



One of The Office of Public Works' responsibilities is the protection and conservation of Ireland's built heritage. The Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (DCHG) is responsible for the protection and conservation of Ireland's natural heritage. You can find out more about our natural and built heritage from the following:

www.heritageireland.ie

EXPLORE IRELANDS HERITAGE

BUY A HERITAGE CARD

If you are interested in visiting a number of Heritage sites, why not buy a Heritage Card? It is great value and gives unlimited admission for one year to sites managed by the Office of Public Works or by The Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (with the exception of Muckross Traditional Farms).

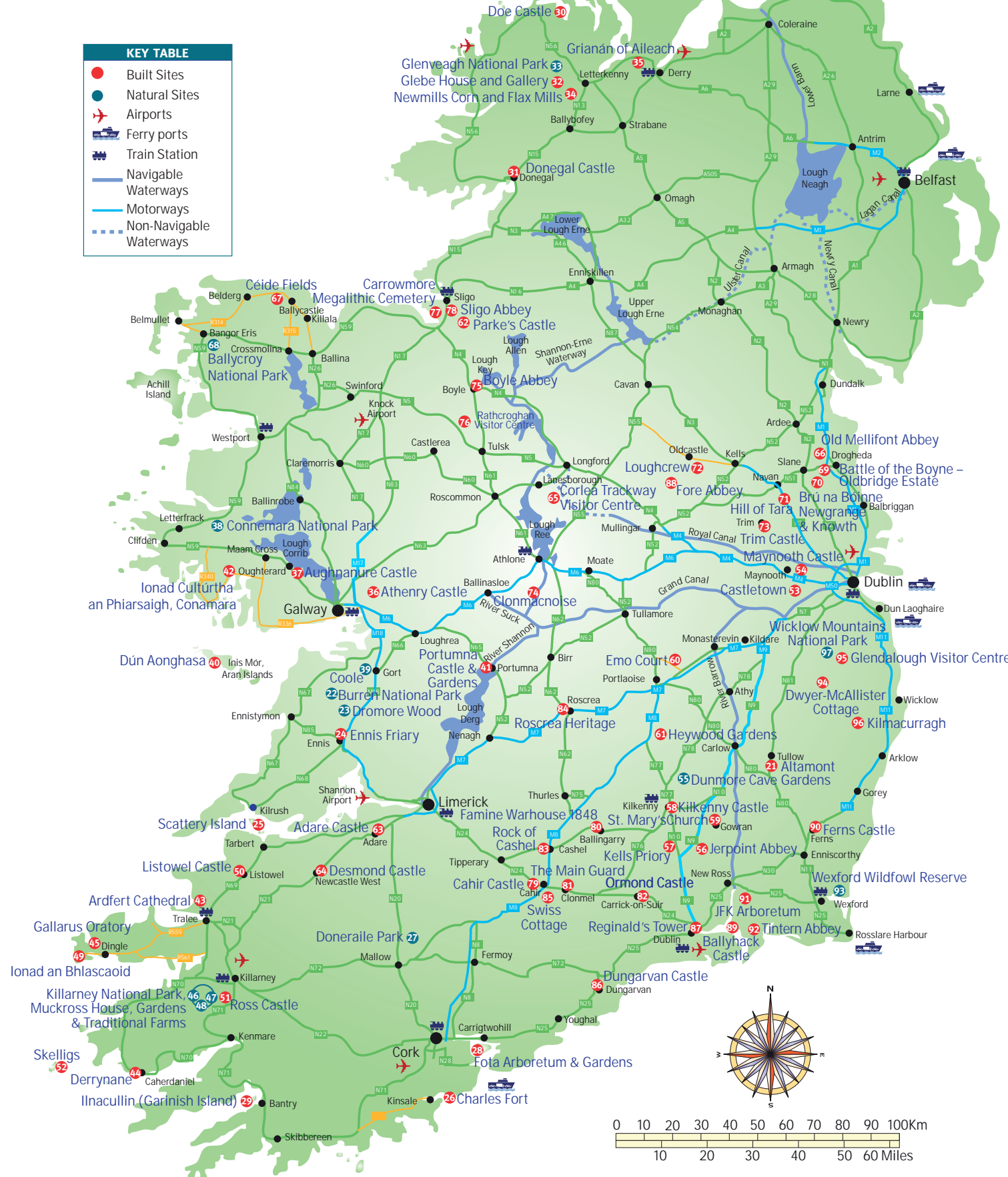
It may be purchased at most sites for:

Adult	€ 40.00
Senior Citizen	€ 30.00
Child or Student	€ 10.00
Family	€ 90.00

You should buy this card at the first heritage site that you visit. You can also buy the card before your visit – check our website www.heritageireland.ie or telephone +353 (01) 647 6592 (from overseas) or Callsave 1850 600 601 (within Ireland). The Heritage Card is non-transferable and may only be used by the signatory.



SITE LOCATIONS



ADMISSION CHARGES

Adult	Child/Student
Group/Senior Citizen	Family

Please consult www.heritageireland.ie website for current charges and opening times.

Last admission to most sites is approximately one hour before closing.

Guided tours are available at most sites. Please note that at some sites access is by guided tour only.

Large groups are asked to book in advance of visit.

For booking, groups and tour operators are asked to contact individual sites directly.

Unless stated otherwise, credit/debit cards not accepted.

Sites with a limited tour capacity are marked in the text.

(Generally the maximum number is 25).

Videos/cameras and large bags are not permitted on tour at some sites.

