

<p><b>WIGTOWN</b> Former County town which is now Scotland's Book Town.</p> <p><b>Wigtown Ploughman</b> 01988 403236 30 South Main St., DG8 9HG Greene King IPA plus up to 3 guest ales.</p> 	<p><b>BLADNOCH</b> Village on the edge of Wigtown, with Scotland's most southerly distillery.</p> <p><b>Bladnoch Inn</b> 01988 402200 DG8 9AB One changing ale.</p> 
<p><b>ISLE OF WHITHORN</b> Picturesque harbour village at the south end of the Machars.</p> <p><b>Steam Packet Inn</b> 01988 500334 Harbour Row, DG8 8LL Taylor's Landlord, Belhaven IPA and four changing ales</p> 	<p><b>BARGRENNAN</b> Remote location close to Glen Trool and the Southern Upland Way.</p> <p><b>House o' Hill Hotel</b> 01671 840243 DG8 6RN Two changing ales</p> 
<p><b>STRANRAER</b> Main town and former ferry port.</p> <p><b>Grapes</b> 01776 703386 4-6 Bridge St DG9 7HY Traditional town centre bar with one or two changing ales</p> <p><b>Ruddicot Hotel</b> 01776 706192 London Road DG9 8AJ Small hotel bar with one changing ale.</p>  	

If planning to visit the more remote pubs it is **strongly recommended** that you phone ahead to check opening hours before travelling, especially early in the week, lunchtimes or off-season.

This is one of a series of ale trails by public transport and on foot covering the Ayrshire & Wigtownshire Branch area. Two other bus trails cover North and East Ayrshire, and South and East Ayrshire. All trails are downloadable from the branch website, which also gives more details of the pubs, or scan QR codes for details. [www.awcamra.org.uk](http://www.awcamra.org.uk)

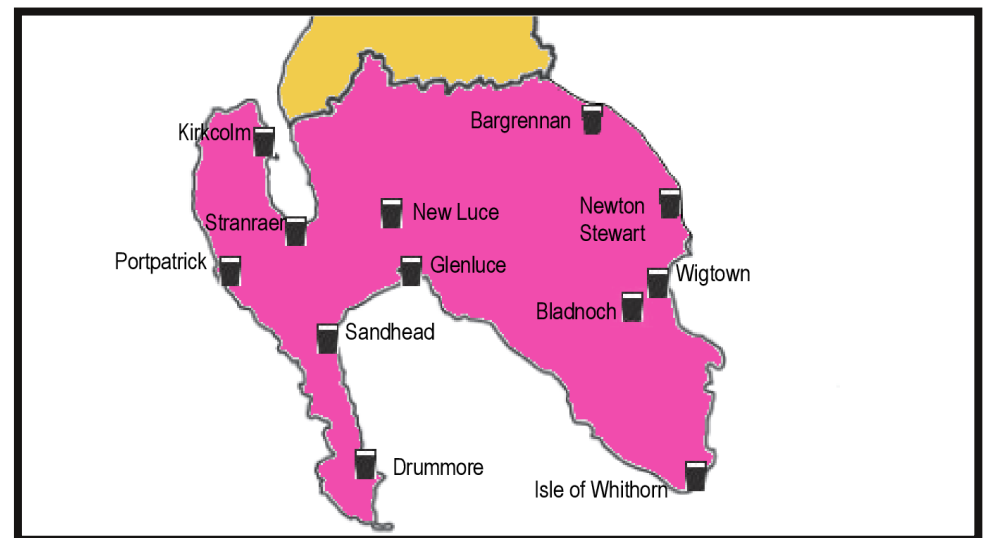
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# Wigtownshire Bus Ale Trails



