

## Comunn Eachdraidh Nis

Comunn Eachdraidh Nis is a visitor centre in North Dell. The centre boasts an extensive archive which includes information on individual families from the area, photographs, documents, video, sound recordings and extracts from other published material. People come looking for ancestors and answers to their past, which they find in the vast genealogical archives and the cemetery records dating back to the early nineteen hundreds. The refurbished accredited museum depicts island life along with artefacts and equipment from days past.

Sgoil Chrois, North Dell  
Isle of Lewis, HS2 0SN

[www.cenonline.org](http://www.cenonline.org)



Distance between Comunn Eachdraidh Nis and The Blackhouse Arnol is 16miles/25.8km



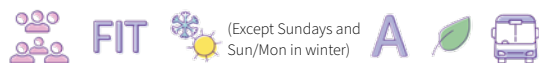
## The Blackhouse, Arnol

The Blackhouse at Arnol is a traditional Lewis thatched house built around 1880 and gives visitors a special and authentic insight into island life. This traditional Lewis thatched house is fully furnished, complete with an attached barn, byre and stackyard. It was once the residence of a Hebridean crofting family and is preserved today almost as its last inhabitant left it, complete with a peat fire and open hearth. A furnished 1920s croft house is also open to view.

42 Arnol  
Bragar  
Isle of Lewis, HS2 9DB

[www.historicenvironment.scot](http://www.historicenvironment.scot)

[Link to Trade Website](#)



Distance between The Blackhouse Arnol and Pocket House Studio is 19.7 miles / 31.7km

## Pocket House Studio

Your clients can visit this ethical rug weaving studio and croft and try their hand at spinning, weaving and plant dyeing. Meet the rare and rescue sheep (including the three St Kilda breeds) that live here in a no-kill flock. The traditional Island croft grows their own foods as well as lots of natural dye plants. Sit at a traditional wooden loom and feel the threads that link us with the weavers that worked in the old weaving shed for generations. The owners share their island life over a Highland tea.

Glendale, New St, Back  
Isle of Lewis, HS2 0LH

[www.pockethousestudio.co.uk/](http://www.pockethousestudio.co.uk/)

[Link to Trade Website](#)



Distance between Pocket House Studio and Hebridean Adventures is 8.2 miles / 13.2km



## Hebridean Adventures

Based in the main town of Stornoway on the Isle of Lewis, the company offers guided Scottish island and wildlife cruises of up to 10 nights around the Outer Hebrides. Hebridean Adventures offers a specially converted boat with 2 bespoke raised observation platforms and six twin passenger cabins. There are full and half day trips licensed for 12 passengers total. Great if your clients want to go sea kayaking, snorkelling, wild swimming, wild hiking, photography tours and bird watching.

22 North Beach, Stornoway  
Isle of Lewis, HS1 2SQ

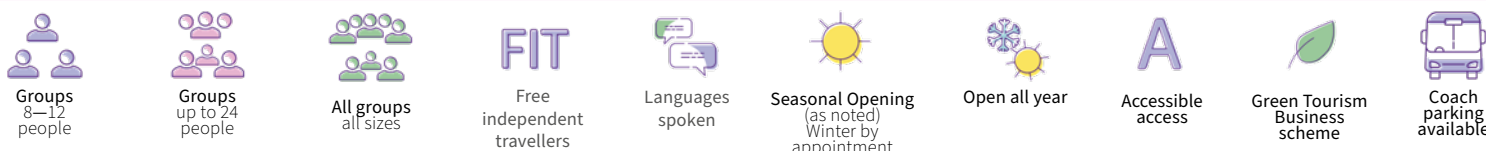
[www.hebrideanadventures.co.uk](http://www.hebrideanadventures.co.uk)

[Link to Trade Website](#)



Distance between Hebridean Adventures and The Calanais Standing Stones is 17 miles / 27km

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### The Calanais Standing Stones

Let your clients walk among the megaliths at one of Scotland's most magnificent and best preserved Neolithic monuments. The Calanais Standing Stones, located on the west coast of Lewis and famous all over the world, are an extraordinary cross-shaped setting of stones erected 5,000 years ago. They predate England's famous Stonehenge monument, and were an important place for ritual activity for at least 2,000 years. The Calanais visitor centre, shop and café are open Mon-Sat.

