

Inverclyde Tourist Group

Things to See and Do from Greenock Ocean Terminal

Riverside Walks

East from Terminal along town Waterfront walkway.

West from Terminal along Esplanade: 20 minutes further up hill to Lyle Hill viewpoint.

Garden Walks

Darroch Park, Gourock: (2 mile walk or bus).

<http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/GeneralR3a.aspx?id=506&catid=1066>

Finlaystone Estate, Langbank: (seat of MacMillan clan: country estate: taxi: entry charge). <http://www.finlaystone.co.uk>

Cardwell Garden Centre at Lunderston Bay: displays of plants, shops, café: bus/taxi. <http://www.cardwellnurseries.com>

Hill Walk

The Greenock Cut: 8 mile walk along historic waterway dug in 1827 to supply drinking water and power to Greenock: taxi.

<http://www.clydemuirshiel.co.uk/greenock2.htm>

General

Walk or cycle round an island: Isle of Cumbrae, approx. 9 miles in circumference. Bus to Largs, ferry, cycle hire in Millport.

<http://www.millport.org>

Waterfront Leisure Centre: Swimming pool, flume tyre ride, tropical wave pool, ice rink, fitness centre: 15 mins walk: entry charge.

<http://www.waterfront-leisure.co.uk>

Outdoor Pool: Seawater pool heated to 85 degrees: at Gourock, 4 miles to West. <http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/GeneralR.aspx?id=697&catid=1444>

Skateboarding Park: At Battery Park, 3 miles to West.

<http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/GeneralR3a.aspx?id=493&catid=1066>

Funworld: Indoor play area with activities for toddlers to age 12 years. 3 miles to West: entry charge. <http://www.funworld-leisure.co.uk>

Golf: Courses at Greenock. Gourock, Port Glasgow, Kilmacolm. 9 and 18 holes. Fees moderate, club hire. <http://www.greenockgolfclub.co.uk> , <http://www.gourockgolfclub.com> , <http://www.portglasgowgolfclub.com> , <http://www.kilmacolmgolfclub.com>.

Visit a castle: Newark Castle, perfectly preserved medieval Castle, 5 miles to East: bus, taxi or train: entry charge. http://www.historic-scotland.gov.uk/properties_sites_detail.htm?propertyID=PL_221

McLean Museum: local industrial history, fine art collection, changing exhibitions: 10 mins walk; free entry.

<http://www.inverclyde.gov.uk/Category.aspx?catid=1041>

Custom House Museum: housed in grand early 19th century waterfront building: display includes smuggling and Burns artefacts: 15 mins walk: free entry.

Oak Mall Shopping Centre: 10 min walk. <http://www.oakmall.co.uk>

FURTHER AWAY

Largs: Vikingar Centre (Viking experience (entry charge) and swimming pool), sea side walks, wild life tours in rigid inflatable boats (Cumbrae Voyages). 15 miles, bus.

<http://www.naleisure.co.uk/default.aspx?pageID=50>

Paisley: Historic Abbey (founded 1163), fine stained glass: Museum & Art Gallery (Paisley pattern). Sma' Shot Cottages. 15 miles, train.

<http://www.paisleyabbey.org.uk>

Braehead: Out-of-town shopping centre with Clydebuilt Museum (entry charge); Xscape snow activities (entry charge). 20 miles, bus.

<http://www.braehead.co.uk>

Dunoon: Ben More Gardens by Dunoon (part of Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh). Ferry and bus, entry charge.

<http://www.rbge.org.uk/the-gardens/benmore>

Kilcreggan & Helensburgh: Take local passenger ferry to visit Kilcreggan & Helensburgh (Charles Rennie MacIntosh's Hill House: entry charge) on North bank of Clyde. An early start needed to accommodate ferry times.

Rothesay, Isle of Bute: Centred on ancient moated castle, once a seat of Scottish kings. In later centuries a popular holiday resort for people of Glasgow. Bus/taxi, ferry, bus. Entry charge for castle.

<http://www.isle-of-bute.com>

Mount Stuart, Isle of Bute: Spectacular Victorian Gothic home of Marquis of Bute, housing many art treasures including an outstanding collection of portraits by Scottish artists and chapel created of white marble. Set in extensive picturesque grounds. Bus/taxi, ferry, bus. Entry charge.

<http://www.mountstuart.com>

**INFORMATION ON ABOVE AND ALL LOCAL AMENITIES FROM
INVERCLYDE TOURIST GROUP IN BLUE GAZEBO AT TERMINAL.
LOOK FOR MEMBERS WEARING TARTAN WAISTCOATS.**

NB Details correct at Feb 2008 to best knowledge of Group. However, as always, travel at own risk.