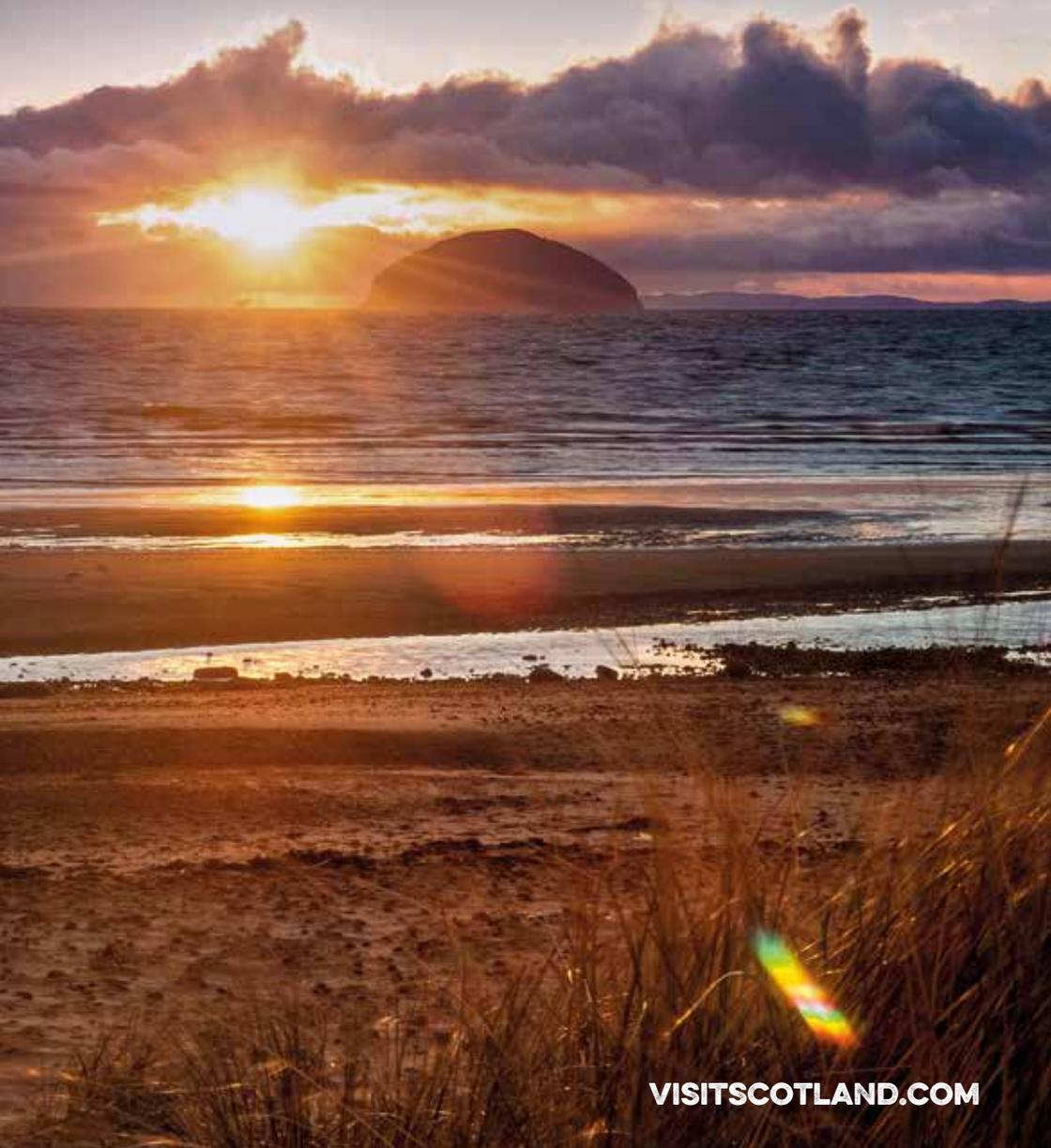


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# WELCOME TO... AYRSHIRE & THE ISLES OF ARRAN & CUMBRAE

Step into Ayrshire & the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae and you will take a magical ride into a region with all things that make Scotland so special. History springs to life round every corner, ancient castles cling to spectacular cliffs, and the rugged islands of Arran and Cumbrae promise unforgettable adventure. Tee off on some of the most renowned courses in the world, sample delicious local food and drink, and don't miss out on throwing yourself into our many exciting festivals. This is the birthplace of one of the world's most beloved poets, Robert Burns, and 2019 celebrates the 260th anniversary of this birth. Come and breathe the same air, and walk over the same glorious landscapes that inspired his beautiful poetry.



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# AYRSHIRE AND ISLAND TREASURES

Stand with your loved ones on a curving beach and look out to the romantic isles across the waves. Breathe the fresh air, hunt for shells, and dream of where you'll explore next. Welcome to Ayrshire, and the islands of Arran and Cumbrae in the Firth of Clyde. In this glorious little corner of the world you can discover stunning natural beauty spots, go for grand adventures on rolling hills and throw yourself into a lively local cultural scene of arts, crafts and food to make your tastebuds sing.

Golfers will be in heaven here – they can tee-off on the world-famous courses of Trump Turnberry and Royal Troon. Or seek out one of the region's many hidden gem courses.

The Isle of Arran packs an incredible seven courses into its rugged realm, including the iconic 12 hole course at Shiskine. On the Isle of Cumbrae you can play a delightful 18 holes at Millport.

Kick back on a day out at the beach with a clifftop castle in the background at Culzean. Or explore

the incredible Ayrshire Coastal Path and keep your eyes peeled for wildlife including seabirds and seals.

The region has mile upon mile of spectacular coastline just begging for you to try an exhilarating watersport on it – maybe this is the year you learn to windsurf or sail!

Be daring and have a go at some thrilling adventure sports or, for a more relaxed pace, follow one of the pleasant walking, cycling and bridle routes, or enjoy the tranquility of Loch Doon.

Let your mind drift back in time at the ancient Dundonald and Portencross castles. Head to the 4-star Dick Institute in Kilmarnock, which is free to enter, featuring exhibitions of national importance. Discover the story of Scotland's National Bard, beginning at the Robert Burns Birthplace Museum in Alloway before visiting his old haunt, the Bachelors' Club in Tarbolton, Soutie Johnnies in Kirkoswald or Burns House Museum in Mauchline.

## DON'T MISS...

More island adventures including Holy Isle, Little Cumbrae, Ailsa Craig and Pladda.



Greenan Castle, near Ayr

Our mild climate suits unusual plants down to the ground, and you can see many rare species at the beautiful gardens of Culzean Castle & Country Park or the estates of Belleisle and Rozelle near Ayr. You can also explore the only island country estate in Britain at Brodick Castle, Garden & Country Park on the Isle of Arran.

With all this activity you're sure to work up an appetite, which you can satisfy with our delicious local produce, from the famous ice cream at Nardini's in Largs to fine dining at Glenapp Castle near Ballantrae. Discover distinctive single malts from the Isle of Arran Distillery and look out for local beers, succulent Ayrshire beef, cured bacon and earthy potatoes.

## ISLE OF CUMBRAE HIGHLIGHTS

- In just 10 sea-sprayed minutes you can zip from Largs on the mainland to the picturesque little island of Cumbrae. Are you ready to be an explorer?
- Cumbrae is only 10 miles in circumference, so hopping on a bike is a great way to explore its hidden gems – you can bring your own bike across on the ferry or hire one at Millport. Follow the Cumbrae Sensory Trail to discover all of its natural treasures.
- You won't forget a morning spent mooching around Millport, the main settlement on the island. Start off with a visit to the UK's smallest cathedral, which seats less than 100 people. Then stroll over to the community-owned Garrison House, a historic landmark where you can go back in time at its museum then revive yourself in the café.

## ISLE OF ARRAN HIGHLIGHTS

- Feel like you're acting in a real-life fantasy movie by sitting on the top deck of the ferry from Ardrossan to Brodick and watching the wild mountain ridges of Arran approach across the Firth of Clyde.
- Get your adrenaline pumping by mountain biking, canyoning and abseiling. Why not enjoy a leisurely session exploring the shores in a sea kayak, or take to hillside tracks on horseback? For a real challenge ascend Goatfell, the island's highest summit. You'll need to be well-prepared, but the rewards are outstanding panoramic views and a thrilling sense of achievement.
- Arran's food and drink goodies are widely famed, and there's no better place to sample them than on the island itself. Tickle your palate with fresh ice creams, sublime chocolates, artisan cheese and award-winning beer and whisky.



Garrison House, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae



# RICH HISTORY

Once upon a time there was a land where stories were born from the land and built into the stones of the towns. Just walk through our countryside or stroll down our ancient streets and you'll be treading in the footsteps of legendary kings and queens, mighty warriors, proud farmers and the greatest of poets.

Head to the Isle of Arran Heritage Museum to explore the island's rich history, archaeology and geology, or learn about your family history in the refurbished genealogy area.

Turn the page to 'Burns Country' and see the humble beginnings of world-renowned bard Robert Burns. Then imagine actually living in a mysterious ruined castle and picture yourself as lord of the manor in a grand stately home packed with treasures and art.

Stride from grand room to grand room in Dumfries House and feast your eyes on a treasure trove

of priceless furniture from the 18th century, including the most precious bookcase ever made. It's one of 50 gorgeous Chippendale pieces in one of Britain's most beautiful stately homes.

Ready to thrill your poetic heart? Then start at the Robert Burns Birthplace Museum in Alloway, the site which houses the most important collection of his life and works. Then explore the nearby 18th century Burns Cottage where he was born before visiting Burns House Museum in Machline, which recreates the room where he lived with his wife.

In a rugged seafront nook on the Isle of Arran you can find the King's Cave. This ancient spot is reputed to have been a refuge for Robert the Bruce. Legend tells that whilst hiding in the cave, the King of Scots was inspired by the determination of a spider trying to build a web not to give up his own fight against his foes.

Got a torch? Then explore even deeper into the cave to see animals carved into the walls by our Iron Age ancestors, as well as early Christian symbols. At the Ballochmyle Carved Cliffs near



Lochranza Castle, Isle of Arran

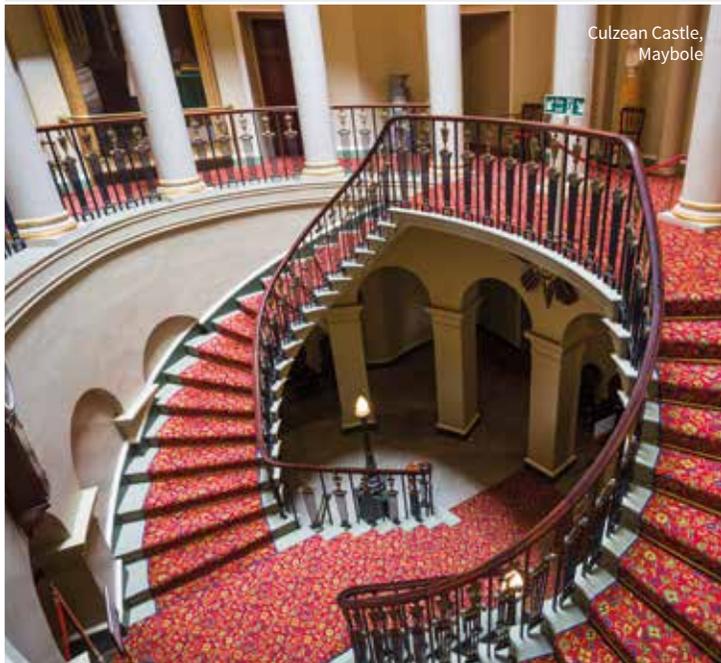
## MYSTERIOUS CASTLES

- Reopening in 2019, explore Brodick Castle's grand splendour, wander extensive gardens and miles of woodland walks or experience the impressive Isle Be Wild playpark. 'Isle Be Wild' takes its inspiration from Arran's rich natural heritage to create a unique play area for children of all ages.
- Ruined, romantic Dunure Castle, an *Outlander* filming location, clings to a cliff near Ayr. There's a cave beneath the castle and it's said that miles of secret tunnels link it to Greenan Castle further north.
- Culzean Castle dominates the coastline in an even more impressive way. This colossal country home is a jewel set in extensive gardens and woodland.
- Dundonald Castle's fortified tower house was built for Robert II on his accession to the throne of Scotland in 1371. Stewart kings sought safety and sanctuary within its thick walls for the next 150 years.
- At Dean Castle, an *Outlander* filming location, visit the Rural Life Centre, Urban Farm Paddocks and explore miles of woodland walks. You will find key collections from the castle on display at the nearby Dick Institute.
- Kelburn Castle near Fairlie is the oldest castle in Scotland to be inhabited by one family. But it's also one of the most modern – in 2007 its owner, Lord Glasgow, invited four Brazilian graffiti artists to decorate the walls and the outside is still a riot of colour and action.
- The 14th century Portencross Castle commands an impressive coastal position, near to West Kilbride, Scotland's official craft town, and is well worth a visit.

Mauchline, you can see cup and ring carvings from the Bronze Age.

A millennium ago this area was a favourite haunt of marauding Vikings, and it's easy to imagine longships appearing on the horizon when you visit the 70 ft Pencil Monument at Largs. This was built to commemorate the Battle of Largs in 1263, when the Viking invaders were defeated by the unyielding Scots.

For a serene afternoon of nature and history, follow the circular woodland walk near Whiting Bay, on the Isle of Arran. You'll discover the secret gems of an Iron Age fort and Glenashdale Falls, which are truly spectacular after a bout of heavy rainfall.





# OUTDOOR WONDERS

Explore our rambling rugged coastline in the morning, then enjoy the tranquillity of gently sloping hills and valleys in the afternoon. Visit shaded woodlands and unspoilt forest parks, take on tall summits and explore picturesque promontories. Wherever you wander in Ayrshire & the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae you'll be impressed and impassioned.

Stars alive! Deep in the Galloway Forest Park lies the Scottish Dark Sky Observatory, which looks up at one of the darkest skies in Europe. At night, the star show is amazing, and you can even look through the day telescope to spot the stars that New Zealand sees at night. Be sure to book ahead.

Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park has free parking, leaving you to enjoy the many signposted walks and nature trails, including a walk to the volcanic plug of Windy Hill. It's Scotland's largest regional park, and here you can get a super-close view of magnificent hen harriers, a protected species, thanks to CCTV.

A beautiful union of art and nature - that's the striking Spirit of Scotland sculpture near close Loudon Hill. See the steel structure's outline of national hero William Wallace, and the serene landscape beyond.

If you're daft about dolphins and silly about seals, this is a very sensible place to visit. In the waters around the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae you can spot amazing sea life all year round, from a colony of seals gathering in winter on Cumbrae to basking sharks coasting off Arran in late summer.

Whizz out on a boat trip to Ailsa Craig for the unforgettable sight and sound of thousands of seabirds

wheeling and screeching over your head.

Keep your eyes on the sky and treetops to spot soaring golden eagles in the high moorlands and mountains on the Isle of Arran. You also might spy red kites, a species rescued from extinction, in woodland areas near farmland, or head to Loch Doon to see Ospreys via live CCTV at The Round House Cafe.

Horse riding is a fitting way to appreciate the landscape. Enjoy hilly bridle paths, leafy forest tracks and, in some areas, you can even take fresh, bracing treks across long beaches. Most riding stables offer lessons to get you confident on horseback in no time.



## DID YOU KNOW?

At 874 m, Goat Fell is the highest point on the Isle of Arran.

Crocodile Rock, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae

## WALKING TRAILS

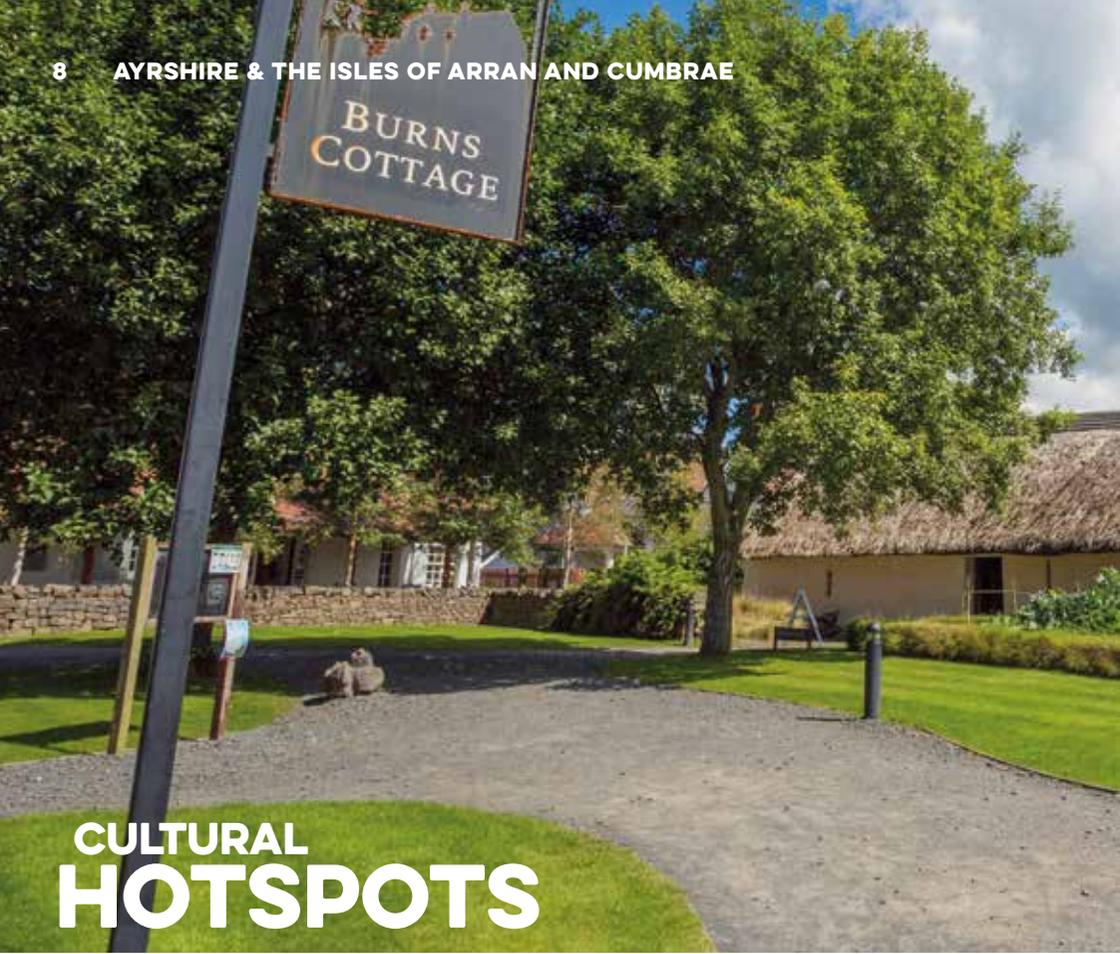
- For a true leg-stretcher, try the 100 mile Ayrshire Coastal Path. This long distance walk hugs the region's rolling coastline and features in the top 20 of Scotland's Great Trails.
- The River Ayr Way started something new – it was Scotland's first source-to-sea route. Soak up the subtle landscape changes, from wild moorland to rocky gorges and on to pleasant coastal farmland.
- Get to know the Isle of Arran as well as a wild goat by following the Arran Coastal Way, one of Scotland's Great Trails.

## MORE THAN A CASTLE

- Culzean Castle and Country Park is a cliff-top wonder. There are impressive play areas, Adventure Cove and Wild Woodland or explore the cliffs and the shore below.
- Dare to venture through the amazing secret garden at Kelburn Castle and Country Estate, find picturesque waterfalls and try your hand at falconry. Children will adore this attraction, especially the indoor playbarn where they can really let loose.
- Visit Dean Castle and Country Park in Kilmarnock which has been undergoing extensive improvement works. Explore over 200 acres with newly extended paths and trails as well as the Rural Life Centre and playpark to discover.



Kelburn Castle and Country Estate, Fairlie



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COTTAGE

## CULTURAL HOTSPOTS

When you live in a beautiful and fascinating place, it's no surprise that you will want to create beautiful and fascinating things. That's why, when you come to Ayrshire & the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae, you'll find cultural treats aplenty, from fine arts and unique crafts to moving poems. Travel back in time in our museums, meet new friends and dive into our living heritage, and try something new at an exciting event.

### Historic culture

Art, history and crafts – you can find them all at Rozelle House Galleries. The building is home to the Ayrshire Yeomanry Museum, the MacLaurin Gallery and the Goudie Collection. You can also shop in the craft house and relax in the tearoom.

Spark your poetic powers by touring the old haunts of Robert Burns, such as the Bachelors' Club in Tarbolton and the Glasgow

Vennel boarding lodge, Burns Heckling Shed and Burns Centre and Monument in Irvine. The Burns House Museum in Mauchline will give you a fabulous insight to his life and works through an informative audio tour and walking trail around the museum.

For more Burns must-see places, visit [www.visitscotland.com/burns](http://www.visitscotland.com/burns)

Tough? Rewarding? Supportive? Find out what life was really like as a mill or farm worker in centuries past at Dalgarven Mill, the Museum of Ayrshire Country Life and Costume in Dalgarven. The Miller's Kitchen is a popular spot to refresh your mind and body.

### Crafts

West Kilbride is such a hub of creativity that it was named Scotland's very first Craft Town. Get up close and personal with



Burns Cottage, Alloway

talented designers as you wander through the studios and watch the artistic process in action, from silversmithing to handspinning. Stop by the Barony Centre, an arts centre housed in a stunning converted church.

The beautiful Isle of Arran is a haven for exquisite craftsmanship and artistry. Come and be amazed by the range of beautiful items on show, such as paintings, jewellery, ceramics and woodwork, and the skill that goes in to making them.

### Events

Love, passion, laughter – you'll find all these and more in the works of Robert Burns when you take in the live poetry event Alloway 1759.

Taking place in January, this is a unique commemoration of the birth and life of Scotland's Bard. Step back in time in the village where he was born and take part in events such as ghost walks, plays, musical tributes and poetry readings.

Ah, Arran in August! A wonderfully creative time to visit the Open Studios event where the arts and crafts people of Arran welcome visitors into their workshops and studios to demonstrate their creative processes and talk about their inspiration.

Boswell Book Festival in May is the world's only festival of biography and memoir and draws high profile

authors to Dumfries House. Learn about Boswell, considered to be the father of the modern biography, and take a tour or guided walk to see his study and library.

## DON'T MISS...

- The rich variety of music, comedy, drama and dance that you can enjoy in Ayrshire's theatres. Head to Kilmarnock's Palace Theatre and Grand Hall as well as Ayr's Gaiety Theatre and Harbour Arts Centre which host a number of performances throughout the year.



# GREAT DAYS OUT

**You could holiday here for a year and never run out of unique ways to have a fab day out. You can easily get to Ayrshire & the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae from Glasgow and further afield and once you're here you have oodles of options on your doorstep. Stretch your family's legs and lungs on a walking trail, try horse riding or tee off on one of our dozens of world-class golf courses. Then reach out and touch history at one of the region's many castles.**

For 500 years the Vikings were part of life here, and you can immerse yourself in this fascinating era at Vikingar! in Largs. Follow the amazing journey of a Viking family in the run-up to the Battle of Largs in 1263.

Hop on a ferry to the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae for an unforgettable day trip. Both islands are very accessible: from Ardrossan it is only a 55-minute ferry to Arran, while from Largs it is only a 10-minute ferry to Cumbrae. Cycle around Cumbrae in an afternoon, or explore the stunning Glen Rosa by foot on the Isle of Arran.

Head to Portal Leisure Centre in Irvine for a swim, indoor sports, and cafe, as well as the historic Townhouse with cultural and

tourist information on local places and heritage trails to explore.

The sport of kings – horse racing – has a long history in Ayr, dating as far back as the 17th century. Soak up the buzz at two major races, the Scottish Grand National and Ayr Gold Cup Festival, hosted at the Ayr Racecourse. The flat track makes it one of the best courses around.

Head to Pirate Pete's for some madcap fun where you can find activities to keep the kids happy for hours. As well as being Scotland's biggest indoor adventure play centre, you can have a go at mini-golf, laser storm and, in the summer months, enjoy the fun park.

Wrinkle your whiskers at over 50 species of animal at the Heads of Ayr Farm Park, from bouncy

wallabies to the exotic python. Then get your thrills outdoors by trying quad biking, while children will love the giant drop slides and adventure play area.

Ever tried windsports? At beautiful Barassie beach, just north of Troon harbour, you can get your adrenaline pumping by kite boarding and kite surfing.

Golfers – pull on your glove and take your pick of almost 50 golf courses. Test your shot-making on one of our classic links, test the wilds of a heathland course or soak up the scenery on a parkland course. If you are keen to play a few rounds, why not purchase one of the regional golf passes on offer and get great value for money?



Cyclists passing Lion Rock, Isle of Cumbrae



Dumfries House, Cumnock

## DAYS ON THE WATER

- The warm (relatively!) and welcoming waters of the west are ideal for aquatic adventures. Few places in the UK can offer you as many watersport options as the sportsotland National Centre Cumbrae at Millport.
- Kayaking is a brilliant way to explore the coastline, and the waters around the Isle of Arran are particularly beautiful. Go on a guided tour with professionals such as Arran Outdoor Centre in Lamlash, who'll take you on the most picturesque routes or, for a paddling adventure, kayak to the Holy Isle.
- Choose from several marinas, harbours and safe moorings and our waterways and shorelines make for spectacular sailing. Even if you're not out on the water, you'll find that there are many competitive events to watch at the Scottish Sailing Institute in Largs and in other locations along the coast.
- Dive in for a dip at Tamar Manoukian New Cumnock outdoor pool. This heated pool is popular with locals and visitors every summer.

## DON'T MISS...

- Electric Brae and its gravity defying optical illusion – on this stretch of road on the A719, 9 miles south of Ayr, you'll swear that cars appear to be going uphill when in fact they are travelling downhill.
- Dean Castle and Country Park offers a fantastic free day out with plenty of paths and trails to explore, Eriskay ponies to visit and a year round programme of events.



# LOCAL FLAVOURS

**Knife, fork and spoon – check. Napkin – check. Appetite? Okay, it's time to tuck in! Start with a tasty platter of seafood and shellfish fresh from our waters, savour some home-grown lamb, beef or venison with fluffy potatoes and finish with cheese or ice cream from our famously tasty milk. Our local larder is brimming with good food, and don't miss out on delicious tipples such as whiskies and beers from the Isle of Arran, or ales from Ayrshire.**

## Local produce

For true flavour, ask a farmer. The Ayrshire Farmers' Market takes place on the first Saturday of each month as well as in Kilmarnock on the third Saturday of the month, and buy first-hand from the experts who grew or raised your food.

Squeeze a little lemon on some freshly caught seafood from the west coast waters. Look out for delicious shellfish, such as hand-dived scallops and succulent lobsters, on menus.

A little mustard or horseradish – but only a little – goes beautifully with our tender local lamb, beef and pork. Add Ayrshire 'tatties' to really get a flavour for the region's natural larder.

Our rich farmland and soft climate means lush grass which means happy cows, which means you can enjoy some of Scotland's finest milk and dairy products. Try award-winning cheese from the Torrylinn Creamery on the Isle of Arran, or Dunlop Dairy in Stewarton as well as ice-cream from dairies across the region.

## Whisky and ales

Time for a dram? The Isle of Arran Distillery produces single malts as well as cask finishes. For a twist on tradition try Arran Gold, a cream liqueur which is a delicious treat.

Sip and savour the quality and taste of beers from Arran Brewery. On the mainland you should seek out products from the Ayr Brewing Company, who brew a range of seasonal beers and Ethical Ales based on Mauchline.

