

Self-led visits information special interest groups

What is a self-led visit?

Group leaders visiting the museum with a group will lead the visit. The Guidebook, which we can provide in advance, should help you to plan your visit according to the interests and needs of the group.

What help can you expect on site?

Our costumed staff on site will be happy to answer questions you or your group may have and are able to assist discussion about any of the objects and buildings as your group passes through that area of the site. However, it is the group leader who is responsible for the group at all times during the visit.

Please remember that costumed staff have to be available to all visitors to the museum and in most instances are not able to provide special tours.

How long will a visit take?

The Highland Folk Museum site covers 80 acres and is a mile long. Expect to spend at least 3 hours on site.

What facilities are available?

The site has a car park, toilets (at main entrance and at the Farm area), picnic areas, children's play area, shop, a cafe and an audio-visual.

What should we wear?

During much of the visit, groups will be outdoors. It is recommended that they dress appropriately and have waterproof, warm clothing and sensible footwear.

Where can groups eat at the museum?

As well as our café, situated close to reception, there are a number of picnic areas on site where groups can eat packed lunches. If your group intends to use the café, please let the museum know numbers at the time of booking.

IMPORTANT – safety on site

Because the museum has a working croft we ask you to take care near machinery, tools and livestock.

Please also be aware that there are areas of water on site (a duck pond at the farm, a mill pond and curling pond in the pinewoods), please take extra care in these areas.

Transport on site

Although there is a bus on site, this can only take a maximum of 10 and we would advise, in most circumstances that groups travel on foot.

Access and additional needs

If your group has access needs, please refer to our website for further information on access and facilities. Please mention any additional/ access needs your group has at the time of booking.

Some specialist interest opportunities offered by the museum site

There are many reasons why groups visit and enjoy our varied site. Following is a list of some of the ways in which groups have used our site:

- A stimulus for **photography** and other forms of **art**
- **Multi-sensory experience** and **touch and feel** sessions.
- Lots to think about and see for those interested in the **environment**
- A place to **share memories and reminisce**
- A place to see the **past brought to life**

If you are visiting with a special interest in mind please let the museum know at the time of booking.