Dervaig Village Hall Bunkrooms



You will find some information about the island, local walks, boat and wildlife tours, things to do and places to eat.

If we can assist in any way, please get in touch.
Em (07919) 870 664.

Villages on the Island

Tobermory

Tobermory was built as a fishing port in the late eighteenth century and is the main town on Mull. It has brightly painted buildings along the Main Street and has wooded hills surrounding the Bay. The town has a good variety of shops, cafes and restaurants and is the administrative centre for the island. The harbour and its marine centre is often busy with fishing and sailing boats, as well as the ferry, which takes people and vehicles to and from Kilchoan on the Ardnamurchan Peninsula.

Amenities: post office, restaurants, cafe's, arts centre, museum, theatre, ferry terminal, marine harvest centre, bank, bakery, gift shops, filling station, distillery and more.

Dervaig

Dervaig stands at the head of Loch Cuin and has an attractive old centre with a beautiful church, which stands out due to its distinctive pencil tower. The village is convieiently located between Tobermory and Calgary Beach (Where there is also a tearoom and gallery).

You will find the oldest Inn on the island here (The Bellachroy) and a heritage centre and tea room at The Old Byre.

Amenities: village hall, village shop (with post office) and Pub (The Bellachroy).

Salen

Salen is a small village on the east coast of Mull, with an approximate population of 200 situated 15 minutes drive North of the ferry terminal at Craignure. From Salen its also around 15 mins drive North to Tobermory.

Salen has a couple of places to eat including an Italian restaurant.

There is a SPAR shop with a good selection of food, produce, gifts and toys.

There is a Fuel filling station and garage in the village too.

Amenities: SPAR shop with post office, café, restaurant, and public bar at the Salen Hotel.

There is also a Doctors Surgery.

Craignure

Craignure is where the Oban to Mull ferry arrives on the island. There are a number of attractions all within easy reach of Craignure, including a forestry walk at Scallastle (North side of the village). The Isle of Mull Hotel just North of the village has a gym, swimming pool and spa. Duart castle and Craignure golf course is also nearby.

Worth checking out Arlene's café.

Tourist Information is located next to the ferry ticket office.

Amenities: SPAR shop with post office, pub with ATM, a couple of eateries and café's, An Roth community centre with charity shop, golf course, village hall and swimming pool.

Bunessan

Bunessan is the largest village on the Ross of Mull, the southwestern peninsula of the island. The village is set around the head of Loch na Lathaich and is sheltered by the island of Eilean Ban.

At Bunessan, the Ross of Mull narrows to less than 2 miles in width and the area is known for its fantastic beaches and interesting geology.

Amenities: Village shop, pub (Argyll Arms), café, Ross of Mull historical centre, police station and village hall.

Fionnphort

Fionnphort (pronounced fin-a-fort) is Mull's most westerly village (also on the Ross of Mull). For centuries it has been best known as the place where pilgrims and tourists heading to lona start the last leg of their journey, by sea across the sound of lona. Nowadays, many also come here to take boat trips to Staffa (Fingal's cave) or the Treshnish Isles, or to see the local sea life.

Amenities: Ferry to Iona, Village shop (with ATM), post office, café and pub.

Walking on Mull

You can buy maps from most village shops on the island, and guide books from the tourist information shop in Craignure, or from tackle and Books in Tobermory.

The Ordnance survey maps are very useful and Mull is covered by the following:-

- 1. OS Explorer 374 North Mull.
- 2. OS Explorer 375 Central and East Mull.
- 3. OS Explorer 373 Iona and the Ross of Mull.

Coastline and Beaches

The Isle of Mull has a fantastic coastline, there are dramatic cliffs, terraced plateaus and shingle and sandy beaches to explore.

The North

Ulva

Just off the west coast of the Isle of Mull is the beautiful Isle of Ulva. Enjoy a meal or light refreshment in The Boathouse, learn about the history of the island in Sheila's cottage or follow one of the paths through the woodland, shore, farmland and moorland.

The foot passenger ferry is called using the sign board.

<u>Calgary Beach</u> is probably the best-known beach on Mull, located in the north of the island about five miles west of Dervaig.

A beautiful sweeping horseshoe bay backed by wooded hills.

Langamull Beach is situated on the island's north coast.

A track heads north towards the wide beach which is divided into a sandy bay, and a mix of rock pools and sands backed by machair.

