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Fèis Ìle – Islay Festival 2014

<http://www.islayfestival.com>

You can find the program of the Islay Festival on the above mentioned official website. Each distillery does list their own events and so it is quite hard to figure out what is going on for a specific date. Therefore I rearranged all of the programs and put them into one document. This one.

Please go to the official website as I do not guarantee all information listed here is correct. This is only to support you. Quite a lot of events are already sold out. Last update of this document here is from 7th April 2014.

I do write a whisky blog in German. Feel free to use this “guide” as a little help for your visit of the festival. Please do not redistribute this guide. You may use a link to my article on my blog instead.

I wish us all a great festival and a lot of sun!

2014	Open Day	Book	23-May	24-May	25-May	26-May	27-May	28-May	29-May	30-May	31-May
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Lagavulin	24th May	Mail	E	OD			E	E	E	E	
Bruichladdich	25th May				OD			E	E	E	
Port Ellen Maltings	25th May	Mail			OD		E	E	E	E	
Caol Ila	26th May	Mail				OD		E	E		
Laphroaig	27th May	Online			E	E	OD	E			
Bowmore	28th May	Phone		E	E	E	E	OD	E	E	
Jura	29th May	Eventbrite						OD	OD		
Kilchoman	29th May					E	E	E	OD		
Bunnahabhain	30th May	Online					E	E	E	OD	
Ardbeg	31st May	Phone				E	E	E	E	E	OD
Festival Places		www	Bow	Ram		Ram	Lag	Bow	Bal	Lap	Ram/Bow

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Grand Concert, Bowmore Hall 8pm.-10.30pm	6
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Committee // Festival Events

Tickets for all Festival Events will be available at Bowmore and Port Ellen Post Offices as well as online. Tickets purchased online will not be posted out due to the additional costs involved. Tickets to be collected at the Venue Booked. Tickets are non-refundable.

Friday 23 May

Concert with "Dougie McLean Trio" Bowmore Hall 8pm – 11pm
£15 Licensed – **Book Online**

Saturday 24 May

Dance to "The Goats Don't Shave" Ramsay Hall 9pm – 1am
Licensed Ticket Price £15 – **Book Online**

Monday 26 May

Whisky Nosing & Ceilidh, Ramsay Hall, nosing 8pm-9pm followed by Ceilidh.
Ticket £15 includes 3 drams. Licensed – **Book Online**

Tuesday 27 May

Folk Night, Lagavulin Malt Mill 8pm
Ticket Price £10 Licensed – **Book Online**

Wednesday 28 May

Grand Concert, Bowmore Hall 8pm.-10.30pm
Ticket Price £5 (Pay at the Door) UnLicensed

Thursday 29 May

Cloutie Dumpling Ceilidh, Ballygrant Hall 8pm – 12.00
Ticket Price £7.50 Licensed – **Book Online**

Friday 30 May

Big Gig at Laphroaig Distillery Courtyard "Open Air". "The Boss" Bruce Springsteen Tribute. 9pm – 1pm.
Ticket Price £15 Licensed – **Book Online**

Saturday 31 May

Final Fling with "Sailor Bill" at the Ramsay Hall, 9pm – 1pm
Ticket Price £15 Licensed

Whisky Galore, Isle of Mull Theatre Group, Bowmore Hall 8pm
Price £9 includes refreshment. Assisted by Islay Arts Association. – **Book Online**

Timetable “Other Events”

Most the events **not** happening during the „open day“ are summarized here – sorted by date and time.

Date	Start	End	Distillery	Event
23.05.14	13:00	16:00	Lagavulin	The Secrets of Sholum
	19:00	23:00	Lagavulin	The Blueswater Concert Lagavulin Malt Mill
24.05.14	10:00	12:00	Bowmore	Festival Bottling Release
	10:00	12:00	Lagavulin	Festival Bottling Release
25.05.14	12:00		Bruichladdich	Festival Bottling Release
	19:00		Bowmore	A Match made in Whisky Heaven
	19:00	21:00	Laphroaig	FRIENDS OF LAPHROAIG BURNS SUPPER
	21:00	23:59	Laphroaig	FILLING STORE CEILIDH
26.05.14	09:00	12:00	Kilchoman	‘Off-Roadng Dramming’
	10:00		Bowmore	The Water of Life Experience
	11:00		Ardbeg	Heads Up Tasting
	11:00	12:00	Laphroaig	DUTY FREE TASTING
	14:00	22:00	Ardbeg	It’s a Game of Two Halves (well, a shift)
	14:00		Ardbeg	Taste. Tackle. Thomson.
	14:00	16:00	Kilchoman	Manager’s Tour
27.05.14	09:00	12:00	Kilchoman	‘Off-Roadng Dramming’
	09:00	17:00	Lagavulin	The Ultimate Islay Tour – Our Sites by Sea
	10:00		Bowmore	Craftman’s Tours
	10:00	12:00	Laphroaig	Festival Bottling Release
	10:00	11:00	PE Maltings	Port Ellen Maltings Tour
	11:00		Ardbeg	Heads Up Tasting
	13:00	15:00	Kilchoman	Manager’s Tour
	13:30	14:30	Lagavulin	An Afternoon with Colin Dunn
	14:00		Ardbeg	Taste. Tackle. Thomson.
	14:00		Bunnahabhain	Remote Haven Tour
	14:30		Bunnahabhain	Dramming with The Navigator
	14:30	15:30	Lagavulin	Warehouse Demonstration
	15:30	16:15	Kilchoman	Conisby Warehouse Experience
19:00		Bowmore	Momentous Malts	
28.05.14	09:00	12:00	Kilchoman	‘Off-Roadng Dramming’
	10:00	12:00	Bowmore	Festival Bottling Release
	10:00	12:00	Caol Ila	Managers Tour and Tasting
	10:00		Jura	Festival Bottling Release
	10:00	11:00	PE Maltings	Port Ellen Maltings Tour
	10:30	11:30	Lagavulin	Warehouse Demonstration
	11:00		Ardbeg	Heads Up Tasting
	11:00	13:00	Kilchoman	Tour with Founding Director Anthony Wills
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	14:00	22:00	Ardbeg	It’s a Game of Two Halves (well, a shift)
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	14:00		Bunnahabhain	Remote Haven Tour

