

Oban & Mull



Front cover: Kilchurn Castle, Loch Awe
This page: Loch Scridain, Isle of Mull

The bustling west coast port of Oban is a major gateway to the Hebrides. Only 45 minutes away, the Isle of Mull and its spectacular satellite islands offer tangible history, striking seascapes and some of the finest wildlife-watching opportunities in Europe.

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IDEAL FOR

- Spiritualists
- Wildlife

To view accommodation in this area, go to visitscotland.com or to order the local accommodation brochure, call 0845 22 55 121.

MORE INFORMATION

- www.visitscoticheartlands.com
- www.holidaymull.org
- www.oban.org.uk
- www.isle-of-iona.com

HOW TO GET TO MULL

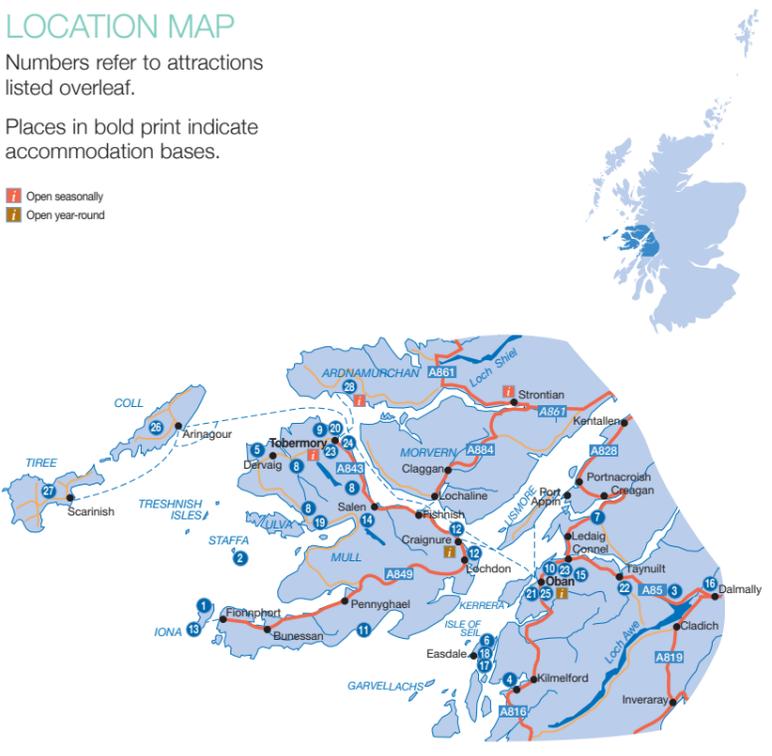
Most people travel to Mull using the Caledonian MacBrayne car ferry from Oban to Craignure (45 mins), which sails two to five times daily in winter and five to seven times daily in summer. Regular year-round services operate between Lochaline in Morvern to Fishnish (15 mins) and Kilchoan in Ardnamurchan to Tobermory (35 mins). Call CalMac on 08705 650000 or visit www.calmac.co.uk for more information.

LOCATION MAP

Numbers refer to attractions listed overleaf.

Places in bold print indicate accommodation bases.

- Open seasonally
- Open year-round



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- DON'T MISS
- Paid Entry
- Seasonal
- Disabled Access
- Refreshments
- Gift Shop
- WC
- Rainy Days



- Iona** A tiny island situated off the western tip of the Ross of Mull, Iona is one of the world's foremost centres of Christian pilgrimage. Since St Columba arrived here and founded a monastery in AD 563, this beautiful spot, with its white sands and turquoise seas, has been treasured by kings and commoners alike. Reach it by passenger ferry from Fionnphort. (NTS)
- Staffa** Iona's northerly neighbour, Staffa still inspires visitors the way it did in 1829 when Mendelssohn sat down to write his *Hebrides Overture*. Basalt lava has created some of Europe's most astonishing rock formations, at their most impressive at Fingal's Cave. Visitors in spring and early summer will also delight in the puffin colonies on the island. (NTS)
- Cruachan The Hollow Mountain Power Station** This power station is hidden deep within the mountain of Ben Cruachan on the shores of Loch Awe and gives a fascinating insight into this innovative scheme for generating electricity using water. Buried one kilometre below the ground, at the centre you will find an enormous cavern which is high enough to house the Tower of London! (£ \$ ♿ 📺 🚽 🌧️)
- Arduaine Garden** is home to a stunning array of plants from all over the world, from great trees to delicate water lilies. Its location on the Sound of Jura means it benefits from the warming effect of the Gulf Stream. With plenty of year-round interest, Arduaine is best known for its stunning rhododendron displays. Reception centre only open seasonally. (NTS) (£ ♿ 🚽)
- Watch the Sunset from Calgary Bay** Situated 5-miles west of Dervaig in the north of Mull, the island's most beautiful beach overlooks Coll and Tiree to the west. Hemmed in by steep wooded slopes, this is a perfect place to take in a summer sunset with the one you love.