All information is correct at the time of going to print and may be subject to change.

Please consult www.heritageireland.ie website

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DUBLIN LOCATIONS



DUBLIN HERITAGE SITES

Áras an Uachtaráin
Phoenix Park, Dublin 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 677 0095 Fax : +353 (0)1 672 6454
Lo Call : 1890 430 430
Email : phenixparkvisitorcentre@opw.ie
For further information visit - www.president.ie
Áras an Uachtaráin is the Official Residence of the President of Ireland. Built in 1751 and situated in the 1,752 acres of the Phoenix Park
Open : Saturdays only 10.15-16.30 Summer 10.30-15.30 Winter 24 - 26 December
Free admission tickets to the Áras issued from the Phoenix Park Visitor Centre on Saturdays only
Admission Free

Arbour Hill
Arbour Hill, Dublin 7
Tel. : +353 (0)1 821 3021
Email : superintendent.park@opw.ie
The Military Cemetery at Arbour Hill is the last resting place of 14 of the leaders of the Insurrection of 1916
Open: All year round
Mon - Fri 08.00 - 16.00
Sat 11.00 - 16.00
Sun 09.30 - 16.00
Admission Free

Casino
Cherry Mount Crescent, off the Malahide Road, Marino, D3
Tel. : +353 (0)1 833 1618 Fax +353 (0)1 833 2636
Email casinomarin@opw.ie
The Casino, meaning "small house", surprisingly contains 16 finely decorated rooms, endlessly rich in subtlety and design. It is a remarkable building - both in terms of structure and history. The Casino is located at Marino, just off the Malahide Road and only three miles north of the centre of Dublin.
This site is closed for essential maintenance work - updates are available on www.heritageireland.ie/en/dublin/casinomarin.
Admission: Adult: €7.00, Sen/Group €5.00, Child/Student €3.00, Family €12.00

Dublin Castle
Dame Street, Dublin 2
Tel. : +353 (0)1 645 8813 Fax : +353 (0)1 679 7831
Email : dublincastle@opw.ie
Originally a Norman castle, situated at the southeastern corner of the medieval city walls, Dublin Castle today mainly contains buildings dating from the 17th to 20th centuries, but the visit also includes the medieval remnants.
Open All year Mon - Sun & B/H 09.45 - 17.45.
Last Admission 17.15
Closed 25 - 27 Dec & 1 Jan
Online booking and further information in relation to opening times and admission charges are now available at www.dublincastle.ie
Dublin Castle can close at very short notice for government business.
Admission : C

Access to Ashdown Castle by guided tour only. Last tour 30 mins. before closing.

Last admission 20 mins. before closing

Tours to Áras an Uachtaráin depart from Centre every Saturday.

Farmleigh
Phoenix Park, Castleknock, Dublin 15
Tel. : +353 (0)1 8155914 Fax : +353 (0)1 815 5988
Email : farmleighguides@opw.ie
An estate of 78 acres situated to the northwest of the Phoenix Park. It was purchased by the OPW on behalf of the Government in 1999 and developed in order to provide accommodation for visiting dignitaries and guests of the nation.
House: From 14 March-31 Dec, daily guided tours from 10.00-17.30. Last admission 16.30.
Online booking now available at www.farmleigh.ie
Estate open all year: Daily 10.00 - 18.00, last admission 17.00
Farmleigh House can close at very short notice for government business
Admission : C

Garden of Remembrance
Parnell Square East, Dublin 1
Tel. : +353 (0)1 821 3021
Email : superintendent.park@opw.ie
Designed by Daithí Hanly - a place of quiet remembrance and reflection dedicated to the memory of all who gave their lives in the cause of Irish Freedom.
Open Apr - Sept Daily 08.30 - 18.00
Oct - Mar Daily 09.30 - 18.00
Open Christmas Day 11.00 - 13.00
Admission Free

Government Buildings
Upper Merion Street, Dublin 2
Tel. : +353 (0)1 645 8813 Fax : +353 (0)1 619 4116
Open: Saturday 10.30-13.30. Tours starting every hour on the half hour.
Free tickets available at the National Gallery lobby (Merion Square entrance).
Last tour 13.30
Admission Free

Grangeeigan Military Cemetery
Blackhorse Avenue, Dublin 7
Tel. : +353 (0)1 821 3021
Email : superintendent.park@opw.ie
One of the largest military cemeteries in Dublin. Mature trees and well-maintained lawns create a reflective atmosphere in this multi-denominational cemetery which was laid out in 1876.
Open: All year round daily 10.00 - 16.00
Admission Free

Iveagh Gardens
Clonmel Street, Dublin 2
Tel: +353 (0)1 475 7816 Fax: +353 (0)1 475 5287
Among the finest and least known of Dublin's parks and gardens - includes a unique collection of landscape features
Open Mon - Sat 08.00
Sunday & Bank Holidays 10.00
Close: according to daylight hours
Access from Hatch St. and Clonmel St.
Admission Free

Kilmainham Gaol
Inchicore Road, Kilmainham, D 8
Tel +353 (0)1 453 5984 Fax +353 (0)1 453 2037
Email Kilmainhamgaol@opw.ie
One of the largest unoccupied gaols in Europe
Open all Year except 24th, 25th and 26th of December.
Online booking required. Further information on opening times is available on www.kilmainhamgaolmuseum.ie
Admission : C

