

THE BLACK ISLE TOURISM
 Discover your way
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Map of the Black Isle showing various locations and routes. Includes icons for walking, cycling, and public transport.

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A map for locals and visitors exploring by foot, bike, bus and car

Scan these QR codes to access more travel tips

walking
 For more information on local walking routes visit www.black-isle.info/walking. For venturing further, look at the 147-mile John o' Groats Trail from Inverness which crosses the Black Isle in its first two stages.

Cycling
 The map shows 13 cycle routes with off-road alternatives, and route cards are available to download. Our online Cycle-Route Planner even lets you create your own itineraries. <https://cyclingroutes.transitionblackisle.org>

The Black Isle has numerous quiet roads, off-road tracks and paths, enjoyable all year round. Please note some off-road tracks can become too dry in the Winter, when only hardy mountaineers should attempt them.

For venturing further, National Cycle Route 1 crosses the Black Isle with a choice of routes in summer when the Cromarty to Nigg ferry operates. The western stretch of Inverness to Ross Road is also open for the North Way. www.black-isle.info/cycling

Public transport
 Rail stations and bus stops are marked on the map but not route numbers or changeable information. Traveline Scotland provides local and national journey planners, app and updates for land, sea and air travel. Telephone 0877 200 22 33. www.travelinescotland.com

Lift sharing
 The Liftshare website, Liftshare! has been adopted by THE in partnership together with others making the same journey, providing car savings and reducing carbon on the same time. www.liftshare.com/uk/community/liftshare/

...and finally, take our responsible visitor pledge

Culbokie

Cromarty

Aveoch

Muir of Ord

Munlochry

North Kessock

Muir of Ord

Tore

Rosemarkie

Muir of Ord

Maryburgh

Fortrose

Muir of Ord

Cycling in the Black Isle

Good routes for cycling

- on main road
- on minor road
- on paved cycle / pedestrian path
- on vehicular track or path
- National Cycle Network
- Extra care required
- Bike parking

Amenities and Visitor Attractions

- Parking
- Toilets / disabled toilets
- Grocery shop
- Community garden
- Post Office
- Postbox station
- Electric charge point
- Camp / caravan site
- Major home park
- Church
- Cafe / Restaurant / Pub
- Chemist
- Cultural / heritage / arts
- Quilts / gallery / gifts
- Other place of interest
- Dragon watching
- Deer watching
- Seal watching
- Walk
- Viewpoint
- Boat trips
- Golf
- Play park / picnic site

Community Cycle Routes around the Black Isle

Green on road routes suitable for road bikes
 Blue on road routes suitable for hybrid bikes
 Red on road routes suitable for road bikes
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Map Key

- Main road
- Minor road
- Woodland
- Recreation area
- Built up area
- Railway
- Railway station
- Play paths
- Bus stop

Download a detailed route card for each Community Cycle Route at www.transitionblackisle.org/community-cycle-links

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savour the unexpected

The Black Isle is neither black nor an island, but a peninsula with an 80-mile coastline in a compact area, rich in beauty, wildlife and history.

The Black Isle is renowned for:

Firchs
 Relax on the clean beaches; walk the coast for cliffs and rock formations; look beyond towards distant mountains; linger at the harbours and historic coastal villages; meet dolphins and seals; enjoy leisure activity and ecotourism.

Forests
 Walk through oak woods, birch woods, ancient bog-forest and forestry plantations; get close to ospreys, hares and birds of prey; watch for deer, red squirrels, pine martens and don't step on the fungi.

Farmland
 Recognise the crofts, the country estates and large farmhouses; distinguish barley, wheat, potatoes and oilseed crops; look out for the sheep and cattle and eat local produce when you can.

Favoured climate
 The Black Isle is the sunniest and driest part of Highland Region. An enabling place to stay. It makes a good choice for a holiday where you can savour nature in all its variety and slow down, finding time to get to know the people who live here.

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