

Invergordon, Easter Ross, Scotland

A small town with massive ambitions — Invergordon plants you 5 minutes from the High Street and an hour from some of the most dramatic scenery in Europe. Loch Ness, ancient castles, and legendary whisky all await.

 Pier (docked)  Typical call: 8-10 hrs  Currency: GBP (£)  Language: English

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____	Arrive: _____	All aboard: _____
Excursion: _____	Notes: _____	

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Deep-water pier — ships berth directly, no tender

Walk to town: 5-10 min to High Street (~400 m flat walk)

Best For: Highland day trips: Loch Ness, castles, whisky distilleries

Don't Miss: Mural Trail in town; Glenmorangie Distillery just 15 min away

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  £50–£70/hr (4-hr min) ·  **Rideshare**  not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Loch Ness & Urquhart Castle** — The dark, deep loch that holds Scotland's greatest mystery.
- **Culloden Battlefield & Clava Cairns** — The moorland where the Jacobite rising ended in 1746.
- **Dunrobin Castle & Falconry** — One of Britain's oldest continually inhabited houses, styled like a French château with spectacular gardens overlooking the North Sea.
- **Glenmorangie Distillery Tour & Tasting** — One of Scotland's most celebrated single malts is distilled in Tain, just 15 minutes north of the port.
- **Cawdor Castle & Gardens** — A beautifully preserved 14th/15th-century castle still lived in by the Cawdor family, with Shakespeare's Macbeth connections and immaculate gardens.

BEST WALKS

- **Invergordon Mural Trail** 1-2 hrs · Easy · Free — Numerous large professionally painted murals cover the sides of buildings throughout town, depicting everything from the Viking era to the 1931 Invergordon Mutiny and...
- **Saltburn Woodland & Shore Walk** 1.5-2 hrs · Easy · Free — Head east along the Cromarty Firth shoreline to the village of Saltburn.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)				 DAYLIGHT &  MONEY	
Mon	High	Low	Rain	Apr 6:06AM–8:28PM · Jun 4:16AM–10:18PM · Aug 5:41AM–8:58PM · Sep 6:47AM–7:34PM · Oct 7:51AM–6:11PM	
Apr	51°	39°	12d	 Currency: GBP (£)	
Jun	61°	50°	13d		
Aug	63°	53°	16d		
Sep	60°	50°	13d		
Oct	54°	45°	17d		

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Layer up, always. Highland weather is famously unpredictable — four seasons in one day is not a myth. Bring a waterproof jacket even if it looks sunny when you step ashore.
- Book taxis and private tours early. Invergordon is a small town. Independent local taxis and minibus tours sell out months in advance during peak season (May–September).
- Trains to Inverness run every 1-2 hours. Print the ScotRail timetable before you go and plan your return journey carefully — missing the train is a real risk and taxis back are expensive.
- Scottish banknotes are legal tender but can confuse shops outside Scotland. Contactless card payment is accepted almost everywhere, including most buses, taxis, and attractions.
- Oil rigs are part of the scenery. The giant offshore platforms anchored in the Cromarty Firth alongside rolling green hills are one of Invergordon's most unexpected and photogenic sights.
- Try Cullen Skink — Scotland's smoked haddock, potato and onion soup is a warming Highland staple. Ask for it at any pub or café on the High Street.

Invergordon, Easter Ross, Scotland — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1** **Fairy Glen Falls**
A short woodland walk to a set of waterfalls in an RSPB nature reserve near Rosemarkie.
- 3** **Cromarty Firth**
The sheltered firth where cruise ships dock, historically a Royal Navy anchorage with views to the Sutors headlands.

- 2** **Hugh Miller's Birthplace Cottage**
National Trust for Scotland museum in the childhood home of the pioneering 19th-century geologist and writer.
- P** **Cruise port / terminal**