

Ach na skia Croft

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Sunset over Sigg and Rum from Ach na skia Croft

From spring to Autumn the days are longer here than further south and in June it barely gets dark.

Ach na skia Croft is set in an enviable location, a mile past Arisaig (38mils. from Fort William) where the road drops down to the sea and everyone gets their cameras out when they see the incredible views across the sea to the islands. From your holiday home here you can watch the view any time you like and catch the perfect mood for the photo.



Arisaig is a small village with a well-stocked general store, 2 small hotels, P.O., restaurant and gift shop. From the harbour day trips run to the isles of Sigg, Rum or Muck, often spotting minke whales close up to the boat. If you travel by train we can collect you (or your luggage if you want to stretch the legs) from the station.



To the rear of the croft towers Creag Mhor, from which you can see the outer Hebridean islands on a clear day. The sun can set in vivid reds and pinks over the sea and in winter often over snow-capped mountains.



Whichever of our properties you stay in you will be treated to the ever-changing views across the sea to the Cuillin mountains on the nearby islands of Rum and Skye and the apparently flat-topped island of Sigg.

Facilities at Ach na skia Croft

Volleyball/Boules

net for volley or badminton and a boules pitch in the field, and plenty of space to kick a ball.



Games Room with American Pool table and table tennis.

Play area

for younger children there is a separately fenced area with a slide and swings.



Sauna and Steam Shower

on a coin meter for use of guests.



Ach na skia Croft Accommodation

Creag Mhor & Glen Mhor Lodges

4 star

A covered verandah leads into a lobby with washer/dryer, freezer, coat hanging and a boot/coat drier. There is a lounge and spacious, fully equipped kitchen/dining room. The bathroom has a bath with an electric shower. Double bedroom (with "Teas-made") and bedroom with full-sized banks plus a single bed. There is space for a cot in the double bedroom. There are chairs for watching the sunset from the verandah and a picnic table. No pets allowed.



Cedar log chalets combine the beauty and warmth of pine walls with tasteful decoration and all the convenience of a modern house, with central heating, double glazing and a very high level of insulation and sound-proofing. The Lodges are quite private from each other, with separate entry points. Glen Mhor is reached by a track that runs below the Lodges and parking is next to the gorse bush. Creag Mhor's parking is adjacent to the other end of the Lodges. Panoramic views across the sea to west and north-west.

Island View

3 star



Cedar chalet in its own fenced grounds with grass, trees and a picnic table. A covered verandah catches the sun and looks west to Sigg and Rum. Inside there is a good sized open-plan living/dining/kitchen area. The kitchen is fully equipped and has a washer/drier. The bathroom has a bath with an electric shower. One double bedroom plus a smaller bedroom with 2'6" banks and a full-size single. It is double glazed throughout and has midge screens available for some windows if required. Parking space.

N.B. Island View is not suitable for a cot. One dog is accepted in this property.

The Cottage

3 star

adjoins our own house but is entirely separate, with its own spacious and unusual garden and picnic table. On the ground floor there is a lounge with living flame "wood" stove, fully equipped kitchen/dining room, double bedroom, large lobby with washing machine and bathroom with bath and shower. Upstairs is a twin bedded room with space for cot. Views north and west to Skye, Sigg and Rum. Parking space. No pets allowed.



All properties have thermostatically controlled electric heating, fridge/freezer or fridge and freezer, iron and ironing board, indoor and outdoor clothes drying facilities, T.V., DVD player, hi-fi, microwave, coat/boot drier, Dyson, own parking space.

Cot, high chair and video player available. Electricity on £1 coin meter.

