

Islay's Winter Wildfowl

Naturetrek Tour Report

6th – 10th November 2023



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Summary

Our gentle and serene drive from Glasgow to Kennacraig via Inverary was truly autumnal with the stunning reds and golds of beeches and larches superimposed against the browns and chestnuts of bracken and heather. It was dark as we boarded the Finlaggan ferry to Islay so time for our evening meal and tour briefing prior to our short journey to the very comfortable hotel at Port Charlotte on the western shores of Loch Indaal.

Our first full day together started well with an early morning Otter fishing the shore just outside the hotel and a trilling flock of Waxwings flying past. After breakfast we explored more of Loch Indaal, quickly notching up many Red-throated Divers, waders, the first of the geese and a Merlin with prey. On to Gruinart where Peregrine, Hen Harrier, regiments of Barnacle Geese and Whooper Swans awaited us and we were lucky to pick out vagrant Cackling and Todd's Geese. Our afternoon walk to the Ardmore Point provided a White-tailed Eagle directly overhead, Choughs, Twite, Hen Harrier and lots of Rabbits, Brown Hares, Grey Seals and Roe Deer!

Day Three took us to Jura with its herds of Red Deer, Great Northern Divers and a pretty vicious hailstorm followed by coffee in the island hotel! Stonechats, another Hen Harrier, tame Redwings and Song Thrushes all delighted and we finished on Islay with Scaup and Pale-bellied Brent Geese.

The last full day found us at Portnahaven and the Rinns where we connected with a majestic Golden Eagle and more White-tailed Eagles, a brief Hen Harrier, more hares and deer and flocks of assorted geese including the handsome Greenland White-fronteds. A Waxwing showed briefly at our hotel first thing and our last venue was to the north shore of Loch Indaal yielding a Glaucous Gull, Slavonian Grebe and Common Scoters amongst others.

Our ferry back to the mainland provided a platform for seeing Harbour Porpoises, more Otters and a variety of seabirds and sea-ducks and all of a sudden our short tour to this magical Western Scotland venue was over.

Day 1

Monday 6th November

Five of the group met with the tour leader on the outskirts of Glasgow and we quickly motored away from the city and headed west through the fabulous landscapes of the Western Highlands. We took a half-hour comfort stop at the lovely Inveraray, where there was time for a hot beverage and a quick look around some of the shops. Habituated Herring Gulls and Jackdaws begged for food scraps. We continued our journey west with roadside observations of Fieldfares and Redwings, a small flock of probable Waxwings flying out of a roadside bush and birds of the tideline including Oystercatchers, Curlew, Wigeon, Goosander and Red-breasted Merganser and the usual Grey Heron, Shag and Cormorant plus a Little Egret.

We drove through the crow zone boundary with Carrion Crow to the east and Hooded Crows to the west, with a few hybrid birds in between, and a few Ravens were flying around too. The morning had seen good conditions with sun and a pleasant temperature, but it became cloudy with showers in the afternoon – the breeze remaining light.

We picked up Vivienne and Robin at the hotel not far from Tarbert where they had enjoyed a pleasant stay and nice walks in the near vicinity. We arrived at Kennacraig with darkness falling and left promptly on the 6pm

Calmac Ferry to Port Askaig on Islay. The majority of us took the opportunity to purchase a hot meal from the onboard restaurant and we sat down to discuss and make plans for the coming four days.

The ferry made good time and we arrived at Port Askaig just before 8pm and a quick departure in the mini-bus ensured we were at the Port Charlotte Hotel by 8.30pm. We received a warm welcome there and were able to relax after the room allocation in preparation of our 'Queen of the Hebrides' adventure.

Day 2

Tuesday 7th November

A 7.30am amble outside the hotel, which is conveniently positioned on the west bank of Loch Indaal, immediately provided views of a fishing Otter as it dived for fish on its slow foray south in the water just off the rocks. A Red-throated Diver was also close inshore and our first skeins of Barnacle Geese flew over. As we turned to return for breakfast five trilling Waxwings flew over heading for Bruichladdich.

Our weather for the day was very light westerly winds, mild and showery with periods of sunshine in the morning but cloudy in the afternoon.

