

## Around the World with Stan Delaplane

**GALWAY, IRELAND** — "Irish Cottage Project, Shannon have in mind to do over some thatched cottages in an Irish village for rent to tourists who want to live here for awhile," Brendan O'Regan said to me a couple of years ago.

By this summer there will be 20 of them for rent. In Corofin on the Fergus River. And Ballyvaughn on the wild coast of Galway Bay. The plumbing is modern. There's cleaning service. The price is \$60 a week in the summer. Less off-season.

The west of Ireland is a misty land of cliffs battered by the Atlantic. Ruined gray castles and purple heather. Arctic plants grow alongside Celtic stone forts in the Burren, a bleak corner of land that one of Cromwell's generals described:

"No wood to hang,  
"No water to drown,  
"No earth to bury  
"A man in Burren."

"Are there any agencies where we can write about renting a villa in Europe?"

There are several but I don't have first-hand experience at having used them. One wrote me prices I thought were high. I have an idea it's because they are an agency, and they get listings through an agency in the country. And by the time everybody takes a commission, it jumps the price. However, I can send you the agency and address.

For the Irish cottages, you write Paddy Monahan, Rent an

free Airport, Ireland.

Villas for rent in Spain and Italy are advertising in the Sunday edition of the London Times. The word "villa" has a romantic ring to it. But a villa is just a house. Some are elegant. Some are simply boxes.

I'd give the Irish cottage some thought. That's a good price for summer rental in Europe. You'd want a rent car. That's \$36 a week more with unlimited mileage. Ireland is not expensive. The rest of your costs should be minor. The cottages will sleep eight they say.

"What places you might suggest for renting a house in Spain for the summer?"

The popular places are the Costa Brava and the southern Costa del Sol around Malaga. They are much in demand by English and Scandinavians who come down in bunches and cut individual costs by putting cots in every room.

I have an idea many of them are jerry-built. Ads I saw in Spanish papers said, "Roof guaranteed not to leak." (Must mean a lot of roofs do leak?)

In Portugal you do better getting into a pensao — an inn with room and meals. I lucked into one in seaside Estoril, just out of Lisbon, for \$10 a day for two. With breakfast and dinner AND wine included. A beautiful room with a deck overlooking a garden and the sea two blocks down the hill.

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