

# **Our Tours**

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PRICES FROM DURATION **E675.00 7DAYS** 

This tour is specifically designed for independent travellers, who wish to cycle less of a distance and spend relaxing lazy days along the way. It allows for in-depth explorations of the various cultural and natural attractions of the wonderful Connemara region. Connemara is the western wonderland of Europe, where rugged mountains soar above wild Atlantic beaches. Your route will take you both inland and along the coastal region, giving a glimpse of the dramatic scenery of Connemara.

Daily cycling will average 25 - 35kms on low traffic back-roads, the terrain is not flat, but neither is it hilly, rather a rolling countryside. In the evenings you will enjoy traditional Irish hospitality with the option of staying in either distinguished hotels or wonderful guesthouses and B&Bs. Route descriptions, local information and maps are provided.







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| DURATION:        | 7 days (6 nights)  |  |  |
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| TOUR DATES:      | This tour starts every Monday (between April and October). Alternative scheduling is also available for €70 extra per booking.   |  |  |
| LEVEL:           | Easy cycling days with average of 25 - 35km a day with longer options available on most days.  |  |  |
| BICYCLE:         | Touring bike<br>Hybrid upgrade bike (front suspension): €70 extra<br>E-bike rental: €195 extra   |  |  |
| EQUIPMENT:       | Helmets, front handlebar bag, side panniers (if required at €20 extra charge), puncture repair kit and lock.   |  |  |
| ACCOMMODATION:   | Depending on the option: hotels $3^*$ or approved B&Bs & guesthouses   |  |  |
| MEALS:           | lrish breakfasts   |  |  |
| TRANSFERS:       | All luggage transfers from accommodation to accommodation  |  |  |
| MISCELLANEOUS:   | Route notes and OSI maps (1:50,000)  |  |  |
| ARRIVAL POINT:   | A Connemara Adventure Tours representative will meet you on either the afternoon<br>of your arrival or the following morning at your first night's accommodation. There is<br>a daily direct bus service from Galway to Clifden. |  |  |
| DEPARTURE POINT: | You depart from your last night's accommodation in Clifden. There is direct bus service daily from Clifden to Galway.  |  |  |

Further info on getting to/from Ireland and your tour start point can be found here (http://www.connemaraadventuretours.com/en/infotravel-walking-cycling-ireland)

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#### DAY 1 ARRIVAL

Arrive in Clifden (there is a direct daily bus service from Galway to Clifden). Warm welcome and a chance to settle in. You will be given your route notes and general information and your bikes and equipment will be delivered to your accommodation. One of our representatives will meet you on either the afternoon of your arrival or the following morning at your first night's accommodation to answer all your questions and go through your routes together. Clifden is a small, colourful town, also often labelled the 'Capital of Connemara'. There are many restaurants where you can choose a lovely evening meal and a great selection of traditional pubs where often you will find Irish music.

#### DAY 2 CLIFDEN TO RENVYLE - 35 TO 45 KM

After a hearty breakfast, you will set off along the Sky Road, if you opt for the longer option (45 kms), it offers fabulous views over the Atlantic ocean and its islands. Travelling quiet back roads, you will pass through the quaint fishing village of Cleggan and on to Letterfrack, home of the Connemara National Park. Then your journey will take you to the Renvyle Peninsula which is steeped in history and archaeological sites and is renowned for its pristine sandy beaches and spectacular vistas of the Twelve Ben mountain range.

#### DAY 3 **RENVYLE TO LEENANE - 26 KM**

#### DAY 4 LEENANE TO LOUGH INAGH - 23 KM

Leave Renvyle after a hearty breakfast. You will set off, passing through Tullycross with its many thatched cottages and mean where a searcy of the science of the state of the st

After breakfast you will continue your journey today leaving Leenane. You cycle away from the coast back towards the village of Leenane, situated at the head of Ireland's only fiord. You could take the boat along Killary Fjord for a sightseeing expedition at either 10.30am, 12.30pm, 2.30pm or 4.30pm. This is a 1.5 hour boat ride on the Connemara Lady catamaran. The trip is often honoured by the company of leaping dolphins and always includes commentary on all major points of interest along the way. Tonight you will stay the night in Leenane. Ireland's top visitor attractions, Kylemore Abbey & Gardens. This gothic fairytale lakeside castle lodged in a wooded hillside is the site of one of Ireland's finest gardens. The six-acre Victorian walled garden at Kylemore was created by Mitchell Henry in tandem with the building of Kylemore Castle in 1867. It has won the prestigious Europa Nostra Award for Gardens. Tonight you will be staying in welcoming accommodation overlooking spectacular Lough Inagh.

## **Our Tours** LOUGH INAGH TO ROUNDSTONE -28 KM

Cycle back towards the coast today, leaving the mountains behind as you head towards Roundstone. You will be travelling along a route dotted with pretty fishing villages. You will cycle through peat bogs and lovely moorlands still divided by the Neolithic field systems. Your journey will bring you into the Gaeltacht (Gaelic speaking) region, which is considered the last bastion of Celtic Ireland. You will rest and relax tonight in the small picturesque fishing village of Roundstone.

#### DAY 6 ROUNDSTONE TO CLIFDEN - 24 KM

Well-fed and well-rested, you will begin your day with a gentle cycle along Mannin Bay. With its coralline beach & glorious turquoise bay it is a paradise for the beachcomber. This route brings you past Ballyconneely, or can be made shorter by taking the Bogroad. Roundstone bog is unique in that it is an unspoiled area of bogscape with rare acid-loving plants. You will arrive back at your starting destination of Clifden where you will spend your last night getting a second chance to enjoy the 'craic' in this vibrant town - one of the last true treasures in Western Europe.

#### DAY 7 DEPARTURE

Breakfast, followed by fond farewell and departure!

## ACCOMMODATION

#### B&B 3\* HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

The B&B option means you will get to stay in a family home where the personal touch and attention to detail is second to none. A true Irish welcome awaits you as well as homecooked food, comfort and a taste of traditional Irish life.

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"This is just to thank you for everything and for the wonderful experience we had during our tour... Cycling in Connemara was beyond expectation, and we hope we could do it again in the future. So again thank you for your passion and your support. Good luck with everything!"

Isabella - September 2016

"The tour was an adventure of a life time. Thanks you and your staff for this experience and for the memory!"

Tracy & Betsy - August 2016

"Thanks for helping us with a great vacation in Ireland!"

Evan - June 2015

## PRICE

All prices shown are in EURO and are per person.

| B&B                |         | 3* HOTEL                      |           |
|--------------------|---------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| Double/Twin/Triple | €675.00 | Hotel Double/Hotel Twin/Hotel | €895.00   |
| B&B Single         | €835.00 | Triple                        |           |
| B&B Solo           | €985.00 | 3* Hotel Single               | €1,080.00 |
|                    |         | 3* Hotel Solo                 | €1,295.00 |

### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

To secure your booking, we will request 30% deposit per person. Please note this is a non-refundable payment. The balance payment is due 30 days before the tour starts.

If your tour start date is within 30 days of booking, the full, non-refundable payment is required upon booking.

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