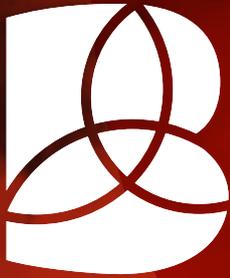


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Birthplace of Ireland's Ancient East

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If you are **Culturally Curious** or just wish to **Escape** and **Explore** you won't be disappointed in the Boyne Valley – the Birthplace of Ireland's Ancient East.

Follow in the footsteps of ancient invaders and begin your Boyne Valley adventure with a trip to the heritage town of Drogheda. Imagine the rituals that took place in the passage tombs at the dolmens found throughout the Boyne Valley. Get off the beaten track and explore Brú na Bóinne and Loughcrew.

Follow the river upstream to inspiring locations such as Kells and Tara where Ireland's famous illuminated manuscripts and jewelled chalices were created.

Hear the tales of invasion and rebellion of medieval Ireland at Trim, visit the Medieval Museum or try something different on a Medieval River Tour. Sit back and relax while you literally float through time! See the castle from the waters of the River Boyne as it was built and positioned to protect the land and its occupants.



There is an engaging authenticity to life in the local, bustling towns and villages of the Boyne Valley. Take in a festival, immerse yourself in the Arts. Visit, relax and unwind in the great estates and gardens...wherever you go you will encounter moments to treasure and will feel refreshed and revitalised.

Sample the fruits of the lush, green landscape in award winning restaurants, cute tea-rooms, homely B&B and formal dining halls. Join a Boyne Valley Gourmet Cycle to meet the food producers and get a real sense of 'place on a plate'.

And after your day's discovery relax in your choice of quality assured accommodation with lots of variety on offer.

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Welcome to the Boyne Valley

Birthplace of Ireland's Ancient East

“The Boyne is not a showy river. It rises in County Kildare and flows gently and majestically through County Meath and joins the sea at Drogheda in County Louth some 112 kilometres later. It has none of the razzmatazz of its sister, the Shannon. It’s neither the longest river in Ireland, nor does it have the greatest flow. What it does have, and by the gallon, is history.

In fact, the Boyne Valley is like a time capsule. Travel along it and you travel through millennia of Irish history, from passage tombs that pre-date the Pyramids, to the Hill of Tara, seat of the High Kings of Ireland, all the way to the home of the First World War poet Francis Ledwidge in Slane. It’s the Irish equivalent of Egypt’s Valley of the Kings. And you can choose to explore it by car, bicycle, kayak, or by strolling along its banks and the towpaths of the navigation canals that run alongside from Navan to Oldbridge.”

*Frances Power - Editor, Cara,
the Aer Lingus inflight magazine - Boyne Valley Feature,
October/November 2014 Pg 68-78
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Your journey of discovery
starts here



To tell the story of Ireland's Ancient East we must start at the beginning... 5,000 years ago in the Boyne Valley.

We present to you 5,000 years of Europe's history in a lush green, compact and accessible landscape...

It's easy to take it all in,
To go at your own pace,
To dip in or delve in,
To meet great people and listen to stories told by the greatest storytellers in the world,
Take the time to experience the Boyne Valley a unique and diverse place that has inspired for thousands of years and the birthplace of Ireland's Ancient East.

Discover tombs older than the pyramids at Brú na Bóinne and the birthplace of Samhain on the Hill of Tlachtga. Be moved at monasteries such as Mellifont Abbey, explore a Viking museum at Trim Castle, brave a battleground at the famous Battle of Boyne or test your own bravery on the legendary Cú Chulainn rollercoaster. Discover the stories of a time of contrasts, the time of empire, rebellion, innovation and industry.

The spirit of the past is wonderfully alive in the Boyne Valley today. It is full of mystery and excitement, humour and adventure.

Your tour through Ireland's Ancient East will be an experience in living history in a special place where magical things happen.

Enjoy!



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A close-up photograph of a woman wearing a green bicycle helmet and a high-visibility yellow safety vest. She is smiling and looking down at a map she is holding in her hands. The background is blurred, suggesting an outdoor setting. A large green circular graphic is overlaid on the top left of the image.

Easy access

to the heritage
capital of Ireland



Newgrange



Trim Castle



Boyne Viaduct



Rock Farm Slane Electric Bikes



Getting Here & Getting Around

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Ready, steady, go!

