



WELCOME TO MULL & IONA

Mull and Iona have had very little exposure to COVID-19. We have benefited from our Island status and open spaces and that has helped us manage the disease in ways that have very much minimised local health impact. But it is time to welcome visitors back - the Scottish Government has set the provisional date of the 15th July 2020 for the re-opening of most tourism venues with some given the go-ahead in advance.

Mull and Iona businesses are working towards that date, undertaking their risk assessments and ensuring that re-opening can be done safely for them, their communities and their guests. We are asking guests, tourists and visitors to play their part too. By working together, we can stop the virus arriving and spreading and keep each other safe. Our Charter asks all visitors to plan ahead and be prepared to protect each other.

We are proud of the warm welcome we traditionally give but it is different this year and that, rightly, should be acknowledged. Our shops, cafés, restaurants, pubs and visitor attractions will have their own systems for meeting the guidelines. Our ferry service has a much reduced capacity and a different form of booking. Local webpages and social media should be checked regularly as Scottish Government guidance and local business practices adapt to the “new normal”. It will help everyone if we all plan ahead and are prepared.

We look forward to welcoming you to Mull and Iona. Just remember - be patient, kind and courteous to each other – all from the right distance of 2m in Scotland!



USE OUR CHECKLIST TO PLAN AHEAD

- Our accommodation is open and booking confirmed
- Our ferry travel is booked
- Our face coverings and hand sanitiser are packed
- Our grocery shopping is planned
- Our lunches and evening meals are planned
- Our travel insurance covers us

BE PREPARED

- Do not travel if you have COVID-19 symptoms or have been told to isolate
- Observe physical distancing and wear face masks when required
- Regularly use hand sanitiser and wash your hands frequently
- Follow the advice of businesses and staff, when they explain their requirements – there will be differences reflecting the requirements of the business
- Dial 111 if you develop symptoms whilst here



BE CONSIDERATE

- Visit fewer locations and really get to know the area - walk, bike or paddle
- Plan ahead but if it's busy, move on and explore somewhere different
- Please take your litter with you and dispose of it carefully
- Observe the Scottish Outdoor Access Code