



Travel and Accommodation

Kirkwall Departures

Kirkwall is the principal town of Orkney, located on the north coast of the largest island which is known as Mainland. The second town is Stromness which is in the south west of Mainland and there are bus services between the two towns, timed to coincide with ferries

Orkney is served by regular ferry services into Kirkwall, Stromness, Burwick and St Margaret Hope and by scheduled flights into Kirkwall.

There are links on the web site – www.newhorizonsailing.com/link.htm - to the travel operators and airports listed below.

Travel by Air

- Flybe flies to Kirkwall from Aberdeen. Loganair from Inverness, Glasgow, Edinburgh & Manchester and those cities have multiple connections within and beyond the UK.

Travel by Ferry

Ferries operate as follows:

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| • Aberdeen to Kirkwall (about 6 hours) | Northlink Ferries |
| • Scrabster to Stromness (about 1hr 30 minutes) | Northlink Ferries |
| • John O’Groats to St. Margaret Hope (about 1 hr) | Pentland Ferries |
| • John O’Groats to Burwick (about 45 mins – no cars) | John O’Groats Ferries |

Overland connection to the Ferries

This is possible in a variety of ways:

- Train from Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen and Inverness to Thurso (for Scrabster) with Scotrail – www.scotrail.co.uk
- Coach from Inverness to Scrabster with Citylink.
- Coach from Inverness to Kirkwall via the John O’Groats ferry (details on the ferry web site).
- Drive to either Scrabster or John O’Groats and bring the car over – please note that the Scrabster/Stromness ferry is quite large and less liable to weather delays than the smaller ferries from John O’Groats.

The trip north from Inverness, whether by road or rail, follows a beautiful coastal route.

On Arrival in Kirkwall.

- Call me on 07770 303613 and I will meet you at the marina in the main harbour.

Accommodation.

www.visitorkney.com has a wide range of options and also has information about the large number of historical sites, inter-island travel etc.

Guests have been impressed by modestly priced “Lerona” B&B at Cromwell Crescent, Kirkwall KW15 1LW 01856 874538 - Mrs Delday.