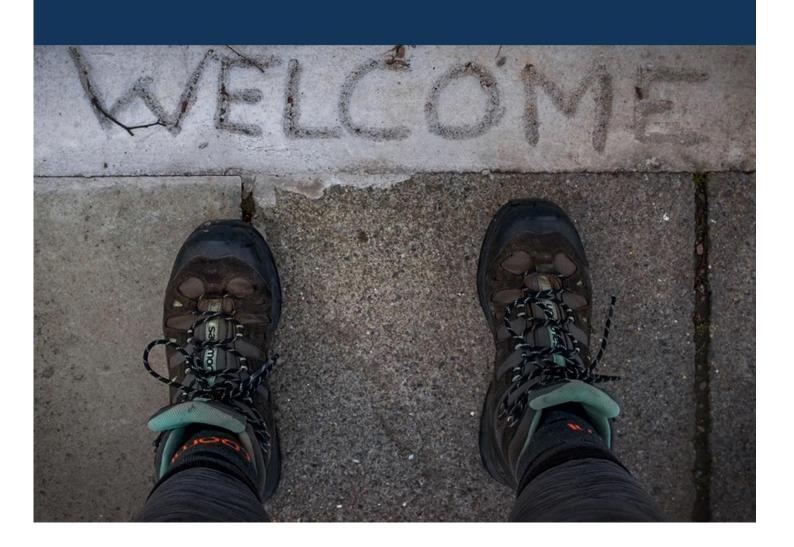
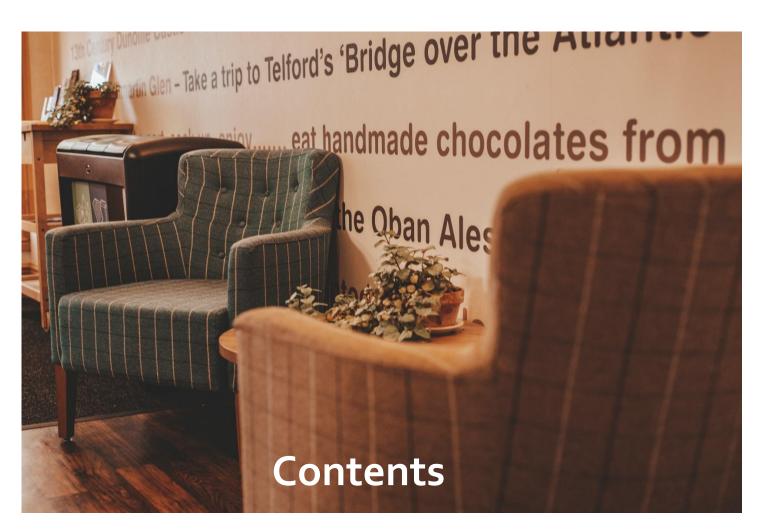


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April 2024





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Achmelvich Beach is a simple get-away-from-it-all youth hostel, 300 metres from one of Sutherland's most spectacular beaches. Unforgettable sunsets are practically guaranteed!

The hostel is in an ideal location for watching the abundant wildlife or exploring unspoilt coastal paths.

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# Welcome to





#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in between 17.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

The youth hostel is closed from 10.00-17.00, 10.00-17.00, though limited daytime access after 14.00 for those guests staying another night may be possible once the hostel has been cleaned and prepared.

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, in some of our private rooms. Please check availability with the hostel.

Please note: WiFi is currently unavailable at Achmelvich due to our remote location.

#### Rooms

Capacity 20:

- 1 twin
- 2 five-bedded
- 1 eight-bedded

#### Catering

We can provide 'Wee Breakfasts' and self-cater, pre-prepared evening meals.

Please order breakfasts on arrival or at the time of booking. Please speak to a member of the Team if you require an earlier breakfast.

#### **Self-catering**

The kitchen has space for 3 people working at the same time. There are 2 induction hobs with 8 cooking rings, 2 domestic ovens, 1 fridge (no freezer) and 1 microwave.

There is a selection of pots to cater for individuals and groups and crockery and cutlery available to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

#### Shop

A small shop in reception sells soft drinks, snacks, some grocery and toiletry items, as well as souvenirs and postcards.

#### Security

All rooms have locks.

#### Directions

Achmelvich Beach Youth Hostel is 4 miles northwest of Lochinver. Take the B869 for 2 miles and then left for 1 mile. Drive right round to the beach car park.

#### **Parking**

Due to planned upgrades to the beach carpark, there will be restricted parking throughout the 2024 season.

Landowners surrounding the hostel are making arrangements for limited parking on the land surrounding their crofts. A daily fee of £5 is likely to apply and will be payable in cash, directly to the owner. Unfortunately this will not be available to pre-book and will be managed on a first come basis.

Please note, the road is unsuitable for coaches, which should be parked in Lochinver. **There is no bike store**.

#### **Local activities**

Stunning Achmelvich Beach is close by.

Lochinver is just a few miles away, with an excellent visitor centre and local arts & crafts including the Highland Stoneware Pottery.

The hostel is an ideal base for climbing some of the northern mountains.

#### **Accessibility**

Achmelvich Beach is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Achmelvich Beach Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

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#### Best price guarantee:

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Surrounded by woodland, Aviemore Youth Hostel sits on the edge of Cairngorms National Park and is just a short walk from Aviemore town centre.

It's the ideal base for outdoor enthusiasts, families, schools and groups looking to explore the beautiful national park and surrounding area.

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### Welcome to

# **Aviemore Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 07.00-22.30
- Check-in from 16.00-22.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access available outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

#### Rooms

Capacity 91:

- 2 singles
- 6 twins
- 1 three bedded ensuite
- 1 three bedded
- 9 four bedded
- 1 five bedded
- 5 six-bedded

Private rooms are available (room configurations may be subject to occasional change).

#### Catering

The hostel offers a Wee Breakfast (normally served from 07.30-09.00) and packed lunches are available. Please reserve at time of booking or at check-in.

Dinner is available when pre-booked for groups of 20+ (minimum 4 weeks' notice).

#### **Self-catering**

There are 3 hobs with 12 cooking rings (electric), 3 upright ovens with grills, 3 fridges, 2 microwaves and a toaster.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The dining area can seat 50 people.

#### **Facilities**

A lounge area with TV can seat 50 people and there's additional seating in the reception area.

There are 2 coin-operated washing/drying machines and free use of a drying room.

Luggage storage is available for guests, please arrange this directly with the hostel.

There's free Wi-Fi access throughout the hostel.

#### Security

There are keys for all doors and lockers are available in the porch and dormitories.

Outside reception hours the main doors are locked and access to the youth hostel can only be gained by entering a passcode into the door lock system (available from reception on check-in).

#### **Shopping**

There are shops and restaurants within easy walking distance.

Confectionary and snacks are available from reception. We also sell a limited stock of alcoholic drinks and a small range of maps and outdoor gear.

#### **Directions**

**Bus:** the bus station is 400m north of the youth hostel.

**Train:** the train station 400m north of the youth hostel.

**Car or on foot**: from the south, the youth hostel is 100m on the left after the roundabout. From the north, continue through the village; the youth hostel is 200m on the right past the petrol station.

#### **Parking**

Adjoining the youth hostel there's a large car park with coach and car access.

There is secure storage for approximately 20 bicycles.

#### Local activities

Aviemore is a great year-round location, particularly for outdoor enthusiasts. It's ideally located for walking in Cairngorms National Park. Sports include a variety of snow sports, water sports at nearby Loch Morlich or mountain biking on many nearby trails.

- Cairngorm Mountain Railway 01479 861261 (9 miles)
- Landmark Forest Heritage Park 0800 731344 (10 miles)
- Highland Wildlife Centre 01540 651270 (5 miles)
- Strathspey Railway 01479 810725 (400m)
- Dalwhinnie Distillery 01540 672219
- RSPB Osprey Visitor Centre, Boat of Garten (12 miles)
- Cairngorm Reindeer Herd 01479 861228 - daily walks to feed herd (9 miles)
- Glenmore Forest Park 01479 861220 (7 miles)
- Cairngorm Brewery Tours 01479 812222 (900m)
- Whisky Trail 01340 820373 (16 miles)

#### Accessibility

The youth hostel has ramp access for wheelchairs. Please let us know at the time of booking if you require any additional assistance. Contact the hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Aviemore Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri, 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

Or contact the hostel directly. direct e-mail aviemore@hostellingscotland.org.uk direct phone 01479 810 345

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Braemar Youth Hostel is an impressive former shooting lodge, standing in extensive grounds in the heart of Cairngorms National Park. It's a great base for exploring Royal Deeside, with its castles and distilleries.

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### Welcome to

# **Braemar Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

#### **Sunday-Thursday**

- Open 07.00-10.00 and 17.00-21.30
- Check-in 17.00-21.30

#### **Friday-Saturday**

- Open 07.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in 17.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

Dogs are now welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance, to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated

#### Rooms

Capacity 41:

- 1 two bedded
- 1 double
- 2 three bedded
- 2 four bedded
- 14 bedded (double & bunk)
- 15 bedded
- 1 six bedded
- 1 eight bedded

There are 8 private rooms (none en-suite), 5 showers and 7 toilets. Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

Wee breakfast (served 07.30-09.00) and packed lunches available.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for several people working at the same time and is open until 22.00.

There are 3 hobs with 13 cooking rings, 2 ovens, 2 fridges, a freezer and a microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room can seat around 40 people.

#### **Facilities**

A lounge, with TV, can seat around 15 people.

There are 2 token-operated washing machines and dryers, plus a free drying room.

Luggage storage is available for guests, please arrange this directly with the hostel.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks and some lockers are available.

#### **Shopping**

Confectionary and snacks are available from reception.

We also sell a limited stock of alcoholic drinks and a small range of maps and outdoor gear.

There are shops and restaurants in Braemar village just a short walk away.



#### **Directions**

Car: Braemar Youth Hostel is on the A93 at the southern end of the village and is set back from the road. It's the first building on the right as you enter the village from the south or the last building on the left as you head out towards the Glenshee ski area.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold 15 cars or 1 coach and 5 cars.

There's storage for 20 bicycles.

#### Local activities

Outdoor activities on-site or nearby include cycling, walking, Munros, skiing, snowboarding, pony trekking, golf, Land Rover safaris, swimming, winter climbing, rock climbing, canoeing, orienteering, gorge walking and archery.

Non-sporting attractions include Balmoral Castle (April-July), Castle Trail, Whisky Trail, the Victorian Heritage Trail and the community-run Braemar Castle.

Local festivals/events include Braemar Highland Gathering (first Saturday in September), Braemar Junior Highland Games, Heart of the Park Challenge, Balmoral Tartan 10K race and the Ghillies' Ball.

#### Accessibility

Currently Braemar Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Braemar Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

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Enjoying unrivalled views across Broadford Bay, with the Skye Bridge in the distance, and boasting a central location with good public transport links, Broadford Youth Hostel is perfectly positioned for exploring the Isle of Skye.

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# Welcome to

# **Broadford Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 08.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Between 10.00-17.00 access is limited to some public areas downstairs, with no access to bedrooms and bathrooms (except one downstairs toilet near the entrance). Once checked-in guests are able to access the rooms.

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, in some of our private rooms. Please check availability with the hostel.

#### Rooms

Capacity 45:

#### First floor

Room 1 4-bed Room 2 4-bed

Room 3 twin-bedded

Room 4 triple (Bunk & Single)

Room 5 twin-bedded

Room 6 triple (Bunk & Single)
Room 7 triple (Bunk & Single)
Room 8 2-bed (twin bunk)

On this floor there's a men's washroom (1 shower, 2 WCs, 3 basins) and 2 unisex showers.

Room 9 4-bed Room 10 Double Room 11 4-bed Room 12 4-bed

Additionally on this floor there are 2 women's washrooms (1 shower, 1 WC, basin) and a unisex WC.

#### Second floor (no lift):

Room 13 single

Room 14 triple (3 singles)

Room 15 4-bed (Bunk & 2 Singles)

On this floor there's one unisex shower cubicle and a small toilet room with WC and basin.

