

THE CARRICK-A-REDE ROPE BRIDGE

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One of the most dramatic sights along the Antrim Coast of Northern Ireland is the Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge. Originally built in the 1660s by salmon fishermen to get to their nets on the tiny islet of Carrick, it spans 70 feet across and 100 feet above the ocean waters surging below. It's still used by the fishermen to this day. And while it's been sturdily reinforced since it was a simple rope bridge, it's still an invigorating experience to negotiate – especially in the wind and rain when I was there. Don't pass it up if you're ever in Northern Ireland. (*Glimpses of Our Breathtaking World #232 photo ©Jack Wheeler*)

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