



GONDOLA

Ride the **Nevis Range gondola**, which whisks visitors from close to Fort William to 2150ft on the north face of Aonach Mor - the eighth highest mountain in Britain. The journey allows breathtaking views of the Scottish Highlands, including the Great Glen, Ben Nevis, and surrounding areas. On a clear day this spectacular view can extend as far as the Inner Hebrides.

Take a walk around the surrounding area from the top mountain station, taking in the breathtaking scenery and admire the winter sports activities. This could be followed up by coffee in the high-level Snowgoose Restaurant.

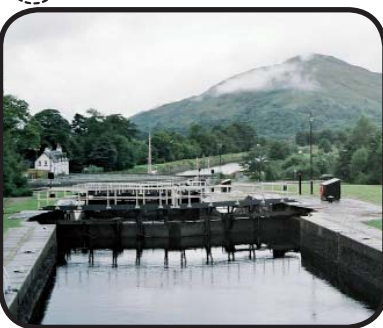
One word of warning: the weather at the top station can be much colder, or can change rapidly, in comparison to the sheltered landscape below. Be sure to take warm, protective clothing.



highland piper

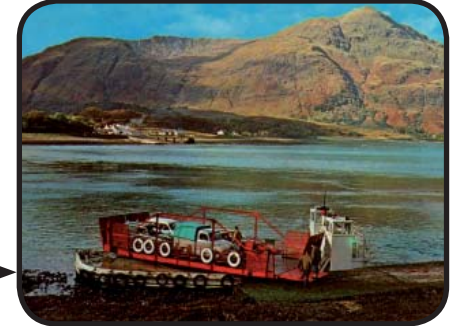
This **one-way journey road trip** from Fort William takes in a wide variety of local attractions. Beginning by heading west, shortly after leaving Fort Bill you arrive at Banavie on the Caledonian Canal. This small settlement is home of **Neptune's Staircase**, the longest staircase lock in the UK. Continuing on, the trip follows the magical 'road to the isles'. The next stop is Glenfinnan, home of the viaduct made famous by Harry Potter. A hotbed of attractions, this small village also houses the **Glenfinnan Monument** (erected in 1815), and provides a perfect spot to view **Loch Shiel**.

At Lochailort, the trip will turn off the main road, heading south to Moidart. This route follows alongside the picturesque Loch Ailort, before cutting slightly inland and past Loch Moidart. The route becomes more remote as the road turns single track. A small turn-off just before Archaracle provides a track to **Castle Tioram** (pronounced Chee-rum). This ruined castle - closed to visitors for safety reasons - dates from the 13th century and sits on the tidal island Eilean Tioram. From Archaracle, the route continues south, turning onto a single-track minor road at Salen in order to explore the **Ardnamurchan peninsula**. This area is home to the most western point on the British mainland. While reaching this remote outpost takes effort (many miles, single track roads etc.), the wild, lonely and stunning surroundings make it worth every ounce (of effort). Past the stunning beaches of Sanna bay, the lighthouse lies at the far easterly tip.



Neptune's Staircase

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Corran ferry



Glenfinnan Monument

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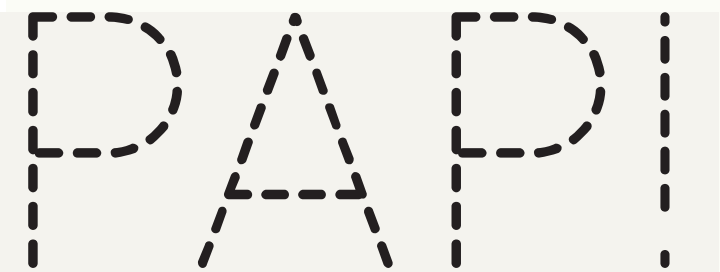
Ardnamurchan lighthouse



Loch Shiel



Tioram castle



Take a walk through the spectacular scenery of Glen Coe - often considered one of the most beautiful places in Scotland. Weather conditions permitting, two options are available:

- 1) Climb the mighty **Pap of Glencoe** - one of the best known mountain landmarks in the area. Enjoy fantastic views of the Ballachulish bridge and over Loch Linnhe to Ardgour.
- 2) Take a low-level walk through the Glen Coe valleys and admire the mighty Pap and the stunning snow-capped mountains of the Glen Coe region.

Given the avalanche-prone nature of these mountains, the 2nd option is more likely.