National Botanic Gardens
Glasnevin, D 9
Tel. : +353 (0)1 804 0319/857 0909
Fax : +353 (0)1 836 0080
Email botanicgardens@opw.ie
Tour Bookings Email botaniccentre@opw.ie
+353 (0)1 836 0080
Colourful gardens covering 19.5 hectares, with approx. 20,000 plant species
Open: Mar-Oct: Mon-Fri 09.00-17.00 Sat-Sun 10.00-18.00
Nov-Feb: Mon-Fri 09.00-16.30 Sat-Sun 10.00-16.30
Admission Free

Pearse Museum & St. Enda's Park
St Enda's Park, Grange Road, Rathfarnham, D 16
Tel. : +353 (0)1 493 4208 Fax : +353 (0)1 493 6120
Email : pearsemuseum@opw.ie
Website: www.pearsemuseum.ie
Former school run by Patrick Pearse, now a museum in one of Dublin's most charming and atmospheric parks. The courtyard incorporates an informative Nature Room.
Pearse Museum Nov-Jan 09.30-16.00 Feb 09.30-17.00 Mar-Oct 09.30-17.30 All year Sun & B/H's open at 10.00
St. Enda's Park: Nov-Jan 09.00-16.30 Feb 09.00-17.30 Mar & Oct 09.00-18.00 Apr & Sept 09.00-20.00 May-Aug 09.00-21.00
Admission Free

The Phoenix Park, A National Historic Park
Whitefields, Phoenix Park, Dublin 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 821 3021 Fax : +353 (0)1 820 5584
Website : www.phoenixpark.ie
1752 acres makes the park one of the largest enclosed recreational spaces within any European capital city
Open: 24hrs all year round
Admission Free

Phoenix Park, People's Flower Gardens
Phoenix Park, Dublin 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 821 3021
Website : www.phoenixpark.ie
Fax : +353 (0)1 820 5584
The Victorian Gardens are 22 acres in size and were re-opened in 1864 after originally being established in 1840.
Open daily, 8.00am to dusk.
Admission Free

Phoenix Park Visitor Centre & Ashdown Castle
Phoenix Park, D 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 877 0095 Fax : +353 (0)1 672 6454
Website : www.phoenixpark.ie
Interprets the history and wildlife of one of the world's largest enclosed parks
Open: (Ashdown Castle in Park)
Nov - Apr: Wed-Sun Inc 09.30 - 17.30
May - Oct: Daily 10.00 - 17.45
Admission Free

Rathfarnham Castle
Rathfarnham, D 14
Tel. : +353 (0)1 493 9462
A 16th C. castle with 18th C. interiors by Sir William Chambers and James 'Athenian' Stuart.
Open May - Sept 9.30 - 17.30
October - April Wednesday to Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays 10.30am - 17.00pm
Last admission 45 mins before closing
Admission : D

Royal Hospital Kilmainham
Military Road, Kilmainham, Dublin 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 612 9900 Fax : +353 (0)1 612 9999
Email : info@rma.ie Open July Sept, Tue - Sunday
A magnificent late 17th Century Classical building with Chapel, Great Hall, Formal Gardens, burial grounds and artists studios now home to Irish and international visual art.
Pre-booked Heritage Tours, please email pauff.obrien@opw.ie
Admission Free

KEY

Heritage Town	Toilets	Audio visual	Nature Trails/ Walks
Guided Tour	Toilets for visitors with disabilities	Exhibition	Car/Coach Park
Restricted Access	Visitor Centre	Tea Rooms	Picnic Area
B/H Bank Holiday			

St Audoen's Church
Commarket, High Street, near Christchurch, D. 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 677 0088
Email : staudoenschurch@opw.ie
Sited in the heart of the walled medieval city, St. Audoen's is the only remaining medieval parish church in Dublin.
Open 18 April - 24 October 9.30-17.30
Last admission: 16.45
Admission Free

St Stephen's Green
Dublin 2
Tel. : +353 (0)1 475 7816
Fax : +353 (0)1 475 5287
Ireland's best known Victorian public park, this 22 acre park has been maintained in the original Victorian layout.
Open Mon-Sat 07.30, Sun & Public Holidays 09.30
Closes according to daylight hours.
Open Christmas Day 10.00 - 13.00
Admission Free

War Memorial Gardens
South Circular Road, Islandbridge, Dublin 8
Tel. : +353 (0)1 475 7816 (Gardens)
Fax : +353 (0)1 475 5287 (Head Office)
Designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens and dedicated to the 49,400 Irish Soldiers who died in the 1914-1918 war.
Open Mon-Fri - 08.00 Sat-Sun - 10.00
Closes according to daylight hours. Access to bookrooms by arrangement with local management
Admission Free

HERITAGE SITES OUTSIDE DUBLIN

Altamont Gardens
Tullow, Co. Carlow
Tel. : +353 (0)59 915 9444
Fax : +353 (0)59 915 9510
Email : altamontgardens@opw.ie
Large, beautiful old world garden, Robinsonian in style
Open: All year.
Full details on www.heritageireland.ie
Admission Free

Burren National Park
Burren National Park Information Point
Clare Heritage Centre, Corofin, Co. Clare
Tel + 353 (0)65 6827693
email burrennationalpark@ahg.gov.ie
Outside summer season: Tel +353 (0)91 631804
email coolepark@ahg.gov.ie
The Burren is one of the finest examples of a Glacio - Karst landscape in the world. 1500 hectares of the Burren National Park contain all the major habitats of the region, limestone pavement, hazel scrub, deciduous woodland, wetlands & species - rich grassland.
Open Visitor Information Point: April to June & September daily 10.00 - 17.00 July & August daily 10.00 - 18.00
Admission Free

