

Skibbereen

Walking

Festival



**WEEKEND 24 – 26
SEPTEMBER 2021**



**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 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 €10/walk including bus and complimentary tea/coffee/refreshment for all walks, except walk 2 to Sherkin Island €20 (including ferry) and no charge for walk 1.

No unaccompanied children. No dogs allowed.

With thanks to Skibbereen Walking Group

Pre-registering is essential on www.skibbereen.ie



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**Friday 24th
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WALK 1

Moderate Road/Off-Road Walk (11 Km, 150 m climb): Skibbereen – Lurriga – Ballyhilty – Mohonagh.

Walk along a riverside track from Lurriga to Ballyhilty, turning inland through quiet country roads to Mohonagh with wide views over the Ilen Estuary and the famous Skibbereen Rowing Club, training ground for our gold, silver and bronze Olympic Medal rowers and returning to Skibbereen via the Old Famine Graveyard at Abbeystrowry.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed.

Leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **5.00 pm Friday**, returning to Skibbereen by **9.00 pm**.



**Saturday 25th
September 2021**



WALK 2

Moderate Road/Off-Road Walk (9 Km, 250 m climb) – Sherkin Island.

Cruise for 10k down the Ilen River from Old Court to Sherkin Island for a walk on quiet lanes and off-road paths to Horseshoe Harbour and Slievemore and return by ferry to Baltimore.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed.

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **9.30 am Saturday** for transfer to Old Court for ferry to Sherkin Island, returning to Skibbereen via Baltimore by **5.00 pm**.



WALK 3

Easy Road/Off Road Walk (7 Km, 200 m climb): Schull – Colla – Gubbeen.

Walk part of the Fastnet Trail from Schull to Colla with wide views of Carbery's 100 Isles and Long Island Sound, continue on quiet roads to Gubbeen for a visit to Gubbeen Farm for a display of their products and refreshments.

Off-road gear desirable, no dogs allowed.

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **12.00 noon Saturday** for transfer to Schull, returning from Gubbeen to Skibbereen by **5.00 pm**.



WALK 4

**Moderate Road/Off Road Walk (9 Km, 100 m climb):
Union Hall – Carrigillihy – Skahanagh.**

Walk quiet country roads from Union Hall to Lough Cluhir and over the hills to Carrigillihy, continuing on off-road track towards Sheila 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.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed.

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **2.00 pm Saturday** for transfer to Union Hall, returning to Skibbereen by **6.30 pm**.



Sunday 26th September 2021



WALK 5

Strenuous Road/Off-Road Walk (9 Km, 250m climb) – Glannafeen, Lough Hyne

Walk through quiet country roads from Knockanoulty to Ballinard, off-road track to Glannafeen and Ireland's first Marine Nature Reserve at Lough Hyne to view the rapids and back to Knockomagh.

Off-road gear essential, no dogs allowed

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **9.30 am Sunday** for transfer to Knockanoulty, near Lough Hyne, returning later from Knockomagh to Skibbereen by **2.30 pm**.



WALK 6

Moderate Road Walk (13 Km, 300 m climb) – Tragumna – Toe Head

Walk through quiet country roads from Tragumna to Ardgehane with wide views of the sea from the Kedges to Galley Head, continuing to Toe Head and returning on quiet country roads via Bawnishall to Tragumna.

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **11.30 am Sunday** for transfer to Tragumna, returning to Skibbereen by **5.30 pm**.



WALK 7

Moderate Road Walk (7 Km, 100m climb) – Rosscarbery – Mill Cove – Dromgownagh.

Walk through quiet country roads from Rosscarbery to Mill Cove Pier via Dromgownagh with wide views of the sea from Galley Head to the Stags, returning through Downeen and the Pier to Rosscarbery.

Bus leaving Skibbereen Heritage Centre at **1.30 pm Sunday** for transfer to Rosscarbery, returning to Skibbereen by **5.30 pm**.

