Spirit of Ireland

COASTAL, MOUNTAIN, AND ISLAND HIKES IN CORK AND KERRY

Wilderness Trave

Overview





QUESTIONS?

Our Area Specialists are your single point of contact and would be happy to answer any questions about your trip! 800.368.2794 | 510.558.2488

TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

Length:	9 days			
Arrive:	Cork, Ireland			
Depart:	Dingle, Ireland			
Lodging:	8 nights charming inns and hotels			
Meals:	All meals included except 1 dinner			
Activity:	Cultural, Hiking & Trekking			

Trip Level: 1 2 3 4 5 6

A mix of moderate walks and hikes, 4-6 hours a day, van support

HIGHLIGHTS

- Enjoy an insider's introduction to Ireland's rich traditions, powerful history, and breathtaking landscapes
- Hike the Killarney National Park, Beara Peninsula, and legendary MacGillycuddy's Reeks, with easy or moderate options
- Meet shepherds, artists, poets, musicians— our Trip Leaders welcome you into their world!
- Hike sacred Mt. Brandon, optional climb of Corrán Tuathail, Ireland's highest mountain
- Savor Ireland's superb culinary scene and farm-to-table cuisine

Introduction



To hike Ireland's gorgeous landscapes with our beloved Trip Leaders Con Moriarty and Ann Curran is to experience the wild and mystical side of this island in ways not possible on an "ordinary" tour. We'll walk the seascapes of the unspoiled Sheep's Head Peninsula, discover the pilgrim trails of the Dingle Peninsula, boat out to wild islands steeped in early Christian history, and hike into the Gap of Dunloe in County Kerry past sparkling lakes and green pastures where sheep graze. We'll hear tales of clans and chieftains, enjoy pub evenings, and meet artists, shepherds, and singers throughout our journey. Come experience days full of magic—and the true spirit of Ireland.

TRIP DATES

June 7-15, 2024 June 28-July 6, 2024 July 18-26, 2024 August 31-September 8, 2024 May 3-11, 2025 May 31-June 8, 2025 June 29-July 7, 2025 September 20-28, 2025





Overnight: Seaview House Hotel This country house hotel in the heart of West Cork is charm and character personified. Immaculate guestrooms are furnished in unique antiques and offer views of the bay or the landscaped gardens. A pleasant way to end the day? Tea in the garden, of course! Or, maybe an afterdinner drink by the crackling log fire. The welcoming staff takes great care to make you feel right at home.

Meals: L, D Hiking Details: 5 miles, 2 hours, 500' ascent/descent Driving Time: 1.5 hours

DAY 1 CORK / BALLYLICKEY / BANTRY BAY

Arrive in Cork, where you are met by the Trip Leaders for a drive out through the Lee Valley and into the hill country of the region known as West Cork. After lunch at a local artisan food emporium, we will check into our nearby hotel and put on our hiking clothes and boots for our afternoon warm-up hike. The hike along an elevated ridge overlooking Bantry Bay will provide an opportunity to breathe the freshest of air in these parts and connect with the land. In the evening, we gather for our Welcome Dinner at our hotel, the Seaview House Hotel, a wonderful country house set in the heart of West Cork.



Overnight: Seaview House Hotel Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: (Option 1) 5-7 miles, 3 hours, 500' ascent/descent; (Option 2) 8-10 miles, 4-6 hours, 1,000' ascent/descent Driving Time: 1 hour

"Con Moriarty is one of a kind—the best guide, most knowledgeable, kind, athletic, passionate about Ireland and the environment. We consider him our newest best friend."

-Bruce A., Menlo Park, CA

DAY 2 SHEEP'S HEAD PENINSULA

Today we set out for a memorable day's hike along the seascapes of Sheep's Head Peninsula, a place of breathtaking beauty with a local community of some 600 souls, a mix of farmers, fishermen, and colorful "blow-ins" (newcomers) who add to the eclectic atmosphere. Con discovered this place years ago through an old mountaineering friend who came here to scout potential sea cliffs for rock climbing. Con now regards his friends in this community "as some of my life's richest blessings." Our hike along the Sheep's Head Way, a community-owned trail, leads us along the spine of this narrow peninsula (less than two miles wide and 20 or so in length, which makes for incredible views at every turn) overlooking Dunmanus Bay to the south and Bantry Bay to the north. We follow ancient byways through a labyrinth of tiny field systems, along intricate shorelines, and above awesome cliffs. This is a very special day in an area of spectacular land and seascapes. It will include exploring the region's deep history, which stretches back to the arrival of Ireland's earliest people, through to the collapse of the world of the Gaelic chieftains in the 17th century, the ensuing English plantations, and the story of the emergence of modern Ireland. We'll return for dinner and overnight at the Seaview House Hotel.