AD Rattray's Whisky Experience in Kirkoswald is the perfect place to get acquainted with whisky. Learn



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Look out for the Taste Our Best logo as a sign that great quality Scottish food and drink is on the menu – [www.visitscotland.com/tasteourbest](http://www.visitscotland.com/tasteourbest)

Round Island Café, Millport

about uisge beatha, ‘the water of life’, while sampling tasting menus.

**Dining**

Braidwoods in Dalry boasts Ayrshire’s only Michelin Star restaurant and is a real hidden gem. Holding the star for 19 consecutive years, rest assured you are in the best of culinary hands. Be sure to book in advance so you don’t miss out.

Head to the fishmonger-run MacCallum’s of Troon Oyster Bar where you can tuck into freshly caught oysters and other seafood delights.

Look out for the Taste Our Best logo in restaurants, cafés, hotels and B&Bs across the region. Only establishments that serve fresh and locally sourced Scottish produce

have earned this quality assurance accreditation.

**Sweet treats**

Calling chocaholics! No less than five of the stops on Scotland’s Chocolate Trail are here in the region. Try cocoa creations from the Arran Chocolate Factory, Costley’s Patisserie & Chocolatier in Prestwick and Kirkoswald, the Lime Tree Larder in Kilbirnie, and Threepwood Fayre in Beith. Find out more on this and other foodie trails at [www.visitscotland.com/foodietrails](http://www.visitscotland.com/foodietrails)

Taste delicious ice creams in Art Deco surroundings at the famous Nardini’s in Largs. You have to try one or two of the 32 flavours on offer including Irn Bru and Peach and Passionfruit Cheesecake.

**HIGH-SPIRITED EVENTS**

- Fine whisky and lively tunes – what a combination! You can enjoy both at the Arran Malt & Music Festival in summer. Expect a lively celebration with tasting sessions and ceilidh dances.
- Whisky An’ A’ That, the Ayr Whisky Festival, continues the summer appreciation of Scotland’s national drink with a selection of speciality spirits to enjoy.
- In autumn you can sample a range of locally brewed ales at the Real Ale Festival in Troon.

**DON’T MISS...**

- A visit to the Auchengree Farm Shop & Tea Room for freshly made food, Harris Tweed gifts, knitwear, ice cream, jewellery and more.
- The new Lagg Distillery opening on the Isle of Arran in 2019 on the southern tip of the island.
- Fine dining at Glenapp Castle in Ballantrae is a truly unique experience. Indulge in a delightful afternoon tea, or enjoy an extended evening dining experience in the gracious surroundings of the castle’s elegant dining rooms.
- The Doon Valley Crafters and Coffee Shop who specialise in heritage arts & crafts, including spinning, weaving, knitting and crochet.



Fine dining in Trump Turnberry



# COASTS AND WATERS

Scotland's coasts and waters have shaped our history, from fishing and textiles to whisky and wave power, they have influenced our culture, our stories and our way of life. In Ayrshire & The Isles of Arran and Cumbrae this influence is still seen today, from the rainwater which makes local whisky to the abundance of wildlife around the coasts and rivers. There is also plenty of fun to be had, including kitesurfing and sailing or relaxing coastal walks.

Why not discover some of Scotland's most accessible islands? The Isles of Arran and Cumbrae, are packed with things to see and do. Cumbrae is only a 10 minute ferry trip from the mainland, and an ideal place for cycling, thanks to the quiet roads. Hire bikes at Millport, and start your own adventure as you explore the island, keeping your eyes peeled for seals and even basking sharks.

The Isle of Arran is only 50 minutes from the mainland, and here you will find an impressive array of food and drink producers, from cheese and ice-cream to whisky and beer. At Lamlash Bay, head to the Octopus Centre with interactive exhibits and touch tanks, get active

on the water and kayak over to Holy Isle, or simply relax and enjoy the peace of island life while keeping your eyes peeled for otters, eagles and red deer.

Explore miles of stunning coastline stretching from the seaside town of Largs in the north, to the charming fishing village of Ballantrae in the south. Visit the Scottish Maritime Museum in Irvine and immerse yourself in the stories of the country's maritime history. Explore ancient history at Portencross Castle which hugs the coast or Culzean Castle which sits high on the cliff-top. Wander the pretty harbour village of Dunure and its nearby castle, both *Outlander* filming locations or take

a boat trip out to Ailsa Craig from Girvan to watch gannets and their spectacular high dives to catch fish.

Head inland and explore the River Ayr Way, Scotland's first source to sea path, from Glenbuck Loch in the east to Ayr in the west, where the river meets the sea. This route offers a variety of landscapes from wild moorland, lush rocky gorges and finally the harbour in Ayr. Loch Doon, offers the ideal place to spot ospreys, thanks to live CCTV ensuring you are not disturbing these spectacular birds.

2020 is officially the Year of Coast and Waters, so look out for a year packed with events, but in the meantime there is plenty for you to discover!



## DID YOU KNOW?

Scotland's rivers and lochs contain 90% of the UK's surface freshwater.

Sunset over the Isle of Arran



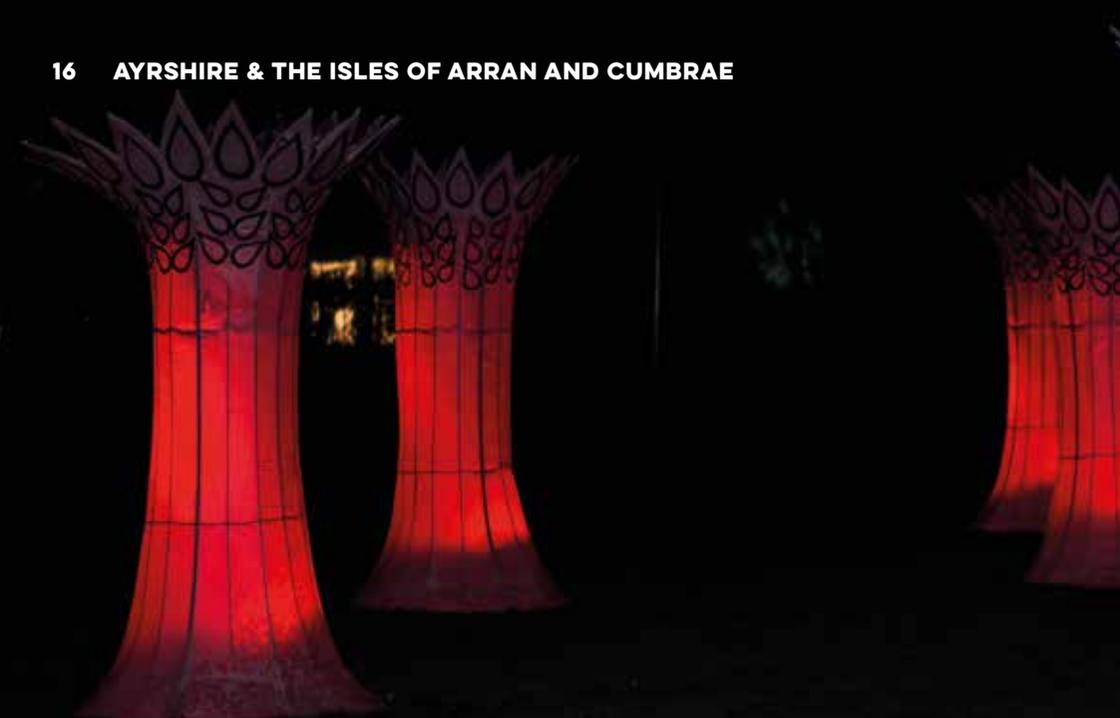
## DON'T MISS...

- Exhilarating kitesurfing on Troon beach with Kitesurf Scotland.
- Sailing at the sportscotland National Watersports Training Centre with experts on hand to show you the ropes – literally!
- Links golf courses so you can golf all-year-round with stunning coastal views to admire.
- The Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere - an area that has been recognised internationally as a world-class environment for people and nature.

So save the date and come and celebrate Scotland's Coasts and Waters in 2020!

Share your experiences using **#ScotlandIsNow** and **#YCW2020**

River Ayr Way



# WHAT'S ON

**Are you ready to toss a caber, listen to live music or see the world's best golfers in action? You can do all these things and many more this year at events going on right here in Ayrshire & the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae.**

Celebrating the 260th anniversary of Robert Burns' birth, this year's Burns An' A' That! Festival will be bigger and better than ever with events taking place across the region from January and throughout the year.

Looking for the ultimate challenge? Why not check out the Ultra Tour of Arran in April? Set over two days, this off-road running adventure will cover 60 miles of the stunning island landscape from the deepest glens, the highest mountain and of course, lush forests and coastal scenery.

Bookworms, this one's for you. Sit back and enjoy performances, live talks and discussions from a

sparkling line-up of writers and artists, at the Boswell Book Festival in May at Dumfries House. It's the world's only festival of biography and memoir.

In June, taste street food, local produce, and a variety of drinks from over forty stalls at the Ballantrae Food Festival. Enjoy chef demonstrations, foraging expeditions, talks and more throughout the day.

Ours is a working landscape, and you can get a real feel of rural life at Ayr County Show in May and the Arran Farmers' Society Annual Show in August. Admire fine livestock, watch competitions and browse local arts and craft stalls.

In July, attend a festival bursting with music, art and adventure at the Kelburn Garden Party, set in the fairytale grounds of Kelburn Castle.

Flower fans should take a look at the events run by Scotland's Gardens which include special openings of private gardens in aid of charity. The Ayr and District Flower Show in August is also well worth a visit.

Cabers will fly and Highland reels will be danced at Ardsrossan Highland Games in June and Brodick Highland Games on Arran and Dundonald Highland Games at Dundonald Castle in August.

For a thoughtful, peaceful festival experience, try the Robert McLellan



Burnsfest, Alloway

## FASCINATING FACT

- The very first Burns Supper was held in 1801, on the fifth anniversary of Robert Burns' death by nine of his friends, at what is now known as Burns Cottage in Alloway. Today the annual Burns an' a' that! Festival is a year round celebration of events including Burns Alicht, Burnsfest and Burnsfringe.

### FIND OUT MORE

Discover even more events at

[www.visitscotland.com/events](http://www.visitscotland.com/events)

Festival on the Isle of Arran. You'll enjoy an eclectic programme of poetry, theatre, live music, art and film in a remarkable setting.

Whatever your musical taste, we have a festival to get your toes tapping, from the traditional sounds of Arran Folk Festival, to the quirky delights of Millport's Country & Western Festival on the Isle of Cumbrae. Live@Troon offers local and national bands and WinterStorm in November is for the rock fans.

Making the most of the longer nights is Illuminight at Dean Castle, a stunning light and sound spectacular not to be missed.

Step back in time at historically themed summer events including Largs Viking Festival, the traditional Marymass Festival in Irvine, and Ballantrae Smugglers Festival.



Brodick Highland Games, Isle of Arran



## TRAVEL TIPS

You'll see more and do more thanks to the region's excellent transport links. It's time to enjoy the journey just as much as reaching your destination as you travel through Ayrshire and on to the Isles of Arran and Cumbrae.

### By road

Whether you are driving your own car or hiring a vehicle, take the major routes such as the A77 from north to south then venture off to explore other parts.

Follow the coastal roads and let your passengers gaze out to sea, or head inland for rural landscapes as you drive leisurely between attractions.

If travelling by car from the south, why not follow the Galloway

Tourist Route through the lush Ayrshire countryside, in the very heart of Burns' country, and into the countryside of Dumfries & Galloway? Find out more at [www.visitscotland.com/touristroutes](http://www.visitscotland.com/touristroutes)

### By rail

You can let the train take the strain on the extensive rail network that runs through Ayrshire, connecting all of the major towns.

If you're heading to the Isle of Arran, take the train to Ardrossan for the ferry service. For more information visit [www.scotrail.co.uk](http://www.scotrail.co.uk)

### By bus

We have a good network of local bus services across the region. You can see the latest timetables at any local bus station. Or for more information contact the Strathclyde Partnership for Transport on 0870 608 2608 or visit [www.spt.co.uk](http://www.spt.co.uk)



Caledonian MacBrayne ferry,  
Isle of Cumbrae to Largs

## HIGHLIGHTS

- It's easy to get to Ayrshire & The Isle of Arran and Cumbrae and fun to get around when you're here. You can explore the region in a variety of ways – by road, sea or rail.
- Go on foot and get to know the landscape in person. You can cover large areas on long distance walks, such as the Ayrshire Coastal Path, Arran Coastal Trail or the River Ayr Way from Glenbuck Loch in the east to Ayr.
- The region's great cycle routes make it easy to get around. The Arran Cycle Route is ideal for a challenging day's cycle, whilst a leisurely pedal around Cumbrae is a great way to see the sights. On the mainland, use the National Cycle Network Routes 7 and 73 to navigate through the country using safe and scenic ways.



### By ferry

Caledonian MacBrayne (Calmac) operates a regular ferry service between Ardrossan and Brodick on the Isle of Arran, and it's always best to book if travelling by car. The journey takes only 55 minutes and gives you the chance to sit back, relax and take in the spectacular views. Regular train services meet the ferry at Ardrossan Harbour Station. There is also a seasonal service between Lochranza and Claonaig in Argyll.

In summer, a Calmac ferry service will whisk you from Ardrossan

to Campbeltown on the Kintyre Peninsula in Argyll.

In the winter, a ferry sails once a day from Tarbet in Argyll to Lochranza and back. Booking is essential.

You can be on the Isle of Cumbrae in just 10 minutes thanks to the ferry from Largs. Once there, catch the regular bus service to Millport.

To get the latest timetables and information on reduced fares, contact Caledonian MacBrayne on 0800 066 5000 or visit [www.calmac.co.uk](http://www.calmac.co.uk)

## WHERE TO FIND OUT MORE

- Discover more of Ayrshire & the Isles of Arran & Cumbrae in a VisitScotland iCentre. Our friendly information experts can offer advice on what's on and where to go as well as book accommodation and tickets for events, activities and transport. Our Shop Local initiative promotes local artisans so we can also help you find the perfect Scottish gift.

Find us at:

The Pier, **Brodick**, Isle of Arran, KA27 8AU

You can also get tailored advice and top tips on the local area from our accredited iKnow Partners.

