



Overnight Hike April 2023

Saturday April 1st

09:45hrs meet at Glenflesk 'Top Oil' Petrol Station, Eircode V93 A26D

- Distance: 111 Km
- Time: 1 hr 30 min

Drive in convoy to the starting point for the hike (approx. 10km)

Start walk by **10:30hrs**

Turn off Muckross Road for trail Head @ Muckross Park Hotel car park, Eircode V93 NH5W.

Trail head is a five minute drive from main road - See map below for detail.

Leaders travelling are Melissa, Dave, KevinC and KevinO'D

Phone numbers of Scout leaders on site: KevinC – 0879192688 or Dave – 0876344340

Staying in **Muckross Youth Venture Centre** on Muckross Road, Eircode V93 E036

Sunday April 2nd

Collection from Muckross Park Hotel car park Eircode V93 NH5W. at **13:00hrs** on Sunday.

Walk Details

Mangerton Mountain is a moderate 4 to 5 hour (10 km) walking route to the summit of **Mangerton** (839m) taking in the wonderful Devils Punchbowl lake near the summit and passing the Tooreencormick Battle Field Site near **Killarney**, County Kerry in the south west of Ireland. It is a relatively gentle climb to the summit and should be no problem to most of reasonable fitness and is one of the most accessible mountains over 800m in Ireland. The walk has spectacular views of the Devil's Punchbowl, **MacGillycuddy's Reeks**, Horses Glen, Killarney National Park and on a good day south west to Kenmare Bay.



According to Irish Mythology and local legend, when local chieftain O'Donoghue Ross dined with the Devil one evening he punched him in the face. As O'Donoghue Ross was leaving the devil bit off the top of **Mangerton Mountain** creating the beautiful corrie lake known as the Devil's Punchbowl. He threw it at the departing chieftain but missed him and it landed in Cashel Tipperary, creating the famous Rock of Cashel.

[Mangerton • Hiking Route » outdooractive.com](https://www.outdooractive.com)

Distance 10 km

Duration 2:55 h

Ascent 690 m

Highest point 883 m







Gear List:

As this is a winter hike it will be extremely cold in the hills (below freezing on high ground). **Scouts must be prepared for such conditions.**

The following is a list of MANDATORY gear that each scout must have. As these are essential safety items, we cannot bring scouts onto the hills without them. If scouts arrive without all of these items they will not be allowed to partake.

Base Layer – Thermal top, long sleeve for winter. Synthetic not cotton	Track suit bottoms/ Leggings/ walking trousers, These should be warm, or consider two layers– <u>No Jeans No cotton tracksuits</u>	Rucksack – all gear must be packed securely into this rucksack
Mid Layer – Light fleece, sweat shirt	Hiking Boots & Thick Socks	Cereal Bars/ Fruit/ Sweets (Snickers, Mars Bar etc)
Top Layer – Warm fleece, thick jumper	Hat and Gloves Optional spare gloves for after snowball fight	Spare Socks, Spare Base, Spare Mid Layer
Rain Gear – Jacket and Over Trousers	Packed Lunch Flask of tea/ soup	

A second bag with (not taken on the hike):

- o Sleeping bag and suitable sleeping clothing
- o Wash gear and towel
- o Clothes to wear post the hike
- o Clothing for the hike for the next day.
- o Some pocket money as we may find a shop (not guaranteed)

As this is a weekend hike, dinner on the Saturday and breakfast & lunch on the Sunday will be provided.

Note: As with all scout activities we have a strict NO PHONE policy please support us in this. Scouts can use the designated phones if they need to call home.