



The Leap of the Foals

Long, long ago, Ireland was ruled by a magical tribe called the Tuatha Dé Danann. They were a race of tall, beautiful people with ancient magical powers.

When St Patrick brought Christianity to Ireland, people began to abandon the old ways of magic and ritual. This made the Tuatha Dé Danann very angry. They transformed themselves into horses and galloped to the Burren. Here they hid themselves in the Kilcornan Caves.

Hundreds of years went by, and the magical horses stayed hidden away from human eyes. Then one day seven foals ventured out of the caves, wanting to explore. But after the years of darkness the foals were startled by the dazzling sunshine reflected off the Atlantic Ocean. Unable to see where they were going, the foals galloped along the Cliffs of Moher and straight over the edge, plunging to their deaths in the dashing waves below.

The headland where the foals met their tragic fate became known as Aill na Searrach - the 'Cliff of the Foals'.

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