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Directions to St Justinian, SA62 6PY (the lifeboat station, about 10 minutes' drive from St Davids).

OS grid ref: SM724252

Drive to Cross Square in the middle of St Davids (follow the one-way system). There's a large stone cross in the middle of a memorial square / roundabout to the right of you, a white pharmacy on your left and the Bishops pub ahead of you. Drive straight past the pharmacy (rather than following the road round the roundabout) and follow the sign to St Justinian ie down the hill (Goat Street). You'll pass the Farmers Arms pub on your right as you go down the hill. The road does a sharp left at the bottom of the hill followed by a sharp right shortly before a sign saying Catherine Street. You then need to turn right (in about 100m, just after a pink cottage on the right) towards the cathedral then left, over a little bridge, following the sign to St Justinian. Pass Merryvale car park on your left and stay on that road for approximately 2 miles.

As you approach St Justinian if the sat nav tells you to turn off the road eg right to Pen Carnan or left to Trefeiddan please ignore it, stay on the road (tarmac) and go straight on. The parking field (£3) is on your left just after these turnings. After parking turn left out of the field, keep walking towards the sea, past caravans and lay-bys on your left (with portaloos) and down the concrete steps to the lifeboat station. **Please park 30 mins before your trip** and meet our crew at the bottom of the steps **15 minutes before your trip**. Passengers board from a slipway so you do not need to wade out to the boat. Our boat is the only boat with yellow tubes and has Venture Jet on its console.

Directions to Whitesands beach, SA62 6PS (about 10 minutes' drive from St Davids)

OS grid ref: SM733272

Take the A487 to St Davids and follow the one-way system to Cross Square (see above). Whitesands is signposted from Cross Square. Continue round the roundabout following the one-way system as if you're driving to Fishguard. As you leave St Davids you'll see a brown sign (at the rugby club) taking you left to Whitesands and then left again.

From Fishguard: take the A487 to St Davids. Just before you enter St Davids you'll see a sign (at the rugby club) taking you right to Whitesands and then left. If you accidentally drive into St Davids, follow the one-way system to Cross Square and follow the signs.

Whitesands has excellent facilities - good parking, loos, a shop / café, lifeguards, surf and deckchair hire. It's a really popular beach so it's worth arriving early and spending a few hours relaxing at the beach.

Please sign in at our Land Rover (covered in graphics with our name on it) in the car park at Whitesands **20 minutes before your trip**. It's usually parked near the slipway / deck chair and surf hire near the phone box on the right hand side of the car park as you're facing the beach. You'll need to wade out to the boat (knee depth but please remember that water moves up and down!) so it's worth wearing shorts or trousers that can be rolled up high over the knee.

Do please allow yourselves lots of time to get to the departure point and park; holiday periods can be really busy. We regret that we cannot take responsibility for passengers being late: out of respect for other passengers we cannot wait longer than 15 minutes at most.

What to wear

Warm, waterproof clothing (even on a lovely summer day). We have additional waterproof sailing jackets for both adults and children on the boat, together with lifejackets). Spare fleeces are available to borrow from the Land Rover.

Footwear which can get wet: wetsuit boots, 'jelly' shoes, old trainers, wellington boots (for St Justinian).

Hats and gloves are a good idea in the spring and autumn, particularly for children.

What to bring

Spare trousers, socks and shoes to put on after the trip. This is particularly important for Wet and Wild and Jet Therapy trips and any trip running from the beach, where you might get caught by a cheeky little wave when wading out.

If you have booked a civilised Wildlife Adventure we will endeavour to keep you as dry as possible but there's always a possibility of spray on an open boat. If you have booked a Wet and Wild or Jet Therapy then getting a bit wet (or a lot!) comes with the territory!

Cameras / binoculars IN PROTECTIVE BAG

Dogs are welcome on board free of charge. Please call us in advance to discuss arrangements for your canine family member.

