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Ireland’s North

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Take our 2-minute online feedback survey, and you could win this fantastic prize.

This Daily Adventure guide provides you with lots of great ideas on things to do, see and enjoy during your Ireland trip. We encourage and welcome reader feedback and, therefore, if you take our 2-minute online survey you will have a chance of winning a wonderful Lighthouse Holiday Break for up to 5 people sharing at a choice of locations around Ireland.

Take the Survey and Win

Our feedback survey will take you no more than 2 minutes to complete, and you can do so online via www.YourDailyAdventure.com/enter, OR you can scan the QR code below.

You must complete the online survey no later than Friday, October 4, 2019.
The Prize
A Stay at an Amazing Irish Lighthouse

Great Lighthouses of Ireland features 13 amazing lighthouses perched high in dramatic locations around Ireland’s stunning coastline. They are wonderful to visit, and visitors can also stay at eight of these lighthouses. See www.GreatLighthouses.com.

The lucky winner, selected from those completing our survey, will get to enjoy an exhilarating 3-night stay, for up to 5 people sharing, at their choice of lighthouse locations. The prize break must be availed of within 12 months of winning.

Terms and Conditions
• You must be aged 18 or over to participate.
• The survey must be completed online no later than Friday, October 4, 2019.
• The survey may only be completed once. Entering more than once will disqualify from the opportunity to win the prize.
• One lucky winner will be selected from the survey returns and will be notified before Friday, October 11, 2019.
• The ‘3-night Lighthouse Holiday Break’ must be availed of within 12 months of winning the prize (dates subject to availability at the selected lighthouse).
Ireland’s North has an enormous energy about it and offers the visitor truly authentic and rewarding experiences. You will find that whatever you seek for a great day out is always close by.

This free publication aims to enhance your visitor experience by providing you with information on just some of the managed visitor attractions and places of interest open to the public for you to enjoy during your visit.

From nature’s great coastal attractions, like the Giant’s Causeway, to more relaxing country parks. Industrial heritage, social history, architectural splendour, superb beaches, and intriguing museums are all available for exploration.

**Plenty of choice**

Variety is the essence of a good holiday and Ireland’s North certainly provides a wide range of attractions and visitor experiences to choose from.

Detailed information is included on each attraction and visitor experience including eircodes and sat nav co-ordinates, opening times and admission rates.

**Enjoy!**

Finally, we do hope that you take the time to explore the rich heritage and delights of this wonderful region of Ireland and that your ‘Daily Adventure’ is a rewarding and enjoyable one.

Guides for other regions in Ireland are widely available.

We would welcome your feedback on the guide to info@glancepromotions.ie
The birthplace of Titanic
Titanic Belfast, a World Leading Tourist Attraction, is only 90 minutes away from Dublin and a must-see for visitors to Ireland. Located on the spot where the famous ship was designed and launched, it’s nine interpretive and interactive galleries tell the story of the Titanic, from her conception in Belfast in the early 1900s, through her construction and launch, to her famous maiden voyage and tragic end. Take the Discovery Tour and explore hidden treasures and walk in the footsteps of the men that built Titanic. The award-winning walking tour showcases the recently revamped Harland & Wolff Drawing Offices, where the ships were designed, the slipways where the ship was launched and Titanic Belfast’s iconic structure. Guests can delve deeper and jump on board the SS Nomadic, the last remaining White Star Line vessel and the biggest Titanic artefact in the world. Famous as a tender for Titanic, and a quarter of her size in every dimension, guests can marvel at the original ornate doors, panels, plasterwork and staircases that greeted first and second class passengers on board, as well as see what life was like for the crew. It is now integrated in Titanic Belfast’s ticket price. To book, visit www.titanicbelfast.com.

Want to become a Titanorac?
Want to know more Titanic facts than you could ever have imagined? There’s no more authentic place - and no better place – to experience the Titanic story than at Titanic Belfast. The nine-gallery interactive attraction which is housed inside one of the world’s most revered architectural wonders, appeals to visitors of all ages. It’s interactive galleries, telling the story of Titanic from her birth to her tragic demise more than 100 years ago, overlooks the very slipway on which the great liner was built. For more information check out www.titanicbelfast.com.
HMS Caroline

Titanic Quarter, Belfast City

A unique Survivor

Based in Belfast’s famous Titanic Quarter, HMS Caroline is a First World War-era naval ship now restored as a must-see floating museum with an amazing story to tell.

Be immersed in life aboard this unique vessel—one survivor of history’s greatest naval engagement… the Battle of Jutland!

Enjoy the new quayside visitor centre dedicated to telling the personal stories of those who served on the ‘Carry’. Then step aboard to see a powerful film on the drama of Jutland and experience impressively restored cabins and deck areas as well as an array of state-of-the-art interactive exhibits.

Soak up the atmosphere as you find out about communication at sea in the Signal School, and continue to the Torpedo School before finishing your visit at the authentic galley café.

Visiting

Contact
HMS Caroline
Alexandra Dock, Titanic Quarter
Belfast, BT3 9TD
Tel: 028 9045 4484
Intl: +44 28 9045 4484
info.caroline@nmrn.org.uk
www.hmscaroline.co.uk

Location
Approaching Belfast on the M1 or M2 follow the signs to Belfast City Airport (M3) and take the first exit for Titanic Quarter

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.6134, -5.9024

Opening Times
Open Daily 10:00–17:00h
Last admission 16:00h

Admission Rates
Ticket prices available online

Information
Café and shop on board

Parking
Car and coach parking available

Belfast City Hall

Located in the heart of Belfast City

This iconic Portland stone and copper-domed building completed in 1906, was built as a symbol of Belfast’s new city status. The interior has a number of notable features including The Porte-Cochère and Grand Entrance, The Grand Staircase, The Reception Room and The Great Hall.

In the grounds of City Hall visit the Titanic Memorial Gardens which host the Titanic Monument. The Memorial Garden was officially opened in 2012, the 100th anniversary of the Titanic sinking. The garden’s memorial plinth supports 15 bronze plaques which list, in alphabetical order, the names of 1,512 people who perished on RMS Titanic.

The City Hall’s east wing on the ground floor has been completely renovated to facilitate a visitor exhibition stretching over 16 separate rooms, offering a journey from the city’s past to present.

Visiting

Contact
Belfast City Hall
Donegall Square, Belfast BT1 5GS
Tel: 028 9032 0202
Intl: +44 28 9032 0202
www.belfastcity.gov.uk

Location
Located on Donegall Square, Belfast City Centre

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.5967, -5.9300

Opening Times
Mon to Fri 09:30–17:00h
Sat & Sun 10:00–17:00h
(Times subject to change)

Admission Rates
Free admission, public tours are free of charge, donations welcome

Information
Visitor exhibition time slots are offered every 15 minutes. Lunch & refreshments available in The Bobbin coffee shop

Parking
City Centre Car-parks

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Crumlin Road Gaol

Belfast City

Explore over 150 years of history

Crumlin Road Gaol first opened its gates to prisoners in 1846 and was a fully operational prison, only closing its doors in 1996. During that time the Gaol housed murderers, suffragettes, loyalist and republican prisoners. It has witnessed births, deaths and marriages, as well as executions, escapes, hunger-strikes and riots. On your 75 minute guided tour you will be taken through the years and experience what life was like for those imprisoned in “The Crum”. Step into the Circle and see each of the 4 wings radiate out. Explore C-Wing and see what prison conditions were like throughout the Gaol’s history, you will also make the journey through the Tunnel that connects the Gaol and the Courthouse. Visit the Condemned Man’s Cell and Execution Chamber, and finally, visit the Grave Site where many of the executed men still remain to this very day.

