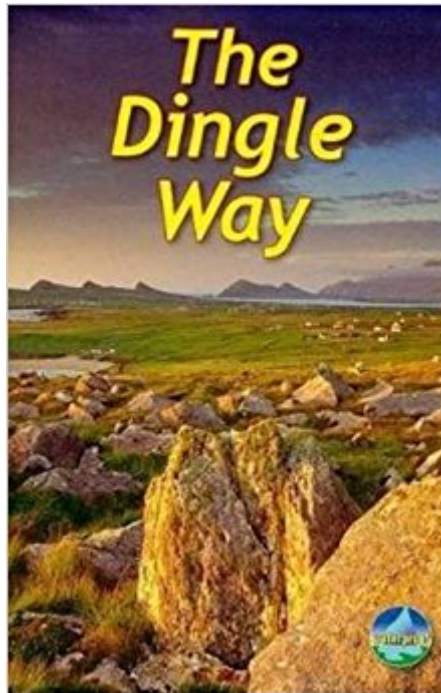




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Synopsis

The Dingle Way runs 111 miles (179 km) around the beautiful Dingle Peninsula. It starts and finishes in Tralee, accessible by train or bus from Dublin and from Kerry Airport. The complete walk takes eight days, but it can easily be shortened. The Dingle Way follows country lanes, quiet roads and cliff-top paths, punctuated by long stretches of glorious beach walking. It offers spectacular seascapes and mountain views. The peninsula is rich in wildlife, archaeology and charming Irish pubs. This guidebook was fully revised in spring 2009 for many route alterations and additional Gaelic place names. It contains all you need to plan and enjoy your holiday on the Dingle Way: the Way in sections, with summaries of distance, terrain and where to find food and drink; concise background on pre-history, heritage and wildlife; information about climbing Mount Eagle and Mount Brandon; a special feature on the Blasket Islands; planning information for travel by car, train, bus or plane; drop-down map of the Dingle Way in four panels (1:115,000); in full colour, with 70 photographs; and, on waterproof paper throughout.

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Customer Reviews

Sandra Bardwell is a dedicated, lifelong walker who also works as an archivist and historian. In her native Australia, she wrote extensively about bushwalking and national parks. Now based in Scotland, she writes walking guides for Lonely Planet and Rucksack Readers. She hiked the Dingle Way in 2003 to research this book. Jacquetta Megarry is an enthusiastic walker turned publisher. She devised the Rucksack Reader format to suit the needs of hikers, and walked the Dingle Way in

2003 to provide photographs for this book.

This book is a helpful general overview of the Way, with itineraries, general information, and basic maps. The maps aren't a substitute for the Ordnance Survey map of the peninsula -- you will absolutely need to have a more detailed map than this book can provide. The book also contains some information about the history and archaeology of the peninsula. If you were to purchase only one book for historical and cultural information about the peninsula, though, I would suggest Steve McDonogh's 'The Dingle Peninsula,' as it has greater depth and breadth than a slim volume like this can provide. One minor quibble -- I found the distances listed in the itineraries to be consistently incorrect, sometimes substantially so. Once we figured this out, we calculated our distances from the Ordnance Survey maps, and were able to estimate our walking times more accurately.

This is a very cool book with a good spiral binding that allows you to flip through the pages as you make the hike. It briefly describes what you see along the hike at each part, a brief historical significance, and detailed description on how to continue following the trail. Although check other reviewers who have used it because there was one review that said at one point it's not well marked. This was gift for friends who are going to the Dingle Peninsula and they didn't even know about this walk and were thrilled to get the book. Great idea.

I bought a copy of this before hiking the Dingle Way in Ireland. It's a good guide and I gave it to another hiker when I finished. When I got back home to the U.S. I purchased a second copy to show friends and family the route. It has beautiful photos and background/historical information in addition to the route info.

Highly recommended if you are hiking the Dingle Peninsula. We found it very useful.

Compact, informative, good maps, fits in jacket pocket and waterproof, easy to fold and unfold. It is coming with me to the Dingle peninsula this April. Nice product.

Good guide book - I do not think this is the latest edition.

Excellent book with detailed information for every stage of the hike. The detail in this book convinced us that we could actually go do the trek. We bought two other books on walks in Ireland

and none of the others were nearly as good as this one for the Dingle Way. The others were more overviews. This was a very specific trail guide with precise distances, markers, turns etc.

Excellent,, but missing newer trails. its in your pocket, too!

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