

TRAVELS NOW AND THEN

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*Left at Roundabout
Row hill - lights (right)
STATOIL - turn in before it*

England, Ireland, August/September 2004. C.E.Brennan.

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First NUMBER = 00024-188-450

Aug. 17 Tues Fly UA LAX to SFO 9.50am-11.09am (VZLNKU)
SFO to LHR

Aug. 18 Wed Arrive Heathrow Dinner - Three Magpies?
Stay Park Inn, Heathrow (La Meridien)(XDPLD)

Aug. 19 Thurs Avis Car rental 9am (33332896US2)
Drive to Stratford - check in Blue Boar Inn
Royal Shakespeare Theater seats Q5,Q6,Q7
Stay in Blue Boar Inn

Aug. 20 Fri
Stay in Blue Boar Inn

Aug. 21 Sat
Stay ??

Aug. 22 Sun Fly BHX to ORK AerArann406. 19.45-21.15pm
Avis Rental Car at Cork (37713474US1)
Travelodge Kinsale Road Roundabout (127844632)

Aug. 23 Mon Drive to Portmagee Pier (Kenneth Roddy)
Trip to Skellig Michael (Kenneth/Joe Roddy)
Stay in Scariff Inn, Caherdaniel

Aug. 24 Tues
Stay in Scariff Inn, Caherdaniel

Aug. 25 Wed

Aug. 26 Thurs

Aug. 27 Fri
Fly AerArann303 ORK - BHR 17.25-18.35
Avis Rental Car (37714458US5) at Belfast Harbor
Stay at Mills

Aug. 28 Sat

Aug. 29 Sun

Aug. 30 Mon

Aug. 31 Tues

Sep. 1 Wed

Sep. 2 Thurs

Sep. 3 Fri

Sep. 4 Sat

Sep. 5 Sun

Sep. 6 Mon Lunch w. Derrick Crothers

Sep. 7 Tues Fly BHS-LHR BM 11.05-12.30pm
Fly UA LHR-IAD 4.30pm-
IAD-LAX - 11pm

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Friday, May 28, 2004

Ref: Re-branding of the Le Meridien Heathrow

Clients Name: **DR C BRENNEN**
Arrival Date: **18/8/04**
ABC Booking Ref: **XDPLD**

Dear ,

Thank you for booking your overnight stay with Holiday Extras, I am writing to inform you of a change of name to the hotel you have booked.

The hotel, formerly known as the Le Meridien Heathrow has been re-branded as the **Park Inn Heathrow** and the signage has been changed accordingly.

Should you have any queries do not hesitate to contact us on: 0870 844 4311.

Yours sincerely



Ian Stewart
Commercial Director

Jacket Potatoes

Served with a generous salad & a choice of the following toppings:

✓ Beans	£3.95
✓ Cheese & Onion	£3.95
Tuna Cheese Melt	£3.95
Tuna Mayo	£3.95
✓ 5 Bean Chilli NEW	£3.95
Prawns & Seafood Sauce	£3.95
✓ Coleslaw	£3.95
✓ Peppered Stilton Mushrooms	£3.95

Mushrooms topped with creamy peppered sauce & melted Stilton.

Sandwiches & Baguettes

A soft white baguette or sliced multigrain brown bread filled with your choice of toppings. May we recommend a portion of chips as an accompaniment.

	with chips	
Ham & Cheese Sandwich NEW	£3.95	£4.95
Served with apple chutney.		
✓ Brie & Mushroom Melt	£3.95	£4.95
Flat mushrooms topped with melted Brie.		
BLT	£3.45	£4.45
Bacon, lettuce & tomato.		
Prawn	£3.95	£4.95
Prawns with a seafood sauce.		
Cajun	£3.95	£4.95
Spicy chicken with mayonnaise.		
Brie & Bacon	£3.95	£4.95
Cheese & bacon with a difference.		
Tuna Mayo	£3.45	£4.45
Tuna & mayonnaise.		
Tuna & Cheese Melt	£3.45	£4.45
Tuna & mayonnaise, topped with melted cheddar cheese.		
Steak, Onion & Mushrooms	£4.45	£5.45
Prime rump steak with wholegrain mustard, onions & mushrooms.		
New York Style Chicken Melt	£3.95	£4.95
Chicken, bacon, melted cheese & BBQ sauce.		
Scampi & Tartare Sauce NEW	£3.95	£4.95
Deep-fried wholestail scampi in breadcrumbs with tartare sauce.		
Sausage & Onion	£3.45	£4.45
Pork sausages with fried onions.		
Beef & Gravy Baguette NEW	£4.45	£5.45
Warm beef in a rich gravy served in a tasty baguette.		

