



# Geokaun Mountain

## Gnéithe muirdhreacha Features in the seascape

# An Geocán



“un gyow-KAWN”



Is é an Geocán an pointe is airde ar Dhairbhre. Ó mhullach na sléibhe, tá radharc 360 céim den oileán le fáil amach chomh fada leis na Scealga.

- Is ó thuaidh atá Leithinis an Daingin.
- Má bhogann tú do radharc ar deiseal, feicfidh tú crainn stáisiún raidió an gharda cósta, stáisiún atá freagrach as daoine a threorú trasna an Atlantaigh go sábháilte ó 1914 anonn.
- Tá cál ar an gcairéal scláta, scláta a bhain cál amach mar ábhar ar ardchaighdeán agus a úsáideadh nuair a bhí áras ceoldrámaíochta Pháras agus Pálás Westminster i Londain á dtóigáil, agus do bhoird bhilléardaí go leor, lena n-áirítear boird a rinneadh do Dhiúc Wellington agus don Bhanrón Victoria.
- Bhí lonnaíocht ag na Lochlannaigh ar Bheiginis sa 10ú haois. Blianta ina dhiaidh sin, d'fhanfadh píolótaí anseo chun longa a thabhairt isteach go Cuan Bhéil Inse.
- Tá ártháí á dtreorú ag an teach solais isteach tríd an mbealach isteach ó thuaidh de Chuan Bhéil Inse ó 1841 anonn.
- Is é Baile an Ridire príomhbhaile Dhairbhre. Is ann atá caladh an bháid farantóireachta a théann chomh fada le Cathair Saidhbhín.

Ag fáil an bháid farantóireachta ag Cé Dhairbhre i 1953, roimh thógáil an droichid ag An Chalaith Le caonchead ó Padraig & Joan Kennelly, Kennelly Archive  
*Catching the ferry at Valentia Pier in 1953, before the bridge was built at Portmagee*  
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Geokaun Mountain is the highest point on Valentia Island. From its summit a 360 degrees vista sweeps over the island and out to the Skelligs.

- To the north is the Dingle Peninsula.
- Moving clockwise, look for the masts of the coastguard radio station which has been responsible for saving lives in the Atlantic since 1914.
- The slate quarry, famous for providing the slate for the Paris Opera House, London's Houses of Parliament and many billiard tables, including ones made for the Duke of Wellington and for Queen Victoria.
- To seaward Beginish Island was a 10th century Viking settlement. Later, pilots used to wait here to take shipping into Valentia Harbour.
- The lighthouse has guided vessels through the northern entrance of Valentia Harbour since 1841.
- Knightstown is the capital of Valentia Island. From here a ferry brings you towards Cahersiveen.



1 Tabhair cuairt ar theach solais Dhairbhre ag an Seithe.  
Visit Valentia Island lighthouse at Cromwell Point.

2 Lig do scíth i bpriomhbhaile an oileáin, Baile an Ridire.  
Take a break in Knightstown, capital of Valentia Island.

3 Lean Conair an Teitreapóid más spéis leat an saol mar a bhí 385 milliún bliain ó shin a bhliaiseadh.  
Discover the fossil tracks of a tetrapod, a 385 million year old amphibian.



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