



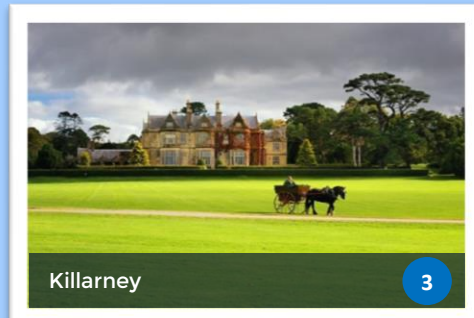
DRIVE TO DISCOVER IRELAND

THE ULTIMATE RING OF KERRY TOUR



Shannon

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Killarney

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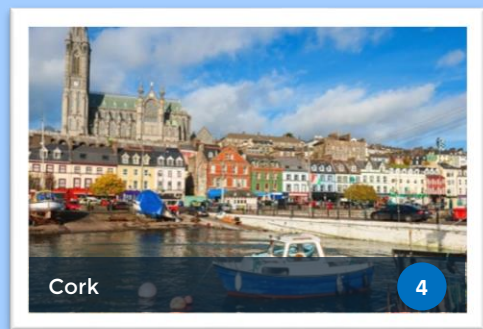
Limerick

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Cahersivee

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Cork

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Road Trip Drive	Distance	Driving Time
Shannon Airport to Limerick	16 miles	25 minutes
Limerick to County Kerry	62 miles	1 hours 26 minutes
County Kerry to Killarney	10 miles	20 minutes
Killarney to Cahersiveen	38 miles	1 hour 2 minutes
Cahersiveen to Waterville	11 miles	18 minutes
Waterville to Sneem	22 miles	41 minutes
Sneem to Kenmare	17 miles	28 minutes
Kenmare to Cork	58 miles	1 hour 21 minutes
Cork to Shannon	77 miles	1 hour 39 minutes
Total Distance Covered:	311 miles	

The famous Ring of Kerry is a gorgeous, 111-mile loop which traces the iconic coastline of the Iveragh Peninsula in Ireland. More precisely, the Ring of Kerry route is the N70, which is horseshoe-shaped, but many travelers plan a Ring of Kerry itinerary which is more robust, extending the trip on either end of the N70 to create an epic Ring of Kerry Tour.

Our itinerary includes some amazing modifications, extending the drive from 111 miles to a robust 7+ hour tour of Ireland which includes stops in Limerick and Cork along with landmarks along the traditional Ring of Kerry drive.

TO/FROM: Shannon Airport

In this road trip guide, you'll begin and end your journey at Shannon Airport.

1. Limerick

Upon arrival, we recommend spending the day in Shannon and Limerick. Limerick is just a 25-minute drive from the city of Shannon, and it will welcome you with numerous well-appointed restaurants and pubs to take the edge off your jet-lag and settle you for a good night's rest.

2. Killarney

Killarney is a walking town. Make time to visit the historic Muckross Abbey and Franciscan Friary if you want to experience reverence and grasp the deep-rooted history of this city. If you'd like to get outdoors and stretch your legs, Torc Waterfall or Torc Mountain Walk are excellent places to enjoy unparalleled Irish views. Also you'll want to visit Killarney National Park - here you'll enjoy breathtaking views of one of this region's treasured natural jewels.

3. Cahersiveen, Waterville, Sneem & Kenmare

For the next leg of your Ring of Kerry drive, you'll head north again before jogging west along the N70 coastal route toward Cahersiveen. Epic views await you along this route through Glenbeigh, and if you haven't yet fallen in love with Ireland, this road will sweep you off your feet.

Cahersiveen on the River Fertha is the principal town on the Iveragh Peninsula, and we recommend exploring on foot once you arrive. In addition to the beautiful Catholic Church in town, there are many little nooks and crannies you'll discover if you pocket your map and keep your eyes peeled while roaming its streets. [The Gate on New Street](#) is one such beautiful location.

When you've explored Cahersiveen you can either find a restaurant for lunch or enjoy a quick 18-minute drive south and dine at An Corcan Restaurant - the top rated restaurant in this coastal town. After lunch, visit the Skellig Gift Store to do a little shopping, or take a stroll on Waterville Beach. If you're a golfer, consider spending the night and arranging a tee time at Waterville Links the following morning - a great way to enjoy a bit of classic Ireland with views of the North Atlantic!

Finally, Sneem & Kenmare await to the east - Sneem is a small village which offers a great place to pause for an authentic Irish meal along Ireland's National Route 70, and Kenmare (Irish meaning "head of the sea" is another small town at the apex of Kenmare Bay. We strongly recommend stopping in Kenmare, wherever it happens to fall on your Ring of Kerry itinerary, as it's a beautiful little village which does an excellent job catering to tourists due to its location on both the Ring of Kerry and the Ring of Beara routes, just 20 minutes south of Killarney.

4. Cork

From the village of Kenmare, head east along a scenic inland drive to the historic city of Cork, where we encourage travelers to spend the night. There's plenty to see and do in this charming city, and you'll find some excellent seafood restaurants, pubs, and breweries here.

5. Shannon

After your stay in Cork, Ireland head north along the N20 and you'll be treated to a relaxing drive back to Shannon which takes less than 2 hours, where you can return your [Ireland rental car](#) and await your return flight from Shannon International Airport.

Alternately, you could head east from Cork, extending your visit to Ireland by driving to Dublin, where you can spend a few days before flying home from [Dublin's international airport](#). Dublin is less than three hours from Cork by car.