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This high quality topographical map is specially designed to show the 'Big Picture' for yachtsman planning to cruise in the West of Scotland. It provides a unique combination of the best information shown on a conventional road map with selected nautical details. The map covers the sailing area from the Clyde to Ullapool and the Outer Hebrides as far north as Stornaway. The topographical base map is detailed and shows the main information important to most visitors - towns, villages, roads, railways, stations, ferry crossings, airports, islands, bays, headlands, straits, mountains, relief, rivers and lakes with all this detail in slightly muted colours. Sailing information is superimposed over this - highlighted in bright colours to stand out - marinas, pontoons, visitor moorings, selected anchorages, diesel supplies, areas with especially strong tidal streams, and a few selected pubs. The format of the map is designed to be convenient and user friendly with the information shown as simply and clearly as possible. There are guidance notes and links to further information sources.

About the AuthorThe author, Mike McDonald, has been a Yachtmaster Instructor who has lived in and sailed the West Coast of Scotland for many years and in many different boats. This is a unique map that should be really useful, especially at the planning stages of a voyage. It complements and helps put into perspective the vast amount of detailed information that is available from other sources. It is envisaged that many yachts will buy this map to have in the drawer of the chart table. Many sailors will also buy a copy to have at home to inspire and plan future cruises or perhaps to mark off previous voyages. It will also be handy back at home for when partners and family are trying to follow the cruise of a loved one. A flat, laminated version is available for wall mounting - useful for the office or yacht club.