



**Your Adventure
Detailed Itinerary**

The Kerry Way

Considered one of the finest drives in the world, it is magical on foot, from rugged cliffs to golden beaches, small villages, green pastures, peat bogs and always picturesque mountain ranges. You will see the "real" Ireland, away from crowds and only the sounds of nature to accompany you.

This area was first settled around 300 BC by the people of Ciar – an early Celtic Tribe, and your holiday will immerse you in almost 10,000 years of dramatic history.



Approx Travel Times (public transport)

Dublin Airport to Killarney- 5-6 hours

Shannon Airport to Killarney- 3-4 hours

Cork Airport to Killarney- 1.5 hours

Kerry Airport to Killarney- 20-30 minutes

Glenbeigh is approx 60 minutes from Killarney for departure

● Regional Airports

● International Airports

Ireland Walk Hike Bike

For 25 years Ireland Walk Hike Bike (IWHB) has been welcoming guests to Ireland. The realisation of a dream for company founder Linda Woods who sought to show people the “real Ireland” rather than the traditional tourism template! These ideals continue today, showing you Ireland the way we believe it should be seen: slowly, intimately and knowledgeably. Our terrific office personnel and great guides all share the same philosophy – “to take people into those hidden parts of Ireland that few know about and give people a real “taste and flavour” of Ireland the way we know and love it”.

With today’s fast pace of life & the lack of “downtime”, we at IWHB take great pride in the trust our guests show in us to create great experiences for you. All of us in IWHB are committed to ensuring our fascination for Ireland, its’ history, culture, diversity & humour, is part of your holiday. Ireland enjoys a relaxing pace of life; beautiful and varied scenery, with the sea never far from sight & a great selection of music at night. While in Ireland, we ask you to PLEASE take your time as you discover small sections of Ireland, for if you rush, the charm of the country and the people will pass you by. The best made plans will always change in Ireland, and your adaptability to enjoy chance encounters with friendly locals, incredible characters and the odd charismatic sheep is what will make your holiday a truly memorable experience!!



Itinerary at a Glance

Day	Activity	Overnight
1	Arrive to Killarney	Killarney
2	Muckross Loop Hike	Killarney
3	Galwey's Bridge to Muckross Hike	Killarney
4	Gap of Dunloe Hike	Killarney
5	Galwey's Bridge to Kenmare Hike	Kenmare
6	Gleninchaquin Hike	Kenmare
7	Kenmare to Sneem Hike	Kenmare
8	Depart Kenmare	



Day 1

Arrive to Killarney

Arrive in Killarney – the popular town renowned for its three magnificent lakes in the heart of Kerry. On arrival at your guesthouse, your host can suggest some of the many local restaurants or pubs for food and possibly music.



Day 2

Muckross Loop Hike

Today you will be transferred to the start of your walk at Muckross House – a beautiful mansion built in the 19th century & now forming the central point of the wonderful Killarney National Park. From here you follow a circular route around the middle of the Three Lakes – Muckross Lake – a magnificent walk with wonderful views across the lake as you follow through some of our ancient woodlands. At the end of your walk, your transport will take you back to your accommodation in Killarney.

Terrain: Surfaced tracks and some rocky uneven paths through woodland.
Boots recommended but not essential

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance: 10.5kms

Height Gain: 191m

Height Loss: 191m

Max. Height: 62m



Day 3

Galwey's Bridge to Muckross Hike

Starting your hike today with a transfer to Derrycunihy Church at the beautiful Galwey's Bridge, you then follow part of an ancient "butter road" into Killarney National Park. Hiking through ancient oakwoods, you continue your hike to Muckross House. Along the way you will pass the impressive Torc Waterfall.

Terrain: Mountain tracks, board walks and green roads. Can be wet underfoot – boots essential.

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance: 11.0kms

Height Gain: 405m

Height Loss: 336m

Max. Height: 303m



Day 4

Gap of Dunloe Hike

Starting at the beautiful 15th century Ross Castle, you take a small boat through the Three Lakes to finish at an old "hunting lodge" at Lord Brandon's Cottage. Here you can enjoy some tea, coffee, cake or other refreshments if you wish before starting your hike. As you make your way through the Black valley you get a sense for the isolation of this wondrous place. A short climb to the top of the "Gap of Dunloe" is rewarded with a view which has drawn visitors for over a hundred years to this glaciated valley of steep jagged rock and glistening mountain lakes. You continue through the valley and on to Kate Kearney's Cottage where you will call your taxi to transfer to Killarney.

Terrain: Tarmac roads, boots not required

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance: 11.6kms

Height Gain: 323m

Height Loss: 301m

Max. Height: 254m



Day 5

Galway's Bridge to Kenmare Hike

Leaving Killarney and travelling south today, your transport will leave you back to Galway's Bridge and Derrycunihy Church. From here you walk south following an old "butter road" to finish in the beautiful town of Kenmare. This is a glorious walk into the heartland of the peninsula, yet finishing at the coast. Enjoy your evening in one of the many great bars or restaurants in this vibrant town.

Terrain: Country lanes, grass tracks and road walking. Boots essential

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance: 11.0kms

Height Gain: 363m

Height Loss: 453m

Max. Height: 351m



Day 6

Gleninchaquin

A transfer this morning brings you to the beginning of your walk at the famous 2500 year old Uragh stone Cricle following a quite country road to the breathtaking Gleninchaquinn Park. This working sheepfarm is home to one of Irelands most beautiful Waterfalls and a stunning location to explore on foot. Your walk takes you through fields dotted with sheep and up to the top of the waterfall with sweeping views across the valley and its glistening lakes out to Kenmare Bay. Following your walk you will be trasnfered back to Kenmare.