<u>Traigh na Cille</u> is located below Kilninian on Mull's northwest coast. A beautiful beach with dark grey sands and views to the Treshnish Isles.

<u>Croig</u> has several sandy beaches to explore within walking distance of the pier. Port na Ba is great for a swim in the summer.

South and Central Mull

<u>Aros</u> has a nice sand and shingle beach – <u>Port an Tobire</u>, located below the ruins of Aros Castle.

<u>Gribun Beach</u> has a dramatic setting below the cliffs on Mull's west coast. As well as the sandy beach there are also interesting geological formations in the rock here.

<u>Duart Beach</u> near the castle and on Duart Bay is a small sandy bay, a lovely place for a paddle when the tide is right.

Port Donain is located in Mull's southeast corner.

A track can be followed to the beach which sits at the head of a little bay. This beach of grey sands is backed by woodland.

<u>Laggan Sands</u> is located in Lochbuie and is one of Mull's finest beaches.

QA beautiful wide and long patch of pale grey sands with stunning surroundings. Snacks and drinks can be purchased at the Old Post Office by the parking area in Lochbuie.

<u>Portfield Beach</u> is reached via a lovely walk from Croggan in Mull's southeast. A beautiful sandy beach, nestled beside a rocky coast and oak woodlands.

Ross of Mull

<u>Carsaig Beach</u> is a mix of fine grey sands and shingle and has a fantastic location beside the dramatic cliffs of Carsaig. There also tends to be more waves here than at Mull's other beaches.

<u>Market Bay</u> is reached via a walk towards Mull's north coast at the Camas centre. The bays are made of idyllic white sands and there are nice views towards north Mull.

<u>Kilvickeon Beach</u> is reached via a rough gravel road signposted to Scoor. There are parking spaces opposite Kilvickeon old parish church and cemetery. The beach is superb, a wide white bay with an island in the middle. This area is a very good starting point for exploring a number of other little bays.

<u>Ardalanish Beach</u> is one of Mull's longest. A beach of fine white sands facing south, with great views towards Jura and Islay.

There are notable meadow plants here in the summer.

<u>Fionnphort Beach</u> is located right beside the village and is a lovely sandy bay with a large split, it is sheltered by a number of small islands and is backed by pastures and scattered houses.

Knockvologan has a superb pristine white sandy beach with a tidal sandbar connecting it to the Island of Erraid. There are quite a few bays around the coastline to explore.

Wildlife Tours

There are lots of wildlife operators on the island offering all kinds of excursions for wildlife and bird watching enthusiasts. They can be a good way to start your week as the guides will give you a good idea of where to look and what you can find on the island. They offer full day out, usually including lunch.

Island Encounters

Enjoy a day watching all species of wildlife on the Isle of Mull with Nigel Shannon, a lifelong wildlife enthusiast who has lived on Mull for over 10 years. (01681) 700090.

Nature Scotland

Ewan Miles offers photography workshops, wildlife tours and star gazing experiences. Half day and full day tours are available.

https://www.naturescotland.com/

(07743) 956380.

Wild About Mull

Wildlife tours on the Ross of Mull led by Brian Rains.

http://www.wildaboutmull.co.uk/

(01688) 704229.

Mull Wildlife tours

Guided intimate tours of the beautiful Isle of Mull exploring its wildlife and landscape with Peter Hall.

https://www.mullwildlifetours.co.uk/

(01680) 812 440.

Sea Eagle Hide

The Forestry Commission bird hide has been specially designed for viewing the Isle of Mulls celebrity Sea Eagles. Booking is essential. Call (01680)812556 For more information.

Mull Magic Walking Tours

Providing many different guided walks ranging from easy graded rambles to more strenuous mountain walks. Based in Tobermory. Ruth Fleming (01866) 301213.

http://www.mullmagic.com/

Boat Trips

Mull has an excellent range of boat trips being run from different starting points on the island. There are whale watching tours as well as trips to Staffa and the Treshnish Isles. These tours make a fantastic day out and provide a very good chance of seeing marine life too.

Treshnish isles

There are various operators making trips out to the Treshnish Isles, departing from Ulva Ferry, Fionnphort and Tobermory and often landing on Lunga, the largest of the Treshnish group where Puffin's can be seen at the right time of year (mid-April to early August).

