

PORTRAIT OF LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK

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Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park covers 720 square miles and is made up of four distinctive landscapes: Loch Lomond and its surrounding peaks, Argyll Forest, The Trossachs, and historic Breadalbane. It touches the shores of no fewer than 18 lochs, contains Scotland's only lake, and has 27 mountains exceeding 3000 feet.

Lying barely half an hour from Glasgow by car, the very fact that we can speak of a 'wilderness' area is a testament to the many years of effort which have gone into preserving this staggeringly beautiful landscape, even before it was designated as Scotland's first National Park. It could be argued, indeed, that this breath-taking scenery is not wilderness. It is paradise.

Internationally-renowned photographer Andy Stansfield captures the sheer variety of the Park, in all its many moods from light-hearted to sombre, in this stunning collection of 140 full-colour images.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Andy Stansfield is a photographer, feature writer and author specialising in travel and outdoor leisure. His first book was finally added to his extensive portfolio of magazine work in 2006 and was so successful that he now concentrates on writing and illustrating books, mostly for Halsgrove.

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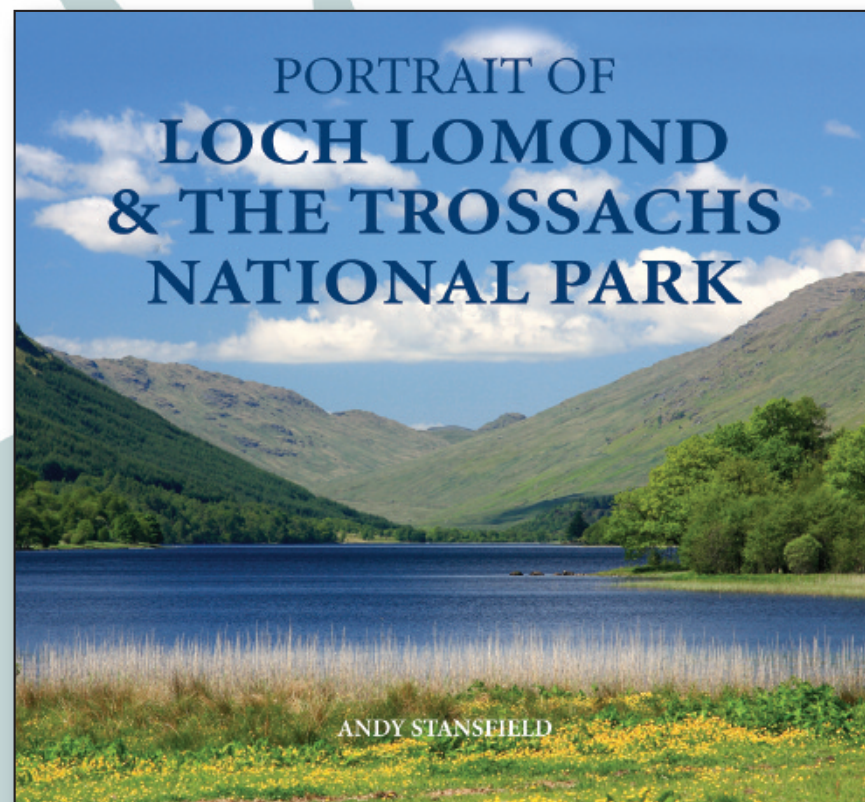
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Loch Arklet. This stunning panorama awaits as you reach Loch Arklet, with views from left to right of A' Chrois (848m), Beinn Ime (1011m) and Ben Vane (915m).



Cruise ships. Moored off the village of Tarbet on Loch Lomond's western shore, these vessels provide a variety of cruises around the loch.



Trossachs Church. The Church of Scotland serves the Congregation of Callander Kirk in the most delightful setting imaginable, perched on a small shelf between this colourful Trossachs hillside and the still waters of Loch Achray.

Loch Long and The Cobbler South of Arrochar, as the road to Loch Lomond climbs up towards Glen Douglas, it affords a sweeping view over Loch Long and the mountains beyond, including from right to left A' Chrois (848m), Beinn Narnain (926m) and The Cobbler (884m) or Ben Arthur to give it its proper name.



Example of a double page spread



Ben Lomond from the south east. One of the most open vistas of Ben Lomond can be had from just south of Aberfoyle.



Loch Lomond at its best. The Maid of the Loch, snow on Ben Lomond, the still blue waters of Loch Lomond itself, and Balloch Castle Country Park just visible on the right.