

## Rudh Dubh Directions PH36 4LN

Travelling North there are two routes: you can follow the A74 Glasgow/Stirling and take the M9 for Perth, then take Exit 11 to Doune/Crianlarich or you can cross Glasgow (by motorway and the Erskine Bridge) and drive up the shores of Loch Lomond on the A82 to Crianlarich.

From Crianlarich continue north on the A82, following the signs for Fort William. Two miles after you have crossed over the Ballachulish Bridge turn left and travel across Loch Linnhe using the Corran Ferry (Onich PH33 6SE). It is advisable to fill up with fuel prior to boarding the ferry.

From the Corran Ferry, the last 30 miles of road (from the outskirts of Strontian to Kilchoan) is single-track with many bends and consequently slow. Coming off the ferry, turn left and head for Salen on the A861, and then turn left again, taking the B8007 to Kilchoan. Leave yourself plenty of time for this part of the journey as it takes at least an hour and a half once you have crossed the Corran Ferry.



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When driving on single-track roads please remember that passing places are indicated with signs, and must be used to permit oncoming traffic to proceed and to allow following traffic to overtake. Always stay on the left-hand side of the road when using passing places. No one minds how slowly anybody else drives along these roads, so long as they pull in to allow following vehicles to pass; always be aware that the car behind could contain a doctor or a member of one of the emergency services. Never park in passing places (however beautiful the view might be!); they are not viewpoints.

## Rudh Dubh: Special information for arriving Guests

- Before departing for Ardnamurchan please note linen is not provided in the let. You must bring (1) double duvet cover (or sleeping bags) (2) double sheet (3) pillow cases (4) bath towel, hand towel and tea towels (5) good torch (6) good boots or wellingtons. It is essential that you load these on board before setting off. A double duvet and four pillows are provided.
- Provisions; you can do most of your food shopping locally at the Kilchoan Ferry Store.
- Plan to arrive in daylight.
- In Kilchoan turn right at the T-junction (signed Portuairk and Lighthouse). Ignore the next side road to the right (signed Achnaha and Sanna). Continue past the Sonachan Hotel (on the left, currently closed) and through the hamlet of Achosnich, ignoring the side road to the left (signed Lighthouse and Grigadale). Cross the cattle grid and descend the short but steep hill beyond into the small waterfront village of Portuairk
- Parking - turn into the side road on your right. Off-load your belongings by the turning point **and then return your car to the foot of the hill where you can leave it parked off the road on either side.** Please do not park in front of properties on the side road.
- **The key for the property is collected at the property Rudh Dubh.** The owners will advise you how you access the key.
- Rudh Dubh” can only be reached on foot by crossing a stream and walking 200 metres along a cliff track. Boots are preferable to shoes. In the dark you will need a torch, although you must plan to arrive in daylight.
- Start from the last cottage at the end of the side road - “Tighnamara” - continue by footpath through the trees and cross the stream by stepping-stones. This is difficult only on those rare occasions when the tide is exceptionally high. If the stream is flooding well over its banks, use the bridge on your right, or wait until the waters subside - one hour at the most
- Once over the stream, bear left, following the rough footpath which climbs and then descends over a small head-land. From the gated fence you will see “Rudh Dubh” and its secluded little bay immediately below.
- Power The cottage is supplied with mains electricity. Light switches and fuse box are at the entrance on your left.
- Safety - for your comfort and safety you will find detailed instructions inside the cottage. Please study these instructions carefully.
- Assistance - if you need assistance contact the owners on 07748 900100. There is no phone in the cottage, but limited mobile reception should be possible. (A back up key is held by Alistair at Tigh Na Mara (the first property on the left, with ship buoys, as you walk from Rudh Dubh and enter the hamlet Portuairk).