St. Anne’s Cathedral

Belfast City

Hope in the City

In the heart of the city of Belfast, St. Anne’s Cathedral has stood for over 100 years as a place of Christian worship. There are beautiful works of art to be seen: mosaics, textiles, carvings and many historical artifacts. It possesses an uncluttered spaciousness that draws us into the awe and wonder of the greatness of God. The Cathedral welcomes tourists, pilgrims, regular worshippers, or merely those seeking a quiet place to ponder alone. The ticket price includes a guide book and volunteer stewards are on hand to offer information and guided tours on request.
Ulster Museum

Belfast City

Come face to face with dinosaurs, meet an Egyptian Mummy and see modern masterpieces with a visit to the Ulster Museum. As Northern Ireland’s treasure house of the past and present, the museum is home to a rich collection of art history and natural sciences, impressive galleries, interactive discovery zones and is free to all visitors. Museum Highlights: Leonardo 500 Exhibition, Game of Thrones Tapestry, Fashion & Feminism, Women in Print and Artist as a Traveller.

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Ulster Museum
Botanic Gardens, Belfast, H12 X977
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Intl: +44 28 9044 0000
info@nmni.com
www.nmni.com

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.5822, -5.9357

Opening Times
Open year round. Tue to Sun 10:00–17:00h. Closed Mondays except Bank Holidays

Admission Rates
Free

Parking
Limited on-street parking. Park & Ride facilities at Bridge End, York Street, Blocks Road and Sprucefield

St. George’s Market

Belfast City

One of Belfast’s oldest attractions

Built between 1890 and 1896 this is one of the best markets in the UK and Ireland. It has been selected for numerous local and national titles and awards for its fresh, local produce and great atmosphere. It holds a weekly market on Friday, Saturday & Sunday. It also hosts a range of events throughout the year.

Variety Market on Friday offers over 240 stalls selling a variety of products including: fruit, vegetables, antiques, books, clothes and fish.

City Food and Craft Market on Saturday offers a huge range of local, continental and specialty foods as well as handmade crafts, flowers, plants and local photography, pottery, glass and metal work.

Sunday Market is a mixture of the Friday and Saturday markets with a special emphasis on local arts and crafts. You can also expect live music from local bands.

Contact
St. George’s Market
12-20 East Bridge Street
Belfast, Antrim, BT1 3NQ
Tel: 028 9043 5704
Intl: +44 28 9043 5704
markets@belfastcity.gov.uk

Location
Opposite the Belfast Waterfront. You can access it via Oxford Street, May Street and East Bridge Street
A free market bus runs every 20 mins between the City Centre and the market. Bus departs at 08:00h on Fri & Sat only and every 20 mins thereafter

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.5957, -5.9197

Opening Times
Friday Variety Market 06:00–15:00h
Saturday Food & Craft Market 09:00–15:00h
Sunday Variety, Food & Craft Market 10:00–16:00h

Parking
There is a range of multi-story car parks close to St. George’s Market including: Waterfront Hilton, Lanyon Place and Victoria Square

TopAttractionsIreland.com

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TopAttractionsIreland.com

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Prepare to be fascinated by this unique sight as the Great Light is approx. 130 years old, weighs 10 tonnes and stands at seven metres tall! It hosts huge Fresnel Hyper-Radical lenses meaning it has one of the strongest lighthouse beams ever to shine!

While the Great Light is no longer aiding mariners, it has taken on a new role, that of bringing to life the story of lighthouses, their technological developments, and their lightkeepers and allowing visitors to immerse themselves in a little bit of maritime history. Please note—if the blinds are down it’s to protect the Great Light from the sunlight.

For more information on Ireland’s lighthouses experiences visit www.greatlighthouses.com
Northern Ireland War Memorial

Belfast City

Learn about Northern Ireland’s role in the Second World War. This museum tells the story of the Belfast Blitz in 1941, the Ulster Home Guard, the role of women and the presence of US Forces from 1942–1944. The museum offers a range of family events, workshops and talks for schools and community groups.

Contact
Northern Ireland War Memorial
21 Talbot Street
Belfast, BT1 2LD
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Int: +44 28 9032 0392
info@niwarmemorial.org
www.niwarmemorial.org

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.6025, -5.9279

Opening Times
Mon to Fri 10:00–16:30h
Closed Sat and Sun except 1st Sat of every month 12:00–16:00h

Admission Rates
Free Admission

Parking
Public parking nearby; Cathedral car park & St Anne’s multi-storey. On street parking on Talbot Street

Flame Gasworks

Carrickfergus, Co. Antrim

Flame Gasworks is Ireland’s sole surviving gasworks and the largest in Western Europe. It opened in 1855 and supplied Carrickfergus with coal gas until 1967. It closed in 1987 but was restored by Carrickfergus Gasworks Preservation Society as a visitor attraction in 2002. View the 36 retorts, ascend the gasholder, and browse the collection of appliances. A fascinating visit - guaranteed!

Contact
Flame Gasworks Museum,
44 Irish Quarter West, Carrickfergus,
Co. Antrim, BT38 8AT
Tel: 028 9336 9575
Int: +44 28 9336 9575
info@flamegasworks.co.uk
www.flamegasworks.co.uk

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.7145, -5.8117

Opening Times
May to Aug: Daily (except Sat), 14:00–17:00h. Sept: Mon to Fri 14:00–17:00h
Open by appointment at all other times Last tour 16:00h

Admission Rates
Free, donations welcome

Information
Guided Tours, Exhibition, Toilets, Wheelchair friendly, Disabled parking, Meeting room, Shop, Research library

Parking
Public car park at Carrickfergus Castle

Carnfunnock Country Park

Larne, Co. Antrim

Whether it’s adventure or escape you’re looking for there really is something for everyone at Carnfunnock. Packed full of exciting attractions, the park offers panoramic views of the Antrim Coast and North Channel, over 191 hectares of mixed woodland, colourful gardens, walking trails, children’s play park and weekend events. Bookings welcome to the touring caravan park.

Contact
Mid and East Antrim BC
Coast Road, Larne, Co. Antrim BT40 2DG
Tel: 028 2826 2471
Int: +44 28 2826 2471
carnfunnockreception@midandeastantrim.gov.uk
www.carnfunnock.co.uk

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.8909, -5.8452

Opening Times
Open Year Round.
Spring/Summer 09:00–dusk (21:00 Jul & Aug), Autumn/Winter 09:00–16:30
Subject to weather conditions
Closed Dec 25

Admission Rates
Free

Parking
Parking charges apply at certain times. See website for further details.

