

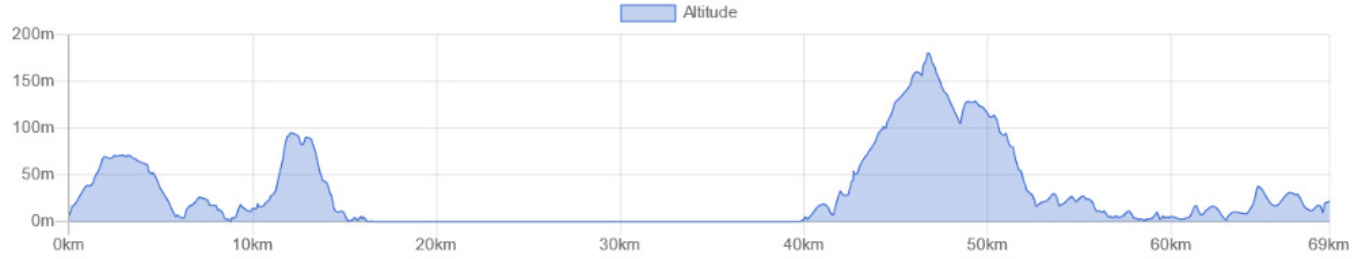
Tour of Ireland (Day 6)

Road

Distance : 69 km Elevation : 615 m Difficulty : 2

Start point : Cill Rónáin (Kilronan) End point : Lahinch





One of the most beautiful stages of the tour with on the program the island of Irishmore and the cliffs of Moher. Not many km, and it is so much the better, because we gladly take the time to stop to admire the beauty of the landscape.

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Inishmore

Kilronan (Cill Rónáin) is the only village on the island. And it will certainly be the only village where you will find food and lodging. Fortunately, tourists do not stay on the island. They spill out in tens in the morning and leave in the evening by the same ferry. I slept in Kilronan, which leaves me plenty of time to visit the island. It will certainly be the shortest stage of the tour. Actually, on the 69km to be covered, there is only 40km of bike, the rest is done by ferry. Take advantage of this short day to visit the island and especially its magnificent site, **Dun Aengus (Dún Aonghasa)**. The roads on the island of Inishmore are not very good. It is often necessary to set foot on land. Innumerable walls have been erected between the properties, some of which serve as natural enclosures for sheep.

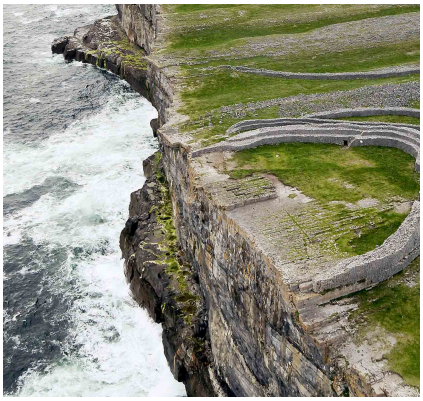
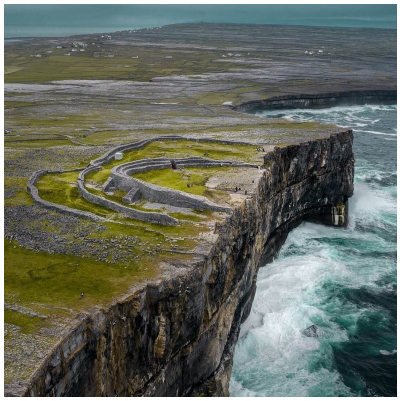
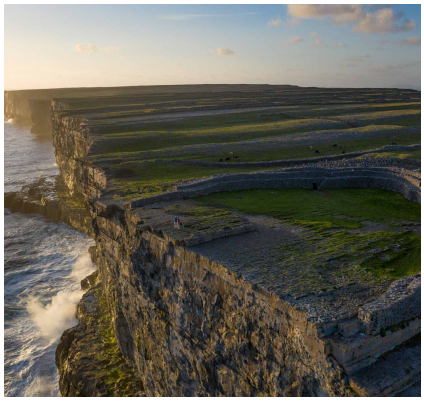


Inishmore and its sheep pens

Dun Aengus

On the way back to Kilronan, it is absolutely necessary to stop at the site of Dun Aengus, a stone citadel built on the cliff. These ruins are more than 2000 years old. Built in horseshoes, they were built to defend the island. The cliff here is 60m high. The pictures are not from me. They are aerial photos, certainly taken by plane or with the help of a drone. The site is splendid, seen from above.

> The visit of the site of Dun Aengus is done on foot. Go by bike to the parking lot. Entrance is free.

The Dun Aengus site

The Cliffs of Moher

The continuation takes place by ferry to the nearby village of **Doolin**. I could have stopped here and continued the next day, but I had planned to continue to **Ennistymon**. On the road between Doolin and Ennistymon, there is one of the most visited tourist sites on the planet, **Cliffs of Moher**. Many tourists, therefore, more than one million per year, come to admire the sea view from the cliffs. And it is true that the view is amazing. You have to leave your bike on the parking lot at the bottom of the dunes and go up on foot. Plan to change your shoes, because the approach walk is painful but really worth it. The height of the cliffs can exceed 200m high. There is also a small museum that serves as an entry point.



The cliffs of Moher

The end of the day continues towards Ennistymon where I didn't find a place to stay. So I went to **Lahinch**, a nice little town where you can find B&B, as well as many small restaurants and pubs. It was a beautiful day between the island of Inishmore and its citadel, then the cliffs of Moher, perhaps the most beautiful day.