

Donalds are hills between 2000 and 3000 feet situated south of the Highland fault boundary. The decision as to which ones should be included was governed by a complicated formula. Hills were differentiated from tops by means of a complex algorithm involving 17 'units', where a unit comprises 1/12 of a mile or 50 feet.

On 27th September 1922, at the age of thirty, Percy Donald applied to join the Scottish Mountaineering Club (SMC). At the time he was living in Leamington Terrace, Edinburgh. In volume 20 of the Scottish Mountaineering Club Journal is recorded that Donald climbed all 'his' hills, 133 summits at the time, in 167 days, 27 of these were spent on the hill.

Donald was fastidious about numerical detail and made the following observations; he calculated his total mileage at 396, his footage at 89,300 and, rather more recondite, his average cost per hill was 2s 9d and per top 1s 10d.

THERE ARE PRESENTLY 89
DONALDS IN TOTAL, 38 OF
THESE ARE WITHIN THE
SCOTTISH BORDERS REGION.

## **Further reading/information:**

The Grahams and The Donalds (SMC, 2015, ISBN 1907233199)

The Southern Uplands (SMC, 1972, ISBN 0901516570)

Scottish Mountaineering Club's website: http://www.smc.org.uk/hillwalking/hill-lists



## **Full list of the Donalds in the Scottish Borders**

Name	Summit	Height/m	Region
Broad Law	NT 146 235	840	Manor Hills
Cramalt Craig	NT 168 247	831	Manor Hills
Dollar Law	NT 178 278	817	Manor Hills
Hart Fell	NT 113 135	808	Moffat Hills
Lochraig Head	NT 166 177	800	Moffat Hills
Molls Cleuch Dod	NT 151 179	785	Moffat Hills
Culter Fell	NT 052 290	748	Culter Hills and Tinto
Dun Rig	NT 253 315	744	Manor Hills
Pykestone Hill	NT 173 312	737	Manor Hills
Glenrath Heights	NT 241 322	732	Manor Hills
Cape Law	NT 131 150	722	Moffat Hills
Middle Hill	NT 159 294	716	Manor Hills
Black Law	NT 222 279	698	Manor Hills
Garelet Dod	NT 126 172	698	Moffat Hills
Chapelgill Hill	NT 066 303	696	Culter Hills and Tinto
Ettrick Pen	NT 199 076	692	Ettrick Hills
Erie Hill	NT 124 187	690	Moffat Hills
Talla Cleuch Head	NT 133 218	690	Manor Hills

Gathersnow Hill	NT 058 257	688	Culter Hills and Tinto
Capel Fell	NT 163 069	678	Ettrick Hills
Andrewhinney Hill	NT 197 138	677	Ettrick Hills
Stob Law	NT 230 332	676	Manor Hills
Drumelzier Law	NT 149 312	668	Manor Hills
Bodesbeck Law	NT 169 104	665	Ettrick Hills
Wind Fell	NT 178 061	665	Ettrick Hills
Birkscairn Hill	NT 274 331	661	Manor Hills
Windlestraw Law	NT 371 431	659	Moorfoot Hills
Hillshaw Head	NT 048 246	652	Culter Hills and Tinto
Blackhope Scar	NT 315 483	651	Moorfoot Hills
Greenside Law	NT 198 256	643	Manor Hills
Whitehope Heights	NT 095 139	637	Moffat Hills
Bowbeat Hill	NT 292 469	626	Moorfoot Hills
Bell Craig	NT 186 128	623	Ettrick Hills
Dundreich	NT 274 491	623	Moorfoot Hills
Whitehope Law	NT 330 445	623	Moorfoot Hills
Cauldcleuch Head	NT 456 006	619	Roxburgh and Cheviot Hills
Windy Gyle	NT 855 152	619	Roxburgh and Cheviot Hills
Herman Law	NT 214 157	614	Ettrick Hills