Side Orders

✓ Side Order Combo NEW	£2.95
✓ Chips	£1.65
✓ Garlic Bread	£1.55
✓ Cheesy Garlic Bread	£1.85
✓ Flat Mushrooms NEW	£1.95
✓ Side Salad	£1.95
✓ Onion Rings™	£1.45

**Join us for Sunday Lunch
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Why not join us on a Sunday for a roast served with roast potatoes & seasonal vegetables. Also available in a smaller portion for the lighter appetite.

KID'S MENUAll served with a **FREE** children's ice cream dessert & a **FREE** children's Pepsi, lemonade or Fruit Shoot

For only £3.50

Mini Combo	
Onion rings*, sausages, jacket potato wedges, garlic bread & baked beans.	
Sausage & Mash	
✓ Tomato Pasta	
Pasta with a tomato sauce topped with melted cheese & served with garlic bread.	
All the dishes below are served with either chips, new potatoes or mashed potato & either peas, vegetables, salad or baked beans.	
Fish Fingers	
Pieces of formed fish in breadcrumbs.	
A Chicken Breast	
With melted cheese & BBQ sauce.	
Burger	
With cheese or plain & simple.	
Popcorn Chicken	
Pieces of formed chicken in breadcrumbs.	
Hot Dog	
✓ Cheese & Tomato Pizza	

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25% off the price of all meals* ordered between 2.30pm - 6.00pm available Monday to Friday.

* Applies to food items only. Offer excludes any other promotional meal deals, Bank Holidays & Christmas Menus.

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V= Suitable for vegetarians. Nut Allergy - All our products may contain traces of nuts or nut derivatives.

* All weights are approximate uncooked weights.

††† Battered fish used is either cod or haddock where available.

‡ Please inform us if you are allergic to any of the ingredients listed.

We strive to ensure that all our customers enjoy both their visits & their meals.

If for any reason you are disappointed with us, please let any member of staff know straight away so that we can rectify any problems.

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19AUG	100882	CARVERY BREAKFAST	33.64

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Balliol College, Oxford and Minister Lovell

