Argyll Country House

Region: Argyll **Sleeps:** 25

Overview

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This is the perfect location for a Scottish Wedding/Civil Ceremony, Corporate Team Building/Training Events, a family get-together or a surprise party.

The bar is often a magnet for those just wanting to chat over a drink, while the dining room allows everyone to sit down to a meal together before ceilidh dancing, partying or just enjoying being together in the oak room or upstairs lounge. A new conservatory room overlooking the garden leads straight onto the barbecue area and is a light, bright room in which to relax or enjoy games and activities.

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Argyll Country House has twelve en-suite bedrooms, an additional children's play/bedroom, three large public rooms, a fully equipped country kitchen, a Victorian dining room and a cosy gun room bar with a wood burning stove. A separate catering kitchen is available should you wish to arrange full or partial catering during your stay and we can provide a list of recommended caterers and sample menus on request. On arrival you will find the house warm with the fires and the stoves set. The rental includes all fuel, bed linen, towels and kitchen accessories together with a small selection of toiletries and cleaning materials. Hairdryers, tea making facilities and hot water bottles are in all rooms. Full laundry and ironing facilities are available for guests' use.

Your own private bar is left empty for you to stock and run yourselves. There are always at least a few guests who love the novelty of running their own bar! The bar is well equipped and you will find everything you need including ice buckets, cocktail shakers, a bar fridge and glass washer. There are pipes for kegs of real ale and draft beer so ale drinkers can pull their own pints. We are also fully licensed and provide a full bar service and wine list for larger functions where guest numbers exceed 30.

A new conservatory room overlooking the garden leads straight onto the barbecue area and is a light, bright room in which to relax or enjoy games and activities including a 9' pool table.

The large mature garden has a fountain and also offers several options for strolling, relaxing and photo opportunities.

Facilities

Great Value • Ideal for Kids • Walk to Village • Ideal for Parties • Walking/Hiking Paths • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Ideal for Xmas/NY • Stag/Hen Allowed • Recommended • Fishing • Golf Nearby • Weddings • Chef/Cook Available • Marquee Hire Permitted • Manor • Ideal for Teens • Has Discount • Has Offer • Special Offer • Maid Service Available • Pets on Request • Cots (Cribs) • Outdoor Ceremony • Beach Nearby • All Bedrooms En-Suite • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Flexible Catering Options • Heritage Collection • Country Estate • Wi-Fi/Internet • Rural Location • Indoor Reception Available • Outstanding Landscapes • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • TV • Indoor Games • Hot Tub • Outdoor Games • Heating • Conference Facilities • Babysitting Available • High Chair(s) • Fenced Grounds

Interior & Grounds

Bedroom Configuration (all bedrooms are en-suite)

Ground Floor
Room 1: Double bed and roll top bath and seperate walk in shower (front facing over garden)

First Floor
Room 2: King-size bed with canopy bath and seperate walk in shower (2 bay windows view to garden and hills beyond)
Room 3: Double bed with shower (front facing over the garden)
Room 4: Four poster double bed with roll top bath (back facing view over mature trees)
Room 5: Zip & Link twin beds with walk in shower (front facing view over garden and beyond)
Room 6: Zip & Link twin beds with walk in shower (double aspect view over front and side garden)
Room 7: King size Zip & Link bed with walk in shower over (view to side garden)
Children's bedroom with small double (3/4) bed, 2 travel cots (bay window view over back garden, drive and trees)

Second Floor
Room 8: King size Zip & Link bed, additional sofa bed, roll top bath and walk in shower (back view over mature trees)
Room 9: Double bed and roll top bath (front facing view over garden and beyond to the sea and the Island of Islay)
Room 10: Double bed with shower (front facing view over garden and beyond to the sea and the Island of Islay)
Room 11: Double bed, additional sofa bad and a shower (front facing view over garden and beyond to the sea and the Island of Islay)
Room 12: Twin beds with roll top bath and separate shower (back view over trees)

Location & Local Information

The Kintyre Peninsula is an area of outstanding beauty. It is off the beaten track but only 1-1.5 hour's drive from the tourist hot-spots of Inveraray and Oban. New visitors to Kintyre are often struck by the quiet roads and deserted beaches that offer a true "get away from it all" experience without having to travel hundreds of miles.

The area is popular with outdoor enthusiasts and the house is an ideal base for golf, sailing, surfing, deer stalking, horse riding, walking, cycling, wildlife/bird watching, fishing, whisky tasting, diving, painting and photography, as well as exploring local galleries, museums, historic sites, heritage centres and distilleries. There are a number of local golf courses including Machrihanish, the newly opened Machrihanish Dunes, Dunaverty, Carradale, Tarbert and Gigha. The first hole at Machrihanish Golf Club has been voted the best first hole in the world.

For sailors, there is an excellent harbour and sheltered anchorage in Tarbert which also plays host to the annual Tarbert Folk Festival, Tarbert Seafood Festival and several sailing events including the popular Scottish Series. The surrounding area is also well known for its beaches and unspoiled countryside, and the beautiful secluded beach of Dunskeig Bay is just a short walk from the house.

The Cowal Peninsula and the Islands of Gigha, Islay, Jura and Arran are all easily accessed by Ferry Services, which is only a short drive away. There is superb hill walking as well as the newly accessed Kintyre Way; an 86 mile walk opened in 2006 which is divided into sections enabling walkers of all ages and abilities to walk the length and breadth of Kintyre in relative isolation and safety. A scenic walk through Clachan village and up the hill takes you to the remains of an iron age fort and settlement from where there are panoramic views towards Gigha, Islay, Jura, West Loch Tarbert and Ireland. There is excellent sea and loch fishing and Balinakill House has fishing rights for two rods on nearby Loch Ciaran.

Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	**Campbeltown (41-45 km)**
Nearest Ferry Port	**kennacraig (8 km)**
Nearest Village	**Clachan (Under 1 km)**
Nearest Town/City	**Tarbert (16-20 km)**
Nearest Restaurant	**Tarbert (16-20 km)**
Nearest Bar/Pub	**Tarbert (16-20 km)**
Nearest Supermarket	**Tarbert (16-20km)**
Nearest Golf	**Tarbert (16-20 km)**
Nearest Beach	**Clachan (Under 1km)**

What we love

- Grand but homely victorian country house
- Stock your own cosy gunroom bar with woodburning stove and pipes for real ale
- All bedrooms en-suite, 4 large public rooms - plenty room/privacy for everyone

What you should know...

- While the house holds a wonderful location a car will be needed in order to reach nearby attractions and amenities
- Walking distance to a village however please note that some parts of the route do not have pavements

Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** £550. This is paid prior to arrival directly to the property owner and will be refunded in full after departure subject to damage inspection

- **Arrival time:** 4:00 pm onwards

- **Departure time:** Before 10:00 am

- **Energy costs included?:** Included in the rental price

- **Linen & towels included?:** All linen and bath towels are included in the rental price

- **Pets welcome?:** Maximum of two pets allowed - additional housekeeping charge of £20 per pet

- **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?:** No smoking in the property

- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights during peak dates, 2 nights throughout all other periods

- **Internet access?:** Wi-Fi is included in the rental price

Argyll Country house tries hard to recycle can, bottles, paper, card and plastics. Recycling bins are provided, should guests choose not to recycle we retain £30 from the security deposit.