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Client and Brief

HKA Global are the leading global consultancy in risk mitigation and commercial dispute resolution, providing expert, claims and advisory services.

The HKA team were looking to organise a two-day overnight corporate event for a group of ten

people at Ardoch.

Some of the HKA staff had visited Ardoch when it was launched as an exclusive use venue with a profit for purpose business model so they knew that this unique property would provide the perfect location for their corporate event.



The event

Every event at Ardoch is personalised to the requirements of each client. Planning and attention to detail is of the utmost importance to ensure all clients enjoy a personalised experience. When planning the HKA event, we discussed how we could set up the different spaces within Ardoch and make the most of the different spaces over the course of the two days.

On arrival the first day, guests enjoyed tea and coffee as well as a selection of pastries and fruit skewers. A buffet lunch with a variety of meat, vegetarian and gluten-free options was served, followed by afternoon tea and scones then an evening BBQ on the terrace.

Each function room and all the bedrooms look out to spectacular views. Each room has a very different feel. The drawing room feels like you're entering someone's living room. With comfy sofas and beautifully upholstered seating, it's the perfect place to relax and enjoy the views. The large, open fireplace, bookshelves filled with books and great lighting is one of our guests favourite rooms. HKA also made use of the viewing tower where guests enjoyed views over the lochan, the barn, Jimmy's room (which was set up in a u-shape with a projector and flip charts) for meetings, breakout rooms and enjoyed a dinner whilst enjoying the panoramic views from the terrace.

Types of menu and dietary requirements were discussed, and then bespoke menus created to fit their preferences and schedule. The proposed menus for the two days were approved by HKA before arrival.

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"It's the perfect setting for a retreat. Also, the close proximity to Glasgow and ease of access from airport was important. It's intimate and very different from a hotel experience. First class in every interaction. There were three best things: the setting, the facilities and the staff."

Lea Niven-Smith,
Business Support Administrator

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Limen Associates offers leadership development, coaching and retreats. Pauline Holland, the Founding Director contacted Ardoch to enquire about organising a number of leadership retreats at Ardoch. Limen Associates had used Ardoch as a venue for an event previously, due to the nature of the retreats, they were particularly interested in the exclusivity and



having the venue just for themselves. They were also looking for somewhere with a stunning setting, amazing views, great service and somewhere that could offer a memorable experience for their bespoke leadership retreats. They knew that Ardoch would be perfect for the intensive retreats that they were looking to host.

The event

A four day/three night retreat was organised in May 2023 to host seven delegates and three facilitators. Guests arrived, checked into their rooms and enjoyed a delicious lunch in the Barn. The afternoon involved different activities using the various spaces at Ardoch. There was a specific area set up with yoga mats for delegates to participate in yoga.

The group particularly like using the Drawing Room for their teaching sessions, as it offers a more informal and comfortable learning space.

The menus were discussed during the planning stage, with healthy options being agreed which suited the delegates and ensured that all dietary requirements were taken into consideration.

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"From start to finish, the experience was first class. Warm, friendly, adaptable, and very caring about the whole experience for my groups. Everything worked well. Having the venue to ourselves was a big plus with the various rooms being made available for us, including a separate space for morning yoga/body work. The setting is simply stunning. The food was great: healthy, with a good variety and beautifully presented. At each event, we always decide to make some small changes and make slight changes to what we are doing, but Ardoch is more than willing to accommodate."

Pauline Holland,
Founding Director



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Love Electric offers employees up to 60% off the latest electric vehicles, thanks to salary sacrifice, a similar business model to the popular bike-to-work scheme.

Love Electric contacted us to enquire about organising an overnight team away day for sixteen delegates. As part of the brief, they were looking to organise a fun, team building activity.

The event

The team at Ardoch made some recommendations for different types of activities and helped organise an afternoon of canoeing for the team. All the different event spaces at Ardoch were used for different activities including the cottages, which also had a TV set up and flip charts. Part of the brief was to ensure that the delegates moved around during their stay and enjoyed the amazing views from different parts of the venue.



"We enjoyed an incredible team away day and overnight stay at Ardoch this year. We already had pretty high expectations having seen the beautiful images of the house and grounds, but it is fair to say that every aspect went way beyond our expectations.

From the setting on the Loch, to the beautiful bedrooms and delicious catering - it was incredible. The staff at Ardoch were a pleasure and could not do enough for us. Thank you for giving us the pleasure of enjoying this amazing facility, We will all remember it very fondly, and hope to return. It was perfect!"

Lyndsay Tigar ,
Director

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