Things to do in the area

- Walking** there are walks for all tastes and the chance to really get away from it all. The Local Ranger leads Guided walks each week and is a wealth of information on local and natural history.
- Beaches** lots of lovely beaches, sandy or rocky, to walk or drive to. The famous white sands of Morar and Camusdarach, where Local Hero was filmed, are close by.
- Ferries** visit Sigg, Muck, Rum, Knoydart or Skye for a day. Each has a very different character.
- Golf** try the very well kept 9 hole course by the sea at Traigh (1.5mils.) Clubs for hire.
- Boats/Kayaks** boats can be hired on Loch Morar or bring your own - the waters are sheltered near the coast, with many small islands to explore. It's a kayaker's paradise! You are likely to see seals, heron, oyster catchers, maybe otter.
- Fishing** hire boat and rod on Loch Morar, go to sea with Swan Nicholson or fish the river at the end of the croft.
- Bird watching** varied bird life with lapwings playing in the field, Golden and Sea eagles, heron etc. etc.
- Hawk walks** visitors enjoy the Hawk Walk with our neighbour's Harris Hawk - have her land on your hand!
- Trains** in summer you can take the beautiful train journey from Fort William to Mallaig by steam train.
- Eating out** there is a range of places to eat out, to suit all pockets, or try a Thai take-away.
- Mallaig** the fishing port of Mallaig is 7mils. away. Watch the fleet come in and land the fish. There's an indoor pool and gym, a Heritage Centre to learn the history of Mallaig, gift shops, banks etc.

Ach na skia Croft Tariff 2008

	FEBRUARY				MARCH				APRIL				MAY				JUNE				
In £p.w.	2	9	18	23	1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21
Cottage	300	335	335	335	335	335	335	390	390	390	390	390	390	390	390	390	495	455	455	455	455
Island View	325	350	350	350	350	350	350	425	425	425	425	425	425	425	425	425	525	475	475	475	475
Lodges	345	385	385	385	385	385	385	460	460	460	460	460	460	460	460	460	550	500	500	500	500

	JULY				AUGUST				SEPTEMBER				OCTOBER				NOVEMBER		
In £p.w.	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	31	6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1 - Feb. 2009
Cottage	520	520	520	520	520	520	520	520	520	520	455	435	435	435	390	390	390	390	310
Island View	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	540	480	460	460	460	425	425	425	425	335
Lodges	575	575	575	575	575	575	575	575	575	575	510	490	490	490	460	460	460	460	355

DOG £25p.w.- accepted in Island View only * BED LINEN £10 per person per week. TOWELS £3 each * COT £5p.w. HIGH CHAIR £2p.w.

Short breaks may be available between November and March: 2 nights 50% weekly rate, 3 nights 65%, 4 nights 80%, 5 nights 90%

Christmas 20-27th. Dec. £520, £540, £585. New Year 27th. Dec. - 2 January £540, £560, £590. Full week rental only. Large groups not accepted.

Weekly prices 1 November – 8 February - Cottage £310p.w. Island View £335p.w. Lodges £355p.w.

PLEASE PHONE US OR SEE WEBSITE FOR CURRENT AVAILABILITY

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- We supply pillows & duvets. Linen and towels can be hired or you can bring your own. The use of sleeping bags is not permitted.
 - If you are travelling by train and would like transport from the station please let us know and we should be able to collect you.
 - The village shop has a good range of supplies and is open till at least 6.00p.m. (8p.m. in summer) and on Sunday mornings from 9.30a.m.
 - If you are coming by train or will have difficulty bringing groceries with you and would like us to get a few basic groceries such as milk or bread for your arrival please let us know at least one week before arrival. We usually have free range eggs for sale.
 - The Games room and sauna are for use of guests. There is no charge for the Pool table, only light and heat if required.
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How to get to Ach na skia Croft

Take the A830 from Fort William towards Mallaig. The road is slow in places; the journey should take about 45 minutes. On reaching Arisaig you will find a choice of roads now that the new road bypasses the village. You can continue on the new road to the second turn-off, which is sign-posted to Ach na skia Croft or you can turn off and go through the village. Once through the village, turn first left and then left again, on the coast road. The road rises up away from the sea and past the R.C. church on the left. After a few more bends and the second left turn the road drops down towards the sea again. After a sharp right hand bend, with the small Cnoc na Faire Hotel set back on the hill to the left, you will see the Back of Keppoch road end on your left at the bottom of the hill. Pass this road end and we are the white house on the right (the first house on the right after leaving the village). Distance from village is about a mile.