After breakfast we clambered into the mini-bus and headed for the loch-side village of Bruichladdich which hosted a number of close-in Red-throated Divers, which had clearly encountered a shoal of fish in the shallows, and small numbers of Ringed Plover, Rock Pipit and Chaffinches. A female Merlin caused consternation as she flew past low next to us, already clutching her avian prey. We added Red-breasted Merganser and Turnstone to our list and moved on along the north-west shore of Loch Indaal. Here some scanning provided us with distant views of Slavonian Grebes, more Red-throated Divers and a couple of Great Northern Divers, distant Eiders and Goldeneye. Driving on, we stopped briefly at Bridgend and popped into Bowmore to purchase some lunch supplies.

Our next quest was to visit the splendid Loch Gruinart RSPB Reserve to see plenty of geese and other birds. The usual big flocks of Barnacle Geese on the flats were only in small numbers due to dredging activity, but the first flock we checked out hosted a Richardson's Cackling Goose and an apparent Todd's Goose feeding together. Before this we had seen a disturbance with Golden Plovers and Lapwings moving off quickly and there was a male Peregrine flying high over us trying hard to gain height above a Common Snipe that clearly knew its strategy and was also gaining altitude to prevent it being stooped upon. The two birds continued to gain height and fly out of view so the end result was not witnessed.

A Pink-footed Goose, Greylags and the very smart dark Greenland White-fronted Geese all showed nicely and we parked up at the RSPB Centre and walked to the hides. Rabbits included a couple of black individuals and we could see Whooper Swans on the marshes. Stonechats and other common birds including plenty of Redwings provided good views on the approach to the hides with Wigeon, Pintail, Teal and more geese visible from within; both a Peregrine and a Hen Harrier flew by and we could see flocks of distant waders on the estuarine mud beyond. A couple of Greenshanks and Little Grebe were closer and the Whoopers had a fly around. A Grey Wagtail was more furtive.

On our return to the visitor centre we had lunch and with wildlife all around boarded our mini-bus and drove the narrow road to Loch Ardnave. Even before we had parked up we could see small groups of Chough with a couple

of birds showing particularly well. We took a meander to Ardnave Point, walking along a track through the sand dunes towards the end of the peninsular with a vibrant flock of Barnacle Geese barking to our left-hand side and a Hen Harrier perched on a fence post, with several hunting Common Buzzards around us. A few fidgety Twite danced ahead of us and winter thrushes flocked past. We reached the point and scanned over the channel to Nave Island. Grey Seals and their pups were beached on the islands and a couple of animals swam much closer to us. A few birds in the channel included Red-throated Diver and Eider and waders on the shore included Bar-tailed Godwits and Ringed Plovers. The best was yet to come though when we picked up on a juvenile White-tailed Eagle over the island flying directly towards us. It kept coming straight at us and rather than veering away, circled low over us, gained height and flew inland, providing super views as it went. We took a slow walk back to our vehicle with views of Chough and several Twite lined up on a fence. The Barnacle Geese flew up and around as the daylight began to fade.

We drove slowly back to Port Charlotte, arriving back at the hotel by 5.35pm. Our mammal list for the day included Red Deer, Roe Deer, Brown Hare and an unidentified pipistrelle bat. We completed our Naturetrek checklist at 6.40pm and sat down to our evening meal just after 7pm. Safely ensconced in the hotel, there was no appetite for a night drive and cloud prevented any chance of seeing the potential Aurora Borealis.

Day 3

Wednesday 8th November

Despite something of an iffy weather forecast, dominated by a breezy westerly wind, the decision was made to visit the stunning island of Jura for the day. A pre-breakfast wander along the shoreline provided plenty of geese and a post-roost gathering of Jackdaws and Rooks, but nothing new.

After our breakfast which included options of a full Scottish breakfast or kippers and/or porridge, we boarded the mini-bus and set off to Port Askaig and caught the local 9.30am council ferry over to Jura. Small groups of Red Deer on Jura were visible whilst scanning across from Islay and once off the boat we took time to scan the waters south of the ferry, but saw no Otters on this occasion. Several Shags and a close Razorbill and distant Great Northern Divers fished the waters. Stonechats were the first of many perched up on roadside vegetation.

Driving away from the coastline we crossed the moors and obtained closer views of Red Deer and were lucky enough to see the Paps without them being shrouded in cloud. At Craighouse we went for a walk and 'scoped Great Northern Divers, Shags, Cormorants and Red-breasted Mergansers with distant views of Wild Goats on the nearby islets. We walked along the shoreline enjoying common birds close at hand such as Song Thrush, Chaffinch, Grey Herons and Common Buzzard and a few waders included Redshanks, Oystercatchers and Turnstones.