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	14:30		Bunnahabhain	Dramming with The Navigator
28.05.14	14:30	15:30	Lagavulin	Warehouse Demonstration
	19:00		Bruichladdich	ROBIN & JIM - THE WHISKY BARDS
	19:30	23:30	Lagavulin	Lagavulin and Caol Ila FOCM Ceilidh
29.05.14	10:00		Ardbeg	Fishing Nets, not Football Nets
	10:00		Bowmore	The Water of Life Experience
	10:00	12:00	Caol Ila	Managers Tour and Tasting
	10:00	15:00	Lagavulin	The Secrets of Sholum with the Water Source extension
	10:00	11:00	PE Maltings	Port Ellen Maltings Tour
	10:30	11:30	Lagavulin	Warehouse Demonstration
	11:00		Ardbeg	Heads Up Tasting
	11:00	13:00	Bruichladdich	ANGELA AND DONNIE TRADITIONAL AND POPULAR MUSIC
	13:30	14:30	Lagavulin	Lagavulin Premium Tasting
	14:00		Ardbeg	Fishing Nets, not Football Nets
	14:00		Ardbeg	Taste. Tackle. Thomson.
	14:00		Bunnahabhain	Remote Haven Tour
	14:00	16:00	Bunnahabhain	The North Star Master Class
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19:00	22:30	Ardbeg	BBQ, Sips, Blues and Nips.	
30.05.14	10:00		Ardbeg	Fishing Nets, not Football Nets
	10:00		Bowmore	Craftman's Tours
	10:00	11:00	PE Maltings	Port Ellen Maltings Tour
	10:30	11:30	Lagavulin	Warehouse Demonstration
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	11:00	13:00	Bruichladdich	THE BLUESWATER – CHICAGO BLUES BAND
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Port Ellen Maltings	25th May	Mail			OD		E	E	E	E	
Caol Ila	26th May	Mail				OD		E	E		
Laphroaig	27th May	Online			E	E	OD	E			
Bowmore	28th May	Phone		E	E	E	E	OD	E	E	
Jura	29th May	Eventbrite						OD	OD		
Kilchoman	29th May					E	E	E	OD		
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Lagavulin

All bookings must be made by email to Lagavulin for Lagavulin events (Lagavulin.distillery@diageo.com). All payments must then be made by phone to confirm your booking. Once payments are made we unfortunately cannot refund.

Friday 23rd May

The warm up sessions

The Secrets of Sholum: 13.00

Get in training for this year's Feis by getting some good Islay fresh air. Enjoy some of the beautiful scenery with a walk through the stunning landscape surrounding our distillery with Georgie Crawford our distillery manager & Niall Colthart our local Lagavulin hill walker, musician and history enthusiast. Learn the old stories of Sholum plague village whilst enjoying a dram or two and maybe even a song if Niall manages to get his breath back after the walk. You will return to Lagavulin distillery for a final dram before going home and attending to your blisters. The walk will last approximately 3 hours and is off the beaten track so please ensure you have suitable clothing and footwear for all weathers and a good level of fitness. (No wellies provided!)

Ticket Price £15 Includes Lagavulin Glass 24 max Duration 3 hour

The Blueswater Concert Lagavulin Malt Mill: 19:00-23:00

After the success of last year's concert we have invited the Blueswater back for the second time. Again we are proud to host the award-winning Edinburgh-based rhythm & blues band The Blueswater, join us for an evening of great music in the historic Malt Mill. The Blueswater exists to make you dance. Bringing in the sounds of old school R&B, this Edinburgh-based group dabble with blues, folk, soul and good old rock n roll. Wild solos and puddles of sweat are a staple of every gig. They'll be coming in and playing a special rootsy stripped down set to welcome you to Islay for what promises to be an excellent Feis Ìle. Price includes a welcome dram. Licensed bar available.

Ticket Price £10

Saturday 24th May, Lagavulin Feis Open Day

Lagavulin Islay Festival Bottling Release: 10.00

Our very special Lagavulin Islay Festival bottling will be on sale from 10.00am.

Distillery Tours: 09.30, 10.30, 11.30, 13.30, 14.30, 15.30

Take a tour of the distillery guided by one of our passionate members of the team. During this distillery tour you will meet our very experienced operators who will guide you through the different traditional control methods we still use today to insure the quality of our whisky. This is a tour for those who want to find out the specifics of Lagavulin. Finish up by sampling a couple of drams from our range – including this year's festival bottle, accompanied by a couple of especially matched food tasters.

Ticket Price £15 Includes a Feis Ìle Glass 12 max each tour Duration 1.5 hours

Lagavulin Masterclass Tastings: 11.00, 12.30, 15.30 - ALL SOLD OUT

Join our distillery manager, Georgie Crawford in the Malt Mill for an in-depth tasting. Georgie will share with you the ins and out of her year since the last Feis accompanied by some spectacular drams. Join this tasting and you'll be lucky enough to taste a bottling of Lagavulin never released to the public before.

Ticket Price £25 Includes a Feis Ìle Glass 40 max each class Duration 1 hour

Lagavulin Warehouse Experiences: 10.00, 11.30, 14.00, 15.30 - ALL SOLD OUT

Join Iain and David down in Warehouse No1 to taste some samples from our Duty Paid Casks accompanied with some tasty nibbles. Iain has hand selected some great casks for this year's Feis and he will take you through these unique whiskies while mixing in a few stories from his years as Warehouse-man here at Lagavulin. This includes a dram of this year's festival bottle to finish.

