1. Doolin is a nice small fishing village only a few miles from the Cliffs of Moher. Dropped my things at the hostel and beginning my walk to trail to the cliffs
2. Lots of cattle and horses in Doolin
3. The road to the right there leads down to the Doolin Pier
4. Starting my walk along the trail to the cliffs
5. Challenge accepted
6. Trail to the Cliffs of Moher
7. That island straight in the distance is the nearest of the three Aran Islands. Had I had a little more time in Doolin I may have visited, they are supposed to be quite beautiful and no cars on the islands as well
8. Looking back at Doolin
9. Lots of beautiful flowers growing on the mountainside along this trail
10. Some mini cliffs
11. A nice secluded cave within the cliffs
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16. There is a guy named Pat who gives walking tours along this trail and this is his flag. Doolin in the background
17. Getting closer to the big ones
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21. Aran Islands
22. Can’t see too well, but those are puffins crowded on the rocks down there
23. Lots of puffins
24. The big ones
25. .
26. Trail narrowing along the edge of the cliffs
27. A pretty serious rock slide
28. .
29. Beautiful
30. O’Brien’s tower
31. .
32. The trail that I took to get here from Doolin
33. I would go down that trail on the mountainside to the bottom of the cliffs
34. That mountain/island was taken over by the seagulls
35. Cattle field and the town of Liscannor in the distance
36. .
37. Didn’t get a chance to walk down this stretch of the cliffs, but there is a lighthouse all the way at the end
38. From O’Brien’s Tower
39. From O’Brien’s Tower
40. .
41. .
42. America somewhere off in the distance
43. The long trail back to Doolin
44. Slowly scaling down this trail to the base of the cliffs
45. Bottom of the cliffs
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47. Bottom of the cliffs
48. Bottom of the cliffs
49. All of these rocks were super smooth
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51. .
52. Views like these reminded me of Luke Skywalker’s private island from ‘The Force Awakens.’ Turns out the filming location was actually in Ireland, at a remote island called Skellig Michael, an old monastic site of the southwest coast
53. Looking out over the Aran Islands
54. A nice Guinness beef stew at McDermott’s
55. My kind of poster
56. Walking down to Doolin Pier for the sunset
57. Sunset from the rocks at Doolin Pier. I’ve only ever seen the sun come up over the Atlantic before
58. The Cliffs of Moher off in the distance
59. Beautiful
60. Hitting the road early, off to Waterford today with a couple stops along the way