The Secret Loch

Region: Highlands **Sleeps:** 12

Overview

The Secret Loch is a truly magical home. Nestled in a quiet position on the banks of Loch Na Bo, it is surrounded by 800 acres of woodland and makes a calm setting for a family multi-generational holiday or special occasion.

This characterful home has been lovingly owned by the same family for over a hundred years. Today, it manages to seamlessly combine its original charm and period quirks with updated family-friendly interiors. The Secret Loch can comfortably accommodate up to twelve guests across its six well-appointed bedrooms which are a mixture of doubles and twins, ideal for families or groups of friends. On the ground floor is the main living accommodation which comprises of a beautiful drawing room with garden access, a dining room with seating for ten and a fully equipped kitchen which boasts its own Aga for the Winter months. Also on the ground floor is the first of the bedrooms, a king-size room with Loch views and a dedicated bathroom just along the hall. Upstairs are a further three bedrooms, a super-king and a twin room, each with en-suite bathrooms as well as a small double room and family shower room. The remaining accommodation can be found in the annexe side of the home which comprises of a small kitchenette, a double and a twin room and two family bathrooms.

Outside, there are multiple terraces and seating areas, the perfect setting for morning cups of coffee while admiring the wildlife and stunning Loch scenery. Surrounded by 800 acres of woodland, there is plenty of opportunity for walks from the front door.

The Secret Loch makes the ultimate destination for a truly Scottish experience. Subject to availability and for an additional charge, a wide variety of experiences can be arranged at the home, including, a traditional welcome by









estate pipers, private whisky tastings, murder mystery events and highland dress hire. For fans of outdoor pursuits, a number of activities can be arranged on the estate grounds, including, highland games, clay shooting, archery and team building activities.

Situated between Aberdeen and Inverness and just fifteen minutes from the town of Elgin, guests will enjoy a relaxing escape while a variety of excellent attractions and amenities are still within easy reaching distance.

Facilities

Go-Karting • Ideal for Kids • Romantic • Walking/Hiking Paths • Ideal for Parties • <1hr to Airport • Horse Riding • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Historical Sites • Tennis Nearby • Recommended • Cycling • Fishing • Golf Nearby • Ideal for Xmas/NY • Wellness • Catering Available • Weddings • Quirky (Unique) • Chef/Cook Available • Maid Service Available • Special Offer • Cots (Cribs) • Has Offer • Ideal for Teens • Has Discount • Manor • Marquee Hire Permitted • Beach Nearby • Outdoor Ceremony • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Flexible Catering Options • Parking Space • Heritage Collection • Country Estate • Wi-Fi/Internet • Waterfront • Lakes and Mountains • Allow External Caterers • Allow Fireworks • Rural Location • Decorated for Christmas • Bath mat • No Curfew • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Nearby Church/Chapel • Coffee Machine • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Hairdryer • Tourist Towns & Villages • Spa/Massage • TV • Laptop Friendly Workspace • DVD • Gym/Fitness Room • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Microwave • AGA • Smart TV • Satellite TV • Sauna/Steam • Outdoor Games • Home Cinema • Animal farm • Fire Pit • Heating • Caretaker/Owner on Site • Rafting • Kid-friendly museum • Kid-friendly excursions • Water excursions/Boat trips • Pre-Stocked Fridge Available • Amusement park • Cooking Classes Available • Yoga Classes Available • Theme park • Spa Treatments Available • Transfers Available • Breakfast Available • Butler Available • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • Mattress protector • Food blender • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds









House Interiors

Ground Floor

- Drawing room
- Study
- Dining room with seating for 10 guests and an additional table for 2 guests
- Fully-equipped kitchen with AGA, oven, microwave, dishwasher and fridge/freezer
- Bedroom with king-size bed and Loch views
- Family bathroom with roll top bath and handheld shower over bath
- Boot room with stove and washing machine and tumble dryer

First Floor

- Master bedroom with super-king four poster bed and en-suite bathroom with roll top bath and handheld shower over bath
- Bedroom with twin beds and en-suite bathroom with roll top bath with shower over bath *(can be set up with a super-king on request)*
- Bedroom with double bed
- Family shower room

Annexe *(side of house)*

Ground Floor

- Kitchenette with seating for 6
- Family bathroom with bath with shower over bath
- Cloakroom

First Floor

- Bedroom with double bed
- Bedroom with twin beds
- Family bathroom with roll top bath with handheld shower over bath

The sixth bathroom is in the eaves of the house.

