



# GREAT BRITAIN PLANNING MAP



Wheal Coates engine stack,  
St Agnes, England

Discover Great Britain's top regional sights, and experience it through an inspiring list of themes

## When to Go

### High Season Jun–Aug

Ideal weather. Accommodation rates peak in August holidays. Busy roads, especially in coastal areas and national parks.

### Shoulder Season

#### Mar–May & Sep–Oct

Crowds reduce, prices fall and weather is often good. March to May: sunny spells and showers; September to October: chance of a late summer. For many outdoor



Lewis,  
Outer Hebrides, Scotland



Glen Grant Distillery,  
Rothes, Scotland

## HIGHLANDS, ISLANDS & THE NORTH

### NORTHWEST HIGHLANDS COAST C1

Words fail to describe the variety of the splendour that unfolds as you cross this awe-inspiring landscape of desolate moorlands, brooding mountains, fertile coastal meadows and stunning white-sand beaches.

### SKYE C1

With jagged mountains, velvet moors and towering sea cliffs, Skye's scenery never fails to impress. For those misty days, there are plenty of castles, local museums and cosy pubs to keep you amused.

### MULL C2

With black basalt crags, blinding white sand and emerald waters, Mull has some of Scotland's finest scenery and provides excellent bird- and wildlife-watching.

### GLEN COE C2

Scotland's most famous glen is also one of its grandest. It has a bloody history but now offers genteel pursuits such as hiking and skiing.

### WHISKY DISTILLERIES C1

So many distilleries, so little time – blaze your own trail around the self-proclaimed malt-whisky capital of Dufftown, where you will find several distilleries offering interesting tours and the option to try a wee dram, or two. It would be rude not to.



## WALES

### PEMBROKESHIRE B4

The Pembrokeshire coast is what the world would look like if God were a geology teacher. On top of its natural

Outer Hebrides  
Head here for some of the best surfing and windsurfing in Europe.

Ben Nevis  
The highest peak in the British Isles attracts many wannabe mountaineers.

Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum  
A Victorian cathedral to culture with a bewildering array of exhibits, from a Spitfire plane to stuffed animals to Scottish art.

The landscape that inspired William Wordsworth is one big activity park for cycling, walking, rock climbing and water sports.

Llandudno  
Beachside Punch-and-Judy shows, a step-back-in-time pier and a classic esplanade.

Beaumaris Castle  
With its perfect, symmetrical design, this is what every

Tongue  
Sea lochs penetrate the rocky coast in this wild stretch of Scotland's north.

### NORTHWEST HIGHLANDS COAST

### WHISKY DISTILLERIES

V&A Museum of Design Dundee  
Brand-new gallery dedicated to the best of Scottish and international art and design.

Edinburgh Castle  
Playing a pivotal role in Scottish history, both as a royal residence and military stronghold, since the 11th century.

### SOUTHERN SCOTLAND

BALTRI  
Newcastle's very own 'North'; work by contemporary art's showstoppers.

Yorkshire Dales  
Compact collection of moors, hills, valleys, rivers, cliffs and waterfalls; perfect for easy strolls or hardy treks.

Fountains Abbey  
Extensive ruins set in more recently (18th century!) landscaped water gardens.

YORK  
York Minster  
One of the world's medieval Gothic showstoppers.

### LIVERPOOL NORTH ENGLAND

Cambridge		London		Birmingham		Edinburgh		Glasgow		Inverness		Liverpool		London		Plymouth		York		Road Distance and Average Road Travel Times	
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Glasgow	360mi 6½ hrs	400mi 7½ hrs	480mi 8½ hrs	480mi 8½ hrs	480mi 1¼ hrs	480mi 1¼ hrs	480mi 1¼ hrs	50mi	50mi	50mi	50mi	50mi	1¼ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs	3½ hrs
Inverness	500mi 9 hrs	550mi 10 hrs	650mi 12 hrs	650mi 12 hrs	650mi 3¼ hrs	650mi 3¼ hrs	650mi 3¼ hrs	160mi	160mi	160mi	160mi	160mi	3¼ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs	4½ hrs
Liverpool	200mi 3¾ hrs	200mi 3¾ hrs	300mi 5½ hrs	300mi 5½ hrs	220mi 4½ hrs	220mi 4½ hrs	220mi 4½ hrs	380mi	380mi	380mi	380mi	380mi	7 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs	8 hrs
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Plymouth	280mi 5 hrs	160mi 2½ hrs	280mi 5½ hrs	280mi 5½ hrs	480mi 8½ hrs	480mi 8½ hrs	480mi 8½ hrs	650mi	650mi	650mi	650mi	650mi	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs	12 hrs
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Road Distance and Average Road Travel Times		1 via Bristol		2 via Exeter		3 via Exeter		4 via Exeter & Manchester		5 via Leeds		5 via Manchester		6 via Newcastle							

# Northern Islands

Same scale as main map

