# Islay & Jura in Summer

# Naturetrek Tour Report

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Corncrake



Hen Harrier



Early Marsh Orchid

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# **Summary**

The Inner Hebridean islands of Islay and Jura are a joy to visit in any season, and our June visit was no exception. We enjoyed generally great weather, turquoise seas and white sand, colourful Yellow Irises and great bird and mammal sightings. Highlights included the fabulous views of Hen Harriers, White-tailed Eagles, Chough, Great Northern Divers and Corn Crake, Otter, Red Deer and Hares, Marsh Fritillary and Large Heath butterflies and the various orchid species, especially the Northern Marsh Orchids and the Greater and Lesser Butterfly Orchids. It was also a treat to be able to watch the sea from the rooms in the hotel, where we were made very welcome.

#### Day 1

Monday 14th June

Kennacraig - Port Askaig - Port Ellen

Seven of the group members were picked up from by Glasgow Station and the other two from the Stonefield Hotel just outside Tarbert, nearer Kennacraig Ferry Terminal. We left Glasgow and drove up the side of Loch Lomond, the sun at times breaking through the grey cloud and occasional Swallows flying overhead. Verges were bright with buttercups (Ranunculus spp.) and Ox-eye Daisies (Leucanthemum vulgare), and bushes of Gorse (Ulex europaeus) and Common Broom (Cytisus scoparius). The Rhododendron (Rhododenron ponticum) was at its best, with large purple patches contrasting with the green woods and hillsides. We climbed over the pass at the 'Rest and Be Thankful' before dropping down to the shores of Loch Long and then Loch Fyne. We stopped at Inveraray for a leg-stretch, where a couple of Red-throated Divers were fishing quite far out. As we continued along the loch, we passed several Grey Herons and female Eiders with ducklings.

We all met up at the terminal, where the fresh wind was rather bracing but showers were brief. We enjoyed the Black Guillemots or Tysties around the pier and Tony glimpsed an Otter, but it quickly disappeared. A family of Mute Swans and a drake Eider were noted. Soon we were on board the MV. Finlaggan for our 6pm sailing over to Port Askaig. As we sailed down Loch Tarbert we passed good numbers of Eiders, especially drakes, and Shags on rocky islands, and a large flock of Canada Geese. We noted Arctic Terns, Common Gulls amongst the others, and the delicate Kittiwakes. As we moved into more open water, Manx Shearwaters were plentiful, as were Gannets and auks, mainly Common Guillemots; there was a smaller number of Razorbills, and Brian picked out a few Puffins. We entered the narrow Sound of Jura and could see a Buzzard being mobbed by a couple of Hooded Crows, Feral Goats and a herd of Red Deer on the wave-cut platform above the shore of Jura.

We disembarked and drove south-west to Bridgend before taking the more minor 'high road' across to Port Ellen. The second minibus saw a male Hen Harrier hunting across a field, although it was fairly distant by the time the first group had reversed back – but a good start! A female was also seen later, distantly, but not visible to all. A group of Red Deer hinds by the road were more visible! It was not long before we arrived at our hotel, No. 1, Charlotte Street, with beautiful views out over the bay. After a long day travelling, we soon retired to bed.

## Day 2

# **Tuesday 15th June**

#### Gruinart & The Rhinns

We woke to a bright morning. After a delicious Scottish breakfast, we gathered at the minibuses. A distant Golden Eagle was hanging over the far hills, seen by some. We set off to drive to Bowmore, seeing a Cuckoo and a fine male Hen Harrier en route. After stocking up on lunch items, we moved on, driving round the top of Loch Indaal to Uiskentyre, where we turned north-west across to Gruinart Flats. Yellow Iris (*Iris pseudacorus*) and Hemlock Water-dropwort (*Oenanthe crocata*) filled the ditches.

After using the facilities at the RSPB Visitor Centre, we parked up and took a circular walk. First, we followed the woodland trail, through mixed deciduous woodland, noting Willow Warbler, including one which showed well, Blackcap, Wren, Song Thrush and Great Tit amongst the trees. The lush understorey held many ferns, including Male Fern (*Dryopteris filix-mas*), the more tapering Lady-fern (*Athyrium filix-femina*) and Hart's-tongue Fern (*Asplenium scolopendrium*), as well as Marsh Thistle (*Cirsium palustre*) and Yellow Pimpernel (*Lysimachia nummularium*). We found our first Northern Marsh and Common Spotted Orchids (*Dactylorhiza purpurella* and *D. fuchsii*). Lapwing and Redshank were prominently protecting nests and youngsters, and we noted Mute Swans, Greylag Geese and a few Teal among other species. Swallows and Sand Martins were struggling against the increasing wind. The conditions were not good for insects, but we saw a number of Common Carder Bees and webs of newly hatched caterpillars, probably of Peacock butterfly. Brian also found a very hairy Garden Tiger moth caterpillar. A Hare was crouched down in a meadow. As we returned to the road, House Martins were flying low.

We then took the Moorland Trail up the hill, with more Northern Marsh Orchids and Heath Spotted Orchids (Dactulorhiza maculata subsp. ericetorum), the insectivorous Round-leaved Sundew (Drosera rotundifolia), and the delicate Bog Pimpernel (Lysimachia tenella) amongst other species. Stonechats perched on the Gorse, including a family, and a Common Whitethroat was glimpsed briefly. The path went across an area of peat bog, with both Common Cotton-grass (Eriophorum angustifolium) with its multiple cottony heads, and Hare's-tail Cotton-grass (Eriophorum vaginatum), with single heads. The cloud was building, and the first rain came as we returned to the vehicles. We ate our picnics at the RSPB centre, amongst the Swallows and House Sparrows. Looking down over the wetland from here, with the telescopes, we could see at least two Black-tailed Godwits amongst the rushes, including a fine male.