Adventure time in the Boyne Valley

The Boyne Valley, the birthplace of Ireland's Ancient East, is world renowned for its rich heritage.

What's more, with its wonderful living heritage and wealth of invigorating leisure activities sitting effortlessly side by side, it's the perfect place for your family adventure!

Fancy kayaking down the River Boyne or ziplining through the trees? Want to try abseiling or tree climbing? Why not make a splash down a thrilling water slide flume or test your nerve on a white-knuckle rollercoaster ride?

For those who like more leisurely pastimes, there are plenty of gentle activities tailor made for you - from pet farms to explore, to fishing and swimming. Why not learn to paint or céle dance or see what it's like to be a medieval knight?



Adventure Activities & Family Fun

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Boyne Valley Activities

A range of exciting activities for everyone, based in Trim, Athboy and Slane. Try kayaking through the Medieval town of Trim. Test your nerve on the Tree Canopy Challenge Course high in a forest at our Athboy base. See website for information on white water rafting and exclusive heritage tours. boynevalleyactivities.ie

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Irish Military War Museum



Causey Farm



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Tour Guides

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Hill of Slane Tours

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Poetic inspiration

Music, Arts and Irish Culture

A haven and an inspiration for art and artists for centuries, the Boyne Valley boasts the very best from Neolithic art to contemporary art. It is rich in song, music, dance, theatre, poetry, visual art, literature, architecture and film.

Arts Centres & Theatres

Drogheda Arts Centre

Beautiful exhibition and gallery space and theatre, where the best of local, national and international drama groups, musicians and comedians have showcased their talents. Home of the annual Drogheda Arts Festival, it is a great location to see acts up close and personal in its intimate setting, almost hidden away in Stockwell Street Drogheda. droichead.ie

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Highlanes Municipal Art Gallery

A state-of-the-art facility housed within the former Drogheda Franciscan Church. The bright and open spaces present multiple exhibitions every year drawing upon artists renowned both nationally and internationally, as well as the magnificent Drogheda Municipal Art Collection. Visitors are welcome to enjoy the art, the architecture, and the gallery's fine café. highlanes.ie

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Set in a 1,500 acre estate, Slane Castle hosts many high profile events, from its famous Summer Concerts to intimate events in the castle against the backdrop of the River Boyne. From weddings in the Castle's Reception Rooms, including the Gothic Revival Ballroom created for King George IV, to outdoor activities, we tailor each event in a unique environment. slanecastle.ie

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The Barbican is a multi-purpose hall which acts as a cultural beat in the heart of the town. It is used by both the public, private and community sectors to host a range of events including shows, classes, photography exhibitions, public meetings, training etc. barbican.ie

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The TLT (Tommy Leddy Theatre)

State of the art theatre and concert hall. The annual performance features a diverse range of shows. From live music, ballet, dance and musicals to traditional pantomimes and youth theatre there really is something for everyone. thetlt.ie

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Toradh Gallery

Based at Ashbourne Library & Cultural Centre, the Toradh Gallery hosts approx 8 exhibitions per year, by local, national and international artists, along with workshops, artist's talks and demonstrations. Opening Hours: Monday – Friday from 9am - 5pm, Saturday 10am - 5pm. www.meath.ie for full details on opening hours and exhibitions. meath.ie

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Cultural Attractions

Cillghrian Glebe

This charming former rectory built in 1807 is in the heart of historic Slane village. Beautifully restored, it is full of character with many original features, a tree-lined avenue and a magnificent 200 year old cedar. This protected structure is open for public access by appointment. (See website for details). cillghrianglebe.ie

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Drogheda Museum Millmount & Millmount Tower

Millmount's 'cup and saucer' offers spectacular views over the town. Lovingly restored, the Martello type tower was built in 1808 and houses a permanent exhibition of military memorabilia such as guns, swords and John Boyne O'Reilly's death mask. The neighbouring museum contains a wealth of local artefacts. millmount.net

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Francis Ledwidge Museum & War Memorial Centre

The birthplace of poet Francis E Ledwidge is a perfect example of a 19th century farm labourer's cottage. Close to the village of Slane, the museum houses the poet's works and artefacts from World War I, along-side memorabilia of the period. Its millennium exhibition portrays the poet's life in picture and text from his birth to his death at Ypres, Belgium, in July 1917. francisledwidge.com

