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*Particulars of a comfortable Country Home*  
SKIBBEREEN, CO. CORK  
IN THE BEAUTIFUL SOUTH WEST OF IRELAND

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## SITUATION AND DESCRIPTION

**INTRODUCTION:** Cead Mile Failte (a hundred thousand welcomes) is your introduction to, and certainly the greeting you come to expect from the friendly people of West Cork and Kerry.

To Support that welcome, we believe that our visitors should have a comfortable and well appointed base from which to enjoy their holiday. EDENS EDGE reflects that intention, both in its facilities and its location.

Eden`s Edge is a modern fully equipped and centrally heated bungalow with a bespoke cottage interior, from the quaintness of ledge & brace doors with traditional Suffolk thumb latches to the practical and hygienic provision of contract laminates. The main living area is large, light & airy & adjoins the open plan and fully fitted and equipped country pine kitchen. There is an additional living room new for our 2018 season. This has been designed either as a quiet retreat to perhaps read a little whilst enjoying the early morning sunshine with views over the front garden; or even as a separate venue for the younger members of the family to play some board games or enjoy their media. We are WiFi enabled for a top up at our local 3 store. This second living room has a new delux bed settee designed for and comfortable for 2 adults.

Sleeping arrangements are facilitated by three double ground level bedrooms each fitted with a double bed. The new living room converts to a bedroom with the delux bed settee and there is a single bedroom located in the southern gable end popular with teenagers as it is a bit of a den. We are able to sleep 9 people.

Eden`s Edge has a redesigned bathroom with modern tiles, lighting and sanitary ware. We have replaced the bath/shower arrangement with a spacious 1200 x 900 low profile show cubical fitted a pumped electric shower. The property also has a utility/ironing room and guests have access to all facilities including, washing machine ,iron ,dishwasher, hair drier, TV, DVD, music centre with a wide selection of CD`s, videos books and games. Finally a well stocked linen cupboard reflects this home from home.

The property is set in its own half acre amid lawns and ornamental shrubs. Garden furniture is provided for the comfort of our guests. There is a large wild bird population that visit our feeding station and from time to time larger visitors put in an appearance from the grey heron to the bushy tailed fox.

Eden`s Edge is just two and a half miles from the small sandy beaches of Tralispeen and Tragumma with its blue flag award and one and a half miles from Skibbereen, a market town and capital of the one hundred Carbery Isles that dot the western shores. Nine miles to our west lies the pretty harbour town of Baltimore and the ferry gateway to the islands.

Beautiful Ireland is a collection of lakes, rivers, woods, mountain ranges, spectacular beaches and wonderful seascapes. Numerous houses and gardens are open to the public for your enjoyment. Add to this the magical and historical, from standing stones and fairy forts, castles and monasteries to the stories of ancient princes and pirates and you will just be starting your adventure into what is arguably the most exciting destination in Western Europe.

Skibbereen is a traditional seaside town providing all the facilities for the local community and surrounding area. It has many supermarkets, restaurants, and music venues. There is a modern leisure centre and a Heritage Centre, the latter providing an Audio Visual presentation of the history and times of The Great Famine. The programme is supported by a delightful insight into Loch Hyne and area. This is our own Marine Nature Reserve surrounded by woods and loch side walks.

Your holiday can be as peaceful or as exciting as you wish. Enjoy the outstanding scenery from your car, on quiet roads and mountain passes; and you will find that there is unlimited scope for walks and picnics. Also enjoy the unspoilt beaches which even in the height of the season leave you with a feeling of freedom.

**EVENTS:** Tourism is an important way of life for this region. Many facilities encapsulating the traditional spirit of the area are provided for the visitors. Throughout the main season street festivals feature in all main towns and villages, colourful bunting and music abounds. These events are supported by agricultural shows, regattas and social gatherings of a wide and varied nature.

**ANCIENT IRELAND:** This is magical land, steeped in history and folklore. Some of the best preserved monuments to the past can be found here, from wedge tombs and stone circles, to early Christian influences. The small islands of Sherkin and Cape Clear, closely located off our western tip, are all that is left of Europe's most westerly mountain ranges. These can be reached by a short ferry ride from Baltimore. Cape Clear, reportedly, was the starting point for St. Keiran (200 or more years before Ireland's better known Patron Saint).

**WHALE & DOLPHIN WATCHING** can also be undertaken from the cliffs or boats off this island or from charters out from Baltimore.



*Walking on Sherkin Island*

The Skellig Islands off the coast of Kerry are National Monuments to this early Christian Heritage and boast perhaps the best collection of beehive huts (dry stone, hand built monastic cells), anywhere in the world. These Islands are also a sanctuary for many varieties of sea birds and seals.

