



**Your Adventure
Detailed Itinerary**

The Wicklow Way

Ireland's Ice Age has left a wonderful legacy in Wicklow National Park with its unique topography. Aptly named the "Garden" of Ireland. Corrie lakes, U-shaped valleys, alpine heath and mountain cliffs captivate the visitor in a largely uninhabited landscape with vistas of the Irish Sea.

Discover the picturesque valleys of Glenmalur and the Glen of Immal. Hike in the rugged beauty of Lugnaquilla and experience the peace and tranquillity of Glendalough. This is home to a 6th century monastic settlement nestled in the valley of two lakes. In addition to this the warmth of the people, the cosy pubs, the charming villages and delicious organic food and you have just found your "perfect" Wicklow Way Hike!



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 Dublin	Dublin
2	Dublin to Enniskerry Hike	Enniskerry
3	Enniskerry to Roundwood Hike	Roundwood
4	Roundwood to Laragh Hike	Laragh
5	Glendalough Hike	Laragh
6	Laragh to Glenmalur Hike	Glenmalur
7	Glenmalur to Laragh Hike	Laragh
8	Depart Laragh	



Day 1

Arrive to Dublin

Arrive to Dublin and make your way to your first nights' accommodation in a Dublin City Hotel. Dublin, the capital of Ireland offers a mix of old and new, with historic buildings dating to the 13th century, contrasting with state of the art infrastructure, and is a hive of activity.

The historic centre is small and compact, making places like Temple Bar, St. Patrick's Cathedral and Guinness Storehouse all very accessible. Transfer time from Airport to Hotel approx. 50 minutes.



Day 2

Dublin to Enniskerry

You will be transferred/driven by Taxi across the city to begin your first hike in Marley Park at the beginning of the Wicklow Way. You walk through Marlay Park before rising to cross the Dublin Mountains, enjoying sea and mountain views. Crossing the boundary into County Wicklow and descending into the Glencree Valley you telephone your taxi for collection to transfer to your accommodation.

Terrain: Path, some road walking, forest track and mountain path. Can be wet underfoot. Boots essential.

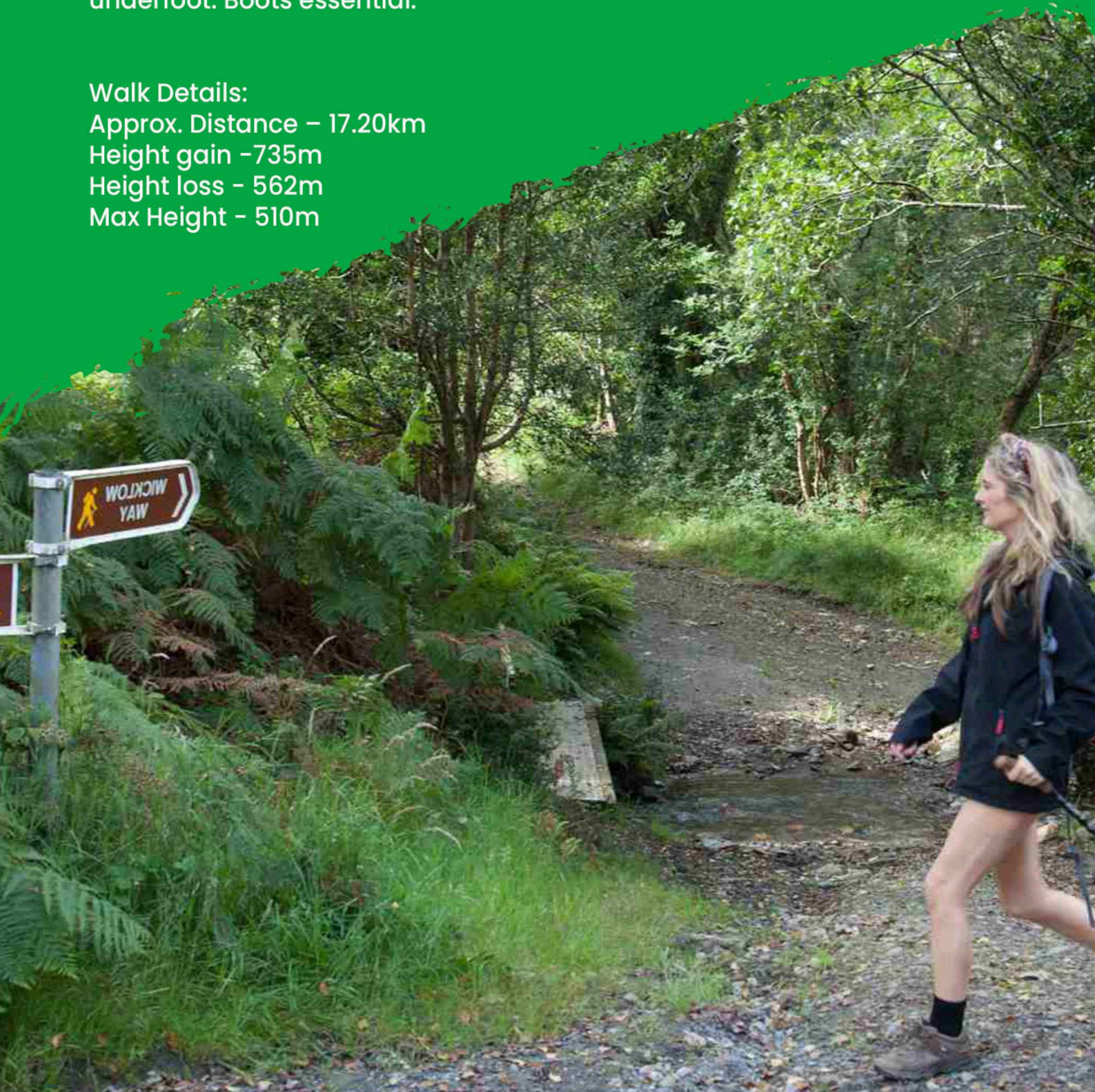
Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 17.20km

