WALKING HOLIDAY IRELAND

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SELF-GUIDED WALKING HOLIDAY · THE BURREN AND CLIFFS OF MOHER

BURREN WAY
7 DAYS

A full week on the Burren Way: Cliffs of Moher, a flexible rest day in Doolin (Aran Islands optional), the Burren limestone plateau, Black Head and Galway Bay, and a final loop walk from Ballyvaughan to the Aillwee Caves.

DURATION	WALKING DAYS	DISTANCE	GRADE
7 days	**4**	**57.8 km**	**Moderate**
6 nights B&B	9 to 19 km each	about 1,100 m of ascent	

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Tour code SWA-BU-7M

Your route at a glance

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Overnight · Days 2 and 5 · Days 4 and 6

DAY 1 — Arrival in Liscannor
Arrive in Liscannor and settle into your…

DAY 2 — Cliffs of Moher to Doolin
11 km · 451 m ascent · Gentle

DAY 3 — Rest Day in Doolin
A full day with no luggage to pack and…

DAY 4 — Doolin to Fanore
18.9 km · 255 m ascent · Moderate

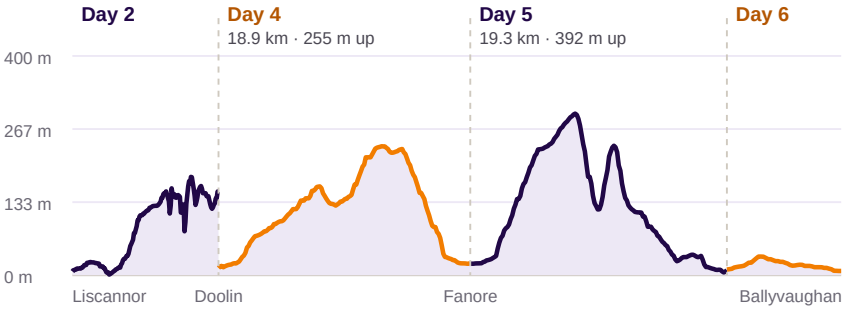
DAY 5 — Fanore to Ballyvaughan
19.3 km · 392 m ascent · Moderate

DAY 6 — Ballyvaughan Loop & Aillwee Cave
8.6 km · 20 m ascent · Gentle

DAY 7 — Departure from Ballyvaughan
A leisurely morning. A last full Irish…

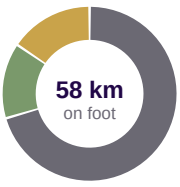
The whole walk in one line

57.8 km · 1,118 m of climbing over four days · from our GPS tracks



What's underfoot

Surface across the four walking days



Road and lane	70%
Footpath and trail	14%
Gravel and forest track	16%

A Full Week — Time for Everything

Four walking days, one proper rest day, two travel days. Long enough to walk the whole route…

The Cliffs of Moher on Foot

Walk the official cliff path from the visitor centre to Doolin — 8 km of 200-metre drops, sea-bird colonies, Atlantic spray and…

Doolin, Aran and the Burren Plateau

Two nights in Doolin with a full flexible rest day, a walk across the Burren"s…

The Aillwee Cave Loop

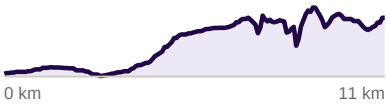
Day 6 takes you on a circular walking day from Ballyvaughan up to the Aillwee Cave — a deep prehistoric cave system with…

Day by day

Elevation, 0 to 400 m · Gentle · Moderate

1 **Arrival in Liscannor.** Arrive in Liscannor and settle into your first accommodation — a small coastal village where the Wild Atlantic Way meets ancient Irish landscape. Liscannor has good local pubs (Vaughan"s Anchor and Joseph McHugh"s are the… **Overnight Liscannor**

DAY 2



11 km · 451 m up · Gentle

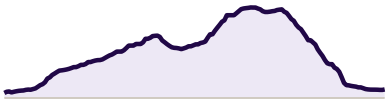
Cliffs of Moher to Doolin

After breakfast we transfer you up the coast to the Cliffs of Moher visitor centre. From there you walk the official cliff path north to Doolin — 8 km of as much drama as Ireland can offer in a single morning. The path runs along the very edge: 200-metre vertical drops, sea-bird colonies on every ledge, the Aran Islands rising white out of the Atlantic to the north-west. You finish in Doolin, Ireland"s traditional-music capital. Spend the afternoon exploring the village or walking down to the harbour — and tonight, find a seat at Gus O"Connor"s, McGann"s or McDermott"s for live music with your dinner.