The rain, although not heavy, was becoming more persistent, so we decided to drive through the Rhinns, down to Portnahaven, at the far south-west of the island. The rocks here are some of the oldest in Europe. We stopped at Kilchiaran, near an unusual semi-circular farmyard, where a pair of Common Sandpipers were skittish, and the female was crouched by the road with a couple of chicks. Rock Doves and Siskins were among other birds here. Skylarks, Meadow Pipits, Stonechats and a couple of Whinchats were seen as we drove, as well as Curlew. We took a very minor loop road to Claddach and heard and saw Grasshopper Warbler. Atlantic Grey Seals were hauled out on rocks at Portnahaven, some calling, and we saw more from Port Wemyss, across on the Isle of Orsay. From here we could see Manx Shearwaters passing beyond the island, plus a Fulmar, Guillemots, and a Red-breasted Merganser, while a flock of Arctic Terns bathing and resting, included a first-summer-plumaged individual, an unusual sight in the UK. On the rocks were Thrift (Armeria maritima) and English Stonecrop (Sedum anglicum).

Our final stop of the day was in the layby at Easter Ellister, where, as well as Greylag Geese on the water, we could see the unlikely pairing of a male Velvet Scoter and a female Common Scoter. Unfortunately, the rain and

prevailing wind, straight at our faces, made viewing difficult, but these birds are a regular feature here and have been for a number of years.

After a break back at the hotel, we met to walk the short distance to the Islay Hotel for our evening meal, after which some of the group met to complete our checklists and reflect on an excellent first day in the field, despite the weather.

### Day 3

# Wednesday 16th June

The Oa - South-east Islay

The rain had cleared, and the morning was bright and sunny. After another hearty breakfast, we made the brief trip to Port Ellen Co-op for supplies, seeing a drake Red-breasted Merganser in the bay, and then made the short journey to the start of the Oa peninsula. We added Rabbit to our mammal list and had not gone far along the narrow road that winds to the end when another fine male Hen Harrier was spotted, but it quickly flew out of sight. As ever, Skylarks and Meadow Pipits were abundant, and we had some lovely views of Whinchat, especially a singing male which was viewed through the scopes. A Roe Deer was in a field and Ravens were round a ruined building. We finally reached the car park where a Twite was seen extremely well, and a herd of Red Deer were on the hillside. We set off to walk to the American Monument, which commemorates the sinking of two American troopships offshore in the First World War. The trail went across the peat moorland where we added Bell Heather (Erica cinerea) and Heath Milkwort (Polygala serpyllifolia) to our plant list. The better weather brought out butterflies and we saw Large Heath, a speciality of boggy areas, as the main foodplant of the caterpillars is Hare's-tail Cottongrass. The ones here were of the subspecies scotica, with very few spots on underside of the hind wing. We also saw another special butterfly: beautiful specimens of Marsh Fritillary, a species generally confined to the west of the UK, for which Islay is a stronghold. Small Heaths were also on the wing. We enjoyed the beautiful views from the monument, with Rathlin Island on the coast of Ireland just visible.

Most of the group continued on the circular walk along the cliffs, passing a herd of Feral Goats and having good views of Wheatears. We paused to look at nesting Fulmars and Ravens, while Thrift (*Armeria maritima*), Sea Campion (*Silene uniflora*) and Sea Mayweed (*Tripleurospermum maritimum*) were flowering on the rocks. We gently wound our way round and back to the car park, where we were ready for our lunch, taken on the picnic tables with the Twite still present. On the return journey a ring-tail female Hen Harrier was seen, and Cuckoo was calling.

After a brief stop at the hotel, we took the road east towards and beyond Ardbeg. We were delayed at Lagavulin by road resurfacing works, but a Grey Wagtail was on the grass nearby. Eventually we were allowed through and drove gently on to Loch-an-t-Salein, a rocky inlet, where we stopped to enjoy the Harbour Seals on the rocks and in the water. As the name suggests, they prefer calmer waters than Atlantic Grey Seals. Further on we stopped again, this time for butterflies on Marsh Thistle. These were Small Pearl-bordered Fritillaries, a recent coloniser of south-east Islay, although they've been on Jura for many years. Another Large Heath was nectaring with them, this one with more spots on the hind wing, so probably the more southern subspecies *polydama*, found mainly in northern England but also occurring on Islay. A small party of Lesser Redpolls flew overhead.

Our next stop was at the Kildalton cross, which dates from the Eighth Century and is one of the finest early Christian crosses in Scotland. Because the stone is so hard, the carvings still show clearly and few lichens are able to

grow in it. The chapel walls bore many ferns, including masses of Maidenhair Spleenwort (Asplenium trichomanes), but also Black Spleenwort (Asplenium adiantum-nigrum), Common Polypody (Polypodium vulgare) and Scaly Malefern(Dryopteris affinis), which more usually grows out of the ground. More Redpolls flew into a tree overhead. Our final stop on this south-east road was at Claggain Bay, where we enjoyed the lovely surroundings. Some watched the bay, seeing good numbers of Gannets and Arctic Terns. Common Guillemots were seen too, plus a lone Black Guillemot. Others explored the stream and the Willow-Hazel scrubby woodland, or just enjoyed the ambience. On the return journey a Common Ringed Plover was noted in a bay, and Fallow Deer was added to the mammal list. Fortunately, the road-menders had finished their work, so the journey was smoother in every sense!

After a break, we met again for the short walk to the Islay Hotel, where we enjoyed another delicious meal. Afterwards, some of the group ventured out again, for an evening drive, hoping to locate Corn Crake. Along the high road we had superb views of another male Hen Harrier. We headed to the low-lying north-west of the island, the best area for them, driving along the southern edge of Loch Gorm towards Kilchoman. Gill soon heard one and we were able to pull off the road to listen to its grating call. It was in a patch of Stinging Nettles (*Urtica dioica*) by some old straw bales, very close to us and with careful watching, we were able to see its head pop up occasionally and then it appeared in a small gap in the vegetation, and we were all able to get great views. What a treat! We were also encountering the Highland Midge as well, so we were glad of repellent and hoods. A pair of Tufted Duck was on the loch, and we saw several Roe Deer and more Hares along the way. As the light was fading, we stopped to listen to a Grasshopper Warbler which showed briefly in a bush, while another was heard reeling further on. We had been able to see showers across the sea and they now moved over us as we returned, delighted with another excellent day.