We turned to walk back to the mini-bus only to find that the sky had turned an ominous dark grey! Minutes later we were subjected to a significant hailstorm and with the local café not open the Jura Hotel kindly provided us with some hot beverages to thaw and partly dry us out. There was also an opportunity to make some purchases from the Jura Distillery opposite before we returned to the mini-bus, clambered in and drove north from Craighouse. Red Deer including a couple of fine stags relaxing in the grass fields next to the road and numerous birds gleaned the banked-up seaweed along the shoreline. Seeing people and traffic all the time, the resident birds including the handsome Hooded Crows often permitted a close approach as we drove a short distance to the beach at Leargy. The weather had improved with lovely autumn sunshine breaking through so this was the venue for

our packed lunch; tame Robins and Stonechats kept their beady eyes on us. With this brief introduction to Jura accomplished we drove slowly south and west in order to catch the 3.15pm ferry back to Islay.

We had a brief encounter with a Hen Harrier but our only White-tailed Eagle was a distant adult when we first arrived on Jura. A couple of Sparrowhawks had popped up but most of our raptor sightings were of Common Buzzards.

Back on Islay we visited Loch Finlaggan but it was cold, grey and rather forbidding so we didn't linger long and moved on to check out Loch Skerrols. Here a pleasant walk through the woodland provided us with views of some ducks on the loch which included a Goldeneye, Tufted Ducks and two Greater Scaup. A mystery animal seen by Robin as we manoeuvred the mini-bus remained unidentified. We popped by Bridgend again and saw an assortment of wildfowl which included a flock of Pale-bellied Brent Geese. This was the quietest day for wildlife during our short trip and we were back at the hotel for 5pm with plenty of time for relaxation ahead of our checklist and evening meal. A seventy-five-minute night drive provided us with Brown Hare, Rabbit and close spotlighted Red Deer but no owls and then it was time for bed unless the attraction of the extensive whisky bar at the hotel was too significant to be ignored!

Day 4

Thursday 9th November

Our last full day on Islay and weather-wise it was dry all day with a decreasing breeze, cold first and last thing, fairly cloudy but with some nice sunshine. Our pre-breakfast meander provided close views of Song Thrush, Redwing, Rock Pipit and plenty of Barnacle Geese heading west over Loch Indaal. Our breakfast was disturbed when a Waxwing flew down to drink from a puddle on the patio – the first of the would-be observers to the windows saw it, the rest of us didn't – and we couldn't locate it again despite making a search outside!

Our excursion post-breakfast took us south towards the dramatic setting of Portnahaven, with a hundred-plus flock of Chaffinches, Red Deer and lots of geese en-route! It was cool and breezy at Portnahaven, but we walked around the village and checked the bays and rocks of this frontier-like habitation. Grey Seals were quite numerous and vocal - the males appeared to be courting the females. We spotted a Carrion Crow which is a scarce bird in this part of the world and we saw a couple of Choughs and other birds taking advantage of garden bird feeders which included Starlings and House Sparrows. A couple of Gannets were distant.

We then took the Rinns road back north on the inland route where the majority of the fields are managed for grazing. Curlews and Whooper Swans provided good views and Barnacle, Greylag and Greenland White-fronted Geese remained more distant. We enjoyed a run of raptors with Kestrel, Sparrowhawk, Common Buzzards, a superb adult Golden Eagle, a brief view of an adult male Hen Harrier and a hulking juvenile White-tailed Eagle – super stuff!! Two of our number had unfortunately become unwell with some kind of influenza that morning and had stayed at the hotel so it was an appropriate time to check in with them and grab a quick coffee before heading out again for the day.

Moving on we took a slow drive from Port Charlotte to Machir Bay where we enjoyed super views of post-hopping Common Buzzards and came across a pair of adult White-tailed Eagles on the edge of Loch Gorm – and very splendid they looked too. We ate our packed lunch in the car park at Machir Bay before visits to Kilchoman Cemetery and on to the Kilchoman Distillery. Our fourth White-tailed Eagle of the day was perched on the high

craggs. The fields either side of the road leading to the distillery attracted plenty of corvids and pure Rock Doves and there were House Sparrows around the distillery, no doubt keeping an eye out for access to the malting store there. After a hot beverage and an opportunity to look around the distillery shop we circumnavigated around Loch Gorm and found more geese and Whooper Swans to admire. A 'ringtail' Hen Harrier hunting a gull flew away from us.