Overnight: The Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa

The Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa is blessed with a stunning setting overlooking the Lakes of Killarney. Besides offering panoramic views of the green mountains of Killarney National Park, the Agadhoe has well-appointed guest rooms, two bars, a pool, and a full spa for enjoying a relaxing sauna or massage after a day's hike.

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: (Option 1) 5-7 miles, 3-4 hours, 600' ascent/descent; (Option 2) 8-10 miles, 4-6 hours, 1,000' ascent/descent Driving Time: 1.5 hours

DAY 3 BEARA PENINSULA / KILLARNEY

Named in honor of the powerful Gaelic land goddess Beara, the Beara Peninsula holds some of Ireland's wildest ground. Our hike straddles a high ridge dividing the counties of Cork and Kerry in the region around the Healy Pass. The Atlantic bays of Bantry and Kenmare wrap this place in warm Gulf Stream waters, and thus much of the vegetation, where it exists, is subtropical. Bronze Age people from as early as four thousand years ago recognized the power and sanctity of this place dotted with some of Ireland's most beautiful stone circles.

The Beara Peninsula is the ancient territory of the O Suilleabhain Beara (O'Sullivan Bere), a clan whose flight from Beara in 1601 under the leadership of their great chieftain Donal Cam marks the collapse of the Gaelic order in Ireland. Our hike touches on this history and the epic march of a people. The rugged and steep nature of the Beara terrain makes for tough, often trail-less hiking. On a dry day, the sandstone sheets of rock here provide incredible friction for our boots. However, in the event of poor weather, we will examine the area's pre-historic antiquity this morning before making a hike on the Kerry Way into the Killarney Valley. Overnight at the Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa. This luxurious hotel has magical views out over Lough and the other lakes of Killarney. We'll have three wonderful nights here. The hotel's spa is renowned for its services (however, it is wise to book services in advance.)



Overnight: The Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa Meals: B, L, D Hiking Details: (Option 1) 5 miles, 3-4 hours, 1,000' ascent/descent; (Option 2) 8-10 miles, 1,500' ascent/descent

Driving Time: 30 minutes

"Ireland is a magical corner of this world and I feel very lucky to have had it so beautifully revealed." *–Suzy M., Pittsburgh, PA*

DAY 4 KILLARNEY NATIONAL PARK / GAP OF DUNLOE

From our hotel overlooking the heart of Killarney National Park, Ireland's finest national park, we transfer to the head of the dramatic glen known as Gap of Dunloe, a narrow mountain pass between McGillicuddy's Reeks and Purple Mountain, where Con grew up and from where his ancestors, dating back to the 18th century, shared these wild hills with early climbers, naturalists and artists. From here we offer two options: a moderate/strenuous hike over The Bull Mountain and eastern ramparts of the mighty Reeks or an easier walk through the Gap. At hike's end, we reunite for a pint at Kate Kearney's Cottage, a 150-year-old establishment nestled at the entrance to the Gap.



Overnight: The Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa Meals: B, L, D Hiking Details: 4-5 miles, 2.5-3 hours, 500' ascent/descent Driving Time: 2 hours

"Con's love for Ireland in all its manifestations was evident from the beginning. His depth of knowledge, whether it be cultural, political, or geological, was comprehensive, and articulated with a passion and a lyrical quality worthy of the great Irish orators." *-Darcy G., Hiawassee, GA*



DAY 5 CHURCH ISLAND AND BEGINISH ISLAND / BOLUS HEAD

Heading south along the famed Ring of Kerry this morning from Renard Point on Valencia Harbour (and stopping at our favorite bakery), we take a private boat charter to explore the stunning coast of this corner of Ireland and two very special islands—Church and Beginish, both of outstanding natural beauty and full of early-Christian and Viking history. Lunch today will be at a locally owned surfer's café celebrating the 'Slowfood' of the region, after which we hike over the incredible Bolus Head, one of the great promontories of Ireland's Atlantic seaboard. This place etched with an extraordinary imprint of history and archaeology and towers over seascapes who beauty is matched only in the stories of those who sailed them.

