

## **P994 Wick and Georgemas Railway Station Plans**

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### **RECORDS' CONTEXT**

Name of creators: London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company; British Rail.

Administrative history: Wick Railway Station was designed by Murdoch Paterson and built by the Sutherland and Caithness Railway. The line opened in 1874. A wrought-iron turntable, 45 feet (14 m) in diameter, was installed at the station by the Railway Steel and Plant Company of Manchester, along with an engine shed capable of housing four engines and a special loading bank for the loading of herring for the southern markets.

Georgemas Junction is the penultimate station on the Far North Line from Inverness to Wick, 147 miles (237.0 km) down the line from Inverness. Immediately to the west of the station lies a junction of the same name, where the branch to Thurso spurs off northwards. This junction is the northernmost railway junction in the United Kingdom.

The London, Midland and Scottish Railway Company owned and operated a large part of the railway system in the United Kingdom from January 1923 until December 1947.

LMS was formed as a result of the enactment of the 1921 Railways Act, which grouped 115 railways into 4 main

companies; the grouping took effect from 1st January 1923, when the 'Big Four' companies came into existence; the other three being the London and North Eastern Railway, Southern Railway and Great Western Railway.

The company had interests from Bournemouth to Wick and from Great Yarmouth to Afon Wen and Swansea in Wales in Great Britain; of the grouped companies, the LMS was the only one having interests in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland.

From the 1st January 1948 British railways were nationalised.

British Railways (BR), which from 1965 traded as British Rail, was a state-owned company that operated most of the overground rail transport in Great Britain from 1948 to 1997. It was formed from the nationalisation of the Big Four British railway companies, and was privatised in stages between 1994 and 1997.

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