Dromore Wood Nature Reserve
Ruan, Ennis, Co. Clare
Tel. : +353 (0)65 808 5199 when Visitor Centre open.
Otherwise contact Coole Park +353 (091) 831 804
A nature reserve of 400 hectares, Dromore Wood boasts a rich and diverse flora and fauna
Dromore Wood: Open Daily
Barrier Closes: Summer 19.30, Winter 18.00
Visitor Centre: May: Wed-Sun 10.00-17.00
June-Aug: Daily 10.00-17.00
Admission Free

Ennis Friary
Abbey Street, Ennis, Co. Clare
Tel. : +353(0)65 682 9100
Fax: +353(0)65 684 1020
Email : ennisfriary@opw.ie
13th C. Franciscan Friary which has many 15th & 16th C. sculptures.
Open - 3 April to 30 September - Daily 10.00 - 18.00
1 October - 1 November - Daily 10.00 - 17.00
Last admission 45 minutes before closing.
Admission : D

Scattery Island
Kilrush, Co. Clare
Tel. : +353 (0)87 995 8427
Tel +353 (0)87 995 8427
Winter Contact +353 (0)87 919 9725
Email scatterysland@opw.ie
Scattery Island is home to a 6th century monastery founded by St. Senan
Open (recommended visiting times):
23 May - 25 September: Daily 10.00 - 18.00
Please note that access to the island is dependent on tidal/weather conditions.
Email: info@scatteryslandtours.com
Last admission 45 minutes before closing Ferry Schedule www.scatteryslandtours.com
Admission Free

Charles Fort
Summer Cove, Kinsale, Co. Cork
Tel. : +353 (0)21 477 2263
Email : charlesfort@opw.ie
A classic example of a 17th C star-shaped fort.
Open: Mid March - October Daily 10.00 - 18.00
Early Nov - Mid March Daily 10.00 - 17.00
Last admission 1 hour before closing. Visitors are advised to wear footwear suitable for uneven terrain
Admission : D

Doneraile Park
Doneraile, Co. Cork
Tel. : +353 (0)87 251 5965
An outstanding example of an 18th C. landscaped park covering 166 hectares
Open: Summer Mon-Fri 8.00 - 20.00
Sat, Sun & B/H 9.00 - 20.00
Winter Mon-Fri 8.00 - 17.00
Sat-Sun & B/H 9.00 - 17.00
An enhanced visitor experience, to include guided tours, is scheduled for this site during the summer. Full details will be available on www.heritageireland.ie closer to the time.
Admission Free

HERITAGE SITES OUTSIDE DUBLIN cont.



Fota Arboretum and Gardens
Fota Estate, Carrigtwohill, Co. Cork
Tel./fax: +353 (0)21 481 2728

Extends over an area of 11 hectares and includes an ornamental pond and Italian walled gardens. Pedestrian access all year round during daylight hours.

Full details www.heritageireland.ie

Admission Free



Inlacullin (Garinish Island)
Glengarriff, Bantry, Co. Cork
Tel. : +353 (0) 27 63040 Fax : +353 (0) 27 63149

Island garden of rare beauty situated in the sheltered harbour of Glengarriff in Bantry Bay

Open: 1 April - 3 November

Detailed opening times - www.heritageireland.ie

Admission :

Last landing 1 hour before closing but may be subject to occasional tidal flooding.

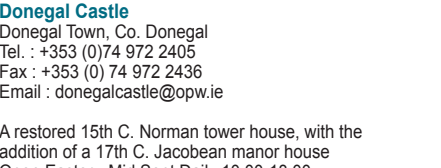


Doe Castle
Sheephaven Bay, Co. Donegal.
Email : info@heritageireland.ie

Doe Castle sits deep in Sheephaven Bay, in a spectacular location on the waterline near Creeslough, Co. Donegal. Grounds, excluding the tower house, daily from 09.00 - 18.00

Guided tours of the tower house are facilitated by a local community group, Moving Meavagh Forward, in Summertime. See www.heritageireland.ie for details.

Admission Free



Donegal Castle
Donegal Town, Co. Donegal
Tel. : +353 (0)74 972 2405
Fax : +353 (0) 74 972 2436
Email : donegalcastle@owp.ie

A restored 15th C. Norman tower house, with the addition of a 17th C. Jacobean manor house

Open Easter - Mid Sept Daily 10.00-18.00
Mid Sept - Easter Thurs - Mon incl 09.30-16.30
Guided Tour: Max 35
Last admission 45mins before closing

Admission :



Glebe House and Gallery
Churchill, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal
Tel. : +353 (0)74 913 7071
Fax : +353 (0)74 913 7816
Email : glebegallery@owp.ie

Regency house decorated with Victorian William Morris wallpaper, textiles and art works by leading 20th C. artists. Access to house by guided tour only

Detailed opening times - www.glebegallery.ie

Admission :



Glenveagh National Park and Castle
Churchill, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal
Tel : +353 (0)76 1002537
Visitor Centre 076 1002551 Fax +353 (074) 913 7072

16,500 hectares of mountains, lakes, glens and woods, and a 19th C. castle surrounded by the famous Glenveagh Gardens

Admission Prices & Opening Times - www.glenveaghnationalpark.ie

Guided Tour: Max 20.