Most rooms can be booked as private rooms.

#### Catering

Wee Breakfasts are served from 08.00-10.00. For breakfast outside this time please contact the youth hostel directly.

Pre-booked packed lunches are also available for groups – minimum order of 20, please order these at time of booking or at least 2 weeks prior.

We are licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages and offer a range of local beer, cider and wine.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 10 people working at the same time.

There are 5 gas hobs, 2 ovens, 2 fridges and 1 microwave

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room can seat up to 30 people at any one time.

Kitchen is closed for an hour during the day for cleaning.

#### **Facilities**

The comfortable sitting room (no TV) with views over the bay can accommodate around 25 - 30 people. There's a token-operated washer/dryer located within a drying room area.

WiFi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks.

Some lockers are available in the entrance area - please bring your own padlock.

Cycle storage for up to 15 bikes is available in a lockable wooden shed at the back of the youth hostel.

#### **Shopping**

A range of basic food supplies, such as chocolate, canned food, pasta, sauce and soft drinks is available at reception.

There are several restaurants within walking distance.

The village supermarket (5-10 minutes' walk) is open every day. Nearby, fuel is available 24/7.

#### **Directions**

Car: Approaching Broadford from the south (from Skye Bridge, Armadale or Kylerhea) take first right turn immediately after crossing Broadford River. The youth hostel is 500m along this minor road.

#### **Parking**

The car park (public roadside parking) will hold around 18 cars or 5 cars and a single coach. Further parking space is available in the village.

Cycle storage for up to 15 bikes is available in a lockable shed at the back of the youth hostel.

#### **Local activities**

Various walks, from gentle strolls to challenging mountain trails, are close by or within a short driving distance. Horse riding is available on the island and the Isle of Skye golf club is about 20 minutes' drive away. Skye offers ideal sea kayaking opportunities and courses for all levels can be taken within close driving distance.

Guests can also take advantage of a 15% discount with ACE Target Sports near Portree and a 10% discount on Bella Jane boat trips from Elgol.

Non-sporting attractions include boat trips from Elgol (about 30 minutes' drive) towards Loch Coruisk, music festivals, sheepdog trials and other cultural events throughout summer in various locations on the island. The Skye Highland Games take place in Portree in August.

#### Accessibility

Currently Broadford is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Broadford Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Sitting in the heart of
Cairngorms National Park,
next to Loch Morlich,
seven miles from
Aviemore and close to the
Cairngorm snow sports
area, Cairngorm Lodge
Youth Hostel is one of the
best places to stay for
year-round outdoor fun.

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# Welcome to

# Cairngorm Lodge Youth Hostel



#### Reception

- Open 07.30-10.00 and 17.00-22.30
- Check-in from 17.00-22.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival is by pre-arrangement only.

Dogs are now welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 69:

1 x 3 bed room - 1 x bunk and a single

3 x 4 bed rooms - 1 x double & 1 x bunk bed

 $2 \times 4$  bed room –  $2 \times$  bunk beds

5 x 6 bed rooms – 3 x bunk beds

2 x 8 bed rooms - 4 x bunk beds

None of the rooms are en-suite, but some have wash basins.

There are 12 individual washrooms

(7 upstairs and 5 downstairs)
4 male and 4 female toilets; 2 unisex toilets and 1 disabled shower/toilet.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

A full catering service is available for both individuals and groups.

We can provide wee breakfasts or full cooked breakfasts, packed lunches and a choice of 1, 2 or 3 course evening meals which are freshly prepared on the premises.

Breakfast is usually served from 07.30-09.00 and evening meals at an agreed time between 17.00-20.00 with last orders at 19.45.

We are licensed for residents, selling red and white wine, cider and locally brewed Cairngorm beer.

The dining room can seat 60 people. Groups of 10 or more should reserve any catering requirements at the time of booking to avoid disappointment. Small parties, couples and individuals can order on arrival at the hostel.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen is open from 07.00 to 22.30 and has space for 6 people.

There are 3 hobs, 3 oven, 1 microwave and 2 fridges.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

#### **Facilities**

Although there's no TV reception, the lounge area has a large selection of movies and a pool table.

There are 2 coin-operated washing machines/dryers and free access to a medium-sized drying room.

Wi-Fi access is free and available throughout the hostel.

#### Security

All rooms have locks.

Padlock lockers are available in the locker room and padlocks may be purchased at reception (or bring your own).

#### Shopping

Basic personal supplies can be purchased at reception.

#### **Directions**

**Car:** take the B970 from the south end of Aviemore for 7 miles in the direction of Coylumbridge, Cairngorm, Loch Morlich Watersports. The hostel turn is opposite Glenmore Shop.

#### **Parking**

There are 17 car parking spaces but coach parking is subject to availability.

The bike shed will hold a maximum of 8 cycles.

#### Local activities

Outdoor activities near the youth hostel include hillwalking, mountain-biking, skiing and snowboarding, watersports, the Cairngorm Reindeer Herd and visits to castles.

#### **Accessibility**

Cairngorm Lodge has some facilities for people with impaired mobility, including wide doors and a disabled toilet/ shower. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Set at the foot of the Crianlarich Mountains, our Youth Hostel is a great base for exploring the Northern area of Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park.

At the halfway point on the West Highland Way, the hostel provides a welcome rest for tired feet, to re-fuel, dry your kit and equipment, and get a good night's sleep.

For Munro Baggers,
Crianlarich's Central
Scotland location is the ideal
base to reach many of the
Hugh Munro 3000ft
mountains; we believe there
are in the region of 70
Munros within 45 minutes'
drive taking in the Southern
Highland, and South West
Highlands Munro regions.

Our Hostel facilities are ideal for the walking, rambling, university, and mountaineering groups.

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# Welcome to

# **Crianlarich Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

#### **April-October**

- Open 07.00-10.00 and 16.00-22.00
- Check-in from 16.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 61.

2 x Triple Rooms

1 x Triple Ensuite Room

2 x 4 Person Room

1 x 4 Person (Double & Twin Bunk)

1 x 4 Person Ensuite (Double & Twin Bunk)

6 x 6 Person Room

All rooms have washbasins, all bed linen is provided, private rooms have towels inclusive of the price, and towels are also available to hire.

#### Catering

Wee breakfasts are served between 07.30 - 09.30.

Packed lunches are available and we can provide self-catering meals.

- book online or before 21.30 on your day of arrival.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen is open between 07.00-10.00 and 15.00-23.00 and has space for 4 people.

There are 2 electric hobs, 2 ovens,

2 fridges and 1 microwave, toasters, and constant boiling water. A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The dining room can seat 44 people.

We're fully licensed, selling a selection of beer, wine and cider.

#### **Facilities**

The small lounge (with TV) can seat 13. There's a token-operated washer/dryer and a medium-sized drying room (free). Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have key card locks and every shared room bed has its own individual locker. Please bring your own padlock or purchase one at reception.

#### Shopping

We sell meals you can cook yourself in our self-catering kitchen, along with a selection of crisps and confectionary, alcoholic and soft drinks.

#### **Directions**

**A82 from Glasgow-Crianlarich:** at the roundabout take the second junction on the left, heading for Crianlarich Village. Turn right at T-junction A85, then first right past the village shop and continue up Station Road.

The youth hostel is 150m on the left after the local shop. If you miss the A82 south roundabout, you can access the village from the west - just follow the signs for Crianlarich Village, go under the railway bridge, pass the T-junction, go under the railway viaduct and take the first right junction - we are up the road on the left.

#### From A85 from Stirling-Crianlarich:

take the first junction on the left after the police station. Continue up Station Road and the youth hostel is 150m on the left after the local shop.

SatNav postcode FK20 8QN Hostelling Scotland, Station Road, Crianlarich.

#### **Parking**

The car park in front of the hostel will hold around 23 cars, or 2 coaches and fewer cars.

There's secure cycle storage for up to 16 bikes (30m from main building).

#### **Local Activities**

Crianlarich Youth Hostel has in the region of 70 Munros within 45 minutes' drive and it's also a key location for walkers at the half-way point for undertaking the West Highland Way.

Crianlarich Community Woodland Walk and Cruach Ardrain Munro start from the youth hostel and can be accessed via forestry service roads.

Ben More and Stob Binnien are 3 miles to the east and also within walking distance from the hostel.

For other Munros locally, we suggest bicycles, car, or public transport via excellent rail and bus links to access them.

There are regular visits from steam trains in the summer travelling to Mallaig via the famous Glenfinnan Viaduct from Harry Potter fame. Crianlarich train station is 5 minutes' walk from the hostel.

St Fillan's Priory; the healing pools, and Dalrigh Battlefield where Robert the Bruce fought the Clan MacDougall in 1306 are 4 miles away.

Other activities nearby, or within an hour's drive, include fishing for brown trout and salmon on the River Fillan, Loch Dochart and River Dochart; permits can be bought here at the hostel from £8.00 per day.

There are 9-hole golf courses at Killin (11 miles) and Dalmally (16 miles) and gold panning in Tyndrum (5 miles).

The Rob Roy Way is a short distance from the hostel making us an ideal overnight stay for cyclists and walkers completing this iconic challenge; we have secure bike storage.

The nearest Tourist Information Centre is in Tyndrum but please ask the staff any questions to see if they can help.

#### Accessibility

Crianlarich Youth Hostel is suitable for people with impaired mobility:

- Disabled access is good, with ramped access to the front entrance of the Hostel and the front door can extend when required.
- Wheelchairs and buggies have excellent access and a triple en-suite room (1 bunk + 1 single) with wheelchair access wet room facilities available on the ground floor (please check availability at time of booking).
- There's an extra toilet facility on the ground floor opposite reception.

Contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for further information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Crianlarich Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

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On the North Coast 500, surrounded by a wild and spectacular landscape, Durness Smoo is a relaxed and friendly base for exploring the local area.

The hostel is a refuge from the hustle and bustle of everyday life, from which you can venture out to explore moorland, mountains, sea cliffs, beaches and waterfalls.

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### Welcome to

# Durness Smoo Youth Hostel



#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

The youth hostel is closed for cleaning from 10.00-17.00, though limited daytime access after 14.00 for those guests staying another night may be possible once the hostel has been cleaned and prepared

Late arrival is by pre-arrangement only. Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, in some of our private rooms. Please

check availability with the hostel.

#### Rooms

Capacity 27: 1 five-bedded

- 1 ten-bedded
- 1 twelve-bedded

Rooms are separate from the main building. There are 2 showers, 2 washrooms and 5 toilets.

#### Catering

We provide 'Wee Breakfasts' and, for groups of 10 or more, packed lunches (please pre-book). Self-cater, pre-prepared evening meals are also available.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 6 people.

There are 3 hobs with 12 rings, 1 oven, 2 fridges, 1 freezer and a microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

#### **Facilities**

The lounge (no TV) can seat 16 people. Wi-Fi access is free. The Wi-Fi only covers communal areas – kitchen, dining room, lounge

The hostel has a small drying room.

#### Security

All rooms have locks and there's a key code for the external doors.

#### **Shopping**

A small shop in reception sells soft drinks, snacks, some grocery and toiletry items, as well as souvenirs and postcards.

We have an alcohol licence and sell local beers, Scottish cider, wine and single malt whisky.

There are shops within 15 minute walk.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold 6 cars and guests are welcome to use the Smoo Cave car park nearby (15 spaces). Coaches should use the Smoo Cave car park.

Secure cycle storage for up to 10 bikes next to the main youth hostel building.

#### **Directions**

Bus: <u>Durness to Inverness – The</u>
<u>Durness Bus</u> 805 service runs Monday
(summer only), Tuesday, Thursday,
Saturday. Visit <u>The Durness Bus – Bus</u>
<u>services around The Far North of</u>
<u>Scotland</u> for further connections

Rail: Monday to Saturday, ScotRail services depart Inverness for Wick/Thurso via Lairg where onward travel may be possible with The Durness Bus

Car: Durness Smoo Youth Hostel is at the side of the A838, 1 mile east of Durness Centre.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold 6 cars and guests are welcome to use the Smoo Cave car park nearby (15 spaces). Coaches should use the Smoo Cave car park.