Conditions of holiday tenancy

1. Provisional bookings held for 7 days only, pending receipt of deposit and booking form.
2. 50% deposit payable on booking. Balance due 4 weeks prior to holiday. £50 security deposit to be paid with separate cheque with balance payment, returnable by post provided property left as found.
3. Bookings are from Saturday 4p.m., terminating 10a.m. Saturday of departure.
4. Property and contents to be left clean and tidy, with everything put away. We maintain high standards of cleanliness and maintenance for the benefit of all guests. If the property is not left as found cleaning costs will be charged for.
5. Damage or breakages should be notified and either paid for or replaced to our satisfaction, e.g. crockery, cutlery and glasses must match original.
6. Any changes to the occupancy agreed on booking should be agreed with us before coming. Occupancy above the number specified for the property is not permitted.
7. Should the accommodation not be available due to circumstances beyond our control we will not be liable but all monies would be refunded.
8. In case of cancellation we will endeavour to re-let the accommodation and if successful we will refund you less any incurred expenses. We recommend you take out cancellation insurance, though this is not a requirement of booking. Application forms can be supplied or go to www.travelfirst.co.uk.
9. Smoking - we operate a policy of NO SMOKING within any of the buildings.
10. One dog is permitted by prior arrangement in Island View only. It must not be left in the property unattended or allowed on beds or furniture. It must have its own bed. Dogs must not be allowed to foul or water within the property grounds but may use the bottom field. All 'poops to be scooped'. Any additional cleaning time incurred will be charged for. Cats not accepted due to allergy.
11. Rules for the Games Room and Sauna must be observed.
12. We reserve the right to make changes to and correct errors in advertised prices and other information at any time before your holiday is confirmed. We will advise you of any error of which we are aware and of the applicable price at the time of booking.
13. We reserve the right to refuse accommodation.

If you have checked availability and would like to make a booking please complete and return the form below.

Ach na skia Croft booking form

Name Property

Address Date of arrival depart.

. No.adults No. children Dog YES/NO

. Linen hire - requirements: double single towels

. Estimated time of arrival - **after** 4p.m. please

Phone no Mobile E-mail

Names of other adults in party	Names of children in party	Age
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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BASIC RENT PAYABLE	£ _____ . ____
BED LINEN HIRE (if required) at £10per person	£ _____ . ____
TOWELS at £3 each	£ _____ . ____
COT at £5p.w.	£ _____ . ____
HIGH CHAIR at £2p.w.	£ _____ . ____
DOG @ £25p.w.	£ _____ . ____
TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE	£ _____ . ____
DEPOSIT ENCLOSED - 50% of total	£ _____ . ____
Balance due one month before arrival	£ _____ . ____

Separate £50 security deposit cheque enclosed (send with balance if holiday more than 6 mths. away). Not banked - returned after your stay provided everything left as found. YES/NO

Please make cheques payable to Ach na skia Croft. Please send a s.a.e. if receipt required.

I have read and agree to abide by the conditions. Signed Date

Where did you hear about us?

Visitscotland brochure Visitscotland website Road to Isles web site ASSC website ASSC brochure

Other (please specify)

Visa, Mastercard & Delta credit cards accepted - N.B. 2% surcharge . No charge for debit cards. Please tick card used.

VISA MASTERCARD DELTA DEBIT CARD CARD NO.

START DATE / EXPIRY DATE / SECURITY CODE (last 3 digits) ISSUE NO. (if applicable)

Cardholder's signature.....

I agree that the balance due for my holiday (if not being paid now) may be deducted from this card one month prior to my holiday

YES NO (Security deposit to be paid by separate cheque)

Name and address of cardholder (if different from above)