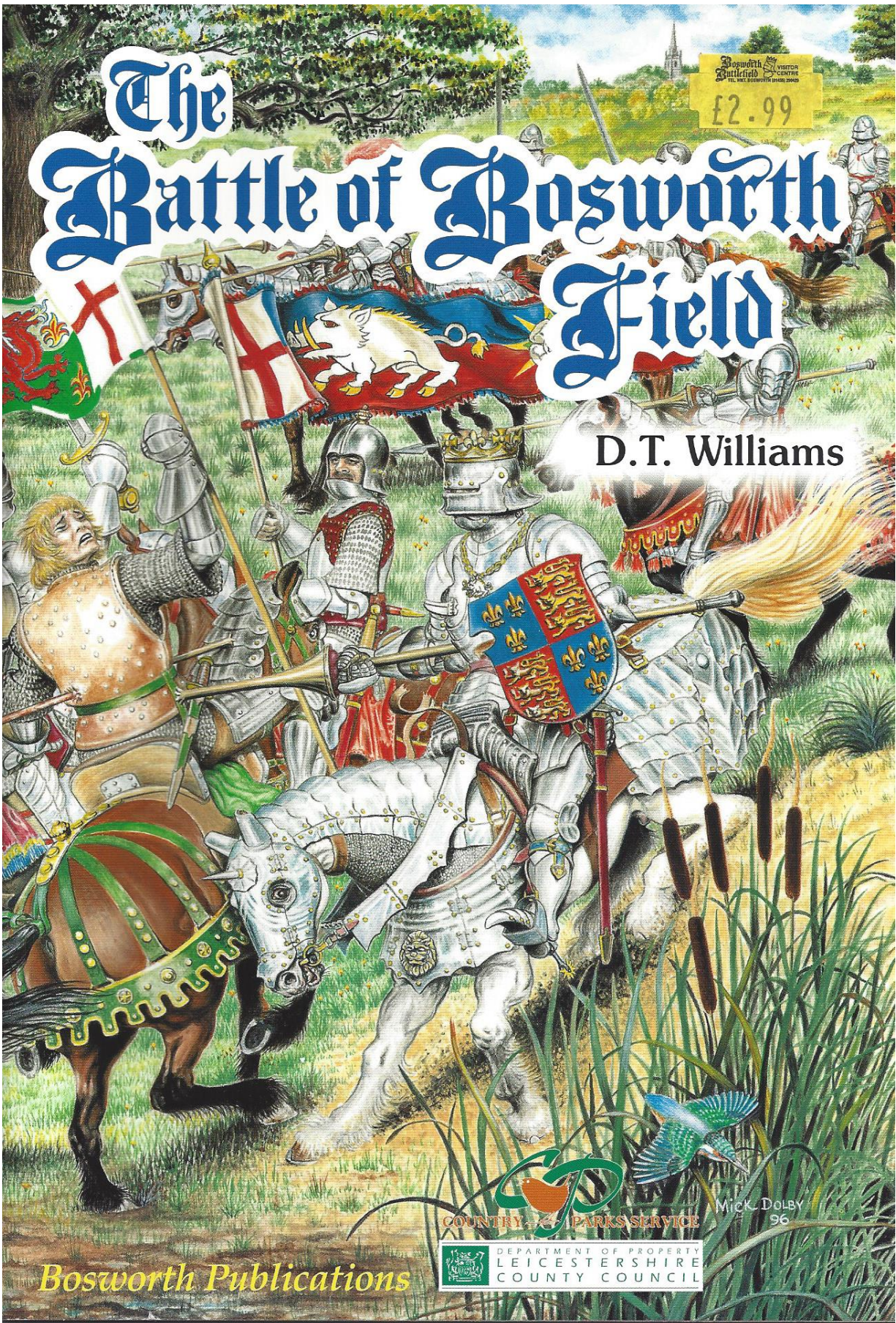


Minister Lovell and Bosworth Field

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Minster Lovell Hall





The Battle of Bosworth Field 1485

The legend of Dadlington Field and other battle sites

In the lead up to the celebrations that marked the 500th Anniversary of the Battle of Bosworth in 1985, public debate intensified regarding an alternative location to the current battle site that was championed by Danny Williams and interpreted by Leicestershire County Council. New documentary evidence was unveiled that suggested a different location, and the legend of Dadlington Field was created. Fuelled by media interest in Richard III, "England's Black Legend" and the most controversial of English monarchs, as well as a proliferation of new books on the subject of his life and death, the debate achieved national prominence.

Numerous other books have since been written and theories put forward as to the location of what is one of the three most important battles in English History. This culminated in 2002 when Michael Jones published a book entitled "Bosworth 1485: psychology of a battle." In this book Jones

moved the battle site some four miles from the traditional site at Ambion Hill to the villages near Atherstone, on the Leicestershire/Warwickshire county border.

What is the present position with regard to the debate as to the location of the battle of Bosworth?

Was Richard doomed by acts of treachery? Or were his own mistakes, exploited by his rival's tactical brilliance, the cause of his downfall?

Are we any nearer to solving these puzzles?

Can we finally determine where the last Plantagenet monarch, and the last English king to die leading his troops into battle, met his fate?