Staffa

Staffa is a geological wonder and worthy of a visit at anytime of year, but in the spring and summer when the puffin's are resident it's a must. Most trips will give you one hour ashore which is plenty of time to explore Fingal's cave and venture to the top of the island.

Turus Mara - 01688 400242 depart from Ulva Ferry.

https://www.turusmara.com/

Staffa Trips – 01681 700385 depart from Fionnphort and can return you there or on to Iona.

https://www.staffatrips.co.uk/?gclid=CjwKCAjw3cSSBhBGEiwAVII 0Z5JkccHkRUBFE83a7n9LXHJs4j7FqctBrdET6z5BawiAhnPpa0qV cBoC154QAvD BwE

Staffa Tours – 07831 885985 or 01681 700338 depart from Iona, Fionnphort and Tobermory.

https://www.staffatours.com/

Whale Watching

<u>Sea Life Surveys</u> (01688) 302916 operate dedicated whale watching trips departing from Tobermory.

Whalewatchwithus (01688) 302875 are also based in Tobermory and specialise in whale and wildlife sea safaris.

Sea Eagle Boat Trip

http://www.mullcharters.com/

(01680) 300444

Mull Charters run a popular trip feeding Sea Eagles from their boats on Loch na Keel. They regularly have Eagles taking fish from the surface of the sea as close as 25 feet away. The trip lasts 3 Hours.

Eating Out

Not every cafe and restaurant is covered here, just a range across the island for you to have a look at as a starting point.

The Glenforsa Hotel - Glenforsa.

Bar, Restaurant and Rooms on the Isle of Mull.

Sheltered in private woodland, with open sea and mountain views, guests from all over the world have chosen this unique location for celebrations and reunions with likeminded lovers of good food, whiskey, and breathtaking scenery.

(01680) 300 377.

https://www.glenforsa.com/

<u>Macgochans – Tobermory.</u>

Located next to the marine harbour centre and is a pub and bar serving lunches and evening meals with indoor and outdoor seating.

(01688) 302 350.

https://macgochans-tobermory.co.uk/

The Mishnish - Tobermory

A pub on the harbour front in Tobermory, has open fires and served bar meals. It has a nice restaurant too. (The Mishdish). (01688) 302 500.

https://themishnish.co.uk/

Am Birlinn Restaurant - Penmore

Situated between Dervaig and Calgary serving the freshest of Mull and Scotland's produce. Open for lunches and evening meals. (01688) 400 619.

https://ambirlinn.com/

An Tobar café – Tobermory

Within the art centre building in Tobermory the cafe has an open fire, nice views and lovely fresh cooked food and drinks.

(01688) 302 211.

https://www.antobarandmulltheatre.co.uk/

<u>Highland Cottage – Tobermory</u>

Hotel and restaurant on Breadabane Street in Tobermory. Fine dining with an award-winning restaurant. (2 AA Rosettes). (01688) 302 030.

http://www.highlandcottage.co.uk/

Café Fish - Tobermory

Freshly caught seafood from one award winning restaurant with superb harbour views.

(01688) 301 253.

http://www.thecafefish.com/

The Pier Café - Tobermory

The Pier café is situated on the harbour front in Tobermory. The Cafe sits in part of the ferry terminal building which is located by the slipway below Cafe Fish.

(07786) 197 377.

https://m.facebook.com/thepiercafetobermory?_rdr

The Keel Row - Fionnphort

Located in Keel Row is a pub with a bar that serves evening meals and lunches. As well as the bar and dining area, the Keel Row has a nice beer garden with views over the beach and sea.

(01681) 700 458.

http://www.thekeelrow.com/

Ninth Wave Restaurant - Fionnphort

Situated just outside of finished for an is dedicated to lovers of great food, comfortable surroundings, and fine wine.

(01681) 700 757.

https://www.ninthwaverestaurant.co.uk/

The Creel Seafood Bar - Fionnphort

The Creel is situated beside the lona ferry slipway to Fionnphort. Specialising in fresh local seafood, you can get delicious food to takeaway or use the seating area and enjoy the superb sea views.

https://en-gb.facebook.com/pages/category/Seafood-Restaurant/The-Creel-Seafood-Bar-767808459971629/

The Western Isles Hotel - Tobermory

Office lunches, coffee, and cakes - fantastic views from Conservatory and terrace which is in an elevated position over Tobermory harbour.