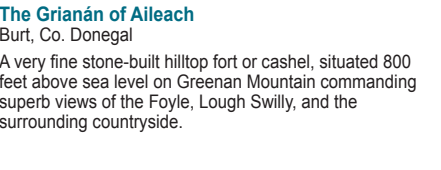
Newmills Corn and Flax Mills
Churchill Road, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal
Tel. : +353 (0)74 912 5115
Fax : +353 (0)74 910 3353
Email : newmills@owp.ie

A complex of restored industrial buildings, powered by the River Swilly

Open: 23 May - 25 September, Daily, 10.00 - 18.00
Guided Tour: Max 20

Last Admission 45 mins before closing.


Admission Free



The Granán of Aileach
Burt, Co. Donegal

A very fine stone-built hilltop fort or cashel, situated 800 feet above sea level on Greanán Mountain commanding superb views of the Foyle, Lough Swilly, and the surrounding countryside.

Admission Free



Athenry Castle
Athenry, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0) 91 844 797 Fax : +353 (0) 91 845 796
Email : athenrycastle@owp.ie

Restored three storey 13th C. Norman Keep. The interior contains unique stone carvings of the period.

Open: 28 Mar - 2 Oct. Daily 9.30 - 18.00
3 Oct - 30 Oct Daily 9.30 - 17.00
Last Admission 45 mins. before closing

Admission :



Aughnanure Castle
Oughterard, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0) 91 552 214
Email : aughnanurecastle@owp.ie

Built close to the shores of Lough Corrib c1500. Aughnaneure Castle is a beautifully restored Gaelic Irish Tower House built by one of the most ferocious Irish clans-The O'Flahertys.

Open: 23 Mar - 23 Oct Daily 9.30 - 18.00
24 Oct - 24 Nov Sat - Mon 9.30 - 17.00
Guided Tour Max: 20
Last admission 45mins before closing.

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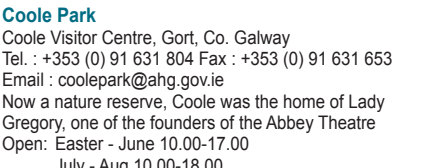


Connemara National Park
Lettertrack, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0) 95 41 054 / 41 323 / 60 900
Tel. : +353 (0)85 60 912
Email : cnp@ahg.gov.ie

Covers 2,000 hectares of scenic countryside, rich in wildlife, on the slopes of the Twelve Bens

Open: Refer to www.connemaranationalpark.ie

Admission Free



Coole Park
Coole Visitor Centre, Gort, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0) 91 631 804 Fax : +353 (0) 91 631 653
Email : coolepark@ahg.gov.ie

Now a nature reserve, Coole was the home of Lady Gregory, one of the founders of the Abbey Theatre

Open: Easter - June 10.00-17.00
July - Aug 10.00-18.00
Sept Daily 10.00-17.00

Closed Last weekend in September for Annual Autumn Gathering. Last admission 15 mins before closing. Last admission to audio visuals 1 hour before closing

Admission Free




Dún Aonghasa
Cill Mhuirbhig, Inis Mór, Aran Islands, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0)99 61008 Fax : +353 (0)99 61009
Email : dunaonghasa@owp.ie

The largest of the prehistoric stone forts of the Aran Islands

Open: Jan - March, Nov - Dec: 09.30 - 16.00 Mon - Sun
April - Oct: 9.30 - 18.00 Mon - Sun

Admission :



Portumna Castle and Gardens
Portumna, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0) 90 974 1658 Fax : +353 (0) 90 974 1889
Email : portumnacastle@owp.ie

Built before 1618, this Jacobean manor was the seat of the De Burgo family for over 200 years. Includes the recently restored 17th century walled kitchen garden. Portumna Castle is surrounded by Portumna Forest Park, Lough Derg & the River Shannon.

Open: 28 Mar - 02 Oct Daily 09.30 - 18.00
3 October - 30 October : Daily 09.30 - 17.00
Last Admission 45 minutes before closing.

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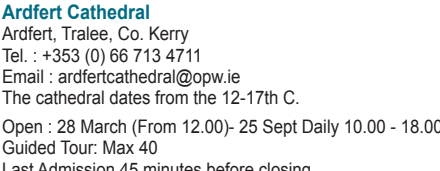


Ionad Cultúrtha an Phiarasaigh, Conamara
Ros Muc, Co. Galway
Phone: 00 353 (0)91 574292
email: icpconamara@owp.ie

This state-of-the-art visitor centre celebrates the culture, and landscape of the Connemara Gaeltacht. The area's unique heritage attracted Patrick Pearse, leader of the 1916 Rising, to spend his summers here in the early 20th century. Visitors can explore the interactive exhibition, and then take a short stroll through the landscape, up to Pearse's original cottage, which he had built in 1909.

Open Daily: Summer: 9.30 - 18.00, Winter: 9.30 -16.00
Online booking at www.icpconamara.ie

Admission :




Ardfert Cathedral
Ardfert, Tralee, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353 (0) 66 713 4711
Email : ardfertcathedral@owp.ie

The cathedral dates from the 12-17th C.

Open : 28 March (From 12.00m) - 25 Sept Daily 10.00 - 18.00
Guided Tour: Max 40
Last Admission 45 minutes before closing.

