

Isle of Muck, Inner Hebrides, Scotland

The smallest of the Small Isles, Muck is a working croft island with barely 30 residents, turquoise bays, Highland ponies, and big skies — a genuine off-grid Hebridean escape only expedition ships can reach.

Tender only (no pier)

Typical call: 4–6 hrs

Currency: GBP (British Pounds)

Language: English (Scots Gaelic heritage)

Entirely walkable — no cars

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: Arrive: All aboard:

Excursion: Notes:

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender to Port Mòr slipway

Walk to village: 2 min from slipway (Port Mòr)

Best For: Wildlife, peaceful beaches, off-grid Hebrides

Don't Miss: Gallanach Beach & Beinn Airein summit views

Getting around: **Rideshare** not available

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Beinn Airein Summit Hike** — Climb Muck's highest point (137 m / 449 ft) for 360° views of Eigg, Rum, Canna, Skye, and the Ardnamurchan Peninsula.
- Seal & Porpoise Watching** — Grey seals haul out on the rocks near Port Mòr.
- Gallanach Beach** — A crescent of white shell sand with improbably turquoise water on the north coast.
- Community Hall History Display & Craft Shop** — The Community Hall near the pier often hosts a small display of island photos and genealogy records.

BEST WALKS

- Port Mòr to Gallanach Beach** 2.5 km return · 40 min · Easy — Follow the single paved road north from the slipway to the island's finest beach.
- Beinn Airein Summit Loop** ~4 km · 2 hrs · Moderate — From Port Mòr, take the track west then climb the grassy slopes of Beinn Airein.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		49°	43°	13d
Jun		57°	52°	16d
Aug		59°	55°	20d
Sep		58°	54°	19d
Oct		54°	50°	22d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 6:17AM–8:33PM · Jun 4:31AM–10:19PM · Aug 5:53AM–9:03PM · Sep 6:56AM–7:42PM · Oct 7:58AM–6:21PM

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Layer up: Hebridean weather can deliver sun, rain, and wind within the hour. A waterproof jacket and sturdy waterproof shoes are non-negotiable.
- Bring cash: The Tearoom and craft shop accept cards, but the satellite connection can drop. There are no ATMs on the island — carry British Pounds.
- Respect the working farm: Close all gates behind you, don't climb drystone walls, and give livestock space — especially during lambing in spring.
- Midge season (Jun–Sep): Scottish midges can be fierce on calm days. Pack insect repellent (Smidge or Avon Skin So Soft). Breezy days on Muck are usually fine.
- Tearoom fills fast: When a ship calls, the small kitchen gets busy quickly. Head to the Gallanach Lodge Tearoom early or later in your visit to avoid the rush.
- Very limited connectivity: Mobile signal is patchy to nonexistent. Download offline maps before you sail.

Isle of Muck, Inner Hebrides, 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.



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