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A traditional thatched cottage built in the 1750s by the Donaldson family and lived in by them until 1979. It has been restored to its original state including an open fireplace with a daub and wattle canopy and hanging crane. The interior includes a dresser, sponge wear crockery and iron pots and griddles. The centre has an impressive exhibition on the life and career of Andrew Jackson (1767-1845) 7th President of the United States of America whose parents emigrated from here in 1765. The US Rangers Centre is located on-site, a museum dedicated to the men of the first battalions of the elite American Army Unit the “US Rangers” that was first ‘activated’ in Carrickfergus in 1942. The display includes documents, uniforms and photographs and other material detailing this famous combat unit.

Located on Rathlin Island, off the coast of Northern Ireland, Rathlin boasts three lighthouses including the unique Rathlin West Light, which is home to one of the largest seabird colonies in the UK. Every year thousands of seabirds return to breed here including guillemots, razorbills, kittiwakes, fulmars and puffins. The sights and sounds of so many seabirds at such close quarters is an experience you’ll never forget. Known as Ireland’s only ‘upside down’ lighthouse, be sure to take a tour of it and embrace the views from its cliff-face vantage point to get a real insight into light keeping life. Whether you’re interested in wildlife, curious about engineering or history, or simply want to experience the wonder of this island—this is the place to be. To plan more visits to Great Lighthouses of Ireland see www.greatlighthouses.com

Located 1 mile from Carrickfergus, off the Larne Road-Donaldson’s Avenue

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude 54.7227, -5.7835

Opening Times
Open Wed to Sun 11:00–15:00h

Admission Rates
Free admission

Information
Guided tours available (must be pre-booked) Café on-site

Parking
Free parking

Located 1 mile from Carrickfergus, off the Larne Road-Donaldson’s Avenue

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude 54.7227, -5.7835

Opening Times
Open Wed to Sun 11:00–15:00h

Admission Rates
Free admission

Information
Guided tours available (must be pre-booked) Café on-site

Parking
Free parking
Gracehill Village
Gracehill Village, Co. Antrim

Northern Ireland’s first Conservation Area

In 1765 Gracehill was founded by the Moravians, it is a village in County Antrim, Northern Ireland. It is Northern Ireland’s First Conservation area. Today the village is very reminiscent of what it was like in the 18th century with the layout of buildings and the unique Georgian style of architecture remaining the same.

In the centre of the village the Moravian Church can be found, facing the square and flanked by the Manse and the Warden’s House. The burial ground, also known as “Gods Acre” can be reached from the Brothers and Sisters Walks, on either side of the Church. These burial grounds are still in use today.

In 1975 Gracehill was designated a Conservation Area, it has also won many awards including the Europa Nostra Award.

Visiting
Contact
Gracehill Village
Ballymena, Co. Antrim
www.gracehillvillage.org

Location
It lies about 2 miles from Ballymena and is in the townland of Ballykennedy. It is part of the Borough of Ballymena

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude 54.8545, -6.2763

Information
Restaurants & Shop
Parking
Yes

Gracehill Village, Co. Antrim

Giant’s Causeway Visitor Experience
Bushmills, Co. Antrim

Unlock the mystery and stories of the landscape

The Giant’s Causeway, Northern Ireland’s UNESCO World Heritage Site, is a geological wonder - composed of over 40,000 interlocking basalt columns resulting from intense volcanic activity 60 million years ago. State of the art interpretation within the award winning Visitor Centre unlocks the mystery and stories of this amazing landscape and offers a glimpse into the wonder that is the Giant’s Causeway. Visitors can explore way-marked trails and enjoy spectacular coastal scenery accompanied by an innovative outdoor audio-guide and orientation information available in a range of languages including English, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Dutch, Portuguese, Russian, Polish, Mandarin and Japanese.

Visiting
Contact
Giant’s Causeway Visitor Experience
44 Causeway Road, Bushmills
Co. Antrim BT57 8SU
Tel: 028 2073 1855
Intl: +44 28 2073 1855
giantscausewaytic@nationaltrust.org.uk
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/giants-causeway

Location
On B147, 2mls from Bushmills village

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude 55.2408, -6.5116

Opening Times
Open year round. Daily Jan, Feb, Nov, Dec 09:00–17:00h. Mar to May & Oct 09:00–18:00h. Jun to Sept 09:00–19:00h. Visitor Centre closes Dec 24/25/26. Last entry to visitor centre 1hr before closing

Admission Rates
Adult/Senior £12.50
Child/Student (U18) £6.25
Child (U5) Free, Family £31.25

Information
Guided Tours, Café, Gift shop
Interactive Exhibition

Parking
Parking included in admission rates

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The Causeway Coastal Route from Belfast Lough to Lough Foyle is a kaleidoscope journey of natural wonders, a unique blend of majesty and outstanding beauty. To travel along the Causeway Coastal Route is to experience one of the most dramatic drives in the world. It is now rated as one of the World’s Great Road Journeys. Some 120 miles of stunning coastline will transport you past rugged and windswept cliffs, spectacular scenery and fabulous unspoilt beaches. It’s a coastline sprinkled with historic castles, churches and forts. Many are now just ruins but each holds the memories of a mysterious and heroic past.

The Causeway Coastal Route provides a journey of exploration, where imagination meets reality and where every village and town, castle and rocky shore are waiting to be discovered.

Discover a region that has been Shaped by Sea & Stone located on the famous Causeway Coastal Route and home to The Gobbins Cliff Path and many Game of Thrones filming locations. The region offers great attractions and a range of experiences from Whiskey Tasting to blacksmithing. For food lovers try the award-winning beef & salmon at Glenarm Castle, locally produced craft beer at Hillstown Brewery or why not try the local delicacy, Lough Neagh eels?
It is always recommended to check Admission Rates and Opening Times before travelling.

It’s officially summer when the Foyle Ferry is back on the water! The franchise returned to film again for “The Last Jedi”. The re-appearance of Luke Skywalker in the final scene.

The Foyle Ferry connects a plethora of new (and long established) brewing establishments and a multitude of terrific places to eat, drink and enjoy local hospitality. Surfers, golfers, cyclists, hill walkers, heritage fans and families looking for fun and adventure - all travel on the Foyle Ferry, which runs from June through to mid September. All your summer relaxation and fun is catered for either side of Lough Foyle and beyond. Visit loughfoyleferry.com

From the Wild Atlantic Way to the Causeway Coastal Route

Thanks to a 20-minute trip on the Foyle Ferry you have more time to visit the beaches along the North Antrim and North West coasts, each waiting to have sand castles built on them. There are also lots of real castles and scenery to admire including; Malin Head (the stunning most northerly point in Ireland); Horn Head (a Special Area of Conservation); Torr Head and of course Northbur, Glenveigh, Dunluce; Derry’s City Walls and Mussenden Temple.

