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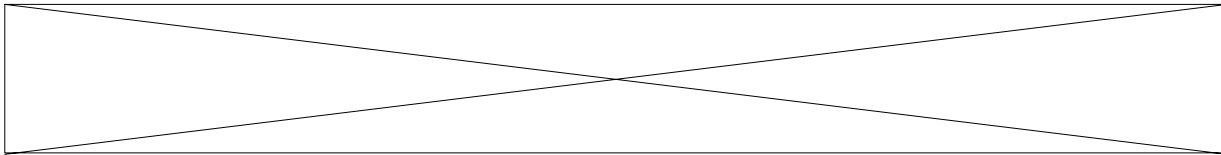


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Schiehallion in Perthshire, Scotland. The name asperatus comes from the Latin for to roughen or agitate. Virgil used the word in a poem to describe the surface of the sea whipped up by the north wind

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