Callanish,  
Isle of Lewis, HS2 9DY

[www.historicenvironment.scot/visit-a-place/places/calanais-standing-stones/](http://www.historicenvironment.scot/visit-a-place/places/calanais-standing-stones/)

[Link to Trade Website](#)



*Distance between The Calanais Standing Stones and North Harris Eagle Observatory is 41.4miles/66.6 km*



### North Harris Eagle Observatory

The Outer Hebrides are a haven for many birds of prey species, who live and thrive on the islands. Your clients will stop off at the North Harris Eagle Observatory (part of the Outer Hebrides Bird of Prey Trail) and wait quietly as they scan the skies with the hope of spotting an impressive Golden Eagle. If they are lucky, rare sea eagles can sometimes be spotted too.

Glen Meavaig  
Isle of Harris, HS3 3AW

[www.north-harris.org/north-harris-eagle-observatory](http://www.north-harris.org/north-harris-eagle-observatory)



*Distance between North Harris Eagle Observatory and Isle of Harris distillery is 9.3miles/15km*



### Isle of Harris Distillery

The first gin distillery on the Isle of Harris with a shop and distillery tours. At the Harris Distillery, your clients will find an enthusiastic team ready to share stories and give your clients a feeling of real island hospitality. The cafe will offer your clients the chance to sample some delicious homemade soups and baking. The distillery shop will be filled with interesting goods, all with a connection to Harris, as well as bottles of Harris Gin.

Tarbert  
Isle of Harris, HS3 3DJ

[www.harrisdistillery.com](http://www.harrisdistillery.com)



*Distance between Isle of Harris Distillery and is Taigh Chearsabhagh Museum & Arts Centre 42.5 miles/69.4km*

**This journey includes a ferry.**

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## Taigh Chearsabhagh Museum & Arts Centre

An award-winning museum and gallery which boasts a photographic collection, art and craft workshops. Taigh Chearsabhagh Museum and Arts Centre on North Uist's east coast provides a fascinating insight into Uist life in times gone by. Outside, your clients can soak up the beauty of the landscapes around on the Uist Sculpture Trail, which features seven unique works of art, each of which enjoyed local community involvement and were inspired by Uist's landscapes and legends.

### Lochmaddy

Isle of North Uist, HS6 5AA

[www.taigh-chearsabhagh.org](http://www.taigh-chearsabhagh.org)



Distance between is Taigh Chearsabhagh Museum & Arts Centre and Uist Wool 15.6miles/25.1km

## Uist Wool

The spinning Mill was constructed in 2013 and houses a range of heritage machinery sourced by Uist Wool from Argyll and Yorkshire. The main parts of the Card may have their origins in the mid 19th Century but they're still working beautifully. Uist Wool is a new venture inspired by co-operative values. The original idea to build a new Mill in North Uist emerged from a collective will to find a fresh purpose for local fleece that would reconnect the community with their cultural heritage of wool working.

### The Mill & Wool Centre

5 Scotvein, Grimsay

Isle of North Uist

Outer Hebrides, HS6 5JA

[www.uistwool.com](http://www.uistwool.com)



Distance between Uist Wool and North Uist Distillery is 8.9miles/14.3km



## North Uist Distillery

This family-run distillery opened in 2019 bringing whisky production back, whilst offering new employment opportunities and attracting visitors to the island. The distillery produces some of Scotland's finest artisan spirits including the multi-award-winning Downpour Gin range. Let your clients experience one of the gin or whisky tasting tours.

### Nunton

Isle of Benbecula, HS7 5LU

[www.northuistdistillery.com](http://www.northuistdistillery.com)

[Link to Trade Website](#)



Distance between North Uist Distillery and Long Island Retreats is 14.4miles/23.1km



## Long Island Retreats and Larder

Based on South Uist, this crofting family offer bespoke tours to suit your clients' requirements and timings. Tours that your clients can enjoy are Croft Tours with Island Heritage, Shetland Pony Experience, sheepdog demonstrations, shearing and wool and field to fork tours. It really is a place where you can step off the beaten track, breathe in the island air and relax and unwind.

### Tigh Na Breacain

Loch Skipport

South Uist, HS8 5NS

[www.longislandretreats.co.uk](http://www.longislandretreats.co.uk)

[Link to Trade Website](#)



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## FOOD AND DRINK SUGGESTIONS

### Pierhouse Restaurant

The restaurant has a relaxed and informal atmosphere overlooking the harbour in Tarbert and offers a creative modern menu, including organic produce and healthy options.

### Eleven Restaurant

This family-friendly restaurant in Stornoway has it all. From succulent meats, salad bar, a varied mix of hot dishes and more, celebrating the best of local produce.

### Lochboisdale Hotel

Using local produce whenever available and homemade sauces, your clients will dine in friendly surroundings with spectacular views. Their staff are ready to cater for any needs.

### Isle of Harris Brewery & Kitchen

The Taproom sources fresh quality local seafood, famous fish and chips, home baking, Italian coffees plus a lot more. With breathtaking sea views, serving lunches and dinner.

