

INFORMATION FOR MOTOR HOMES USING OVERNIGHT PARKING SITES ON CROFTS 2019

Welcome to Tiree. We hope you enjoy your stay. Thank you for choosing to use our Croft Camping sites. By using these sites (or the Balinoe Campsite) you are helping to preserve Tiree's fragile natural environment. You are also helping to preserve our rural heritage by supporting Tiree's crofting community.

You will find marked day-parking areas around the island. These are free to use, and have been sited to allow access to our main beaches. Using marked areas limits the erosion of our very special machair habitat, and protects the nests, eggs and chicks of ground-nesting birds. You can help to maintain and develop these areas by purchasing a 'Protecting Tiree's Natural Environment' sticker. All funds from these go back into environmental improvements.

When using a croft site, please help us to keep them clean and tidy for the next visitors. We hope you don't find this too intrusive. Following the few simple rules below will help to keep the croft sites and day-parking areas in good order:

- Please do not have barbecues or fires on grassed areas (including dunes). If you do wish to have a barbecue or fire, there are plenty of sheltered beaches where you can do so. Please restrict fires to the beach sand, and make time to remove all traces when you have finished. **In particular, we ask that you check carefully for nails that may have fallen from burned driftwood. These are extremely dangerous to children and livestock.**
- Keep your pitch clean and tidy and leave it as you find it. All rubbish can be disposed of at the Argyll and Bute Council Gott Bay Recycling Centre (see: isleoftiree.com for opening times).
- Black and grey water can be disposed of at Scarinish public toilets. Grey water may be drained into the gully at the roadside outside the toilets. Black water must be disposed of at the Chemical Waste Disposal Point, in the fenced area to the right of the public toilets.

- The waste disposal point leads to a septic tank. Please do not block this or use it to dispose of wipes or disposable nappy liners. Please rinse the chute afterwards to keep it clean and clear for other users.
- Drinking water can be collected from the outside tap at the front of Scarinish toilet block.
- Please leave all gates as you find them.
- Dogs must be kept on a short lead and away from other croft site users and livestock. Please exercise your dog off-site and clear up all mess.
- There may be livestock and farm machinery close to any croft site or day-parking area. For safety, please keep children under supervision at all times and be aware.
- Respect the privacy and peace of other site users. Please keep noise to a minimum. Between 11pm to 7am, we ask that you observe a quiet time.
- Tents can be erected alongside vehicles, but please check beforehand with Tiree Community Development Trust.
- Site owners accept no responsibility for the loss or damage to persons or property arising from the use of a croft site.



DIRECTIONS TO OVERNIGHT PARKING SITES 2019

All sites are marked with a small green croft site sign.

- 1 BALEPHUIL**
Drive through Balephuill and at a passing place turn through gate toward a group of houses with small valley leading down to a gate and to the beach. Immediately turn sharp right and through another gate. Site is through the gate parallel to the road.
- 3 CROSSAPOL**
Drive to and through Crossapol keep left along the coast. After next sharp right-hand bend, the site is 50m in front on left before cattle grid. Concrete drive with sites on right, please do not block driveway or turning circle. Site is before entrance to An Talla on the right.
- 4 BALEPHESTRISH WEST**
Drive along the bay with the sea on your right. Once you pass all the houses on the left, the site is on the left and signposted. The two sites, East and West, are next to each other.
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- 6 BALEPHESTRISH HOUSE**
At Balepétrish - signposted to Balepétrish - turn down the road to house with coloured floats outside. Turning to the left, drive past the front of the house and follow the track round to the rear. The site is signposted to the left and rear of the buildings.

- 7 CAOLAS SOUTH**
Drive to Caolas, passing red phone kiosk, then straight over cattle grid, and follow road 100m to gates. Access to site is on left after going through new fence and gate. Parking is allowed anywhere behind roped guide line to overlook headland.
- 8 CAOLAS COLL VIEW**
Approaching Caolas pass Coll View on the right - telephone box outside. Drive straight on and around sharp bend to right. About 100m after cattle grid turn left onto grass track across the machair. Croft site is fenced and on a rise to right.
- 9 GOTT BAY EAST**
Travelling north from Scarinish turn right at pink house and follow signs for Gott and Caolas. After approximately 1.5 miles, as the road bears to the left slightly, the site is on the left behind a 5 bar gate, opposite a passing pocket.
- 10 WEST HYNISH**
Drive through Balephuill keeping the coast on your right. Follow the road through a sharp left and then right turn and continue down the hill to the very end of the road. Through the gate and take the left-hand track.
- 11 BALEMARTINE**
Follow signs to Balinoe and Balemartine. At Balinoe take turning to right signposted Heylpol and Sandaig. After 100m take the gate on the left to the site.
- 12 LODGE FARM**
Drive along Gott Bay straight past the Lodge Hotel. After the bends take the first gate on the left across the cattle grid. PLEASE park ONLY on the left side of the track just after entering the croft.
- 13 SUNSET CROFT**
Once in Balevulin pass over the small bridge and turned right towards the beach. Take the first track on the left behind the wee thatched cottage and through one gate.
- WILD DIAMOND BALINOE CAMPSITE**
Follow signs to Balinoe and Balemartine. At Balinoe take turning to right signposted Heylpol and Sandaig. Follow this road until signpost for campsite is seen on right. Follow track and further signs to campsite.

