



## GUIDED ISLAY FLY FISHING EXPERIENCE

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Dates: TBC

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Guide: Doug Ross

Guests: TBC

### **Guided Islay Fly Fishing Experience**

I'm delighted that you are joining me on our Guided Islay Fly Fishing Experience in 2018. As a fishing destination there can be no better in Europe, with dozens of lochs to choose from with healthy populations of wild Hebridean brown trout and sea trout around the coast plentiful.

As well as it's distilling heritage, Islay is a wonderful destination for those who enjoy the outdoors. Paradise for the fly fisherman, hill walker and wildlife enthusiast alike, the island's diverse landscape including heather moorlands, mountains, abundant lochs and peat bogs, means that Islay has a wonderful array of flora and fauna. It isn't uncommon to see golden eagle, white tailed sea eagle, osprey, hen harrier, otters, deer and seals, so bringing binoculars is a must.

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## **Your Itinerary**

I've put together an itinerary for the fishing for the week. This is by no means set in stone, it is just a guide. We will need to let the weather conditions, hatches and tide times dictate the itinerary so we may need to tweak as we go along.



### **Day 1: Saturday**

**17:00** Guests arrive at Octovullin Farmhouse, rooms allocated

**18:00** Welcome dram and meet the guide

### **Day 2: Sunday**

**09:00** Breakfast

**10:00** All day bank fishing at Loch Skerrols on the Islay Estate

Sea trout fishing at Loch Gruinart depending on conditions and tides.



### **Day 3: Monday**

**09:00** Breakfast

**10:00** All day bank fishing at the historic Loch Finlaggan on the Islay Estate

Sea trout fishing at Loch Gruinart depending on conditions and tides.

### **Day 4: Tuesday 15**

**09:00** Breakfast

**11:00** All day fishing from boats at Loch Gorm. Alternatively, depending on weather conditions, we may visit the incredibly remote Giur-Bheinn on the Islay Estate

Sea trout fishing at Loch Gruinart depending on conditions and tides

### **Day 5: Wednesday**

**09:00** Breakfast

**11:00** All day fishing on Loch nan Cadhan on the Dunlossit Estate

Sea trout fishing at Loch Gruinart depending on conditions and tides



### **Day 6: Thursday**

**09:00** Breakfast

**11:00** Hill walk to Loch Drolsay on the Islay Estates

We will drive to Loch Cam and walk the rest of the route to this remote hill loch

Sea trout fishing at Loch Gruinart depending on conditions and tides



## **Day 7: Friday**

**09:00** Breakfast

**10:00** All day boat fishing on Loch Allan and Loch Lossit on Dunlossit Estate

Sea trout fishing at Loch Gruinart depending on conditions and tides



## **Day 8: Saturday**

**08:00** Farewells and all depart for airport / ferry

## **Further Information**

### Mobile Phones and Internet

There is reasonable mobile phone reception at the accommodation but generally it is poor in many parts of the island. There are public telephones in Bowmore and Bridgend. There is wifi at the accommodation, the access code to which will be provided on your arrival.

### Shops / Banks / Amenities

There is a cooperative store in both Bowmore and Port Ellen where most provisions can be purchased. There is a small convenience store in Bridgend that sells basic products. There are two cash points in Bowmore, one at the Royal Bank of Scotland directly across the road from the Co-op in the centre of Bowmore and one at the Bank of Scotland. There is a small hospital in Bowmore and a doctors surgery.

There are many gift shops and galleries. In Bowmore the Celtic House has lots of gift ideas. Islay Studios in Bridgend Square has a fantastic range of framed pictures and prints, many taken by Mark Unsworth who owns the gallery and by other local artists.

There are many hotels and pubs that offer food. Port Charlotte Hotel has a fantastic menu it is situated in the prettiest village on Islay. The Old Kiln Cafe at Ardbeg Distillery offers lunches which are great after a tour of the distillery.

### Inclusions

In order for you to plan your trip, here is a list of what is included in your Guided Experience:

#### Accommodation

House fully stocked with food for breakfast, tea, coffee and for packed lunches if required

Boats and fishing permits

Special locally tied fishing flies

Life jackets

### Exclusions

Travel to and from Islay

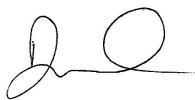
Travel and holiday insurance

Waders, hats, polarised glasses (compulsory)

Wading stick (optional)

If there is any further information that you require, please don't hesitate to call me on 07875 405 980 or send an email to [david@distilledevents.co.uk](mailto:david@distilledevents.co.uk). I look forward to being your host on Islay.

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David

