

# GROUP VISITS CREGNEASH

**Welcome to the group visitor information for Cregneash. Here you will find everything you need to plan a visit.**



Cregneash is a living illustration of a farming and crofting community in the 19th and early 20th century. You will see tiny thatched cottages dotted around the village, plough horses, loaghtan sheep, shorthorn cows, pigs and Manx cats.

Nestling under Meayll Hill and overlooking the Calf of Man, this picturesque village was the first open air folk museum in the British Isles. The village now forms a centre for traditional farming practices and skills.

Visitors can see demonstrations with horse drawn equipment, thatching, spinning, weaving, wood-turning, black-smithing and a range of skills in the growing and preparation of food.

**Don't miss:**

- Harry Kelly's famous thatched cottage
- Demonstrations of traditional skills
- Joiner's Workshop
- Blacksmith in the Smithy



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- Manx language speakers in Ned Beg's Cottage
- Church Farm, Farmhouse
- Creg y Shee Tea Rooms
- St Peter's Church
- Special events including Manx May Day and traditional Hop tu Naa Celebrations at the end of October
- Walking trails including farm trails and coastal footpaths

## Opening hours 2019

1 Apr to 24 May, 10am – 4pm  
25 May to 1 Sept, 10am – 5pm  
2 Sept to 3 Nov, 10am – 4pm

## Opening hours 2020

1 Apr to 29 May, 10am – 4pm  
30 May to 6 Sept, 10am – 5pm  
7 Sept to 1 Nov, 10am – 4pm

Admission is by ticket or Group Booking Permit which provides entry to the entire village. Group Booking Permits should be handed in by your coach driver or guide on arrival at the Village Shop.

## Timing your visit

A typical visit lasts between 1 to 1½ hours. Manx National Heritage recommends that a visit to Cregneash is timed to coincide with a visit to the Sound, which is situated nearby.

## Admission prices for 2019/2020

Pre-booked Group\* £5.00 per adult

\* To qualify for the pre-booked group rate, groups must consist of at least 15 people and must be booked 7 days in advance to qualify.

The Holiday Pass offers exceptional value for money and is recommended for groups visiting several attractions. For up to 14 days from the first use of this ticket, you will be able to access Castle Rushen, the Old House of Keys, Nautical Museum, Rushen Abbey, Cregneash Folk Village, Peel Castle, House of Manannan, Grove Museum and the Great Laxey Wheel. These passes are available to groups of 15 or more at the special rate of £22 per adult and should be purchased at least a week prior to the first visit. Alternatively holiday passes can be purchased at all Manx National Heritage sites at the standard price of £25 per adult.



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A combined Go Heritage Explore card is also available to groups of 20 or more which offers, during normal operating times, unlimited access to Manx National Heritage sites and unlimited travel on the heritage railways, buses and Douglas horse trams for up to 5 days. The group rate for the **2019** Go Explore Heritage card is £58.50 per person.

Manx National Heritage have reciprocal agreements with National Trust, English Heritage, Scottish National Trust, Historic Scotland, CADW and York Archaeological Trust providing free or reduced admission on presentation of a valid membership card. Refunds are not available for tickets purchased.

Coach drivers and guides accompanying a group receive free admission to all Manx National Heritage sites.

### **Booking your visit**

Pre-booking is advised and achieves a number of benefits for your group including a substantial discount on the standard admission price and speedy, hassle-free entry to the site.

To book your group visit please telephone our group bookings office on (+44) (0) 1624 648017. Payment is due 7 days in advance and refunds are not given once the booking and group numbers are confirmed.

On receipt of payment, a Group Entry Permit will be issued to you for presentation at the site entrance on the day of your visit.

### **How to get there**

By coach and by road: Cregneash is situated on the A31 Sound Road.

By bus: from Port Erin Bus Station or from Peel, Castletown and Port Erin only in school holidays.

On foot: Cregneash can be accessed via public footpath from the Chasms and Head Road.

### **Coach parking and Coach travel information**

Coach parking facilities are available at the Quarry Car Park, signposted at Cregneash. There is no charge for coach parking. There is a two minute walk from the car park to Cregneash via public footpath.



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## **Information for visitors with disabilities**

Cregneash is accessible to wheelchair users, although the exhibition area above Cummal Beg is not.

Detailed access information is available at

<https://manxnationalheritage.im/visit/getting-about/accessibility-information/>

## **Catering**

Refreshments including meals, snacks and confectionary can be enjoyed in the Village Tea Rooms, which seats 35 people. Garden tables are also available during the summer months.

To book catering for your group visit, please telephone (+44) (0) 1624 835288.

## **Visitor Information**

Visitors are asked to wear sensible footwear. Children should be kept under close supervision.

- Gift Shop
- Small café (indoor and outdoor seating)
- Toilets
- Photography and filming (for personal use only)