Note: Park entrance fee is not included. (approx €7.00 per person)

Terrain: Rocky and grass tracks, mountain tracks and bogland and some road walking. Boots essential.

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance: 3km – 8kms

Height Gain: 223m

Height Loss: 223m

Max Height: 286m



Day 7

Kenmare (Blackwater Bridge) to Sneem

Today you begin your walk to the award winning village of Sneem at the beautiful bridge spanning the Balckwater river. This walk takes you along the shores of Kenmare Bay with great views across to the Beara Peninsula and the Cahra Mountains.

Terrain: Rocky and grass tracks, mountain tracks and bogland and some road walking. Boots essential.

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 13.0km

Height gain – 252m

Height loss – 266m

Max Height – 121m



Day 8

Depart Kenmare

After one final breakfast you bid Kerry farewell and start your onward journey.

From Kenmare there is a limited bus service to Killarney, where you can meet connections, by bus and train, to Cork, Limerick, Shannon or Dublin.

Private transfers can be booked by request.

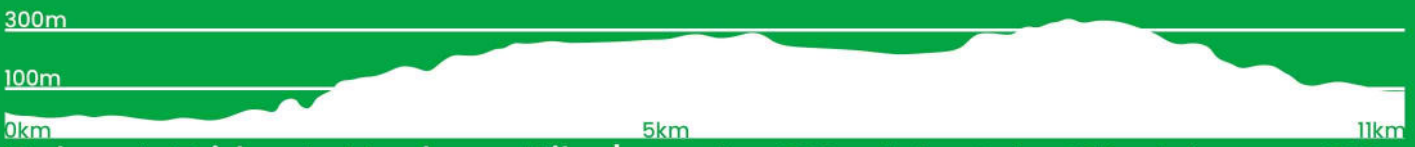


Elevation Graphs

Please see below daily elevation graphs for your selected tour



Muckross Loop Hike | Max Elev: 62m | Elev Gain: 191m | Elev Loss: 191m



Galwey's Bridge to Muckross Hike | Max Elev: 303m | Elev Gain: 405m | Elev Loss: 336m



Gap of Dunloe Hike | Max Elev: 254m | Elev Gain: 323m | Elev Loss: 254m



Galwey's Bridge to Kenmare Hike | Max Elev: 351m | Elev Gain: 363m | Elev Loss: 453m



Gleninchaquin Hike | Max Elev: 286m | Elev Gain: 223m | Elev Loss: 223m



Kenmare to Sneem | Max Elev: 121m | Elev Gain: 252m | Elev Loss: 266m

What's Included



Stay in en-suite room at our hand-picked accommodations



Complimentary access to our app, tailor-made for your tour, containing all your documents, GPS navigation & points of interest



Delicious Breakfast each morning.



24 hour, emergency telephone support



Move your luggage as per itinerary



Detailed, easy to read, Route Notes with marked maps of each route



Extra days/ nights booking on request



Dedicated, in house, Holiday Specialist to assist with planning any additional activities, travel, airport transfers, etc.

Testimonials



Mathilda, Netherlands, 2022

The people of Ireland Walk Hike Bike were extremely helpful - as much before the trip (re-arranging the schedule because of corona) as during the trip. They literally catered to all our needs. The information we got was very complete, we stayed in nice B&B's and we could always contact Francis if we had a question or a problem. I highly recommend Ireland Walk Hike Bike to anyone who wants to go to Ireland.

David, USA, 2022

We just returned from our guided tour of the Burren, Aran islands and Connemara and it was truly a wonderful experience! The communication and help from Niamh was fantastic, and our guide, Joe O'Donnell was outstanding! Very knowledgeable, and just a good person that we were lucky to get to know. All of the accommodations were also great. This was a two year wait for us due to Covid cancellations and restrictions and everyone at Ireland Walk Hike and Bike were great to work with. Highly recommend using their services if you wish for the best.

Dale, USA, 2022

My wife and I worked exclusively with the team at IrelandWalkHikeBike to arrange a 3-week private tour of Ireland's West Coast this past May, 2022. We actually had to defer the trip twice due to Covid issues and this outfit was amazingly proactive and accommodating through all of the delays. My wife and I had just turned 70 at the outset of the trip and so we wanted to include all of the transportation as I did not want to undertake driving on the "other" side of the road. In addition to all the transfers IWHB arranged all of our hotels, ferry tickets, and e-bike rentals and provided detailed maps and instructions for all of the hikes and bike circuits. Our trip played out seamlessly, with no glitches or problems and the hotel arrangements were terrific throughout. We visited four islands and each one was a unique adventure. The hikes in Connemara were beautiful and the biking around the Dingle peninsula, Clifden and Westport fantastic. Our drivers were super friendly and knowledgeable. Considering all of this, we thought the cost of the trip was eminently reasonable. Highly recommended!

Russ, UK, 2021

My wife, daughter, her partner and myself have recently returned home after a 7-day self-guided walk of the Dingle Way organised by Ireland Walk Hike and Bike. It was the most fabulous holiday being everything we expected and so much more.

The walking itself was the heart of the holiday. Every day was different. On a daily basis the scenery memorable. Fortunately, we have hundreds of photos to remind ourselves.

We have resolved to go back the west coast of Ireland and already Dean has made a couple of suggestions. Whatever walk we chose to do, it will be organised by Ireland Walk Hike and Bike.



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