Secure cycle storage for up to 10 bikes next to the main youth hostel building.

#### Local activities

The far northwest of Scotland has many hidden secrets and it's worth taking time to explore. Visit nearby Smoo Cave, take the ferry and minibus to Cape Wrath or discover the artists at Balnakiel Craft Village.

For the more energetic there are miles of signposted footpaths. Explore the hills of Ben Hope, Foinavon or Cranstackie, among many others.

Take a walk to Faraid Head and see the puffins, then walk amongst some of the largest dunes in Great Britain.

Or just relax on one of the nearby sandy beaches, perhaps even spotting dolphins, otters or an eagle!

#### Accessibility

Currently Durness Smoo is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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#### Reception

- Open 24 hours
- Check-in from 16.00-23.00
- Checkout by 10.00

You're welcome to arrive at any time, although room access is only available after 16.00. Guests have all-day access to the hostel once check-in is complete.

On the day of departure, rooms should be vacated by 10.00.

The Wee Breakfast is available from 07.30-11.00 and Cooked from 08.00.

#### Rooms

Capacity 214:

- singles
- twins
- doubles
- triples
- 4 bed rooms
- 6 bed rooms
- Family rooms

All rooms are en-suite. Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Café Bar & Restaurant

For guests who prefer to let someone else do the hard work, our licensed inhouse Café Bar (available to both guests and the public) is open daily from 08.00-1am with last orders on the bar at midnight, serving a range of hot and cold food, sandwiches, cakes, hot and cold drinks and a selection of beers and wines.

We can provide wee breakfasts or cooked breakfasts and packed lunches.

For groups, we have 1, 2 or 3 course evening meals available up to 8pm which are freshly prepared on the premises. Please reserve meals at the time of booking or at least 2 weeks prior to arrival.

For individual guests, we have a menu with a wide selection of food served throughout the day.

#### **Self-catering**

The self-catering kitchen is stocked with cookers and fridges as well as cookware, crockery and cutlery – everything you could possibly need to enjoy a home-cooked meal (apart from the ingredients!)

Note: the self-catering area cannot accommodate groups of over 20 people.

#### Meeting/event rooms

Edinburgh Central also offers a modern and fully equipped conference and meeting space which can host up to 30 guests.

A full range of facilities are available, including a Bluetooth projector and screen, audio equipment, flip charts and a whiteboard and portable induction loop.

We can also offer refreshments throughout the day as well as lunch if required. Please contact the hostel directly to make these arrangements.

#### **Facilities**

Token operated washing and drying facilities

Hairdryers and adaptor plugs (deposit required)

Wi-Fi access is free

#### Security

Rooms have swipe card security, lost key cards are subject to a £5.00 charge. CCTV is in operation at all times.

Guests with bikes are asked to contact the hostel prior to arrival to make arrangements for storage.

#### **Directions**

Train: Edinburgh Central is a 10 minute walk from Waverley Station. Exit Waverley Station onto Princes Street, then cross and turn right along Princes Street. Turn left at the St James Shopping Centre and walk along Leith Street to Picardy Place roundabout. Continue along Leith Walk for approximately 400m. The youth hostel is on the corner at Haddington Place on Leith Walk.

Bus and tram: from St Andrews Bus Station, or McDonald Road for the tram, Edinburgh Central is only a short walk away. Exit the bus station onto York Place. Walk along York Place to Picardy Place roundabout. Turn left at the roundabout and walk along Leith Walk for approximately 400m to find the youth hostel on the corner at Haddington Place on Leith Walk.

Air: from Edinburgh Airport, take the Airlink service bus 100 which runs 24 hours a day and takes about 25 minutes from the airport to Waverley Bridge. Fares from £5.50 single or £8.00 return <a href="https://www.flybybus.com">www.flybybus.com</a>. Then follow directions from the train station. Alternatively, a taxi from the airport will cost around £20 with journey time about 25 minutes. Trams also run a frequent service from the airport to the city centre <a href="https://www.edinburghtrams.com">www.edinburghtrams.com</a> journey time is approximately 35

Car: from the north and west – follow signs for the City Centre and travel along Queen Street, onto York Place. At the roundabout take the first exit onto Leith Walk. Edinburgh Central is 400m from the roundabout on the left hand side, corner of Haddington Place on Leith Walk and Annadale Street.

From the south and east – follow the A1 towards the city centre, approaching the city via Leith Walk. The youth hostel is at the corner of Haddington Place on Leith Walk and Annadale Street.

#### **Parking**

There is no parking at the youth hostel, though there are limited on-street Pay & Display spaces nearby. Parking facilities are also available at Q-Park OMNI, Greenside Row, EH1 3AN

Coach parking is available at Pringles Coach Park, 70-74 Bangor Road, Edinburgh EH6 5JU.

Contact: 0131 554 1317 or jim@pringlescoachpark.com

#### Local activities

Local information on shops, bars and travel can be found on our website www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

#### Accessibility

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#### **Booking**

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# Welcome to

# Gairloch Sands Youth Hostel



#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

The youth hostel is closed from 10.00-17.00, though limited daytime access after 14.00 for those guests staying another night may be possible once the hostel has been cleaned and prepared.

#### Rooms

Capacity 34:

- 1 three-bedded (Double & Single)
- 1 Five-bedded (Single over Double & 2 Singles)
- 1 six-bedded (Double & 2 Bunks)
- 2 six-bedded
- 1 eight-bedded

Private/family rooms are normally available (none ensuite). Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

A Wee Breakfast is available, as are self-cater, pre-prepared meals.

Please order breakfasts on arrival or at the time of booking. Please speak to a member of the Team if you require an earlier breakfast.

#### **Facilities**

The lounge (no TV) can seat 18 people.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 8 people There are 3 hobs with 12 rings, 1 oven, 1 fridge (no freezer) and a microwave.

A selection of pots, pans, trays and dishes are available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining area can seat up to 31 people.

#### **Facilities**

The lounge (no TV) can seat 18 people.

There are token-operated laundry facilities (washer and dryer) and a small drying room.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks and some have lockers.

There's an additional security door before access to the building.

#### Shopping

A small shop in reception sells soft drinks, snacks, some grocery and toiletry items, as well as souvenirs and postcards.

We have an alcohol licence and sell local beers, Scottish cider, wine and single malt whisky.

The nearest shop is only a 15 minute walk away at Sands campsite and is open from 09.00.

#### **Directions**

**Bus:** there's a bus stop at Strath, Gairloch, 2.5 miles from the hostel.

Car: from Inverness take the A9 then A835 at Tore to Garve, then take A832 to Gairloch. The youth hostel is 3 miles along the B8021 towards Melvaig on the right.

Rail: the nearest rail station is Achnasheen, which is approximately 30 miles away.

#### **Parking**

The front car park will hold around 10 cars and the rear overflow car park around 3 cars.

#### Local activities

Outdoor activities on-site or within an hour's drive include:

- walking (Munros, low level and coastal)
- rock climbing
- sea and loch kayaking
- pony trekking
- whale-watching cruises (member discount)
- fishing (sea or river) local guiding available
- 9 hole golf course, pitch & putt
- cycle hire
- leisure centre with activities, climbing wall, weights gym
- Swimming pool

#### Non-sporting attractions include:

- beaches (there's one 5 minutes away)
- Gairloch Museum
- NTS Inverewe Gardens
- Russian Arctic Convoy Museum and sights
- excellent range of restaurants, pubs, cafes and shops
  - local seafood is a speciality

#### Accessibility

Currently Gairloch Sands is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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# Welcome to



# **Glasgow Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 24 hours
- Check-in from 16.00 23.00
- Check-out by 10.00

Late check-out is not available.

Left luggage can be arranged, subject to availability.

Dogs are welcome for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance, to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 101

- 1 single
- 3 doubles
- 8 twins
- 7 four-bedded
- 7 six-bedded
- 1 eight-bedded

All rooms are en-suite (room configurations may be subject to occasional change).

#### Catering

Glasgow Youth Hostel offers its guests a Wee Breakfast for the price of £5.95pp, served 07:30-09:30. Packed lunches can also be purchased but must be booked in advance.

Cooked breakfasts and 1 or 2 course evening meals are available for groups over 20 (please book these 4 weeks in advance). Our dining room can seat 60 comfortably.

#### **Self-catering**

The kitchen has space for 10 people.

There are 4 hobs with 21 cooking rings, 1 oven, 2 fridges and

2 microwaves. The gas is available to use between 07.00 and 21.30.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit meal times for all guests.

The dining room seats 30 people.

#### **Facilities**

There is a large, comfortable lounge and a 20 seat TV room with ping pong, as well as a games room with a pool table, dartboard, board games, piano and guitars. Books are available on a 'take one, leave one' system.

Token-operated washing machines and dryers are available to use 07:00-10:00 and 19:00-22:00. Tokens can be bought at reception.

Our excellent drying room is free, and an iron is available at reception.

Hairdryers are available at reception.

A meeting/conference room is available to hire.

Wi-Fi access is free and available throughout the building.

Reception can provide city maps, leaflets and information on local attractions and day trips.

#### Security

There is a security door from reception, CCTV throughout the building and swipe card entry to all the bedrooms, helping to create a secure environment for guests.

There are lockers in all rooms and padlocks are available to buy from reception.

A luggage room is available to guests at no extra charge for 24 hours before and after check in. Luggage left beyond these times will incur a charge.

#### **Shopping**

There are various supermarkets nearby for grocery shopping.

You can buy snacks, drinks, alcohol and travel essentials from reception.

#### **Directions**

Please note the hostel is in the West End of Glasgow, 30 mins walk from the city centre.

**Subway:** take the inner circle from Buchanan Street to Kelvinbridge. The hostel is a 10 minute uphill walk from here.

**Train:** take the train from Glasgow Queen Street to Charing Cross. The hostel is a 15 minute uphill walk from the station.

Bus: take the number 4/4a bus from Hope Street (near Central Station) to the first stop on Woodlands Road. Follow the youth hostel signs from here.

Car: if driving west on the M8, exit at Junction 18 (signposted Charing Cross & Kelvingrove) and follow signs for the youth hostel.

If driving east on M8, exit at Junction 17 (signposted Dumbarton), branch left for Aberfoyle and turn left at the traffic lights. Follow the brown signs to the youth hostel from there.

Taxi: from the bus or train stations.

#### **Parking**

There is no private hostel parking.

On-street parking is charged between Monday-Friday 08:00-18:00, charged every 3 hours. We recommend the RingGo app for easy payment and top up. The parking is free overnight (18:00 to 08:00) and at weekends.

Alternative longer stay parking is available at the following car parks:
Kelvinbridge SPT Park & Ride
C.G. Car Park
Charing Cross City Parking
All located within a 10-15 minute walk of the hostel.

The secure cycle storage can hold up to 14-16 bicycles, key available at reception.

#### Accessibility

Currently Glasgow Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

Please bear in mind the hostel has 5 floors in total and there is no lift in the building.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Glasgow Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

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## Welcome to

# Glen Affric Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Open 07.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00 -22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Please could all guests bring their booking reference number or proof of booking.

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

#### Rooms

24 beds (20 bookable in advance):

- 2 two-bedded
- 2 ten-bedded (these dorms are outside, 20m from main building)

There are 2 flushing toilets, one indoors and the other outdoors. There's hot and cold running water for the kitchen and shower. Each dorm has a cold water basin and no heating.

#### Please bring your own:

- sleeping bag (3-4 season)
  - basic army blankets are provided at the youth hostel for emergencies
- pillowcase (available to hire at hostel)
- torch
- towel and toiletries (preferably eco-friendly)
- slippers/indoor footwear
- basic food & drink supplies
- map and compass
- warm clothes and wet weather gear
- insect repellent (June-Sept)

Please allow 2½-5 hours to walk to this location, depending on ability and weather.

Some paths can be unclear in bad weather.

#### Camping

It may be possible to camp at the hostel, with full use of facilities, for a reduced price (half price of the dormitory rate). Or camp within a few hundred metres and use the outside toilet for a small donation. Camping cannot be pre-booked and is always at the discretion of the hostel staff.

