# Kintyre Route 66





Kintyre 66 is a sixty six mile loop around one of Scotland's most scenic and often overlooked regions. The route can be added to any itinerary that comes into the Argyll and the Isles region with the flexibility of making it a 1 day loop, or better still a 2 or 3 day programme for a more relaxed pace.



Kintyre is a stunning peninsula in Argyll, its location means clients can enjoy beautiful sea views from most parts of the land, as well as views of the beautiful islands of Gigha, Islay and Jura to the west, Arran to the east. Stretch your sight a little further and you can see across to Northern Ireland from South Kintyre on a clear day!

The route is designed to let clients slow down, take their time, relax and explore the Kintyre peninsula. With many places of interest branching off the main route, there's simply no need to rush.

drink, white sandy beaches, water activities, natural heritage sites, vast array of wildlife spotting, mix of places to stay from castles to B&Bs, landscapes to enjoy, and of course, a welcoming and friendly community of people.

### **GETTING THERE** from land and sea

There are many ways to get to Kintyre. The main way to travel to and from Kintyre is by car via the A82 - turning off at Tarbet on Loch Lomondside - and continue on the A83 through Inveraray and Lochgilphead then south to Tarbert.

From the north of Scotland, come via Oban and south on the A816 to pick up the A83 at Lochgilphead.

Or if clients are travelling from Southern Scotland, why not sail from Ayrshire to Campbeltown using the CalMac ferry link? Or cross by ferry via Arran or Cowal to Kintyre allowing guests to explore much more of the west coast.

It's all here for visitors - fantastic food and There is also scope to fly into the airport at Machrihanish with Loganair. Twice daily flights and then scope to pick up a hire car for their Kintvre 66 adventure.

> Once here clients could hire E-Bikes or Bikes from Kintyre E Bike Hire.





### **HIGHLIGHTS**

### Things to do and see:

- Saddell Bay, Castle and Abbey
- Southend Beach and Dunaverty Rock
- Westport Beach, Machrihanish

## WHY NOT LEAVE THE CAR BEHIND AND BUILD IN A DAY TRIP TO THE ISLE OF GIGHA.

The tiny, community-owned island is the most southerly of the Hebridean islands. Just 20 minutes on the ferry from Tayinloan, it measures only 7 miles long and 1.5 miles at its widest.

It's home to the impressive Achamore Gardens (30 minutes on foot from the ferry) - purchased by John Horlicks in the 1940s, and the mix of his rhododendrons and other sub-tropical plants with the Gulf Stream means this part of the world pops with colour at various points of the year. Or visit The Twin Beaches - Eilean Garbh. With its pure, clear green waters, it's known for its good food and drink - whether that's freshly caught seafood - or island-farmed halibut, oysters or whole milk ice cream from Gigha's Wee Isle Dairy.

Guests can explore the island by bike, Gigha Bikes is right where the ferry lands. The Gigha ferry departs from Tayinloan on the west coast of the Kintyre peninsula. The journey takes 20 minutes.

No advance booking is necessary, clients can simply turn up at the port of departure and go on the next available sailing.

Visit our dedicated <u>website</u> for more information about the Mull of Kintyre and the Kintyre 66 Route.











### ACCOMMODATION EXAMPLES

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- Carradales / 5 star guest house
- Glenbarr Stores/ 4 star B&B
- Machrihanish Dunes/ 4 star seaside resort
- The Royal Hotel/ 4 star hote
- Gowanlea Heights / 4 star B&B
- Ardshiel Hotel/ 3 star hote
- Aravll Hotel/ 3 star hotel

#### Tarbert:

- West Loch House / 3 star gues house
- <u>Coachhouse</u> & <u>The Lockout</u>/ 4 star self catering
- Stonefield Castle Hotel/ 4 star hotel
- Knap Guest House/ 4 star guest house
- The Anchor Hotel/ 3 star small hote

### **BEST KNOWN FOR:**



Distilleries



Beaches



Walking & Cycling



Golf



Seafood

From left to right.
Tarbert Harbour
Skipness Castle
The Boathouse on the Isle of Gigha
Twin Beach on the Isle of Gigha

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