



The continuous traverse of the Cuillin ridge on the Isle of Skye offers a highly sought after and demanding mountaineering objective set apart from all other mountain areas in the UK. The terrain is comparable to the alpine environment and demands strong mountain fitness, climbing experience and mental fortitude.

I offer Cuillin Ridge traverse bookings to people with previous mountaineering experience as well as motivation to build fitness and skills prior to their trip. These are necessary in order to maximise chances of success and enjoyment. Preparation should include mountain walking, scrambling and some rock climbing. This training could also be complemented by regular cycling, running or gym work outs.

For most teams it is normal to bivouac on the ridge, splitting the traverse over 2 days. For mountain athletes with fell running and rock climbing experience, attempting a traverse over a single day may be appropriate too. In either case, good weather is necessary since moving efficiently over the terrain requires the rock to be dry.

I offer 3, 4 or 5 day bookings for up to 2 people. Given appropriate conditions, we'll use the best 1 or 2 days to attempt a traverse and the others for either preparation or rest. Forecasting Scottish weather more than a few weeks in advance is unfortunately impossible but the longer the booking period, the greater the likelihood of 'landing' on an appropriate weather window. Bookings of 4 or 5 days also give the option of preparatory climbing and the option to deposit overnight kit half way along the ridge

If the conditions are not in our favour we'll use the days independently and change our focus to the best ridge scrambles and rock climbs in the area (ie Clach Glas, Sron na Ciche, Cioch Nose and coastal cliff climbing). Either way, these form ideal preparation for a future attempt, so nothing lost!

The total fee includes use of my technical equipment as well as my travel and accommodation expenses. I'll provide you with a list of the kit you'll need to bring along, which will include your own bivouac kit.

	3 days	4 days	5 days
1 person	£750	£1000	£1250
2 people	£825	£1100	£1375

My availability for Cuillin Ridge bookings is typically restricted to May, June and September. However, in the intervening months I remain available for preparatory days on the mountain ridges and crags of N Wales, at a reduced daily cost.

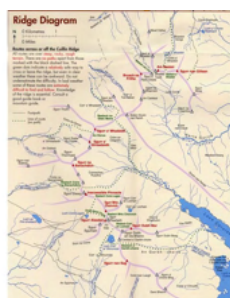
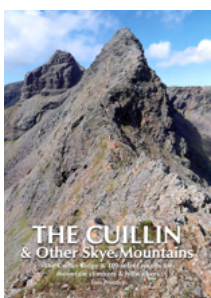
If you're interested in making a booking, please provide your own availability and I'll do my best to align mine. To secure a booking I'll send you a booking form and require that you pay 50%.

Questions are welcome and I'm delighted to discuss further via email, over the phone or via video link.

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