#### Dogs

Due to the layout and amount of space available the hostel does not accept bookings for dogs.

#### Self-catering

There are 2 hobs, 1 oven and grill, but no fridge or microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

Washing up liquid and toilet rolls are supplied.

Guests must take all their rubbish away (the hostel has no rubbish collections).

The dining area can seat up to 15.

#### **Facilities**

The common room can seat up to 20 people.

A small drying area is available.

There's no telephone, mobile phone signal or internet at Glen Affric Youth Hostel.



#### **Shopping**

A small shop sells soft drinks, juices, chocolate, crisps, healthy snacks and a selection of pouch meals.

However, the hostel is essentially self-catering so you should bring at least basic supplies with you.

In-season we normally stock midge nets, repellent and tick removers.

#### **Directions**

From the east: from Glen Affric car park – 8 miles and approximately 3 hours, either north or south sides of the loch. You can cycle along the south side of loch, saving an hour or more. The track becomes very bumpy on the last 3 miles to the hostel.

From the south: start at Cluanie on A87. Walk for 7.5 miles and approximately 3 hours over a wet, rough and boggy track. Not suitable for bikes.

**From the west:** start at Morvich. Walk for 10.5 miles and approximately 4-5 hours. Not suitable for bikes.

#### **Parking**

Not applicable. Access is by foot or mountain bike only.

#### **Accessibility**

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#### **Booking**

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# Welcome to



# Glen Nevis Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Open 07.00-10.00 &14.00-22.00
- Check-in from 15.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Please vacate the hostel by this time on your day of departure.

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, in some of our private rooms. Please check availability with the hostel. Late arrival is by pre-arrangement

only.

The hostel is closed between

10.00 - 14.00 for cleaning.

#### Rooms

Capacity 67

- 6 twins
- 1 triple
- 5 four-bedded
- 4 eight-bedded

The eight-bedded rooms have shared bathrooms. All other rooms are en-suite.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

The hostel offers a Wee Breakfast (normally served between 07:15-09:15) and packed lunches are available for individual guests throughout the year.

'Heat it and eat it' evening meals are available. Full evening catering is available for groups of 20 or more; please pre-book at least 3 weeks prior to arrival.

We are fully licenced to sell alcohol.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 20 people.

There are 3 hobs with 4 cooking rings, 2 ovens, 2 large fridges and 2 microwaves.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The kitchen is open 14.00-10.00.

The dining room can seat 67 people.

#### **Facilities**

Token-operated washing and drying machines are usually available 18.00-21.30. There's also a large drying room available free of charge.

Free Wi-Fi.

#### Security

There are swipe card operated locks to all bedrooms and public areas.

#### Shopping

Glen Nevis Youth Hostel sells a good selection of soft drinks, alcoholic beverages and confectionery.

There's a large supermarket nearby in Fort William which is open 7 days.

#### **Directions**

**Car:** from Fort William follow the A82 to the mini roundabout and continue straight ahead for Glen Nevis. The youth hostel is 3 miles along this road and past the Ben Nevis visitor centre.

Bus:: Shiel Buses operate a limited service from Fort William to the hostel. From mid-May to early October, the N42 (7 days a week) runs through the day until late afternoon from Fort William Bus Station (Stance 7) to the Lower Falls car park, with a stop at the hostel. In the winter, the N41 (no Sunday service) runs to the hostel only twice a day, leaving Fort William Middle Street in the early morning and late afternoon. The N41 also leaves the hostel for Fort William at 09.11 Monday – Saturday.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold around 15 cars.

Official coach parking is available in the West End Car Park, Fort William.

If space permits, roadside parking may be available.

There's secure cycle storage for up to 12 bicycles at the rear of the building.

#### Local activities

The climb to Ben Nevis, the highest mountain in Scotland (and the UK) is directly opposite the entrance to the youth hostel. The West Highland Way also ends here. It's a great base for winter sports as well as summer.

Fort William regularly hosts the World Mountain Bike Championships and has biking routes for all abilities in the vicinity.

There's a good selection of bars and restaurants in Fort William if you still have some energy in the evening!

#### Accessibility

Glen Nevis is accessible to guests with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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## Welcome to

# Glenbrittle Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00 21.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Day access to bedrooms, bathrooms, kitchen and lounge may be available. Please contact the hostel beforehand (note that arrangements for this may only be possible on short notice and confirmed on arrival).

The entrance area, with access to a public phone, and a toilet in the outhouse, remains open all day.

#### Rooms

Capacity 25:

- 1 twin (Coire Lagan)
- 1 triple (Am Basteir)
- 1 five bedded with double (Rubha an Dunain)
- 1 six-bedded (Bruach na Frithe)
- 1 ten-bedded (Sgurr Alasdair)

All rooms are on the first floor and some can be booked as private

Washroom facilities are also on the first floor, with a unisex toilet in the outhouse.

#### Catering

A Wee Breakfast is available from 08.00-09.30. Pre-booking is preferred but it can be arranged outside these times (contact us directly).

Frozen 'self-cater' menus are available (pre-book or buy on arrival).

#### **Self-catering**

There is 1 oven and 2 x 4 burner hobs, fridge and freezer space, a hot water kettle, toaster and microwave.

A selection of pots and pans is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

Kitchen is closed for an hour during the day for cleaning.

#### **Facilities**

The refurbished kitchen and dining areas on the ground floor provide separate kitchen and dining space.

The mountain-facing room provides communal sitting space and additional dining facilities, so there's sufficient dining space/seating for all guests.

A token-operated washing and drying machine is available, as is a large drying room. Towels available for hire.

#### Security

All rooms have locks and lockers/ luggage storage is available for all guests (bring your own lock).

There's secure cycle storage in the outhouse close to the main building.

#### **Shopping**

The youth hostel sells general supplies including frozen meals, ice cream, canned foods, UHT milk, soft drinks and sweets. Sundries include local maps, postcards and basic toiletries.

We offer a range of local beers, cider and wine.

The nearest small shops are at Glenbrittle campsite (1.5 miles) and Carbost (7 miles), though these have limited opening hours. There are supermarkets in Portree (23 miles) & Broadford (31 miles).

#### **Directions**

Car: A87 to Sligachan (signed Portree). A863 to Drynoch (signed Dunvegan), B8009 to Carbost, then turn left onto the unclassified single-track road to Glenbrittle, 7 miles from the turn off.

Bus: the nearest bus stop is at Sligachan, which is 15 miles away. Please note there is no public transport to/from Glenbrittle. There is a limited bus service to Carbost the McDonald 607 & 608 but it is only 3 times a day and leaves Portree at 12.50, 15.30 & 17.45.

On foot: for the experienced walker there is a strenuous moorland track over the bealach from Sligachan (4.6 miles) before joining the road for a further 3 miles. The path is not suitable for cyclists.

#### **Parking**

There is off-road parking in front of the hostel.

There is secure cycle storage for 10 bicycles in the outhouse close to the main building.

#### Local activities

- For the experienced mountaineer the Skye Munros on the Cuillin will provide a challenging playground.
- Glen Brittle forest has a few tracks suitable for some mountain biking with great views.
- If you haven't brought a bike, consider a rental from Skye Bike
   Shack with collection at the youth hostel available.
- For a less strenuous pace, and the less experienced, there are coastal/lowerlevel walks for all abilities and weather conditions.

- The magical Fairy Pools are close by with wildlife to watch, as well as archaeological sites and geology to explore.
- Glenbrittle beach is only 1.5 miles away and you can take a tour of the world famous Talisker Distillery (7 miles) or Dunvegan Castle (26 miles).
- Local cuisine includes the wonderful Oyster Shed near the distillery.
- Keep an ear out for traditional music sessions at the Old Inn in Carbost.
- With no light pollution, Glenbrittle is an ideal spot for stargazing (if the Cuillin don't bring the clouds!).

#### Accessibility

Currently Glenbrittle is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Glenbrittle Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail

reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

or you can call the hostel direct on 01478 640 278 during reception hours.

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Set in one of Scotland's most spectacular and historic glens, this alpine-style hostel is an excellent base for walkers and climbers of all abilities - not just in summer but all year round.

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### Welcome to

# Glencoe Youth Hostel

#### Reception

#### March - October

 Open 07.30-10.00 and 16.00-21.30

#### **November - February**

Open - Friday, Saturday & Sunday

- Open 07.30-10.00 and 16.00-21.30
- Check-in from 16.00-21.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only. Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

#### Capacity 40:

- 1 twin-bedded (2 singles)
- 2 three-bedded (3 singles)
- 3 four-bedded (1 bunk/2 singles)
- 1 five-bedded (1 bunk/singleover-double)
- 1 six-bedded (2 bunks/2 singles)
- 1 seven-bedded (3 bunks/1 single)
- 1 x Camping Pod (1 x double bed) – The Pod is not included in exclusive Private Hire or RentaHostel bookings

No rooms are en-suite except Camping Pod, but all have basins. Separate washrooms are configured as follows:

#### **Ground floor:**

- 2 showers/3 basins/2 toilets
- shower/basin/toilet

#### First floor:

- shower/basin/toilet
- 3 showers/2 basins
- 3 basins/2 toilets

ALL OUR TOILETS AND SHOWER ARE NOW UNISEX.

#### Catering

Wee breakfast and packed lunches are available all year round.

Individual guests should book their catering requirements by 21.00 the night before.

Groups should reserve food requirements at the time of booking or at least 4 weeks prior to arrival.

We also sell 2 course self-cater style meals for individual guests. Subject to availability.

Breakfast is normally served at an agreed time between 07.45-09.00.

We are fully licensed and sell beer, cider and wine.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 8-10 people.

There are 3 electric hobs with 12 cooking rings, 3 ovens, 2 fridges (no freezer), 2 microwaves and 4 toasters.

The Camping Pod has a small fridge and microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The kitchen is open from 07.00-23.00, but a hot water urn is available for hot drinks 24 hours a day.

The dining room can seat 44 people.

#### **Facilities**

There's one small lounge (no TV) with the most spectacular view in the area, which can seat 9 people.

The dining room can provide additional seating.

A token-operated washing and drying machine is available during afternoon opening times only. Washing machine (one load of washing) there's also a large drying room available free of charge.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks and every bed has its own individual locker. Please bring your own padlock or purchase one at reception.

#### **Shopping**

We sell basic food supplies as well as soft drinks and confectionery. Maps and some souvenirs are also available for purchase at reception.

There are restaurants and bistros within 1-2 miles.

Directions

Car: turn into Glencoe village and continue past Nisa (small village shop), over the Stone Bridge, then go down the single track road for approximately two miles. The youth hostel is on the right.

Bus: Glencoe is served by buses from Glasgow and Fort William. Ask the driver to stop at Glencoe crossroads, cross the car park, turn right, walk through the village, past Nisa (small village shop), cross the bridge, then go down the single track road for about 2 miles. The youth hostel is on the right.

**Train:** the closest station is Fort William, then travel via bus.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold about 10 cars or there's sufficient space for two large coaches or mini buses.

The secure cycle storage can hold up to 15 bicycles.

#### Local activities

There are abundant walking and climbing opportunities in some of Scotland's most spectacular scenery.

The famous Clachaig Inn offers live music most weekends and good value meals all year round.

Try ice and rock climbing at the Ice Factor in Kinlochleven or visit the NTS Visitor Centre in Glencoe and Dragon's Tooth golf course for golf and segway discounts for Hostelling Scotland members!

Fort William, the outdoor capital of the UK, is only half an hour away by car.

Well-known movie locations are also nearby (eg Skyfall, Harry Potter, Highlander).

Lots more information on local activities can be found at Ballachulish Tourist Information Centre.

#### **Accessibility**

Currently Glencoe Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Glencoe Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Just a short walk from the city centre, in a quiet neighbourhood, Inverness Youth Hostel is the ideal base for groups, families and individual hostellers looking to explore the 'Capital of the Highlands' and surrounding area.