The Causeway Coast and Glens are home to several Game of Thrones filming including the Caves of Cushendun, Ballintoy Harbour and the Dark Hedges. Along the coast in Donegal, Malin Head is so breathtaking, Star Wars filmed the final sequence of “The Force Awakens” with spectacular scenery.

It’s officially summer when the Foyle Ferry is back on the water! Travelling from Magilligan Point, across Lough Foyle, to Greencastle in County Donegal, the Foyle Ferry connects the Wild Atlantic Way and the Causeway Coastal Route. The crossing is spectacularly beautiful from the shadows of Binevenagh Mountain to the Inishowen Peninsula.
17th Century Walls

Derry-Londonderry

A Step Back In Time

Take a step back in time and visit Derry-Londonderry where you will find a city crammed full of heritage and history. This is the only remaining completely walled city in Ireland. The walls were built in 1613-1618 as a defence for the early seventeenth century settlers from England and Scotland. The walls provide a walkway around the inner city, are between 12 and 35 feet and are one of the greatest examples in Europe of Walled Cities. This is truly a walled town that has preserved its Renaissance style street plan. The four original gates to the city were called Bishop’s Gate, Ferryquay Gate, Butcher Gate and Shipquay Gate.

Visiting

Location
Derry-Londonderry
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
55.0067,-7.3816
Opening Times
All Year
Admission Rates
Free of Charge
Information
Tours available from the Tourist Information Centre

Ness Country Park

Derry-Londonderry

Nature at its best

Get away from the hustle and bustle of daily life and take a moment to savour all that nature has to offer. In the steep wooded Glen of Burntollet River, south west of Derry Londonderry lies Ness Country Park. Offering something for all nature lovers.

Visiting

Location
Derry-Londonderry
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.9518,-7.1810
Opening Times
All Year
Admission Rates
Free of Charge
Information
Visitor Centre onsite
Parking
Free onsite parking available

Map of attractions / entertainments, see pages 4 and 5
All co-ordinates in Decimal Degrees
Blue Flag Beaches

Enjoy a day at the beach

With such an extensive coastline around Ireland’s North, you would expect to find quality beaches... and you won’t be disappointed. The naturally stunning formations of the coastline provide long stretches of golden sand and impressive sand dunes.

With several beaches meeting the Blue Flag standard you are certain to never be far away from a great day out at the beach.

The miles of beaches are great for swimming, exploring rock pools and all sorts of beach fun. There are plenty of water activities to be enjoyed from sub-aqua, sailing, diving, water skiing, rowing, canoeing, land yachting and surfing. Go dolphin or whale watching or relax with the many boat experiences and cruises available. If you enjoy the great outdoors, there’s no better place for a holiday or a day out. There’s so much to see and do!

The Blue Flag Programme

The Blue Flag is an international award for beach excellence. It is presented to beaches which have excellent water quality, which provide a range of services and visitor facilities, and which meet other specified criteria including environmental management, litter control and education.

Contact

For up-to-date listings of current Blue Flag Beaches please drop into any visitor information centre www.blueflag.org

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude

Northern Ireland

Ballycastle: 55.2047, -6.2311
Castlerock: 55.1666, -6.7866
Cranfield West: 54.0303, -6.0739
Downhill: 55.1663, -6.8214
Magilligan, Benone Strand: 55.1871, -6.9576
Murlough: 54.2570, -5.8450
Portrush: 55.1981, -6.6592
Portstewart: 55.1719, -6.7272
Tyrella Beach: 54.2536, -5.7469
Whiteknocks: 55.2073, -6.6587

Donegal

Bundoran: 54.4791, -8.2779
Carrigallen: 55.0438, -8.3401
Culdaff: 55.2859, -7.1651
Dundonnings: 55.1945, -7.8340
Finntra: 54.6523, -8.4951
Kilfoyle: 55.1885, -7.9553
Magherawarda: 55.1824, -7.6057
Marble Hill: 55.1771, -7.9024
Murvag: 54.5945, -8.1646
Portnoo/Noran: 54.8400, -8.4631
Rossnowlagh: 54.5510, -8.2111
Shroove: 55.2295, -6.9318

Louth

Clogherhead: 53.7991, -6.2615
Port Lurganboy: 53.8270, -6.2702
Shellinghill/Templetown: 53.9787, -6.1586

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Fanad Head Lighthouse

Fanad, Co. Donegal

A Great Lighthouse of Ireland

Standing between idyllic Lough Swilly and sandy Mulroy Bay, Fanad Head Lighthouse has been voted one of the most beautiful lighthouses in the world.

With its location in the Donegal Gaeltacht (an Irish speaking area) on the eastern shore of windswept Fanad Peninsula, it’s little wonder that this lighthouse is a Wild Atlantic Way highlight.

Give yourself plenty of time in this coastal corner. Time to take in the sensational scenery and really explore the wild and wonderful natural world around you—this area is regularly visited by whales, porpoises and dolphins. Learn more about Fanad Head Lighthouse and this remote, rugged area in the cozy visitor centre. Or to truly get away from it all, enjoy a relaxing stay at one of the characterful lightkeepers’ houses.

To plan more visits to Great Lighthouses of Ireland see www.greatlighthouses.com

Doagh Famine Village

Inishowen, Co. Donegal

Living on the edge

Doagh Famine Village tells the story of Irish life from the Great Famine of the 1840s through until the present day. The tour guides take you on a journey showing how families and communities have lived on the edge, generation after generation, adapting and surviving as the environment and society around the local area changed over the years. A combination of informative story telling and life size exhibits provide a thought provoking and at times humorous look at Irish life.

Attractions include original thatched Irish cottages (inhabited as recently as the 1980s), an Eviction Scene, Orange Hall, Republican Safe House and Irish Wake House amongst others.

To plan more visits to Doagh Famine Village see www.doaghfaminevillage.com

Map of attractions / entertainments, see pages 4 and 5

All co-ordinates in Decimal Degrees
**Glenveagh National Park**
Pairc Náisiúnta Ghleann Bheatha
Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

**Conserving plants, animals and landscapes**

Glenveagh National Park lies in the heart of the Derryveagh Mountains in the North-West of County Donegal. It is a remote and hauntingly beautiful wilderness of rugged mountains and pristine lakes. The Park, over 16,000 hectares is the former Glenveagh Estate, including most of the Derryveagh Mountains. The wild setting around Lough Veagh hosts the largest herd of Red Deer in Europe and since 2001 is home to Ireland’s only Golden Eagles. The Castle is surrounded by extensive, ornate and renowned gardens, with a rich variety of trees, shrubs and flowers from around the world. There is a beautifully located tearoom in the castle courtyard open all year round, where one can enjoy delicious home baking freshly made in the castle kitchen.

**Waterworld** & **Bundoran Seaweed Baths**
Bundoran, Co. Donegal

**Waterworld** is Ireland’s premier indoor aqua adventure playground. Enjoy the waves without the sand and the heat without the sunscreen! Recipients of the Ireland Active “National Quality Standard” Award—ensuring your family experience will be of the highest standard!

