





**Experience Island & Lighthouse Life on the Exposed Edge of Europe** 

Guided Tours | Artillery Fort | Standing Stone | Lightkeepers | Trans-Atlantic Cable Knights of Kerry

Embrace the rugged and exposed elements of the south west coast and gain an understanding into what life was like for a lightkeeper and their families on Valentia Island. Located in one of the most scenic points on the edge of Europe, Valentia lighthouse is home to the most westerly harbour light on mainland Ireland. This lighthouse guides vessels from the sea and leads them through the northern entrance of Valentia Harbour and up past Harbour Rock.

As one of the founding members of the 'Great Lighthouses of Ireland', Valentia lighthouse is a must-see attraction on the Wild Atlantic Way and Skellig Coast. Explore the 17<sup>th</sup> century artillery fort located at Cromwell Point while learning the history of the island and its relics in the process. Visit the lighthouse which was built in 1841 and learn about the people and the technology that have guided ships safely home from the sea throughout the years. Soak up the stories and the science, take in the dramatic scenery and experience the breath-taking drama of the beautiful and wild Atlantic Ocean.

### Valentia Island Lighthouse Highlights:

- Experience | meet the Lightkeeper Avatar | climb up to the Lighthouse Tower
- Stories | learn about the lightkeepers and their families who lived at The Lighthouse
- ♦ History | admire the bronze age Standing Stone | explore the 17<sup>th</sup> Century Artillery Fort
- Knights of Kerry | discover the Knights of Kerry | learn about their input into life on the island
- Panorama | breath-taking views of the Atlantic Ocean, Dingle peninsula and Blasket Islands
- Trans-Atlantic Cable | an insight into the history of communications





## Valentia Lighthouse | Guided Tour Experience

Experience	Short Description	Min-Max Numbers	Duration (Approx.)	Standard Price per person
Guided Tour of Valentia Island & Lighthouse	<ul> <li>Explore the artillery fort and the standing stone</li> <li>Visit the lightkeeper's dwelling house museum, the engine room and the powder magazine</li> <li>Climb the 42 steps to the lighthouse tower</li> </ul>	1/15	30 min	€XX

#### Note:

- Group tours also available in English, Spanish and Italian and are subject to booking in advance.
- Guided visits include climbing 42 granite steps. Low-moderate mobility required

### **Guided Tour of Valentia Lighthouse**

Embrace the rugged south west coastline, feel the ocean spray on your skin and be whisked away to a land that time has forgotten with a guided tour of Valentia lighthouse. Learn the ancient history attached to the island while discovering 17<sup>th</sup>-century Fort and bronze age standing stone. Explore the lightkeeper dwelling house and meet Kittywake, the lightkeeper avatar, who shares fascinating stories about the previous lightkeepers and their families. The tour includes a visit to the lighthouse tower with access to the balcony complete with stunning 360° views of the Atlantic Ocean and neighbouring islands.











# Valentia Lighthouse | General Information

### Opening and Closing hours

March to October: 10:30 – 18:00

o last tour at 17:30

### Maximum Numbers

Max 15 people are allowable per tour

### Refreshments:

- o Tea rooms are in the original Kitchen area of the dwelling house.
- o A wide range of produce is available including tea, coffee, refreshment drinks, cakes, pies and snacks.