
Teach Eimear - is a newly built detached cottage with three plus en-suite bedrooms, entrance hall, kitchen / dining area, lounge with an open fireplace and cloakroom. It is in the middle of the Rannafast Gaeltacht on a peninsula between the villages of Annagry and Crolla with views of both the sea and islands to the west and Mount Errigal inland. The location is quiet and peaceful with ample parking and is an ideal touring base to explore the North West. It is a short drive to the foot of Errigal, Bun beg and Glenveagh to the north and Dungloe to the south.



The cottage is a few minutes from the world famous Leo's Tavern, home of Clannad and Enya, which provides excellent food in a family friendly atmosphere and regular nights of traditional music. There are many other good restaurants and pubs nearby to suit a variety of tastes. As you would expect, with the Atlantic on the doorstep the sea food is first rate.



The house is 1km to shops pubs etc. at Annagry and about 1.5km to Crolla. For the golfer Cruit Links and Gweedore Golf Clubs are around 15 minutes away. In the surrounding area you will find rugged peninsulas, clean beaches and mountains with miles of country roads, lanes, mountain tracks, lakes and rivers for walkers and anglers.

There are numerous beaches nearby, particularly popular is the blue flag beach at Carrickfinn 10 minutes away.

Facilities

There are three large en-suite double bedrooms on the ground floor. Upstairs are a further two very large en-suite bedrooms. One of the upstairs rooms has a bed settee and can be used as a large double bedroom or a further reception room.

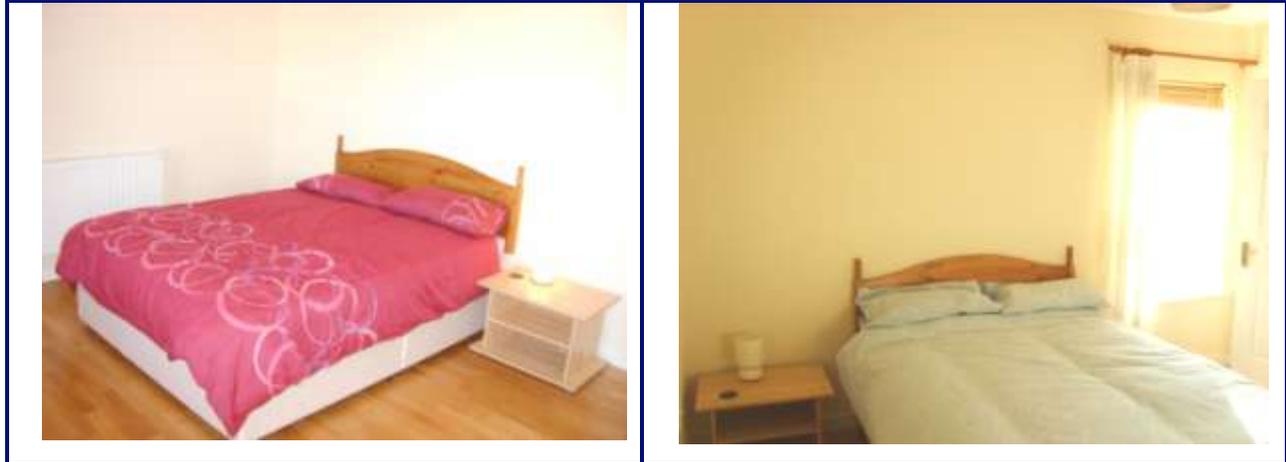
The house has modern central heating and double glazing with an open fire in the sitting room. The house has wooden and tiled floors throughout.



The fully fitted kitchen and dining table with 6 chairs provides great entertainment area and includes electric oven and hob, microwave, fridge / freezer, washing machine, iron and ironing board.

Downstairs bedrooms : Two large double bedroom, and one good sized double bedroom. All bedrooms are en-suite.

Linen is supplied free of charge (please supply your own towels). Oil and electricity is supplied. A cot, travel cot and high chair are available on request.



Prices

This is a new house and for its first year as a holiday home, prices have been set at the 2007-2008 rates. Peak season the cost is €650 - April to October, Easter, Christmas and New Year. Off Peak the cost is €500.

Rental is Saturday to Saturday, check in 4.00p.m. and check out by 11:00 a.m.

Booking deposit is €100 per week. Balance to be paid by cheque ten working days before booking date. Use of additional space may be considered at a nominal rate, to cover costs.



Eating out: The world famous Leo's Tavern is as most of the local restaurants very family friendly. This is the family home of Clanad and Enya. Other hotels and restaurants in the area include Caislean Oir and Danny Minnies.

About the area

The cottage is in **Ranafast** between the villages of Annagry and Crolly. **Ranafast** is a peninsula on the Atlantic Ocean, within the 'Rosses'. It is part of the 'Gaeltacht' or predominantly **Irish speaking area of West Donegal**.

There are hundreds of beautiful beaches and the nearby blue flag beach at Carrickfinn overlooking Gola Island is widely known. The local airport provides regular flights to key cities in Ireland, including Dublin, to Derry and to Glasgow in Scotland.



What goes on in the area.

This is an area with a rich tradition of music and is home to such well known acts as Daniel O'Donnell, Clannad, Altan and Enya.

