

Travelling to Eigg

There are 2 ferry companies operating a service to the Isle of Eigg, and their timetables are set out below. Both Mallaig and Arisaig are on the train line from Glasgow, and there is ample free car parking close to the pier at each village. We can supply the phone numbers of B & B's in Mallaig & Arisaig on request.

Caledonian MacBrayne, Mallaig Tel: 01687 462403

	Mallaig	Eigg	Eigg	Mallaig
Monday	1015	1130	1635	1750
Tuesday	1015	1245	1300	1530
Wednesday	No	Sailing	To	Eigg
Thursday	1015	1130	1310	1435
Friday	0815	1055	1110	1225
Saturday	0730	1235	1250	1405
Sunday	1425	1540	1550	2100

Arisaig Marine, Arisaig (m.v. Shearwater) Tel: 01687 450224

	Arisaig	Eigg	Eigg	Arisaig
Monday	1100	1200	1630	1730
Tuesday	1100	1200	1700	1800
Wednesday	1100	1200	1630	1730
Thursday	No	Sailing	To	Eigg
Friday	1100	1200	1630	1730
Saturday	1100	1200	1600	1700
Sunday	1100	1200	1600	1700

Train times to and from Glasgow Queen Street

The table does not include the sleepers, and there are other restrictions, so **please check with Scotrail**. Tel: 0141 332 9811

	MON	To	SAT	SUN	SUN
Glasgow	0812	1242	1812	1240	1810
Fort William	1200	1627	2210	1627	2210
Arisaig	1306	1734	2315	1734	2315
Mallaig	1322	1749	2330	1749	2330
Mallaig	0600	1030	1610	1030	1610
Arisaig	0616	1046	1626	1046	1626
Fort William	0730	1203	1742	1203	1742
Glasgow	1114	1545	2114	1545	2114

All the above are based on 2007 timetables, so please check.

The Glebe Barn is situated 1 mile from Eigg pier where there is a licensed cafe/restaurant, craft shop and general store.

Your luggage will be taken to the Glebe Barn from the pier, and transport can be arranged for participants also, but most visitors prefer to absorb their first impressions of Eigg by walking.



Terms and Conditions.

Please read the following carefully before sending in your booking form.

The £50 booking deposit is payable with the booking form. The full balance is payable on or before your arrival.

We reserve the right to cancel the course if there is insufficient interest or for other reasons beyond our control. In this event you will be notified at least six weeks beforehand and your deposit will be repaid.

If you have to cancel your booking we will be unable to return your deposit. If you cancel within 30 days of the start of the course, you will remain liable for 50% of the balance due.

Participants are expected to vacate the building by 9.30 of the morning of departure.

The course fee covers:

- Accommodation, including bed linen.
- Breakfast, packed lunch and 2 course dinner.
- Tuition fees and the cost of any materials used.
- Your luggage will be transported from the pier to the Glebe Barn on arrival, and taken back to the pier on departure.
- Plenty of hot water (showers only), and heating of the building when required.

We do not provide:

- Towels
- Travel insurance. We are unable to offer refunds for cancelled or postponed ferry sailings. We recommend you take out travel insurance to cover this possibility.
- A guarantee of continuous sunshine!

We operate a strict no smoking policy within the building.

If in any doubt please do check the level of fitness required prior to booking and indicate any known relevant medical condition.

Participants should be aware that they are fully responsible for their own safety, and that of children accompanying them, at all times.

17th – 23rd May 2008

GEOLOGY AND LANDSCAPE IN THE INNER HEBRIDES

A SUMMER COURSE AT



THE GLEBE BARN FIELD STUDY CENTRE & INDEPENDENT HOSTEL ISLE OF EIGG SCOTLAND PH42 4RL

For full details of other courses, hostel accommodation or self catering lets, please contact:

Karen and Simon Helliwell

Tel/Fax: 01687 482417

e-mail: simon@glebebarn.co.uk

www.glebebarn.co.uk



Booking Form
Geology and Landscape in the Inner Hebrides
Cost: £360

Please tear off and return to **The Glebe Barn, Isle of Eigg, PH42 4RL** with a deposit of £50. Cheques should be made payable the 'Glebe Barn'. (We regret we cannot take credit cards).

