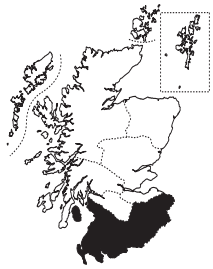
CAR TOURING IN SCOTLAND

SOUTH OF SCOTLAND AND ARRAN



Lush rolling farmland, rugged seacoasts and Clyde coast islands characterise the south of Scotland. The area comprises the Scottish Borders, a land of ancient abbeys, castles and historic houses plus the splendid forests and wild moors of Dumfries & Galloway contrasting against the rich pastures of Ayrshire, with the steep mountainous profile of the Isle of Arran as a backdrop. It is a land of literary connections with both Robert Burns and Sir Walter Scott having lived here. It is a very special place and the gateway to the real Scotland.

Things to See and Do

The World Famous Old Blacksmith's Shop Centre, Gretna Green.

Abbotsford House, Melrose.

Traquair House, Innerleithen.

Floors Castle, Kelso.

Thirlestane Castle.

Dryburgh Abbey.

Jedburgh Abbey.

Melrose Abbey.

Kelso Abbey.

The Abbey Mill, Melrose.

Culzean Castle and Country Park, Maybole.

Burns National Heritage Park, Alloway.

Isle of Arran Distillery.

Brodick Castle Garden and Country Park, Arran.

Visit the four medieval Abbeys of the Scottish Borders.

Follow the trail of the famous poet Robert Burns through Ayrshire.

Buy some cashmere goods in the woollen mills of the Scottish Borders.

Sample the beer from the brewery at Traquair House.

Take a walk through the Lammermuir, Eildon Hills or along the River Tweed.

Hire a bike and cycle round the island of Cumbrae.

Good to Know

April:
Rugby Union Sevens, Scottish Borders. Scottish Grand National.

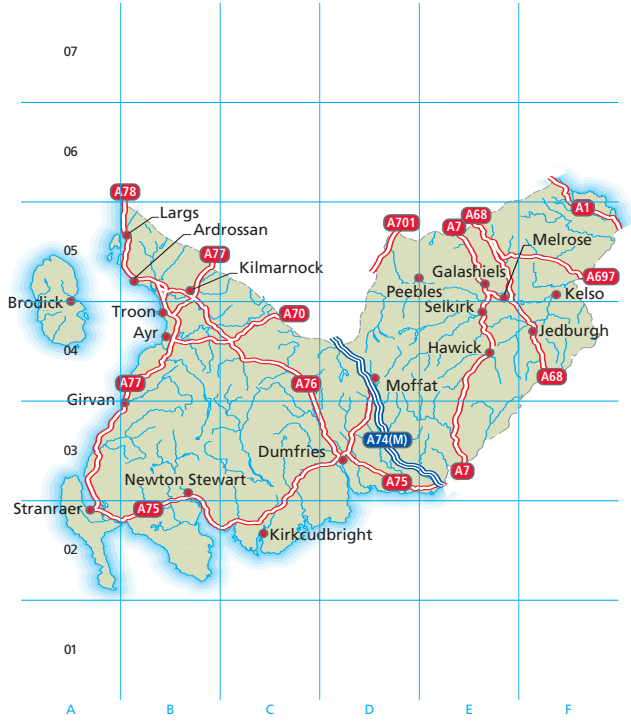
May - June:
Robert Burns Festival, Ayrshire.

August - October:
Gaelforce, Dumfries & Galloway.

October:
Scottish International Storytelling Festival.

Tourist Information:
www.visitscottishborders.com
www.ayrshire-arran.com
www.visit-dumfries-and-galloway.co.uk

Additional Information:
Regular ferry services to Arran (Brodick) from Ardrossan and Cumbrae from Largs. In addition there is a seasonal vehicle ferry from Lochranza (Arran) to Claonaig (Kintyre). Contact Caledonian MacBrayne – www.calmac.co.uk, Tel: 08705 650 000.



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