Admission :




Derrynane House, National Historic Park
Caherdaniel, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353 (0) 66 947 5113 Fax : +353 (0) 66 947 5432
Email : derrynanehouse@owp.ie

The ancestral home of statesman, Daniel O'Connell. Situated on 120 hectares of parklands and 1.5km of coastline

16 March - 30 Sept Daily 10.30 - 18.00
1 Oct - 3 Nov Daily 10.00 - 17.00
9 Nov - 8 Dec - Weekends only 10.00 - 16.00
Last Admission 45 minutes before closing

Admission :

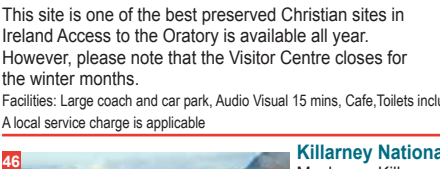


Gallarus Oratory
Baile na nGall, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353(0)66 915 5333
Email : gallarusoratory@gmail.com for queries and bookings

This site is one of the best preserved Christian sites in Ireland Access to the Oratory is available all year. However, please note that the Visitor Centre closes for the winter months.

Facilities: Large coach and car park, Audio Visual 15 mins, Cafe, Toilets including facilities for persons of limited mobility. A local service charge is applicable

Admission Free



Killarney National Park
Muckross, Killarney, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353(0)64 6631440
Email : killarneynp@ahg.gov.ie

Comprises of 10,000 hectares, famous for its native natural habitats and species including oak-holly woods, yew woods and red deer

Pedestrian access to the Park all year round.

Opening Times - www.killarneynationalpark.ie

Admission Free



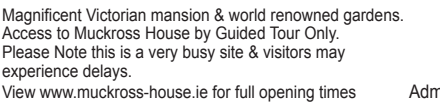
Muckross House & Gardens
Muckross, Killarney, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353 (0)64 667 0114
Fax : +353 (0)64 667 0116

Magnificent Victorian mansion & world renowned gardens. Access to Muckross House by Guided Tour Only

Please Note this is a very busy site & visitors may experience delays.

View www.muckross-house.ie for full opening times

Admission :



Athenry Castle
Athenry, Co. Galway
Tel. : +353 (0) 91 844 797 Fax : +353 (0) 91 845 796
Email : athenrycastle@owp.ie

Restored three storey 13th C. Norman Keep. The interior contains unique stone carvings of the period.

Open: 28 Mar - 2 Oct. Daily 9.30 - 18.00
3 Oct - 30 Oct Daily 9.30 - 17.00
Last Admission 45 mins. before closing

Admission :



Muckross Traditional Farms
Muckross, Killarney, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353(0)64 667 0165/667 0144
Fax : +353 64 6670718

Three separate working farms preserving in real life the farming traditions of rural Ireland

Please note that this site does not accept OPW Heritage Cards

View www.muckross-house.ie for full opening times. Last admission 1 hour before closing.

Admission :



Ionad an Bhascaoid / The Blasket Centre
Ionad an Bhascaoid/The Blasket Centre, Dun Chaoin, Dingle Peninsula, Co. Kerry.
Tel. : +353 (0) 66 915 6444 / (0) 66 915 6371
Web: www.blascaoid.ie
Email : blascaoid@owp.ie

Celebrates the story of the Blasket Islanders their native language, culture and tradition

Open: 21 March - 3 November Daily 10.00-18.00
Last Admission 45 minutes before closing.

Admission :



Listowel Castle
The Square, Listowel, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353 (0) 86 385 7201 Email : padraig.ouaraic@owp.ie

The present castle, overlooking the River Feale, is said to have been built in the 13th century.

Open: 23 May - 18 Sept Daily 10.00 - 18.00
Access by guided tour only.
Last Admission 45 minutes before closing

Admission Free

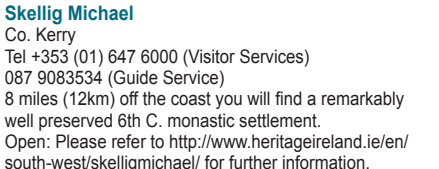


Ross Castle
Killarney, Co. Kerry
Tel. : +353 (0) 64 663 5851
Fax : +353 (0) 64 663 5852
Email : rosscastle@owp.ie

A restored 15th C. castle which now houses a fine collection of 16th & 17th C. oak furniture

Open: 1 Mar - 5 Nov Daily 09.30-17.45
Last admission 1 hour before closing.
Guided Tour: Max: 15 - Access by guided tour only

Admission :



Skellig Michael
Co. Kerry
Tel +353 (01) 647 6000 (Visitor Services)
087 9083534 (Guide Service)
8 miles (12km) off the coast you will find a remarkably well preserved 6th C. monastic settlement.

Open: Please refer to <http://www.heritageireland.ie/en/south-west/skelligmichael/> for further information.
Separate charge imposed by boat operator(s)
Please exercise extreme caution. Please read safety signs and leaflets carefully as fatalities have occurred at this site. See www.heritageireland.ie

Admission Free



Castletown
Celbridge, Co. Kildare
Tel. : +353 (0)1 628 8252
Email: castletown@owp.ie
Web: www.castletown.ie

The Georgian Palace on Dublin's doorstep at the heart of Ireland's Ancient East.

Open: 1 March - 15 December 10.00 - last admission 17.00.
Guided/self-guided tours & online booking available - see website for all details.
Car parking access from Exit 6 off M4 only. Bus 67.