Sea and weather conditions can change quickly. Passengers are requested to check for messages on the contact number they have given to us. We will always do our best to contact passengers but we cannot take responsibility for messages not being received eg due to loss of signal. If in doubt please call the office the morning of your trip for your own convenience.

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St Justinian and Accessibility

We generally operate from **St Justinian (SA62 6PY)** but can do beach trips from **Whitesands beach (SA62 6PS)** in the school summer holidays. We can operate from Whitesands (or other locations) at any time by prior arrangement subject to sea and weather conditions. **Please note: in high season we may need to work from St Justinian in case of surf or for other logistical reasons.** Passengers are requested to check for messages on the contact number they have given to us in case we have to change departure point. We will always do our best to contact passengers but we cannot take responsibility for messages not being received eg due to loss of signal or passengers not having their phone with them. If in doubt please call the office the morning of your trip for your own convenience to confirm the departure point.



There is 1 disabled parking bay in the lay-bys at St Justinian, next to the bus stop. Parking at St Justinian itself is very limited. If there is no space in the lay-bys (common at busy times) there is a pay and display parking field about 10 minutes' walk from the harbour itself.

Please note: there are over 60 steps to walk down to the slip at **St Justinian (lifeboat station)**. The steps are concrete, quite shallow and broad (designed for cattle years ago!) and they have a handrail either side.

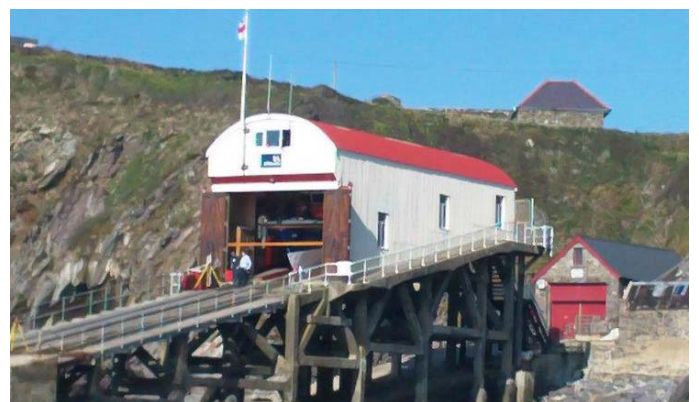


Bottom slip: see image right.

At low tide boarding is from the top slip, with another short set of steps, again with handrails, up to the lifeboat house. The rest is slipway so no more real steps! The steps are difficult for anyone with mobility issues and regrettably impossible for some. If you have any difficulty walking please let us know so that we can discuss whether or not St Justinian is an option for you. We will do everything we can to assist you, scheduling your trip to board from the lower slip where possible.



To access the top slip passengers walk around the boathouse and down the concrete slipway.



Top slip at very low tide.

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Whitesands Beach and Accessibility

We generally operate from **Whitesands beach (SA62 6PS)** in the school summer holidays and **St Justinian (SA62 6PY)** for the rest of the season. We can operate from Whitesands (or other locations) at any time by prior arrangement subject to sea and weather conditions.

We are the only boat company to operate from Whitesands beach.

Please note: in high season we may need to work from St Justinian in case of surf or for other logistical reasons. Passengers are requested to check for messages on the contact number they have given to us in case we have to change departure point. We will always do our best to contact passengers but we cannot take responsibility for messages not being received eg due to loss of signal or passengers not having their phone with them. If in doubt please call the office the morning of your trip for your own convenience to confirm the departure point.

At **Whitesands beach** we will bring the boat into shallow water (approximately knee depth); you will need to wade out to board.

If you have difficulty walking there are all terrain wheelchairs at Whitesands which can go across the beach and into shallow water.

We will do everything we can to assist you to board but we are unable to physically lift passengers.

If you have significant mobility issues Whitesands is the most accessible boarding point but we need to plan carefully. Please call us so that we can discuss the best tidal and weather conditions to suit your needs.



Car park (with several disabled bays), shop and toilet facilities are adjacent to Whitesands beach.

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