# Day 4

# Thursday 17th June

#### Ardnave Point & Killinallan

We woke to a beautifully sunny morning. After breakfast we took the low road to Bowmore, the high road being closed. After a brief stop for supplies, we returned to Loch Gruinart. A walk to the viewing area gave a very brief view of Black-tailed Godwit, a Dunlin, which was chased off by a Lapwing, and a Greenshank, as well as the 'usual' species. A Dunnock and a Common Whitethroat were seen from the car park.

Our main destination for the morning was Ardnave Point, so we continued up the west side of Loch Gruinart to the parking area by Ardnave Loch, which held Mute Swans, gulls and a pair of Redshank. We set off to walk through the sand dunes with many Sand Martins overhead and around us and Skylarks singing constantly. Birdsfoot Trefoil (Lotus corniculatus), Common Stork's-bill (Erodium cicutarium) and Sand Sedge (Carex arenaria) were amongst the carpets of Daisies and buttercups, and there were several Wheatear families. Soon we heard the distinctive call of Red-billed Chough and a flock of 15 appeared, wheeling around. Two were feeding in a field by the track, giving plenty of opportunities for the photographers. We wandered on, enjoying the warm sun, the breeze and the stunningly beautiful views of the turquoise sea, white sand, the mountains of Jura and views of Colonsay and Mull in the distance. There were several flocks of Starlings around and, since there had been reports of Rosy Starling on Mull and elsewhere in Argyll, Brian was carefully scanning them all. To our delight, one was flying in the middle of a large flock, its pink and dark plumage making it stand out clearly. Unfortunately, the flock quickly disappeared over a ridge. After a while we walked on, looking across to the end of Nave Island, but the heat haze was by now strong. We returned to look again for the starling and had another brief glimpse; some stayed to

look further and were rewarded by views, albeit quite distant, of it on the ground. This summer there has been an eruption of Rosy Starlings across Northern and Western Europe, but it was a real joy to locate the first record for Islay.

We had our lunch on the sandy bank above the car park, relaxing in the sun. Refreshed, we then drove round to the other side of Loch Gruinart, to Killinallan. We stopped at one point to see a colony of Greater Butterfly Orchids (*Platanthera chlorantha*) just coming into flower on a bank. The very minor road ends at a locked gate, where we parked and explored the shore and the grassland above it. Machair is the term used for the sandy coastal pasture that develops in wet and windy conditions in parts of western Scotland; the areas on Islay don't meet all the scientific criteria, although the term is used more generally. The path led us to the foreshore, where Thrift and Seamilkwort (*Lysimachia maritima*) starred the fine saltmarsh turf with pink. In the marshy areas we found dark-salmon-coloured Early Marsh (*Dactylorhiza incarnata*), Northern Marsh (*D. purpurella*) and Narrow-leaved Marsh orchids (*D. traunsteinerioides*) as well as a probable hybrid between Northern Marsh and Common Spotted (*D. x venusta*), showing hybrid vigour. Further on, on the drier areas we found Burnet Rose (*Rosa pimpinellifolia*), Primroses (*Primula vulgaris*) still flowering and a Pyramidal Orchis (*Anacamptis morio*) in bud. A fine Marsh Fritillary was seen as well as a few Small Heath butterflies. Out in the loch, large numbers of Grey Seals were on a sandbank, and we could hear them singing. Tony, scanning the distant hills, saw a White-tailed Eagle.

Time was running out, so we retraced our steps. The high road to Port Ellen was now open again and from it, Tony picked out two large raptors - another two White-tailed Eagles flying high overhead. We were able to watch them cruising down the wind. Delighted with our day we returned to the hotel, and after another delicious meal, updated our lists and discussed all we had seen.

Day 5 Friday 18th June

Jura

Those out early saw a pair of Great Northern Divers in the bay. Today we headed north-east to Port Askaig, via a brief stop in Bowmore, for the ferry over to Jura. We arrived in good time but, in fact, the ferry put on an extra crossing because of people waiting to cross from Jura, so we were soon on board for the short journey. Tysties were in the sound, along with more distant Common Guillemots and Arctic Terns. The island and the sea looked beautiful in the morning sun, and we set off driving slowly along the single main road which runs along the southern then eastern shores, with the ever-present Oystercatchers. The road turned inland a little and we had not gone far when we saw our first Hen Harrier of the day, a fine male. We must have seen about 10 different birds on the island, five ring-tails (females or maybe juveniles) and five males, some very close and giving superb and extended views. We also saw a food pass between birds at one point. We also started to see groups of Red Deer – the name Jura' is thought to be derived from Norse for 'Deer Island', and there are certainly large numbers of them! The verges were bright with Foxgloves (*Digitalis purpurea*) and Tormentil (*Potentilla erecta*).

As we passed through a small woodland of Sessile Oak (*Quercus petraea*), Sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*) and Hazel (*Coryllus avellana*) among other trees, Goldcrest and Long-tailed Tits were heard, while Mistle Thrush flew into the top of a Spruce. Eventually we reached the small village of Craighouse, the main settlement on the island, where we parked up in order to scan the Small Isles Bay and explore. Cormorant, a relatively rare bird here, were perched on rocks and it was not long before an Otter was spotted, fishing in the bay quite distantly, but we were all able to see

it through the scopes as it eventually swam ashore onto some rocks. We drove on, but it had disappeared; however, two Great Northern Divers were in the bay, with one very close to the shore. We had our picnic on a small slipway, sitting on the shore or the short turf, enjoying the sun. A Spotted Flycatcher was on a fence opposite, and a family of Treecreepers was seen.