Admission :



Maynooth Castle
Maynooth, Co. Kildare
Tel. : +353 (0)1 628 6744
Email : maynoothcastle@owp.ie

A 13th C castle, it boasts one of the largest keeps of its type in these islands

Open: 16 May - 25 Sept Daily - 10.00-18.00
Last tour 16.30. Grounds Close 17.45

Admission Free

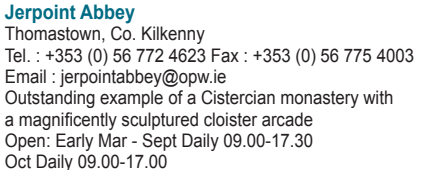


Dunmore Cave
Castlecomer Road, Kilkenny
Tel. : +353 (0)56 776 7726 Fax : +353 (0)56 776 7302
Email : dunmorecaves@owp.ie

One of Ireland's most interesting limestone caves. It was the site of a Viking massacre in 928

Open: March April May, September & October, Daily 09.30 - 17.00
June, July & August, Daily 09.30 - 18.00
November - February, Wed - Sun (incl) 09.30 - 17.00
Last Admission - One hour before closing

Admission :



Jerpoinet Abbey
Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny
Tel. : +353 (0) 56 772 4623 Fax : +353 (0) 56 775 4003
Email : jerpoinetabbey@owp.ie

Outstanding example of a Cistercian monastery with a magnificently sculptured cloister arcade

Open: Early Mar - Sept Daily 09.00-17.30
Oct Daily 09.00-17.00
Nov - Start Dec Daily 09.30-16.00
Dec - Mar Pre - booked tours only

Admission :



Kells Priory
Kells Priory, Kells, Co Kilkenny
Tel +353 (0)56 7724623 (Jerpoinet Abbey)
Email: jerpoinetabbey@owp.ie

Substantial remains of a 12th century Augustinian priory covering almost 1.25 ha or 3.5 acres. The site is fully enclosed by the monastic wall, incorporating 7 towers and many defensive features

Open: 13 June - 8 September
Wednesday - Sunday inc. 9.30 - 17.00
Guided tours available, last guided tour at 16.30

Admission Free



Kilkenny Castle
Kilkenny City, Co. Kilkenny
Tel. : +353 (0)56 770 4100 Fax : +353 (0)56 770 4116
www.kilkennycastle.ie. Recently restored to 1830s splendour, the castle is set in extensive parklands.

Access: High Season - self guiding. Last adm 30 mins before closing. Low Season - by guided tour only. Last adm. 45 mins before closing.

Open: Apr-May Daily 9.30-17.30 June-Aug Daily 9.00-17.30 Sept Daily 9.30-17.30 Oct-Feb Daily 9.30-16.30
Mar Daily 9.30-17.00
Check website for opening arrangements over Christmas and New Year.

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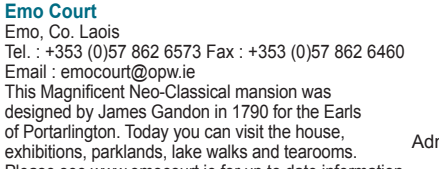


St Mary's Church, Gowran
Gowran, Co. Kilkenny
Tel. : +353 (0) 56 772 6894 (Open Season)
+353 (0) 56 772 4623 (Closed Season)

Late 13th C. church includes an aisled nave, a chancel and a tower and features high quality stone carvings

Open: 16 May - 28 August
Wed - Sun 10.00-17.30 inclusive
Last admission 45 minutes before closing

Admission Free



Emo Court
Emo, Co. Laois
Tel. : +353 (0)57 862 6573 Fax : +353 (0)57 862 6460
Email : emocourt@owp.ie

This Magnificent Neo-Classical mansion was designed by James Gandon in 1790 for the Earls of Portarlington. Today you can visit the house, exhibitions, parklands, lake walks and tearooms. Please see www.emocourt.ie for up to date information.

Admission :




Heywood Gardens
Ballinakill, Co. Laois
Tel. : +353 (0) 57 873 3563
Fax : +353 (0)57 873 3563
Email : heywoodgardens@owp.ie

A formal garden, designed by Sir Edward Lutyns, surrounded by woodland and lakes - Admission free

Open: Oct-Mar Daily 8.30-17.00
Apr - May August Daily 8.30-19.00
May-August Daily 8.30-21.00

Admission Free



Parke's Castle
Fivemile Bourne, Co. Leitrim
Tel. : +353 (0)71 916 4149
Fax : +353 (0)71 916 4546
Email : parkescastle@owp.ie

17th C. fortified manor house, recently restored using Irish oak and traditional craftsmanship

Open: 28 March - 2 October Daily 10.00-18.00
Last admission 45 min before closing.

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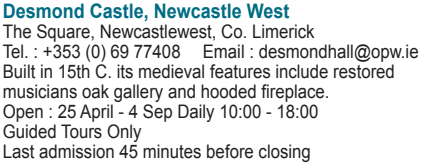


Adare Castle
Adare, Co. Limerick
Tel : +353 (0)61 396 666 Fax : +353 (0)61 396 932
Email : info@adareheritagecentre.ie

A fine example of a medieval fortified castle. It was an important stronghold of the Earls of Desmond

Open: 1 July - 30 Sept. Castle Access is by tour from the Adare Heritage Centre
Admission: Adult €10.00 Senior/Student: €8.00 & Family, €22.50.

Admission :



Desmond Castle, Newcastle West
The Square, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick
Tel. : +353 (0) 69 77408 Email : desmondhall@owp.ie

Built in 15th C. its medieval features include restored musicians oak gallery and hooded fireplace.

