

ISLANDS AND LOCHS CRUISE ITINERARY
23RD – 29TH JUNE

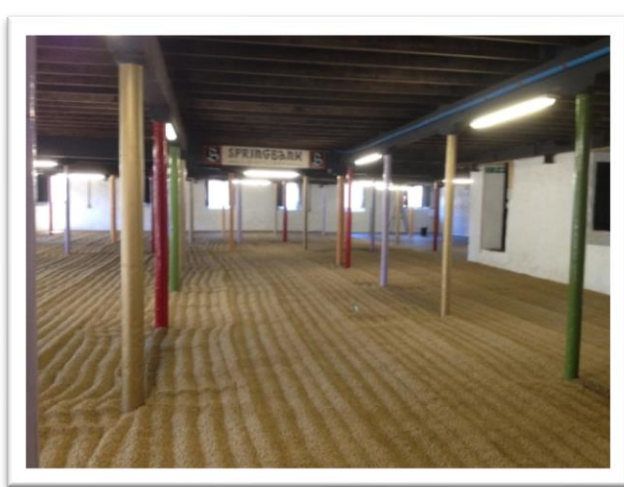
SATURDAY 23RD JUNE- 1130 HOURS, ALL JOIN IN LARGS

Join us in Largs Marina, Ayrshire. We will take the time to familiarise the crew with all the safety features of the boat. After a bite to eat we will set off for an afternoon sail to the Island of Arran. We'll drop anchor in Lamlash Bay and use the dinghy to go ashore for a look around before eating on board Celtic Star



SUNDAY 24TH JUNE: LAMLASH TO CAMPBELTOWN, MULL OF KYNTYRE

Following a reasonably early start from Lamlash, we will sail down the spectacular south coast of the island of Arran. The passage will be dominated by the massive ridge of Goat Fell, before passing south of the Island, with Ailsa Craig in the distance, then heading west to Campbeltown. After arriving in Campbeltown early afternoon, we will arrange the first distillery visit. Campbeltown's Springbank distillery is the oldest family owned distillery in Scotland and still makes its whisky in the traditional way. From malting their own to bottling every process is on site in Campbeltown. It also very good whisky!!



MONDAY 25TH JUNE: CAMPBELTOWN TO LOCHRANZA ARRAN

Distance 12nm

After an opportunity for the whisky lovers to visit another local distillery of Gen Scotia in Campbeltown we will be setting sail for Arran. We will be sailing up the Kilbrannan Sound to the delightful Loch Ranza on the North of Arran, where we should be anchored by early afternoon. Ashore there is Loch Ranza Castle to visit and a wide range of fabulous walks. Once again for the Whisky lovers the opportunity to visit the Arran Distillery, the newest distillery in Scotland and very much a contrast to Springbank, with some of the newest techniques and a Sauterne barrel matured 12 year old that is very palatable!!



TUESDAY 26TH JUNE: LOCRANZA TO TARBERT, LOCH FYNE

Distance 12nm

You can't go to the Clyde without having seafood so today is a chance to sample some of the delights available. Leisurely start then short sail to Tarbert Marina. Arriving mid day gives you a chance to get ashore to see the castle, or walk through to West Loch Tarbert on the other side of the Mull of Kintyre and look over to Jura and Islay. Dinner will be ashore at the renowned Starfish Restaurant.



WEDNESDAY 27TH JUNE: LOCH FYNE

Distance 20nm

After a call at the local haddock smoker, the plan will be to leave Tarbert late morning, then we are planning a leisurely cruise up Loch Fyne towards Adrishaig, then choose from a selection of delightful anchorages to spend a relaxed night on board after perhaps a walk on shore and a pint at a local hostelry.



THURSDAY 28TH JUNE: LOCH FYNE TO LOCH RIDDON VIA KYLES OF BUTE

Distance 35nm



The Kyles of Bute are arguable one of the world's most scenic waterways, and Loch Riddon one of Scotland's most beautiful anchorages.

We will enjoy a good breakfast aboard before then head down Loch Fyne to round Ardlamon Point and enter the Kyles. A gentle sail up the West Kyle will bring us Tighnabruaich, perhaps a brief stop to pop ashore. Then back aboard to head north and into Loch Riddon. We'll settle here for the night, then enjoy a well-deserved glass of fizz and some canapes before a dinner of gorgeous local produce.

FRIDAY 29TH LOCH RIDDON TO LARGS

Distance 20nm



Our last day together will be a gentle sail down the lovely East Kyle, then around Toward Point and sail into the busier waters of the Clyde, we'll turn south then pass inside the Island of Greater Cumbrae to find our way back to the marina at Largs. Then it will be time for everyone to wish us fair winds for our sail back to Wales.