This leaflet sets out the principal theories relating to the location of the battle that are currently being researched, together with sources for further reading. The positions and locations of the armies prior to battle are discussed, but no description of the actual battle is included here. Most authors are agreed on the course of the fighting, and an explanatory account can be found in the Battlefield Guidebook.

D. T. Williams - 1973

This is the battlefield theory presently interpreted at the Bosworth Battlefield Visitor Centre and Country Park. It forms the basis of the Battlefield Trail on the site and is the account set out in the Guide Book on sale at the Visitor Centre shop.

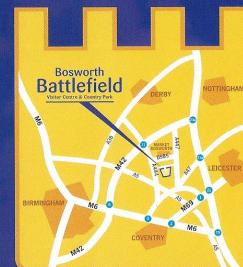
Access to the Battlefield

Access to Williams' battlefield interpretation is provided via the Battlefield Visitor Centre and along the sign posted Battlefield Trail.

Reading

Williams, D. T. (2001) The Battle of Bosworth Field, Leicestershire County Council, Leicestershire (Battlefield Guidebook).

Williams, D. (1985) The Ricardian, VII, 86 - 96.



Opening times:

The Battlefield Centre and Buttery are open from March to December.

1st April to 31st October:

Every day, 11am to 5pm

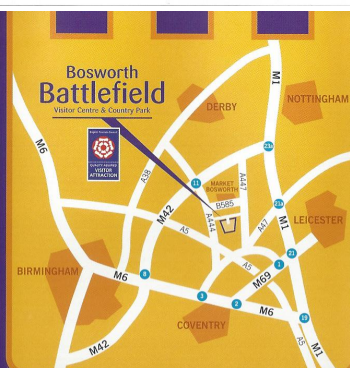
November to December

Sundays only, 11am to 4pm

March

Sat & Sunday only, 11am to 5pm

The Country Park and its waymarked paths are open all year.



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Entrance charges:

Adults £3.25 Concessions £2.25

Families £8.50 Car Parking £1.00

Special Family Ticket £6.00 Mon to Fri during school holidays

Special charges apply on living history and event days.

Special rates for school and group visits.

Electric scooter available - phone for details.

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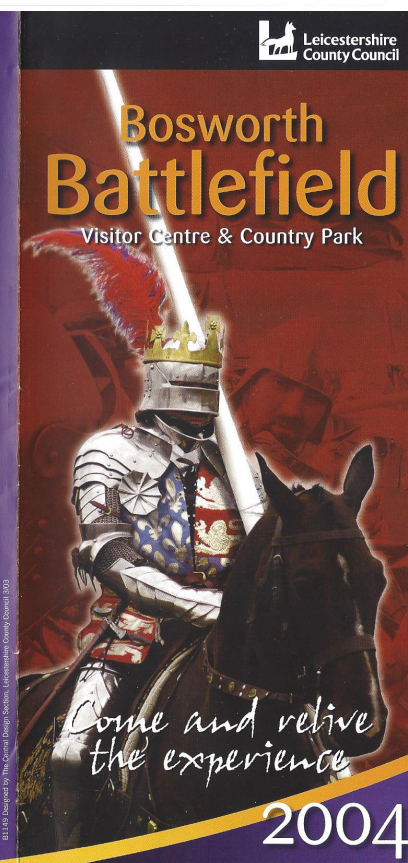
The first phase of the the revitalisation and redevelopment of the the Battlefield starts this year with the building of a new restaurant.

For more information contact:

Bosworth Battlefield Visitor Centre & Country Park
Sutton Cheney, Nr Market Bosworth, Nuneaton, CV13 0AD

Telephone 01455 290429

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www.leics.gov.uk



A Warm Welcome

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What's On: Thursday, 27th February 2003
Quiz night

It's going to be a real battle of the brains at our quiz night. Up to the challenge? Teams of up to 4 people, sandwiches provided. £4.00 per person.

The Blue Boar Inn rests in the village of Temple Grafton close to Stratford-upon-Avon. Boasting over four centuries of innkeepers, this quintessential English hostelry combines a relaxed country atmosphere with professional customer care. This is not an impersonal hotel lobby or lonely motel room, this is a homely, friendly establishment which treats its guests as individuals.





