

Glengarriff, County Cork, Ireland

Warmed by the Gulf Stream, this tiny Cork village punches well above its weight — subtropical gardens on an island in the bay, a resident seal colony, and ancient Irish oak woods all within minutes of the tender pier.

 Tender port (no pier)

 Typical call: 6–8 hrs

 Currency: Euro (€)

 Language: English (Irish on signs)

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender — ships anchor in Bantry Bay; boats to Glengarriff Pier

Best For: Garinish Island gardens, seal watching, woodland walks

Walk to village: 5–10 min from tender pier to village centre

Don't Miss: Ferry to Garinish Island — book the earliest tender to fit it in

Getting around:  Taxi  €27–€35 to Bantry

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Garinish Island (Innacullin) Gardens** — Board the Blue Pool Ferry or Harbour Queen for a 15-min crossing to this world-famous island garden.
- Bantry House & Gardens** — A 15-minute drive brings you to one of Ireland's great 18th-century stately homes.
- Caha Pass Mountain Drive** — Hire a driver or join a tour for the spectacular road over the Caha Mountains toward Kenmare.
- Glengarriff Woods Nature Reserve** — One of Ireland's best-preserved ancient oak forests, a 20-minute walk or short taxi ride from the pier.
- Blue Pool & Village Wander** — The Blue Pool is a magical tidal inlet right behind the village where river meets sea — perfect for a short woodland walk and harbour views at no cost.

BEST WALKS

- Tender Pier to Village & Blue Pool Loop** 1.5 km · 20–30 min · Easy · Free — From the tender pier, walk into the village past craft shops and pubs, then follow the signs to the Blue Pool — a serene tidal pool where a short woodland boardwalk...
- Glengarriff Woods Nature Reserve** 2–4 km · 1–1.5 hrs · Easy to moderate · Free — A short taxi or 20-min walk from the village brings you to ancient sessile oak woodland with several looped trails.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

 **CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)**

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	55°	42°	13d
Jun	64°	52°	17d
Aug	65°	54°	19d
Sep	63°	52°	16d
Oct	57°	48°	18d

 **DAYLIGHT & MONEY**

Apr 6:41AM–8:35PM · Jun 5:19AM–9:58PM · Aug 6:23AM–9:00PM · Sep 7:13AM–7:52PM · Oct 8:03AM–6:43PM

Currency: Euro (€)

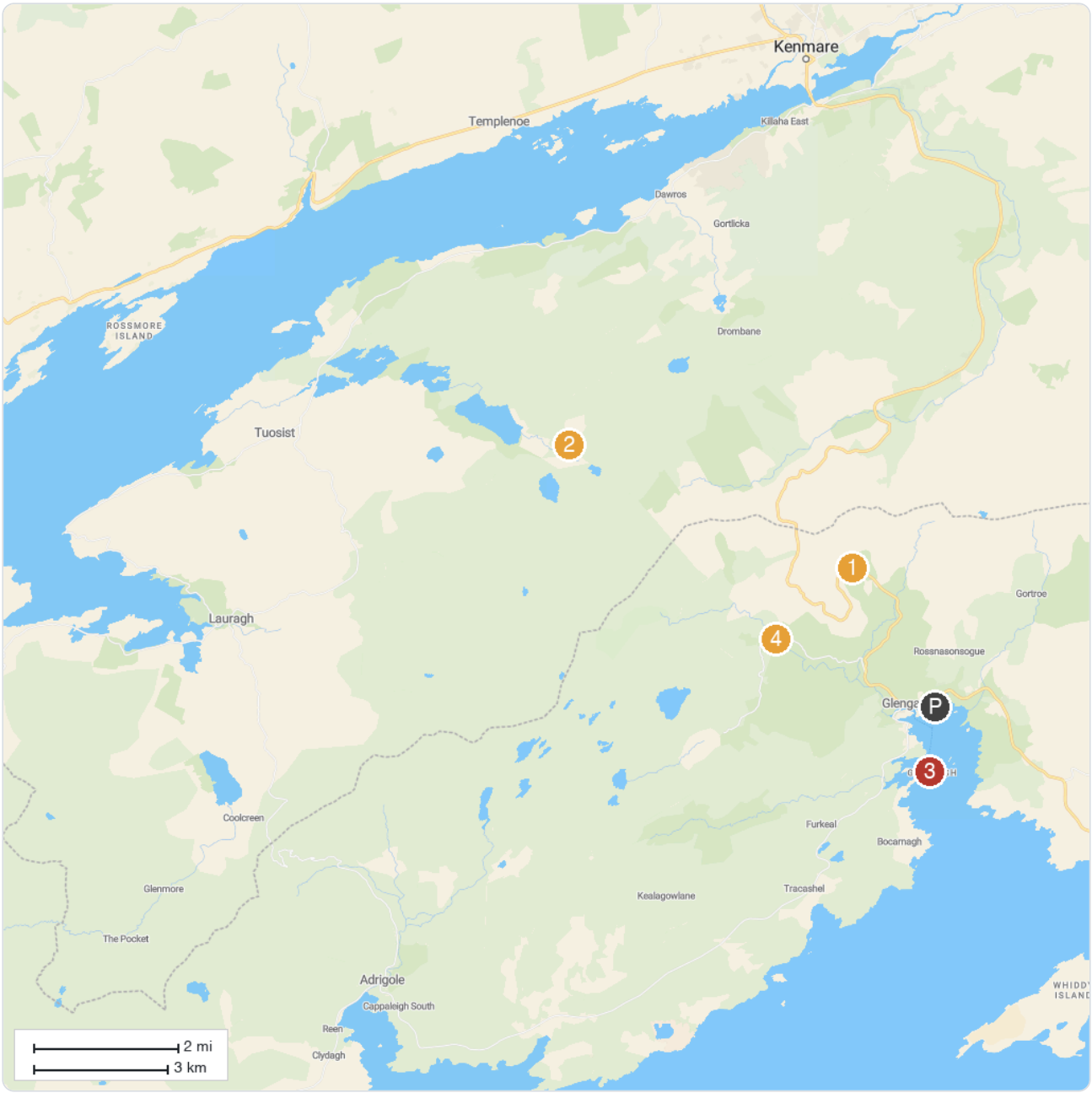
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Get an early tender ticket. If Garinish Island is on your list — and it should be — collect your tender number as soon as the desk opens. The ferry and the island take 2–3 hours minimum.
- Rain jacket is non-negotiable. The Gulf Stream keeps it mild but West Cork showers arrive fast. Pack a waterproof layer even on sunny mornings.
- Carry some euro cash. Small ferry operators and craft stalls sometimes prefer cash. ATMs are very limited in the village, so withdraw on the ship or in advance.
- Pre-book taxis if going beyond the village. Local cab availability is extremely limited. Arrange transport through the ship or a local operator before you arrive.
- Quills Woollen Market is the best stop for authentic Aran knitwear and tweed — genuine Irish craft, not imported tat.
- Watch for harbour seals on the Garinish ferry crossing. The local colony is remarkably relaxed around boats and gives excellent photo opportunities.

Glengarriff, County Cork, Ireland — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- 1

The Ewe Experience

An interactive sculpture garden and nature trail for all ages.
- 2

Gleninchaquin Park

Private park with stunning waterfalls, hiking trails, and scenic views.
- 3

Garinish Island (Oileán Garinis)

Island with beautiful Italianate gardens, accessible by ferry.
- 4

Pooleen Wood

Native woodland with walking trails and scenic views of the bay.
- P

Cruise port / terminal