

Seasonal Opening Hours for Hotels / cafes / businesses in some of the more remote areas of Wester Ross:

Note: These are based on information received, and through culling information from sources such as facebook and the relevant websites. The problem here is that many places do not generally have the custom to justify remaining open over the winter, so PLEASE check before you turn up out of the blue! Ullapool is not covered by this list – it is a major ferry terminal for the area, with transport connections and a population that's significantly greater than other places in Wester Ross – therefore, most major businesses there should be open, but check first!

If anybody has any information to add to this list, please let us know on: contact@visitwester-ross.com

Lochcarron / Strathcarron / Applecross areas:

Applecross Inn: Not open for accommodation for the 2 weeks over Christmas and New Year between December 21st – January 6th.

On Christmas Day, closed for food - bar is open from 12.30pm till 2.30pm for drinks only. On New Years Day AND the 2nd of January, the bar is closed ALL day for food and drinks

Applecross Walled Garden: Monday to Saturday 12pm to 8pm, Sunday 12 to 4pm

Lochcarron Hotel: The Lochcarron is open all year round - for food, 11am – 9pm, bar hours ,11am onwards

Strathcarron Hotel: No info available

Kishorn Seafood Bar: Closed from November 15th until February 11th, 2019

Bealach na Ba cafe: . Open Fridays and Sundays 11-4pm for the Winter season.

Waterside cafe: Closed

Carron Restaurant: Mon- Sat 10.00-5pm, Sunday 10.00-3pm. Open Evenings for advance booking only on 01520 722488 . Festive menus available, and appears to be open on Christmas day. Possibly closed December 26th until mid January.

Carron Pottery (just beside the above restaurant): Monday to Friday 10 am to 4.30 pm. Saturday 10 am to 2.30 pm. Closed Sundays. Until Christmas Eve.

Castle Cottage B&B: Open all year round - Winter price discounts applicable from October onwards.

Loch Dubh B&B / self catering: Loch Dubh bed and breakfast. Offering our chalet self catering nightly and weekly over the winter. Bed and breakfast starts again April 1st

Torridon / Shildaig areas:

Gille Brighde, Diabaig: last food service will be Sunday lunch, the 28th of October. Possibly (briefly) open around Hogmanay and reopening a few weeks before Easter

Torridon Hotel: Open throughout December – January

Torridon Cafe and Stores: Open Wednesday to Saturday 1000-1700

Torridon Inn: Open November, Thursday 8am – 11pm, Friday & Saturday 8am – 11pm, Sundays 8am – 5pm. Closed , December 3rd until 7th February

Tigh an Eilean Hotel, Shildaig: Open except for December 24th, 25th, 26th.

Applecross Smokehouse: Please telephone 01520 755367 to check stock availability and pick up by arrangement.

Achnasheen:

Ledgowan Lodge Hotel: Open throughout most of December, but closed December 20th – February 1st, 2018. Advertising winter breaks on its Fb page.

Kinlochewe:

Kinlochewe Hotel: Hotel and bunkhouse open throughout the winter, closed Mondays and Tuesdays 1st Nov till 1st March. (Closed January for continuing refurbishment)

Bar/Restaurant from 4pm daily with food served 6pm till 8pm. (closed Mondays and Tuesdays 1st Nov till 1st March. (Closed January for continuing refurbishment)

Whistlestop Cafe: Closed

Cafe at Kinlochewe Filling Station: Closed for the winter – BUT coffees, hot snacks and sandwiches available for takeaway. Fuel available 9 – 5.30 (Mon – Fri), and 9 – 5pm Saturday.

Gairloch and surrounding area:

Loch Maree Hotel: Closed

Badachro Inn: Monday / Tuesday - Closed.

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday - 4.30 - 11 Serving food 6 - 8.30.

Saturday - 12 - 12 Serving food 12 - 2.30 / 6 – 8.30. Sunday - 12.30 - 8 Serving Sunday Roast Dinners 12.30 - 4.30.

