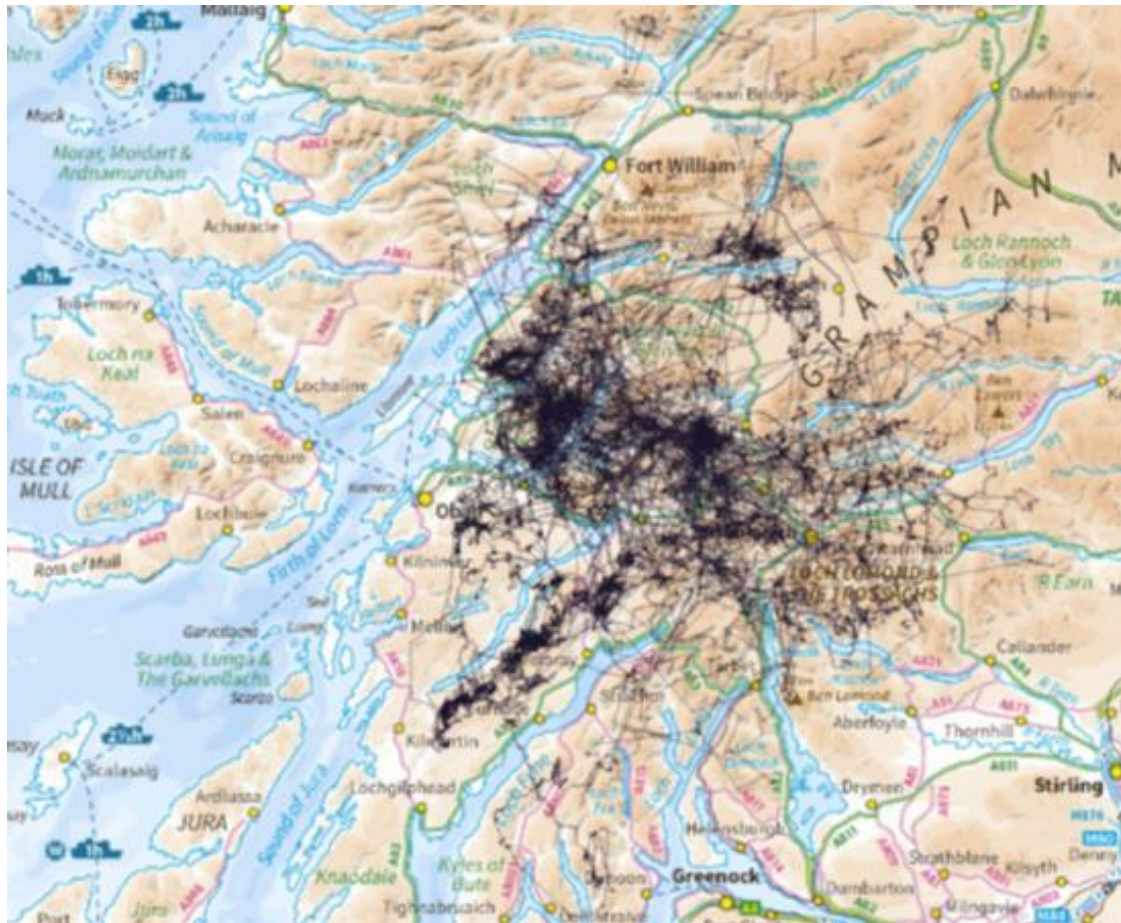


The Travels of Tag 100

Tag 100 was fitted a male on 22nd June 2014 in a nest approximately 10km from Dunoon. He dispersed from his natal territory in early February the next year, which is quite a late dispersal date. He spent the next four years wandering a relatively compact area east of Oban before settling in a range, near to Loch Etive, in late March 2019 by which time he was almost five years old. His range is about 60km north of where he fledged. He first visited his eventual range about a month after dispersing and visited it each year after that before eventually settling there.

His tag was still transmitting in September 2021, 2,642 days after fitting.

Dispersal of tag 100 (Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right 2021)



Two years after settling he was clearly restless. In Spring 2021 he went on several excursions. On the 21st March he had a quick trip out 20km to the NE, the round trip took just over an hour so he wasn't gone for long. On the 5th April he went out 35km to the east, again it was a quick trip taking around 90 minutes. On the 24th April he went on an 80km trip outside of his range to the west. Despite his long trip he wasn't gone for long, leaving at noon and back by around 2.30pm. He had a similar excursion two weeks later on May 9th, this time to the north. This excursion was different because he spent the night out of his range, 30km to the north. He was back in the range by noon on the 10th. All territorial birds seem to have these excursions but we don't know why.

