

Our 5 destinations:

Inis Mór, Inishbofin, Inishark, Clare Island and Westport



Registration as early as possible, **latest by 1 May 2025**. limited places.
Flights are reasonable if booked early. The trip will be confirmed as soon as we have 12 registrations.

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Magic Islands along the Wild Atlantic Way in Ireland

Inis Mór, Inishbofin, Inishark, Inishturk and Clare Island

5 - 15 August 2025 (11 days)



Inis Mór



Inishbofin



Connemara



Inishturk

Easy hikes in the very different landscapes of the five islands with local guides. From them and other islanders we will get interesting information about island life and the struggle for survival today and in earlier times. We will visit Inishark and get to know why people had to leave a long time ago. On the way to Inishturk we drive through the beautiful landscape of Connemara, where we will visit a sheep farm. The trip ends in Westport where we will attend a music session in Matt Molloy's (member of "The Chieftains") famous pub. A trip with a lot of time to relax and explore by yourself.

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Program:

17 July: 16.30: meeting point in Galway, bus (50 min.) and boat to Inishmore (40 min.), transfer to Kilmurveyhouse and dinner. (D)

18 July: Info about the island and program with Elizabeth, chat with Treasa Ní Mhiolláin, sean nós singer, visit Vincent, fisherman and basket maker, hike along the cliffs to the ancient site of Dun Aonghasa (2 hrs.), dinner in Catherine's homely coffee shop, overnight stay: Kilmurveyhouse, (B/D).

19 July: Cliffwalk to Dún Dubh Chathair, (2 ½ hrs.), free time in the village of Kilronan, have a pint of Guinness or a coffee, shopping, overnight stay: Kilmurveyhouse, (B).

20 July: Boat to Rossaveal, bus to Cleggan and crossing to Inishbofin (40 min). In the afternoon you can join the Eco tourism walk with Tommy Burke or explore the Island yourself, overnight stay: Inishbofin House Hotel, (B).

21 July: Morning: chat with Tommy about the Island, time to explore on your own, afternoon: walk along the shore with Elizabeth (2 hrs.), overnight stay: Inishbofin House Hotel, (B)

22 July: Morning: free time, afternoon boat trip to the seal colony and the uninhabited Inishark Island (45 min.) walk with Tommy as our guide (1hr), overnight stay: Inishbofin House Hotel, (B)

23 July: 1 pm Boat to Cleggan, bus tour through the mountains and moors of Connemara, visit the Glen Keen Sheep Farm and learn about their life and the area and a sheep dog demonstration, then to Roonagh Pier, crossing to Inishturk (50 min.) overnight stay in friendly B+B's, (B/L/D).

24 July: Chat and walk with an Islander, free time (B/D)

25 July: A free day (swim, read, walk, relax and enjoy the scenery) overnight stay in the B+B's, (B/D).

26 July: Morning: back to mainland and boat to Clare Island (20 min), walk the "Green Road", Lunch at the organic Macalla Farm, visit a weaver and hear the story of Grainne Mhaille, the famous sea pirate, bus to the hotel in Westport, Music Session in the cozy Matt Molloy Pub (member of the famous group "The Chieftains"), overnight stay in the Mariner Boutique Hotel (B).

27 July: Return or onward journey (good connections to Dublin by train)

The walks are easy with a lot of time to relax: 1-3 hours of hiking and most of the walks can be shortened if necessary.

B= breakfast D= dinner

Participants: 12 - 16

Costs: (from Galway to Westport) **CHF 1590 - 1790.-**, depending on numbers of participants and exchange rate.

Included: All transportation (bus and boat), 10 nights with a large Irish breakfast, sharing, 5 dinners, all activities according to program, organization and guiding by the experienced Ireland expert Elizabeth Zollinger.

Not included: Travel to Galway and from Westport, 5 dinners, lunches (mostly picnic), drinks and tips, insurances.

Supplements: single room: CHF 290.-, most of the accommodations are small and they don't have many single rooms. We would appreciate if people who don't know each other would also be willing to share a room, may be even part of the time.

Application deadline: No later than 1 May 2023 (places are limited and flights are cheaper if we can book early and we only can confirm when we have the minimum of 12 participants)

German and English translation available

Additional nights can be booked: on Inis Mór, in Galway and Westport from **Euro 60.-/night B+B sharing**. I can not guarantee that I will find extra rooms, specially singles or just for one night in Galway. Most of my B+B's are closed. I will try my best.



Dun Aonghasa Insi Mór



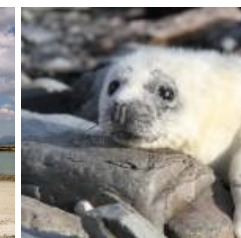
Vincent Inis Mór



The Petticoat boys from Inishark, 1915



Beach on Inishbofin



Seal on Inishbofin



Clare Island