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ROMANTIC COASTAL STAY

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ZLIMEHOUSE COTTAGE, SCOUNTY KERRY, IRELAND

Simple living and raw beauty collide in this sympathetically restored cottage. Old photographs of this once-thatched building date back to the Great Potato Famine when it was razed in a fire. Brought back to life, the cottage was reconstructed with local stone, lime rendered, insulated in hemp and two modern extensions added. On one side is a green iron barn with curved sides to echo the Kerry hills. On the other, a glass add-on offers kaleidoscopic views over Coomasaharn Lake and the mountains. Bliss. uniquehomestays.com