

The Wild Atlantic Way - now available as a €7,777 cycling package

2 wheels, 54 nights, 2,500km.



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Cycling the Mamore Gap, Inishowen, Co. Donegal.

Irelandways.com is offering a 2,500km Wild Atlantic Way cycling package at a cost of up to €7,777 per person.

The package will include bike hire, luggage transfers, 54 nights' accommodation, breakfast and dinners in high season (April to October), according to a spokesperson.

Early bird bikers can bag a 10pc discount if they book a 2015 holiday before the end of this year, she added, bringing the price down to €7,318pps.

That equates to roughly €143.50pp per day.

IrelandWays.com is a new venture from Greenlife Tours Ltd., an Irish-registered company that runs CaminoWays.com - offering walking and cycling tours along the Camino de Santiago - and FrancigenaWays.com, which specialises in the Camino to Rome.

The 54-night Wild Atlantic Way offer does not yet appear online, but is available as a complete package for cyclists, combining 11 different 'stages' of the Wild Atlantic Way.



Stages range from four to eight nights and can also be booked individually.

A five-night stage bundling bike hire, accommodation, breakfast, dinner, luggage transfers and a holiday pack from Ballina to Donegal, for example, is priced at €620pp.

Distances on the 54-night package range from 21km to 54km per day, though experienced cyclists can also combine days to cover more ground (and presumably lower the price), a spokesperson for the company told Independent.ie Travel.

Irelandways.com, which will officially launch in January, is also offering self-guided packages along the Wicklow Way, Ring of Kerry and on the Aran Islands, among other Irish destinations.

A 2,500km walking package is not available - "yet".

The reason for this, the company says, is that available walking trails "don't always link up with each other," and its suggested routes are mainly off-road.

The Wild Atlantic Way launched this April, and is said to be the world's longest defined coastal touring route.

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