



## **Bruree Co. Limerick**

Co-ordinates 52°25'19" N 8°39'51" W

2.2km east of the N20 on the R518 at O'Rourke's Cross

The picturesque village of Bruree is situated on the banks of the river Maigue in south County Limerick. The village's origins are lost in the mists of myth and legend. For over a thousand years, there has been a settlement here, from the palace of the ancient kings of Munster to today's thriving village. Bruree is famous as the place in which Eamon de Valera lived from the age of 2½. The area has many reminders of its illustrious past including ring forts, castles, great houses, the De Valera Cottage and, of course, its famous mill wheel. Modern developments live side by side with ancient historical sites, while pride in our history, our culture and our native games creates a strong community spirit and love of place.

### **Visitor Attractions**

#### **De Valera Museum and Bruree Heritage Centre**

A celebration of Eamon de Valera, one of the great figures of twentieth century Ireland, and the place in which he grew up

What is Bruree's connection with:

- The Easter 1916 Rising?
- The Epsom Derby?
- The Film Censor?
- The Russian and Spanish armies?
- The beginnings of the G.A.A.?
- Brian Boru?
- The Land League?

Find the answers to these and many other questions in the Mannix Joyce Room at the De Valera Museum and Bruree Heritage Centre

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#### **De Valera House**

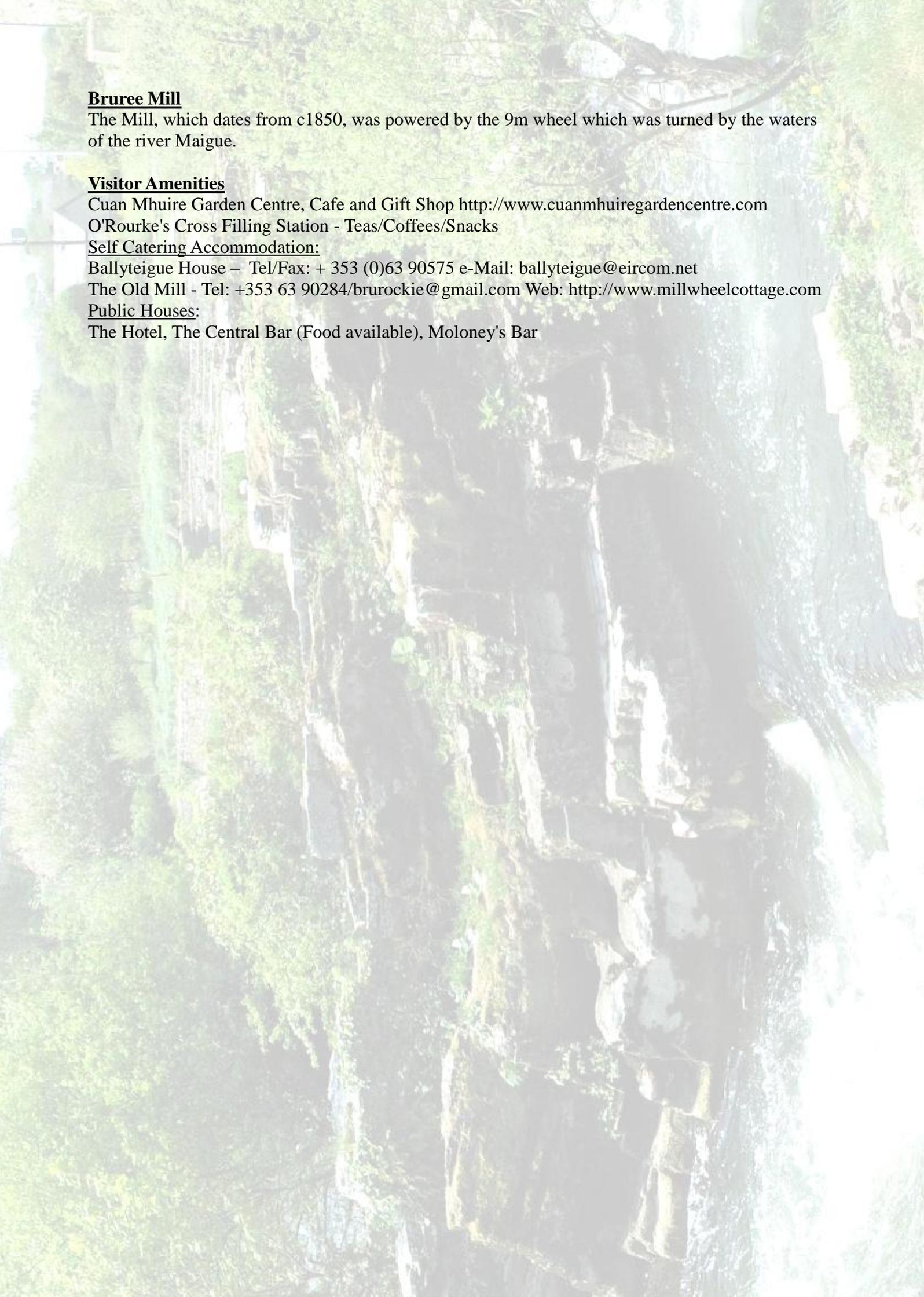
Open by appointment – contact De Valera Museum and Bruree Heritage Centre

#### **De Lacy Castle**

The De Lacy Castle, overlooking the village, dates from the twelfth/thirteenth century. The five story castle or peel tower is about 21m (70 ft.) high and the walls are 1.7m (5112 ft.) thick.

#### **River Maigue**

The river, which is a focal point in the village, rises in North Cork and flows north through Bruree, Croom and Adare to enter the Shannon Estuary west of Limerick city.



### **Bruree Mill**

The Mill, which dates from c1850, was powered by the 9m wheel which was turned by the waters of the river Maigue.

### **Visitor Amenities**

Cuan Mhuire Garden Centre, Cafe and Gift Shop <http://www.cuanmhuiregardencentre.com>

O'Rourke's Cross Filling Station - Teas/Coffees/Snacks

### **Self Catering Accommodation:**

Ballyteigue House – Tel/Fax: + 353 (0)63 90575 e-Mail: [ballyteigue@eircom.net](mailto:ballyteigue@eircom.net)

The Old Mill - Tel: +353 63 90284/[brurockie@gmail.com](mailto:brurockie@gmail.com) Web: <http://www.millwheelcottage.com>

### **Public Houses:**

The Hotel, The Central Bar (Food available), Moloney's Bar