“Fantastic Family Fun” Facilities:
- Four great Flumes—Whizzer, Tornado, Twister, and Gravity!
- Wave Pool & Slide Pool
- Rapids
- Multi-Lane Slide
- Pirate Ship
- Toddler Pool
- Aqua Slide
- And many more great Child friendly features!

**Bundoran Seaweed Baths**
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**Visiting**

**Glenveagh National Park**
Contact
Glenveagh National Park
Churchill, Letterkenny
Co. Donegal, F92 P993
Tel: 076 100 2537
Int: +44 76 100 2537
glenveaghbookings@ahg.gov.ie
www.glenveaghnationalpark.ie

Location
24km north-west of Letterkenny and can be reached via the villages of Kilmacrennan or Churchill
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
55.0595, -7.9393

Opening Times
The park is open all year round
Visitor facilities: 09:00–17:00h

Admission Rates
National Park & Visitor Centre: Free
Castle Tour: Adult €7, Senior/Student/Child (6+yrs) €5, Family €15
Admission to castle is by guided tour only and takes aprox. 30mins

Parking
On-site car park

**Waterworld**
Contact
Waterworld, Atlantic Way,
Bundoran, Co. Donegal, F94 DR9V
Tel: 071 984 1172
Int: +353 71 984 1172
info@waterworldbundoran.com
www.waterworldbundoran.com

Location
Sea Front Bundoran
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.4807, -8.2788

Opening Times
Easter Daily From Good Friday 12:00–18:00h. April, May, Bank Hols & first 2 weekends Sept
June Mon to Fri 11:00–17:00h
Sat to Sun 12:00–18:00h
July & Aug Daily 10:00–19:00h
Last entry 1 hour before closing

Admission Rates
Adult €13.50, Child(8–17yrs) €12.50
Child (3–7yrs) €11, Child (U3) Free
Family Passes available. Groups €9.50
Senior/Carer €8, Additional needs with carer Free/with no carer €8 Seaweed Baths from €22.50

Information
Refreshment area and café facility during Jul/Aug only + Vending

Parking
Seasonal paid parking on-site
Free parking at West End Car Park

**It is always recommended to check Admission Rates and Opening Times before travelling.**
Newmills Corn & Flax Mills
Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

With the oldest surviving building said to be 400 years old this whole complex is an interesting reminder of a stage in the industrial development of Ireland, which has given way to a more sophisticated, but far less fascinating technology. Experience the pleasure of seeing one of the largest waterwheels in Ireland in action as it drives the machinery of the corn mill.

Donegal Castle
Donegal Town, Co. Donegal

Built by the O’Donnell chieftain in the 15th century this Castle has extensive 17th century additions. It is furnished throughout and includes Persian rugs and French tapestries. Information panels chronicle the history of the Castle owners from the O’Donnell chieftains to the Brooke family. Limited access for people with disabilities.

Glebe House & Gallery
(The Derek Hill Collection)
Letterkenny, Co. Donegal

A Regency House dated 1828, set in woodland gardens, decorated with William Morris textiles, as well as Islamic and Japanese art. The collection includes 300 works by leading 20th century artists; Picasso, Kokoshka and also Irish and Italian artists. Exhibitions are shown in the adjoining gallery. Access to ground floor of the Gallery for people with disabilities.
Slieve League Cliffs
Teelin, Co. Donegal

One of the highest and finest marine cliffs in Europe

Slieve League Cliffs, situated on the south west coast of Donegal, are one of the highest and finest sea cliffs in Europe. At 601 metres (1,972 ft) views from here include Donegal Bay and surrounding counties Leitrim, Sligo and Mayo. To the west is the Atlantic Ocean, and North west is Rathlin O’Byrne Island and Glencolmcille. Nearby is Benbulbin with its megalithic tombs and mythical links to Finn McCool and the Fiona of old, and Knoch na Rí at Carrowmore where one of the largest and oldest known Neolithic cemeteries in Europe lies. The area is full of history, Inishmurry—home to early Celtic Christian monks, and the port of Killylalla in Mayo—scene of the French landings in 1798, the remains of Ade McBric’s chapel—an early Christian monastic site, and ruins of the monks stone dwellings. This is a sacred mountain, for over a thousand years there was a Christian pilgrimage, no doubt Slieve League was a sacred mountain before the Christians arrived here. Please remember when visiting, not to disturb the monuments of Irish cultural heritage. There are no fences, so please respect the area.

If you wish to learn more, visit the Slieve League Cliffs centre.

Contact
Slieve League Cliffs
Teelin, Co. Donegal, F94 DH92
Tel: 074 973 9077
Intl: +353 74 973 9077
www.slieveleaguecliffs.ie

Location
45 mins from Donegal Town on the N56 and R263
20 mins from Killybegs on the R263

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.6343, -8.6460

Information
Café & Craft Shop
Parking
Car parking available

It is always recommended to check Admission Rates and Opening Times before travelling.
Belleek Pottery Visitor Centre is a memorable experience, like no other. An award-winning visitor attraction, it is Ireland’s oldest working pottery. Visitors enjoy the combined presentation of industrial heritage, design and craftsmanship. Visitor Centre Guides will take you on a 30-minute pottery tour where you will see the 16 steps of how this world famous product has been created since 1857. Visitor participation is encouraged throughout the tour, glazing product and breaking seconds. Children visiting Belleek enjoy following Bloomfields Trail. Called after John Caldwell Bloomfield, founder of Belleek Pottery, the trail has been developed to accommodate younger visitors to the pottery visitor centre telling the story of how the pottery is made using the character of Mr Bloomfield. On-site facilities include:

- Belleek Retail Showroom
- Belleek Self Service Restaurant (Seats 90)
- Pottery Museum of Belleek Artefacts
- Rose Isle Garden and Picnic Area
- Audio Visual Presentation available in 8 languages
- Bloomfield’s trail animated Children’s Tour
- ONE SIXTY photographic exhibition

Once your tour is complete you may have time to enjoy some refreshments in the restaurant where Afternoon Tea is served regularly on Aynsley china. The restaurant overlooks the banks of Lough Erne. Finally, indulge in a little shopping from the vast range of specially designed products, many of which are handmade in Belleek.

Award-Winning Visitor Attraction

The Northern Ireland Tourist Board have awarded the Belleek Pottery Visitor Centre a 4 star grading. NITB’s Quality Grading Scheme for Visitor Attractions is designed to provide visitors with quality grading information on Northern Ireland’s tourist attractions, whilst assisting operators to maintain and continually improve the quality of their offering.
Enniskillen Castle and Heritage Town

Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh

Enniskillen, Ireland’s only island town, is the county town of Fermanagh. Enniskillen Castle, which was built 600 years ago by the Gaelic Maguires, was strategically important throughout its history, and now houses Fermanagh Visitor Information Centre, Fermanagh County Museum and the Inniskillings Museum. The site re-launched in August 2016. 7 new galleries interpret Fermanagh’s rich heritage and a genealogy service is available 3 afternoons/week. Café and Shop on-site.

