Otter Hide Walk

Walking time:s:

10 minutes each way from the pier 30 minutes from Otter Hide to the village

Directions:

Starting from the pier, walk up past the boatsheds and turn left onto a smaller path which climbs up to a seating area.

Continue along the path into the woods; you will come to the ruins of an old village. The path continues through the woods until you come to the Otter Hide.



Life and Death on Rum

Look out for the Sailor's Grave in the woods on the right of the path on your return from the otter hide. This small stone marks the grave of a sailor who drowned nearby.

Return through the woods on the same path until you rejoin the main track.

At this point you can either return to the pier, or go on to the village. To reach the village, turn left and follow the main track past the school until you come to a three-way fork in the road.

Take the middle fork down a hill and turn left; the Visitor Centre is on your left. This building was a boatshed in the time of the Bulloughs, and the original wood panelling can still be seen inside.

Continue along the track past the campsite and follow the lower road around the shore. This route offers a good view of Kinloch Castle over the wall to your left once you have crossed the footbridge with wooden rails.

When you reach the crossroads beside the bridge over the Kinloch River, turn right towards the old farm steading and the village centre.

What to bring:

The west coast is known for its high rainfall, so a raincoat and waterproof footwear are always a good idea – just in case!

An Industrious past

The round stone structure at the edge of the campsite is an old lime kiln.

