

THE WICKLOW WAY – HIKING ADVENTURE IN IRELAND

12-15 SEPTEMBER 2019



The Wicklow Way is a 131-kilometre (81-mile) long-distance trail that crosses the Wicklow Mountains in Ireland. It runs from Marlay Park in the southern suburbs of Dublin through County Wicklow and ends in the village of Clonegal in County Carlow.

It's a combination of suburban parkland, forest trails, wild and scenic mountain landscape and finally rolling countryside.

En route the Wicklow Way passes mountain lakes, ruined buildings -stark reminders of previous widespread human habitation- occasional memorials to historic events of past centuries and extensive remains of the early Christian monastic settlement in the beautiful Glendalough valley.

DETAILED ITINERARY:

Day 1: [September 12th](#), Thursday

Arrive anytime into Dublin.

Check into Hotel (Ideally you should find something in the City Centre in and around O'Connell Street) as our bus the next day to Marlay Park goes from there. Otherwise anywhere in the City is fine provided you can get to O'Connell street in the morning (9:30am).



Day 2: [September 13th](#), Friday

We take a bus or taxi from Dublin to Marlay Park (20 mins)

Marlay Park to Knockree

Distance: 22km, ascent: 600m, time approx: 7hrs

The trail wanders through the delightful sylvan surroundings of Marlay Park, we then begin the walk's first ascent southwards towards the Dublin hills and the first of several forest vistas

Passing Kilmashogue (536m), Two Rock and Tibbradden mountains the trail descends to reach the Glencullen road at Ballybrack after 9 km. Walking eastwards along the road. The hike then begins the ascent towards Prince William's Seat (555m) followed by a zigzag descent to the Enniskerry road at about 17km, directly north of Knockree Hill.



Day 3: [September 14th](#), Saturday

Knockree to Roundwood

Distance: 18km, ascent: 500m, time approx: 6.5hrs

The Wicklow Way skirts round to the west of Knockree Hill, descends to cross the Glencree River valley and reaches Crone Wood car park at 22km. From here a steady uphill walk brings the trail via a spectacular viewing point over Powerscourt Waterfall and Deer Park (the imported Japanese Sika deer have long since escaped and inter-bred with the native red deer population of the surrounding uplands).

Soon, trekking into open country, the Dargle is the next river to be crossed, followed by a climb to 650m around the east shoulder of Djouce (pronounced jowsse) (775m). Adjacent to here is a site that's become part of modern folklore after a Plane Crashed on Djouce Mountain (<http://www.wicklowway.com/articles/djouce-plane-crash.php>) in 1946.



Day 4: [September 15th](#), Sunday

Roundwood to Glendalough

Distance: 12km, ascent: 350m

Beginning at Roundwood, regain the Wicklow Way just north of Oldbridge. Continue hiking on the public road for a further 3km over Drumray, turning right at 40km onto a lane. This leads to the north-eastern shoulder of Paddock Hill.

Then leave for airport to catch flights back to London. Flights must depart after 7:00 pm.



COST

£215 (for payment up to [March 28th, 2019](#))

£245 (for payment after [March 28th, 2019](#))

What's included:

- 2 Days accommodation in a Guesthouse / Pub (Twin sharing)
- 2 Breakfasts
- 2 Packed lunches (Sat & Sun)
- Fees to the guide (experienced hike leader based in Dublin) for 3 days
- Minibus from Wicklow Way back to Dublin Airport
- Admin fees

What's excluded:

- Flight
- Hotel on Thursday night
- Taxi/bus from Dublin to Marlay Park
- Food
- Taxis where needed
- Baggage service around Wicklow Way*

**There is a service (which carries your bags in between different Guesthouses so you don't have to carry all your stuff on the hike, it is about £10 per day per bag (So £20 in total for 2 days)).*



TO REGISTER

Please make payment to

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