

June Harp Weeks with Janet Harbison

**in Glencolmcille, Co. Donegal
Ireland's Northwest**

June 1st – 8th (Saturday – Saturday) Week 1 6 days of training (+ 5 for teachers)
June 8th – 15th (Saturday - Saturday) Week 2 6 days of training



These weeks are for adult harp players of all abilities and are an emersion experience of music in one of Ireland's most 'traditional', wild, heart-warming and great trad music regions.

Glencolmcille is particularly famous not only for its wild Atlantic coastal scenery and dramatic mountain landscape (where a James Bond movie was filmed), but its music, community and spiritual history. With many ancient Stone-age archaeological sites (and standing stones), there is also the history and pilgrim trail of the 8th Century Saint Colmcille (or Columba) and his pilgrimage day is June 9th in the 2nd harp week!

Within a minute's walk of the Centre are pubs and coffee shops and a local 'Folk Museum' where many aspects of life in Glencolmcille are preserved. There is also great shopping at the museum and at the Donegal Knitwear factory with pottery and other hand-crafts available to buy.

The harp courses are based at Ionad Siuil (pronounced 'un add shool' - the Walker's Centre) where we are also accommodated in a modern building at the bottom of the main street. Accommodation is in twin rooms (for twin and single occupation), and all are 'en suite'. There are also a number of rooms equipped for the disabled. Catering is provided and some evenings, we dine at 'The Rusty Mackerel' in Teelin, for great nights at the hub of traditional music in the region.

Arrive on Saturday from 4pm onwards – and dinner is at **7pm**. Supper will be available for late arrivals. You will depart on the final day after breakfast. Fly into Dublin or Shannon and please see the travel advice below.

Typical Daily Schedule:

	<i>8am</i>
9.30-12.30pm	Warm-ups, Classes and Workshop
	<i>1pm</i>
2 – 3pm	Classes
3pm	Trips out, practise or relax
	<i>7pm</i>
Evening	Concerts / Lectures / Quiz night / Sessions in-house / Sessions out in local pubs

Teachers' Course (Week 1):

	<i>Breakfast</i>
9.30 – 12.30pm	Participation and observation
	<i>Lunch</i>
2 – 3pm	Teaching practise (fm Day 2)
3.30 – 5.30pm	Lecture & Coursework
	<i>Dinner</i>



Price:

WEEK 1 June 1st – 8th Arrive Sat. 1 st from 4pm, Depart Sat. 8 th after breakfast	
THE COURSE: 6 days of training, lunches (x6) and dinners (x7) ADULTS	€ 772
TEACHER TRAINING COURSE (additional, includes materials)	€ 240
Twin Room (Shared with another person, <i>en suite</i>) or	€ 245
Single room (<i>en suite</i>)	€ 350
Lunches for co-travellers not doing the course @ €10	€ 60
Dinners for co-travellers not doing the course @ €16	€112

WEEK 2 June 8th – 15th Arrive Sat. 8 th from 4pm, Depart Sat. 15 th after breakfast	
The Course for ADULTS: 6 days training, lunches (x6) & dinners (x7)	€ 772
The Course for STUDENTS (12-18 yrs and those in full-time 3rd level education): 6 days of training, lunches (x6) & dinners (x7)	€ 495
Twin Room (Shared with another person, <i>en suite</i>) or	€ 245
Single room (<i>en suite</i>)	€ 350
Lunches for co-travellers not doing the course @ €10	€ 60
Dinners for co-travellers not doing the course @ €16	€112

Harp rental each week	@ € 50
Extra one-on-one lessons arranged with Janet per half hour	@ € 35

DISCOUNT FOR BOOKING BOTH WEEKS is less €100	- €100
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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ADVICE to Glencolmcille, County Donegal

Arrange to fly into DUBLIN AIRPORT

You could also fly into Ireland West Airport Knock (in Co.Mayo) from London Heathrow and rent a car from there..... There are also airports at Belfast and Knock (Ireland West) but connecting bus transport may be problematic. If arriving at these airports, hiring a car may be advised!

From Dublin Airport take the Bus Eireann coach just outside the airport arrivals for DUBLIN CENTRAL BUS STATION ('Busarus'). From here take the bus for DONEGAL town, a 3 hour trip though the heart of Ireland and beautiful landscape. Then in Donegal town, take the bus to Glencolmcille. See www.buseireann.ie, email: info@buseireann.ie or contact Bus Eireann Donegal on +353 (0) 74 9721101.