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Enniskillen Castle and Heritage Town
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Intl: +44 28 6632 5000
castle@fermanaghomagh.com
www.enniskillencastle.co.uk
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.3461, -7.6444

Opening Times
Year Round: Mon to Fri & B/H NI & ROI
09:30*–17:00h, Sat 11:00–17:00h
Jun to Sept, Sun 11:00–17:00h
*09:30h Visitor Centre open
10:00h for museum galleries

Admission Rates
Adult £5, Child £3.50, Child U5 Free
Senior/Student £3.50
Family (2+2) £13.50
Parking
Free parking available

The Buttermarket Craft & Design Courtyard

Enniskillen, Co. Fermanagh

Housed in the restored early 19th century dairy market, Buttermarket Craft & Design Courtyard comprises of seventeen art and craft units, a coffee shop and a gift shop. The buildings have been tastefully renovated and add to the shopping experience.

Buttermarket is the central focus for the thriving craft industry in Fermanagh as it is situated in the heart of Enniskillen.

A number of crafts such as pottery, fly-tying, ceramics, handmade jewellery, textiles, picture framing and original art can be found in the beautifully renovated buildings.

Visitors can enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of the Buttermarket, while being surrounded by a feast of contemporary and inspirational gifts from the shops, studios and galleries of some of Ireland’s top crafts people and artists. While at the centre enjoy tasty and delicious homemade fayre from Rebecca’s Coffee Shop.

Contact
The Buttermarket Craft & Design Courtyard, Down Street, Enniskillen Co. Fermanagh, BT74 7DU
Tel: 028 6632 3117
Intl: +44 28 6632 3117

Location
The Buttermarket Craft & Design Courtyard is located in the heart of Enniskillen. The town is located almost exactly in the Centre of the County on the natural island which separates the Upper and Lower sections of Lough Erne

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.3463, -7.6381

Opening Times
Open 10:00–17:30h, Monday to Saturday all year round

Admission Rates
Free

Information
Rebecca’s Coffee Shop & Boston Quay treasure house

Parking
Free Parking

Craft & Design Centre

Enniskillen
Visitors can enjoy walks in the park that will take you past the lough shore, the deer park enclosure, wildfowl ponds, wildflower meadow and butterfly garden. Throughout the park evidence of the 1939-45 War can be found. During the war Lough Erne played an important role as the most westerly flying-boat station. Today visitors can explore ammunition dumps, flying-boat docks, slit trenches etc. Families may also enjoy a cycle trail waymarked around the park.

A must see for all visitors is the Archdale Centre, which contains various exhibitions including ‘Castle Archdale at War’. The exhibition highlights Castle Archdale’s important role in WW2 as the most westerly flying-boat station, from which aircraft protected the allied convoys from the U-boat threat in the North Atlantic.
Drumlane Abbey & Round Tower
Milltown, Co. Cavan

An ancient monastic site

Overlooking Garfinny Lough, the Abbey, Church and Round Tower believed to have been founded by St. Colmcille, date back to 555 AD. Originally wooden buildings, these were replaced by stone in the 12th Century, and later added to in the 15th Century. Different types of stone were used in each century, which can clearly be seen when viewing the Round Tower. Towers were erected between the 5th and 13th centuries and are of Christian and ecclesiastical origin. They served as belfries and security for secret utensils, books, relics and other valuables in case of sudden attack. The entrance to the tower is about 9 feet from the ground. Breath-taking views over the lake, along with the peaceful countryside, make this site a wonderful natural retreat.

The Cathedral of Saint Patrick and Saint Felim
Farnham Street, Cavan

An historic and spectacular Cathedral

Also known as Cavan Cathedral, this Roman Catholic cathedral is located in Cavan town. With its 68m spire and flanking domes, this is one of the most impressive and eye-catching buildings in the town. Completed in 1942 the vast interior is shaped like a basilica and extensive use is made of different colours of marble. The cathedral houses many fine examples of ecclesiastical art and is neo-classical in style with a single spire. The portico consists of a tympanum supported by four massive columns of Portland stone with Corinthian caps. The tympanum figures of Christ, St Patrick and St Felim were created by the Dublin sculptor, Edward Smith. The twenty eight columns in the Cathedral, the pulpit on the south side and all the statues are of Pavinazetto marble and came from the firm of Dinelli Figli of Pietrasanta in Italy.
An Creagán
Creggan, Co. Tyrone

Explore. Shop. Play

An Creagán is located between the historic town of Omagh and the market town of Cookstown at the foothills of the majestic Sperrin Mountains. The site offers a range of facilities and activities for families, couples, individuals and groups. Amongst this area of stunning natural beauty visitors will find stunning landscapes, wonderful wildlife, exciting outdoor activities and family fun. There are many walks and cycle trails on the grounds or enjoy a picnic by the community garden and duck pond. Visit the interpretative exhibition on site before going on a journey of exploration of the wider region. The exhibition interprets the prehistoric monuments, natural environment, heritage and culture of the Creggan region. The exhibition is presented with wall mounted illustrations and information, selection of artefacts, short films and touch screen information.

Map of attractions / entertainments, see pages 4 and 5 All co-ordinates in Decimal Degrees

Visit Ulster American Folk Park
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Intl: +44 28 8224 3292
info@nmni.com
www.nmni.com
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.6588, -7.3354
Opening Times
Mar to Jun & Sep: Tue to Sun 10:00–17:00h
Jul & Aug: Mon to Sun 10:00–17:00h
Oct to Feb: Tue to Fri 10:00–16:00h
Sat & Sun 11:00–16:00h
Closed Mondays except Bank Holidays
Admission Rates
Adult £9, Child £5.50 Child (U5) Free
Concession £7, Family (2+3) £25
Parking
Coach & Car parking available

Ulster American Folk Park
Omagh, Co. Tyrone

Immerse yourself in the story of Irish emigration at the museum that brings it to life. Experience the adventure that takes you from the thatched cottages of Ulster, on board a full-scale emigrant sailing ship, to the log cabins of the American Frontier. Meet an array of costumed characters along the way with traditional crafts to show, tales to tell and food to share. Museum Highlights: A Step in Time: the Story of Irish Dance at home and away.

Visit An Creagán
An Creagán, Creggan
Omagh, Co. Tyrone, BT79 9AF
Tel: 028 8076 1112
Intl: +44 28 8076 1112
info@ancreagan.com
www.an-creagan.com
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.6633, -7.0358
Opening Times
Café open daily 10:00–15:00h
Restaurant open:
Fri & Sat 10:00–21:00h
Sunday 10:00–15:00h & 17:00–20:00h
Visitor Centre & Exhibition open daily
11:00–17:00h
Admission Rates
Free
Parking
Parking available. Centre opening hours apply
It is always recommended to check Admission Rates and Opening Times before travelling.