That's it! Your booking is complete. Thank you for choosing to travel with Aer Arann.
Below you will find your travel itinerary and terms and conditions of travel. All times displayed are local.

Aer Arann is a ticketless airline, therefore you will need to present your reference number at check in.
We suggest you **PRINT THIS PAGE AS A RECORD** of your booking and bring it with you to check-in.

Confirmation

Book date: 20 April 2004

Confirmation
number:

B16VAB

Status:

CONFIRMED (see payment details)

You will need to provide this confirmation number at check-in to receive your boarding card.

Going Out

From Birmingham (BHX) to Cork (ORK) - V Fare

Sunday, 22 Aug 04

Flight 406

Depart Birmingham (BHX) at 19:45 and arrive in Cork (ORK) at 21:15

Passenger Details

CHRISTOPHER BRENNEN
360 OLIVE TREE LANE
SIERRA MADRE
UNITED STATES

brennen@its.caltech.edu

16263558038 (Tel)

Passenger Information

2 Passengers:

Adult 1: CHRISTOPHER BRENNEN

Adult 2: KATHARINE BRENNEN

Pricing

Total for 2 Passengers

Fare price	£	46.18 GBP
Taxes	£	25.80 GBP
GB Tranx Fee	£	3.00 GBP

Payment

Payment via Credit Card

Form of payment	Visa
Payment Status	CONFIRMED
Cardholder name	Christopher Brenne

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Travelodge Cork (1)

22/08/04	Accommodation	S	59.00	
	Room Rate			
22/08/04	Settlement Visa/Delta			59.00
Invoice total in IEP			46.47	
1 IEP = 1.269738 EUR				

VAT Code %	Goods/Svcs	VAT	Total
S @ 12.5	52.44	6.56	59.00
Grand Total	52.44	6.56	59.00

Boat trip reservation

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Close

From: ken@skelligtrips.com [SMTP:ken@skelligtrips.com]

To: Brennen, Chris

Cc:

Subject: Re: Boat trip reservation

Sent: 6/23/2004 4:58 AM

Importance: Normal

Dear Sir,

Sorry for not emailing you sooner. The Boat leaves from PORTMAGEE Pier, co. Kerry at 10:30 am in the morning.

The price is 35 Euro per person.

If you wish to go please call me the night before to check if the weather is ok for the trip as all trips are weather permitting.

Please call 087 1209924 for the weather conditions.

I am out of the country at the moment but i will be back on the 27th of June so I may be slow to Email you untill but

I do confirm your booking for the 23 of August now

and again sorry for not emailing you sooner, I'm in Asia at the moment and hard to get to a PC here.

Many Thanks,

Kenneth Roddy/ Joe Roddy & Sons

Quoting "Brennen, Chris" <brennen@caltech.edu>:

> Ken:

>

> My wife and I would like to book a trip to Skellig Michael for Monday August

> 23. Can you confirm?