There are numerous Beaches, Restaurants, Hotels and Bars with entertainment from local to international artists. Irish music and dancing is ongoing throughout the area and can be found at the many festivals including the International Mary from Dungloe festival.

Local activities and attractions worth a visit

There are opportunities for fishing, golf, walking, climbing, classes in Irish language culture and dance and watersports, such as swimming, canoeing, sailing, surfing and sub-aqua diving and. The coastline and abundance of fresh water rivers and lakes are well provided with salmon and trout, so fishing is one of the most popular activities in the area. Boats can be hired or rented for deep sea angling.

The cottage is central to harbours where charter boats and ferries operate, such as Bunbeg, Burtonport and Kinkasslagh, the home of Daniel O'Donnell. Arrangements can be made at the ports for sight-seeing, visiting the local islands including Gola and Aranmore or sea fishing. Permits, angling maps and guides can also be arranged.

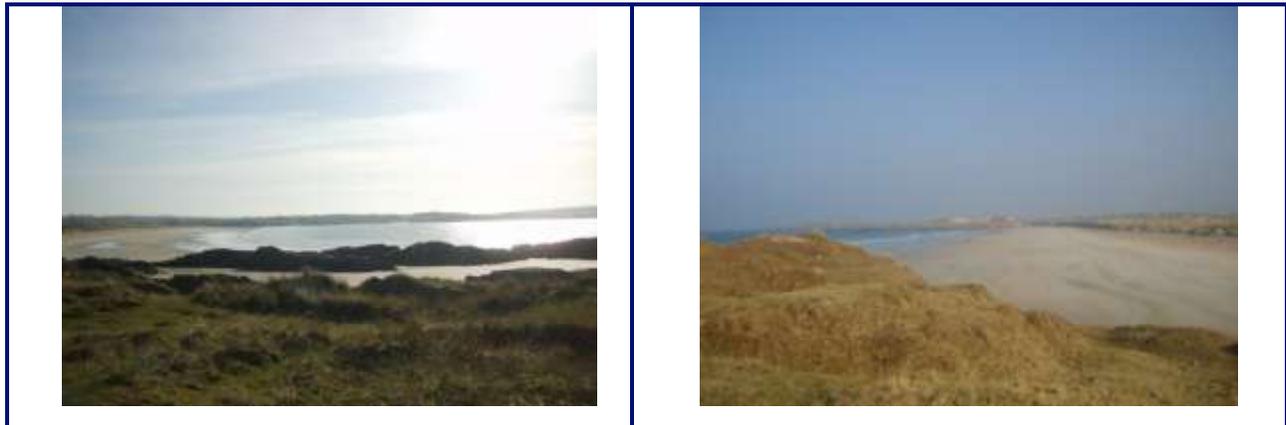


Hill walking and coastal walks along beautiful beaches are popular, whilst the nearby Derryveagh Mountains can provide a greater challenge. Errigal can be seen from the house and Muckish is also close by.

Glenveagh National Park has 16,000 hectares of mountains, lakes, wood and bogs, the largest red deer population in Europe and a fairytale castle on the edge of a lake. There

are guided tours in the castle, and you can explore the grounds with their wonderful gardens.

Ionad Cois Locha – Dunlewy Lakeside Centre is a family oriented attraction 15 minutes away with a boat trip around the lake, audio-visuals, farm yard with animals and pets, storytelling, children's adventure play area, restaurant / tea-rooms, craft shop, and weaving demonstrations and pony trekking.



Mary from Dungloe festival. There are a number of festivals throughout the year, many are to do with fishing, but the big event, not to be missed if you're here at the time; is the annual 'Mary From Dungloe Festival' held in late July. (In Dungloe.)

- Golf at Gweedore or Cruit Island Golf Club, with its' challenging 9 hole course.;
- Local, award winning restaurants include: Danny Minnies and Caisleain Oir in Annagry; Neddies and Bonners in Mullaghduff; and the Lobster Pot and Skippers Tavern in Burtonport;
- Bloody Foreland is furthest north of the many breath taking wild Atlantic views and unspoilt beaches along the Rosses and Gweedore coastline;
- Errigal and Muckish in the Derryveagh mountains are only 15 minutes drive away.
- Relax in the Leisure Centre or health spa of An Chuir Hotel, visit the 'Crolly Doll' Shop in Annagary; or take a day trip to the islands - Aranmore, Tory Island or Gola;
- Fish for salmon on the Clady river or charter boat trips from Kincasslagh Pier

More about the Gaeltacht

The Irish Language is spoken by most locals and the area remains dedicated to the Irish culture. Every summer Ranafast is filled with students from other parts of Ireland and beyond who come to the area, stay with local families and improve their Irish language skills. The **Irish college** in the area is called Coláiste Bhríde (St. Brigid's College) Famous locals include writers Séamus Ó Grianna and Seosamh Mac Grianna, and international musicians Enya, Clannad, Skara Brae.



The name (**Rosses**) comes from the Irish 'Ros'; for headland. The area includes the towns of Annagary, Kincasslagh, Ranafast, Dungloe, Doochary and Lettermacaward; - as well as the inhabited islands of Arranmore, Inisfree, Iniscoragh, Owey and Cruit. The district has a geography presenting a rocky, almost barren landscape, studded with a myriad of lakes, coastal sea inlets and numerous offshore islands.