Find out more at

[www.visitscotland.com/iknow](http://www.visitscotland.com/iknow)

- For all local and national public transport timetables and journey planning contact Traveline Scotland 24 hours a day on 0871 200 22 33, [www.travelinescotland.com](http://www.travelinescotland.com) or download their app.

The Pencil, Largs



# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

## FIOSRACHADH FEUMAIL

The listings within this guide have been split into the following sections:

- Places to visit
- Leisure activities
- Shopping
- Food & drink
- Tours
- Events & festivals
- Family fun
- Accommodation

Businesses within these sections are listed in alphabetical order by business location, then by business name. Each entry has a map reference (see example) relating to the map which appears at the back of this guide. Most entries will have a postcode which can be used to pin point locations. Where a business is listed as being 'By' a town or village it is wise to check the actual location before making

your journey. Some listings may have a distance beside the location; this indicates the approximate road distance in miles from the main location. The mileages are voluntarily provided by the businesses themselves.

Display advertising is placed at the end of each section. Business listings who also have display advertising will have this icon ●.

## SAMPLE ENTRY

### Location

'By' designates that a property is within 10 miles of this location. Mileage in brackets after the location indicates the distance from the named location.

### Name of business

### Contact details

### Business description

### Quality Award

Where a Quality Assurance award has been included on an entry, the business has been graded by VisitScotland and provides assurances on quality and standards. Further information on page 23 of this guide. Quality Assurance Awards are correct as at January 2019.

### Pricing

Where prices for admission, services and facilities are included in the entries, this is taken from information provided by the advertisers. Please note that prices are for your guidance only and include VAT where applicable (VAT as at December 2018). It is always advisable to check cost prior to booking.

**ANY LOCATION (4 miles)** F2

**Scott Gardens**  
Kinross KY22 9YR  
T: 01599 862655  
www.scottgardens.co.uk

Beautiful 18th century gardens with café and popular daily events, overlooking one of Scotland's famous lochs. Plenty to see and do for all the family.

**★★★★ Visitor Attraction**

Open: Mar-Jun: Centre open 10am-5pm. Sep-Dec: Centre open 9.30am-4pm. Closed Christmas and New Year.

Admission: Adult £3, Concs £2, Child £0.50, Family £6. Car parking £5 all day.

### Map reference

To assist you further in locating each business, this grid reference relates to the map on page 52.

### Facilities and symbols

See page 23 and the page opposite for details.

### Opening times and admission prices

### Booking

Accepting a booking by telephone or in writing means you have entered into a legally binding contract with the proprietor of the establishment. If you cancel or fail to turn up, for whatever reason, the proprietor has the right to ask you for compensation. You should

always check the cancellation terms in advance and, if you must cancel a booking, advise the business immediately. Online bookings are also subject to terms and conditions, please check direct with the proprietor for these.

### Insurance and cancellations

Should you have to cancel for whatever reason, it is reassuring to know that you can be insured against any compensation claim. It is advisable you take out cancellation insurance prior to your trip.

### **A** Accessible and

#### Assistance dogs

Whether you want a cosmopolitan city break or a relaxing holiday in the countryside, you'll find a great range of accessible accommodation, attractions and things to see and do, whatever your requirements. You can stay in a bustling city centre, with great access-friendly attractions right on your doorstep, or out in the countryside, where you can enjoy accessible walks or trips to the beach. Look out for facilities such as onsite restaurants, free WiFi, hearing loop, level access and accessible parking or drop off points. It is always advisable to check with each establishment prior to visiting/booking. Please note that these icons are not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show these symbols. Find further information at [www.visitscotland.com/holidays-breaks/accessible/](http://www.visitscotland.com/holidays-breaks/accessible/)

### Hearing loop

Many establishments will be able to cater for those with a sensory impairment but please do check with the business before booking. Please note that this icon is not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show this symbol.

### **SB** Short breaks

There is a fabulous range of accommodation throughout Scotland. Establishments

purchasing advertising within this guide can opt to display the above symbol. Many establishments have offers throughout the year, contact direct for latest special offers.



### Family fun

There is a wealth of things to see and do that will keep smiles on faces all day. Attractions and establishments which are particularly suitable for children have been highlighted within this guide. Please note that this icon is not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show this symbol.



### Dogs welcome

Dogs are welcome to this establishment, on the understanding that they are on their leash and are kept under control. You may have to check with each establishment whether there are restricted areas for your dog. Please note that this icon is not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show this symbol.



### Refreshments available

Café or refreshments are available at this establishment. Please note that this icon is not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show this symbol.



### WiFi available

Guest WiFi access is available at this establishment. Please note that this icon is not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show this symbol.



### Gaelic

The Gaelic language is rich in tradition, history, music and culture, and will add an interesting dimension and unique sense of

place to your holiday. Gaelic is enjoying a revival and can be heard from Lowland pubs to Hebridean hotels. So if you wish to stay with Gaelic speakers please look out for the symbol within listings and ask when you book your accommodation/visit to confirm that this is available. Please note that this icon is not verified by VisitScotland as businesses can opt to show this symbol.

### Wild camping

Please camp responsibly, in particular by taking away all your litter, removing all traces of your tent pitch and not causing any pollution – for further information see the Scottish Outdoor Access Code [www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot](http://www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot)

Take extra care and follow any local advice when parking cars or campervans. Please note, these wild camping access rights do not extend to motorised vehicles. If you're planning to travel in a motorhome or campervan check with the landowner before you stop or book a pitch in a nearby camping park.

### Smoking

Scotland's indoor public places, including pubs, restaurants and cafés are smoke-free by law, creating a healthier and fresher environment for residents and visitors to our beautiful country.

### Drinking and driving

Scotland's drink drive limit is 50 mg (of alcohol per 100 ml of blood). The Scottish Government recommends the best approach is to have no alcohol at all, if you're intending to get behind the wheel in Scotland.

For further information go to [www.visitscotland.com](http://www.visitscotland.com)

# BRINGING INSPIRATION AND IDEAS TO YOU



🔍 Portencross Castle, North Ayrshire

Wherever you are we're on hand to help you experience the best of Scotland.



Our friendly information experts can offer advice on what's on, where to go and book tickets for events, activities and transport. Our Shop Local initiative promotes local artisans so we're sure to help you find the perfect gift from Scotland. Find us on page 19.



Our happy herd of Coo Vans will be on the moo-ve throughout Scotland, with our Coo-visors delivering excellent local advice. Look out for them at events and attractions and discover our top tips to make the most of your Scottish experience.



Our accredited iKnow Partners are based throughout Scotland and can offer tailored advice to help you make the most of your visit. Chat with them for insider tips about the must see attractions in the local area. Find them at [visitscotland.com/iknow](https://visitscotland.com/iknow)

# YOU'LL BE SURPRISED WHERE OUR SEARCH FOR QUALITY TAKES US



 Culzean Castle & Country Park, Maybole  
5 star Visitor Attraction

Quite simply, it takes us the length and breadth of Scotland to visit thousands of different properties every year and grade them on the things we know matter to you. Things like the overall quality on offer and warmth of welcome to help you make a more informed choice. VisitScotland Quality Assurance – **Quality you can trust.**

- ★ An acceptable standard
- ★★ A good, all round standard
- ★★★ Very good standard, with attention to detail in every area
- ★★★★ Excellent – superb food where provided and friendly, professional service
- ★★★★★ An exceptional standard where quality, hospitality and service are hard to fault



Serviced accommodation establishments awarded gold stars have consistently achieved the highest levels of excellence within their star grading.



### Taste Our Best

One way to ensure that you'll enjoy great quality Scottish food and drink, prepared with care and delivered with passion, is to look for places that are part of Taste Our Best, our food and drink quality scheme. 



### Green Tourism-because we care

Businesses that work in a sustainable, environmentally friendly way are graded: Bronze , Silver  or Gold   
[www.green-tourism.com](http://www.green-tourism.com)

**We want you to feel welcome** – find establishments that pay particular attention to your specific needs:

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|---|--|
|  Walkers             |  Cyclists |
|  Anglers             |  Bikers   |
|  Classic Cars        |  Golfers  |
|  Visiting golfers    |  Children |
|  Field Sports        |  Groups   |
|  Ancestral Tourism   |  Pets     |
|  Experiencing Gaelic |  |

For any feedback or comments you may have on quality assured properties please email us on [qa@visitscotland.com](mailto:qa@visitscotland.com).



Places to visit

Art galleries

See also Visitor attractions



Places to visit

Castles, historic homes & attractions

See also Visitor attractions

KILMARNOCK C3



**The Dick Institute**  
 Elmbank Avenue, Kilmarnock KA1 3BU  
 T: 01563 554300  
 info@eastayrshireleisure.com www.eastayrshireleisure.com

Opened in 1901, the Dick Institute features one of the largest museum & galleries in Ayrshire. With a programme of nationally important exhibitions, permanent displays of the museum's diverse collections and innovative work by contemporary artists, makers & young people, the Dick Institute is well worth a visit.

- Explore the museum & gallery spaces and enjoy a coffee and cake in the brand new café

★★★★ **Museum** 🚶♿📺

Open: Tues & Wed: 10am-6pm. Thurs: 1-8pm. Fri & Sat: 10am-4pm.  
 Admission: Free.

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BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN A3



**Brodick Castle, Garden & Country Park**  
 National Trust for Scotland, Brodick, Isle of Arran, KA27 8HY  
 T: 01770 302202  
 brodickcastle@nts.org.uk www.nts.org.uk

Teeming with history and set against the towering peak of Goat Fell, Brodick is every inch the quintessential island castle. Explore the gardens, woodland, trails, waterfalls, bathing pools and bold rhododendrons – and keep your eyes peeled for red squirrels. Children will love our fantastic adventure play park, Isle Be Wild.

- Country park • Walled garden • Walks and trails • Shop & café
- Adventure playground • Holiday accommodation

★★★ **Castle** 🚶🐕🐾📺🍷📶

Open: Please see our website or call for opening times and admission prices. The castle reopens in 2019 with new displays, exhibitions and a stylish tearoom.

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**Quality you can trust**

www.visitscotland.com/qa

DUNDONALD C3

**Dundonald Castle**  
 In Dundonald Village KA2 9HD  
 T: 01563 851489 customer@hes.scot  
 www.historicenvironment.scot/daysout  
 Explore this splendid stronghold, perched above the village. The main tower was built in the 1370s by King Robert II to mark his succession to the throne.



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★★★★ **Visitor Attraction** 🚶🐕🐾

Open: Check website for up to date opening times  
 Admission: Please call 01563 851489 for up-to-date prices

DUNDONALD

C3



Royal Dundonald Castle

Friends of Dundonald Castle SCIO Winehouse Yett, Dundonald, Kilmarnock KA2 9HD  
T: 01563 851489  
info@dundonaldcastle.org.uk www.dundonaldcastle.org.uk

521489

The original home of the Stewart Dynasty, Dundonald Castle sits proudly upon a hill in Ayrshire. Once home to King Robert II, grandson of Robert the Bruce, the castle was built around 1371. With a fantastic barrel vaulted ceiling, stunning landscape view and oubliette.

- Bespoke wedding ceremonies • Tailored educational programmes • Museum & archive exhibitions • Events for all the family

★★★★ Visitor Attraction     

Open: Apr-Oct: Daily, 9:30am-5:30pm with last entry to the castle at 4.30pm. Nov-Mar: Visitor centre: Daily, 10am-4pm, last entry 3:30pm.  
Admission: Adult £5, Concession £4, Child £2, Family ticket (up to 2 adults & 2 children) £12. Under 5's free

MAYBOLE

B4



Cuzean Castle & Country Park

National Trust for Scotland, Maybole, South Ayrshire, KA19 8LE  
T: 01655 884455  
culzean@nts.org.uk www.nts.org.uk

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With gardens, beaches, woods, trails and adventure playgrounds to explore, & a cliff-top castle of monumental size, there's no doubt you'll have a fantastic day out at Cuzean. There's something for everyone in this wildlife-rich 260ha estate.

- Adventure play parks • Beach • Woodland walks • Café & shop • Holiday accommodation

★★★★ Visitor Attraction     

Open: Please see our website or call for opening times and admission prices.  
Admission: Don't miss the Oval Staircase, the dramatic centrepiece of the castle, & admire the incredible collection of flintlock pistols and military swords in the Armoury.

KIRKOSWALD

B4

Souter Johnnie's Cottage

National Trust for Scotland, Main Road, Kirkoswald, South Ayrshire, KA19 8HY  
T: 01655 760603 www.nts.org.uk

Visit the 18th-century home of Souter Johnnie, immortalised by Robert Burns in the poem 'Tam o' Shanter', and discover the local arts and crafts gallery.



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★★★ Tourist Shop 

Open: Please see our website or call for opening times.  
Admission: Free.

By MAYBOLE

B4

Crossraguel Abbey

Historic Scotland, 2m S of Maybole on the A77  
KA19 8HQ

T: 01655 883113 customer@hes.scot  
www.historicenvironment.scot/daysout

Climb the impressive gatehouse tower for a bird's eye view of one of the most complete medieval abbey complexes in Scotland.



21469

★★★★ Historic Attraction     

Open: Check website for up to date opening times  
Admission: Adult £6, Concs £4.80, Child £3.60.

LOCHRANZA, ISLE OF ARRAN

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Lochranza Castle

On the shores of Loch Ranza, stands the ruins of the ancient Lochranza Castle. Even in its present condition the imposing, brooding castle still dominates the southern side of the Loch, standing aloof on a curved shingle spit that stretches into the water. The castle is reputed to be the model for the castle which appears in Tintin's adventure 'The Black Island'.

Open: 1 April-30 Oct. Daily, 9.30am-5.30pm. Last entry 5pm.

MILLPORT, ISLE OF CUMBRAE

B2

Cathedral of The Isles

College Street, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae  
KA28 0HE

office@cathedraloftheisles.org  
www.cathedraloftheisles.org

Britain's smallest cathedral, set in 8 acres of beautiful grounds. Designed and built in the mid 19th century. Cradle of the Oxford Movement in Scotland.



