



SUSTAINABILITY SUPERSTAR RESUME

THE SHED DISTILLERY OF PJ RIGNEY Making the Ordinary Extraordinary in Drumshanbo, Ireland

CERTIFICATIONS

Origin Green certified since 2017

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Has **created over 100 jobs** in the Drumshanbo community — including hiring 15 Ukrainian refugees.

Supporter of Tidy Towns, an annual competition organized by Ireland's Department of Rural and Community Development.

Creating a community center by renovating the former local Methodist Church, which was on the verge of dereliction.

Member of Repak, a non-profit organization that helps Irish businesses recycle their packaging. Member fees fund household recycling bins, bottle banks, civic amenities, and business back-door packaging recycling in communities across Ireland.

SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES

Distillery runs on 100% green-sourced (solar and wind) electricity.

In 2023, The Shed established an **80-acre nature reserve**, along with 100 acres of commonage for livestock, which is shared with two dozen local farmers.

In the nature reserve, the team has planted 150 native Irish hedgerows and wildflowers, is restoring the old stone cottages on the land, and has **created a bee haven** with six hives.

Uses locally and nationally sourced ingredients wherever possible — nettles and meadowsweet are foraged from Drumshanbo fields, while barley and oats come from the Midlands and Southeast of Ireland.

Gift shop and restaurant feature **locally** sourced organic vegetables and honey, and all coffee is fair trade.