Ticket Price £20 Includes a Feis Ìle Glass 40 max each time Duration 1 hour

Saturday Kitchen – Lagavulin Style

Back by popular demand with his delicious cocktails & treats, come and sample some delicious Lagavulin creations with David Sinclair, ex- Head Barman of the Gleneagles Hotel now Diageo Whisky Ambassador. David's objective has always been to create Cocktails that are simple for anyone to

make. Lagavulin 16 and Lagavulin Distillers Edition are his main ingredients alongside his love for Islay. We are pleased to welcome him in conversation with Colin Dunn, Diageo Whisky Ambassador, so drop by and share their passion for Lagavulin at The Islay Cocktail Bar! Free event, please book on the day.

Throughout the Day...

Refreshments will be available all day from Soup to Seafood you will be able refuel between your events. **Galgeal** will be down by the shore displaying their highly skilled craft work with souvenirs available to take home and share with others.

We will also have a **special quiz for our friends of the classic malts** to keep your brains busy so remember to bring your journals and be ready to get your thinking caps on for our Quiz. A selection of **local artists** will be providing the perfect musical backdrop for you to enjoy a complimentary dram and maybe even a dance down in our shore side yard.

Overall we are hoping to provide a fun packed day for everyone so cross your fingers for sunshine & we'll see you soon!

The Rest of the Week

Tuesday 27th May

Lagavulin Warehouse Demonstration: 14.30

Join Iain in the warehouse to taste some special samples from our duty paid casks. Iain will take you through these unique whiskies while mixing in a few stories from his years as Warehouse-man here at Lagavulin.

Ticket Price £18 Includes Lagavulin Glass 40 max Duration 1 hour

An Afternoon with Colin Dunn: 13.30

Spend an hour or so with Diageo Whisky Ambassador Colin Dunn in the historic Malt Mill. Colin will guide you through our superb range of Single Malt Whiskies from Lagavulin, including this year's Festival bottling whilst giving you the opportunity to grill one of the whisky industries most infamous voices.

Ticket Price £18 Includes Lagavulin Glass 30 max Duration 1 hour

The Ultimate Islay Tour – Our Sites by Sea: 9.00 (pick up from Bowmore)

Join us this year for our ultimate Island odyssey. Throughout the day you will be hosted by our team of managers here on Islay for this unique experience. This trip will include visiting old favourites like peat bogs, Port Ellen Maltings and both Caol Ila and Lagavulin distilleries, but this year you will be taxied around the Island by high speed RIBs. Begin your experience with Iain MacArthur on his Peat Bank. Iain has been working for us for over 40 years on Islay and this living legend is going to show you the right way to cut our peats. Remember to leave your best dress shoes at home as this will be a hands-on Masterclass on how to use a spade! Then it's off to Port Ellen Maltings to meet Ramsay the Maltings Manager where you will get the VIP treatment again with a no holds barred tour around the facility that puts the smoke into our Islay malts. Next jump on the fast RIB's to Lagavulin Distillery to enjoy an afternoon with Georgie the distillery manager. Georgie will share with you a behind the scenes look at what makes this whisky giant tick. Before you hit the waves she will make sure you get to taste this year's Lagavulin Feis offering as well as pick up your own reserved and signed bottle of this limited edition whisky. Once you have finished your tour with Georgie you will be treated to a seafood buffet in The Malt Mill. Then you will be taxied to the north of the Islay to the beautifully situated Caol Ila by the fast speed RIBs where you will get to soak in the breath-taking views across the Island whilst enjoying some tales of the sea. Once we arrive at our final destination you will meet our new manager David Wood for a full tour of his distillery. You will get your hands on a bottle of this year Caol Ila Feis offering, again reserved and exclusively signed for those on this tour. Your experience will end up in the cooperage at Caol Ila where you will have a Whisky Masterclass with Georgie. While taking in some of the best views Islay has to offer enjoy some of the greatest drams our Islay Distilleries (inc. Port Ellen) have produced.

Ticket Price £350 Duration 8 hours (Transport Provided at the End)

Wednesday 28th May

Lagavulin Warehouse Demonstration: 10.30 & 14.30

Join Iain in the warehouse to taste some special samples from our duty paid casks. Iain will take you through these unique whiskies while mixing in a few stories from his years as Warehouse-man here at Lagavulin. Ticket Price £18 Includes Lagavulin Glass 40 max Duration 1 hour

Lagavulin and Caol Ila Friends of the Classic Malts Ceilidh: 19.30 – 23.30

To all of our friends of the classic malts, get dusting off your dancing shoes and join us for an evening of good food, good music and even better whisky! This year we'd like to celebrate the Feis Ile with you and so we opening the legendary Malt Mill for a good old fashioned ceilidh. Complete with a delicious buffet provided by St John's Church, local artists to help you dance the night away and a licenced bar with none other than Colin Dunn & David Sinclair at the helm concocting their famous whisky cocktails for you. It is guaranteed to be a night like no other. You will receive a welcome dram on arrival of our new Lagavulin friend's bottling and a dram of Caol Ila with during the evening. If you are not a friend of the classic malts, not to worry, you will be able to sign up at the distillery before the Ceilidh begins. A bus will be provided from Bridgend to Lagavulin to bring you to us and return you safely at the end of the night. *Seats on the bus will come on a first come first serve basis
Ticket Price £20 without bus / £25 with bus Duration 4 hours

Thursday 29th May

The Secrets of Sholum with the Water Source extension: 10.00

Join Niall Colthart our resident Lagavulin hill walker, musician and history enthusiast and members of the Lagavulin team on a hike to the water source. Water is a vital ingredient that adds to the quality of our whisky and at this time of year it is important that we inspect the levels in the dams, so instead of going it alone this year the team are inviting you to join them. Along the way you will visit Sholum village then on to the loch. When you reach the Loch you will be greeted by Georgie our distillery manager for a mini master class and a bite to eat whilst enjoying some music by Niall. This is a trip for the adventurous and experienced walkers amongst you. Although the journey to Sholum Village could be regarded as moderate the onward hike to the water source can be strenuous at times. You will return to Lagavulin distillery for a final dram before going home and attending to your blisters. The walk will last approximately 5 hours and is off the beaten track so please ensure you have suitable clothing and footwear for all weathers and a good level of fitness. (No wellies provided!)
Ticket Price £25 Duration 5 hour