(01688) 302 012.

https://www.westernisleshotel.com/

The Old Post Office - Lochbuie

A purpose built tea room on the shores of Lochbuie providing delicious home cooked food made on the island.

www.oldpostofficelochbuie.co.uk.

The Bellachroy Inn - Dervaig

A historic drovers inn where you will find fresh local seafood and traditional Scottish specialities, homemade desserts, local cheese, real ales, fine wines and island malts.

(01688) 400 314.

https://www.thebellachroy.co.uk/

Piece Box - Dervaig

Serving teas, coffee, cake and seafood sandwiches using local produce.

(07522) 675 404.

https://www.thepiecebox.com/

The Boathouse – Isle of Ulva

A unique dining experience on the Isle of ulva (a short boat trip from the Isle of Mull). Specialising in fresh local shellfish dishes (landed from the family boat) and delicious home baking. Enjoy fantastic lunch and then take a walk around this picturesque island.

https://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Restaurant_Review-g7210157-d1727925-Reviews-The_Boathouse-Ulva The Hebrides Scotland.html

The Bakery - Tobermory

Serve sandwiches, soups and drinks in its cafe. (01688) 302 225.

https://www.tobermorybakery.com/

<u>Tiroran Hotel restaurant - Tiroran</u>

Located at to Tiroran hotel the three AA rosette awarded restaurant is Mull's most highly awarded. Serving local produce in a contemporary dining setting with views towards lock Scridain.

https://www.tiroran.com/

<u>The Galleon Bistro – Tobermory</u>

Situated behind the post office on the harbour front. It specialises in steaks, using Aberdeen Angus or highland beef from the Ardnamurchan peninsula. Lunches and evening meals.

(01688) 301 117.

https://thegalleontobermory.co.uk/

Glengorm Coffee Shop and Castle - near Tobermory

A beautiful building with a world market garden, coffee shop and gallery in its grounds.

(01688) 302 932

https://www.facebook.com/GlengormCoffeeShop/

The Chocolate Shop - Tobermory

On the harbour front in Tobermory serves delicious hot chocolate, teas, coffee and cakes.

(01688) 302526.

https://www.tobermorychocolate.com/

Arlene's - Craignure

Serves delicious roles cover cakes comity, coffee and lunches. Handmade chocolates to buy too.

(01688) 812 238.

http://arlenescoffeeshop.com/

Isle of Mull Ice Cream - Tobermory

From its sea front location in the centre of Tobermory's Main St. Put simply- is delicious!

(07867) 489 853.

http://www.isleofmullicecream.co.uk/

The Craignure Inn – Craignure

Serves lunches and evening meals in the bar and restaurant, with outdoor seating too. A real fire adds ambience to the bar on cooler evenings.

(01680) 812 305.

http://www.craignure-inn.co.uk/

The Coffee Pot - Salen.

Situated in the village of Salen, The Coffee Pots is open for good coffee's, tea's, home baking and snacks during the day. The café has a wood burning stove and wifi.

(01680) 300 555.

https://www.argyll-house.co.uk/the-coffee-pot

<u>Hebridean Lodge – Tobermory.</u>

Situated at Baliscate, outside of the town heading south. Serving lunches and evening meals using the best of the island produce.

(01688) 301 207.

http://www.hebrideanlodge.co.uk/

Pennygate Lodge - Craignure.

A guest house serving evening meals to non-residents. Lovely Georgian dining room with emphasis on local produce.

(01680) 123 333.

https://www.pennygatelodge.scot/

Hen House – Torloisk.

Serving teas, coffees home bakes and sausage rolls. Lovely views over to Ulva.

(01688) 500 238.

https://m.facebook.com/pages/category/Arts---Crafts-Store/The-Hen-House-157994518202231/

Bus Travel

The bus passes through the village and you can go to Calgary beach and Tobermory.

https://www.westcoastmotors.co.uk/services

Please see website for timetables and routes.

Regular buses from Craignure to Tobermory.

Taxis

Chris Taxi – Tobermory (07493) 886 237.
 Mull Taxi Service (07760) 426 351.

Ulva ferry Community Transport

Sustainable transport for Northwest Mull's residents and visitors. Everyone Welcome.

https://ufct.co.uk/

EMAIL US <u>info@ufct.co.uk</u>

CALL US (07775) 531 301