**PLACES OF INTEREST:**

The region is made up of four peninsulars, separated by drowned valleys. The sea and the influences of the Gulf Stream are never far away wherever you travel. Each peninsula is different in its own way, but the breathtaking scenery and spectacular views remain constant, particularly so on some of the mountain passes such as Healy Pass and Gap of Dunlow. Lower

down Fushia hedgerows and wild flowers brighten the roadside and banks, whilst a number of gardens, open to the public, contain many shrubs and trees suited to this soft climate. A visit to Bantry House and Muckcross House is highly recommended, the latter



*Barley Cove*



*Healy Pass*

being situated in the Killarney National Park. Here a boat ride across the famous lakes or a trip in a jaunting cart can be enjoyed. A visit to the Kerry Bog Museum or the Working Farms Exhibit are both highly recommended. Here you will see rural life as it used to be lived and the attention to detail is remarkable. Actors in period dress are provided at the Working Farms Exhibit and we are certain that children will enjoy the farm animals.



*Tralispeen / Tragumna Bay*

### **PONY TREKING:**

Local stables provide this facility and visitors are always welcome. The geography of the area and the quiet roads lend themselves well to this pastime.

**GOLF:** there is a good course approximately 1 mile from your accommodation bordering the Lough Hyne Marine Nature Reserve. There are also a large number of other courses within our immediate region, details can be supplied on request or from the Tourist Office.



*Exploring local castles*



*Coastal Drive above Zetland Pier*

**SAILING:** The Sheltered bays and inlets provide ideal grounds for sailing, There are centres at Baltimore, Bantry, Schull, Crookhaven and Castle Townsend to name but a few. Ask us about access to our mooring in Baltimore.

**WALKING:** South West Cork and Kerry is a walkers paradise. You can scramble along the rocks of the shore line discovering the abundant marine life. Whilst inland mountains and gentle wooded slopes stretch on and on before you. There are many established walks both long and short. Also guided events containing historical content and provided with gentle family outings in mind throughout the season. Having been invited to the launch of the new Drimoleague Heritage trail, we feel we would be able to assist you get the very best from a more energetic walking holiday including the Mizzen and Sheeps Head Way. Books and further information can be obtained from tourist offices.



*Colourful flower meadows on coastal walks around Tragumma Bay*

**CYCLING:** This is a popular pastime for many visitors, as the pace of life is most suited to this pursuit. The owners of Edens Edge have prepared some suggested rides, which range from gentle outings to real adventures. Cycles can be hired locally with full details available on request.

**BIRD WATCHING:** These western shores are the first stopping point for many birds who have traversed the Atlantic. In addition the shore-line and rocky outcrops are home for abundant colonies of sea birds.

**FISHING:** Deep lakes abound and the brown trout is indigenous in most of these. There is often no cost involved, but in stocked lakes you will find the prices pleasantly surprising. The coastal waters provide many species of fish too numerous to list. Fishing for Mackerel and Pollock from the rocks is very productive, boat trips are available from a number of local angling centres.

**DARK SKYS - STAR WATCHING:** This area is a wonderful location to view the night sky without the glare of artificial lighting. We have visitors who come specifically for that experience.

**SERVICES:** The Tourist Office in Skibbereen and Clonakilty will provide you with a wealth of information about the area. A local representative of the owners is on hand in close proximity to your accommodation, she will be pleased to assist you wherever possible.

**CHURCH SERVICES:** All church services are catered for in Skibbereen, Church of Ireland, Christian Brethren, Methodist and Catholic. Bantry Christian Fellowship has been very welcoming to our visitors who have been made to feel really at home.



*Cliff top walk above the Warren Strand, Rosscarbery*



## Prices are based on the accommodation and not per person. Our tariff per week follows:-

	Max 2 persons	Max 5 persons	6 to 9 persons
<b>M</b> The price structure is as follows			
	£	£	£
<b>APRIL</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>
<b>MAY</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>275.00</b>	<b>325.00</b>
<b>JUNE weeks 1 + 2</b>	<b>270.00</b>	<b>295.00</b>	<b>350.00</b>
<b>JUNE weeks 3 + 4</b>	<b>290.00</b>	<b>350.00</b>	<b>390.00</b>
<b>JULY weeks 1 + 2</b>	<b>355.00</b>	<b>395.00</b>	<b>450.00</b>
<b>JULY weeks 3 + 4</b>	<b>445.00</b>	<b>475.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>
<b>AUGUST</b>	<b>470.00</b>	<b>495.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>
<b>SEPT weeks 1 + 2</b>	<b>355.00</b>	<b>425.00</b>	<b>475.00</b>
<b>SEPT weeks 1 + 2</b>	<b>290.00</b>	<b>350.00</b>	<b>400.00</b>
<b>CHRISTMAS</b>	<b>325.00</b>	<b>375.00</b>	<b>450.00</b>
<b>REST OF YEAR</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>

**Additional Costs:-** A small additional charge is made for energy which includes electric and heating oil. You will use more energy than you are charged for but the additional cost helps to keep our house costs down for those visitors that are hardly ever in.

**Linen:-** We like to make up our beds unless otherwise instructed. A laundry charge of 20 Euro for the first bed and 7 Euro for each bed thereafter, including all towels etc enables us to have these professionally washed and dried through our House Keeping Services. Please leave this payment with your linen at the end of your stay.

### **Discounted Ferry Prices**

We have some very good deals with Stena Line and we are able to undercut the keenest internet price. Please allow us to provide you with a quote.

**For further details please contact**

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**Due to fire regulations we regret that Edens Edge is a non smoking property.**

**All details correct at time of press**