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Lagavulin Premium Tasting: 13.30

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Bruichladdich

Sunday 25th May, Bruichladdich Day, Gates open 12.00

ENTRY £5.00 WITH TWO COMPLIMENTARY DRAMS

2014 FESTIVAL BOTTLE:
OCTOMORE DISCOVERY
QUADRUPLE DISTILLED - 1695 BOTTLES

JIM'S MASTERCLASS 11.00-12.30

FEATURING: SKERRYVORE, MAVERICK ANGELS, ROBIN LAING, NORMA MUNRO, DOUGIE GILLESPIE, ISLAY OF ISLAY PIPE BAND, ISLAY GAELIC CHOIR, ELLA EDGAR DANCERS, LINE DANCERS

IN THE COURTYARD: COCKTAILS BY EWALD'S MIXOLOGISTS, CANCER RESEARCH AUCTION, ISLAY ALES, FOOD STALLS, ISLAY ARTS AND CRAFTS

IN THE LADDIE SHOP:

Wednesday 28th May

ROBIN & JIM - THE WHISKY BARDS - 19.00 (£10.00)

Thursday 29th May

ANGELA AND DONNIE TRADITIONAL AND POPULAR MUSIC - 11.00-13.00

Friday 30th May

THE BLUESWATER – CHICAGO BLUES BAND - 11.00-13.00

Port Ellen Maltings

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Sunday 25th May, Port Ellen Maltings Open Day

Port Ellen Maltings Tours: 10.00, 11.00, 12.00, 13.00, 14.00, 15.00

This is your chance to get a behind the scenes and in depth look at the Maltings process. Join members of our maltings production team as they explain how we convert our barley to the uniquely peated malt we use at our Islay distilleries.

Ticket Price £10 16 max each time Duration 1 hour

Tuesday 27th May

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Caol Ila

Feis Ile Programme 2014

Web: <http://www.discovering-distilleries.com/caolila/shop.php>

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All payments must then be made by phone to confirm your booking.

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Monday 26th May, Caol Ila Open Day

Please note that **there will be no parking available at Caol Ila on Monday 26th May** and no vehicles will be permitted to enter the site. Parking will be available near to the village of Keills and free bus transport will run regularly between the car park and Caol Ila.

Caol Ila Islay Festival Bottling Release: 10.00

Our very special Caol Ila Islay Festival bottling will be on sale from 10.00am.

A Morning with the Manager: 08.00

Join David Wood, the new Caol Ila Distillery Manager, for an early morning tour of the distillery followed by tutored tasting which includes a preview of the Caol Ila Feis Ile bottling which is to be released at 10am that day. To finish off the perfect wake-me-up tour and tasting you'll be treated to every Ileach's favourite breakfast... a bacon roll or two!!

Ticket Price £20 Includes a Feis Ile Glass 15 max Duration 1.5 hours

The Operators Tour: 10.30, 11.30, 13.30, 14.30, 15.30

Mark & Jimmy, our operators have decided to take over the tours for the day, they are offering a more detailed explanation of the day to day working lives of our operators. Come along and let them educate you in the most important aspects of the production of Caol Ila. Finish up by enjoying a couple of drams of Caol Ila paired with some delicious nibbles.

Ticket Price £15 Includes a Feis Ile Glass 10 max each tour Duration 1.5 hours

Meet the Manager: 10.30 & 14.30

There has been a change or two at Caol Ila over the last few months and we'd like you to meet our new distillery manager, David Wood. After many years in whisky retail and bottling end of the whisky industry David has decided to lend a hand at making spirit instead and he couldn't think of a more beautiful place to do it. Join David for this relaxed tasting of some of Caol Ila's finest wears and find out how he is getting on in his new role at Caol Ila.

Ticket Price £20 Includes a Feis Ile Glass 40 max each time Duration 1 hour

The Manager's Masterclass: 12.30 - SOLD OUT

As lunchtime dawns David will be hosting the ultimate Masterclass of Caol Ila. You will get the chance to sample 6 expressions of Caol Ila accompanied by a variety of delicious food matches which combined with David's insights will have you looking at the Caol Ila whiskies in an entirely new light.

Ticket Price £25 Includes a Feis Ile Glass 24 max each Duration 1 hour

Caol Ila Warehouse Tour and Tasting: 10.00, 12.30, 14.30 - ALL SOLD OUT

Be one of the first to join Iain and Georgie on a tour of Caol Ila's previously unseen traditional Warehouse. Your experience will begin with sampling our new make spirit by the receiver followed by old tales of the distillery and the secrets of maturation. Naturally a trip round the Warehouse wouldn't be complete without a tasting of Caol Ila's fine spirit as you go.

Ticket Price £20 Includes a Feis Ile Glass 12 max each time Duration 1 hour

The Monday Mix Up

Monday at Caol Ila means another chance to meet up with David Sinclair ex -Head Barman of Gleneagles Hotel and now Diageo Whisky Ambassador, as he creates some wonderful drinks with Caol Ila. He will be creating what he calls "Classics with a twist" which promises to be a great taste experience! We are pleased to welcome him in conversation with Colin Dunn, Diageo Whisky Ambassador so drop by and share their passion for the three C's, Caol Ila, Cocktails and Canapés. Free event please book on the day.

