

Colin Woolf.

FINE ART



Looking back to Arnisdale with Beinn Sgritheall behind

This year the swallows left before we were ready to see them go, and late summer has turned into a mellow and then rather wet and windy autumn. Already the temperature has dropped low enough for a frost, and deer can be heard roaring again from the islands.

This year we've explored some more fabulous places around Scotland. In March, from our base at Glenelg, we were looking out at fresh snow on the mountains of Skye while the partly-eclipsed moon set behind the hills. We ventured down towards Arnisdale and explored the two extraordinary Iron Age brochs in Gleann Beag.

*In April we were listening to the first corncrakes calling on Iona, while making our way down towards St Columba's Bay at the southern end of the island. And then in July we were right up on the north coast at Durness, looking for wild flowers - in particular *Primula scotica*, the Scottish primrose, which Colin was particularly keen to find. You can see some of the results of this little plant hunting trip in this newsletter.*

This year, Colin has completed several very large and impressive works, one of which was over 1.2 metres in width. This, in turn, has opened up new thoughts and ideas for more paintings on a grand scale! If you'd like to know more, please give us a call or drop us a line.

We're also bringing you our exclusive Christmas card for 2025: 'Winter Haven', showing eiders resting in some welcome evening sunshine on a partly-frozen loch. The setting is Loch Craignish, just a short distance away from our home.

Thank you for your continued custom, which is always greatly appreciated. As always, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us if you would like to enquire about a particular painting, or commission your own artwork, or if you'd like to place an order in person.

With warmest wishes,
Colin & Jo

October 2025



'October Mist' Ever-changing light and low cloud create some of the most beautiful effects over snow covered mountains. This time of year deer are surprisingly hard to spot.

Oil on Gesso board Image size = 500 x 730 mm £ 2975.00 product code **001**



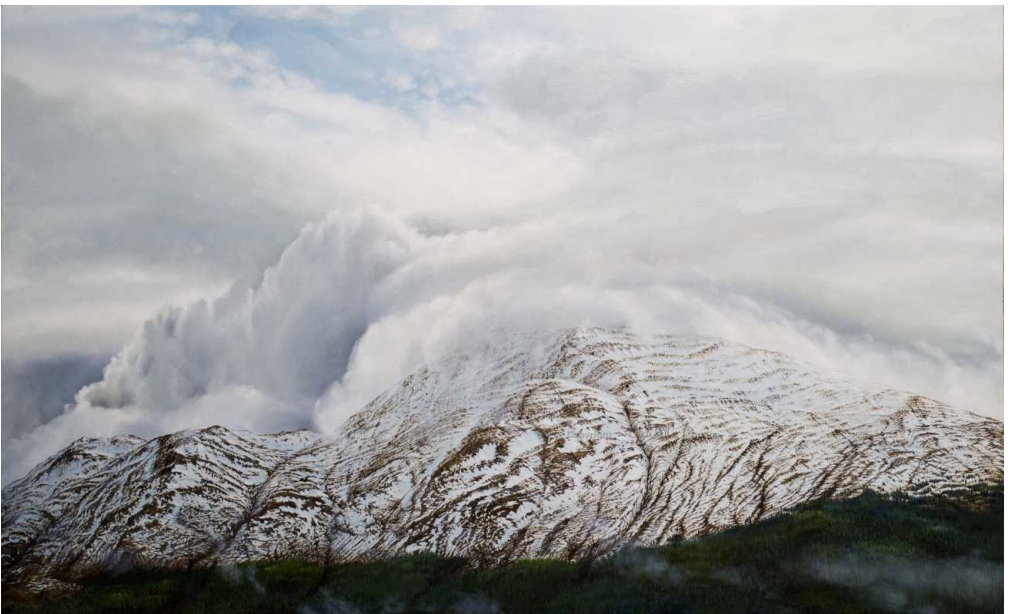
'Redshank and Greenshank feeding' Delicately picking tiny morsels from the water's surface.

Graphite pencil study Image size = 110 x 300 mm £ 375.00 product code **OP1**



'Fulmars over a rough sea' With a palette of just 4 colours, I have tried to capture the power of the ocean and the grace of the wheeling birds.

Oil on Gesso board Image size = 390 x 575 mm £ 2200.00 product code 003



'Winter's Morning' Clouds cling to the tops as the sun rises.

Oil on Gesso board Image size = 390 x 575 mm £ 1800.00 product code 004



'Winter Haven' In evening light, eiders and other birds wait for a thaw on the frozen waters of Loch Craignish. Oil on Gesso board

Image size = 325 x 600 mm £ 2525.00 code **002**

'Snipe resting' (bottom left) Inspired by sightings on Orkney. Drawn using points made from pure silver and platinum on to a specially prepared ground, in a similar way to that used by the Renaissance artists.