Height gain – 735m

Height loss – 562m

Max Height – 510m



Day 3

Enniskerry to Roundwood

Back on the Wicklow Way you continue across the Glencree Valley, around the shoulder of Djouce Mountain and over White Hill to finish in the lovely village of Roundwood. Today's route takes you past the impressive Powerscourt Waterfall before climbing to hike around Djouce Mountain to your high point for the day on White Hill. As you descend you have glorious views of the spectacular glacial lakes of Lough Tay and Lough Dan. Overnight in Roundwood.

Terrain: Forest track, some road walking, mountain path. Some sections can be very wet and boggy. Boots essential.

Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 24.20km

Height gain – 1,038m

Height loss – 1,071m

Max Height – 687m



Day 4

Roundwood to Laragh

Leaving Roundwood you hike over Paddock Hill to the village of Laragh at the entrance to the valley of Glendalough. Today's walk takes you around the perimeter of the Barton Estate before crossing Paddock Hill and descending by an old Mass Path to Laragh. You will have time to continue to Glendalough to visit this wonderful monastic settlement which is a truly magical place deserving time to explore thoroughly. Overnight in Laragh/Glendalough.

Terrain: Some road walking, mountain path and forest track. Boots essential.

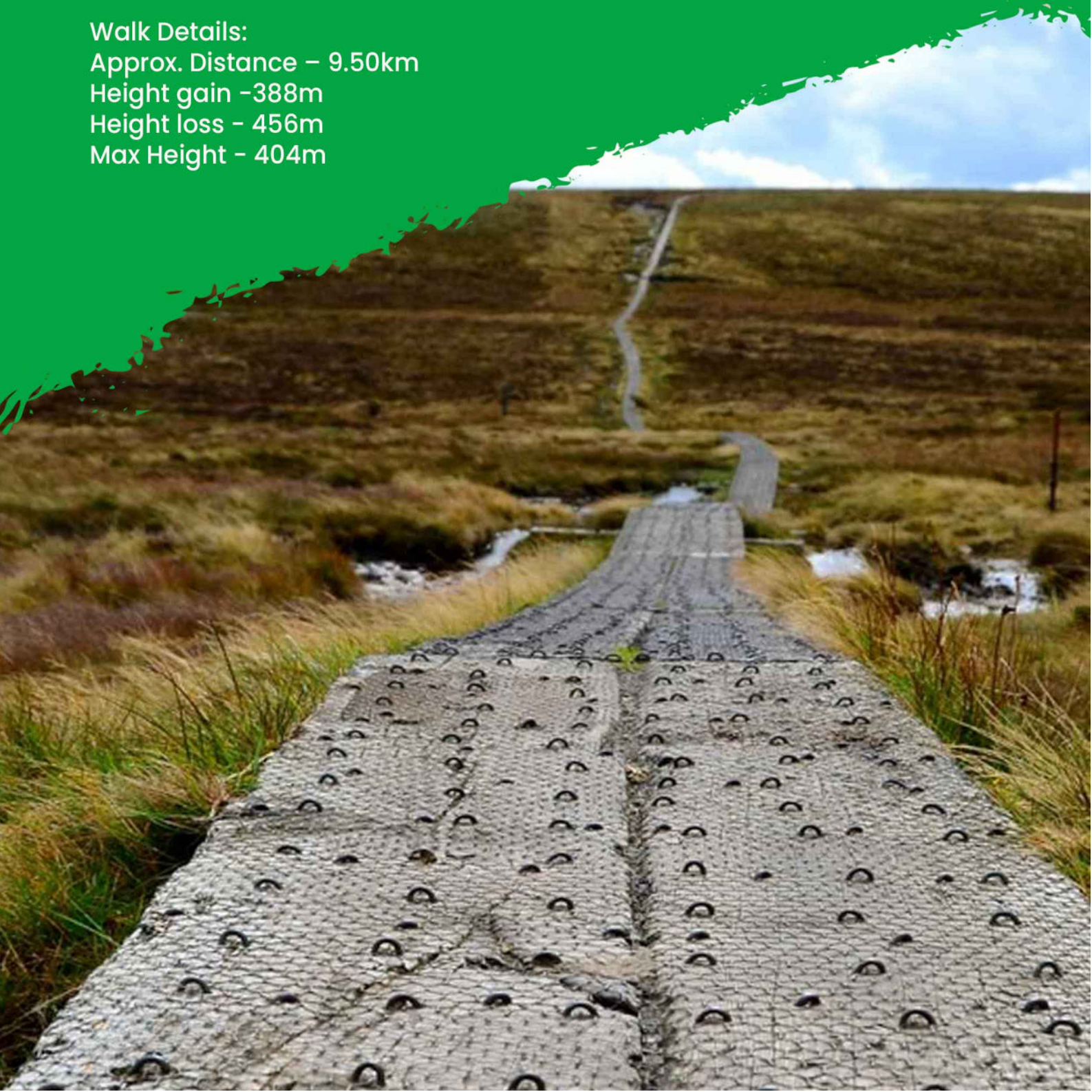
Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 9.50km

Height gain – 388m

Height loss – 456m

Max Height – 404m



Day 5

Glendalough Loop

Today gives you an opportunity to explore the environs of Glendalough in greater detail. You may wish to visit the buildings of the monastic city and the interpretative centre or to do one of the shorter walks in Glenmacnas, Glendasan or to the lead mines in Glendalough. Alternatively, you may wish to do the beautiful woodland walk beside the river in the Devil's Glen. The hike in your Route Notes takes you on a glorious route to "The Spink" overlooking the lakes of Glendalough. You then descend through the old mining village before returning to your start point. Alternatively, a number of private bus companies offer transport from Glendalough, which makes it possible to do excursions to Rathdrum (Parnell's homeplace) or Avoca (Ballykissangel).

Terrain: Some road walking, mountain path and forest track.
Boots essential.