### Isle of Harris Distillery

The distillery offers a simple menu made fresh each day from locally sourced ingredients wherever possible, such as fresh local seafood and Scottish cheeses accompanied by island-baked bloomer bread and traditional rough oatcakes.

### The Boatshed Restaurant

This is one of the most popular restaurants in Stornoway. The cuisine draws on traditional Scottish dishes, adding influences from around the world.

### HS-1 Café-Bar

This is the perfect place to sit back, relax and enjoy a meal or light bite with friends and family in a relaxed setting. Dishes are prepared to high standards by professional chefs.

### Cabarfeidh Hotel

At Cabarfeidh Hotel, chefs source as much local food as possible from local and Scottish suppliers, using the finest seasonal ingredients, to ensure your clients have the very best dining experience.

## ACCOMMODATION SUGGESTIONS

### Borrodale Hotel

Relaxed atmosphere and mouth-watering food in this family-run hotel. Your clients can fish in an angler's paradise, with the best lochs and beats in Europe.



### Dark Island Hotel

It is a 42-bedroom hotel located in the heart of the Hebrides with easy access to a secluded beach. Stroll through the profusion of wildflowers, listening to corncrakes, oystercatchers and lapwings.



### Hotel Hebrides

4-star accommodation featuring neutral tones, soft lighting and thoughtful furnishings. It has 21 quality, contemporary bedrooms which offer a high standard of quality combined with top notch technology.

### Borve House Hotel

With 9 en-suite bedrooms located on the West Coast of Lewis, the newly renovated Borve House Hotel is ideal for both business and pleasure users. Ideally situated for walking, fishing and water sports enthusiasts.

### Borve Lodge Estate – The Broch

The accommodation lies on the magnificent Atlantic coastline of the Outer Hebridean, Isle of Harris and it is one of the Estate's premier self-catering properties, along with The Rock House.

### Gearrannan Blackhouse Village

Situated close to the seashore overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. Gearrannan is the ideal location to have a holiday in an area of outstanding natural beauty. Part of a restored Blackhouse Settlement.

### The Royal Hotel Stornoway

A relaxed, traditional hotel offering Hebridean hospitality, whether your clients would like to stay overnight or enjoy dining in either the Boatshed Restaurant or HS-1 Cafe-Bar.

### Scarista House

Traditional comfort, natural skilled cooking, lovely views and only a few minutes' walk from a beautiful beach, one of the most beautiful and remote places to stay in Britain.

### The Caladh Inn

This home-from-home 3-star inn can be found nestled in the vibrant town of Stornoway, which provides easy access to local attractions and cultural sites.

### Lews Castle by Together Travel

Following a restoration project, this gothic-revival style castle has opened its doors to visitors to enjoy a range of self-catering apartments.

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#### **Green Tourism Award**

Businesses that work in a sustainable, environmentally friendly way are graded: Bronze, Silver or Gold



## VisitScotland's websites

Our travel trade website offers the travel industry a one-stop-shop for Scotland information, inspiration and toolkit. The site is designed to assist tour operators and agents to sell destination Scotland more effectively to their clients.

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| Travel trade website        | <a href="http://www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com">www.visitscotlandtraveltrade.com</a> |
| VisitScotland consumer site | <a href="http://www.visitscotland.com">www.visitscotland.com</a>                       |

### Information on travel trade websites:

- Inspirational itineraries
- Downloadable e-brochures and maps
- Link to multimedia library for images and videos
- Opt-in to receive our monthly travel trade e-newsletter
- A comprehensive directory of Scottish companies who have committed to special rates, discounts and commissions exclusively available for the travel trade

## General websites

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| Britrail                            | <a href="http://www.britrail.com">www.britrail.com</a>                         |
| News & Weather information          | <a href="http://www.bbc.co.uk/weather">www.bbc.co.uk/weather</a>               |
| British Train information           | <a href="http://www.nationalrail.co.uk">www.nationalrail.co.uk</a>             |
| Scottish Train information          | <a href="http://www.scotrail.co.uk">www.scotrail.co.uk</a>                     |
| Bus information                     | <a href="http://www.citylink.co.uk">www.citylink.co.uk</a>                     |
| Historic Environment Scotland       | <a href="http://www.historicenvironment.scot">www.historicenvironment.scot</a> |
| National Trust for Scotland         | <a href="http://www.nts.org.uk">www.nts.org.uk</a>                             |
| Scottish Tourist Guides Association | <a href="http://www.stga.co.uk">www.stga.co.uk</a>                             |
| Go Rural Website                    | <a href="http://www.goruralscotland.com">www.goruralscotland.com</a>           |