

## Di Gilbert Mountaineering – Mini Skye

*“Good climbing and good company often go together: each is essential to the enjoyment of the other” Tom Patey*

### Introduction

The Black Cuillin of Skye are without a doubt the most challenging mountains in Scotland. With an Alpine atmosphere, the mountains are almost entirely rocky with narrow crests and steep sides. Combined with unreliable weather, intense navigation and route choice, the Cuillins of Skye offer the potential for some great adventures.

There are 11 Munro's on the Cuillin, with one being magnificently isolated. They nearly all require some scrambling to reach their summits. The famous Inaccessible Pinnacle requires some rock climbing skills.

### The Course

This is very much a 'quick hit' to Skye for those who don't necessarily want to sign up to a 5 day course, or ideal for hill walkers who are desperate to tick off the hardest Munro of them all – The Inaccessible Pinnacle. No previous rope skills are necessary but a good head for heights essential! This course is run over 2 days.

Suggested routes might include:

The Inaccessible Pinnacle  
Pinnacle Ridge  
Cioch Slab

### Ratio:

This course is run on a 1:3 ratio.

### Dates

We are available from May – Oct for this course, although strongly recommend either May/June or September/Oct.

We arrange to meet you on the Friday evening and come up with a game plan for the weekend. We will have 2 full days out on the mountain and finish on Sunday evening – normally over a hot chocolate or pint.

### Price

£225.00 per person. This course will only run with a minimum of 2 people.

This price includes instruction/guiding services and any technical equipment required.



vibram sole. Have a look at Scarpa's Cristallo and Charmoz boots [www.scarpa.co.uk](http://www.scarpa.co.uk).

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| First Aid        | Any personal medication and a small first aid kit to deal with common problems such as blisters, sunburn and insect bites.  |
| Head torch       | A small head torch with spare batteries. Either Halogen or strong LED's are the best.   |
| Navigation tools | For Skye I prefer to use the specific Harvey map. Silva compasses are the best in my opinion.   |
| Emergency kit    | A cheap orange plastic emergency bivouac bag which can live in the bottom of your rucksack. A little whistle is good for attracting attention and weighs nothing. |
| Climbing helmet  | Essential for any type of scrambling activity. This can be provided if indicated on your booking form.  |
| Climbing harness | This makes things much easier – trust me. This can be provided if indicated on your booking form.   |