We left the bay as the road rose across the moorland with more Red Deer, Common Buzzard and Hen Harriers. Passing through a sheltered stretch of coniferous plantation, the Marsh Thistles were alive with Small Pearl-bordered Fritillaries. We stopped by a rocky outcrop for a male Hen Harrier and took the opportunity to explore the ditches and banks, finding a Large Red Damselfly, Marsh Fritillary and both Large and Small Heath plus several Two-banded Longhorn Beetles. There was plenty of Butterwort (*Pinguicula vulgaris*) in flower, plus Round-leaved Sundew (*Drosera rotundifolia*), Common Lousewort (*Pedicularis sylvatica*) and the tiny northern Arctic Eyebright (*Euphrasia arctica* subsp. *borealis*) with very mauve flowers.

Our furthest stop was at Ardlussa by the River Lussa, where Red Deer were peacefully grazing the lush meadows around us, and we watched a Willow Warbler feeding along the riverbank while Swallows and House Martins swooped overhead. A Crossbill flew into the top of a conifer but could not be relocated. We then had to retrace our route back to Feolin and the ferry in time for the 4.45pm crossing. A Ringed Plover was calling from the beach, probably with a nest.

As we returned to the hotel, we all agreed it had been another wonderful day.

#### Day 6

Saturday 19th June

Ballygrant Woods, Finlaggan, Kilchoman

Gill accompanied Brian on a pre-breakfast walk, where species seen included four Great Northern Divers. The rest of the group met up for another hearty breakfast, after which we set off, via the Co-op, for the 'high road'. However, that was signed as being closed again, so we took the road through Bowmore, some seeing a Cuckoo on a wire. Just before the village, we turned north to join the high road, finding the section we wanted was, in fact, open. We pulled in and stopped to scan some trees, soon locating a White-tailed Eagle's nest with a well-grown chick visible. One of the parents flew in and perched nearby, followed by the other; the pair perched at the top of Spruces, and we could see clearly the size difference, with the female being larger. We also saw there were two eaglets in the nest, and we all had some great views. Near the minibuses were two Lesser Butterfly Orchids (*Platanthera bifolia*), and Lesser Redpoll were noted, as well as Highland Midges.

We took the back road northwards, towards Mulindry, soon stopping for another Hen Harrier. A Tree Pipit perched at the top of a tree, Goldcrest was calling and seen, although not well, and Siskin flew over and into the trees. Further on, a Beautiful Demoiselle was seen, and then we saw a Short-eared Owl hunting over the moorland: the only owl of our trip. We enjoyed the beauty and wildlife of the road, eventually reaching Ballygrant, where we parked. We walked a short way along the road and into the woods along a well-made track. Plants included Wild Strawberry (Fragaria vesca), Bugle (Ajuga reptans), Common Spotted Orchids and Common Twayblade, while a pair of Bullfinches were new for the list. The track reached Loch Ballygrant, with a family of Mute Swans, and we scanned the distant hills for raptors. The path followed the loch shore, through the trees, with shrubs including

flowering Fuchsia (Fuchsia magellanica) and Broom (Cytisus scoparius). We paused at some picnic tables, with a fine display of Northern Marsh Orchids and attendant Common Blue and Blue-tailed Damselflies. A Spotted Flycatcher was watched, while a Common Sandpiper on a small island called for its chicks.

We followed the path towards Loch nan Cadhan, the marshy scrub giving us excellent views of Golden-ringed Dragonfly. A rocky slope held Wild Thyme (*Thymus polytrichus* subsp. *britannicus*), Slender St. John's-wort (*Hypericum pulchrum*) and the tiny Fairy Flax (*Linum catharticum*), among other species. We returned to the picnic tables for our lunch, before wandering slowly back to the minibuses. Three Common Lizards were basking on a stone by the road, and a female Orange Tip was seen.

Our afternoon visit was to the nearby Loch Finlaggan, the seat of the Lords of the Isles for three centuries in the mediaeval period. Walking across the broadwalk to the island, we noted White Water-lilies (*Nymphaea alba*), Marsh Cinquefoil (*Comarum palustre*) and Bogbean (*Menyanthes trifoliata*). A Four-spotted Chaser dragonfly was seen well, and Sedge Warbler was heard. We spent some time taking in the history and ambience of this place, before returning to the hotel for some free time. We completed our lists before our final dinner together, and then most of the group headed out to listen for Corn Crake. We saw another fine male Hen Harrier and then heard the Corn Crake at Kilchoman again, although we couldn't see it. Another one called once from a nearby field. Tired after another great day, we returned to the hotel.

Day 7 Sunday 20th June

Ardnave Point & Killinallan

Today we had to say farewell to the staff at No. 1 Charlotte Street who had looked after us so well. The morning was cloudy but bright and the sea was very calm. We arrived in Port Askaig in good time for the ferry, so wandered round the harbour, noting the Black Guillemots in the Sound of Jura. The calm sea gave us great visibility, and we could see large numbers of auks, mainly Common Guillemots again, but we also had good views of a few Puffins. Gannets were resting on the sea and first, a Great Skua, then an Arctic Skua flew past. A couple of Harbour Porpoises were glimpsed and then more of the group were able to see first one, and later, another two, Minke Whales, and a small pod of dolphins, maybe Bottlenose Dolphins, were also seen by some. As we approached Loch Tarbet, we had good views of Great Northern Divers, Eider and Harbour Seals on the rocks and shortly before we docked, a Sandwich Tern was the final new bird for our list.

We left the ferry, saying our farewells, as group members had different drop-off points, a Scotrail strike meaning some had to return to Buchanan Street Bus Station in Glasgow. The cloud was low, and we drove through drizzle and rain, although the weather brightened as we headed along Loch Lomond, taking our final views of the loch and mountains. Everyone agreed we had enjoyed a wonderful week exploring Islay and Jura in summer.

