

Welcome to the Snorkel Safari at Niarbyl

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MODERATE

The Snorkel Trail

The trail commences from the beach in front of the cottages. You can wade into the water to fit your fins.

Keep the rock promontory to your right at the start of the trail. There are many gullies and crevasses to explore.

This is ideal habitat for lobsters, and there are often lobster pots around the area. Watch out for ropes and please do not disturb the pots.

Many fish shoal around the promontory, with juvenile fish being found among the Thong weed closer into the rock line.

The trail exits back onto the beach and the path will take you back to the car park.

This trail will take at least 50-60 minutes to complete. Please ensure you are wearing suitable exposure protection for this period of time.



BE SAFE

You have responsibility for your safety. You must consult a tide table and weather forecast before setting out on the trail.

This trail is available all year round but should not be used in bad weather, especially in strong SW to NE winds, or after sunset.

Sea conditions can change quickly. Local water sports centres can advise, lead and provide equipment for trail users.

The sea at Niarbyl is tidal. Take account of the tidal flow when planning your trip. Low tides can make access difficult.

The snorkel trail is not suitable for mechanised watercraft.

Appropriate personal buoyancy is essential for trail users.

You must let someone on the shore know where you are going and what time you will be back.

Prepare for the snorkel trail, stay within your limits and the limits of your equipment.

Travel in an appropriate group size according to your abilities and the conditions.



What to look out for..

Depending on the state of the tide and the time of year, you may see Beadlet and Snakelocks anemones, Limpets, Wrasse, Shoals of Sand Eels, Lions Mane Jellyfish, Shore and Edible Crabs and Lobster.

LEAVE NO TRACE

This coastline is precious and home to a wide variety of marine species. We, as visitors to the marine world, have a responsibility to minimise our impact on the environment.

Please don't stand on the species that live on the rocks.
Please don't kick the seabed.
Spearfishing is not permitted anywhere on the Isle of Man.

Take nothing but photographs and memories, unless you want to clear away any marine litter. In which case please do!

Snorkel Safari trails are located at several sites around the Isle of Man including Niarbyl, Fleshwick, Gansey Point, Port Grennaugh, Port Soderick and St Michael's Isle. You can access information about all the trails at www.visitisleafman.com/snorkelsafari



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