On our May 17-25, 2024 and June 7-15, 2024 departures, we will (weather depending) visit Skellig Michael, the UNESCO World Heritage site famed for its medieval monastic ruins and world-renowned seabird colonies nesting at this time. If you're a birder, this is the perfect chance to see a variety of species, including puffins, razorbills, guillemots, gannets, storm petrels, and others.





Overnight: Benner's Hotel Set in the center of Dingle town close to shopping, restaurants, and pubs, Benner's Hotel offers traditional, "down-home" Irish warmth along with modern amenities. Guest rooms are roomy, comfortable, and nicely decorated, and the staff goes out of their way to make you feel at home.

Meals: B, L, D

Hiking Details: 5 miles, 3-4 hours, 1,200' ascent, 1,500' descent

DAY 6 KILLARNEY / MOUNT EAGLE

With options this morning to relax at the hotel and spa, to explore Killarney town, or to walk in the woodlands of Killarney National Park, we head west with a picnic lunch onto the Dingle Peninsula. We'll drop our bags for our three-night stay at the little Benner's Hotel in Dingle before hiking over the majestic Mount Eagle with its spectacular views over mountain and ocean.

Dingle is renowned for its art and music scene. With Trip Leaders Ann Curran (from Dingle) and Con Moriarty ("in the know" in these matters), we'll spend time in the company of the finest musicians and singers. And after a great day of hiking, there is nothing quite like finding yourself in an Irish pub, a pint of Guinness in hand, as a traditional "session" unfolds. The spirit and energy of this music has to be experienced to be believed.



Overnight: Benner's Hotel Meals: B, L Hiking Details: (Option 1) 5-6 miles, 3-4 hours at sea level; (Option 2) 8 miles, 5-6

hours, 3,000' ascent/descent

"The Spirit of Ireland was fantastic! This is truly a beautiful experience, and Con and Ann are amazing. Thank you for all you do for travelers like us! I wish I had a way to describe this experience to you!" *–Bill and Jill F., Corvallis, OR*

DAY 7 DINGLE WAY / MOUNT BRANDON

For sheer beauty, it's hard to beat the Dingle Peninsula, a mist-shrouded spine of sandstone mountains notched with bays, beaches, and hidden troves of pre-Christian antiquities. Today after we cross the wild Connor Pass, we traverse over Mount Brandon, a dramatic mountain and one of the great spiritual anchor points on Ireland's Atlantic seaboard. Our hike follows ancient pilgrim routes. The eastern approach to the peak ascends past a string of glaciated lakes before reaching the spectacular summit, then descends over a line of sea cliffs to the cove known as Brandon Creek—this hike brings us through a sacred landscape that is essentially one big archaeological site. An easier option today will offer beautiful coastal hiking beneath the holy mountain, in the vicinity of Brandon Bay.



Overnight: Benner's Hotel Meals: B, L, D Hiking Details: (Option 1) 4-5 miles, 2-3

hours, 500' ascent/descent; (Option 2) 7-8 miles, 4-5 hours, 700' ascent/descent

"Sometimes the universe opens up and shares with you wondrous and mystical gifts. That was my experience on the Spirit of Ireland journey. I am grateful." *-Linda V., Vienna, Austria*

Meals: B

DAY 8 GREAT BLASKET ISLAND

Our perfect grand finale is an exploration of the beautiful Blasket Islands. Now uninhabited, these peaceful islands were once home to an isolated fishing community that produced a surprising trove of native literature including Thomas O'Crohan's Islandman, written in the Irish language. From the very tip of the Dingle Peninsula, we boat across the Blasket Sound to Great Blasket and hike along the ancient green roads of this mesmerizing island, the westernmost point in continental Europe, with a sense of walking near the edge of the world. Before we gather for our Farewell Dinner this evening, we enjoy a special cultural celebration at one of our favorite pubs in Dingle.