We dropped down on the Gruinart Flats for the last time and checked out the flocks of Barnacle Geese grazing there shortly after a memorable encounter with a couple of thousand of their comrades on a nearby hillside field. Spotting nothing new we moved on to Uisgenture at Loch Indaal where we made the acquaintance of a Glaucous Gull which had successfully summered on Islay. From the same viewpoint we could see distant Common Scoters, Great Northern Divers and a Slavonian Grebe, with closer Red-throated Divers and the usual Red-breasted Mergansers. The regular flock of Linnets were joined by up to a dozen Twite.

We finished the daylight hours with an opportunity to see the pre-roost gathering of Barnacle Geese (and Pale-bellied Brent Geese) in the Bridgend area and for a little retail therapy at Bowman's Whisky Shop. We arrived back at the Port Charlotte Hotel at 5.20pm, completed our checklist later and sat down for our evening meal. Hotel staff mentioned the possibility of a showing of the Northern Lights so we abandoned our sweets and headed out to see what was on offer. However, despite driving to a northerly viewpoint with minimal light pollution, we couldn't find anything we were confident was the Aurora. So back to the hotel we went with the opportunity to connect with a wee dram instead.

Day 5

Friday 10th November

It was a lovely day for our journey back from Islay with sunshine, a light breeze and no rain. The/a Waxwing could be heard trilling near to the hotel pre-breakfast and afterwards it showed a couple of times in gardens opposite the hotel. We loaded our mini-bus, provided our thanks to the staff and made our way to Port Askaig to catch the Calmac Ferry back to the mainland. The Glaucous Gull was on the beach as we passed Uisgenture and we saw the usual species of geese in the fields on our way.

The ferry was prompt leaving and most of us found a suitable spot on the viewing deck to see what was on offer. Perhaps surprisingly we didn't see any eagles but there were several Black Guillemots, Red-throated and Great Northern Divers in the Sound of Islay as we headed south between Islay and Jura.

Gannets, Kittiwakes and Razorbills were visible and we saw a pod of Harbour Porpoises just beyond the half-way point. The wide and relatively shallow channel on the approach to Kennacraig is habitually busy with divers and small numbers of sea-ducks and grebes. Black Guillemots were quite numerous and we picked out several small flocks of Long-tailed Ducks and a few Common Scoters, but with only modest numbers of Great Northern and Red-throated Divers. Two Otters were spotted clambering on to a rock and a third animal was in the water nearby. Little Grebe, Eider and plenty of Red-breasted Mergansers made it on to our day list too.

With the ferry docked we drove to a nearby hotel and said good-bye to Vivienne and Robin who were staying another night in the area. The remainder of us motored gently to Glasgow with another stop at Inveraray en-route. At Glasgow the tour effectively concluded with guests conveyed to the airport and the train station. The tour had been a short one but was a great introduction to Islay and the wildlife on offer in the West Highlands at

this time of the year with over a hundred species of birds logged and a decent haul of mammals too. The scenery, wonderful autumn colours and the sometimes wild weather all entwine with the customary great hospitality of the islanders to enhance a wildlife-watching trip to remember.

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Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

I=Introduced		November 2023				
Common name	Scientific name	6	7	8	9	10
Pale-bellied Brent Goose	<i>Branta bernicla hrota</i>			✓	✓	
Canada Goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>					✓
Todd's Goose	<i>Branta canadensis interior</i>		1			
Richardson's Cackling Goose	<i>Branta hutchinsii hutchinsii</i>		1			
Barnacle Goose	<i>Branta leucopsis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Pink-footed Goose	<i>Anser brachyrhynchus</i>		1			
Greylag Goose	<i>Anser anser</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Greater White-fronted Goose	<i>Anser albifrons flavirostris</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Mute Swan	<i>Cygnus olor</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Whooper Swan	<i>Cygnus cygnus</i>		✓		✓	
Common Shelduck	<i>Tadorna tadorna</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Northern Shoveler	<i>Spatula clypeata</i>		✓			
Eurasian Wigeon	<i>Mareca penelope</i>	✓	✓	✓		✓
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Pintail	<i>Anas acuta</i>		✓			
Eurasian Teal	<i>Anas crecca</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Tufted Duck	<i>Aythya fuligula</i>		✓	✓	3	
Great Scaup	<i>Aythya marila</i>			2		
Common Eider	<i>Somateria mollissima</i>		✓			✓
Common Scoter	<i>Melanitta nigra</i>				4+	
Long-tailed Duck	<i>Clangula hyemalis</i>					✓
Common Goldeneye	<i>Bucephala clangula</i>		✓	✓	2	
Goosander	<i>Mergus merganser</i>	✓				
Red-breasted Merganser	<i>Mergus serrator</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Common Pheasant - I	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Red-throated Diver	<i>Gavia stellata</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Northern Diver	<i>Gavia immer</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>		✓			✓
Slavonian Grebe	<i>Podiceps auritus</i>		✓		1	
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>	✓	✓			
Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>				2	✓
European Shag	<i>Gulosus aristotelis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Golden Eagle	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>				1	
Eurasian Sparrowhawk	<i>Accipiter nisus</i>		1♀	3	4	
Hen Harrier	<i>Circus cyaneus</i>		2	1	2	
White-tailed Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>		1	1	4	
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Lapwing	<i>Vanellus vanellus</i>		✓		✓	
European Golden Plover	<i>Pluvialis apricaria</i>		✓			
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	H
Eurasian Curlew	<i>Numenius arquata</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bar-tailed Godwit	<i>Limosa lapponica</i>		✓			
Ruddy Turnstone	<i>Arenaria interpres</i>		✓	✓	✓	