Open: Grounds: All year. Cathedral: Daily, 8.30am-6pm. Please note that the cathedral doors are kept closed to avoid birds being trapped in the building.

Admission: Free admission to building and grounds. Donations welcome.

PORTENCROSS

B2



**Portencross Castle**

Secretary Auldhill Cottage, Portencross, West Kilbride KA23 9QA  
T: 01294 823799  
port\_n\_x@hotmail.com www.portencrosscastle.org.uk

Historic tower from 1360 in a stunning coastal location. Access to Great Hall, cellar with interpretation, and rooftop viewing area with spectacular views. Learn about the Castle's history and its connection with Robert II, first of the Stewart kings, and about the Spanish Armada ship wrecked nearby.

- Views • History • Atmosphere

**Open:** Daily, Jul-Aug (and first two weeks of Apr). Apr-Sept, Sat and Sun. Closed Oct-Mar. Opening hours, 11am-4pm. Last entry, 3.45pm.  
**Admission:** Admission free but donations much appreciated.

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LAGG, near KILMORY, ISLE OF ARRAN

A3

**Lagg Distillery & Visitor Experience**

Faye Waterlow Lagg Distillery & Visitor Experience KA27 8PG  
info@laggwhisky.com www.laggwhisky.com  
Lagg Distillery & Visitor Experience is a brand new distillery bringing the production of heavily peated Single Malt back to the Isle of Arran.



**Open:** Distillery & Visitor Experience including gift shop opening to the public in Spring 2019. Please visit www.laggwhisky.com for more information on our opening hours and tour times.  
**Admission:** Open for tours, light refreshments in Kilmory Café and for a more extensive bistro menu The Shed @ Lagg Distillery.

LOCHRANZA, ISLE OF ARRAN

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**Isle of Arran Distillery**

Gerard Tattersfield Lochranza, Isle of Arran KA27 8HJ  
T: 01770 830264  
info@arranwhisky.com www.arranwhisky.com

Situated at the north end of the island, our Lochranza Distillery and Visitor Centre is one of the few remaining independent distilleries in Scotland. It is home to an award-winning dram and Visitor Centre and provides guided tours, tastings and a superb café. Come and visit the most beautiful corner of Scotland!

- Distillery Tours & Tastings • Award winning whisky • Beautiful location • CASKS Café for delicious local food • Gift Shop



**Open:** All year. Usually closed early January.  
**Admission:** Please see our website for more details.

ROTHESAY, ISLE OF BUTE

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**Rothsay Castle**

Historic Scotland, Rothsay, Isle of Bute  
PA20 0DA  
T: 01700 502691 customer@hes.scot  
www.historicenvironment.scot/daysout

Cross the drawbridge over the moat and climb the "bloody stair" to the circular ramparts, or descend into a forbidding pit prison.



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★★★★ Castle



**Open:** Check website for up to date opening times  
**Admission:** Adult £6, Child £3.60, Concs £4.80

Places to visit

Distilleries & breweries



Places to visit

Museums

See also Visitor attractions



## CUMNOCK

D4

**The Baird Institute**

3 Lugar Street, Cumnock KA18 1AD

T: 01294 427084

info@eastayrshireleisure.com www.eastayrshireleisure.com

Cumnock's 4 star museum and art gallery featuring temporary and permanent museum and visual art displays. The Keir Hardie room presents the life and career of the founder of the Labour Party with a large collection of personal belongings. Also features local history, Cumnock Pottery and Mauchline Ware.

5872

★★★★ **Museum**

Open: Thurs: 12:30pm-4:40pm; 5pm-8pm. Fri & Sat: 10am-4pm.  
Closed public holidays.

Admission: Free.

## DALGARVEN

B2

**Dalgarven Mill Museum of Country Life and Costume**

Dalgarven, Kilwinning KA13 6PL

T: 01294 552448

admin@dalgarvenmill.org.uk www.dalgarvenmill.org.uk

Excellent Museum in lovely historic buildings. The Country Life Collection illuminates the past lives of the rural communities. The Costume collection is recognised as one of Scotland's finest. See one of Scotland's few remaining water wheels in action. Enjoy an idyllic walk alongside the River Garnock.

- The Miller's Kitchen: Light lunches and home baking.
- Saks & Hart: Country & Period Living (Retail)

27023

★★★★ **Visitor Attraction**

Open: All year. Tue-Sun, 10am-5pm (Tue-Sat) 11am-5pm (Sun) (summer); 10am-4pm (Tue-Fri) 10am-5pm (Sat) 11am-5pm (Sun) (winter). Mon closed.  
Closed over Christmas and New Year.

Admission: Admission charges apply – please see website for details.

## IRVINE

C3

**Scottish Maritime Museum**

The Linthouse, Harbour Road, Irvine KA12 8QE

T: 01294 278283

visitorservices@scotmaritime.org.uk www.scottishmaritimemuseum.org

Discover some of Scotland's oldest & most important historic vessels, sail a boat on our pond, have fun with interactive exhibits, view our authentic shipyard worker's flat & climb aboard the MV Kyles on the waterfront. View our growing art and sculpture collection. Best of all, kids go free.

- Fun interactives • Shipyard worker's flat • MV Kyles • Café
- New art display • Two boating ponds • Free parking

53677

★★★★ **Visitor Attraction**

Open: Daily, 10am-5pm (excluding 25th/26th Dec 2019 & 1st/2nd Jan 2020)

Admission: Children go free (up to three children with an accompanying adult) Adult £8.50, Cons £6.50. Further Child tickets are £4. Group prices on request Tel. 01294 278283 for details.

## MAUCHLINE

C3

**Burns House Museum**

Castle Street, Mauchline KA5 5BZ

T: 01290 550045

info@eastayrshireleisure.com www.eastayrshireleisure.com

Mauchline - where stories of Burns are found in every nook and cranny! Burns and his wife Jean Armour lodged in a room that is now part of the museum. Using original manuscripts, objects, and publications, we interpret Burns' time in the town and his relations with many of its characters including Holy Wullie.

- It was at his farm, Mossgeil, close to the town, that he wrote many of his best loved poems.

16947

★★★★ **Museum**

Open: Tues & Wed, 10.30am-1.40pm; 2-6pm. Thurs, 1.30-4.40pm; 5-8pm. Fri & Sat, 10.30am-4pm. Closed public holidays.

Admission: Free.

Places to visit

## Robert Burns

See also Castles, historic homes and attractions;  
Museums and Visitor attractions



ALLOWAY

C4



### Robert Burns Birthplace Museum

National Trust for Scotland, Murdoch's Lone, Alloway, South Ayrshire, KA7 4PQ  
T: 01292 443700  
burns@nts.org.uk www.nts.org.uk

Robert Burns is Scotland's National Bard, and his poetry and songs are loved the world over. See the world's most important collection of his artefacts and works in our interactive museum, and explore the beautiful village and cottage where he was born and raised.

- Burns Cottage • Burns Monument • Brig o' Doon • Alloway Auld Kirk • Adventure playpark • Gardens • Café & shop

★★★★★ Visitor Attraction



Open: Please see our website or call for opening times and admission prices. Enjoy mouth-watering food in the museum café.

Admission: Children will love the new adventure playpark, Scots Wa-Hey, and the Mighty Missions app trail.

Places to visit

## Visitor attractions

See also other categories



CREETOWN, NEWTON STEWART (6 miles)

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### Creetown Gem Rock Museum

Chain Road, Creetown, Wigtownshire DG8 7HJ  
T: 01671 820357  
enquiries@gemrock.net www.gemrock.net

The Gem Rock Museum is a beautiful world class, world wide collection of gemstones, crystals, minerals & fossils. The inspiring collection is set out in 3 halls. It has an amazing crystal cave to explore, a quality gift shop, working silversmith/lapidary, and a tea room serving home baking and food. Interactive quizzes, activity bench and audio visual display.

★★★★ Museum



Open: Apr-Sept: Daily, 9.30am-5.30pm. Oct: Daily, 10am-4pm. Nov-Mar: Wed-Sun, 10am-4pm. Closed, 20 Dec-31 Jan.

Admission: Adult £5, Concs £4.50, Child £3, Family £13.50. Ticket are valid for 2 weeks. Mention 'The See & Do Guide' for 20% off.

By DALMELLINGTON (2 miles)

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### Scottish Industrial Railway Centre

Dunaskin, Waterside, Dalmellington, near Ayr KA6 7HJ  
T: 01292 269260 T: 01292 313579  
info@scottishindustrialrailwaycentre.org.uk  
www.scottishindustrialrailwaycentre.org.uk

Steam & diesel hauled trips over a short length of track, unique working example of a fireless steam locomotive (certain dates), steam powered model railway, souvenir shop, all based on a working museum of industrial railways at the former NCB / Dalmellington Iron Company site.

- Free car park • Tearoom • Dunaskin glen & Lethanhill walk adjacent • Doon Valley path network in nearby Dalmellington

★★★★★



Open: To the public: Jul-Aug, Sun. Facebook - facebook.com/ScottishIndustrialRailwayCentre/

Admission: Current prices: Adults £7, Child age 4+ £4, Family (2 Adults + up to 3 Children) £18.

**FAIRLIE**

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**Fencebay Ltd/Farm Shop, Catch at Fins Restaurant**

Fencefoot Farm, Fairlie, Largs KA29 0EG  
T: 01475 568989 [www.fencebay.co.uk](http://www.fencebay.co.uk)

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★ ★ ★ ★ **Tourist Shop**

Open: Catch@fins Restaurant :Thurs - Sat lunch serving: 12noon-3pm, Thurs -Sat dinner serving: 6pm -9pm, Sunday serving: 12noon-3pm. Farm shop: Mon 9am-1pm, Tues-Sat 9am-5pm, Sun 9am-4pm

**KILMARNOCK**

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**Dean Castle Country Park**

Dean Road, Kilmarnock KA3 1XB

T: 01563 554736

[info@eastayrshireleisure.com](mailto:info@eastayrshireleisure.com) [www.eastayrshireleisure.com](http://www.eastayrshireleisure.com)

Dean Castle Country Park is a perfect free day out for all the family. With a Rural Life Centre, new play park, beautiful woodland walks & a year round calendar of events too! Browse the gift shop and relax in the Pinecones Café.

★ ★ ★ ★ **Visitor Attraction**



Open: Park & Grounds: All year. Visitor Centre: Daily, 10am-4pm. Pinecones Café: Mon-Fri, 11am-3pm; Sat & Sun, 10am-4pm.  
Admission: Free. Our fantastic 14th century castle is currently closed for renovation but you can still find out about its rich history and see its collections at the nearby Dick Institute.

**MACHRIE, ISLE OF ARRAN**

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**Old Byre Visitor Centre**

Lorna Mansfield, Old Byre Visitor Centre, Auchencar, Machrie, Isle of Arran KA27 8EB

T: 01770 840227

[enquiries@oldbyre.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@oldbyre.co.uk) [www.oldbyre.co.uk](http://www.oldbyre.co.uk)

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★ ★ ★ ★ **Tourist Shop**



Open: Old Byre Shop: All year, 10am-5pm. Café Thyme: All year, 10am - 5pm, lunches 12-3pm. Childs play area open all year.  
Admission: Shop and café free. Child's play area donation of £1.50 per child.

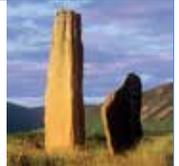
**By MACHRIE, ISLE OF ARRAN**

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**Machrie Moor Stone Circles**

Historic Scotland 3m N of Blackwaterfoot Arran  
[www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/places](http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/places)

The remains of five stone circles of Bronze-Age date, one of the most important sites of its kind in Britain.



Open: All year.  
Admission: Free.

**TARBOLTON**

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**Bachelors' Club**

National Trust for Scotland, Sandgate Street, Tarbolton, South Ayrshire, KA5 5RB  
T: 01292 541940 [www.nts.org.uk](http://www.nts.org.uk)

A must-see for fans of Robert Burns, this curious 17th-century house was where he co-founded the Tarbolton Bachelors' Club, and where he learned to dance.

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★ ★ ★ **Museum**

Open: Please see our website or call for opening times.  
Admission: Free.

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| WEST KILBRIDE <span style="float: right;">B2</span>  |              |
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| <p>★★★★ Visitor Attraction </p>   |              |
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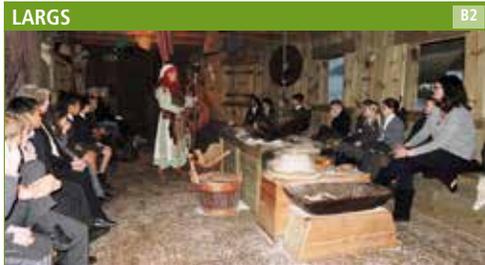
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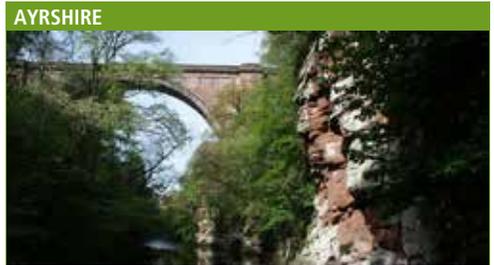
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Hear of Viking adventures first hand as our storytellers guide you through 500 years of the Vikings in Scotland, bringing history to life through sight and sound. A host of other leisure facilities are also available – swimming pool, soft play, gift shop and theatre making Vikingar! an ideal family day out!

★★★ Visitor Attraction

Open: Attraction closed Dec & Jan. Nov & Feb (Sat & Sun only): 11.30am-2.30pm. Mar: Daily, 10.30am-2.30pm. Apr-Oct: 10.30am-3.30pm. Please call to confirm opening hours prior to visit.

Admission: Adult £4.50, Child £3.50, Concs £3.50, Fam £14. Correct at time of print.



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**Kidz Play**

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www.kidz-play.co.uk

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Open: Check website for details.



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Open: Booking Essential: T&Cs apply. All year, Tuesday to Sunday. Winter 10am-3pm; Summer 10am-6pm; Closed on Mondays.  
Admission: Booking Essential. See website for further details.  
www.blackstoneclydesdales.co.uk OR www.digaday.co.uk

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## LARGS

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**Largs Yacht Haven Ltd**

Irvine Road, Largs KA30 8EZ

T: 01475 675333 largs@yachthavens.com www.yachthavens.com

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## ★★★★ Activity Centre



Open: All year. Daily, 24 hours.