The collections at Armagh County Museum capture centuries of stories relating to the people who lived, worked and had connections with this famous city and historic county. With collections ranging from local history and fine art, to archaeology and natural history, this is the ideal place to experience a flavour of the famous ‘Orchard County’.

Some of the most intriguing stories of local lives are interwoven amid the diverse displays. From splendid wedding dresses and rural crafts to fine military uniforms, each object conveys its own human story.

Working with the local community the museum provides a venue for a wide variety of exhibitions. The Museum is an ideal place to begin and explore the fair county of Armagh.

Key events in Armagh include Saint Patrick’s Festival (March), Food & Cider Festival (September), and Georgian Festival (November).
Saint Patrick’s Cathedral Armagh

Armagh City

Armagh’s Anglican Cathedral

Saint Patrick’s Church of Ireland Cathedral stands on the hill from which the City of Armagh derives its name—Ard Macha, the hill of Macha. Less than half a mile away on the adjoining hill is Saint Patrick’s Roman Catholic Cathedral. Both Cathedrals are part of the Northern Ireland Tourist Board’s Saint Patrick’s Trail. Visitors to the cathedral are welcome to join any of the Sunday or daily services, or just spend time either in quiet reflection or looking at the beautiful architecture. Guided tours are available, please contact the Cathedral for further details.

Navan Centre & Fort – Emain Macha

Armagh City

From where the ancient Kings of Ulster ruled...

Where myth and reality meet—the ancient seat of Kings and the earliest capital of Ulster. Step back in time by 2,000 years with a visit to the Iron Age dwelling (Apr to Sept), where you will meet the Celts going about their daily lives and bringing history to life! After meeting real-life warriors, learn more about the stories of the bravest of them all—Cú Chulainn and the Red Branch Knights. On-site AV show incorporates many of the tales of the Ulster Cycle associated with this great site. With archaeological evidence dating back to 95BC, experienced tour guides will accompany you to what is undoubtedly one of Ireland’s most famous sites. For children, the indoor and outdoor Archaeology Discovery space is a must-see, along with the Ecology trail to truly appreciate the diversity of wildlife on offer here.
5,000 years ago the first farmers in Ireland built the famous tombs at Brú na Bóinne World Heritage site while the Hill of Tara was used for the inauguration of the High Kings of Ireland. The Boyne Valley was dotted with important medieval abbeys at Kells and Mellifont, and the largest Anglo-Norman castle at Trim. The Battle of the Boyne site at Oldbridge House also holds much resonance in Irish and British history. History and local produce combine at Slane Castle, where a new whiskey distillery has recently opened on the estate; while nearby Drogheda is home to a famous relic, the preserved head of St. Oliver Plunkett. Drogheda is also hosting Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann in August 2019, Ireland’s largest traditional music festival.

Old Mellifont Abbey
Drogheda, Co. Louth
The first Cistercian Monastery in Ireland

Little of the original Abbey now remains, although visitors can see one of its most unusual features; an octagonal lavabo c. 1200. This lavabo was used by the monks to wash their hands before eating. The Visitor Centre houses an interesting exhibition on the work of masons in the Middle Ages with fine examples of their craft on display. Access to site by stone stairway.
Carlingford Lough Ferry

Greencastle, Co. Down

A passageway of discovery

Whether you are taking a day trip or taking a holiday, the Carlingford Lough Ferry is a new and fun way to travel further and enjoy more. The Carlingford Lough Ferry connects two of the most stunningly beautiful and historic areas; from the Mourne Mountains to the Carlingford & Cooley Peninsula and through the gateway to Ireland’s Ancient East.

Whether you are travelling from the north coast, north west, mid-Ulster, Belfast, Downpatrick or Newcastle—you will discover new scenery to capture and get closer to a whole new world of nature trails and heritage sites.

Visit Carlingford to escape from the usual high street offerings with craft and curiosity shops, exquisite boutiques and delicious cuisine. Maybe you prefer walking, camping, cycling, or a motorbike ride out? Now you have access to a much bigger playground.

Run free or relax on Port Beach located a few short miles north of the fishing village of Clogherhead in County Louth or embrace the high-octane energy at the Funtasia Water Park in Drogheda and Tayto Theme Park in County Meath.

The Carlingford Lough Ferry is the perfect canvas to plan your escape and a whole new playground to enjoy. Take a drive and take it all in. Visit carlingfordferry.com and enjoy 10% discount.

News Flash!

Introducing the Carlingford Lough Ferry—the newest, must do adventure which crosses the iconic Carlingford Lough from Greencastle in Co Down to Greenore in Co Louth. Enjoy a much bigger playground with outdoor adventure, beaches, golf, nature and heritage as well as mouth watering bistros, stunning scenery and world class festivals. The Carlingford Lough Ferry means more places, sights and sounds to enjoy.
Murlough National Nature Reserve
Dundrum, Co. Down

An extraordinarily beautiful dune landscape

On the coast of County Down lies the Murlough National Nature Reserve. The reserve offers a spectacular view of Slieve Donard, the highest peak in the Mourne Mountains and Dundrum Bay. Since 1967 Murlough has been Ireland's first Nature Reserve, owned by the National Trust. The 6,000 year old sand dune system provides an excellent area for walking and bird watching due to its spectacular location at the edge of Dundrum Bay and the Mourne Mountains.

Visitors will come across a network of paths and boardwalks through the dunes, woodland and heath. Along here they can enjoy an array of butterflies and wild flowers. These walks will provide you with access to one of the finest beaches in Co. Down.

From the magnificent beach, sea watchers can observe more sea birds and in the summer and autumn both common and grey seals. The rich wildlife of this area changes with the seasons but there is always something of interest.

Contact
Murlough National Nature Reserve
Keel Point, Dundrum
Co. Down, BT33 0NQ
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Intl: +44 28 4375 1467
murlough@nationaltrust.org.uk
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/murlough

Location
Murlough lies just off the A2, the main Belfast to Newcastle road near Dundrum village. Look out for the signs
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude 54.2243, -5.8761

Opening Times
Access all year
Facilities open weekends & Bank/Public Holidays
Facilities open all week Easter and June to October

Admission Rates
Free

Information
Beach Café
Parking
The car park is open all year round with admission charged when facilities such as the Beach Café are open

Family & children
The main car park has a number of BBQ friendly picnic tables and a safe area for a football kick around. Feel free to spread a blanket on the beach too, but please take your litter home. Family fun events held over the summer. Children’s nature trail quiz and activity packs.
Historic Farmyard and Gardens

Visit the eccentric 18th century mansion, set in rolling parkland above Strangford Lough and explore 32km of forest trails, watching out for butterflies, Irish hares and buzzards.

Step into a world of drama and intrigue in the historic farmyard where the 12th century Tower House and 10 other locations were turned into Winterfell from the HBO series Game of Thrones.

The newly restored Sunken Garden is a colourful escape all year round while families can find adventure on the Secret Shore Nature Trail.

Finish the day with a treat at the tea-room and pick up a gift in the secondhand book shop or gift-shop.

