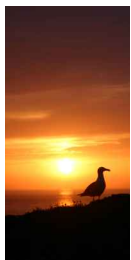


The only way to get the full Skomer experience



Staying overnight on Skomer enables you to experience not just the full range of wildlife, but also the tranquillity and isolation that Skomer Island offers.

You will always find an isolated spot to sit and enjoy your surroundings in solitude. Even places that are popular during the day, such as the Wick, can be completely deserted, allowing you a private view of this spectacular location at sunset.

There are few places that offer an escape from the modern world, but Skomer is certainly one of them

You also have the opportunity to meet the staff and researchers who live and work on the island. 'Bird log' offers the chance to discuss sightings and find out more about what to see and where to see it from the experts. You can also contribute to the island records by noting your observations.

Accommodation



The island accommodation has been developed with the surroundings and the environment in mind. The buildings were the winner of the RICS 2008 Sustainability Award.

The facilities provide simple, comfortable accommodation with electricity and hot water

generated from the sun.

Stays are on a self catering basis. There are private bedrooms and a shared, equipped, kitchen. Please note there is no microwave. There is also a dining room.



Book your island break



Open from 1 April until 31 October each year.

There are two twin-bedded rooms, a triple room and two large rooms - one sleeps four (with double bed) and one sleeps five. Pillows and duvets are available for you to use, but you need to bring your own sheets, pillowcase and a duvet cover or sleeping bag.

2012 prices pppn	April	May – July	August, September and October
Adult	£30.00	£60.00	£30.00
Child under 13 sharing with adult	£15.00	£30.00	£15.00
Single occupancy	£45.00	£90.00	£45.00
Weekend premium	£5.00		£5.00

The boat fare of £10 per person is payable on the boat. There are no boats on Mondays (except Bank Holidays) so if you arrive on Sunday, you will not be able to leave until Tuesday at the earliest. In May June and July, you can only stay for a maximum of three nights.

Before making a booking, please view the full terms and conditions on our website www.welshwildlife.org

Our email address is: islands@welshwildlife.org

To make a booking please telephone the Islands Booking Office on 01239 621600 or 01239 621212.

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A close encounter with the amazing Manx Shearwaters

During the night from April through to September, you can experience the Manx Shearwaters close up, something only possible during complete darkness.

For a chance to see the thousands of birds return to their burrows, an overnight stay is essential.



Plenty to see, all year round

Skomer Island is probably best known for its Puffin population, but even when the Puffins are not on the island, there are many other spectacular wildlife highlights to be enjoyed.

Choughs can be seen all year round, as can the Grey Seals, throughout the time the island is open from April through to the end of October.

As well as the wildlife, the scenery of Skomer also provides an ever changing backdrop, not only from season to season, but also throughout the day into the evening.

Highlights from the Skomer calendar



April

Grey Seals seen in large numbers in North Haven. Manx Shearwaters return to land during hours of darkness. Puffins start nest building and Razorbills and Guillemots begin courting. Late April sees the beginning of the Bluebell season.

May

Bluebells reach full bloom and Red Champion comes into flower. Egg laying begins for Razorbills and Guillemots. Storm Petrels (pictured) return to the island.



June

Chicks of Razorbills, Guillemots and the Manx Shearwaters hatch. Red Champion reaches full bloom. Glow worms can also be seen during the night.

July

Chicks of Puffins, Razorbills and Guillemots fledge and adults begin to leave.



August

View the Manx Shearwaters gathering at sea in their thousands ready to return to the island. Dolphins, Porpoise and Sunfish seen more frequently. Butterflies enjoy the late summer flowers.

September

Manx Shearwater adults leave then chicks exercise and then fledge providing a fascinating and unique close up view of young wild birds. Adult seals are seen in larger numbers and seal pups are born on the beaches.



October

Seal pupping continues. The archaeological features of the island become more visible as the summer vegetation recedes. Rabbits also become easier to spot. The island becomes a useful stopping off point for migrants.

Guided Shearwater Walks

New for 2011

Join the Warden after dark on a walk around the island.

A chance to ask any question and find out more about the secret life styles of the Manx Shearwater.

Walks will be given on most Sundays during August and September.

Check with the Islands Booking Office for availability.

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