## LOCHRANZA, ISLE OF ARRAN

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**Lochranza Centre CIC**

Shore Road, Lochranza KA27 8HL

T: 01770 830637 info@lochranzacentre.co.uk www.lochranzacentre.co.uk

Providing educational field studies, guided walks & adventure activities for school groups, uniform groups & general interest groups. All inclusive family activity holiday through August.



Open: End of Jan-Mid Nov.

Admission: Also open for B&B. See our website for up-to-date hours, prices and events!

## MILLPORT, ISLE OF CUMBRAE

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**Mapes of Millport**

3-4 Guildford Street, Millport, Isle of Cumbrae KA28 0AE

T: 01475 530444 cycles@mapesmillport.co.uk  
www.mapesmillport.co.uk

With over 400 bikes for hire, we're Millport's No1 for over 70 yrs. Visit our traditional Toy & Joke shop, buy fishing tackle, outdoor clothing or a bike.



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Open: All year: Mon-Sat, 9am-5pm; Sun, 9.30am-5pm. Open later from March to October.

Admission: Bike: p/h £3.50 all day £7 - Tandems, Tags & Trailers: p/h £7, all day £19 - Mini Quad: 1/2 hr £10 - Quad: 1/2 hr £12.50 - The Gran Tour: 1/2 hr £11.



## NEWMILNS

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**Newmilns Snow and Sport Complex**

Newmilns Snow & Sports Centre 35 High Street, Newmilns, Ayrshire KA16 9EB

T: 01560 322320

info@skinewmilns.co.uk www.skinewmilns.com

Set in the beautiful Ayrshire countryside, Newmilns Snow & Sports Complex - the UK's only charity ski slope - offers affordable snow sports and tubing on their 110m slope and 35m beginner slope. All activities must be booked in advance.

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## ★★★★ Activity Centre

Open: Mon - Thurs 10am-8:30pm, Fri 11am-4pm, Sat & Sun 10am-6pm (summer hours may vary)

Admission: Please see website for details.

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**Turnberry Adventures**

Maidens Road KA26 9LT  
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activities@turnberryadventures.co.uk www.turnberryadventures.co.uk

Experience a wide range of exciting activities at Turnberry Adventures, all co-located on the picturesque Ayrshire estate of Trump Turnberry resort. Our activities include quad bike safari, off-road 4x4 driving, clay pigeon shooting, longbow archery, air rifle shooting and highland games. We also offer horse riding including trekking, beach rides and lessons.

★ ★ ★ Activity Centre



Open: Opening dates and times can be found at [www.turnberryadventures.co.uk/opening-hours](http://www.turnberryadventures.co.uk/opening-hours).  
Admission: Prices can be found by visiting [www.turnberryadventures.co.uk/prices](http://www.turnberryadventures.co.uk/prices).

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BLACKWATERFOOT, ISLE OF ARRAN

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**Shiskine Golf and Tennis Club**

Pietre Johnston Shiskine Golf & Tennis Club, Blackwaterfoot, Isle of Arran KA27 8HA  
T: 01770 860226 T: 01770 860548 info@shiskinegolf.com  
[www.shiskinegolf.com](http://www.shiskinegolf.com)

Situated on the west coast of the Isle of Arran, this unspoiled links course is set in magnificent scenery. The challenging and picturesque 12-hole layout is truly renowned as one of the hidden gems in the world of golf & playable all year round



Open: All year. Online booking is available. Please visit our website - [www.shiskinegolf.com](http://www.shiskinegolf.com)  
Admission: Please refer to our website - [www.shiskinegolf.com](http://www.shiskinegolf.com) where you will find a full price list.

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GAILES

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**Dundonald Links**

Dundonald Links, Ayr Road, Gailes, Ayrshire KA11 5BF  
T: 01294 314000 reservations@dundonaldlinks.com  
[www.dundonaldlinks.com](http://www.dundonaldlinks.com)

Dundonald Links is a "must play" modern day classic links. Created by acclaimed architect Kyle Phillips, it played host to the 2017 Gents and Ladies Scottish Opens, the first time these events have been hosted back to back on the same course.

Open: All year. Includes regular tees, fairways and greens, no mats throughout winter months. Full weekend availability.  
Admission: See our website for details.

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Leisure activities

Golf



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**Roodlea Golf Club**

Roodlea Golf Centre, Ayr, Ayrshire KA6 6EP  
T: 01292 570727 info@roodleagolf.co.uk  
[www.roodleagolf.co.uk](http://www.roodleagolf.co.uk)

Roodlea Golf Centre boasts a 12 hole par 3 Course par 36 ,18 Hole Footgolf Course, 13 bay & 4 Outside Bay Floodlit Driving Range, Golf Performance Academy.



Open: All year. Daily.  
Admission: Adult £10, Junior £7. Club hire £5.50, trolley hire £3.  
Weekday special: 12 holes & 50 range balls for £11.50. See website for special offers!



KILMARNOCK

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**Annanhill Golf Course**

Irvine Road, Kilmarnock KA1 2RT  
T: 01563 521512  
info@eastayrshireleisure.com [www.eastayrshireleisure.com](http://www.eastayrshireleisure.com)

Situated on the outskirts of Kilmarnock in scenic surroundings, this parkland course, with tree lined fairways, has a par of 71 measuring 5954 yards. Feature hole is reminiscent of the famous "Postage Stamp" at Royal Troon. If you leave with a par, you've done well!! Visitors and golf party bookings welcome. Events & activities throughout the year.

Open: All year.  
Admission: Contact the club or refer to [www.eastayrshireleisure.com](http://www.eastayrshireleisure.com).

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## LARGS

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**Largs Golf Club**

Irvine Road, Largs KA30 8EU  
 T: 01475 673594  
 manager@largsgolfclub.co.uk  
 www.largsgolfclub.co.uk

Established in 1891, our superb 18-hole parkland course has been rated as the best conditioned in the west of Scotland. A warm Scottish welcome to all.



**Open:** All year: Daily. Please see website for clubhouse and restaurant details.  
**Admission:** Summer: £44 per round. Winter: £25 per round. Buggy hire available.

## PRESTWICK

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**Prestwick Golf Club**

2-4 Links Road, Prestwick, Ayrshire KA9 1QH  
 T: 01292 477404 bookings@prestwickgc.co.uk www.prestwickgc.co.uk  
 The Birthplace of the Open Championship. Situated on a stretch of golfing terrain unrivalled in the world, Prestwick is a must play for any discerning lover of the game.



**Open:** All year: Daily.  
**Admission:** Winter: weekday, £110; Sundays £145; Shoulder (April & October): weekday, £160; Sundays £210; Summer: weekday, £195; Sundays £225

## ROYAL TROON

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**Royal Troon (Portland Course)**

Troon, Ayrshire KA10 6EP  
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 bookings@royaltroon.com www.royaltroon.com

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**Open:** Mid-April until October (Mon, Tues, Thurs)  
**Admission:** Old Course £250.00 - Portland Course £85.00. Please refer to our website for more information or contact our bookings department on 01292 311555.

## TROON

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**Barassie Links**

29 Hillhouse Road, Barassie, Troon, Ayrshire KA10 6SY  
 T: 01292 313920  
 gm@kbgc.co.uk www.kbgc.co.uk

Barassie Links, located on the outskirts of Troon, has 27 holes of challenging links golf. Established in 1887 Barassie has hosted many Championships and Final Open qualifiers. The club offers everything you would expect from a Scottish seaside links with excellent catering and clubhouse facilities.

• Clubhouse • Professional Shop • Find us on Facebook!



**Open:** All year: Daily.  
**Admission:** May to September £75 per person, £250 per fourball; April & October £60 per person, £180 per fourball; November to March £40 per person, £120 per fourball.

## Near WEMYSS BAY

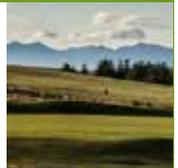
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**Skelmorlie Golf Club**

Beithglass Road, Skelmorlie PA17 5ES  
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 secretary@skelmorliegolf.co.uk  
 www.skelmorliegolf.co.uk

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## Leisure activities

Leisure centres/  
swimming pools

IRVINE C3



**Portal and Townhouse**  
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 T: 01294 310060  
 info@kaleisure.com www.kaleisure.com

Portal - North Ayrshire's new culture, community and leisure centre, was opened to the public in early 2017. Located in the heart of Irvine, portal will provide an exciting new facility for North Ayrshire and form a key part of the development of Irvine town centre.

- 25m 6 lane pool • Multi-use sports hall • Community hall facilities • Fitness suite and multi-use studios • Café

★ ★ ★ Leisure Centre ♿

Open: Please check website for details on hours and costs.

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Shopping  
**Arts & crafts**

ARDROSSAN B3

**Arty Party Crafts**  
 Pamela, 37 Rowanside Terrace, Ardrossan, North Ayrshire KA22 7LN  
 T: 07380526573 artypartycrafts@gmail.com  
 Arty Party Crafts is a craft centre in Ardrossan that hosts regular craft workshops and activities, including pottery painting and messy play, for children and adults. We are also available for birthday parties, weddings, & other celebrations.

Open: Wed-Fri 10am-2pm, Sat & Sun 12noon-5.30pm. These times are subject to change; any changes or updates to times will be made on the website.

STEVENSTON C3



**Auchenharvie Leisure Centre**  
 Saltcoats Rd, Stevenston, North Ayrshire KA20 3JW  
 T: 01294 605126  
 info@kaleisure.com www.kaleisure.com

Big on fun and great family day out! Swimming pool, ice rink, fitness suite and dance studio.

★ ★ ★ Leisure Centre

Open: All year. Mon-Fri, 9am-9pm; Sat, 10am-5pm; Sun, 9am-5pm. Please call to confirm times prior to visit.

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WEST KILBRIDE B2



**Marion E Kane Jeweller and Silversmith**  
 Marion Kane Studio24, Ritchie Street, West Kilbride KA23 9AL  
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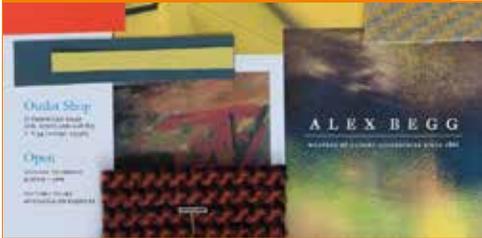
Open studio with retail space and workshop, specialising in handmade jewellery & silverware. Commissions welcome or buy off the shelf, each item is unique.

- Instagram: Marion E Kane • Twitter: marionekane • Facebook: Marion E Kane

Open: Thurs-Sat, 11am-5pm. Sunday closed. Mon-Wed by appointment.



**AYR** C3



**Alex Begg Factory Outlet**  
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**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN** A3

**Arran Active**  
 Shore Road, Brodick, Isle of Arran KA27 8AJ  
 T: 01770 302113 info@arranactive.co.uk  
 www.arranactive.co.uk

Just a two-minute stroll from the ferry, Arran Active boasts a huge range of outdoor gear, fashion clothing & footwear, books & maps, camping equipment, a kids department as well as Scottish whisky and gin.

Open: All year, seven days a week – please see website for details.  
 Admission: Visit our Facebook page for details of offers and news.

**GALSTON** C3

**Balmoral Mill Shop**  
 28-30 Polwarth Street, Galston KA4 8HG  
 T: 01563 820213  
 shop@balmoralmillshop.co.uk  
 www.balmoralmill.com  
 Large factory shop with friendly service and great prices for our own and many other leading brands. Coffee Shop with delicious home baking and free WiFi.



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★ ★ ★ **Tourist Shop** ☺ ☕ ☪

Open: All year, including bank holidays (except 25th Dec to 2nd Jan inclusive) Mon – Sat 10am-4pm. Closed on Sundays.  
 Admission: Convenient parking at rear of building.

**LAMLASH, ISLE OF ARRAN** A3

**Arran Fine Foods**  
 Lamlash, Isle of Arran KA278AR  
 T: 01770 600118 www.paterson-arran.com  
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Open: Mon-Fri, 9.30am-5pm; Sat & Sun, 10am-4pm. Opening times may vary during the winter months, please call ahead to avoid disappointment.

**LARGS** B2



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**Geraldo's, Largs**  
 26-28 Main Street, Largs KA30 8AB  
 T: 01475 675200  
 www.geraldos.co.uk

This family-owned 4-star tourist shop offers an awe-inspiring choice of artisan ice cream, handmade chocolates, exquisite gift confectionery & premium spirits including 60+ craft gins & malt whiskies. In-store tastings with Scottish gin, rum & whisky distillers are a regular weekend feature. A must-see shop for visitors to Largs.

- Award-winning artisan ice cream
- Handmade chocolates
- Premium spirits
- Gift confectionery

★ ★ ★ ★ **Tourist Shop** ☺

Open: All year; Daily. Easter-Sept, 10am-10pm. Oct-Christmas, 10am-6pm (9.30pm Fri to Sun). Closed 25 Dec & 1 Jan. Jan-Easter, 11am-5pm.



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Food & drink

# Restaurants

**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN** A3

**Wooleys of Arran**  
 Invercloy, Brodick, Isle of Arran KA27 8AJ  
 T: 01770 302280 info@wooleys.co.uk  
 www.wooleys.co.uk

Wooleys of Arran is a family run bakery and takeaway shop on the Isle of Arran. We sell a range of homemade cakes, freshly baked bread and savouries.



Open: All year. Brodick: Mon-Sat, 7am-5pm. Lamlash: Mon-Fri, 7am-3pm; Sat, 8am-2pm.  
 Admission: Find us on Facebook for up-to-date news and offers!