DAY 9 DEPART

Morning transfer to Shannon or Kerry Airports or to local bus and rail stations for connections to Dublin airport for departure. An early (6:00 am) transfer is provided to Shannon Airport (about 2.5 hours), to Kerry Airport (50 minutes—for those flying to Dublin or London), or to local train and bus stations, from where easy transits are also possible to the capital. Your guides will be available to assist with your arrangements.

Pricing

TRIP COST

Prices are per person, based on double occupancy 2024

\$6,495 (11-14 members)
\$6,795 (4-10 members)
Single supplement: \$815
Please contact us for future years' pricing

To offer the lowest possible cost, our trips are priced according to the number of participants on the trip. All costs are per person, based on double occupancy. If you wish to have a single room, you must pay the single supplement fee. Please note that Wilderness Travel staff, or guests of Wilderness Travel such as travel writers, photographers, or leaders-in-training, are not included in the tier pricing count.

PAYMENT TERMS

At time of reservation: \$600 90 days prior to departure: Balance

CANCELLATION & TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Up to 91 days prior to departure: No Charge! 61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost 46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost 45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details: www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance

TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Expert leadership of a Wilderness Travel Trip Leader and local guides
- Accommodations in charming inns and hotels
- All meals included except 1 dinner as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- A glass of wine or beer with dinner
- All ground transportation and baggage handling from meeting until departure
- All activities as indicated in Detailed Itinerary

TRIP DOES NOT INCLUDE

- Travel to and from the arrival and departure location as indicated in Detailed Itinerary
- Additional hotel nights outside the trip's scheduled dates
- Optional gratuities to Trip Leaders or staff
- Optional travel insurance
- Other expenses of a personal nature (some alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.)

CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATE

Because the prices published for our program are set so far in advance of the trip dates, we are occasionally faced with exceptional cost increases and/or currency fluctuations that affect the actual cost of running the trip. In most years, no price changes are necessary. However, we do reserve the right to raise or lower the trip price if there is a significant change in costs or exchange rates. If this is the case, your final invoice will reflect the difference in trip cost.

Arrival & Departure

ARRIVAL & MEETING PLACE

Suggested Airport: Cork Airport (ORK) Suggested Date & Time: Day 1, by 9:30 am

Meeting Place: The Trip Leader will meet trip members arriving on Day 1 outside the arrivals area at Cork Airport at 11:00 am. The rest of the group will meet in the lobby of the Clayton Hotel Cork City at 12:00 pm.

If you arrive via Dublin, trains depart hourly from Dublin to Cork, and the ride is approximately 2 hours, 15 minutes: <u>www.raileurope.com</u>. If you arrive via Shannon, there is bus service from Shannon to Cork via Limerick. The ride is approximately 2 hours: <u>www.buseireann.ie</u>.

DEPARTURE

Suggested Airport: Kerry Airport (KIR) or Shannon Airport (SNN)

Suggested Date & Time: Day 9, after 7:00 am if flying out of Kerry Airport and after 11:00 am if flying out of Shannon Airport

On Day 9, airport transfers will be provided around 6:00 am from Benner's Hotel in Dingle to Kerry Airport (50 minutes) or Shannon Airport (2 hours, 15 minutes). We can also make a stop at the Killarney Train Station if needed.

INTERNATIONAL AIR TRAVEL

You are responsible for making your own arrangements for flights to and from Ireland. There are many online consolidators for booking travel, but for more personal help arranging air transport, you can contact Exito Travel at 1-800-655-4053 in the US or 1-800-670-2605 in Canada. They are very adept at putting flight itineraries together, to even the most far-flung places. More information can be found on Exito's website at www.exitotravel.com.

Depending on your routing, it is necessary to depart from the US one or possibly two days prior to Day 1 of the trip itinerary. The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly, and your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US.

Please do not purchase your tickets until you are confirmed on the trip. Once your tickets have been purchased, please send us a copy of your airline schedule. It is your responsibility to ensure your flight times coordinate with the arrival and departure logistics for this trip.