Shieldaig Lodge Hotel: Website states open all year

The Old Inn: Closed until March 2019

Coast Coffee Co: Closed

Myrtle Bank Hotel: Open every day from 8.00 am. Closed for Christmas Day and Boxing Day, then open until New Year's eve. Closed for 1st 2 weeks of January, then open again as usual 8am to approx 11pm every day.

Gairloch Hotel: Closed from 28th October until mid – February 2019 for refurbishment works

Millcroft Hotel: Open all year round for bar (5pm onwards / 4.00pm onwards on Saturdays and 12 noon onwards on Sundays). Meals, open from 5.30pm till 8.30pm (weekends until 9pm). Bar open Christmas Eve as usual, Christmas day 12pm – 2pm, Boxing day as usual, New Years eve (Hogmanay!) 5pm – 12 midnight.

Open for accommodation throughout, and open Christmas day, 12 - 2pm .

The Shielling Cafe / Restaurant: Monday through Saturday, 10am till 4pm . CLOSED SUNDAY .

Re-Open for dinners on Thursday 14th December through Saturday 30th December. CLOSED SUNDAYS. Christmas Day, open for lunches 12noon - 2pm

Steading Cafe / Restaurant: Open Sunday – Wednesday, 11am – 4pm, BUT closing November 23rd until December 17th.

Gairloch Chippy: Open all year

Crumbs Takeaway: Hot and cold takeaway food and drinks, breakfasts, lunches and cakes right through the Winter - Monday to Saturday 9-3.

Links cafe (Gairloch Golf Club): open 1pm – 8pm from end of October. (Appears to be closed on Wednesdays according to their FB page)

Aird Hill B&B (Badachro): Aird Hill Bnb is open on an ad hoc basis whereby potential guests should contact / check availability on our website. Little Aird Hill self catering is open as usual.

The Old Armoury self catering: Open over winter time, next door to the Myrtle Bank Hotel (also open).

Newton House B&B – Open all winter

Poolewe:

Poolewe Hotel: No obvious information on their website or FB page.

Bridge cafe: Open each day 11am until 4pm except Wednesday and Thursday.

Bothy Cafe (in Inverewe Gardens): Open Saturdays and Sundays, 11am till 2pm.

Inverewe Gardens themselves: Opening hours for November: GARDEN: 1000-1600 – Visitor Centre, Osgood's cafe and Inverewe House: Closed.

Aultbea:

Aultbea Hotel: No information on FB or website

Oran na Mara cafe: Open all year, daytime only

Perfume Studio cafe: Closed

Northwards from Aultbea towards Ullapool:

Badrallach Campsite: Open all year

Broomview Cottage: Open for B&B all winter.

Other info:

Details for Artists, Craft shops, and a selection of cafes - Look up the website pages of [Handmade in Wester Ross](#) or the [South West Ross Arts and Eats Trail facebook pages](#)

Shops, services, and stores :

Lochcarron, Shieldaig, Torridon, Kinlochewe, Gairloch, Poolewe, Aultbea, and Laide have food stores and convenience shops – most, if not all of these, are open usual hours, and many of these sell sandwiches. **Not all are open on Sundays.**

Loch Ewe Salt and Seaweed; Open for business 24/7 online and via email, Facebook and phone .

Shellfish Safaris – who do fascinating boat trips around the Gairloch area, demonstrating the art of shellfishing for crabs / lobster etc – are open all year, weather permitting.

There are DIY shops at Gairloch (Farm and garden + Les Buchan)

Fuel at Lochcarron, Applecross (24 hour card service), Kinlochewe (Closed Sundays), Gairloch (24 hour card service), Laide

As described earlier, this is NOT a foolproof guide! At this time of year, many things can affect opening hours – not least of all power cuts and the weather! And if there are other places that are not listed here, let us know the details.

And for accommodation in the winter – there are several facebook pages that can assist you.

Specifically in Wester Ross – try “Roomhub-Wester Ross” B&B's / self catering in the area . There may of course be others!

More generally, but also including Wester Ross – look at “Highland Rooms”