# **Species Lists**

Birds ( $\checkmark$  = recorded but not counted; H = heard only)

			June	,					
	Common name	Scientific name	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	Canada Goose	Branta canadensis	60+						2
2	Greylag Goose	Anser anser	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
3	Mute Swan	Cygnus olor	<b>√</b>						
4	Common Shelduck	Tadorna tadorna		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	
5	Mallard	Anas platyrhynchos	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
6	Eurasian Teal	Anas crecca		5		1		1	
7	Tufted Duck	Aythya fuligula			2			6	
8	Common Eider	Somateria mollissima	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>
9	Velvet Scoter	Melanitta fusca		1					
10	Common Scoter	Melanitta nigra		1					1
11	Red-breasted Merganser	Mergus serrator	<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>
12	Common Pheasant	Phasianus colchicus		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
13	Common Swift	Apus apus	<b>√</b>		-				
14	Common Cuckoo	Cuculus canorus		<b>/</b>	Н		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
15	Rock Dove	Columba livia		√	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	√	√	<b>√</b>
16	Common Wood Pigeon	Columba palumbus		\ \	<b>→</b>	√	<i>\</i>	<b>√</b>	√
17	Eurasian Collared Dove	Streptopelia decaocto	<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	\ \	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
18	Corn Crake	Crex crex	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	1		\ \ \	Н	_
19	Common Moorhen	Gallinula chloropus		1	'	1		11	
20	Eurasian Oystercatcher	Haematopus ostralegus	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
21	Northern Lapwing	Vanellus vanellus	\ \ \	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	_ v	<b>√</b>	V
22	Common Ringed Plover	Charadrius hiaticula	V	1	1	V	2	V	
23	Eurasian Curlew	Numenius arquata	6	9	2	4		2	
24	Black-tailed Godwit	Limosa limosa	0	2		1			
25	Ruddy Turnstone			LO		<u> </u>			
	Dunlin	Arenaria interpres		LO		4			
26 27	Common Snipe	Callingge gallingge	<b>√</b>	/		1 🗸	,	/	
	Common Sandpiper	Gallinago gallinago	V	√ √	<b>√</b>	V	<b>√</b>	√ √	/
28 29	Common Redshank	Actitis hypoleucos Tringa totanus		✓ ✓	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	✓ ✓	<b>√</b>
	Common Greenshank	3		<b>V</b>	_ <b>v</b>			V	
30	Black-legged Kittiwake	Tringa nebularia	,	,		1			,
31	Black-headed Gull	Rissa tridactyla	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	,		,	✓
32	Common (Mew) Gull	Chroicocephalus ridibundus	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	,	<b>√</b>	,
33	Great Black-backed Gull	Larus canus	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	√
34	European Herring Gull	Larus marinus	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
35	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Larus argentatus	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓
36	Sandwich Tern	Larus fuscus	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	
37	Arctic Tern	Thalasseus sandvicensis				_		,	1
38	Great Skua	Sterna paradisaea	30	<b>√</b>		2		✓	1
39	Arctic Skua	Stercorarius skua							1
40		Stercorarius parasiticus							1
41	Common Guillemot (Murre)	Uria aalge	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓		<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>
42	Razorbill	Alca torda	10						1
43	Black Guillemot	Cepphus grylle	10	2	✓		10	2	30+
44	Atlantic Puffin	Fratercula arctica	6						4
45	Red-throated Diver (Loon)	Gavia stellata	3						
46	Great Northern Diver	Gavia immer	1				4	5	4
47	Northern Fulmar	Fulmarus glacialis		1	20				

			14	15	16	17	18	19	20
48	Manx Shearwater	Puffinus puffinus	25	\ \ \					1
49	Northern Gannet	Morus bassanus	√	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>		
50	European Shag	Phalacrocorax aristotelis	<b>√</b>	\ \	√	\ \	<i>\</i>	<b>√</b>	· ✓
51	Great Cormorant	Phalacrocorax carbo		\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \			2		
52	Grey Heron	Ardea cinerea	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	<u>∠</u>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
53	Golden Eagle	Aquila chrysaetos	\ \ \	1	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	_ v	V	
54	Eurasian Sparrowhawk	Accipiter nisus		'				1	
55	Hen Harrier	Circus cyaneus	2	1	3	2	11	5	1
56	White-tailed Eagle	Haliaeetus albicilla		<u>'</u>	3	2	11	4	'
57	Common Buzzard	Buteo buteo	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	<u>∠</u> √	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
58	Short-eared Owl	Asio flammeus	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	V	1	
59	Common Kestrel	Falco tinnunculus			2		1	I	1
60	Peregrine Falcon				1		1		1
61	Red-billed Chough	Falco peregrinus			<u> </u>	20+			
	Western Jackdaw	Pyrrhocorax pyrrhocorax	<b>/</b>	<b>/</b>	<b>√</b>	∠0+	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
62	Rook	Coloeus monedula	✓ ✓		-		_	✓ ✓	<b>√</b>
63	Carrion Crow	Corvus frugilegus		√ 0	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>V</b>	<b>√</b>
64	Hooded Crow	Corvus corone	<b>√</b>	2	,	,	,	,	,
65	Northern Raven	Corvus cornix	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
66	Eurasian Blue Tit	Corvus corax	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
67	Great Tit	Cyanistes caeruleus		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			✓	
68		Parus major		<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			
69	Eurasian Skylark Sand Martin	Alauda arvensis	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
70		Riparia riparia	✓	✓	✓	✓		<b>√</b>	
71	Barn Swallow	Hirundo rustica	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓
72	Common House Martin	Delichon urbicum		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
73	Willow Warbler	Phylloscopus trochilus	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	✓
74	Common Chiffchaff	Phylloscopus collybita		Н					
75	Sedge Warbler	Acrocephalus scoenobaenus		✓	Н	<b>√</b>	Н	Н	Н
76	Common Grasshopper Warbler	Locustella naevia		3	3			Н	Н
77	Eurasian Blackcap	Sylvia atricapilla		✓	Н	Н	Н	✓	
78	Common Whitethroat	Curruca communis		✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓
79	Goldcrest	Regulus regulus					Н	2	
80	Eurasian Wren	Troglodytes troglodytes	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
81	Eurasian Treecreeper	Certhia familiaris					3	2	
82	Rosy Starling	Pastor roseus				1			
83	Common Starling	Sturnus vulgaris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Common Blackbird	Turdus merula	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
85	Song Thrush	Turdus philomelos	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
86	Mistle Thrush	Turdus viscivorus					3	2	
87	Spotted Flycatcher	Muscicapa striata					1	6	
88	European Robin	Erithacus rubecula			2	2	✓	✓	
89	Whinchat	Saxicola rubetra		2	✓	1	3	✓	
90	European Stonechat	Saxicola rubicola		6	✓	✓	✓		✓
91	Northern Wheatear	Oenanthe oenanthe			✓	✓		2	
92	House Sparrow	Passer domesticus	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
93	Dunnock	Prunella modularis				1	1	1	
94	Grey Wagtail	Motacilla cinerea			2				
95	Pied Wagtail	Motacilla alba yarrellii	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
96	Meadow Pipit	Anthus pratensis	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
	Tree Pipit	Anthus trivialis					1	1	
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97 98	European Rock Pipit	Anthus petrosus		2	2		✓	2	