Caol Ila by Sea: 11.00, 11.45, 12.30, 13.15, 14.00

Enjoy a trip up the Sound of Islay in one of our local high speed RIBs. Sit back with a dram in hand and experience our distillery from an entirely different angle. It's the perfect opportunity for some once in a lifetime shots for all the enthusiastic photographers amongst you. A shuttle bus will run from the distillery to Port Askaig from there you will board the boats for a trip up the coast like no other. The boat trip will take approximately 20 minutes but please allow at least 30 minutes for the experience. Bookings will be taken on the day at the ticket desk.
Ticket Price £15

Caol Ila Whisky and Music Pairing Session: 16.00

After its great success last year join us again for a Masterclass in malt and music. Colin Dunn will be your host as The Blueswater pair their musical works with Caol Ila Single Malt Whisky. An interactive and fun filled event that will bring to life the 'Sound of Islay'.

Ticket Price £15 Includes a Feis Ile Glass 50 max Duration 1 hour

Throughout the day...

A host of **local artists** will be there to keep the toes tapping and keep the party
To keep the hunger pangs at bay we will have a host of local foods for you to enjoy.

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The Rest of the Week

Wednesday 28th May 2014

Managers Tour and Tasting: 10.00

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Ticket Price £25 Includes Caol Ila Glass 16 max Duration 2 hour

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Laphroaig

Sunday, 25th May

FRIENDS OF LAPHROAIG BURNS SUPPER, 19:00 – 21:00

Limited to 48 places Enjoy a traditional Burns Supper while toasting each course with your favourite Laphroaig. Volunteer to be present one of the official speeches – just let us know which one! Slainte Mhath! **Price £40.00** per person including Ceilidh **Fully Booked**

FILLING STORE CEILIDH, 21:00 – 00:00

Dance to traditional Scottish music played by local musicians. Highland Dancers will demonstrate the first dance. Licensed bar Everyone welcome! **Price £10.00** per person **Book Now**

Monday 26th May

DUTY FREE TASTING, 11:00

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 25 With a Visitor Centre host, taste your way through our Duty Free range. **Price £10.00** per person **Book Now**

Tuesday 27th May, Laphroaig Open Day

DISTILLERY TOURS, 10:00 10:45 12:15 13:00 14:45 15:30

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 25 Take a unique tour around the Distillery with your host, on the way enjoy the different stories and surprises from our usual tours. *Includes a commemorative Feis Ile glass.* **Price £6.00** per person **Book Now**

DUTY FREE TASTING, 11:30 14:00

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 25 With a Visitor Centre host, taste your way through the Duty Free range. *Includes a commemorative Feis Ile Glass.* **Price £10.00** per person **Book Now**

WHISKY AND SHERRY TASTING, 10:30 12:00 13:45 15:30

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 25 Join Vicky Stevens in the filling store to taste through Laphroaig expressions matured in Sherry casks alongside the relating Sherries. *Includes a commemorative Feis Ile glass.* **Price £20.00** per person **Fully Booked**

BLIND TASTING, 10:45 12:30 15:00

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 18 In the Manager's Office, join Simon Brooking to challenge your senses in this special Blind Tasting. *Includes a commemorative Feis Ile glass* **Price £20.00** per person **Fully Booked**

CAMPBELL'S CASK STRENGTH, 09:30 11:15 13:30 15:15

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 20 John Campbell will be in Warehouse 7 sampling straight from the cask. Join him to gain an insight into how limited expressions are selected. *Includes a commemorative Feis Ile glass.* **Price £80.00** per person **Fully Booked**

LAPHROAIG EXPEDITION, 17:30 – 20:30

Limited to 50 places John Campbell and Simon Brooking will be exploring the South Eastern coast of Islay enjoying drams along the way. A barbecue by the sea will round off the evening. Free transport home as far as Bowmore. *Includes a commemorative Feis Ile glass.* **Price £40.00** per person **Fully Booked**

Wednesday 28th May

DUTY FREE TASTING, 11:00

Duration 1 hour Places on each session - 25 With a Visitor Centre host, taste your way through our Duty Free range. **Price £10.00** per person **Book Now**

Places on the above events are limited and should be booked in advance. There will be a small number of places kept back to be booked on a first come first served basis in person on the day only.

Bowmore

Saturday 24th May

Feis Ile Special Bottlings 2014, 10:00

This years special bottling for Feis Ile 2014 has been matured in hand-selected 1st fill American oak bourbon barrels and was bottled at natural cask strength.

700 bottles from this special release of 1000 bottles will go on sale at the Distillery Visitor Centre from 10am on Saturday 24th May. The remaining 300 bottles will go on sale on Wednesday 28th May.

Sunday 25th May

A Match made in Whisky Heaven, 19:00

(You wouldn't let the Angels Share....) - Price £125

Join the Bowmore team and enjoy a dreamy whisky paired dinner while gazing across at the lights of Loch Indaal in our sea view bar. Courses will be expertly prepared by award winning chef David Kinnes and will be paired with some of our finest whiskies – including a sneaky taste of both of the 2014 festival whiskies. This class is sure to be memorable and utterly delicious!

Monday 26th May

The Water of Life Experience, 10:00

Price £50

Distillery Manager David Turner and Master Distiller Eddie MacAffer, take you on the ultimate water of life experience: a walk along the historic Bowmore lade, a session at peats, a bacon buttie, and a dram of something very special from the distillery flask.

Tuesday 27th May

Craftman's Tours, 10:00

Price £50

Momentous Malts, 19:00

Price £150

Join us deep in the Bowmore vaults and indulge in some of our most exciting and unique whiskies.

Wednesday 28th May, Bowmore Open Day

Feis Ile Special Bottlings 2014, 10:00

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700 bottles from this special release of 1000 bottles will go on sale at the Distillery Visitor Centre from 10am on Saturday 24th May. The remaining 300 bottles will go on sale on Wednesday 28th May.

We have also created a very **special commemorative bottling of a Bowmore 1989 vintage**. We have carefully married together a 1989 1st fill American bourbon barrel and a 1989 1st fill French oak wine barrique to create something truly amazing. Only **300** bottles of this rare and unique spirit will be available to buy from the Distillery Visitor Centre from 10am on Wednesday 28th May.