RECOMMENDED HOTELS

Cork

Clayton Hotel Cork City: www.claytonhotelcorkcity.com

Dublin

Shelbourne Hotel Dublin: <u>www.shelbournehoteldublin.com</u> Merrion Hotel: <u>www.merrionhotel.com</u> Pembroke Town House: www.pembroketownhouse.ie

Shannon

Old Ground Hotel: <u>www.flynnhotels.com/</u> <u>old_ground_hotel</u>

Trip Leaders

Wilderness Travel Trip Leaders have a passion and a joy for creating an unforgettable journey. We are extremely proud of them and the incredible travel experiences they make possible. For more information, including client comments about them and which specific trips they will be leading, please visit <u>wildernesstravel.com/leaders</u>.



CON MORIARTY

Con Moriarty grew up in one of the world's very special places, amid the wild peaks of the McGillycuddy Reeks and Killarney Valley of Ireland's County Kerry. From an early age, Con has been awake to the spirit of this magical place, its shape and nature combining with its Gaelic culture and spiritual history to weave a rich tapestry of influence. Throughout his life, the intriguing story of Ireland and its people has been a passion for Con, and sharing this with travelers is a privilege he is grateful for. Traveling with Con and his friends in Ireland is truly a learning adventure, walking and experiencing the "hidden Ireland." Con has traveled and climbed throughout the world, extensively in the mountain environments of Scotland, the European Alps, the US, Nepal, Kenya, Irian Jaya, Australia, Patagonia, and New Zealand.



ANN CURRAN

Ann Curran was born and raised in Dingle, County Kerry, and grew up surrounded by traditional Gaelic culture. Born into a family with farming, business, and community connections in this colorful market town, Ann enjoyed successful careers in real estate, banking, and guesthouse management. In 1997, she settled on her favorite career to date, one that allows her to share her place with others. It is a gift she is particularly blessed with, and time shared with Ann and her infectious enthusiasm for hiking and wandering in Ireland is an experience that is sure to warm the heart. Ann is widely traveled throughout the world, but Dingle remains her home, where she's actively engaged in community life, particularly with voluntary environmental and social organizations.



NAOISE O MUIRCHEARTAIGH

Born on the Dingle Peninsula and into the distinct Gaelic culture of his ancestors, Naoise O Muircheartaigh (the Gaelic spelling of Moriarty) has been steeped in the culture of Ireland since birth and comes from generations of mountain guides, including his father, Con Moriarty, longtime leader of our Ireland trips. Naoise (pronounced "nee-sha") has been hiking Ireland's mountains and coasts since he could walk, and his pursuits as a rock and ice climber have led him around the world, from New Zealand to North Africa and the US. He has a deep love of nature and for sharing world's wild landscapes and ancient cultures.



LIADH NÍ MUIRCHEARTAIGH

Growing up surrounded by Ireland's rich culture and natural beauty, and coming from generations of mountain guides (including her father Con Moriarty, a longtime WT leader), it's no surprise that Liadh (pronounced "Leah") is a natural when it comes to introducing travelers to the country's wonders. Liadh has travelled and hiked around the world including New Zealand and the Himalayas and has spent the last couple of years living in the French Alps. She is currently based out of British Columbia in Canada but maintains a strong connection to her Irish roots. As a young woman who came of age as her nation celebrated 100 years of independence, she brings a rich and interesting perspective to Ireland.

What to Expect

WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is rated **Level 3**, **Moderate**, according to our trip grading system, depending on the hiking options you choose. You will need to be comfortable hiking 7 miles a day and being on your feet for up to 5 hours a day. You will need to be able to keep up with the moderate but steady pace of the group; however, there are alternative hiking options available most days. Trail conditions, weather, and the group's level of fitness can affect hiking times and pacing.

Average Hiking Day

- 5-6 miles
- 3-4 hours
- 500-600 feet gain/loss

Challenge Days

• Day 6: 6 miles, 5 hours, 1,200 feet gain, and 1,500 feet loss

TERRAIN Some paths and trails are well-groomed, but many can be rough with rocky and uneven terrain. With the frequent rain, trails can be muddy or even wet underfoot. As is common in Ireland, we may sometimes hike off-trail where the terrain allows, gaining lofty summits via switchbacks across wide, grassy hillsides. Hiking boots with ankle support are always best (though sneakers are sufficient for the lighter hiking options) and hiking poles are recommended.

