routes are accessible on foot, cycle or by car.

**Threave to Laurieston** G67-69 Threave, G14-20,29 Castle Douglas, G27 Crossmichael, G60,61 Loch Ken

**Balmaghie to Laurieston** G4-9 Balmaghie Kirk, G1-3 Balmaghie, via G 40 Green Dook; G47-56 and G62 Laurieston (end at Memorial)

**Laurieston Memorial to New Galloway** : G30,31 Drumbreck, G12,Blates Mill, G13,Bogle Thorn, Along G41-45 Grenoch (Woodhall) Loch, G35-37 Duchrae, G57-59 Little Duchrae, G32-34 Drumquhat, G22,23, 26 Crae Bridge, G 24,25 Crae Hill

**North** to G46 Kells Range, G 63-66 New Galloway G28 Dalry and G38,39 Earlstoun (Loch North of Dalry)

**West** to G10,11 Black Water and G21 Clatteringshaws

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h1	AUCHTY	<i>The Auchty was</i>
h3	BACK HILL	<i>They tell you</i>
h4	CALDONS	<i>A bit farmhouse</i>
h5	CALDONS	<i>The farm sits four</i>
h6	CLASHDAN	<i>the most thunder</i>
h7	CLASHDAN	<i>should certainly be climbed</i>
h8	COORAN	<i>it is not for any man</i>
h9	CRAIGNAIRNY	<i>I had spent a night</i>
h10	CURLEYWEE	<i>High up on the side</i>
h11	CURLEYWEE	<i>there is a mist</i>
h12	DUNGEON	<i>Lochs deep and solemn</i>
h13	DUNGEON	<i>The mountains</i>
h14	DUNGEON	<i>An eagle hung</i>
h15	DUNGEON	<i>Now the Dungeon</i>
h16	DUNGEON	<i>they say that when</i>
h17	DUNGEON	<i>sound in wind</i>
h18	DUNGEON	<i>It is a far cry</i>
h19	DUNGEON	<i>Indeed as often</i>
h20	GAIRLAND BURN	<i>Flashes downwards</i>
h21	GALLOWAY	<i>Galloway is a wide</i>
h22	GLENHEAD	<i>Glenead lying snug</i>
h23	GLENHEAD	<i>Glenhead I saw</i>
h24	GLENTROOL	<i>like a Perthshire loch</i>
h25	GLENTROOL	<i>The Road gradients</i>
h26	KIRREOCH	<i>The Kirreoch hills</i>
h27	LAMACHAN	<i>As we rise</i>
h28	LOCH ENOCH	<i>Loch Enoch is the goal</i>
h29	LOCH ENOCH	<i>So truly another world</i>
h30	LOCH NELDRICKEN	<i>A mass of green</i>
h31	LOCH VALLEY	<i>too strong for</i>
h32	MERRICK	<i>Any cuif can write</i>
h33	MERRICK	<i>over the hip of</i>
h34	MULLWHARCHER	<i>A huge conical</i>
h35	MURDER HOLE	<i>with open mouth</i>
h36	NICK O DUNGEON	<i>I clambered upwards</i>
h37	SESSION STONE	<i>Opposite the Session</i>
h2	SHIEL O DUNGEON	<i>A strange place</i>
h38	TONSKEEN	<i>Tonskeen</i>
h39	WOLFS SLOCK	<i>A scramble among</i>

## #GoCrocketteering GALLOWAY HILLS TRAILS

All of these slates are in remote places and are suitable only for the experienced hill walker with appropriate navigational aids or a local guide.

### From South

Curleywee, Lamachan, Glenhead, Glentrool, Gairland Burn , Loch Valley (into Dungeon)

Tonskeen, Caldons ,Merrick (into Dungeon)

Dungeon Hills – and Lochs: Neldricken, Enoch, Wolfs Slock, Craignairny, Nick o' Dungeon, Back Hill o Bush

### To North

Mullwharchar, Auchty, Session Stone

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#### WEST GALLOWAY SLATE CHART AND TRAIL

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w1	ANWOTH	<i>Along the pleasant</i>
w2	CASSENCARY	<i>the old tower</i>
w3	CREE	<i>The drove road</i>
w4	GATEHOUSE	<i>We were soon</i>
w5	HOUSE O HILL	<i>There are pleasant</i>
w6	LESWALT	<i>on the cliffs</i>
w7	LESWALT	<i>the pleasant vale</i>
w8	NEVIN'S ISLE	<i>Nevin's isle</i>
w9	NEWTON STEWART	<i>still fewer take</i>
w10	WIGTOWN	<i>In the midst</i>
w11	WIGTOWN	<i>Sits among the hills</i>
w12	WIGTOWN	<i>It was silent</i>
w13	WIGTOWN	<i>the Blednoch</i>

#### WEST TRAIL

START: (Heading West) Gatehouse, Anwoth, Creebridge, Cassencary, Newton Stewart (NS). From NS north you get to House o' the Hill (and into the HILLS). From NS south you get to Wigtown From NS West you get to Nevin's Isle (hard to find) and Leswalt.

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