New for 2019, the Trailhead Café is the perfect place for dog owners to grab a cuppa. Gift aid admission includes a 10% or more voluntary donation. See website for further details.

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County Down, BT30 7BA
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Location
7 miles north-east of Downpatrick 1 mile from Strangford on A25
SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.3691, -5.5854
Opening Times
Grounds: Nov to Mar 16: 10:00–16:00h, Mar 17 to Nov 03: 10:00–18:00h. House: Mar 17 to Nov 03: 12:00–17:00h. Last entry to House 1 hour before closing
Admission Rates
Adult £10.50, Child £5.25
Child (U4) Free, Family (2+3) £26.25
Includes Gift Aid
Information
Tea-room, National Trust Shop & Second Hand Bookshop, outdoor pursuits company Clerysk Adventure on-site
Parking
Two carparks, parking included in admission price

Map of attractions / entertainments, see pages 4 and 5
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Newry and Mourne collects, preserves and interprets the material relating to the culture, heritage, and history of Newry and Mourne. Three galleries trace the history with two temporary exhibitions per year as well as tours, events and family activities. Newry and Mourne Museum is located in a restored 16th century fortified house, Bagenal’s Castle and the adjoining 19th century warehouse.

Downpatrick takes its name from a dún (fort), which stood on the hill that dominates the town. Attractions include The Saint Patrick Visitor Centre; Down County Museum—in the former Gaol; Down Cathedral, a place of pilgrimage & prayer, the remains of Saint Patrick are reputedly buried adjacent to here; Downpatrick & County Railway—Ireland's only full-sized heritage railway (on the former rail-link to Belfast).

### Downpatrick, Co. Down

**Down County Museum**

Located in the old county gaol of Downpatrick dating to 1796, the museum’s collections interpret the diverse history of the County. The permanent exhibitions bring to life the archaeology, history, and culture of the area, with over 1,100 objects and documents telling the story of 9,000 years of human history in the region. Early Christian heritage is showcased in the gallery ‘Raising the Cross in Down’ featuring the Downpatrick High Cross.

### Downpatrick, Co. Down

**Downpatrick Heritage Town**

One of Ireland’s most ancient towns, Downpatrick takes its name from a dún (fort), which stood on the hill that dominates the town. Attractions include The Saint Patrick Visitor Centre; Down County Museum—in the former Gaol; Down Cathedral, a place of pilgrimage & prayer, the remains of Saint Patrick are reputedly buried adjacent to here; Downpatrick & County Railway—Ireland’s only full-sized heritage railway (on the former rail-link to Belfast).
Grey Point Fort is situated in Helen’s Bay, Crawfordsburn and offers stunning views of the area. The purpose of the fort was to protect the mouth of the Belfast Lough from enemy invasion.

Today a fascinating military museum can be found here, which houses a most unusual hands-on experience. The museum exhibits collections such as weapon, uniform, radio, medal and photographic and is run by volunteers.

In 1957 Grey Points two guns were sold for scrap after the disbanding of the coastal artillery.

In 1992 a 12ft by six inch diameter naval gun was installed as the Centrepiece. It is nearly a century old and was brought from Spike Island in Cork Harbour which also had a defensive fort.

Visitors of all ages are welcome at this great family attraction in Northern Ireland.
Downpatrick & Co. Down Railway

Downpatrick, Co. Down

Nestling under the shadow of Down Cathedral, the railway operates through an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Covering approx. 2 miles of a restored section of the former Belfast & Co. Down Railway main line to Belfast, out of Downpatrick to Inch Abbey, a ruined 12th Century Cistercian Abbey, with a further one mile built along the old Newcastle route to a Viking King’s Grave. Small photo exhibition & a Thomas the Tank engine model railway layout for the kids.

Mount Stewart

Newtownards, Co. Down

Voted one of the world’s top ten gardens, reflecting a rich tapestry of design and planting artistry bearing the hallmark of its creator. Edith, Lady Londonderry’s passion for bold planting schemes, coupled with the mild climate of Strangford Lough, means rare and tender plants from across the globe thrive in this celebrated garden. Explore the exquisite house, a world-class collection of paintings and many other internationally significant items.

Ulster Folk & Transport Museum

Holywood, Co. Down

Explore thatched cottages, farms, schools and shops as you experience life from over 100 years ago. Chat to costumed visitor guides as they demonstrate traditional crafts and offer you freshly-baked treats in the Folk Museum. Climb on and off majestic steam locomotives and explore horse-drawn carriages, electric trams, boats, motorbikes, fire-engines and vintage cars in the Transport Museum. Early 2019: Tim Peake Soyuz Exhibition comes to the Transport Museum.
Tyrella Beach

Downpatrick, Co. Down

Stunning Blue Flag Beach

Tyrella beach can be found within Dundrum Bay, Downpatrick, County Down. It is an award-winning beach stretching for two kilometres and backed by 25 hectares of mature dunes. Visitors can enjoy beautiful scenic walks and enjoy the habitat of local flora and fauna. Facilities on the beach include:

- safe bathing, dog free area, walks and tourist information.
- The clean waters invite water sport enthusiasts and the beach provides a safe haven for families and groups who wish to picnic in a clean environment.
- The Beach is owned and managed by Down District Council.
- Lifeguards patrol the beach daily during July and August.

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Visiting

Contact
Tyrella Beach, Cannaghery Road
Downpatrick, Co. Down, BT30 8SU
Tel: 028 4461 0800
Int: +44 28 4461 0800
www.downdc.gov.uk

Location
Tyrella Beach is situated on the A2 Killough to Clough Rd 7 miles from Downpatrick and 12 miles from Newcastle

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.2536, -5.7469

Information
Facilities include wheelchair access and toilets on site. Special disabled parking on the beach can be arranged.

Parking
Car park charges during summer season, special disabled parking on the beach can be arranged on request.

Mourne Mountains

Co. Down

“Where the Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea”

The Mourne Mountains are the highest and most dramatic mountain range in Northern Ireland, its summits crowned by granite tors. The mountains are criss-crossed by a network of paths and tracks and walking route cards are available from the visitor information centre in Newcastle. The routes provide enthusiastic walkers with incredible opportunities for exploration across the distinctive summits of 12 mountains spanning 15 miles in length. The Mournes are divided into 2 distinctive areas —the Eastern or ‘High’ Mournes and the Western or ‘Low’ Mournes.

Any newcomer to the Mournes will be amazed at the variety of landscapes that can be encountered within such a confined geographical area. Percy French’s song, ‘Where the Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea’ make them the best known mountains in Ireland.

Visiting

Contact
Mourne Mountains
Co. Down
www.visitmournemountains.co.uk

Location
The Mourne Mountains are in County Down, lying 31 miles (50km) south of Belfast and just over 62 miles (100km) north of Dublin

SatNav: Latitude/Longitude
54.1533, -6.0663

Information
Further information available
Newcastle Visitor Information Centre
10-14 Central Promenade, BT33 0AA
028 4372 2222
+44 28 4372 2222
newcastle.vic@nmandd.org
www.discovernorthernireland.com
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