

Joining Instructions

Sessions and Sail 2024 – Songwriting

I hope you are looking forward to your trip!

The trip officially begins in **Oban**, on **Sunday May 26th 2024**, at **1200 BST**. You can join any time from 1200 until 1400. Lunch will be served at 1300 for those already aboard. All subsequent meals will be served as part of the voyage.

Your ship, the **Lady of Avenel**, will be alongside in Oban Harbour, at the pontoons by the North Pier. Postcode **PA34 5QD**, What3Words for the gate: **///before.shades.chainsaw**

You may need a code for the gate – they change these weekly so call **Barry** on **07775761149** and we'll either let you through or tell you the current code.

If you're coming by car, people often like to drop gear off at the ship then go and park – it's free to park on the North Pier on a Sunday. Longer term parking for the week can be tricky in Oban; we would advise arranging parking in advance. www.yourparkingspace.co.uk can be a useful resource for finding less expensive parking.

The ship will be ready for boarding at **1200**, and we will aim to have everyone aboard by **1400** so we can carry out essential safety briefings; we will depart shortly after these briefings are complete.

The trip will end in **Castlebay, Barra** with the ship tied up alongside the Castlebay pontoons. It's a 20-minute walk around the bay from the CalMac Ferry pier.

Disembarking will be at **1100** on **Saturday 1st June** – breakfast will be served that morning.

We will be alongside by the evening of **Friday 31st May** – so it would be possible for you to catch the CalMac ferry, departing Castlebay for Oban on the Saturday morning, if you wish. Please inform the skipper/crew if you plan to do this.

See you onboard!



Barry Nisbet

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