**ARDROSSAN** B3



**Cecchini's Bar, Bistro & Restaurant**  
 Clyde Marina, 5 Dock Road, Ardrossan KA22 8DA  
 T: 01294 471700  
 ardrossan@cecchinis.com www.cecchinis.com

Cecchini's is a well-established family run business specialising in Italian cuisine and continental cooking. Cecchini's Ardrossan opened in April 2008. The stylish restaurant sits on the waterfront boasting views over the Clyde Marina. Serving food all day from 9.30am. Breakfast, lunches, dinners, Italian beers, fine wines & cocktails.

Open: All year. Sun-Thu, 9.30am-12midnight.  
 Fri & Sat, 9.30am-12.30am.

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**KILMORY, ISLE OF ARRAN** A3

**Torrylinn Creamery**  
 Torrylinn Creamery, Kilmory, Isle of Arran  
 KA27 8PH  
 T: 01770 870240 www.isleofarrancheese.co.uk

Isle of Arran cheddar is lovingly hand-crafted by a small team of artisan cheesemakers using traditional methods passed down from generation to generation.



Open: Summer Season – 1st Apr – 31st Oct; Mon – Fri: 9:30am to 3:30pm. Visit [www.facebook.com/isleofarrancheddar](http://www.facebook.com/isleofarrancheddar) for more info.  
 Admission: Free.

**STEWARTON** C2

**Dunlop Dairy**  
 Dunlop Rd, Stewarton KA3 5LP  
 T: 01560 482494 www.dunlopdairy.co.uk

Dunlop Dairy is a Traditional Ayrshire Dunlop cheesemaker, with a range of farmhouse Scottish cheeses you can taste and buy in our Cheese Shop and Tearoom.



Open: Cheese shop: Daily, 9am - 5pm. Tearoom: Daily, 10am - 4pm  
 Admission: Good parking and disabled access. Find us on the A735 between Dunlop and Stewarton.

Look out for the **Taste Our Best** logo, a sign that great quality Scottish food and drink is on the menu.



To find out more go to **visitscotland.com/tasteourbest**





**Cecchini's Restaurant and Bar**  
 72-74 Fort Street, Wellington Square, Ayr KA7 1EH  
 T: 01292 263607  
 ayr@cecchinis.com www.cecchinis.com

Cecchini's is a well-established family run business specialising in Italian cuisine and continental cooking. The stylish restaurant is located in Ayr town centre near the beachfront and can comfortably cater for larger parties. Serving food all day from 10am. Breakfast, lunches, dinners, Italian beers, fine wines & cocktails.

Open: All year. Daily, 10am-late

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**The Fish Works**  
 3 The Promenade, Largs, Ayrshire KA30 8BG  
 T: 01475 674111  
 hello@thefishworks.co.uk www.thefishworks.co.uk

The Fish Works is a family run business offering fresh quality Scottish seafood made to order. Located on the Promenade in Largs. Winner of Best Fish & Chip Shop in Scotland & Best Newcomer at The Dine In Awards 2017. Top 10 Best Newcomer at the National Fish & Chip Awards 2018 and awarded a Taste Our Best Scotland Award 17/18.

- High-quality, traditional, freshly sourced food
- Family friendly
- Everything made to order



Open: All year: Daily, 12-9pm.  
 Admission: Find us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter @fishworkslargs



**Waterfront Bar and Restaurant**  
 The Waterfront 4 South Harbour Street KA7 1HZ  
 T: 01292 280212  
 info@waterfront-ayr.co.uk www.waterfront-ayr.co.uk

Situated on South Harbour Street, The Waterfront has spectacular views towards Arran. The interior provides a luxurious, comfortable setting for either a quick bite to eat or a perfectly chilled glass of champagne. Outside seating area, serving food and drink from April to September.

Open: All year. Cakes and pastries, 10am-5pm;  
 Lunch, 12noon-2.30pm (5pm Sat & Sun);  
 Afternoon menu, 12noon-5pm; Dinner, 5-9pm.

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**The Lighthouse Restaurant**  
 Pirmill, Isle of Arran KA27 8HP  
 T: 01770 850240  
 www.thelighthousearran@gmail.com  
 thelighthousearran.co.uk/  
 Tea, coffee and scones. Light lunches, evening meals, fresh seafood and local produce. BYOB. Children menu available. Booking advisable.

Open: Feb-29 Oct: Tues-Sun, 10am-3.30pm; 5-9.30pm. Closed Mon.



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[www.croftersmusicbar.com](http://www.croftersmusicbar.com)



## Tours

## Cruises



## GIRVAN

B5

## Ailsa Craig Trips

7 Harbour Street, Girvan KA26 9AJ  
 T: 01465 713219 M: 0777 379 4358  
 mccrindlem@aol.com www.ailsacraig.org.uk  
 See spectacular wildlife around Ailsa Craig.  
 Prime location for bird enthusiasts and  
 hillwalkers. Many years of experience. Fishing  
 trips available.



Open: Daily from Girvan Harbour.  
 Admission: Fully licenced vessel that can carry 12 passengers per trip.

## KILMARNOCK

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## The Palace Theatre

9 Green Street, Kilmarnock KA1 3BN  
 T: 01563 554900

Boxoffice@eastayrshireleisure.com  
 www.eastayrshireleisure.com

Ayrshire's premier entertainment venue offers a wonderfully varied programme throughout the year including comedy, music, drama, dance, variety and more.



★ ★ ★ Arts Venue



Open: All year. Tues-Sat, 10am-4.30pm and show nights.

## Events &amp; festivals

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# LARGS Viking FESTIVAL

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8th September 2019

[www.largsvikingfestival.org](http://www.largsvikingfestival.org)

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## AYR

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## Ayr County Show

Mrs Lorraine Murdoch, Gibbs Yard Steading,  
 Auchincruive, Ayr KA6 5HW  
 T: 0845 2011460 M: 07753 806670  
 lorrainem@ayrcountyshow.co.uk  
 www.ayrcountyshow.co.uk

Ayr County Show is one of the largest one-day  
 agricultural horse shows in the west of  
 Scotland held on Saturday 11th May 2019.



Open: The event includes exhibition & competition of many types of  
 animals, trade stands, food & crafts, tug-o-war, vintage  
 tractors, music, kids marquee, truck Ayr lorry show and great  
 family entertainment.

Admission: Adult - £15 / Kids go FREE / Parking £4



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Family Fun

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FAIRLIE, by LARGS B2



**Kelburn Castle & Country Centre**  
 Fairlie, near Largs KA29 0BE  
 T: 01475 568685 admin@kelburncountrycentre.com  
 www.kelburnestate.com

A Secret Forest and an amazing events programme makes Kelburn Country Centre one of Scotland's most thrilling days out for families. Based around a 13th Century castle that's had an incredible makeover, the estate near Largs also features stunning glen walks and waterfalls, beautiful gardens and much more!

- Centre open daily Easter-October
- Castle open for tours from July-August
- See website for details.

★★★ Visitor Attraction



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FENWICK (1 mile) C3



**Craufurdland Estate and Laird's Table**  
 Craufurdland Estate, Fenwick, Ayrshire KA3 6BW  
 T: 01560 600003 T: 01560 600569  
 info@craufurdland.co.uk www.craufurdland.co.uk

Lairds Table Cafe/Restaurant which offers Breakfast, Brunch, Lunch, Afternoon Tea and Dinner, all overlooking the fabulous Craufurdland Lochan. Flyfishing available from one of 36 pegs at Craufurdland Lochan. 10km of varied mountain bike trails through woods, plus walking paths for all abilities. Archery available (booking required). Other group activities organised.



- Adventure Runs
- Crate Climbing

★★★ Activity Centre



KILMARNOCK C3



**The Galleon Centre**  
 99 Titchfield Street, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire KA1 1QY  
 T: 01563 524014 adminoffice@galleoncentre.com  
 www.galleoncentre.com

Located in Kilmarnock and provides facilities the whole family can enjoy. As well as providing facilities for swimming, Galleon Leisure Centre houses an ice rink, bowling hall, two sports halls, squash courts, a sauna suite, a superb fitness room and two bars. Crèche and youth activity programmes available. You can book courts for badminton, short tennis, basketball and many other sports.

- Crèche
- Function suite
- Ice rink
- Youth activity programme
- Bowling

★★★★ Leisure Centre





## 44 ACCOMMODATION

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| <b>AYR</b>   |  | ★★★★★ Guest House <b>C3</b>  |   |
| <b>26 The Crescent</b><br>Luxurious guest house in quiet location. Easy access to shops and seafront.                  |  | Sgl (1)<br>Dbl/twn (1)<br>Dbl (3)<br>Twn (1)<br>Ensuite (6)                        | <b>£55-£85 prpn</b><br><b>£77-£85 prpn</b><br><b>£77-£110 prpn</b><br><b>£77-£85 prpn</b> |
| Justin Pettit, 26 Bellevue Crescent, Ayr KA7 2DR<br>T: 01292 287329 enquiries@26crescent.co.uk<br>www.26crescent.co.uk |  |  |   |
|                                        |  | Open: All year   |   |

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| <b>AYR</b>   |  | ★★ Guest House <b>C3</b>   |  |
| <b>Eglinton House</b><br>Listed Victorian terrace, facing tennis courts, 5 min walk to beach and swimming pool. 7 min walk to the low green, swing park, soft play. One mile to Ayr Racecourse, four miles to Prestwick airport. |  | Sgl (1)<br>Dbl (2)<br>Twn (1)<br>Fam (2)<br>Ensuite (3)                            | <b>from £36 pppn</b><br><b>from £71 prpn</b><br><b>from £66 prpn</b><br><b>from £86 prpn</b> |
| Peter & Julia Clark, 23 Eglinton Terrace, Ayr KA7 1JJ<br>T: 01292 264623 M: 0771 510 6858<br>eglintonguesthouse@yahoo.co.uk www.eglintonguesthouse.com   |  |  |  |
|    |  | Open: All year (exc Xmas)  |  |

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| <b>AYR</b>   |  | ★★★★ Hotel <b>C3</b>   |   |
| <b>Fairfield House Hotel</b><br>The 4 star Fairfield House Hotel basks in a picturesque seafront location on the Ayrshire coast, with spectacular views across the waters to the Isle of Arran. Award-winning restaurant and extensive leisure facilities. |  | Sgl (1)<br>Dbl (24)<br>Twn (12)<br>Fam (7)<br>Ensuite (44)                         | <b>£69-£99 prpn</b><br><b>£79-£189 prpn</b><br><b>£79-£129 prpn</b><br><b>£89-£139 prpn</b> |
| Fairfield House Hotel, 12 Fairfield Road, Ayr KA7 2AS<br>T: 01292 267461 www.fairfieldhotel.co.uk  |  |  |   |
|    |  | Open: All year   |   |

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| <b>AYR</b>   |  | ★★★★ Small Holiday Park <b>C3</b>   |  |
| <b>Crofthead Holiday Park</b><br>Ayr's premier, 4 star family-run holiday park. Offering a relaxing & peaceful ambiance, surrounded by beautiful Ayrshire countryside. 2 miles from Ayr town centre & beach. |  | Caravans<br>Sleeps (4)<br>Touring Pitches<br>Lodges(17)                             | <b>from £215 Per Week</b><br><b>£79-£189 prpn</b><br><b>£22.50 Per Night</b><br><b>£89-£139 prpn</b> |
| McNairston Road, Ayr KA6 6EN<br>T: 01292 263516 info@croftheadholidaypark.co.uk<br>www.croftheadholidaypark.co.uk  |  |  |  |
|    |  | Open: All year  |  |

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| <b>AYR (3 miles)</b>  |  | ★★★★ Holiday Park <b>C4</b>  |   |
| <b>Craig Tara Holiday Park</b><br>All-action park with great facilities and breathtaking sea views. |  | Caravans(256)<br>Sleeps (6-8)<br>Touring Pitches(44)                                 | <b>£309-£1,209 Per Week</b><br><b>£14-£75 Per Night</b> |
| Dunure Road, Ayr KA7 4LB<br>T: 01292 265141 craigtara@haven.com<br>www.haven.com/craigtara          |  |  |   |
|                   |  | Open: 8 Mar-Nov 2019   |   |

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| <b>BLACKWATERFOOT, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>  |  | Bed and Breakfast <b>A3</b>  |   |
| <b>Lochside B&amp;B</b><br>Family run B&B situated in a beautiful peaceful location with stunning views over the Kilbrannan Sound towards the Kintyre Peninsula. Walking distance to the village of Blackwaterfoot. |  | Sgl (1)<br>Dbl (2)<br>Twn (1)<br>Fam (1)<br>Ensuite (5)                              | <b>£45-£60 prpn</b><br><b>£75-£90 prpn</b><br><b>£75-£90 prpn</b><br><b>£90-£105 prpn</b> |
| Lochside B&B, Kilpatrick, Blackwaterfoot, Isle of Arran KA27 8EY<br>T: 01770 860276 info@lochside-arran.co.uk<br>www.lochside-arran.co.uk   |  |  |   |
|   |  | Open: Mid Mar-Mid Oct  |   |

**BLACKWATERFOOT, ISLE OF ARRAN**

Guest House **A3**

**Blackwaterfoot Lodge & Restaurant and Bar**

We're 50 yards from Blackwaterfoot's picturesque harbour and a short stroll from the sandy beach and 12 hole links golf course. A warm welcome awaits: open fires, licensed bar and and exceptional cuisine.

Ian, Ann, or David, Blackwaterfoot Lodge, Isle of Arran KA27 8EU  
T: 01770 860202 mail@blackwaterfoot-lodge.co.uk  
www.blackwaterfoot-lodge.co.uk

- Db1/twn (1) £80-£95 prpn
- Db1 (3) £80-£95 prpn
- Twn (2) £80-£95 prpn
- Fam (1) £80-£120 prpn
- Ensuite (6) Private (1)



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Open: Mar-Nov

**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN**

★★★ Bed and Breakfast **D2**

**Glenn House Bed & Breakfast**

Situated opposite Brodick Golf Course in a secluded garden, overlooking the bay to the castle, an ideal base for walkers. Breakfast is served using local produce if possible. Minimum stay 2 nights.

