Editor's Page

Sunset on the shortest and longest days

e have wonderful sunsets on Sherkin Island, Co Cork. They can be spectacular both in summer and in winter. As you can see from the panoramic shot below, we look out on Roaringwater Bay and we have a clear view of where the sun sets in the west. Luckily one of my brother's favourite subjects to photograph are sunsets and he took all three photographs from exactly the same spot. I thought you might like to see how much the position of the setting sun changes, depending on the time of year.



A panoramic shot of Roaringwater Bay from Sherkin Island.



Shortest Day: The sun setting around 21st December, on the southern side of Oileán Chléire (Cape Clear Island).



Longest Day: The sun setting around 21st June next to Mount Gabriel on the Mizen Peninsula.

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Prawn Omelette with Peas



What you need:

- 140g locally caught, uncooked, Dublin Bay prawns, (approx. 12)
- A little olive oil
- Knob of butter
- A little salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 6 large eggs
- 1 tablesp. cold water
- 2 tablesp. chives, chopped
- 50g peas, defrosted

What to do:

- Heat a non-stick frying pan, with a base of about 20cm in diameter.
 Add a little oil and a little butter. Once the butter is foaming, add in the prawns. Season and then sauté gently for 2-3 minutes. Remove to a plate and keep warm.
- Break the eggs into a bowl and add the water, chives, a little salt and black pepper and lightly beat. Add a little more oil and then a little butter to the pan, swirling it around so that the base and sides get coated. While the butter is still foaming, pour in half the egg mixture, tilting the pan from side to side. Stir gently with a fork or wooden spatula, drawing the mixture from the sides to the centre as it sets.
- When the eggs have almost set, scatter over half the pea and prawns. Cook for another minute or two then tilt the pan away from you slightly and use a palette knife to fold over the omelette. Slide on to a warmed plate. Repeat to make the second omelette.

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Welcome to the Winter Edition of Nature's Web!



Dear Reader,

Welcome everyone to the 2018 issue Nature's Web. In this issue feature Waterford's Greenway and find out all the wonderful places you can visit along its route. NASA's InSight Mars Lander has recently landed on the red planet and we look at the work behind the expedition. We find out what the difference between the bison and the buffalo and where each can be found in the world. We learn a little more about the Brussels sprout and then if you would like to make something, there instructions on how to make a pine cone feeder for the birds this winter.

Check out nature news from around the world on page 12 and enjoy a giggle with the jokes on page 13.

We would love to hear your views and comments and suggestions for future articles. Have a good read!

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