Bowmore Tasting Tour, Times – 0930, 1030, 1130, 1230, 1430, 1530, 1630

(Duration 1 hour) - Price £10

Enjoy the different tastes of Bowmore as your travel from our traditional floor maltings to our famous No 1 vaults. Exclusive Bowmore Feis Ile 2014 glass included.

Voyage of Discovery, Times – 0900, 1400

(Duration 3 hours) - Price £50

Learn the secrets of our traditional floor maltings, visit our very own peatbanks where you can try your hand at cutting some peat and enjoy a special tasting in our traditional stick Warehouse No5.

BowmoreFest Ale Tasting, Times – 11.00, 13.30, 15.00

(Duration 45 mins) – Price £20

Come and taste our Islay ales which have been lovingly matured in Bowmore casks, alongside some small tasty treats. Includes a bottle of your favourite ale and an exclusive ale tasting glass.

Marvellous Malts in the Bowmore Vaults, Times 10.30, 13.30, 15.30

(Duration 1 hour) - Price £30

Join our Master Blender Rachel Barrie in our ancient warehouses – the Bowmore Vaults – where you will taste some of our finest Bowmore whiskies.

Atlantic Appetisers, Times 10.00, 12.30, 16.00

(Duration 1 hour) – Price £40

A pairing of drams from our latest travel retail collection – Black Rock, Gold Reef, White Sands and Springtide alongside some delicious seafood nibbles.

Twilight Indulgence in the Bowmore Vaults, Time – 1730

(Duration 1 hour) - Price £60

Join Rachel Barrie, Eddie MacAffer & David Turner, in the splendid surroundings of our No.1 Vaults where you will taste some dreamy delicacies and some of Bowmores most truly delicious drams!

Events throughout the day –

‘Bottle Your Own’ Feis Ile bottling

Demos on the malt floor with the chance to turn your own

Roll a cask in time with our warehouse team

Cocktails, Oysters and whisky, Drams and Chocolate Tastings

Live music 12.30 – 17.00

Trail West accompanied by Norrie MacIver

Thursday 29th May

The Water of Life Experience, Time – 1000

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Friday 30th May

Craftman’s Tours, Time – 1000

Price £50

PLEASE CALL US ON 01496810441
TO MAKE A BOOKING ON ANY OF THE ABOVE EVENTS

JURA

** Tickets available 7th of April!!

#JuraTastival

Join our Taste Revolution at the Jura Distillery on the 28th and 29th May. This year, we will be taking you on a sensory adventure in flavour that will empower you to explore and create your own tasting notes. Our expert ambassadors will be on hand to guide you through a variety of multi-sensory experiences in whisky, food and art to open your mind and palate to infinite possibilities.

In addition to our exciting ticketed sessions, the dramming bar will be open in The Cooperage and we will be running free distillery tours throughout the day.

We look forward to welcoming you to the first ever #JuraTastival

Sessions

Wednesday 28th May and Thursday 29th May

#JuraTastival (60 mins)

Join our Jura Ambassador's Graham and Anthony in a Taste Revolution. Let them guide you through a multi-dimensional sensory experience featuring our most popular whiskies. They will tickle your taste buds and reveal to you the riot of sounds and colours in our whiskies. In short, you will experience whisky like never before. £15

Dramming in the Dark (45 mins)

This one is not for the faint of heart or those that are afraid of the dark. See Master Distiller Richard Paterson in a different light, whilst he takes you through a tantalising choice of taste experiments. Prepare to get sticky and get stuck in as you conjure up tasting notes for our limited edition festival whisky. £20

Whisky on the Waves (30 mins)

Cruise with Captain Nicol and Ensign Willie Tait into the open sea for a tasting of Jura Turas-Mara. Under the expert tutelage of Master Distiller Willie, you will experience a sensory journey out at sea to enjoy this dram the way it was meant to be – with the wind and sea spray in your face. £10

We will be releasing our whisky festival bottling at the distillery on the 28th at 10.00am.

Coming from Islay?

Ferry

The ferry from Islay (Askaig) to Jura (Feolin) will be free to passengers on the 28th and 29th of May. You can find our Ferry timetable here: (Link to be supplied) Please note the first and last Ferry times if you are travelling back to Islay.

Distillery Shuttle

We will be running regular shuttle buses from Feolin ferry port to Jura distillery. You can find our distillery shuttle timetable here: (Link to be supplied) Please note the first and last Ferry times if you are travelling back to Islay.

Kilchoman

Monday 26th

'Off-Roading Dramming', 9:00

Your journey of discovery starts at the distillery itself with a taste of our unique 100% Islay produced from barley to bottle onsite at Rockside Farm. You will then be taken in our new Kilchoman Land Rover to the sites that inspired the whiskies we make today. An opportunity to taste Machir Bay 2014 on the beach itself, Loch Gorm Second Edition by its peaty shores, and you will be among the first to visit our brand new warehouse sited at Conisby for a taste directly from our maturing casks. Finishing with a look at the changes we've made at the distillery this year, you will then enjoy lunch in our café - traditional Cullen Skink with a Panini of your choice, our home made lemon drizzle cake served with our New Make Spirit, and a local Islay ale. (Maximum 6 people - duration approx. 3 hours – includes lunch) £100 (Deposit £20 at time of booking)

Manager's Tour, 14:00

Enjoy an indepth explanation of our single malt whisky process, taste new make spirit and cask samples, learn of the changes we've made at the distillery recently and of our plans for the year ahead.

(Maximum 12 people – duration approx. 2 hours)
£25 (Deposit £5 at time of booking)

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Conisby Warehouse Experience, 15:30

Our first ever tasting at the new warehouse will include sampling from a number of casks, at various stages of maturation, whilst enjoying fine views over the Loch Indaal. (Maximum 25 people – duration approx. 90 minutes) £30 (Deposit £10 at time of booking)

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Tour with Founding Director Anthony Wills, 11:00

Enjoy an indepth explanation of our single malt whisky process with Anthony himself, taste new make spirit and cask samples, learn of the changes we've made at the distillery recently and of our plans for the year ahead.