Silverpoint study Image size = 100 x 210 mm £ 575.00 product code **OP2**





'Pochard family' A common duck but one that is not often seen.
 Watercolour Image size = 90 x 220 mm £ 405.00 product code **OW1**

'Otter pair' (below) A drawing from life for the *All-seeing Golden Lion* book written by Jo.
 Graphite pencil study Image size = 90 x 210 mm £ 475.00 product code **OP3**







'Kilchurn Castle' A large and dramatic painting.
The first of a series of paintings planned to feature
some of our favourite castles in Scotland.

Oil on Gesso board
Image size = 520 x 900 mm
£ 5999.00 code **005**

'Waves II' (below) I just love painting water!

Oil on Gesso board
Image size = 375 x 550 mm
£ 1250.00 code **006**

'The King of Birds' (below left) — In folklore, the
wren is known as 'The King of Birds'. It is said that, in a
contest with all the other birds to see who could fly
highest, the wren won by hitching a lift in the feathers of
an eagle and then leaping out to soar an extra few inches.
In annoyance, the eagle swiped at the wren and it lost
some of its feathers, resulting in its familiar stubby tail.

Watercolour *Image size = 170 x 280 mm* £ 985.00
product code **OW2**



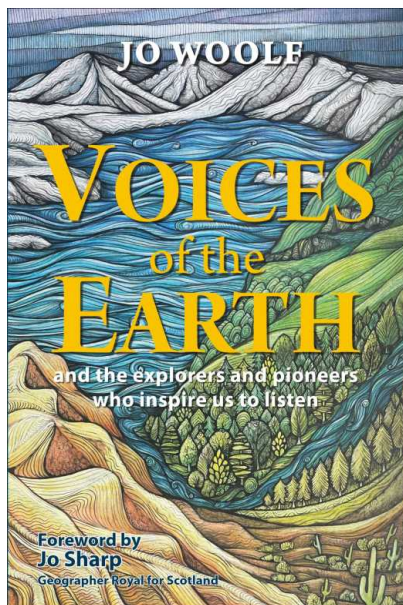


When I first started drawing, it was always of people and faces. Jo and I have been together now for over 40 years and finally I have got round to painting her portrait! Inspired by a photograph taken when she was 18.

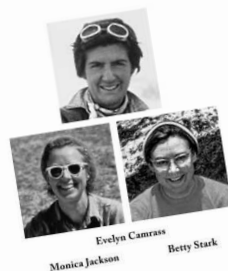
Oil on Gesso board Image size = 420 x 295 mm
In our private collection

The prices in this Newsletter are discounted, offered at a lower price than previously. If there is a picture you are interested in that is **not** shown in here, then please call, as we would be happy to extend this offer to other pictures.

There are many more paintings and pencil sketches available on the website - please contact us if you would like more details.



BOOKS



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 Hardcover, 240 mm x 160 mm
 344 pages, 57 B&W illustrations
 and maps with 30 colour photos.



In August, Jo's new book for the Royal Scottish Geographical Society was published. Entitled ***Voices of the Earth***, it focuses on people who venture into the Earth's wildest, most inhospitable regions. Their stories reveal not just a heartfelt passion for exploring our planet, but also a willingness to challenge preconceptions through open-mindedness, resourcefulness and courage.

Voices of the Earth features the remarkable stories of historical figures such as Gertrude Bell, Alexander Kellas, John Rae and Sir Ernest Shackleton, and moves forward in time to focus on Myrtle Simpson, Doug Allan, Rory Stewart, Alice Morrison, Gordon Buchanan, Chris Packham, Lewis Pugh, Sal Montgomery, and many more (*some of whom were at the the launch, see above*).

Available from RSGS: www.rsgs.org or telephone **01738 455050**. Alternatively we have a few copies in stock at home - please phone us to order.

Signed copies of *Britain's Landmarks and Legends* (right) are also available - please add a note with your order if you'd like a dedication inside.

£12.99 each + P&P



Plant-hunting in Sutherland yielded some stunning surprises, more than we could have dared to hope. Beneath Scots pines by Loch Fleet we were enchanted to discover one-flowered wintergreen, also known as 'frog's reading lamp,' and the delicate twinflower, both thriving on the shady woodland floor.

Moving on to Durness, we explored sand dunes rich in orchids, and rocky outcrops covered with alpine species. We eventually tracked down frog orchid and mountain avens, and on our last day we were thrilled to find the diminutive Scottish primrose. What a wild and uncompromising landscape, and we can't wait to return.

*Above right: Colin with Primula scotica
Right: Frog orchid. Far right: Mountain avens and wild thyme.
Below, left to right: Twinflower; Primula scotica with kidney vetch; Common twayblade;
One-flowered wintergreen.
Bottom: View across Balnakeil Bay.*



Christmas Cards 2025



We're delighted to bring you our exclusive Christmas cards for 2025 Winter's Haven. A landscape of frozen sea on Loch Craginich just over the hill, south of where we live.

The original painting is now available, please see inside this leaflet or on the website.

All Christmas cards are signed by Colin on the inside left.

Printed on 300gsm card, un-coated on the inside for ease of writing

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