

Dog Walking

When walking Westray's paths please remember:

You are very welcome, but remember, this island is just one big working farm



Mother cows are wonderfully protective, which can be unbelievably dangerous

If you have a dog with you, even on a lead, you are an even bigger threat to her calf.

To be mothers again next year, cows have to have a partner. He is probably a big continental fellow, who is very protective of his harem, which can give him an attitude problem.

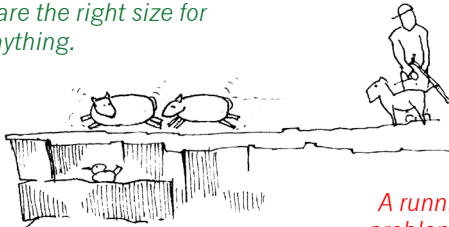


Sheep are also good mothers, but they are different from cows. They are smaller.

For dogs, sheep are the right size for a plaything.



If sheep see a problem they run away from it and if there is a 100ft craig, they may run over it.



Wildlife needs to be cherished. You can see plenty without disturbing it.

A running, playing dog is a problem for a sheep, it could be fatal for the dog as well as the sheep.

*Gates keep cattle and sheep where they are supposed to be. Please leave gates as you find them which usually means **shut**.*



Gateways are like driveways. Please don't leave your car in the way.



Please enjoy yourself safely, and come again.



*Bonxies and terns are well known for protecting their nests. **Mind your head if they are about.***

If you find a sheep like this, please could you put her back on her feet or get help.



She is not drunk, she needs help.