



**Housed in a converted whisky warehouse of the former Lochindaal Distillery, spacious and friendly Port Charlotte Youth Hostel sits right beside a safe, sandy beach and boasts wonderful sea views.**

**It's an ideal place to stay while you relax, unwind and explore the Isle of Islay and perfect for families, outdoor and wildlife enthusiasts.**



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# Welcome to Port Charlotte Youth Hostel

## Reception

- **Open 08.00-10.00 and 17.00-22.00**
- **Check-in from 17.00-21.30**
- **Checkout by 10.00**

The front door is locked at 22.00 with access after that time with a door code.

## Rooms

Capacity 30:

- 2 twins
- 1 triple
- 3 four-bedded
- 1 five-bedded
- 1 six-bedded

There are no ensuite rooms, but all have washbasins.

Room configurations may be subject to occasional change.

## Catering

We serve 'Wee breakfasts' between 07.15-9.30.

We also sell 2 course self-cater style meals.

There's a café, a community centre and two pubs very close by that serve meals.

## Self-catering

The kitchen is open between 07.00-10.00 and 17.00-23.00 and has space for 10 people.

There are 4 hobs 2 domestic ovens, 3 fridges and 2 microwaves. There's also limited freezer storage.

A selection of pots is available to cater for individuals and groups and there's sufficient crockery and cutlery for all guests.

The dining room has space for 26 people

## Facilities

The large lounge, with a TV and well-stocked bookcase, can seat 20 people.

Additional seating is available in the spacious reception area.

A coin-operated washing machine and dryer is available, as well as a free drying room.

Wi-Fi access is free.

## Security

Rooms have locks, but no lockers.

A large lockable area in the base of the building can hold 30 bikes.

## Shopping

A small shop at reception sells a variety of grocery items, bottled water and snack bars (reception opening hours only).

## Directions

**Ferry:** runs from Kennacraig to Islay 7 days a week. From Oban/Colonsay Wednesdays and Saturdays only. Please check with Caledonian MacBrayne for ferry timetables (0800 066 5000) and with Islay Coaches for the connecting bus services (01496 840273).

### **Car:**

**from Port Ellen** take the A846 signposted Bowmore/Bridgend. Turn left at Bridgend onto the A847, (signposted Bruichaddich/Portnahaven). Follow this road for about 8 miles and the hostel is on the left as you enter Port Charlotte.

**from Port Askaig** follow the A846 for about 8 miles, then turn right at Bridgend onto the A847 (signposted Bruichladdich/ Portnahaven). Follow the road for about 8 miles and the hostel is on the left as you enter Port Charlotte.

## Parking

Space for up to 6 cars in the car park. If full, it's possible to park on the adjacent roadside. On-street parking is free.



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## Local activities

Islay is famous for its beautiful coastline with many sandy beaches and abundant wildlife including seals, otters, red deer, choughs, ravens, golden eagles and hen harriers. The island is of international importance for its 50,000 wintering geese.

There are excellent walks to suit all abilities, bike hire is available locally and there's a modern swimming pool in Bowmore.

Islay is home to 8 world class single malt whisky distilleries which offer tours. The tours book up, especially during the summer, so please check and book in advance.

Next to the youth hostel is a Natural History Visitor Centre and the award-winning Museum of Local History is close by in the village.

Local events include a Walking Week, a Malt and Music Festival and various other music events throughout the year. Information is available at the youth hostel on arrival.

## Accessibility

Currently Port Charlotte Youth Hostel is not suitable for people with impaired mobility. Please contact the hostel or the reservations team for more information.

## Booking

To reserve beds at Port Charlotte Youth Hostel, please contact the reservations team (Mon-Fri from 09.00-1700) on 0345 293 73 73.

e-mail

[reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk](mailto:reservations@hostellingscotland.org.uk)

or book online

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