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## Welcome to

# **Inverness Youth Hostel**

#### Reception Summer

- Open 07.00-10.00 &16.00-23.00
- Check-in from 16.00-23.00
- Checkout by 10.00

#### Winter

- Open 07.30-10.00 &16.00-22.00
- Check-in from 16.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

#### Rooms

Capacity 147:

- 4 singles (en-suite)
- 5 twins (en-suite)
- 3 double (en-suite)
- 1 three-bedded (en-suite)
- 4 four-bedded (en-suite)
- 8 four-bedded (with basin)
- 2 five-bedded (with basin)
- 1 six-bedded (en-suite)
- 10 six-bedded (with basin)

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

A full catering service is available and our dining room can seat up to 65 people

We can provide wee breakfasts or cooked breakfasts and packed lunches.

1 or 2 course evening meals, freshly prepared on the premises, are available for groups of 20 and over.

Breakfast is served from 7:30am-9:30am (summer)/ 8am-9:30 (winter)

and evening meals at an agreed time between 17.30-20.00.

To avoid disappointment, please reserve meals at the time of booking, or at least 4 weeks prior to arrival. Coffees, teas and light snacks are available throughout the day.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 10 people working at the same time and is open from 07.00-14.30 & 16.00-22.00. (Summer). Over the winter the kitchen Is accessible all day. (Closed for cleaning between 14.30-16.00).

There are 8 hobs (gas and electric), with 3 domestic ovens, 2 fridges, 1 microwave and 2 toasters.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room can seat 35 people, but is not suitable for large groups.

#### **Facilities**

Our lounge, with TV, can seat 32 people.

Our meeting room holds 40 theatre style or 25-boardroom style. Book by contacting the hostel directly on 01463 231 771, email inverness@hostellingscotland.org.uk

Free luggage storage is available for guests, both before check-in and after checkout.

Wi-Fi access is free.

Laundry facilities: 2 washing machines and 2 tumble dryers for guest use.

They are token operated machines and tokens are available for purchase at reception.

Secure cycle storage – bike shed at the main entrance.

#### **Directions**

Bus: from Inverness Bus Station turn left onto Academy Street. Keep left and follow the road around the corner past the East gate shopping centre. Pass Morrisons supermarket and take the first road on the right (Victoria Drive). Inverness Youth Hostel is halfway up the hill on the left (20 minute walk). Nearby bus stop at the Chieftain hotel which is a five minute walk to/from the hostel.

Train: from Inverness Station turn left onto Academy Street. Keep left and follow the road around the corner past the East gate shopping centre. Pass Morrisons supermarket and take the first road on the right (Victoria Drive). The hostel is halfway up the hill on the left (a 20 minute walk).

# Car: from A9 south & north (Sat-Nav – IV2 3QB) - leave

the A9 at the junction signposted for Aberdeen and Nairn (A96). At the roundabout take B865 into the town centre (first exit) and pass the <u>Jurys Inn</u> Leonardo Hotel straight ahead at the mini roundabout. Victoria Drive is the second road on the left, right after Chieftain hotel.

From A82 - follow the road through the town centre. Take the fourth exit at Shore Street roundabout. Follow this road (Academy Street), round the corner (at M&S) and past Morrison's supermarket. Victoria Drive is first on the right.

#### **Parking**

There is parking adjoining the youth hostel for up to 30 cars. Coach access is subject to availability.

#### Local activities

Inverness has something for everyone, from 'Nessie Spotting' on world-famous Loch Ness to the historic site of nearby Culloden Moor. Inverness also has excellent shopping, theatre and music.

#### **Accessibility**

Inverness Youth Hostel has a room in the west wing suitable for guests with impaired mobility, as well as an accessible toilet. The ground floor also has ramps so guests can access the self-catering kitchen.

Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Inverness Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

E-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Warm and welcoming, Kirkwall Youth Hostel is located in a quiet area on the edge of the Royal Burgh of Kirkwall, close to the historic town and beautiful 12th century St Magnus Cathedral.

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# **Kirkwall Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Late check-in is available if you let us know in advance.

#### Rooms

Capacity 45:

- 3 singles
- 11 twins (2 singles)
- 1 double ensuite
- 1 double
- 4 four-bedded (2 bunks)

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

A Wee Breakfast is available which is severed between 08.00 and 10.00 please contact hostel in advance.

#### Self-catering

A large, well equipped self-catering kitchen is available during hostel hours.

There are 2 ovens, 4 hobs and 3 sinks.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room can seat 48 people.

#### **Facilities**

The hostel has a large, comfortable lounge and well-stocked library a selection of board games and puzzles.

A token-operated washing machine and tumble dryers are available during opening hours, tokens available to purchase from the reception, as is a drying room.

Wi-Fi access is free and covers all communal areas –Kitchen, dining room, lounge.

#### Security

Bike storage is available in the luggage store the code is available at reception.

#### **Shopping**

A small range of snacks and drinks is available at reception.

There are 3 large supermarkets nearby, all with long opening hours.

Local grocers, chemists, newsagents, pubs and restaurants are all within walking distance in the town centre.

#### **Directions**

We are a short walk from the centre of Kirkwall on the Orkney mainland.

#### **Ferries:**

#### • Northlink Ferries

Scrabster (Thurso) to Stromness: sailing time @1.5 hours
Stromness to Kirkwall is 15 miles

Aberdeen – Kirkwall - Lerwick: sailing time @6 hours Tel: 0845 6000 449

www.northlinkferries.co.uk

The Hatston ferry terminal in Kirkwall is about 3 miles away, which takes about one hour to walk. We recommend taking the X10 bus, which meets the ferry, to the town centre. From the town centre you have a 10 minute walk to the hostel. Or a taxi will take you right to our front door.

Please note: if you are using Google Maps for directions make sure you select Hatston Pier not Kirkwall Ferry Terminal as they are different locations (if it's telling you it's only 20 minutes' walk, you've picked the wrong one!)

#### • Pentland Ferries

Gill's Bay to St Margaret's Hope (Orkney): sailing time @1 hour Tel: 01856 831 226 www.pentlandferries.co.uk

St. Margaret's Hope to Kirkwall is 15 miles

**Taxi:** Craigies 01856-878-787, Orkney Taxis 01856 875511 and Harbour Taxis 01856 490185

Air: Loganair has regular flights to and from Kirkwall airport to various destinations. Further information at www.loganair.co.uk

#### **Parking**

There is ample free parking for 20+ cars.

#### Local activities

Orkney is recognised as a World Heritage Site, and is home to some of the best preserved archaeological sites in Europe, including:

- Skara Brae, a neolithic village
- Ring of Brodgar, impressive stone circle and henge
- St Magnus Cathedral in Kirkwall, a magnificent example of Viking architecture

The islands are a great place to walk, with routes available for all grades of walkers and beautiful scenery. It also offers world class opportunities for diving in historic Scapa Flow.

Nature lovers can potentially spot whales, bottlenose dolphins, seals, otters, short eared owls, hen harriers and many more unusual visitors to these isles. There's a vibrant arts and crafts community on the islands with opportunities to visit galleries and exhibitions and meet the artists.

With numerous vibrant festivals year round, Kirkwall and the Orkney Islands are a destination you should take time to explore. For more detailed information visit www.visitorkney.com

#### **Accessibility**

Currently Kirkwall Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Kirkwall Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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The hostel is not accessible by car – so come by train, bicycle or on foot!

Surrounded by stunning scenery, Loch Ossian is an eco-hostel set in the remote wilderness of Rannoch Moor.

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# Welcome to

# Loch Ossian Youth Hostel



#### Reception

- Open 09.00-10.30 and 16.00-22.00
- Check-in from 16.00-22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Loch Ossian is open all year, opening days vary in the winter – please check online for availability

The hostel is closed during the day between 10.00 -16.00.

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

#### Rooms

Capacity 20:

- 1 eight-bedded
- 1 twelve-bedded

Groups and families can book a dorm for exclusive use.

There are 2 composting toilets (not in the main building).

Locally-sourced hydro power means that hot showers are now available!

#### Catering

There is no catering available – Loch Ossian is self-catering only. (Ready meals are available from the shop.)

#### Self-catering

There are 8 hobs and 2 domestic ovens/grills (electric), microwave and a fridge (limited space).

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The kitchen is open between 07.00-10.00 and 16.00-23.00.

#### **Facilities**

The dining room/lounge area can seat 20 people.

There is electric panel heating throughout.

All bed linen is provided, as is washing-up liquid and toilet paper.

There are no laundry facilities. Drying is in the form of 2 pulleys in the dining/lounge area.

Please take all your rubbish away with you when you leave.

#### Security

The youth hostel currently has no locks fitted to the dorms, however the area is locked off during the day between 10.00-16.00 when the hostel is closed.

There are no lockers, but valuables can be stored securely in the manager's flat if required.

#### **Shopping**

There's a small shop with 'Beyond the Beaten Track' ready meals, a range of snacking essentials, soft drinks, confectionary, postcards and sundries (such as midge repellent!).

# Directions (access on foot, bicycle or by train only)

Foot: walk the 1 mile from Corrour train station, or long distance footpaths from Rannoch, Glen Nevis, Dalwhinnie, Fersit, Laggan and Kinlochleven.

**Train:** the youth hostel is a 1 mile walk east of Corrour station on the Glasgow to Fort William line. For timetables check www.firstscotrail.co.uk

Car: there is no vehicle access to the youth hostel or Corrour Station. The nearest road access is Rannoch Station or Tulloch.

#### Local activities

This is ideal walking country with plenty of low- and high-level routes including some fine Munros and Corbetts.

There are various activities available including fishing, cycling, nature walks, mountaineering and hillwalking.

#### Accessibility

Currently Loch Ossian is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Loch Ossian Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-16.00) on 0345 293 73 73.

Or phone the hostel direct on 01397 732 207.

you can also e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or loch.ossian@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Surrounded by hills on three sides, Lochranza Youth Hostel sits in an attractive lochside village in the north of the Isle of Arran.

Close by, on a narrow peninsula extending into beautiful Loch Ranza, is the imposing ruin of a 13th century castle.

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### Welcome to

# Lochranza Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Open 07.30-10.00 and 17.00-21.30
- Check-in from 17.00-21.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 49:

- 1 single
- 1 double ensuite
- 3 twin ensuite
- 1 four-bedded ensuite
- 3 four-bedded
- 2 five bedded (including double bed)
- 1 six-bedded
- 1 eight-bedded

All rooms have lockers (own padlock required), a chair and bedside lighting. Rooms which are not en-suite have washbasins.

There are 5 showers and 5 toilets (3 male showers + 2 male toilets; 2 female showers + 1 female toilet; 2 unisex toilets).

All washrooms have lockable doors and hairdryers.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

Lochranza offers 'Wee Breakfasts' from 08.00-09.00 they also offer

Heat it and Eat it meals .These should be either pre-booked at time of booking or at reception by 21.00.

#### **Self-catering**

The well-equipped kitchen has 3 electric cookers which are free standing units, a microwave, 4 fridges, 1 small freezer, a water boiler for hot drinks, stainless steel work surfaces/shelving and 2 sinks.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit meal times for all guests.

Running off the kitchen is a dining room with seating for 30 people.

A separate dining room next to the kitchen seats 8 people.

#### **Facilities**

There are 2 lounges each with excellent views over the loch.

The larger lounge can seat up to 16 people and has a TV with Freesat, DVD player and a range of books and games.

The smaller, quieter lounge can seat up to 10 people.

There are 2 coin-operated washing machines/dryers tokens can be purchased at reception and a drying room is available free of charge

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

There's keycard access to the front door and all rooms.

The cycle store is protected by a padlock and holds up to 10 bikes.

#### Shopping

The hostel has a small shop, but we're unable to offer fresh foods such as milk and bread.

We have an alcohol license and sell a range of local beers.

The nearest supermarket is 15 miles away at Brodick. There's also a small village store at Pirnmill 7 miles away on the west of the island, which closes at 17.00.

#### **Directions**

Ferry: the Calmac Ferry runs between Ardrossan and Brodick several times a day. From the Claonaig to Lochranza ferry, turn left off the ferry slipway and onto the main road (direction of Brodick) for 1 mile to the hostel at the head of the loch.