Brodick, Isle of Arran KA27 8DW  
T: 01770 302092 meteyard05@btinternet.com

- Sgl (1) from £35 pppn
- Twn (2) from £35 pppn
- Ensuite (3)



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Open: All year

**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN**

Guest House **A3**

**Allandale House**

Comfortable guest house in a quiet location, only 7 minutes walk from the ferry. Private parking. Two ground floor annexe rooms and four on the first floor. Warm welcome and good breakfast (winter months room only).

Mrs. Ann Keizer, Allandale House, Corriegills Road, Brodick, Arran KA27 8BJ  
T: 01770 302278 info@allandalehouse.co.uk  
www.allandalehouse.co.uk

- Db1 (2) £80 prpn
- Twn (1) £80 prpn
- Fam (3) £86-£99 prpn
- Ensuite (5) Private (1)



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Open: Feb-Nov

**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN**

★★★ Guest House **A3**

**Carrick Lodge**

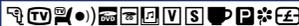
Carrick Lodge is a beautiful, sandstone building only 450 yards from Brodick Pier. Sitting in its own mature gardens, Carrick Lodge enjoys enviable views across the bay to Brodick Castle and Goatfell.

Pier Brae, Brodick, Isle of Arran KA27 8BH  
T: 01770 302550 faithhrobertson@gmail.com  
www.carricklodge.co.uk

- Sgl (1) £40-£46 pppn
- Db1 (2) £40-£46 pppn
- Twn (2) £40-£46 pppn
- Fam (1) £40-£46 pppn
- Ensuite (5) Private (1)



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Open: All year

**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN**

★★★★ Guest House **A3**

**Dunvegan House**

4 star guest house. Short walk from pier with views across Brodick bay towards Arran mountains. Full Scottish breakfast and evening meals. Individually appointed bedrooms with heating, hostess tray, TV, WiFi.

Helen McAdam, 58 Shore Road, Brodick, Isle of Arran KA27 8AJ  
T: 01770 302811 M: 0776 077 3996  
dunveganhouse1@hotmail.com www.dunveganhouse.co.uk

- Sgl (2) £60 pppn
- Db1/twn (6) £85 prpn
- Ensuite (8)



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Open: All year (excl Xmas & NY)

**BRODICK, ISLE OF ARRAN**

★★★ Guest House **A3**

**The Invercloy**

Friendly guest house, overlooking Brodick bay, near to all amenities. Deluxe rooms available with sea views.

Shore Road, Brodick, Isle of Arran KA27 8AJ  
T: 01770 302225 F: 01770 303828  
invercloytd@btconnect.com

- Db1/twn (9) from £85 prpn
- Fam (1) £95-£100 prpn
- Ensuite (10)



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Open: All year

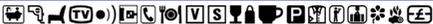
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| <b>COLMONELL</b>  |  | ★★★ to ★★★★★ Self Catering                    | <b>B5</b>  |
| <b>Stinchar Cottages</b>  |  | £150-£425 Per Week                            |  |
| Come and relax in quiet country locations. Stunning views of surrounding hills and only a short drive to the spectacular Ayrshire coast with breathtaking views of Ailsa Craig and Arran. Short breaks available. |  | Cottage (4)<br>Bedrooms (1-3)<br>Sleeps (1-6) |  |
| Anne Shankland, 19 Main Street, Colmonell, by Girvan, Ayrshire KA26 0RY<br>T: 01465 881265 M: 0779 984 1640<br>manta87@hotmail.co.uk www.stincharcottages.co.uk   |  |   |  |
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| <b>GAILES</b>  |  | ★★★★ Hotel                              | <b>B3</b>  |
| <b>The Gailes Hotel</b>  |  | Dbl/twn (35)<br>Fam (5)<br>Ensuite (40) |  |
| Situated in the heart of Ayrshire & surrounded by rolling countryside, beaches & championship golf courses. Luxury penthouse & bedrooms, excellent dining options & brand new health club/spa in 2019. |  | £79-£149 prpn<br>£109-£179 prpn         |  |
| Marine Dr, Irvine KA11 5AE<br>T: 01294 204040 info@simsinns.com<br>www.gaileshotel.com   |  |   |  |
|    |  | <b>SB</b>                               | Open: All year   |

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| <b>KILMARNOCK</b>   |  | Bed and Breakfast   | <b>C3</b>  |
| <b>Dalmusternock Farmhouse B&amp;B</b>  |  | Dbl (2)<br>Ensuite (1)  |  |
| Set in 150 acres of beautiful Ayrshire countryside, Dalmusternock has easy access on/off A77. We are ideally situated to visit Burns country, 15 miles from Ayr, 14 miles from Mauchline. |  | from £50 prpn<br>Private (1)  |  |
| Dalmusternock Farm, Glasgow Rd, Kilmarnock KA3 6AG<br>T: 01560 600240 www.dalmusternock.co.uk/  |  |   |  |
|   |  |  | Open: All year   |

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| <b>LAGG, KILMORY, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>   |  | ★★★ Hotel   | <b>A3</b>   |
| <b>The Lagg Hotel</b>   |  | Sgl (2)<br>Dbl/twn (4)<br>Dbl (5)<br>Fam (2)<br>Ensuite (13)                        |  |
| Nestling in a unique location at the south end of the island. Arran's oldest coaching inn offers a very warm, friendly welcome with amazing food and great hospitality. |  | £65 prpn<br>£125 prpn<br>£90-£160 prpn<br>£135 prpn                                 |   |
| Peter & Mary Bowers, Lagg, Kilmory, Isle of Arran KA27 8PQ<br>T: 01770 870255 F: 01770 870250<br>info@lagghotel.com www.lagghotel.com                                   |  |   |   |
|   |  |  | Open: Apr-Oct   |

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| <b>LAMLASH, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>  |  | Guest House                           | <b>A3</b>  |
| <b>Monamore Guest House</b>  |  | Dbl/twn (3)<br>Dbl (1)<br>Ensuite (4) |  |
| Nestled among 3 acres of natural woodland, lawn & wildlife garden & only a 5min walk from the centre of Lamlash. Well behaved dogs are welcome in the rooms & garden & can join their owners at breakfast. |  | £110-£130 prpn<br>from £100 prpn      |  |
| Emily McIntosh, Cordon, Lamlash, Isle of Arran KA27 8NQ<br>T: 01770 600621 info@monamore-arran.co.uk<br>www.monamore-arran.co.uk   |  |                                       |  |
|    |  | ●                                     | Open: February - October   |

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| <b>LAMLASH, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>   |  | Small Hotel   | <b>A3</b>  |
| <b>Glenisle Hotel</b>   |  | Sgl (2)<br>Dbl/twn (11)<br>Ensuite (13)   |  |
| Lovingly refurbished ancient island inn with stunning views across Lamlash Bay to the Holy Isle. Sea view terrace in summer: open log fires in winter. Awarded Best Small Country Hotel in the Scottish Islands 2016. |  | £94-£98 prpn<br>£129-£228 prpn  |  |
| Shore Road, Lamlash, Isle of Arran KA27 8LY<br>T: 01770 600559 F: 01770 600966<br>enquiries@glenislehotel.com www.glenislehotel.com   |  |   |  |
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| <b>LARGS</b>  |  | <b>★★★ Hotel B2</b>  |
| <b>Willowbank Hotel</b>   |  |  |
| <p>A warm welcome awaits at this family owned, professionally run hotel in the beautiful Clyde coast town of Largs. Featuring all the facilities required to enable guests to enjoy a relaxed and comfortable stay.</p> <p>Iain Smith, 96 Greenock Road, Largs, North Ayrshire KA30 8PG<br/>                 T: 01475 672311 F: 01475 689027<br/>                 iaincsmith@btconnect.com www.thewillowbankhotel.co.uk</p> |  |  |
| <p>Sgl (3) £70-£75 prpn<br/>                 Dbl/twn (3) £100-£150 prpn<br/>                 Dbl (7) £80-£120 prpn<br/>                 Twn (14) £80-£120 prpn<br/>                 Fam (1) £100-£150 prpn<br/>                 Ensuite (28)</p>  |  |  |
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|   |  | Open: All year   |

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| <b>LARGS</b>   |  | <b>★★★ Self Catering B2</b>  |
| <b>Haus Saron</b>  |  |  |
| <p>Haus Saron is set in secluded gardens and woodlands. Within the grounds is the first floor Zion House sleeping six in three bedrooms. Seashore and town centre are within easy walking distance.</p> <p>Mr &amp; Mrs T Marshall, 106 Greenock Road, Largs, Ayrshire KA30 8PG<br/>                 T: 01475 673162 M: 0797 119 8628<br/>                 haussaron@aol.com www.haussaron.co.uk</p> |  |  |
| <p>£320-£560 Per Week<br/>                 House (1)<br/>                 Bedrooms (3)<br/>                 Sleeps (6)</p>   |  |  |
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| <b>MACHRIE, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>   |  | <b>★★★ Self Catering A3</b>  |
| <b>Balnagore</b>  |  |  |
| <p>Well appointed farmhouse with stunning views. Large comfortable sitting room, dining area, another small sitting room. Full electric heating. 2 bathrooms, shower room. 2 dogs welcome.</p> <p>Balnagore, Mrs Boscawen, Jackson's Cottage, Rudgwick, West Sussex RH12 3AB<br/>                 T: 01403 822364 judyboscawen@yahoo.co.uk<br/>                 www.arran-holidaycottages.co.uk</p> |  |  |
| <p>£420-£1,030 Per Week<br/>                 Farmhouse (1)<br/>                 Bedrooms (6)<br/>                 Sleeps (11)</p>   |  |  |
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| <b>MACHRIE, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>   |  | <b>★★★★ Self Catering A3</b>  |
| <b>Cairnfield</b>   |  |  |
| <p>Spacious house with great views to Kintyre. A few minutes walk to sea. Full electric heating, 2 coal fires, great sitting room, dining room, small sitting room, good kitchen, 4 bathrooms, shower room. 2 dogs welcome.</p> <p>Cairnfield, Mrs Boscawen, Jackson's Cottage, Rudgwick, West Sussex RH12 3AB<br/>                 T: 01403 822364 judyboscawen@yahoo.co.uk<br/>                 www.arran-holidaycottages.co.uk</p> |  |   |
| <p>£500-£1,140 Per Week<br/>                 Farmhouse (1)<br/>                 Bedrooms (6)<br/>                 Sleeps (10)</p>   |  |   |
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| <b>MACHRIE, ISLE OF ARRAN</b>   |  | <b>★★★★ Self Catering A3</b>   |
| <b>Rowanbank</b>  |  |  |
| <p>Set in a hamlet with superb views of hills &amp; sea. 9 hole golf course a mile away. Enclosed garden. 4 min walk to sea. 2 open fires, 2 twin/double rooms with adjoining bathrooms. 2 dogs welcome.</p> <p>Rowanbank, Mrs Boscawen, Jackson's Cottage, Rudgwick, West Sussex RH12 3AB<br/>                 T: 01403 822364 judyboscawen@yahoo.co.uk<br/>                 www.arran-holidaycottages.co.uk</p> |  |  |
| <p>£360-£600 Per Week<br/>                 Cottage (1)<br/>                 Bedrooms (2/3)<br/>                 Sleeps (5)</p>  |  |  |
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| <p>£360-£600 Per Week<br/>                 Cottage (1)<br/>                 Bedrooms (2/3)<br/>                 Sleeps (5)</p>  |  |  |
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★★★ Guest House **B2**

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Sgl (4) £60-£120 pppn  
Dbl (5) £85-£120 pppn  
Twn (5) £85-£95 pppn  
Fam (2) £120 pppn  
Ensuite (5)



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Open: 1 Mar-30 Nov

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★★★ Self Catering **A3**

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Open: All year

**TROON**

★★★★ Hotel **C3**

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www.oldloansinn.co.uk

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★★★★ Hotel **C3**

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www.piersland.co.uk

Sgl (1) from £65 pppn  
Dbl/twn (37) from £42.50 pppn  
Ensuite (38)



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**TROON**

★★★ Hotel **C3**

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Dbl (12) £70-£110 prpn  
Twn (13) £70-£110 prpn  
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Ensuite (32)



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Open: All year

**TURNBERRY**

★★★ Hotel **B4**

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T: 01655 331457 F: 01655 331072  
info@malincourt.co.uk www.malincourt.co.uk

Sgl (1) £60-£90 prpn  
Dbl/twn (8) £80-£150 prpn  
Dbl (9) £80-£150 prpn  
Fam £80-£150 prpn  
Ensuite (18)



Open: All year

**WEST KILBRIDE**

★★★★ Hotel **D3**

**Seamill Hydro**

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T: 01294 822217 Claire.Palmer@seamillhydro.co.uk  
www.seamillhydro.co.uk

Dbl (4) £130-£180 prpn  
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Ensuite (5)



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**WEST KILBRIDE**

★★★★ Hotel **B2**

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www.watersideayrshire.com

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For further information please e-mail Jan Wilkie on: [jan.wilkie@garrisonhousecumbrae.org.uk](mailto:jan.wilkie@garrisonhousecumbrae.org.uk) or Call Garrison House on: **01475 531381**



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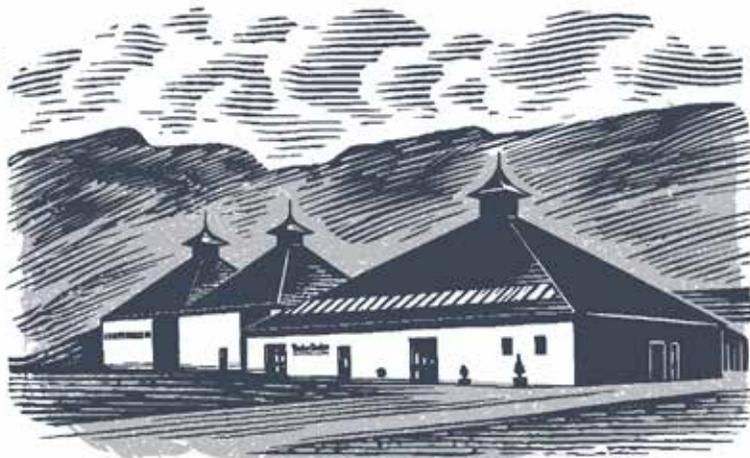


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