



SKIBBEREEN WALKING Festival

Weekend 23rd - 25th
September 2022



SKIBBEREEN
& DISTRICT
CHAMBER of COMMERCE

Guided walks through quiet country roads with some off-road sections; something for walkers of all abilities.

Meeting point for all walks, except walk 8, is Skibbereen Heritage Centre with bus transport provided to and from out-of-town walks, **subject to Coronavirus COVID-19 Stay Safe Guidelines in effect at the time.**

Fee **€12**/walk including bus except for walks 2 and 5 to Sherkin and Long Islands which are **€25**/walk (including the ferry) and the Baltimore Historical Walk which is **€5**. All walks include tea/coffee/refreshments.

No unaccompanied children. **No dogs allowed.**

Pre-registering is essential on www.skibbereen.ie



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Friday 23rd September 2022

WALK 1

**Moderate Road/Off-Road Walk (8.0 Km, 50 m climb):
Skibbereen - Lurriga - Ballyhilty - Coolnagarrane.**

Walk along a riverside track from Lurriga to Ballyhilty, turning inland through quiet country roads to Maulbrack and Coolnagarrane and back to Skibbereen.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed. 

Leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **17.00 Friday**, returning to Skibbereen by **20.00**.




Saturday 24th September 2022

WALK 2

**Strenuous Road/Off Road (10 Km, 250 m climb):
Sherkin Island and Ilen River Cruise.**

Ferry to Sherkin followed by a walk on quiet roads and off-road paths in Slievemore and finishing with a 10Km cruise from Kinnish Harbour up the Ilen River to Old Court.


Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed. 

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **10.30 Saturday** for transfer to Baltimore for ferry to Sherkin Island, returning to Skibbereen via Old Court by **18.00**.

WALK 3

**Moderate Walk (13.0 Km, 150 m climb):
Skibbereen - Mohonagh - Toormore - Abbeystrowry.**

Explore North and West of Skibbereen along quiet country roads, past the Famine Graveyard and along the River Ilen estuary up to Toormore, with wide views as far as Cape Clear and back to Skibbereen via Abbeystrowry.


No dogs allowed. 

Leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **11.30 Saturday** and returning to Skibbereen by **15.00**.

WALK 4

**Moderate Road/Off Road Walk (9 Km, 100 m climb):
Castletownshend and area**

Walk coast road from Castletownshend to Sandy Cove and through quiet country roads to Farrandau, Woodcock Smokery and Knockdrum Stone Fort, then off-road back to Coast Road returning to Castletownshend.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed. 

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **14.00 Saturday** for transfer to Union Hall, returning to Skibbereen by **19.00**.




Sunday 25th September 2022

WALK

5

**Strenuous Road/Off-Road Walk
(9.0 Km, 150m climb) - Long Island & Schull**

Ferry to Long Island then a walk on quiet country lanes and off-road paths before returning to the mainland and walking back through quiet roads from Colla to Schull.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed 

Bus leaving Skibbreen Heritage Centre at **9.30 Sunday** for transfer to Colla for ferry to Long Island, returning later from Schull to Skibbreen by **15.00**.

WALK

6

**Moderate Road Walk
(9.0 Km, 100 m climb) - Union Hall & Carrigillihy**

Union Hall to Lough Cluhir and over the hills to Carrigillihy, continuing on an off-road track towards Sheela headland with wide views of Glandore Harbour and islands and a walk back to Union Hall on quiet country roads with panoramic views of the surrounding countryside.

Bus leaving Skibbreen Heritage Centre at **11.00 Sunday** for transfer to Union Hall, returning to Skibbreen by **16.00**.

WALK

7

**Moderate Road Walk
(7.0 Km, 200m climb) - Long Strand & Rathbarry.**

Walk through quiet country roads and forest paths from Long Strand to Castlefrefe and Rathbarry

Bus leaving Skibbreen Heritage Centre at **14.00 Sunday** for transfer to Long Strand, returning to Skibbreen by **18.00**.

WALK

8

Easy Road Walk & Historical Tour of Baltimore

Historical walking tour of Baltimore exploring maritime heritage, O'Driscoll Clan history, the sack of Baltimore and finishing with a tour of Baltimore Castle.

Starting from Baltimore Castle at **14.00 on Sunday** and finishing by **17.00**.

Own transport required, no dogs allowed 