>

> Chris Brennen

> 360 Olive Tree Lane

> Sierra Madre

> California 91024

> USA

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Boat to Skellig Michael



Skellig Michael



Skellig Michael



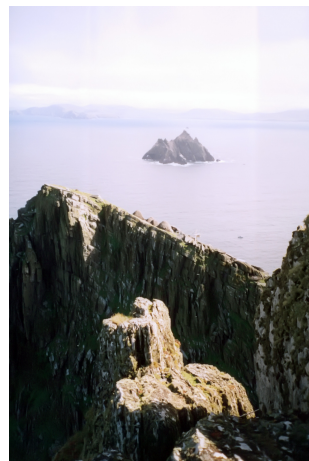
Skellig Michael



South Peak trail, Skellig Michael



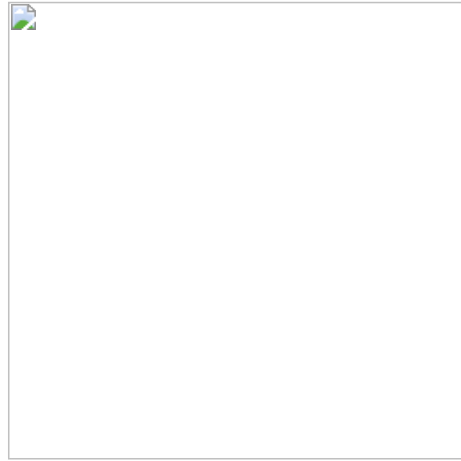
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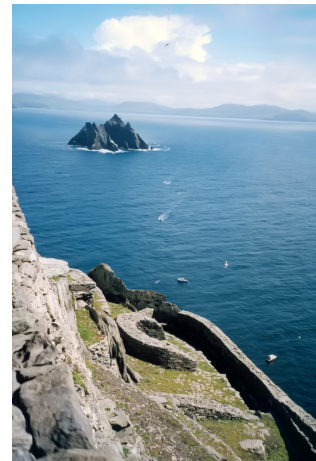
On South Peak, Skellig Michael



On trail to monastery, Skellig Michael



The Monastery, Skellig Michael



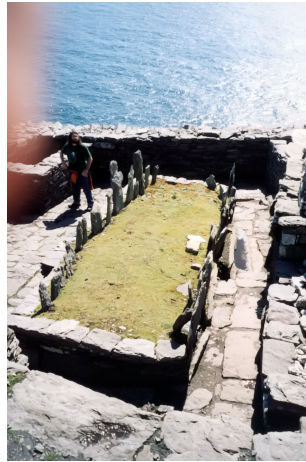
At the Monastery, Skellig Michael



At the Monastery, Skellig Michael



At the Monastery, Skellig Michael



At the Monastery, Skellig Michael



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Caherdaniel - Ring of Kerry - Ireland

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Local Attractions

Make an Enquiry

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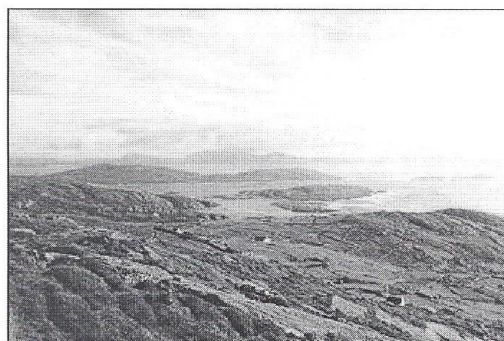
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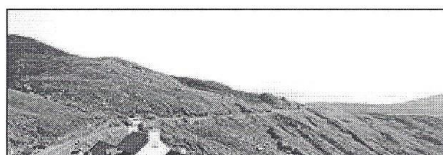
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Mr Christopher Brennen
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Room No. : 359
Arrival : 26.08.04
Departure : 27.08.04
Cashier : 9/BOS
Page : 1
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I N V O I C E 111338/1 Hotel Europe, Killarney, 27.08.04 10:15

Date	Description	Debit	Credit
26.08.	-Accommodation	153.00	
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Booking Receipt

Booking from 25/08/2004 to 26/08/2004

2 Adults and 0 Children

Rooms: 206 DB SMOK

Qty	Name	Sale Price	Sub-Total
1	Accom Centre	€123.50	€123.50
1	Bar Food 25/8/04	€27.50	€27.50
1	Bar Tip	€4.00	€4.00