Bus: service 324 connects with every ferry coming into and leaving Brodick (except the extra ferries running in July/August). The bus stand is behind the ferry terminal and the driver will normally drop off right outside the hostel.

**Train:** Glasgow Central to Ardrossan Harbour trains connect with every Brodick ferry (except the extra ferries running in July/August).

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold around 10 cars and 1 coach.

There's secure cycle storage for up to 10 bikes at the rear of the building.

#### Local activities

There are many trails and ridges in the Arran mountains, including the island's highest peak, Goat Fell.

For the less ambitious the Cock of Arran walk, the finest low level trek on the island, starts and finishes at the hostel.

Arran has many other activities to offer, including on and off-road biking, ponytrekking, fishing, golf and water sports.

#### **Accessibility**

There's no access for those with limited mobility.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Lochranza Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Right on the seafront, with stunning view over the Firth of Lorne and the Inner Hebrides, 5 star Oban Youth Hostel is an ideal base for exploring the area, or as a stop-over on the road to the Isles.

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## Welcome to

# Oban & Oban Lodge Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Open 07.00-10.00 & 16.00-22.00
- Check-in from 16.30-21.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

Guests in private rooms do not have to vacate during the day as long as they allow cleaners in to empty bins, etc.

Guests arriving by public transport before check-in time of 16.00 are welcome to drop off luggage, which is stored free of charge in a locked luggage room.

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when booking a private room.

Please notify us in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is available.

#### Rooms

Capacity 74 in 2 buildings.

#### Main building (54 beds)

- 3 four-bedded
   (2 with single-over-double
   & 1 with bunks)
- 7 six-bedded

All rooms are en-suite. There are also 2 public bathrooms on the first floor. Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Oban Lodge (20 Beds)

- 5 double-bedded
- 5 twin-bedded

All rooms are en-suite and are perfect for families or private room hire.

#### Renta-Hostel

The Lodge is available to hire for sole use at a very competitive price.

#### Catering

A Wee Breakfast, cooked breakfasts and packed lunches are available throughout the year.

Evening meals are available for groups of 10 or more - by prior arrangement only with the hostel at time of booking.

Breakfast is served 07.30-09.00, but may be available earlier by prior arrangement with the hostel.

Breakfast and packed lunches should be booked during check-in or by 21.30 the previous evening at the latest.

We recommend that groups of 10 or more book meals at least 4 weeks before arrival.

#### Self-catering

Both the main building and the lodge have kitchens available for guests and are equipped with everything you could need to create a simple snack or a gourmet meal - pots, pans, glasses, cookers, hobs, microwave, freezer (main building only), kettles and water boiler, sinks, drying cloths, washing-up liquid, recycling bins, teapots, water jugs, cooking utensils, casseroles, etc.

Crockery and cutlery are provided and all we ask is that you wash dishes and tidy up after use.

The kitchens are open from 07.00-13.00 and from 14.00-22.00.

#### **Facilities**

In the main building, the lounge can seat about 20 people. It has a small library, board games, toy box and TV. The dining room can seat around 50 and the self-catering kitchen about 30.

The kitchen/lounge in the lodge can seat about 20 people and also has a TV.

A laundry room is available. It has a token operated washer/dryer (tokens can be purchased at reception).

The laundry is closed to guests 07.00-15.00, but a drying room is freely accessible.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have lockers. You can bring your own padlock or buy one at reception if necessary.

A locked cycle shed can hold up to 20 bikes.

#### **Shopping**

There's a small shop at reception where you can buy confectionary, soft drinks and other sundry items.

A selection of wines, bottled beers and ciders is also available.

There are three supermarkets on the outskirts of town as well as shops in the town centre.

#### **Directions**

Bus/train/ferry: the bus, train and ferry terminals are about a 10 minute walk away. Keeping the sea on your left, walk around the bay and Oban Youth Hostel is on the seafront on your right.

Car: as you descend the hill into the town, continue through the first roundabout and at the second one turn right. Continue for about 0.25 mile and the hostel is on your right.

#### **Parking**

The car park, which is free, can hold about 14 cars and is on a first come first served basis.

If coaches inform the youth hostel 48 hours prior to arrival, we will try to reserve a space (not guaranteed). Alternative parking (chargeable) is a 5 minute walk from the youth hostel.



Oban Lodge

#### **Local activities**

Oban Youth Hostel can supply lots of information on things to see and do and family activities - such as the Highland Glass Workshops — The Rockfeild centre has multiple activities to join in, Atlantis sports centre has a climbing wall, also a large pool & outdoor activity park for rainy days.

Oban is fast becoming a centre for all water sports, which includes SUP'S Foiling, Kayaking, Wild Water Swimming, all these activities can be found on the Facebook page obanoutdoors. Local forest walks included Sutherlands Grove & Glencrutten forest. Climbing& cycling, from local rides and off road trails to Oban being the starting point for the Hebridean Way and the long distance Sustrans route 78 to Fort William & beyond.

Oban also is the home of Local golfer Robert Macintyre who still plays on the challenging course at Glencruitten Golf Club, non-members welcome.

There are various local festivals including Highlands and Islands Music Festival, Seafood Festival, Winter Festival and The Royal Highland Games. Oban is also an important venue for Shinty competitions. Several venues have traditional music throughout the summer season.

#### Accessibility

There are ramps to the main and lodge buildings (but not to the laundry and drying room). One of the ground floor double/twin rooms in the lodge has disabled access facilities. There's a disabled toilet in the main building reception.

Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Oban Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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A summer youth hostel in the spacious grounds of Perth College UHI with unlimited parking and discounted access to the college's new sports and leisure facilities.

Perth College UHI, Crieff Road, Perth PH1 2GA t: +44 (0)1738 877 800 e: perth@hostellingscotland.org.uk

### Welcome to

# **Perth Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 24 hours
- Check-in from 16.00 to 21.00
- Checkout by 10.00

#### Rooms

Capacity:76

Single and twin en-suite bedrooms in self-contained flats. Bedding is included. With 4 or 5 rooms per unit, groups can enjoy exclusive use of the flats; each has its own balcony, shared kitchen and living area.

#### 2 x 3 bedroom house

3 x single bedrooms (non en-suite)

1 downstairs and 2 upstairs

1 shared bathroom (upstairs)

Self-catering kitchen downstairs with all facilities.

Own garden and garage.

#### Self-catering

There is one kitchen per five guests or fewer.

#### **Facilities**

All rooms are en-suite.

Common rooms all have balconies (one per five guests).

Wi-Fi access is free.

Towels can be hired at reception.

#### Security

Reception is staffed 24/7.

#### **Shopping**

There is a small in-house shop with other shopping nearby.

#### Directions

Bus: Citylink, Megabus, Stagecoach and Traveline all serve Perth bus station.
Buses 14, 15, and 115 will bring you to the youth hostel/ college entrance.
(1 and 2 nearby bring you close as well.) The bus station is across from the train station.

Train: the station is in the centre of town. It was designed by famous architect Sir William Tite. Train times and station information available from National Rail Enquiries.

**Foot:** a splendid promenade walk in the city centre is only a couple of miles from the college residences. You can walk from the bus/train station to the hostel in 25 minutes.

**Car:** the hostel is at Perth College residences, located on Crieff Road. Ample parking is available in the main car park beside the residences' office.

#### **Parking**

Free parking.



#### **Local activities**

On campus you will get discounted access to the college's new sports and leisure facilities. In Perth itself — otherwise known as 'The Fair City' — there's something for all tastes and ages, with a wide range of cafes, restaurants, bars, nightclubs, concert hall and a theatre. Not to be missed is Scone Palace, original home of Scotland's Stone of Destiny where 42 of Scotland's kings were crowned.

#### **Accessibility**

There's unassisted wheelchair access throughout. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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Email:

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Sitting high above Pitlochry, the hostel has spectacular views over the picturesque Victorian town and the beautiful Perthshire countryside of hills, lochs and woodland.

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Pitlochry PH16 5HJ

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### Welcome to

# Pitlochry Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Check-in 16.30-21.00
- Checkout 07.30-10.00

Late arrival is by pre-arrangement only.

Dogs are now welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 49:

- 1 x single room
- 2 x double room
- 3 x twin rooms
- 5 x 4 bed rooms
- 3 x 6 bed rooms

There are 14 en-suite rooms, 16 showers and 17 toilets.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

We offer a Wee Breakfast, which is normally served from 07.30-09.00 (arrangements can be made for alternative times on request) and packed lunches, all food is freshly prepared on the premises.

The dining area seats 25 people.

#### **Self-catering**

The kitchen is available to guests from 07.00-10.00 and 14.00-22.00 and has space for 10 people.

There are 4 gas hobs, 4 domestic ovens, 3 fridges and 1 microwave. There is also a small freezer for Ice Packs only.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The dining room seats 36 people.

The kitchen is closed for cleaning between 10.00-14.00.

#### **Facilities**

There are 2 small lounges, one with a TV, which can seat up to 17 people.

2 coin-operated washing and drying machines are available, plus a medium sized drying room (free of charge).

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

There are keys for all rooms.

#### **Shopping**

We sell a limited stock of confectionary, snacks and toiletries. We also sell some alcoholic beverages.

There are shops, restaurants and bars nearby in the town centre.

#### **Directions**

Bus: Citylink (Edinburgh/Glasgow-Inverness service). Alight at Fishers Hotel. Walk down the main street (Atholl Road). Turn first left up Bonnethill Road, first right (Toberargan Road) and first left (Well Brae). Go to the top of the hill and the hostel is on your left. Approximately a 5 minute walk.

Train: Edinburgh/Glasgow-Inverness service. Follow the road from the station up to the main street (Atholl Road). Turn right and walk down Atholl Road. Take the second left and walk up Bonnethill Road, then first right (Toberargan Road) and first left (Well Brae). Go to the top of the hill and the hostel is on your left. Approximately a 10-15 minute walk



Car: from Pitlochry main street (Atholl Road) turn up Bonnethill Road. Then first right (Toberargan Road) and first left (Well Brae). Go to the top of the hill and the hostel is on your left

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold around 12 cars.
The cycle shed will hold up to 10 bikes.

#### Local activities

There are walking, fishing, cycling and mountain bike trails all around. Water sports are available at Aberfeldy.

The Pitlochry Festival Theatre has performances throughout the year.

Faskally, Queens View and the beautiful Falls of Bruar are all within easy travelling distance.

#### **Accessibility**

Currently Pitlochry Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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# Welcome to

# Port Charlotte Youth Hostel



Housed in a converted whisky warehouse of the former Lochindaal Distillery, spacious and friendly Port Charlotte Youth Hostel sits right beside a safe, sandy beach and boasts wonderful sea views.

It's an ideal place to stay while you relax, unwind and explore the Isle of Islay and perfect for families, outdoor and wildlife enthusiasts.

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#### RentaHostel

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#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-21.30
- Check-in from 17.00-21.30
- Checkout by 10.00

The front door is locked at 22.00 with access after that time with a door code.

#### Rooms

Capacity 30:

- 2 twins
- 1 triple
- 3 four-bedded
- 1 five-bedded
- 1 six-bedded

There are no ensuite rooms, but all have washbasins.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

We serve 'Wee Breakfasts' between 07.15-9.30.

There's a café, a community centre and two pubs very close by that serve meals

#### **Self-catering**

The kitchen is open between 07.00-10.00 and 17.00-23.00 and has space for 10 people.

There are 3 hobs 2 domestic ovens, 3 fridges and 2 microwaves. There's also limited freezer storage.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room has space for 26 people.

#### **Facilities**

The large lounge, with a TV and well-stocked bookcase, can seat 20 people.

Additional seating is available in the spacious reception area.

A coin-operated washing machine and dryer is available, as well as a free drying room.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

Rooms have locks, and there are lockable storage units.

A large lockable area in the base of the building can hold 30 bikes.

#### **Shopping**

A small shop at reception sells a variety of grocery items, pizzas, ice-cream, bottled water and snack bars (reception opening hours only).

