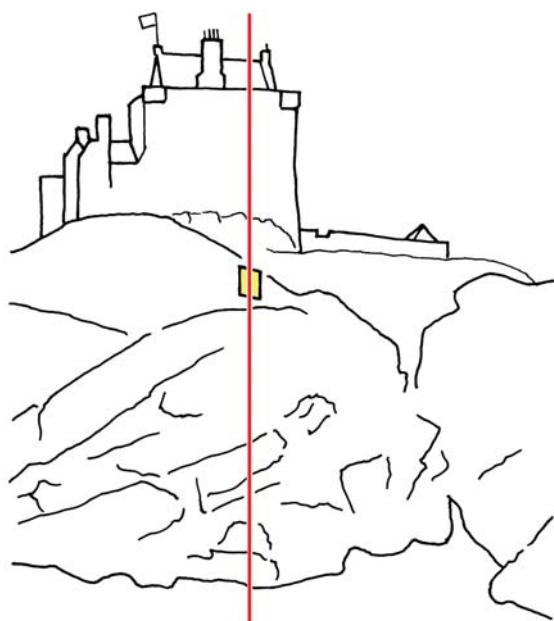


Duart Point Designated Historic Marine Protected Area

Historic Shipwreck Visitor Trail

This is a legally-protected wreck-site. For more information see <http://portal.historic-scotland.gov.uk/designation/HMPA7>. Divers may visit it on condition that nothing is disturbed or removed, including plant and animal life. It would be appreciated however if any growth on the floating labels could be carefully cleaned off.

The site is accessible either by boat or from the shore. Currents are strong during ebb tides, so you should plan your dive between Low and High Water. Boat access is straightforward and safe under suitable weather and tidal conditions. Operators should use discretion as to where to drop divers. Note that anchoring or placing any items on the sea-bed within the designated area is unlawful. This restriction includes the dropping of weighted shot-lines.



Transit on centre of yellow board

Most of the site is covered with sandbags and a natural canopy of kelp. These help to preserve this important historic wreck for posterity. Floating markers indicate five visible guns and an anchor, and act as reference points along the trail. Identifying them on the Trail Map (overleaf) will help you to visualise the now-buried wreck in its original state. The two ballast-mounds provide useful landmarks.

Positioning yourself 10m from the shore on the transit line indicated will place you immediately above PINK ROCK. You should now see a submerged orange float beneath you. Descend until you come to the prominent rock at the bottom. You are now at the START POINT.

4m W of PINK ROCK look for three guns marked 1, 2, and 3. Next, swim NW along the line pointed by Gun 3 for 9m until you come to the Anchor marked 'A'. Gun 4 lies 2m beyond. The next 12m leg, heading SW with the forward ballast mound on your left, will bring you to Gun 5.

Follow the base of the rock slope for 14m SE until you encounter Gun 1, from where you can find your way back to PINK ROCK and the end of the Trail.

If you see any exposed artefacts or evidence of recent disturbance, leave well alone but please contact Historic Environment Scotland at hs.heritagemanagement@scotland.gsi.gov.uk, tel: 0131 668 8716. It would be helpful if you could take photographs and mark the location as closely as you can on the Trail Map.

Some metal posts or pitons with floats may be seen in the vicinity of the site. These are for monitoring purposes and are unconnected with the trail.

Have a safe and enjoyable dive

If you trim along this line you will get a wider seal when you laminate this, back-to-back with the Trail Map.

Edge of rock slope from shore



If you trim along this line you will get a wider seal when you laminate the plan.