

Skye's Cuillin Ridge Traverse

Strategies, advice, detailed topo booklet and 10 classic scrambles

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This 2-volume set has all the information needed to plan and complete the traverse. The first volume covers planning and preparation and includes a recommended gear list as well as tips on rope work, weather, safety, logistics, route options, escape routes and potential bivouac sites. Since training will maximise your chance of success, also included are 10 classic Cuillin scrambles for practice. Finally, notes and advice are provided for those wishing to tackle the route in winter.

Volume two has route description and maps, and clear photo topos illustrating lines of ascent/descent, with points on the route numbered consistently across text, maps and topos to facilitate navigation. The Cuillin Ridge Light tactic can also be employed, reducing the difficulty of the traverse to Moderate

The exhilarating Cuillin Ridge Traverse on the Isle of Skye is one of Britain's most iconic scrambles. The challenging route calls for technical skill, mental and physical stamina and a head for heights: although much of the exposed knife-edge ridge is on the cusp between climbing and walking – allowing for fast progress unimpeded by ropes or pitching – there are scrambling sections to Grade 3, technical climbs to Severe and a handful of abseils. The traverse is typically completed over one or two days.

Key marketing points

this 2-volume set provides all the information required to complete the main ridge traverse on Skye's Black Cuillin a separate book provides detailed maps, topos and route description for use when on the ridge traverse itself

About the author

Adrian and his wife live at the foot of the Cuillin: they run a guiding and photography company, All Things Cuillin and have set up the popular Facebook group of the same name. Adrian has been climbing since the 1980s with a CV which includes first ascents on the White Cliffs of Dover, Alpine North Faces and Big Walls in Yosemite.

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