Open : 25 April - 4 Sep Daily 10.00 - 18.00
Guided Tours Only
Last admission 45 minutes before closing

Admission Free




Corlea Trackway Visitor Centre
Kenagh, Co. Longford
Tel. : +353 (0) 43 332 2386 Fax : +353 (0) 43 332 2442
Email : ctrackwayvisitorcentre@owp.ie

The centre interprets an Iron Age bog road, the largest of this kind to be uncovered in Europe dating from 148 BC.

Open: 28 March - 2 October Daily 10.00 - 18.00
Access by guided tour only
Last admission 45 minutes before closing.

Admission Free



Old Mellifont Abbey
Tullyallen, Drogheda, Co Louth
Tel. : Late May - Early Sept
+353 (41) 982 6459 (Old Mellifont Abbey)
Fax: Late May - Early Sept +353 (41) 982 6053
Tel:Oct-End Apr +353 (41) 988 0300 (Brú na Bóinne)
Fax: Oct-End Apr +353 (41) 982 3071
Email mellifontabbey@owp.ie

Ireland's first Cistercian monastery, its most unique features being its octagonal lavatory c.1200

Open: 30 May - 4 Sept Daily 10.00-18.00
Contact Brú na Bóinne at 041 9880300 brunaboinne@owp.ie
Open site abbey ruins accessible outside of the season.

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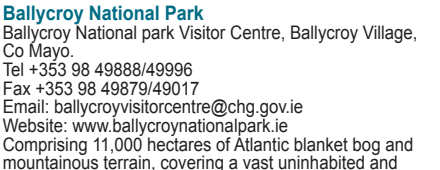


Cáide Fields
Ballycastle, Co. Mayo
Tel. : +353 (0) 96 43325 Fax : +353 (0) 96 43261
Email : cidefields@owp.ie

Stone Age landscape of stone-walled fields, dwellings and megalithic tombs preserved under blanket bogland, over 5,000 years old

Open: 14 March - End May Daily 10.00-17.00
June - End Sept Daily 10.00-18.00
1 Oct - 30 Oct Daily 10.00-17.00
Rest of year open for groups. Advance bookings only.

Admission :



Ballycroyn National Park
Ballycroyn National park Visitor Centre, Ballycroyn Village, Co Mayo
Tel : +353 98 49888/49996
Fax +353 98 49879/49017
Email: ballycroynvisitorcentre@chg.gov.ie
Website: www.ballycroynnationalpark.ie

Comprising 11,000 hectares of Atlantic blanket bog and mountainous terrain, covering a vast uninhabited and unspoilt wilderness dominated by the Nephin Beg mountain range. Visitor Centre: Mar - Oct Daily 10.00 - 17.30

Admission: Free

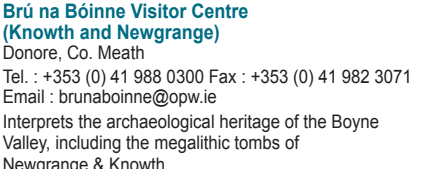


Battle of the Boyne Visitor Centre
Oldbridge, Co. Meath
Tel. : +353 (0) 41 980 9950 Fax : +353 (0)41 984 9873
Email : battleoftheboyne@owp.ie

The Battle of the Boyne between King William III and his father-in-law, King James II, was fought on the 1st July 1690 (11th July according to our modern calendar). At stake were the British throne, French dominance in Europe and religious power in Ireland.

May - September Daily 09.00 - 17.00
October - April Daily 09.00 - 16.00
Free admission to parkland and walkways. For up-to-date Living History details and other events visit www.battleoftheboyne.ie. Last admission 1 hour before closing.

Admission :



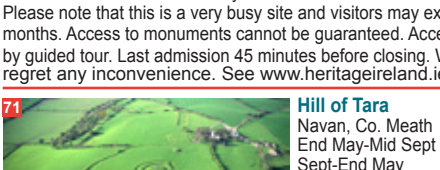
Brú na Bóinne Visitor Centre (Knowth and Newgrange)
Donore, Co. Meath
Tel. : +353 (0) 41 988 0300 Fax : +353 (0) 41 982 3071
Email : brunaboinne@owp.ie

Interprets the archaeological heritage of the Boyne Valley, including the megalithic tombs of Newgrange & Knowth

Open: Feb - Apr Daily 09.30-17.30
May Daily 09.00-18.30
June-Mid Sept Daily 09.00-19.00
Mid Sept-End Sept Daily 09.00-18.30
Oct Daily 09.00-17.30
Nov-Jan Daily 09.00-17.00 Knowth open: 28 Mar - 6 Nov

Please note that this is a very busy site and visitors may experience a delay during the summer months. Access to monuments cannot be guaranteed. Access to monuments by guided tour. Last admission 45 minutes before closing. Works are underway at this site. We regret any inconvenience. See www.heritageireland.ie for updates.

Admission :



Hill of Tara
Navan, Co. Meath
End May-Mid Sept Tel/Fax +353 (046) 902 5903
Sept-End May
Tel. : +353 (0)41 988 0300 Fax : +353 (0)41 982 3071
Email : hilloftara@owp.ie

Seat of the High Kings of Ireland, it was the most important centre of political and religious power in pre-Christian Ireland. Site accessible outside of the season (excluding the church). Please note that the Hill of Tara is an open site & it can be visited at any time during the year.

Open: Visitor Centre 25 Apr - 18 Sept Daily 10.00-18.00

Admission :



Loughcrew
Corstown, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (049) 854 1240
Fax +353 (041) 982 3071 (Brú na Bóinne)
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