100	Eurasian Bullfinch	Pyrrhula pyrrhula					Н	2	
101	European Greenfinch	Carduelis chloris				2			Н
102	Twite	Linaria flavirostris			4				
103	Common Linnet	Linaria cannabina		✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
104	Lesser Redpoll	Acanthis cabaret			10+		✓	✓	
105	Red Crossbill	Loxia curvirostra					1		
106	European Goldfinch	Carduelis carduelis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
107	Eurasian Siskin	Spinus spinus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>
108	Yellowhammer	Emberiza citrinella						1	
109	Common Reed Bunting	Emberiza schoeniclus	Н	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	Н	Н	2

#### Mammals

1	Hedgehog	Erinaceus europaeus				D	D	D	
2	European Rabbit	Oryctolagus cuniculus			✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	European or Brown Hare	Lepus europaeus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
4	European Otter	Lutra lutra	1				1		
5	Red Deer	Cervus elaphus	✓		✓		✓	✓	
6	Fallow Deer	Dama dama			✓				
7	Roe Deer	Capreolus capreolus			✓				
8	Feral Goat	Capra aegagrus hircus	✓		✓				
9	Harbour Seal	Phoca vitulina	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
10	Grey Seal	Halichoerus grypus		✓		✓			
11	Minke Whale	Balaenoptera acutorostrata							<b>√</b>
12	Bottlenose Dolphin	Tursiops truncatus							✓
13	Harbour Porpoise	Phocoena phocoena							LO

# Reptiles

1	Common Lizard	Zootoca vivipara			✓	

#### Butterflies

1	Large White	Pieris brassicae		✓				
2	Green-veined White	Pieris napi		✓	✓	✓	✓	
3	Orange Tip	Anthocharis cardamines					✓	
4	Small Copper	Lycaena phlaeas		✓		✓		
5	Painted Lady	Vanessa cardui			<b>√</b>			
6	Small Tortoiseshell	Aglais urticae		✓				
7	Peacock	Aglais io	С					
8	Dark Green Fritillary	Argynnis aglaja		✓		✓		
9	Small Pearl-bordered Fritillary	Clossiana selene		✓		✓		
10	Marsh Fritillary	Euphydryas aurinia		✓	✓	✓		
11	Small Heath	Coenonympha pamphilus		✓	✓	✓	✓	
12	Large Heath	Coenonympha tullia		✓		✓		

#### Moths

1	Cuckooflower Moth	Cauchas rufimitrella			✓		
2	Six-spot Burnet	Zygaena filipendulae		✓		✓	
3	Argent & Sable	Rheumaptera hastata		✓			
4	Chimney Sweeper	Odezia atrata				✓	
5	Clouded Buff	Diacrisia sannio				D	
6	Garden Tiger	Arctia caja	С				

Dragonflies

1	Beautiful Demoiselle	Calopteryx virgo				✓	
2	Large Red Damselfly	Pyrrhosoma nymphula			✓		
3	Common Blue Damselfly	Enallagma cyathigerum				✓	
4	Blue-tailed Damselfly	Ischnura elegans				✓	
5	Golden-ringed Dragonfly	Cordulegaster boltonii		✓	✓	✓	
6	Four-spot Chaser	Libellula quadrimaculata		<b>√</b>		<b>√</b>	

#### Other Invertebrates

1	Highland Midge	Culicoides impunctatus
2	Common Cranefly	Tipula oleracea
3	Caddisfly sp.	
4	Northern White Bumblebee	Bombus magnus
5	Buff-tailed Bumblebee	Bombus terrestris
6	Common Carder Bee	Bombus pascuorum
7	Moss Carder Bee	Bombus muscorum
8	Two-banded Longhorn Beetle	Rhagium bifasciatum

#### Plants

Scientific Name	Common Name	Day	First / best location
Nomenclature contained within this list follow	ows the New Flora of the British Isles (4th e	edition) by Cli	ve Stace.
PTERIDOPHYTES	FERNS & ALLIES		
Calamophytes	Horsetails		
Equisetaceae	Horsetail Family		
Equisetum fluviatile	Water Horsetail	2	Gruinart
Equisetum palustre	Marsh Horsetail	2	Gruinart
Leptosporangiate Ferns	True Ferns		
Aspleniaceae	Spleenwort Family		
Asplenium adiantum-nigrum	Black Spleenwort	3	Kildalton
Asplenium scolopendrium	Hart's-tongue	2	Gruinart woods
Asplenium trichomanes	Maidenhair Spleenwort	3	Kildalton
Athyriaceae	Lady-fern Family		
Athyrium filix-femina	Lady-fern	2	Gruinart woods
Dennstaedtiaceae	Bracken Family		
Pteridium aquilinum	Bracken	2	Gruinart
	Buckler-fern Family		
Dryopteris affinis	Scaly Male-fern	3	Kildalton
Dryopteris filix-mas	Male-fern	2	Widespread in woods
Polypodiaceae	Polypody Family		
Polypodium vulgare agg.	Common Polypody	3	Kildalton
GYMNOSPERMS	CONIFERS		
Pinaceae	Pine Family		
Picea abies subsp. abies	Norway Spruce	2	Conifer plantations
Pinus sylvestris	Scots Pine	2	Conifer plantations

