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The islanders that remained survived on fish almost exclusively and times were quite difficult for several decades until the government began contributing development funds to the islands.

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However, the great literary revival of the 20th century brought visitors in search of authentic Irish language and folk traditions. All are characterised by bleak karst landscapes; flat grey rocky plains rising out of the ocean with sheer cliffs, green fields divided by stone walls, and whitewashed cottages with thatched roofs.

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It is believed to be an Iron Age fort with the remains of a number of settlements inside. Regardless, it takes a significant amount of skill to knit an Aran sweater, with some jumpers needing up to 60 days and 100,000 stitches to complete. Aran Islands Accommodation There are plenty of options when it comes to accommodation on the Aran Islands but we would definitely recommend booking in advance.

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The typical settlement was a , a scattered cluster of small, single-storey cottages with thatched roofs.

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Also found are early dry-stone beehive huts from the early-Christian period.

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