

## Train to Plockton train or Kyle of Lochalsh

It is not that easy to get to back from Strathcarron station by public transport later in the day – by far the simplest and most flexible scheme is to drive to the station, park, then let the train take the strain. From Strathcarron station you can go to Inverness, Kyle of Localsh, Plockton or Attadale Gardens (a request stop).

Head down to Lochcarron, drive past the golf course down the long straight section and take the right turn signed to Kyle of Lochalsh A890. About a mile on is Strathcarron railway station. Park, check out the timetable, hop on the train – next stop Attadale (request), Plockton several stops on Kyle beyond and the end of the line.

The trains run (summer timetable) approx  
10.30am & 12.30pm **to** Plockton  
12.10pm & 5pm **from** Plockton

On Sunday's there is only 1 train

1pm to Plockton

back 3.30pm

So just go for the train trip on a Sunday – which is spectacular, following the northern shore of Loch Carron.

The station is about 1 mile southwest of Plockton main street. At the north end of Plockton there is a short walk up to a viewpoint Cnoc a Bhlair, with nearly 360 deg views across to the Applecross peninsula, the islands of Scalpay, Pabay & the Crowlin islands, not to mention Skye. A good spot for a daytime picnic as you catch a breeze which helps with the pesky midges. The shop at/ next to Plockton Shores Restaurant has a good selection of picnic food – with local fish & cheeses.

The main street has a collection of tourist related shops, 3 bars & restaurants. Our favourite place to eat is Plockton Shores. Check to see if you can get onto one of Callum's seal tours – worth going to hear the banter if nothing else!

### Alternative

Get off at Attadale Gardens – this is a request stop.

Cross the road & a good walk up the drive brings you into the gardens – open April – end Oct. There are kitchen gardens, ponds lots of sculpture throughout, juvenile arboretum and great colour with the rhododendrons & azaleas in spring & again in the autumn. There is a DIY area for a cup of tea & shelter.

There are lots of walks from the grounds – see the information boards. The Lochcarron Highland Games are held here each July.



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