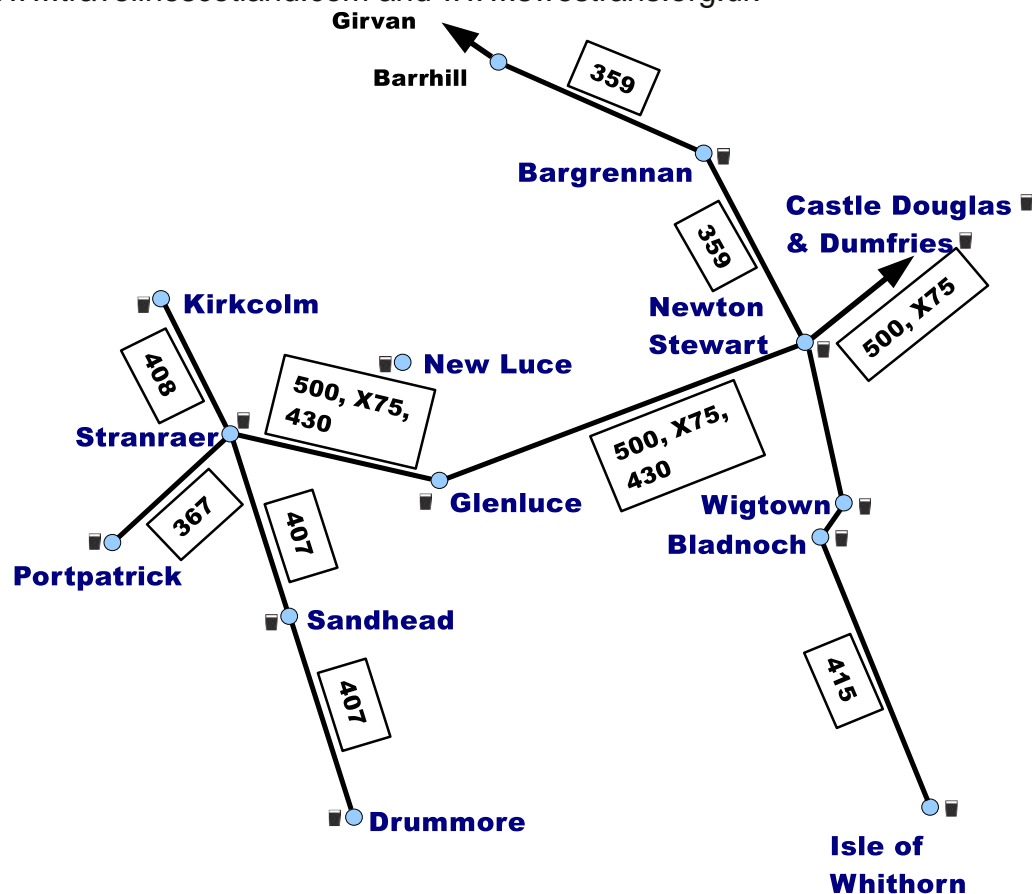

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## Trail 3

# The Rhins & The Machars

Rural pubs reachable by bus services. See separate leaflets for those on railway lines. Timetables available from [www.travelinescotland.com](http://www.travelinescotland.com) and [www.swestrans.org.uk](http://www.swestrans.org.uk)



Location	Bus service(s)	Comments
Portpatrick	367 Stranraer-Portpatrick	Approx. hourly (three buses Sunday)
Kirkcolm	408 Stranraer-Kirkcolm	Eight daytime buses (not Sunday)
Sandhead, Drummores	407 Stranraer- Drummores	Five daytime buses (not Sunday)
Glenluce, Newton Stewart	500/X75 Stranraer-Dumfries 430 Stranraer-Newton Stewart	Approx. hourly daytime between all services. Three buses Sunday
Wigtown, Bladnoch	415 Newton Stewart-Port William or Isle of Whithorn	Regularly throughout the day at different intervals (five buses Sun)
Isle of Whithorn	415 Newton Stewart-Isle of Whithorn	Regularly throughout the day at different intervals (four buses Sun)
Bargrennan, Barrhill	359 Newton Stewart-Girvan	Six buses per day (two Sunday)

**NB all services run by Stagecoach unless stated otherwise. Evening and Sunday services are likely to be infrequent or non-existent, so check timetables.**

## PORTPATRICK

Picturesque harbour village on the west coast of the Rhins, with views of Northern Ireland.

### Crown Hotel

01776 810261

9 North Crescent, DG9 8SX

Two changing guest ales



### Harbour House Hotel

01776 810456

53 Main Street, DG9 8JW

Two Greene King ales



## KIRKCOLM

Small village at north east end of the Rhins.

### Blue Peter Hotel

01776 853221

23 Main Street, DG9 0NL

Two or three changing ales



## SANDHEAD

Small village on extensive sandy beach facing Luce Bay.

### Tigh-na-Mara Hotel

01776 830210

Main Street, DG9 9JF

Morland Old Speckled Hen



## DRUMMORE

Caravan site north of small village at south end of Rhins.

### Clashwhannon

01776 840632

DG9 9QE

One or two changing ales



## GLENLUCE

Long, spread out village at the head of Luce Bay.

### Kelvin House Hotel

01581 300303

53 Main Street, DG8 0PP

One ale, usually from Houston



## NEWTON STEWART

Attractive town on the River Cree that is the gateway to the Machars and Galloway Forest Park.

### Creebridge House Hotel

01671 402121

Minigaff, DG8 6NP

A house ale and one or two changing guest ales



### Galloway Arms Hotel

01671 402653

54-56 Victoria Street, DG8 6DB

One or two guest ales, with Belhaven IPA a regular



### Cree Inn 01671 402743 1 Creebridge, DG8 6NP

New outlet as we went to press with one changing ale