#### Directions

Ferry: runs from Kennacraig to Islay 7 days a week. From Oban/Colonsay Wednesdays and Saturdays only. Please check with Caledonian MacBrayne for ferry timetables (0800 066 5000) and with Islay Coaches for the connecting bus services (01496 840273).

#### Car:

from Port Ellen take the A846 signposted Bowmore/Bridgend. Turn left at Bridgend onto the A847, (signposted Bruichladdich / Portnahaven).

Follow this road for about 8 miles and the hostel is on the left as you enter Port Charlotte.

from Port Askaig follow the A846 for about 8 miles, then turn right at Bridgend onto the A847 (signposted Bruichladdich/ Portnahaven). Follow the road for about 8 miles and the hostel is on the left as you enter Port Charlotte.

#### **Parking**

Space for up to 6 cars in the car park. If full, it's possible to park on the adjacent roadside. On-street parking is free.

#### Local activities

Islay is famous for its beautiful coastline with many sandy beaches and abundant wildlife including seals, otters, red deer, choughs, ravens, golden eagles and hen harriers. The island is of international importance for its 50,000 wintering geese.

There are excellent walks to suit all abilities, bike hire is available locally and there's a modern swimming pool in Bowmore.

Islay is home to 9 world class single malt whisky distilleries which offer tours. The tours book up, especially during the summer, so please check and book in advance.

Next to the youth hostel is a Natural History Visitor Centre and the award-winning Museum of Local History is close by in the village.

Local events include a Walking Week, a Malt and Music Festival and various other music events throughout the year. Information is available at the youth hostel on arrival.

#### **Accessibility**

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#### **Booking**

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e-mail

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Portree Youth Hostel is located in the heart and busy centre of the Isle of Skye, one of the most famous destinations in Scotland.

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### Welcome to

# **Portree Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 16.00-22.00
- Check-in from 16.00 22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

Access to the public area (dining room, kitchen) is limited at night.

#### Rooms

Capacity 47:

- 4 ensuite doubles
- 1 ensuite twin
- 6 ensuite four-bedded
- 1 ensuite five-bedded
- 1 ensuite eight-bedded

#### Catering

Wee Breakfast is available for individuals and groups.

Pre-booked packed lunches are also available for groups – minimum order of 20, please order these at time of booking or at least 2 weeks prior.

Numerous local eateries are within a few minutes' walk, as well as various takeaway options, such as fish & chips.

#### **Self-catering**

The hostel has a recently refurbished lounge and dining area with fully-equipped self-catering kitchen.

#### **Facilities**

On request, staff can make the youth hostel washers/dryers available for guest use (small cost applies).

Towels are included in private room bookings. Further towels are available for hire.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have key card security. Currently there is nowhere secure for bike storage.

#### **Shopping**

Portree Youth Hostel is in the town centre and within a few minutes' walk there are several smaller shops, bakeries, a butcher and a post office, as well as many local eateries.

#### Directions

**Bus:** Portree can be reached by direct buses from Glasgow and Inverness. The bus stop is only a couple of minutes from the hostel.

**Car:** from the Skye Bridge to Portree it's about a 50 minute drive.

After crossing the Skye Bridge the road passes through Broadford, then past Sligachan, with great views of the Cuillin mountains, until it reaches Portree.

On entering Portree town, continue past the the Isle of Skye Candle company and Portree High School on the left. Close to it is a turn off signposted Dunvegan and Uig - keep to the main road to the right. The next turn off to the right, signposted for free public parking, leads to the car park and to the hostel's main entrance and reception.

#### **Parking**

Pay & Display parking is available opposite the hostel reception (this cannot be reserved).

#### **Local activities**

Within walking distance there are boat trips from Portree harbour (fishing and sea eagle watching) and island tours in a minibus.

Coastal walks and hikes up the cliffs surrounding Portree can be found close by and to suit any level of fitness.

The Skye Highland Games take place in Portree in August.

#### Accessibility

One room on the ground floor, including an en-suite bathroom, is suitable for people with limited mobility.

Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Portree Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

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## Welcome to

# Scottish TOURIST BOARD \*\*\* \*\*\*\* HOSTEL

# Ratagan Youth Hostel

On the way to Glenelg, and just off the road to Skye, Ratagan Youth Hostel has a beautiful lochside location with a breathtaking view towards the Five Sisters of Kintail from the sitting room and garden.

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#### **RentaHostel**

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You can make an online enquiry via our website or phone our reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 7373.

#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00 to 22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival is by pre-arrangement only. Day access may be available once checked-in, please speak to staff on arrival. Guests arriving before check-in can sit in the lounge from 15:00. Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 37:

- Room 1 10 beds (5 bunks)
- Room 2 8 beds (4 bunks)
- Room 3 8 beds (4 bunks, washbasin)
- Room 4 4 beds (4 singles)
- Room 5 4 beds (4 singles)
- Room 6 3 beds

(1 bunk + 1 single, washbasin)

Rooms 4, 5 and 6 can be booked as private rooms, subject to availability.

Apart from room 6, all rooms are on the first floor.

Rooms 1, 2 and 3 are in the main building. There are 2 washrooms on the same floor, one for women (shower, WC, basin), one for men (2 WCs, 2 basins) and an additional shower room for men (2 showers).

Rooms 4 and 5 are on the first floor above the lounge. There's a small WC with basin between the rooms.

Near room 6 downstairs is a unisex shower cubicle and a separate unisex washroom (shower, WC, basin).

There's an additional WC downstairs between reception and lounge.

#### Catering

Wee Breakfast is available from 08.00-09.30 – please book in advance. For breakfast outside these times please contact the hostel directly.

Pre-booked packed lunches are also available for groups – minimum order of 20, please order these at time of booking or at least 2 weeks prior.

Frozen self-cater meals are available and should also be pre-booked.

The hostel is licensed for the sale of alcoholic beverages.

#### **Self-catering**

There are 3 gas hobs with 15 gas cooking rings, 1 domestic oven, 1 double oven with 4 burner hob on top, 2 fridges, 1 small freezer, a toaster and a microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit meal times for all guests.

The dining room can seat 30-38 people at one time.

Kitchen is closed for an hour during the day for cleaning.

#### **Facilities**

The lounge (no TV), with sofas, chairs and coffee tables, can seat 25 people at one time. It has spectacular views of the Five Sisters

A token-operated washer/dryer is available within a small drying room.

Towels are available for hire.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks.

There's secure cycle storage for up to 8 bikes in a wooden shed nearby.

#### **Shopping**

There is a small shop selling wine, local beers, confectionary and a variety of frozen self-catering meals. Sundries on sale include local maps, postcards and basic toiletries.

The nearest shop is a 3 mile walk at Morvich.

#### **Directions**

**Bus:** take a bus to Shiel Bridge from Inverness, Glasgow, Edinburgh or Skye. From the bus stop it's about a 2 mile walk to the hostel.

**Train:** take the train to Kyle, then catch the bus, from the bus stop it's about a 2 mile walk to the hostel.

Car: from Inverness or Fort William take the road to the Isle of Skye. Turn off A87 at Shiel Bridge (signposted Ratagan). After 0.75 mile turn right down to the hostel.

**Foot:** from Shiel Bridge, walk 2 miles, following the signs for Ratagan. Walk through the village on the loch-side to the hostel.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold around 14 cars or 9 cars and 1 coach.

There's secure cycle storage for up to 8 bikes.

#### Local activities

There are seals, otters, badgers and pine martens in the area. Red deer are numerous and on the mountains you can see ravens, ptarmigan, sea eagles, golden eagles and mountain hares.

Ratagan Youth Hostel is only 8 miles from world-famous Eilean Donan Castle. The Five Sisters of Kintail are within easy reach, along with an almost endless choice of alternative walks

Horse riding is available at Shiel Bridge. Also increasingly popular is sea kayaking. Kayaking taster weekends and kayaking adventure tours can be arranged by local NTS rangers. The road to Glenelg is 9 miles and goes over Mam Ratagan which is great for cyclists wanting to test their climbing skills. Once there you can explore two of the best preserved brochs in Scotland (Iron Age structures about 2000 years old) as well as pretty beaches and the last remaining turntable ferry.

#### Accessibility

Currently Ratagan has limited facilities for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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e-mail reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Rowardennan Youth Hostel, in the heart of Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park, sits in an idyllic location on the banks of Loch Lomond with unobstructed views and the West Highland Way passing by the gate.

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### Welcome to

# Rowardennan Lodge Youth Hostel

#### Reception

- Open 07.00-10.30 and 16.00-22.30
- Check-in from 16.00 22.30
- Checkout by 10.00

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

If you're staying for longer than one night, access during the day is available after check-in using a security coded door at reception. The main lounge is accessible to new arrivals prior to check-in.

Dogs are welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 59:

- 2 twins
- 3 double
- 1 triple (disabled access with ensuite)
- 2 four-bedded
- 5 six-bedded
- 1 eight-bedded

Family/private rooms are available on request. Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

There are 8 showers and 8 toilets. There is one en-suite room. All rooms have washbasins.

#### Catering

We offer a full catering service, with wee breakfast, packed lunches and evening meals for individuals and groups.

Group meals need to be booked in advance, though individuals may book upon arrival.

Evening meals are served between 17.30-20.30 and breakfasts from 07.30-09.30.

The main dining room can seat around 40 people.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen is open all day until 22.30-07.00. There are 2 domestic ovens, 2 fridges (no freezer) and 1 microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups, and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

The self-catering dining areas can seat 25 people at once.

#### **Facilities**

The lounge overlooks the loch and can seat 30 people.

The laundry is accessible all day, It has 2 token-operated washing and 2 drying machines.

The small drying room is freely available.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks. There's an additional security door between reception and the main building.

A cycle rack outside is available for guests (not under shelter) Please bring your own lock.

#### Shopping

Selection of confectionary, soft drinks and we're licensed for alcohol, so beers, wine and cider are available as well as afternoon teas and coffees. (no canned foods or vending machine).



#### **Directions**

Note: there is NO coach access to this location after Balmaha. The largest transport allowed on this single track road is a 16-seater minibus.

**Bus:** the nearest bus stop is 8 miles away. Buses run from Balloch to Balmaha, then walk or taxi 8 miles.

Car: follow the A811 to Drymen and turn into the village. Follow the sign in Drymen for the east side of Loch Lomond (B837). Drive past Balmaha and follow the road to the very end. The hostel is 12 miles from Drymen.

**Foot:** follow the B837 past the Rowardennan Hotel, then go through the car park to the hostel.

**Ferry:** services to Rowardennan from Tarbet and Luss are operated by Cruise Loch Lomond.

#### **Parking**

The car park holds about 12 cars.

#### Local activities

You can laze on the beach, fish, or walk the West Highland Way, which passes close by our door.

Ben Lomond (3,192ft), Scotland's most southerly Munro, is a fine hill walk. Canoe and boat hire are available 8 miles away at Balmaha.

Information on activities and events can be obtained from staff at reception.

#### **Accessibility**

There's one wheelchair accessible room on the ground floor and a ramp at the side of the building for access.

Further information is available from the youth hostel directly or from the reservations team.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Rowardennan Lodge Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

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Stirling Youth Hostel is just a few minutes' walk from Stirling Castle on its crag, with great views over the surrounding area.

Head downhill and you're right in the city centre with its shops, cafés, restaurants and bars and nightlife.

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### Welcome to

# Stirling Youth Hostel

# Reception April-October

- Open 24 hours
- Check-in from 16.00 23.00
- Checkout by 10.00

#### **November-March**

Available for Rentahostel

#### Rooms

Capacity 93

1 x Twin Ensuite - Disabled Access

9 x Twin Ensuite

3 x Double Ensuite

1 x Triple Ensuite

13 x 4 Bed Ensuite

2 x 6 Bed Ensuite

All rooms are en-suite (with extra toilet facilities around the building).

Family rates/private rooms available.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

Wee breakfasts and packed lunches are available.

For groups of 20 and over we offer the choice of 1 & 2 course evening meals. Groups should reserve meals at time of booking or at least 4 weeks prior to arrival.

Breakfast is normally served from 07.30-09.30. Dinner is served at an agreed time between 17.00-20.00. Arrangements can be made for alternative times on request.