Overnight Doolin

3 **Rest Day in Doolin.** A full day with no luggage to pack and no schedule to keep. Three popular ways to spend it: 1. Ferry to the Aran Islands. Doolin Pier is a fifteen-minute walk from the village. The morning ferry runs across to Inisheer (the smallest island, around… **Overnight Doolin**

DAY 4



18.9 km · 255 m up · Moderate

Doolin to Fanore

Today the Burren begins. Out of Doolin you climb gently inland onto the limestone plateau — bare grey pavement scored by glacial fissures, rare wildflowers in every crack, stone walls older than most European cities. It looks unlike anywhere else in Europe. The route descends through traditional farmland to the long sandy strand at Fanore — one of the few proper beaches on the Wild Atlantic Way. Settle into your accommodation, walk down to the beach for a paddle if the weather plays along, and enjoy a quiet dinner.

Overnight Fanore

DAY 5



19.3 km · 392 m up · Moderate

Fanore to Ballyvaughan

The showpiece walking day. Out of Fanore the path climbs onto high coastal ground above Galway Bay, with views across the water to Connemara that genuinely stop you in your tracks. The dramatic Black Head Lighthouse sits at the northwestern tip of the Burren — you pass within sight of it on the descent. From Black Head the path drops gradually through traditional Irish farmland into Ballyvaughan — a small harbour village that has quietly become known as the food capital of County Clare. Monk"s Bar, the Tea Junction Café and L"Arco Italian are all within five minutes" walk.

Overnight Ballyvaughan

DAY 6



8.6 km | 20 m up | Gentle

Ballyvaughan Loop & Aillwee Cave

A circular walking day from Ballyvaughan up into the high Burren, taking in the dramatic Aillwee Cave and a quiet loop through limestone country before returning to your Ballyvaughan accommodation. Roughly 12 km, with no luggage and no rush. The route follows old green roads up onto the limestone plateau, with sweeping views back across Galway Bay. The Aillwee Cave sits about halfway round — a deep network of underground passages with the only known prehistoric brown-bear bones in Ireland. There''s an excellent visitor centre with a café and a Birds of Prey display, and the underground tour is well worth doing if you have an hour. Tickets are not included so you can decide on the day.

Overnight Ballyvaughan

7 **Departure from Ballyvaughan.** A leisurely morning. A last full Irish breakfast. A last look at Galway Bay. Make your way onward — Galway city is around 50 minutes by road, Shannon Airport around 1 hour 30 minutes. Many guests add a night in Galway before heading home; it''s well worth it.

Is this walk for you?

GENTLE — MODERATE — CHALLENGING

9 to 19 km	1,118	4
a day	m of climbing in total	walking days

Walkers who want the full Wild Atlantic Way Burren experience. Four walking days at 8–19 km on a well-marked trail, plus a flexible rest day, plus the Aillwee loop. Every important Burren highlight covered, with no day feeling rushed. Couples and friends planning a proper week away. Seven days lets you arrive without rushing, walk four real days, take the Aran ferry, do the Aillwee Cave, and have a leisurely departure morning at the end. There's breathing room in the schedule that the shorter trips don't allow.



INCLUDED

- ✓ **Accommodation.** 6 nights in en-suite B&B or guesthouse rooms (Liscannor, Doolin × 2…
- ✓ **Breakfast.** Full Irish or continental breakfast every morning
- ✓ **Day-2 Transfer.** Private transfer from Liscannor to the Cliffs of Moher visitor centre
- ✓ **Luggage Transfer.** Daily door-to-door transfer of your main bag (no transfer needed on rest day or Aillwee…
- ✓ **Navigation.** Personalised digital itinerary and route app for your smartphone that keeps you on the trail at…
- ✓ **Pre-Departure Pack.** Information pack 3 weeks before you travel
- ✓ **Support.** 24/7 emergency support line for the duration of your trip

NOT INCLUDED

- ✗ **Flights.** Travel to Ireland is not included
- ✗ **Insurance.** You will need travel and walking holiday insurance
- ✗ **Meals.** Lunches and dinners (we'll happily recommend pubs, restaurants and cafés en route)
- ✗ **Aran Islands Ferry (Day 3).** Optional extra — Doolin Ferry Company runs Inisheer and Inishmore daily…
- ✗ **Bike Hire (Day 3).** Optional extra — easy to arrange in Doolin on the day, or we can pre-book for you

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How booking works

1. Tell us your dates and how many walkers. We check the B&Bs.
2. A 25% deposit holds your places; the balance is due before you travel.
3. Your travel pack arrives 14 days before departure.

Check dates and book

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