

Laggan Locks, Scottish Highlands, Scotland

Laggan is a tiny Great Glen canal stop, not a conventional cruise port: small ships tie up beside Thomas Telford's waterway between Loch Lochy and Loch Oich. The reward is immediate Highland quiet, pine-scented towpaths, lock watching, and one of Scotland's most unusual pub stops.

 Canal mooring (direct docking)  Typical call: overnight or half day  British Pound (GBP)  English

👉 MY DAY IN PORT

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

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Direct canal mooring at or near Laggan Locks — no tender

Walk to sights: 0–5 min to locks, towpath, and Eagle Barge

Best For: Canal scenery, quiet walks, cycling, Highland landscapes

Don't Miss: Laggan Avenue and a drink aboard the Eagle Barge Inn

 Getting around:  **Taxi**  £45–£60 to Fort William; £90–£110 to Inverness

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Laggan Locks & Canal Watching** — Stay right by the mooring and watch boats rise or drop through the Caledonian Canal locks, with swing bridges, lock gates, and Highland hills framing...
- **Laggan Avenue & Loch Oich Towpath** — Walk or cycle the tree-lined canal section toward Loch Oich, one of the prettiest stretches of the Great Glen Way and a calm option when time ashore...
- **Eagle Barge Inn** — A converted Dutch barge moored at Laggan Locks, serving pub food, ales, and whisky in a floating canal setting popular with walkers, cyclists, and...
- **Invergarry Castle Ruins** — A ruined stronghold of the MacDonells of Glengarry on Loch Oich, usually seen from the outside as part of a longer walk, cycle, or short taxi outing...
- **Loch Oich Paddling** — When offered by local operators or ship excursions, kayaking or canoeing on Loch Oich gives a close-up look at the Great Glen's sheltered inland...

BEST WALKS

- **Laggan Locks to Eagle Barge Inn** 0.2 mi | 5 min | Easy | Towpath — The simple first walk from the lock area to the floating pub, with good views of the canal, moored boats, and lock operations.
- **Laggan Avenue Towpath** 2–4 mi out and back | 1–2 hrs | Easy | Gravel path — Follow the Great Glen Way along the Caledonian Canal through Laggan Avenue toward Loch Oich.
- **Invergarry Castle View** Longer outing | 2–3 hrs on foot | Easy to moderate — A longer canal-and-loch walk or cycle toward Invergarry Castle ruins, best for passengers with a full call, bikes, or a pre-arranged local transfer.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Check what your itinerary means. Laggan is an inland canal stop for small ships. Ocean liners visit the Great Glen by coach from another port, not by sailing to Laggan.
- Wear real walking shoes. The towpath is easy but can be gravelly, grassy, and wet after Highland rain.
- Pack midge repellent. Calm, damp summer days near the canal can bring biting Highland midges, especially June through September.
- Carry a backup payment. Cards are common, but mobile signal can be patchy in the Great Glen. A little cash is useful for small purchases.
- Verify Eagle Barge hours. The floating pub is seasonal and small; opening days can vary, so check before counting on lunch.
- Layer for fast weather changes. Even short walks feel different when wind funnels through the glen. Bring a waterproof shell.

Laggan Locks, Scottish Highlands, 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 Laggan Locks** Set of locks on the Caledonian Canal linking Loch Lochy and Loch Oich, built by Thomas Telford in the early 1800s.
- 3 Well of the Heads Monument** 19th-century obelisk marking a grim 17th-century clan revenge legend, standing beside Loch Oich near the canal.

- 2 Great Glen Way** Long-distance walking and cycling trail that follows the Caledonian Canal towpath past Laggan Locks.
- P Cruise port / terminal**