The dining room can accommodate 50 people.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen is available 24 hours – except for cleaning - for checked-in guests with space for 12 people.

There are 3 hobs with 12 cooking rings, 3 domestic ovens, 2 fridges (no freezer) and 1 microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's crockery and cutlery to suit staggered meal times for all guests.

#### **Facilities**

A lounge, with TV, can seat 30 people.

There are 2 token-operated washing machines and 2 dryers available from 07.00-23.00.

Towel hire is available.

A conference room, which can accommodate up to 30 people, is available for hire. Please ask the reservations team or youth hostel staff for details.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

There are swipe card operated locks on the rooms and downstairs corridors.

There are lockers in each room - bring your own padlock.

Storage for left luggage is not available.

#### **Shopping**

The hostel does not sell general food supplies, but drinks, snacks, confectionary and toiletries are available for purchase at reception.

We are also licensed to sell a range of local beers, cider and wine.

There are various supermarkets and cafes nearby.

#### **Directions**

**Bus:** from Stirling bus station walk into the town centre. Follow signs for Stirling Castle. The hostel is on St John Street, opposite the Tolbooth.

On foot: follow signs for Stirling Castle. The hostel is on St John Street, opposite the Tolbooth.

**Car:** follow signs for the town centre and then Stirling Castle. The hostel is on the left after the Highland Hotel.

**Train:** from Stirling train station walk into the town centre. Follow signs for Stirling Castle. The hostel is on St John Street, opposite the Tolbooth.

#### **Parking**

There are 8 car spaces in the car park. Parking can't be reserved in advance should this be full, there is Pay & Display on-street parking. Meter times are from 08.45-06.30.

Coach access for drop off only. Drop off point at end of the drive. There is no coach parking in the youth hostel grounds, so please arrange this prior to arrival.

There is secure cycle storage for up to 10 bikes at the side of the main building.

#### Local activities

Golf, fishing, hill walking, dry ski slope, football, pool, gym, sailing, cycle paths and bird watching.

Non-sporting attractions include pubs, clubs, restaurants and historic interests.

Stirling is close enough to Edinburgh for the Edinburgh Festival and Glasgow too.

#### **Accessibility**

Disabled access is all on the ground floor. The disabled access room has 2 beds and en-suite facilities, including a wet room. There is no disabled access to upper floors, TV room or laundry facilities.

Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

To reserve beds at Stirling Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri, 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail

reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk or book online www.hostellingscotland.org.uk

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Tobermory Youth Hostel sits on the village main street, overlooking Tobermory harbour, on the beautiful Isle of Mull. The pink front of the building forms part of one of the most photographed and iconic seafronts in Britain.

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# Welcome to

# **Tobermory Youth Hostel**



#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-21.00
- Check-in from 17.00-21.00
- Checkout by 10.00

A code lock is in operation and the code is given to guests on arrival. Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

#### Rooms

Capacity 27:

#### First floor

- Room 1 4 beds (2 bunks)
- Room 2 5 beds (2 bunks + 1 single)
- Room 3 1 double bed

#### **Second floor**

- Room 4 4 beds (1 bunk + 2 singles)
- Room 5 4 beds (1 bunk + 2 singles)
- Room 6 2 single beds
- Room 7 3 beds (1 bunk + 1 single)
- Room 8 3 beds (1 bunk + 1 single)

There are 4 showers and 5 toilets. Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

A Wee Breakfast is available and served between 08.15-09.45.

#### **Self-catering**

The kitchen has space for 10 people.

There are 3 hobs, 2 ovens, 2 fridges, a freezer and microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room can seat 20 people.

#### **Facilities**

The lounge can seat 14 people and has a TV and DVD player.

A token-operated washing machine and dryer is available, as is a free drying room.

Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

There are locks on all rooms, but no lockers are available.

#### **Shopping**

There are restaurants, cafes and shops close by in the village. The Co-Op is 3 minutes' walk from the hostel.

#### **Directions**

**Bus:** from Oban, take the ferry to Craignure. Local buses to Tobermory regularly meet the ferry. Buses stop at a local car park, about 5 minutes from the hostel.

**Train:** the nearest rail station is Oban. Take the ferry from Oban to Mull and then the bus to Tobermory.

**Car:** from Oban and Lochaline take the ferry to Mull. Follow the one road all the way to Tobermory. From Kilchoan the ferry takes passengers and cars directly to Tobermory.

**Ferry:** ferries from Oban, Kilchoan and Lochaline take passengers and vehicles to Mull.

**Foot:** the youth hostel is the pink building on the main street, 5 minutes' walk from the bus stop.

Ferry connections are operated by Caledonian MacBrayne and buses by West Coast Motors

#### **Parking**

Parking is on the main street.

There's also a car park and coach park at the end of the main street (5 minutes' walk).

Currently there are no charges for parking in Tobermory.

There is cycle storage at the hostel.

#### Local activities

Whale and dolphin watching, sea eagle hide, otter watching, bird watching, boat trips, nature tours, geological tours, genealogical interests, fishing, hill walking (Ben More is a must for the Munro bagger!), coastal walking, nature walks, golf and great beaches.

Non-sporting activities include the distillery, cheese farm, wildlife trips and tours, castles, live music, theatre, restaurants and great pubs.

#### Local festivals/big events

- The Mull Music Festival 3 days of live music
- West Highland Yacht Week
   3 days of boat racing
- The Mull Sevens1 day of rugby
- The Mull Rally a 3-day car rally
- Tobermory Highland Games
- Mendelssohn Festival
- Street Food Festival
- Book Festival
- Lifeboat Day

#### Accessibility

Currently Tobermory Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility.

Please contact the youth hostel or the reservations team for more information.

#### **Booking**

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Nestling at the foot of Liathach mountain, and only a stone's throw from the sea, Torridon Youth Hostel is a great option for all those with an adventurous spirit. Come here to enjoy some of the finest outdoor activities, landscape and wildlife that Scotland has to offer.

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### Welcome to

# **Torridon Youth Hostel**

# Reception (March-Oct)

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00
- Check-in from 17.00 -22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

During the day we close between 10.00-14.00 for cleaning. If you are already checked in and need to stay in all day please speak to a member of the Team for access arrangements.

Toilet facilities and bag store are available for those arriving early.

Late arrival and access outside opening hours is by pre-arrangement only.

Dogs are now welcome, for a small fee, when you book a private room. Please let us know in advance to ensure that a dog friendly room is allocated.

#### Rooms

Capacity 51:

- 1 twin-bedded
- 1 double-bedded
- 1 triple-bedded
- 2 four-bedded
- 4 five-bedded
- 1 eight-bedded (ensuite)
- 1 eight-bedded

Three rooms have washbasins. There are 7 showers and 10 toilets (male/ female/unisex).

#### Catering

We offer wee breakfast from 08.00-09.00, packed lunches and self-cater, pre-prepared evening meals.

Please order breakfasts on arrival or at the time of booking. Please speak to a member of the Team if you require an earlier breakfast.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen has space for 20 people.

There are 5 hobs (electric), 20 cooking rings, 3 domestic ovens, 3 fridges (no freezer) and 2 microwaves. A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's crockery and cutlery to suit meal times for all guests.

The adjoining dining room can seat 45 people.

#### **Facilities**

There is one large lounge seating 20 people. There is also extensive seating for 18 people in the large reception area.

The laundry has 2 washing and 2 drying machines (coin-operated).

There's also a large drying room (free).

Wi-Fi access is free and available throughout the hostel

#### Security

All rooms have locks.

There's a security door before accessing the main hostel and bedrooms.

#### **Shopping**

Some essential food supplies, such as soft drinks, confectionery and basic provisions are on sale (stock is subject to availability).

We sell local ales, single malt whisky, wine, Scottish cider and lager.

Maps and some souvenirs are available.

#### **Directions**

**Train and bus:** a local bus (operated by DMK Motors, tel 01520 722682) connects with some of the trains from Inverness

to Kyle of Lochalsh at Strathcarron at 12.55, daily (not Saturday/Sunday).

Westerbus (tel 01445 712255) also run a term time school bus to and from Gairloch.

Please contact the providers for up to date details and 'journey planner' on <a href="Traveline Scotland">Traveline Scotland</a> to help plan your journey.

#### **Parking**

The car park will hold around 20 cars or 1 coach and there's secure cycle storage for up to 20 bikes next to the hostel in a lockable wooden bike shed.

Local activities

Guided walks and mountaineering can be organised by local guides.

Bike hire and kayak hire available locally

Hiking, biking and water adventures abound or soak up the scenery and maybe spot an otter, pine marten or eagle.

#### Accessibility

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#### **Booking**

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From its location on the seafront, Ullapool Youth Hostel offers wonderful, ever-changing views over Loch Broom and the Beinn Dearg mountain range.

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### Welcome to

# **Ullapool Youth Hostel**

#### Reception

- Open 08.00-10.00 and 16.30-22.00
- Check-in from 16.30 -22.00
- Checkout by 10.00

The lounge area is available for staying guests and early arrivals to use all day. The communal areas in the hostel, including dorms, are closed between 1100 & 1400 for cleaning. Guests staying in private rooms are welcome to use their rooms during the day.

#### Rooms

Capacity 44:

- 2 twins
- 1 triple (bunk + single)
- 1 four-bedded ensuite (2 bunks)
- 1 four-bedded (1 bunks + 2 singles)
- 1 five-bedded (2 bunks + single)
- 4 six-bedded (3 bunks)

There are 7 showers and 7 toilets. Private rooms are available (one en-suite).

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

#### Catering

The youth hostel offers a Wee Breakfast (served between 08.00-09.00)

Packed lunches are available for groups of 10 or more, please pre-book these at least 3 weeks prior to arrival.

#### Self-catering

The kitchen will accommodate 10 people working at the same time.

There are 4 x 4-ring hobs, with 1 domestic oven, 2 fridges, a small freezer and 1 microwave.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's crockery and cutlery to suit meal times for all guests.

The dining room can seat 42 people.

#### **Facilities**

There are 2 lounges seating 12 and 9 people

The laundry facility available for guest use in the evening - 2 token-operated washing and drying machines.

A drying room available free of charge. Wi-Fi access is free.

#### Security

All rooms have locks.

#### Shopping

Ullapool is well served by shops and supermarkets.

The youth hostel has a small range of soft drinks, snacks, souvenirs and maps for sale.

We stock a range of local beers, Scottish lager and cider, plus wine.

#### Directions

**Bus:** to/from Inverness-Ullapool pier, Monday-Sunday, 300 metres.

**Ferry:** Stornoway-Ullapool, Monday-Sunday, 300 metres.

Car: off the A835, on Ullapool sea front.

**Train:** Garve 30miles, or Inverness 55 miles.

On foot: the hostel is 300 metres from the bus station on Ullapool's seafront.

#### **Parking**

On-street parking only (subject to availability) – During the daytime, parking restriction apply.

There's a large car park approximately 5 minutes' walk from the hostel which is suitable for coaches.

The hostel has cycle storage with code lock which can hold up to approximately 15 bikes.



#### Local activities

The local area offers good walking, climbing, watersports, golfing and fishing. Ullapool itself has a sports centre with a swimming pool and sauna.

Other attractions include Ullapool Harbour and Pier, Ullapool Museum, Knockan Crag geology & sculpture trail and Corrieshalloch Gorge & Gardens.

Wildlife cruises to the Summer Isles, summer trips to Handa Island for spectacular bird life, and superb hillwalking are all within easy reach.

Sandy beaches, sea lochs, islands and mountains combine to make a truly memorable holiday destination.
Ullapool is the perfect base for exploring the wild Northwest Highlands.

Close to the ferry terminal.

On the NC500 route.

#### **Accessibility**

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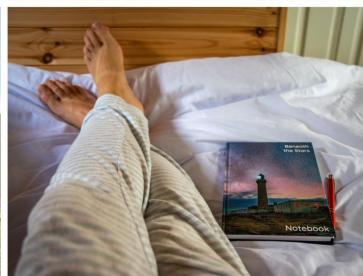
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