ANGIOSPERMS	FLOWERING PLANTS		
Pre-Dicots	Primitive Dicotyledons		
Nymphaeaceae	Water-lily Family		
Nymphaea alba	White Water-lily	6	Finlaggan
Eu-Dicots	True Dicotyledons		
Adoxaceae	Moschatel Family		
Sambucus nigra	Elder	3	Kildalton road
Apiaceae	Carrot Family		
Aegopodium podragaria	Ground-elder	2	Gruinart woods
Angelica sylvestris	Wild Angelica	2	Gruinart
Anthriscus sylvestris	Cow Parsley	2	Gruinart
Conopodium majus	Pignut	2	Gruinart
Oenanthe crocata	Hemlock Water-dropwort	2	Widespread in ditches
Sanicula europaea	Sanicle	6	Ballygrant Woods
Araliaceae	Ivy Family		
Hedera helix	Ivy Family	3	Kildalton
Asteraceae (Compositae)	Daisy Family		
Bellis perennis	Daisy		Common
Cirsium arvense	Creeping Thistle	3	Kildalton road
Cirsium palustre	Marsh Thistle	2	Widespread
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle	3	Kildalton road
Crepis capillaris	Smooth Hawksbeard	2	Scattered
Hypochaeris radicata	Cat's-ear	2	V common in grassland
Leucanthemum vulgare	Ox-eye Daisy	1	Road verges
Matricaria discoidea	Pineapple Weed	2	Gruinart tracks
Pilosella aurantiaca	Fox & Cubs	1	Road verges en route
Taraxacum agg.	Dandelion	2	Scattered
Tripleurospermum maritimum	Sea Mayweed	3	Oa cliffs
Tussilago farfara	Colt's-foot	2	Gruinart, leaves
Betulaceae	Birch Family		
Alnus glutinosa	Alder	5	Jura near Craighouse
Betula pubescens	Downy Birch	2	Widespread in woods
Corylus avellana	Hazel	2	Widespread in woods
Boraginaceae	Forget-me-not Family		
Myosotis laxa subsp. caespitosa	Tufted Forget-me-not	2	Mainly in ditches
Myosotis secunda	Creeping Forget-me-not	2	Gruinart moorland walk; smal
Brassicaceae	Cabbage Family		
Cardamine pratensis	Cuckooflower	2	Gruinart
Cochlearia officinalis	Common Scurvygrass	4	Killinallan Gruinart,showy, mauve to
Hesperis matronalis	Dame's Violet	2	white
Nasturtium officinale	Water-cress	2	Gruinart streams
Raphanaus raphinastrum ssp.	Sea Radish	2,5	Port Ellen & Jura lunchspot
maritimus			

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		Gruinart moorland
		Roadsides, especially en route
Vaccinium myrtillus Bilberry	2	Gruinart moorland
Fabaceae Pea Family		
Cytisus scoparius Broom	6	Ballygrant Woods
Lathyrus pratensis Meadow Vetchling	2	Gruinart
Lotus corniculatus Bird's-foot Trefoil	2	Gruinart and widespread
Trifolium pratense Red Clover	2	Gruinart
Trifolium repens White Clover	2	Gruinart
Ulex europaeus Gorse	2	Gruinart
Vicia cracca Tufted Vetch	2	Gruinart
Vicia sepium Bush Vetch	2	Gruinart
Cole & Booch Family		
Fagure sulvetion Oak & Beech Family		Cruinart & Dallygrant woods
Fagus sylvatica Beech	2	Gruinart & Ballygrant woods
Quercus petraea Sessile Oak	2	Gruinart & south-east woods
Geranium Family		
Erodium cicutarium Common Stork's-bill	4	Ardnave
Geranium molle Dove's-foot Crane's-bill	4	Ardnave
Geranium robertianum Herb Robert	2	Scattered
Gunnera Family		
Gunnera tinctoria Giant-rhubarb	5	Craighouse, Jura (naturalised
Hydrocotylaceae Marsh Pennywort Family		
Hydrocotyle vulgaris Marsh Pennywort	3	The Oa
Hypericaeae St. John's-wort Family		
Hypericum androsaemum Tutsan	6	Ballygrant Woods
Hypericum pulchrum Slender St.John's-wort	6	Ballygrant open bank
Hypericum tetrapterum Square-stalked St.John's-wor		Gruinart woods
Lamiaceae Dead-nettle Family		