GETTING IN SHAPE

SHAPE We strongly urge you to train for your trip, as your enjoyment will be highly dependent on your level of fitness. The best training for a hike is to hike, especially over hills or rough terrain. Next best are running, swimming, bicycling, or other cardiovascular exercises. Stair-climbing machines are excellent preparation for hiking uphill. Your feet should also be well prepared—make sure your hiking boots are sturdy, comfortable, and thoroughly broken-in.

WEATHER This trip takes place when Ireland has some of its best weather. Being the Emerald Isle, however, you must be prepared for rain showers at any time. Ireland's weather is dictated by the pressure systems coming in from the Atlantic and is notoriously variable. Gore-Tex outerwear, warm layers, and proper boots are necessary. Overall, Ireland's climate is milder than Britain's, thanks to the Gulf Stream, and a morning of rain can easily be followed by a brilliant blue sky and abundant sunshine.

ACCOMMODATIONS Our accommodations range from a historic family-run guesthouse to a quaint traditional Irish downtown hotel to a relaxing countryside property with a pool and spa. They are charming and comfortable, but since they are often in historic buildings, the rooms are not always of uniform or international size. Our leaders do their best to assign rooms in a fair way so that all participants experience an equal advantage throughout the trip as a whole. Single rooms can be requested but are not always available, due to the limited space in the hotels. If you prefer a single room, please make your request as early as possible.

What to Expect

CUISINE Most accommodations serve big, hearty Irish breakfasts, which include sausage, black and white pudding, and homemade apple juice. Most lunches are picnic-style during our hikes, but we occasionally stop at a local cafe or pub. Dinners will be at restaurants in town or at the hotels, and plenty of fresh seafood is available. Please note that in Europe, the dinner hour is considerably later than what it is in the US. We do our best to secure early reservations for our groups, but most often the evening meal will be at 7:30 pm.

TRANSPORTATION We will use a mini-coach/van throughout the trip, which will transport the group's luggage, so you only need to carry a daypack for items you need for the day (rain gear, sweater, camera, water bottle, etc.). Trip members are always free to skip a day's hike and travel to the next destination in the support vehicle (or remain at the hotel if we are not transferring that day). We will also take three boat journeys, one over typically calm and placid lake waters, and two in the open ocean. Please note that these can be affected by weather and sea conditions.

		DRIVING DETAILS		
DAY	MILES	HOURS	ELEV. ASCENT/DESCENT	HOURS
1	5 miles	2 hours	+/- 500'	1.5 hours
2	a) 5-7 miles b) 8-10 miles	a) 3 hours b) 4-6 hours	a) +/- 500' b) +/- 1000	1.5 hours
3	a) 5-7 miles b) 8-10 miles	a) 3-4 hours b) 4-6 hours	a) +/- 600' b) +/- 1000	1.5 hours
4	a) 5 miles b) 8-10 miles	a) 3-4 hours b) 5-6 hours	a) +/- 1,000' b) +/- 1,500'	30 minutes
5	4-5 miles	2.5-3 hours	a) +/- 500'	2 hours
6	5 miles	3-4 hours	+1,200' / -1,500'	1.5 hours
7	a) 5-6 miles b) 8 miles	a) 3-4 hours b) 5-6 hours	a) +/- 0' b) +/- 3,000'	45 minutes
8	a) 4-5 miles b) 7-8 miles	a) 2-3 hours b) 4-5 hours	a) +/- 500' b) +/- 700'	30 minutes
9				1 hour OR 2.25 hours

AVERAGE DAILY MAX/MIN °F												
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ост	NOV	DEC
Dingle	47/37	50/39	55/41	59/45	62/50	65/53	64/54	65/54	63/52	57/48	53/44	50/42
Cork	46/37	46/37	49/38	53/40	57/44	62/49	65/52	65/42	61/49	56/46	50/40	47/38
RAINFALL - INCHES												
Dingle	6.8	5.5	4.5	4.3	3.5	4.2	4.0	4.1	5.0	7.2	6.6	6.1
Cork	5.8	4.5	3.8	2.8	3.3	2.7	2.6	3.5	3.8	5.0	4.3	5.4

Additional Information

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

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REFERENCES

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WOMEN'S T-SHIRT



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A top quality Wilderness Travel stainless steel water bottle by Klean Kanteen and a cozy Wilderness Travel fleece vest by Patagonia (\$100 value).

YOUR THIRD TRIP

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

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