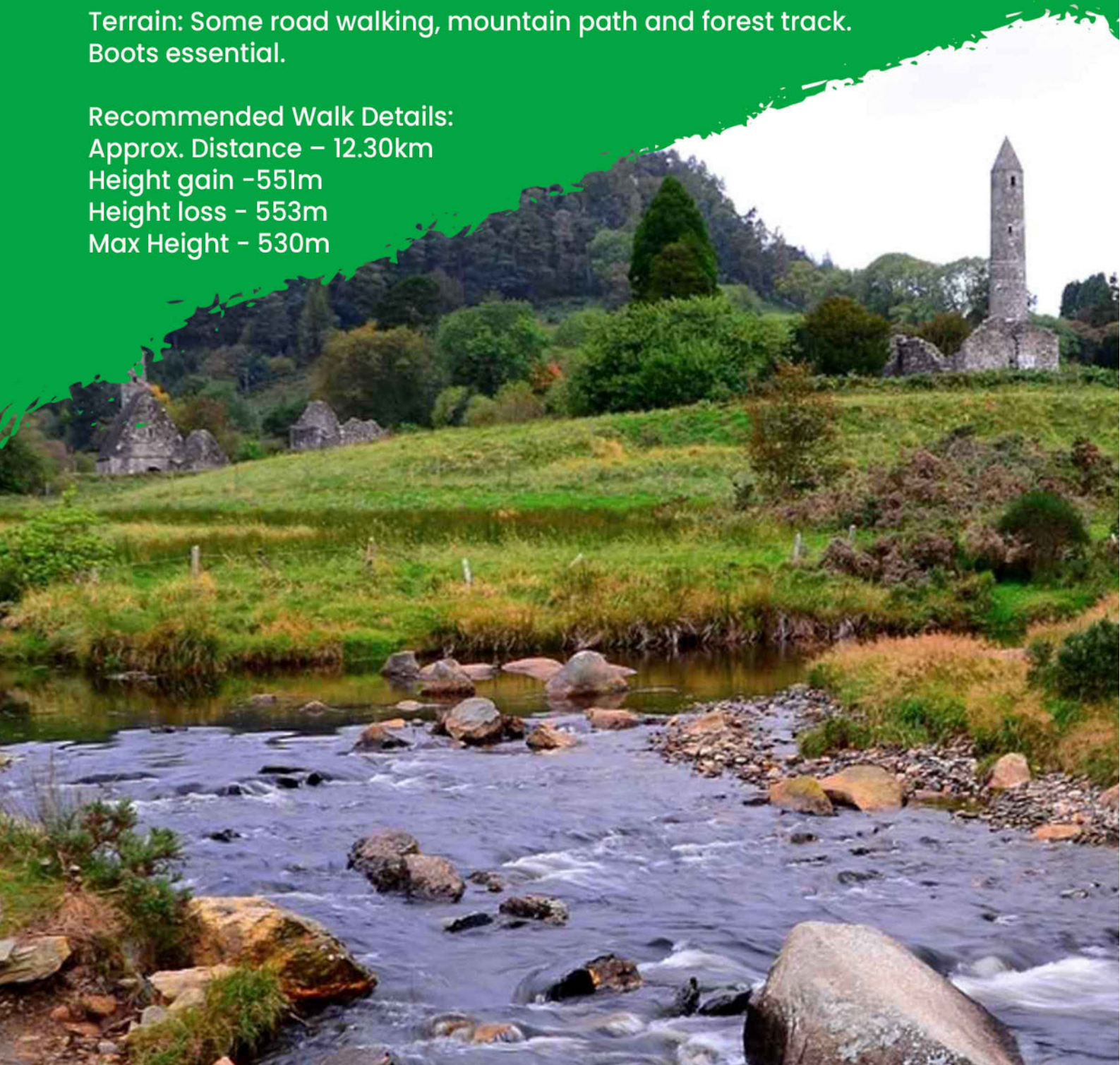
Recommended Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 12.30km

Height gain – 551m

Height loss – 553m

Max Height – 530m



Day 6

Laragh to Glenmalure

From Laragh/Glendalough walk into the valley of Glendalough before climbing to cross over into the valley of Glenmalure. This walk follows an old "green road" to near the Upper Lake before climbing steeply beside Paul an Eas Waterfall and continuing to the pass of Borenacrow (option to climb Mullacor Mountain from the pass). Descending into Glenmalure – with good views of the valley and Lugnaquilla, which is the highest mountain in County Wicklow – you finish your walk at the pub in Drumgoff/Glenmalure crossroads. Overnight in Rathdrum.

Terrain: Track, forest track, short section of mountain path. Mountain path is boggy. Boots essential.