I=Introduced		November 2023				
Common name	Scientific name	6	7	8	9	10
Dunlin	<i>Calidris alpina</i>		✓			
Common Snipe	<i>Gallinago gallinago</i>		✓			
Greenshank	<i>Tringa nebularia</i>		✓			
Common Redshank	<i>Tringa totanus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Black-legged Kittiwake	<i>Rissa tridactyla</i>					✓
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>	✓	✓		✓	✓
Common Gull	<i>Larus canus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	✓				
Glaucus Gull	<i>Larus hyperboreus</i>				1	1
Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>		✓		✓	
Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>		✓	✓		✓
Black Guillemot	<i>Cepphus grylle</i>		✓	GO		✓
Rock Dove	<i>Columba livia</i>	✓	✓		✓	
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓			✓
Eurasian Collared Dove	<i>Streptopelia decaocto</i>		✓		✓	✓
Kingfisher	<i>Alcedo atthis</i>					✓
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>				1	✓
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>		1♀			
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>		2			
Eurasian Magpie	<i>Pica pica</i>	✓				✓
Red-billed Chough	<i>Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax</i>		10		4/6	
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Carrion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	✓			1	✓
Hooded Crow	<i>Corvus cornix</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Bohemian Waxwing	<i>Bombycilla garrulus</i>		5		1	1
Coal Tit	<i>Parus ater</i>		✓	✓		
Eurasian Blue Tit	<i>Cyanistes caeruleus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>				✓	
Long-tailed Tit	<i>Aegithalos caudatus</i>		✓		✓	
Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>				1	
Goldcrest	<i>Regulus regulus</i>	H	H			
Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Starling	<i>Sturnus vulgaris</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Fieldfare	<i>Turdus pilaris</i>		✓		✓	✓
Redwing	<i>Turdus iliacus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Mistle Thrush	<i>Turdus viscivorus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>		✓	✓	✓	
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Duncock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grey Wagtail	<i>Motacilla cinerea</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Pied Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba yarrellii</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Common name	Scientific name	6	7	8	9	10
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>		✓	✓	✓	
Eurasian Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Bullfinch	<i>Pyrrhula pyrrhula</i>		H	✓		
European Greenfinch	<i>Chloris chloris</i>			1	✓	
Twite	<i>Linaria flavirostris</i>		25		12	
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>		✓		✓	
Lesser Redpoll	<i>Acanthis cabaret</i>			H		
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		✓		✓	
Eurasian Siskin	<i>Spinus spinus</i>		H			
Common Reed Bunting	<i>Emberiza schoeniclus</i>		✓		✓	

Mammals

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Common name	Scientific name	6	7	8	9	10
European Hare - I	<i>Lepus europaeus</i>		✓	✓	✓	
European Rabbit - I	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Eurasian Otter	<i>Lutra lutra</i>		1			3
Grey Seal	<i>Halichoerus grypus</i>		✓		✓	
Harbour Seal	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Harbour Porpoise	<i>Phocoena phocoena</i>					✓
European Roe Deer	<i>Capreolus capreolus</i>		✓		✓	
Red Deer	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓
Wild Goat	<i>Capra aegagrus</i>			✓		
rodent sp.				✓	✓	
Pipistrelle bat sp.	<i>Pipistrellus sp</i>		✓			



Scenic shot of coastal cottages by Hilary Jordan