

LAMB to LOOM ...and beyond

The story of wool and weaving in Minginish

Mon. June 25th to Sat. June 30th

Sat. 30th June Ceilidh Dance with The Broch Inspectors

SKYE WEAVERS

Minginish Community Hall, Portnalong, by Carbost, Isle of Skye, IV47 8SL





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In 1923 settlers came from Harris and Lewis to North Talisker on Skye, looking for a better life and crofts of their own; so were established the townships of Portnalong, Fiskavaig and Fernilea.

Come and find out who these people were and how they used their skills in spinning and weaving to make a cloth, trademarked Port-Na-Skye tweed.

'Lamb to Loom ...and beyond' will show you how the sheep are sheared, the fleece dyed and the yarn spun, before being woven into tweed cloth or knitted into garments.
Come and have-a-go at spinning and weaving; watch the shearing and listen to the women singing as they 'waulk the tweed'.

TeaBaa serving light lunches, tea & cake; traditional and contemporary items by local artisans in the **Sheep Shop**; vintage machinery; plenty of free parking; toilets; WiFi.

Special Events

Mon 25th - Fri 29th 11am - 5pm Spinning and weaving demonstrations, display of vintage crofting machinery

Tues 26th from 2pm Gathering and shearing

Wed 27th 11am - 4pm

Meet the Portree archivist, see the Port-Na-Skye coat and cap; examine archived documents

Thurs 28th Fri 29th Waulking the tweed throughout the day

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Gathering and shearing, followed by BBQ (soft drinks available)

Sat 30th 8pm - 11.30pm

Family Ceilidh Dance with The Broch Inspectors, BYOB, tickets at the exhibition or on the door. Adults £10, 12s to 16s - £5, under 12s free (accompanied)

Opening Times

Mon, Wed, Fri - 11am to 5pm Tues, Thurs - 11am to 8pm Sat - 10am to 1pm Sat - 8pm to 11.30pm (Ceilidh) **FREE ENTRY** (except Ceilidh)

Directions

Follow all tourist signs to Talisker Distillery in Carbost. On reaching the distillery continue up the hill, bearing sharp right at the top following signs for Portnalong.

Travel a further 3 miles to Portnalong. In Portnalong turn left at the bus stop towards Fiskavaig.

Then turn first left into Minginish Community Hall