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WHISKY GALORE!

BASED ON A TRUE STORY

FILM LOCATIONS MAP



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THE FILM

whiskygaloremovie.com

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FILM OFFICES

Main Aberdeenshire location:
filminginscotland.com

Additional locations:
creativescotlandlocations.com

A WEE SPOT O' SCOTTISH HISTORY

The SS Politician was an 8000-ton cargo ship sailing for Kingston, Jamaica and New Orleans with a cargo including 28,000 cases of malt whisky. On 5 February 1941, during gale force winds, she ran aground off the Island of Eriskay in the Outer Hebrides.

The ship's fuel tanks were ruptured, and its engines gave up, leaving the crew to await rescue – and the salvage of their cargo.

To the locals, beset by war rationing, this was too good an opportunity to miss. Unofficial local 'salvage parties' began to form. People came from as far afield as Lewis and according to reports, few regarded what they were doing as stealing; the foundering of the ship made its cargo theirs to save under the 'rules of salvage'. The authorities, however, did not share this view, not least because the whisky was destined for the United States – and so no duty had been paid on it.

There followed a salvage operation with the police raiding villages and crofts in an effort to recover the liquid cargo – and the locals secreting their gains wherever they could. Or else they just drank them.

How much was taken by the sea, and how much fell prey to the impromptu salvage operations mounted by the locals of Eriskay, Barra, the Uists, and Lewis? We will almost certainly never know.



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FILM LOCATIONS MAP



1 Portsoy Harbour, Aberdeenshire

- The main village of the island of Todday
- Exteriors of Macroon's house, the Post Office and School House
- Islanders hide whisky bottles around the harbour
- The wedding



2 Mill Beach, Pennan, Aberdeenshire

- The island of Todday
- Human chains formed to load up the whisky
- Macroon and the girls gather seaweed
- Waggett sips his tea



3 New Aberdour Beach, Pennan, Aberdeenshire

- The island of Todday
- The islanders hide whisky in the cave
- Whisky found by Waggett
- The islanders take the whisky to the lorry out of the reach of Waggett



4 Luss Village Hall, Luss, Argyll & Bute

- School Classroom
- George listens as Morag reads her essay
- Mrs Campbell harangues George
- Whisky tasting and wedding speeches



5 St Monan's Parish Church, Fife

- Church service
- The islanders attend church, where they each consider the sermon to be directed at them



6 Loch Thom, Greenock, Inverclyde

- The island of Todday
- Waggett stages a roadblock, causing chaos



7 Geilston House & Gardens, Dumbarton

- Interiors of Waggett's House, Hector's Croft, The School House, The Post Office, Roddy's Croft
- Dolly plays billiards
- Farquharson arrests Waggett
- Macroon and the islanders hide the bottles
- Hector's dog snoozes, unaware of the situation
- Waggett phones the Colonel
- George is sent to his room!
- The girls get ready for the Reitach
- Catriona prays

* Please note: House not open to public. Can be viewed from gardens.



8 Central Bar, Renton, Glasgow

- The pub on the island of Todday
- Interior shots of the island's pub
- The locals exclaim "There's no more whisky"!



9 Pinkston Watersports, Glasgow

- Filming night shots at sea
- The islanders sail out to the ship in their boats to rescue the crates of whisky



10 Forrestburn Race Track, near Harthill

- The coastline of Todday
- The islanders and Waggett race to reach the whisky in the cave and encounter some cyclists en route!



11 St Abb's Head, Berwickshire

- The coastline of Todday
- Waggett drives with Dolly
- Waggett drives to the cave
- The islanders drive the lorry to rescue the whisky



12 Beach, Ardeer, Ayrshire

- The coastline of Todday
- Waggett finds some whisky bottles
- The lorry runs out of petrol
- Sgt Odd runs up the beach, carrying his bike

WHISKY GALORE!

Whisky Galore! has been raising laughs for nearly 70 years.

Compton Mackenzie's popular 1947 novel inspired an unforgettable Ealing comedy in 1949 and now, in 2017, a brilliant new movie which shows off Scotland at its dazzling best.

Based on the real-life sinking of the SS Politician off the coast of Eriskay in 1941, and the subsequent seizing of thousands of bottles of whisky by locals, Whisky Galore! is a celebration of a nation's love for "The Water of Life".

While Alexander Mackendrick's original movie was shot almost entirely on location in the Outer Hebrides, where Barra stood in for the fictional islands of Great Todday and Little Todday, Gillies Mackinnon's version makes use of outstanding locations throughout Scotland, from the Borders up to Aberdeenshire, from Ayrshire to Glasgow and across to the East Neuk of Fife.

Starring Gregor Fisher, Eddie Izzard, Sean Biggerstaff and Naomi Battrick, the new version of Whisky Galore! has one notable advantage over the original – namely that Scotland's amazing landscapes are in glorious colour.

This map includes all the locations used in this fantastic new production of Whisky Galore! because, as we all know, there's only one thing better than enjoying the delights of Scotland on the silver screen, and that's to do a spot of "set-jetting" and exploring the film locations for yourself.

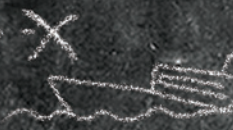
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REMAKING A CLASSIC

The warmth, whimsy and, of course, the whisky which made Whisky Galore! such a success in both the source novel and Alexander Mackendrick's 1949 film adaptation are alive and well in this version of a much loved and highly treasured favourite.

The story of Whisky Galore! is based on real life events, when the 8000 ton cargo ship the SS Politician ran aground off the Island of Eriskay during gale force winds. Author Compton Mackenzie took these events and wrote a wonderfully warm and witty book that was ripe for adaptation.



In 1949 his story of whisky-deprived islanders plundering a wrecked vessel and doing their best to hide the loot from the Home Guard was adapted by Ealing Studios, going on to be hailed a classic. It was released in the US as Tight Little Island and in France as the far more saucy Whisky A Go Go. The film details the story of the inhabitants of the isolated Scottish island of Todday, in the Outer Hebrides, where gloom sets in as their wartime rationing of whisky runs out. When cargo ship the SS Cabinet Minister runs aground the shrewd islanders run rings around the buffoonish English Home Guard commander Captain Waggett (beautifully played by Eddie Izzard) and conspire to hide away cases of the precious amber nectar.



A terrific Scottish cast including Gregor Fisher as local postmaster (and narrator of the story) Macroon, Kevin Guthrie as mild-mannered teacher George, James Cosmo as local minister MacAlister, and a delightful script by Peter McDougal combine to make Gillies MacKinnon's version a charming delight.