Outside Grounds

- Terrace
- Seating
- Barbecue
- Large grounds
- Loch with boats
- Jetty
- Parking

Additional Facilities

- Wi-Fi
- TV
- Gym/Yoga studio
- Sauna
- Hairdryers

- Washing machine & dryer
- Iron & board

Location & Local Information

The Secret Loch House is situated in beautiful Morayshire, set in a peaceful waterside position. The town of Elgin is just a 15-minute drive away, where visitors will find a wide variety of helpful amenities, including supermarkets and restaurants. For those travelling from further afield or simply enjoy a little hustle & bustle, Inverness and Aberdeen are both reachable in less than 90-minutes.

There is plenty for the whole family to see, do and explore in the surrounding area. Elgin Cathedral, Duffus Castle and Gordon Castle with its impressive walled garden are all within a 20-minute drive and provide fantastic family-friendly days out. Just 25 minutes away in Mosstowie, Alpaca Days Out run all year round and are a must-visit for any animal lovers – be sure to book in advance!

The Secret Loch is located in Speyside, well known for its famous distilleries – it boasts over 50 of them! The Glen Moray Distillery is less than a 20-minute drive away, other famous distilleries including the Macallan Distillery, Aberlour, Glenfiddich and Glenlivet, are all within a 40-minute drive.

During the Summer months, the whole family is bound to enjoy a day out at the beach, Lossiemouth is just 20-minutes away while Findhorn is a 35-minute drive away.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Inverness Airport (59.5 km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**The Drouthy Cobbler (9 km)**
Nearest Beach	**Lossiemouth East Beach (15.5 km)**
Nearest Golf	**Spey Bay Golf Club (14 km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Several in Elgin (9.5 km)**









Nearest Shop	**Co-Op, Lhanbryde (5 km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Tesco Extra, Elgin (9.5 km)**
Nearest Tennis	**Elgin Tennis Club (9 km)**
Nearest Town	**Elgin (9.5 km)**
Nearest Train Station	**Elgin Train Station (9.5 km)**
Nearest Village	**Lhanbryde (5.5 km)**

What we love

- The lakeside sauna has been named Best Sauna in the Country House Awards, thanks to its spectacular setting on a private 40-acre loch in Moray. Combining panoramic views, restorative heat and invigorating wild swims, it's the ultimate Scottish wellness experience.
- After action-packed days spent on the nearby beaches, enjoy evening sundowners on the terrace while admiring the calm surroundings
- A wide variety of experiences and activities can be arranged for you so that you can enjoy an action-packed escape without even leaving the grounds
- While guests will feel a million miles away from any hustle and bustle, the town of Elgin, home to a wide variety of helpful shops and restaurants, is just 15 minutes away!
- Set within popular Speyside, this home makes a fantastic setting for those wanting to tour all the famous distilleries in the region!
- Guests looking to reset and recharge will love the wellness-focused setting, from forest bathing and wild swimming to the lochside sauna and yoga studio hidden among the trees.

What you should know...

- Those travelling with young children should ensure they take care when playing outside near the edge of the Loch.
- Quiet and non-intrusive estate caretakers live on-site in a cottage next to the house. They are happy to help if guests have any questions or needs.

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £1500 charged to the client's credit card as a pre-authorisation at least 2 weeks prior to arrival and refunded two weeks after departure, subject to a full inspection

- **Arrival time:** 4.00 p.m.

- **Departure time:** 10.00 a.m.

- **Energy costs included?:** Yes.

- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes.

- **Pets welcome?:** A maximum of 2 dogs are welcome on request only and with prior agreement with the owner. Dogs must remain downstairs and off the furniture.

- **Other Ts and Cs:** Weddings are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. Quiet and non-intrusive estate caretakers live on-site in a cottage next to the house. They are happy to help if guests have any questions or needs.

- **Changeover day:** Flexible.

- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. Guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.

- **Smoking Allowed?:** Smoking & vaping are not permitted.

- **Minimum stay:** 3 nights.

- **Heating costs included?:** Yes.

- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi internet access included.