Sub Total: €155.00

None: €0.00

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Gratuities: €0.00

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Balance Due: €155.00

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Dingle Peninsula



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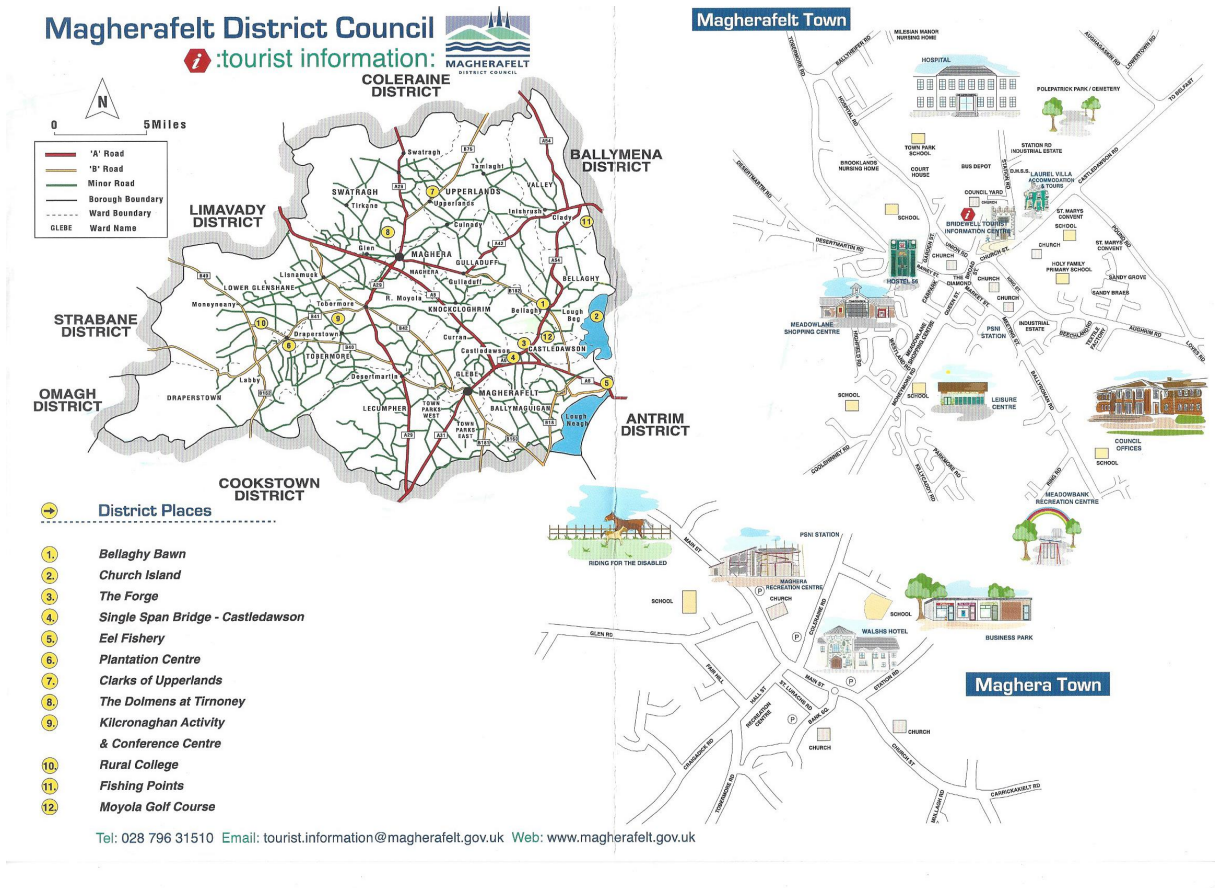
Killarney



Blarney Castle



Blarney Castle





THE TERRACE




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mon - thurs	fri - sun
Single Occupancy £49.95	Single Occupancy £49.95
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The New World Centre for Saint Patrick is located beside Saint Patrick's Grave within the ancient town of Downpatrick, medieval capital of County Down. The Centre is just 30 minutes from Belfast in Saint Patrick's Country between the Mourne Mountains and Strangford Lough. It provides a great family day out and is an important destination for visitors interested in Saints, Scholars and the Early Christian Church.



Facilities at the Centre include:

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- Tourist Information Centre
- Conference Facilities
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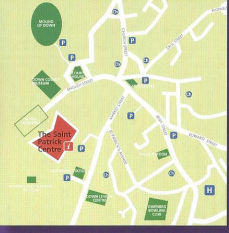
Low Season (October to March)	Mon - Sat	10.00 - 17.00
	Sunday	Open on request
Mid Season (April - May & Sept)	Mon - Sat	09.30 - 19.00
	Sunday	09.30 - 17.30
High Season (June - August)	Mon - Sat	09.30 - 17.30
	Sunday	13.00 - 17.30
	Mon - Sat	09.30 - 18.00
	Sunday	10.00 - 18.00

Please Note: Last admission to the exhibition is 1½ hrs before closing time.