Ajuga reptans	Bugle	6	Ballygrant Woods
Stachys sylvestris	Hedge Woundwort	2	Gruinart
Teucrium scorodonia	Wood Sage	5	Jura quarry
Thymus polytrichus subsp. britannicus	Wild Thyme	4	Ardnave
Lentibulariaceae	Bladderwort Family		
Pinguicula vulgaris	Common Butterwort	3	The Oa
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Linaceae	Flax Family		
Linum catharticum	Fairy Flax	6	Ballygrant open bank
Menyanthaceae	Bogbean Family		
Menyanthes trifoliata	Bogbean	6	Finlaggan
Myricaceae	Bog-myrtle Family		
Myrica gale	Bog-myrtle	2	Gruinart
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Onagraceae	Willowherb Family		
Chamaenerion angustifolium	Rosebay Willowherb	6	Ballygrant Woods
Fuchsia magellanica	Fuchsia	6	Ballygrant Woods
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Pedicularis sylvatica	Lousewort	5	Jura
Rhinanthus minor agg.	Yellow Rattle	2	Gruinart
Oxalidaceae	Wood-sorrel Family		
Oxalis acetosella	Wood-sorrel	2	Gruinart
Plantaginaceae	Plantain Family		
Plantago lanceolata	Ribwort Plantain	2	Gruinart
Plantago maritima	Sea Plantain	4	Killinallan
r iamago manuma	Jea i iailtaiii	- 4	Killillallall
Plumbaginaceae	Thrift Family		
Armeria maritima	Thrift	2	Port Wemyss, The Oa
Polygalaceae	Milkwort Family		
Polygala serpyllifoliaa	Heath Milkwort	3	The Oa
Polygala vulgaris	Common Milkwort	2	Gruinart grassland
Polygonaceae	Knotweed Family		
Rumex acetosa	Sorrel	2	Gruinart
	Curled Dock	5	Jura
Rumex crispus Rumex obtusifolius	Broad-leaved Dock	3	Kilchoman (Corn Crake cover!)
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Primulaceae	Primrose Family		
Lysimachia (Glaux) maritima	Sea-milkwort	4	Killinallan
Lysimachia nemorum	Yellow Pimpernel	2	Gruinart woods
Lysimachia (Anagallis) tenella	Bog Pimpernel	2	Gruinart moorland
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Ranunculaceae	Buttercup Family		
Caltha palustris	Marsh-marigold	2	Gruinart
Ranunculus acris	Meadow Buttercup	2	Gruinart
Ranunculus flammula	Lesser Spearwort	2	Gruinart
Ranunculus repens	Creeping Buttercup	3	The Oa
Rosaceae	Rose Family		
Alchemilla sp.	a Lady's-mantle	3	The Oa
Comarum palustre	Marsh Cinquefoil	6	Finlaggan
Cotoneaster integrifolius	Small-leaved Cotoneaster	6	Ballygrant Woods
<u> </u>	Hawthorn	1	Roadsides
Crataegus monogyna Filipendula ulmaria	Meadowsweet	2	
		6	Gruinart, not yet out
Fragaria vesca	Wild Strawberry		Ballygrant Woods
Geum rivale	Water Avens	3	Roadsides
Geum urbanum	Wood Avens	6	Ballygrant Woods
Potentilla anserina	Silverweed	2	Gruinart
Potentilla erecta	Tormentil	2	Gruinart
Rosa canina	Dog Rose	2	Gruinart
Rosa pimpinellifolia	Burnet Rose	6	Finlaggan
Rubus fruticosus agg.	Bramble	2	Gruinart
Rubus idaeus	Raspberry	6	Ballygrant Woods
Sorbus aucuparia	Rowan	2	Gruinart
Rubiaceae	Bedstraw Family		
Galium aparine	Cleavers	2	Gruinart
Galium palustre agg.	Marsh Bedstraw	4	Killinallan
Galium saxatile	Heath Bedstraw	2	Gruinart moorland
Galium verum	Lady's Bedstraw	4	Killinallan
Salicaceae	Willow & Poplar Family		
Salix aurita	Eared Willow	2	Gruinart
Salix caprea	Goat Willow	2	Gruinart
Salix cinerea	Grey Willow	2	Gruinart
On the decree	Manufa Familia		
Sapindaceae	Maple Family		O a marga a planta d
Acer pseudoplatanus	Sycamore	2	Commonly planted
Saxifragaceae	Saxifrage Family		
Telmeia menzesii	Pick-a-back Plant	2	Gruinart (naturalised)
Scrophulariaceae	Figwort Family		
Scrophularia nodosa	Common Figwort	6	Ballygrant Woods
	Nettle Family		
Urtica dioica	Common Nettle	2	Common
Valerianaceae	Valerian Family		<u> </u>
Valeriana officinalis	Common Valerian	2	Gruinart woods
Veronicaceae	Speedwell Family		
Cymbalaria hederifolia	Ivy-leaved Toadflax	4	Port Ellen
Digitalis purpurea	Foxglove	1	Widespread
Veronica chamaedrys	Germander Speedwell	2	Gruinart

Veronica montana	Wood Speedwell	6	Ballygrant Woods
Violaceae	Violet Family		
Viola riviniana	Common Dog Violet	6	Ballygrant Woods
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Monocots	Monocotyledons		
Asparagaceae	Asparagus Family		<b>1</b>
Hyacinthoides non-scripta	Bluebell	2	Gruinart
Cyperaceae	Sedge Family		
Carex arenaria	Sand Sedge	4	Ardnave
Carex echinata	Star Sedge	3	The Oa
Eriophorum angustifolium	Common Cottongrass	2	Gruinart moorland
Eriophorum vaginatum	Hare's-tail Cottongrass	2	Gruinart moorland
Trichophorum cespitosum	Deergrass	2	Gruinart moorland
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Iridaceae	Iris Family		
Iris pseudacorus	Yellow Flag	2	Common in ditches
Juncaceae	Rush Family		
Juncus bufonius	Toad Rush	5	Jura, tiny
Juncus effusus	Soft Rush	2	Commonest rush
Luzula sylvatica	Great Woodrush	6	Ballygrant Woods
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Juncaginaceae	Arrowgrass Family		
Triglochin maritimum	Sea Arrowgrass	4	Killinallan
Nartheciaceae	Bog-asphodel Family		
Narthecium ossifragum	Bog-asphodel Family	2	Gruinart moorland
Orchidaceae	Orchid Family		
Anacamptis pyramidalis	Pyramidal Orchid	4	Killinallan
Dactylorhiza fuchsii	Common Spotted Orchid	2	Gruinart
Dactylorhiza incarnata	Early Marsh Orchid	4	Killinallan
Dactylorhiza maculata ssp. ericetorum	Heath Spotted Orchid	2	Gruinart moorland
Dactylorhiza purpurella	Northern Marsh Orchid	2	Gruinart
Dactylorhiza traunsteineroides	Narrow-leaved Marsh Orchid	4	Killinallan
Dactylorhiza x venusta	Hybrid Common Sp. x N.Marsh	4	Killinallan
Neottia ovata	Common Twayblade	6	Ballygrant Woods
Platanthera bifolia	Lesser Butterfly Orchid	6	Laggan (Eagle stop)
Platanthera chlorantha	Greater Butterfly Orchid	4	Road verge Gruinart
Poaceae	Grass Family		
Festuca ovina	Sheep's Fescue	4	Ardnave
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire-fog	4	Widespread
Phragmites australis	Common Reed	6	Finlaggan
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Potamogetonaceae	Pondweed Family		
Potamogeton polygonifolius	Bog Pondweed	3	The Oa

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