NAME (S).....

ADDRESS.....

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TELEPHONE.....

ACCOMMODATION

Please tick one of the following, and delete as necessary:

- a) I/ we are happy to share with 1 other/ 2 other people
- b) We require a twin room
- c) I require a single room, if available
 (surcharge of £90, payable on arrival)

Also, please tick or delete:

I am prepared to share a bunk room, at the reduced cost of £265

Dietary requirements, (if any)

Please detail any relevant medical information

Please tick if you are likely to chose the alternative day out with the SWT Warden John Chester.

Age range (please tick):

Under 20 20/30 30/40 40/50 50/60 Over 60

TRAVEL. Will you be coming to Eigg via:

- a) Arisaig b) Mallaig

I have read, understood and accept the terms and conditions overleaf

SIGNED.....

Dated.....

Geology and Landscape in the Inner Hebrides

The Isle of Eigg is a beautiful place to study geology at all levels. The Sgurr of Eigg commands one of the finest views in Scotland, in which all the elements of the geology of the Highlands and Islands can be seen. The Sgurr pitchstone itself is the youngest volcanic rock in the country. Its base fills a valley carved in the basalts beneath and these rest, in their turn, on fossil bearing Jurassic sedimentary rocks beautifully exposed at Laig Bay. The famous Singing Sands of the present beach are derived from them. The responses of these varied rock types to glacial erosion since the ice age and to marine erosion and landslip forces since, have shaped the present landscape and determined man's use of it.

Day outings will explore the geology of the Jurassic sandstones, with basalt dykes, at Laig Bay and the singing sands; limestones with fossils at the north end of the island, basaltic lavas with their gas bubbles and columnar joint-pattern, and the Sgurr pitchstone ridge. The islands abound with plant and bird life and for those interested the Scottish Wildlife Trust Warden John Chester will give advice in the evening on what to look out for in specific areas and help with plant identification. There will be an opportunity (Thursday) to spend a whole day out with John gaining a deeper understanding of the islands' ecology and birdlife. Several of the Geological excursions will be accompanied by SWT volunteers to assist with plant and bird identification. (Staff dependent)

Weather and ferries permitting we hope to visit the nearby Isle of Muck for views of the Sgurr from the south, Jurassic oyster beds and further igneous intrusions.(Ferry fare additional) The local geology will be put into its regional context in evening sessions.

No previous geological experience is necessary. However, **long walks are involved and participants must be fit for walking over rough, hilly terrain and rocky shores.** Older children are welcome, but participants should be aware that they are fully responsible for their own safety, and that of children accompanying them, at all times.

Tutor: Professor John Hudson

Professor John Hudson (Ph.D. Cambridge), recently retired from the University of Leicester, has over 40 years experience of studying the Geology of the area and has been the author of several papers on the subject. He is a contributor to extra mural courses. John knows the island well and has led many field study groups to Scotland and the Alps.

The Glebe Barn Field Study Centre
Isle of Eigg, PH42 4RL
Tel: 01687 482417
e-mail: simon@glebebarn.co.uk

The Glebe Barn is a charming and characterful conversion of an 18th century building. It offers comfortable accommodation with magnificent views, on a small Hebridean island of outstanding scenic beauty.

Accommodation is based on 2 people sharing, though triple or family rooms are available. If the course is well subscribed additional bunk room accommodation *may* be available at the reduced cost of £300. Single use of a room makes the fixed costs disproportionately high for other participants - do please enquire but a surcharge of £90 will be made, payable on arrival. All rooms have a wash-hand basin and bed linen is provided.

Catering includes a two course evening meal, home baking, a packed lunch and a self service continental breakfast. Participants generally assist with the setting out and clearing away of meals.



Participants will find the spacious but homely lounge/ dining room a delightful place to relax or study in. There is a good quality CD, video player and radio, but no intrusive TV. Do bring along your favourite CD or video, or if you play one, a musical instrument.

Full details of the Glebe Barn, as well as other courses that we run, are available on our website:

www.glebebarn.co.uk