Price List

Adults	£4.90
Children	£2.50
Concession	£3.30
Family (2 Adults and 2 Children)	£11.70
Adult Groups (25 or more)	£3.25
Children's Groups (25 or more)	£2.20
Senior Citizen Groups (25 or more)	£2.65


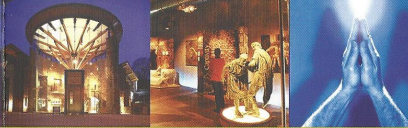

The Saint Patrick Centre is ideally located in the North of Ireland, some 2 ½ hours from Dublin and 40 minutes from Belfast.



The Saint Patrick Centre acts as a gateway for visitors to explore the sites associated with Saint Patrick throughout Ireland.

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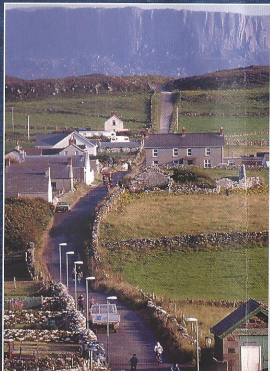
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Sail away for a trip to visit Rathlin Island, Northern Ireland's only inhabited offshore island, where you will discover a new perspective of living.



Rathlin Island.

Amidst the rugged landscape of this isolated island, you can let your mind wander and discover a tranquillity and beauty that is so unexpected.

The ferry to Rathlin Island travels just six miles across the "Sea Of Moyle". The Island is six miles long, one mile wide, "L" shaped and home to a small population of around seventy people.

Caledonian MacBrayne first started to operate the service to Rathlin several years ago and in that time have achieved easier access with the first roll-on roll-off service for everyone travelling across the sea.

Rathlin has a wide range of natural beauty to visit, explore and enjoy.

In the harbour is the Boathouse, where visitors can discover some of the exciting history, learn about present day Island life and see some artefacts from shipwrecks around the Island. A short walk on around to Mill Bay there is a colony of seals, who are fun to just sit and watch.

At the other side of the Harbour are two churches, St. Thomas's (Church of Ireland) and St. Mary's (Roman Catholic) where visitors can sit quietly or just admire the architecture.

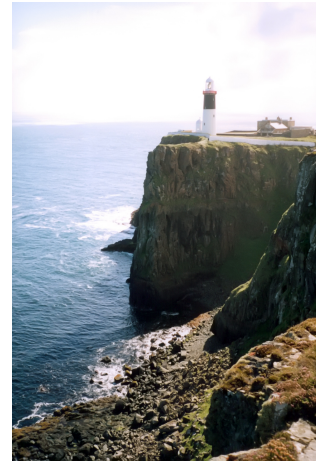
At the West of the Island is the renowned R.S.P.B. bird view point, where Puffins, Guillemots, Razorbills, Kittiwakes can be viewed during the summer months. It is also home to some magnificent views, on clear days Donegal and the North Antrim coastline and the Island of Islay and Peninsula of Kintyre, Scotland can be seen.

Journeying down to the Rue Point, you pass Ushet Lough where the Islanders regularly hold model yacht races, down at the Rue Point there is another colony of seals and a clear view of Fairhead and the coastline towards Ballycastle Town.

Over at the East Lighthouse is the site of the most significant achievements in recent history. Marconi and his assistants, Kemp and Glanville, set up the World's first commercial radio transmission across the water from Rathlin to Ballycastle in 1898.

Throughout the year special occasions are celebrated with ceilidhs. Music, song and dance remain at the heart of community life.





Rathlin Island



Bruce's Cave, Rathlin Island



Bruce's Castle and West End, Rathlin Island



South End, Rathlin Island



Titanic Ship, Belfast

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