

Walk the Kerry Way



Highlights

A week-long self-guided walking holiday along the Kerry Way in Ireland. Enjoy stunning scenery without having to worry about arranging any accommodation or carrying any bags.

Céad míle fáilte – a hundred thousand welcomes to Ireland. The word alone conjures up images of rich green landscapes, myth, legend and folklore and ancient historic sites. And a walking holiday is undoubtedly the best way to get a real feel for a place. Kerry, in the south west of Ireland, is one of the country's most mountainous areas, so it goes without saying the scenery here is nothing short of breathtaking. Factor in plenty of pubs, and some of the friendliest people in Europe, and it won't really matter if you never spot a leprechaun.

The Kerry Way stretches for 135 miles along river valleys carved by glaciers in the last Ice Age. You'll amble through oak woods that look and feel like evergreen rainforests, you'll scale mountain passes which give way to views that stretch for miles over land and sea, and you'll meander along a coastline where pockets of sandy beaches cower beneath epic cliffs. Then there's the inimitable Irish craic that you'll find in the towns and villages of these parts - Derrynane, Killarney and Sneem to name a few. There's no doubt about it, this week-long adventure will show you exactly why this place is called the emerald isle.

Is it for me?

This one's great if you're more of a solo explorer, as you won't be spending any time travelling in groups. How much walking you do on this holiday is down to you because you're under no pressure to sweat it out just to keep up with a timetable. Maybe you fancy spending quality time with a friend you haven't seen in ages, or you're after an active break with a partner – the beauty of this tour is it doesn't matter. You're your own taskmaster – walk as fast or as slow as you like and go it alone or with friends.

Accommodation

The team handpicks the B&Bs you'll be staying in, and they make sure they're all up to scratch so you needn't worry about anything. In fact, the Kerry Way walking team goes so far as to say they make sure they're 'outstanding'.

Food-wise, you'll have breakfast each morning at your accommodation, and the team will then sort out six packed lunches for you, and three evening meals. That means you'll need to budget a little extra for the other four dinners you'll need – and any snacks that you might feel the need to nibble on.

Itinerary

This is a self-guided walking holiday, so you get to go at your own pace. However, you won't be completely left to fend for yourself - before you leave for Ireland, the team will have put together a complete itinerary for you – so you needn't worry about anything. They'll also send you a detailed Kerry Way guide.

Details

Getting there

The closest airport to Killarney is Kerry airport. Ryanair has regular flights from London to here, and then you'll need to take a bus to Killarney.

Prices from

587 GBP (7 days) per person

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Price includes

7 nights Bed & Breakfast accommodation
6 days selfguided walking
6 packed lunches
3 evening meals
Transportation of luggage between B&Bs
Pickup and return to Killarney bus/rail station
Detailed Kerry Way guide and itinerary

Price details

A single supplement of 195 Euros applies.

Available

Jan—Dec

Typical Duration

6 days

Comfort level

Reasonably comfortable (Inns, B&Bs, luxury camping etc.)

Experience required

A reasonable level of fitness and interest is all that is needed