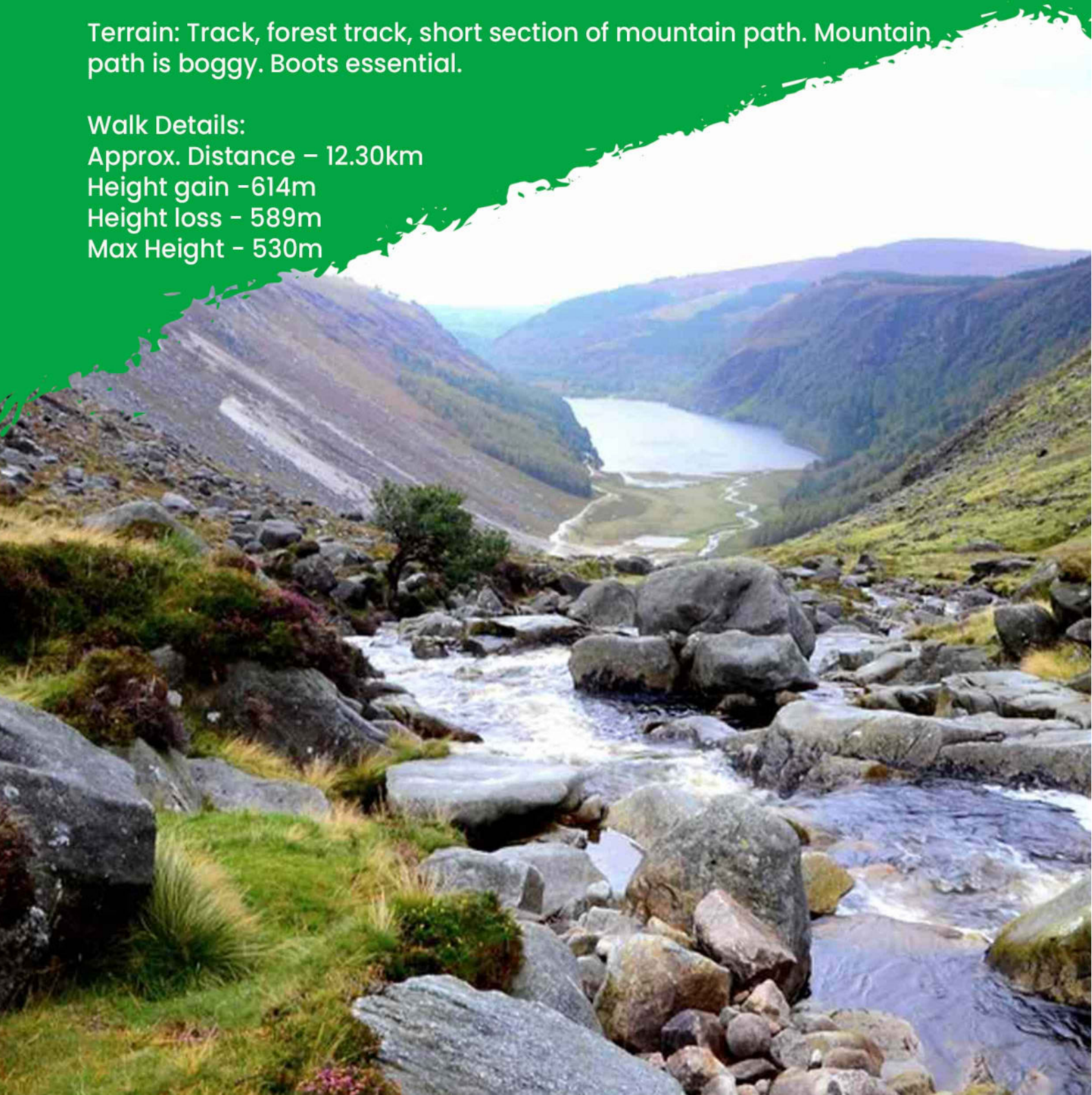
Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 12.30km

Height gain – 614m

Height loss – 589m

Max Height – 530m



Day 7

Glenmalure to Laragh

From Drumgoff/Glenmalure crossroads we start today's walk, which crosses the mountains back to Laragh by a different route. Following forest tracks, you climb to the summit of Mullacor. Crossing the mountains back to Laragh by a different route, you will follow along forest tracks, and then ascend to the summit of Mullacor mountain. Your route then continues along the mountain ridge to Cullentragh and Derrybawn Mountains, before descending to Glendalough. Alternatively, if the weather is unfavourable you can descend from Mullacor on a lower level route via the Wicklow Way through the forestry.

Terrain: Forest track and mountain path. Boots essential.

