

Wild Journey, Oban: Travel Advice

Travelling to the West Coast of Scotland is an adventure in itself and very much part of the experience. It is a great opportunity to spend time together thinking about what lies ahead or talking over the adventure you have just shared.

Obviously your travel plans will be determined by where you are coming from but here are some ideas for getting to and from the vessel; if using public transport it is well worth booking in advance for the best fares.

By Sleeper

The Caledonian sleeper service runs six days a week (not Saturday nights) from London Euston to Fort William and stops at Watford Junction, Crewe and Preston. You share a two-man compartment, travel through the night and arrive at ten in the morning; cost for an adult starts at around £150 return. <http://www.scotrail.co.uk/caledoniansleeper/index.html>

By Daytime Rail

Take the train from whichever main station makes sense for you to Glasgow, then on through the Highlands to Oban. www.thetrainline.com

By Air

You can fly to Glasgow from all main British airports: there are 8 trains an hour to Glasgow Central Station and from there the train to Oban is your best option. Alternatively there are coaches from the airport to Oban. www.glasgowairport.com

By Road

The road journey is a great experience, especially once you get beyond Glasgow and into the Highlands but make sure you allow time to rest; it is a long drive for one man and you are likely to end the week pretty tired. Consider adding a night somewhere, maybe in a B&B, to make the most of the experience.

In Oban

Oban is a great place, a real hub of trains, buses and ferries to all the Hebridean Islands. It is an old fishing port with a harbour sheltered by the island of Kerrera so if your travel arrangements mean you have time there you will find plenty to do and see. If you need to stay a night there is lots of accommodation of all kinds www.oban.org.uk/Accommodation-in-Oban-Scotland

Lady of Avenel is easily recognised and she will dock at the North Pier (behind the restaurant with a red roof)
<http://goo.gl/maps/VsuS7>