(Maximum 12 people – duration approx. 2 hours) £25 (Deposit £5 at time of booking)

Thursday 29th, Kilchoman Open Day

Still House Open House

Throughout the day you will be invited into the stillhouse to chat to our production team and get up close whilst our new make spirit is being made.

(Maximum 12 people – no pre-booking required)

No charge

Be a Bottler, 11:00

Join our bottling team and experience the time and care that goes into every bottle of Kilchoman. Fill and label your own bottle of Machir Bay using our hands-on approach, and get it authenticated and signed by Anthony Wills or John MacLellan.

(Maximum 12 people – duration approx. 45 minutes – includes authenticated and signed bottle of Machir Bay)

£50 (Deposit £10 at time of booking)

Manager's Masterclass – Our Expressions Deconstructed, 12:00

After tasting our 2014 releases of 100% Islay, Machir Bay and Loch Gorm you will discover each of the cask types used for those expressions, tasting samples at cask strength to understand what each contributes to the final taste profile. A sneak preview too of some Port Cask samples to be used in our brand new release due out in September later this year!

(Maximum 30 people – duration approx. 1 hour 15 mins)

£30 (Deposit £5 at time of booking)

Club Members' Masterclass – The Story of 100% Islay, 14:00

In this masterclass, you will hear about we came to make our unique 100% Islay whisky produced using barley from Rockside Farm itself. With an indepth explanation of how our barley is processed separately throughout production, we will use comparative tastings of each stage to examine the differences between it and the commercial malt from Port Ellen that we use for our more heavily peated expressions. Understand the challenges of malting through to bottling, whilst sampling both Kilchoman and 'Port Ellen' wash, new make spirit and cask samples of the two at various stages throughout maturation in the quest to identify the aromas and flavours that make our 100% Islay unique.

(Maximum 30 people – duration approx. 1 hour 15 mins) £25 (Deposit £5 at time of booking)

Be a Bottler, 15:30

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£50 (Deposit £10 at time of booking)

Tutored Tastings of the Kilchoman Range

Available throughout the day – no pre-booking required

£5

Bunnahabhain

Applications can only be made online, no applications via telephone will be taken.

Tuesday 27th May

Remote Haven Tour, 14:00

Price per head: £25 (includes Bunnahabhain Blenders Glass)

Location: N°2 w/hse

Time: Tuesday to Thursday 2:00pm (one per day), Friday 10:00am, 11:30am & 2:00pm

As the unforgiving seas rage around the Helmsman and his crew, they think of nothing but home, peace and quiet. The lights of Bunnahabhain in the distance raise their hopes. The hope of warmth, stillness and a remote haven of rugged beauty. While the madness of the festival rages on, join our skipper Long John on his walk through the quietest place on the island – the warehouses where the whisky sleeps.

Dramming with The Navigator, 14:30

Price per head: £55

Location: Dramming shed

Time: Tuesday & Wednesday 2:30pm

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Wednesday 28th May

Remote Haven Tour, 14:00

Price per head: £25 (includes Bunnahabhain Blenders Glass)

Location: N°2 w/hse

Time: Tuesday to Thursday 2:00pm (one per day), Friday 10:00am, 11:30am & 2:00pm

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Dramming with The Navigator, 14:30

Price per head: £55

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Thursday 29th May

The North Star Master Class, 14:00 - 16:00pm

Price per head: £65

Location: Marquee in front of cottage

Time: Thursday 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Just like our Helmsman, we too follow the light of a special star – the light of Bunnahabhain. A light which can be admired from all corners of the globe, guiding all who taste our beloved Single Malt on a journey they'll never forget. Join our Ship's Navigator, Distillery Manager Andrew Brown, and our

Global Ambassador Kirstie McCallum, on a four dram taste tour to remember, including the special Feis Ile Bottle, Westering Home.

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Friday 30th May, Bunnahabhain Open Day

Tales of the Sea, 10:30 - 11:30

Price per head: £10

Location: Courtyard Marquee

Time: Friday 10:30am - 11:30am

In days gone by, the Bunnahabhain community relied on seafarers, like our Helmsman, to return with news of the world. Mathilda Holmqvist has travelled to Islay to regale us with tales of her artistry and inspiration behind the new Bunnahabhain Feis Ile label, Westering Home, while our Distillery Manager helps us understand the true beauty of this special festival edition. Hear Mathilda's story, taste her inspiration and commemorate the occasion with a signature from the artist and Distillery manager himself.

The Sweet Taste of Home Master Class, 10:30

Price per head: £40

Location: Filling shed

Time: Friday 10:30am

After a long journey, there is nothing sweeter than home. Join our Global Ambassador Kirstie McCallum, as she shows us the true sweetness of Bunnahabhain, with her delicious Whisky and Chocolate pairing master class, including one of our special Feis Ile editions.

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Westering Home Master Class, 14:00pm

Price per head: £60

Location: Marquee in front of cottage

Time: Friday 2:00pm

And the auld song goes “ Westering home and a song in the air, light in the eye and it's goodbye to care...”. The perfect anthem to our Helmsman's Homecoming and the perfect namesake for our special festival dram. Taste the Bunnahabhain range plus our special Feis Ile edition, Westering Home, alongside the delicious creations of Michelin-star chef Geoffrey Smeddle, in this rare Bunnahabhain food pairing.

Cancellations prior to or on the 23/05/14 will be refunded. Any cancellation thereafter will be ineligible for refund.

Ardbeg

DURING THE WEEK:

All week

5 – a – SIDE nosing – Single Cask & Samples

running all week with winner announced on Ardbeg Day Top Floor

£5 per team This is a team game. We want teams from 1 TO 5 people and we will test your knowledge of Ardbeg whiskies from the past and present. Serious stuff which will really put you on the spot. Make sure you don't hit the CROSSBAR on this challenge. Every CORNER KICK must hit the target and you could win the tournament. This is a nosing competition with great prizes which will run all week.