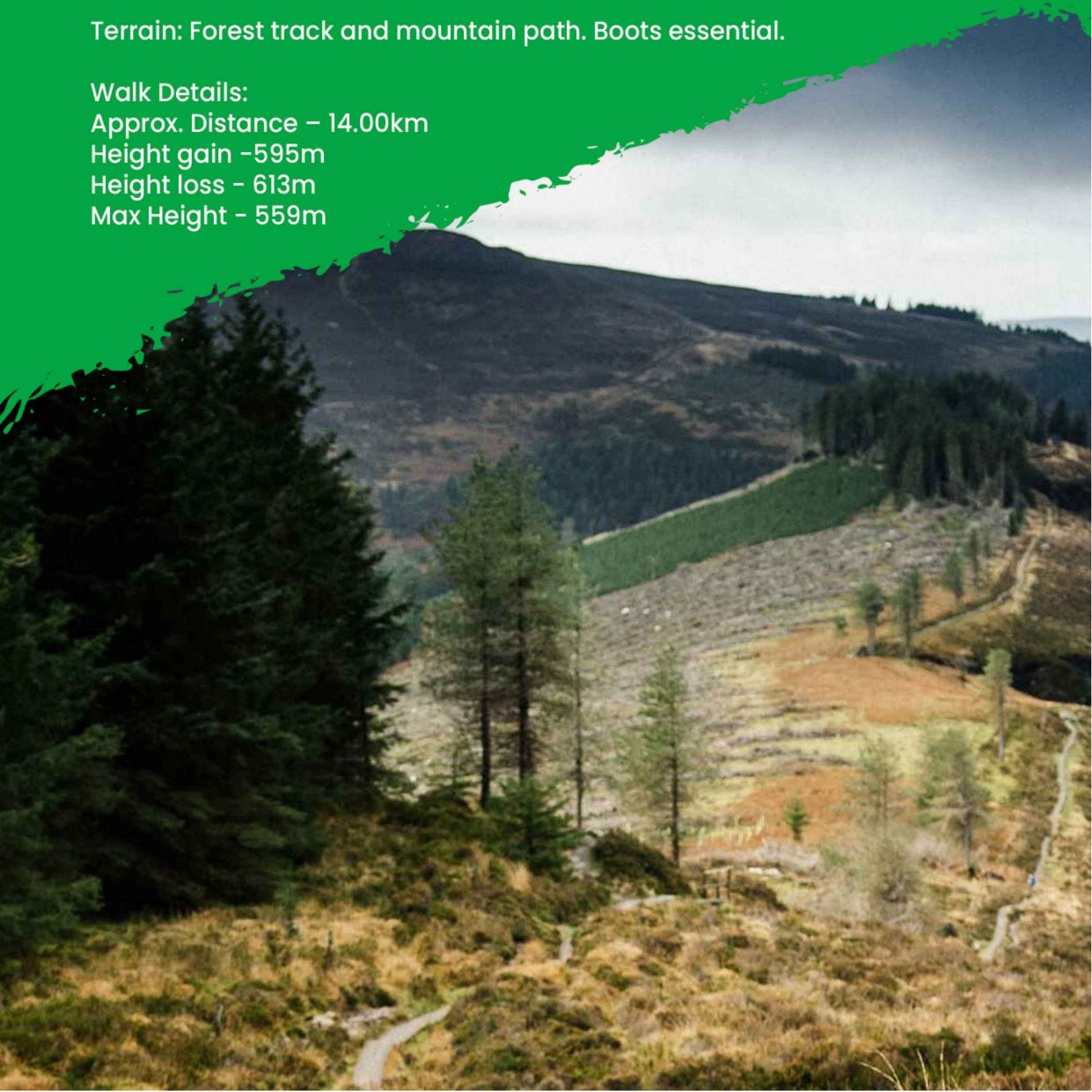
Walk Details:

Approx. Distance – 14.00km

Height gain – 595m

Height loss – 613m

Max Height – 559m



Day 8

Depart Laragh

Today you have the option to return to Dublin via the Public Bus or Private Bus services, both available from Laragh.

There is also a Bus and Taxi service to Wicklow Town where there is a good Train service, south to Rosslare, and north to Dublin. Bus transfer time to Dublin City centre is approx one hour.



Elevation Graphs

Please see below daily elevation graphs for your selected tour



Dublin to Enniskerry | Max Elev: 510m | Elev Gain: 735m | Elev Loss: 562m



Enniskerry to Roundwood | Max Elev: 687m | Elev Gain: 1,038m | Elev Loss: 1,071m



Roundwood to Laragh | Max Elev: 404m | Elev Gain: 388m | Elev Loss: 456m



Glendalough Loop | Max Elev: 530m | Elev Gain: 551m | Elev Loss: 553m



Laragh to Glenmalure | Max Elev: 639m | Elev Gain: 614m | Elev Loss: 589m



Glenmalure to Laragh | Max Elev: 559m | Elev Gain: 595m | Elev Loss: 613m

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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