

Guidelines for bringing a campervan to Lismore

Welcome to Lismore

We hope you enjoy your visit and come to love Lismore as much as we do. A campervan is a (relatively) big vehicle and Lismore is a (relatively) small island so we have written this brief guide to help ensure that everybody enjoys their time here.

On the road

Lismore is a small island. It is just 19 kilometres long and 2.5 kilometres wide at its widest point. It has, in total, about 25 kilometres of road, all of it **single track** with **passing places**.

Allow yourself time to get where you are going. On any journey you could come up behind a herd of sheep or cattle being moved, or a tractor and trailer too big to pull into any of the passing places. If this happens, your journey will just take more time. Take the opportunity to enjoy the views. Please use passing places to enable vehicles behind you, to get past.

Keep an eye out for the passing places. At any point you may need to reverse to the last one you passed. You can't rely on the vehicle you meet being able to reverse; it could be a tractor pulling a trailer or a queue of vehicles. The passing places are not evenly spaced so you may find yourself reversing some way.

The verges can be soft and it is easy to get stuck in mud or a ditch hidden by long grass. Sticking to the paved areas is recommended. There are few opportunities to turn in the road (especially for longer vehicles) so you may need to drive to the next road junction to turn.

Overnight stays

There is only one site on the island for campervans and that is **Lismore Bunkhouse and Campsite**. They can be contacted for information and booking at <https://www.facebook.com/thelismorebunkhouse/>. Also, after the last ferries have run, there may be unused parking spaces at the two ferry terminals at Achnacroish and Point. If parking elsewhere, please be considerate – avoid private land, don't block the view from a house etc.

Please do not drive on pasture, it is all too easy to leave ruts or get stuck in ground that remains soft long after it has last rained. If parking near the sea, be aware of tides!

Toilets

There are public toilets at the ferry terminals at Achnacroish and Point. Both of these use septic tanks and so are NOT suitable for emptying chemical toilets. If you have a chemical toilet you will need to make sure it has sufficient capacity for your entire visit.

Water

There is no mains water on Lismore, all houses are supplied from springs, wells or bore holes. There are no public drinking water taps on the island. Bottled water can be purchased in the shop but you would be well advised to bring all the water you will need for your visit.

Rubbish

Though there are bins for public recycling at the Achnacroish ferry terminal, there are no facilities for the disposal of other rubbish. Please be prepared to take all your rubbish away with you and dispose of it on the mainland.

Fuel

There is no fuel station on Lismore so make sure you have enough for your visit.