Spot the ball(s)

Anywhere Anytime Our warehouse boys have cunningly positioned 12 golden footballs around the island. They are not easy to find. You must TACKLE the terrain and find the right SPOT. If you are indeed lucky enough to find a ball then make sure you take it to the distillery and ask for one of the members of the PORT ELLEN FOOTBALL CLUB. You must whisper the word 'Golden Balls' and they will make sure that you receive your prize. KICK OFF.

Monday 26th to Friday 30th May

Heads Up Tasting (during the week), 11:00

12 places £45 This is an extremely private tour of warehouses 3 and 9 with Mickey Heads. All distillery managers have favourite casks and this is the opportunity to get behind the scenes and have a really intimate time with Mr Heads as he gives you the HEADS UP on the casks he loves. His right hand warehouseman/winger, Dugga, will be there to assist in drawing the samples. This is no SET PIECE and a real opportunity to sample some Ardbegs of the future.

Taste. Tackle. Thomson. 14:00

12 places £25 There is definitely a certain style of play which Jackie brings to the game. She is no STRIKER or SWEEPER but prefers to be in the line of DEFENCE. This is about the HAT TRICK of drams, dribbling and desire. Enjoy one dram and one spoon of food which complement each other. There will be 5 combinations - both old and new served in the still house.

Monday 26th and Wednesday 28th May

It's a Game of Two Halves (well, a shift), 14:00 to 22:00

£50 per shift It's all about team work. This is real MAN to MAN marking. The Gow and Asha, Cloudy and Geordie, Philco and Mackie, Yogi and Aza, Ali and Drew. They are the dream team hand picked by the manager to ensure that the spirit of Ardbeg keeps flowing. You can join them for a once in a lifetime shot at doing an Ardbeg production shift. See how it feels to be part of the team. Put on your team kit and get to work. You will be asked a number of questions when you try to book and we will assess who are the best people for the job.

Thursday 29th May

Fishing Nets, not Football Nets, 10:00 and 14:00

Thursday 29th, Friday 30th and Saturday 31st

12 per boat £35 Take to the water for a spot of sea fishing and sea soccer with Stormcats. Head out to the Atlantic and cast your line in some secret spots that only the fishermen know. Mackerel, pollock, crabs – they are all there for the taking. Take home your catch after a few drams on the water and prepare the best fish & chips ever. Perhaps there will be something in the lobster creels.... There will be no drama, just drams.

BBQ, Sips, Blues and Nips. (18:45) 19:00-22:30

Meet at the Visitor Centre at 1845 Kick off: 1900 £35 Relax and enjoy. Make sure you are warm. Great smoked food on the barbie prepared by Calum and his team, some chilled out music, Mickey's selection of drams and of course some great company. There may also be a few goal mouth incidents. Stoppage time: 2230

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Saturday 31st May, ARDBEG DAY

As the world goes football World Cup crazy this summer, we are celebrating in true Ardbegian style – with our own take on the World Cup. We will be taking things at our pace.

0930 ARDBEG TEAM PRESS CONFERENCE 0945 KICK OFF

Round Robin Tours 1000, 1030, 1100, 1130, 1200, 1230, 1300, 1330, 1400, 1430, 1500, 1530, 1600

Up to 15 places on each £5 These tours leave every half hour and if you make your way to the DUG OUT area a tour guide will never PASS you by. Take CENTRE STAGE and don't be left in the CORNER as you soak up the atmosphere of the Ardbeg Distilling process. Make sure you don't receive a RED CARD! No need to get booked.

Knock Out Tasting Every hour from 1100 to 1400

Saturday 31st May Filling Store 30 places £25 In a 3-2-1 formation try and discern the expressions of Ardbeg. This tasting is all about age. There will be some old, distinguished players; some new young vibrant talent and of course a couple of surprise drams to taste. It's a competition which, at each stage, will eliminate the tasters who just make a dummy run and cannot score the goal.

Hitting the Bar, 1000 1200 1400

Saturday 31st May 30 places £35 Michael Heads, the main man and manager of the team kicks off a special tasting in his pop up bar. Kick back and experience the green and gold of Auriverdes, two old wise single cask Ardbegs coming out of retirement and a hat trick of fresh new samples destined for the bottle.

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FIXTURES ON THE DAY:

Welly Penalty Shoot Out

It is what it says it is. You pull on peaty size 12's, you pick your spot and you penetrate the goal. Easy. Then you get your prize.

Arbroath Smokies man

On Ardbog Day last year Iain Spink, a man who always smells smokey, pitched up at the distillery. This year he will TACKLE his fish in a slightly different way. His Smokies will come straight from a bourbon barrel or an oloroso sherry cask. See if you can discern the difference.

Bubble Football

This game is, quite simply, great fun. It's a game which will make you laugh until you want to cry. The KICK OFF will be early and you can play this all day – no need for booking.

Extra Time Exchanges

Your chance to get to know the team at Ardbeg. The team of 11 selected on the day to spend time with, to ask questions of and to really scratch the surface. The manager will, of course, be on the SIDE LINES if he needs a substitute but it's really GAME

The Ultimate Ardbeg Distillery Swamp Football Tournament 1600

Everyone Teams of 5 will compete at the end of the day for the Ultimate prize – the Ardbeg Peat Football World Cup. Organise yourselves by teams – ladies and gentleman, by country, by friends, by whisky drinking buddies – it's entirely up to you. 4 visiting teams will play each other to find a winner. The winning visitor team will take part in a dramatic final on our peaty pitch against the Ardbeg Distillery Dream Team who are currently honing their dribbling skills 5 minutes a side, with a half time dram

Please call Jackie or Heather on 01496 302244 or 01496 302236 to book places on any of the above.