

Ancient Waterwheel

Restored Waterwheel at Kilbeggan Distillery



▲ The Mill Wheel, Finnertys Mills, Loughrea, Co Galway



Interesting Facts:

- Beam Inc., the new owners of Kilbeggan Distillery, reputed to be the world's oldest distillery, recently unveiled a fully restored waterwheel at the site manufactured from next generation TANALISED timber.
- The €70,000 restoration project was led by Industrial Archaeologist Fred Hamond with Pat Sheehan Sawmills Ltd of Cahir, and Athy Foundry in Kildare supplying the TANALISED Larch timberwork and ironwork respectively.
- The Waterwheel restoration project is part of Beam's strategy to invest in marketing Kilbeggan Distillery as a top tourist destination. Kilbeggan Distillery dates back to 1757 and Irish whiskey is one of the fastest growing whiskey categories in the world.