

## Directions to Oystercatchers

Oystercatchers is situated on the east coast of Sutherland on the south shore of Loch Fleet, 3 miles north of Dornoch, 50 minutes drive north of Inverness, 1 hour from Inverness airport. Its address in Skelbo will be of little use as Skelbo consists of 4 houses and a ruined castle and appears on no signposts.

Approaching from the south you follow the A9 past the first right hand turning to Dornoch continuing for a further one and a half miles until at a left hand bend at the top of a long straight hill you pass a second sharp right turn signposted to Dornoch. Slow down and indicate right as you'll need to take the unsignposted right turn 100 metres further on opposite the Trentham Hotel, (beware of oncoming traffic on this A9 bend).

Stay on this single track road for 1.5 miles until after coming down a small hill through trees you give way at a crossroads. Oystercatchers is facing you on the left with a timber garage and a prominent tree stump in the garden. Park in front of the garage.

Or, if visiting Dornoch prior to arrival, turn left at the east end of the main street, (Castle Street), and keep going for 3 miles, passing a turning to Embo and heading down hill towards Loch Fleet before turning ninety degrees left and reaching a crossroads – Oystercatchers is the house on your right.

Approaching from the north you follow the A9 across The Mound at the head of Loch Fleet, (4 miles south of Golspie), and after half a mile on a right hand bend take the left turn signposted "Visit Embo and Dornoch, Scenic Coastal Route". Continue for 2 miles along the shore of Loch Fleet and pass the ruins of Skelbo Castle after which the road begins to rise away from the shore. Half a mile further on you will see Oystercatchers on your left on the edge of the dunes with a timber garage and a prominent tree stump in the garden.

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