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Loughcrew Megalithic Centre

Beside the 5,000 year old Loughcrew Cairns Visit Maggie Heaney's cottage - a 1700's heritage museum. Experience life in a traditional Irish cottage and learn about Loughcrew Cairns and the legend of the Cailleach (Witch). Walk to the highest point in Meath, relax in our café or let the children play in our playground. loughcrewmegalithiccentre.com

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Language Schools

Navan School of Languages

Classes in French, German and Spanish for adults, secondary school students and children. For foreign students wishing to learn English, we also provide classes leading to a recognised qualification. We cater for people who wish to learn for fun and for exam purposes, so why not contact us to book your place today. navanschooloflanguages.ie

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What's happening
in the Boyne Valley

A Festival of fun



Festivals & Events

Spring Festivals

Apple Blossom Walk Drogheda
 Drogheda Arts Festival
 Loughcrew Equinox Festival
 Loughcrew Gardens Easter Egg Hunt
 Louth Hunt Hunter Trials, Tattersalls
 Menagerie Mayhem - Children's Arts Festival
 Salty Dog Trials
 Slane Easter Hunt
 Slane Striders St. Patrick's Way Walking Festival
 Trad Ash Irish Music and Song Festival

Summer Festivals

ALMC Motor Rally
 An Post Heritage Cycle
 Bealtaine Festival
 Bellewstown House Racing Festival
 Blue Jeans Country Queen Festival
 Boyne Valley Walking Festival
 Boyne Valley Food Series
 Dunderry Fair
 Hinterland Festival, Kells
 Innovative Food Adventure
 Irish Harp Festival
 Irish Maritime Festival
 Kells Type Trail
 Ledwidge Centenary Commemoration
 Living History Displays - Battle of the Boyne
 Loughcrew Garden Opera
 Meath Heritage Cycle
 Midsummers Eve Summer Solstice Supper
 Navan Choral Festival & Nat. Choir of the Year Comp.
 Nobber Fair
 Oldbridge Country Fair
 Sheridan's Irish Food Festival
 Solstice Festival
 Scurlogstown Olympiad
 Slane Food Festival
 St. Oliver Camino Walk
 Tain March
 Tara Lecture Series
 Taste of the Boyne Valley
 Tattersalls International Horse Trials & Country Fair
 Tough Mudder
 Trim Vintage Car Rally
 Vantastival

Autumn Festivals

Boyne Music Festival
 Le Cheile Festival, Oldcastle
 Dunshaughlin Harvest Festival
 Farmaphobia
 Guth Gafa International Documentary Film Festival
 Heritage Week
 Johnstons Folk Music Festival
 The Ladywell Fete
 Laytown Beach Horse Racing Festival
 Loughcrew Equinox Festival
 Mary Lavin Literary Season
 Moynalty Steam Threshing Festival
 Race Aound Ireland (start)
 Royal Meath Agricultural Show
 O'Carolan Harp Festival
 Púcas & Potions Children's Halloween Festival
 Spirit of Folk Festival
 Spirits of Meath Halloween Festival
 Taste of Togher

Winter Festivals

Drogheda Bonanza Festival
 Drogheda Traditional Music Festival
 European Sandyachting Championships
 Winter Solstice at Newgrange

Francis Ledwidge



Trim Haymaking Festival



Moynalty Steam Threshing Festival



High Nellie Cycle, Trim

Ongoing Events

(please refer to individual websites for dates and details)
 Droichead Arts Centre
 Farrellys Pub Oldcastle Drama
 Highlanes Gallery
 Navan Laughs Comedy at The Central Bar
 Solstice Arts Centre
 Sonairte Ecology Centre
 Tattersalls Horse Sales
 The TLT
 The Venue Theatre, Ratoath

Francis Ledwidge Centenary Event 31st July 2017

St. Patrick's Day Festivals 17th March
(see discoverboynevalley.ie for details)

Download the FREE Discover Boyne Valley App for an online calendar of Boyne Valley events



Solstice Arts Centre

Spirits of Meath Halloween Festival

the birthplace of Halloween!

**Spirits of Meath
Halloween Festival 2017**
13th October – 5th November

Lots of events including a House of Horrors; Haunted Spooktacular, Farmaphobia, Terrifying Treasure Trails; PookaSpooka during the day and spine-tingling spooky themed nights.
Visit spiritsofmeath.ie for more information.



Spirits of Meath

Halloween Festival



Samhain, the ancient Celtic Festival that we call Halloween, originated here in the Boyne Valley more than 3,000 years ago.

Samhain marks the end of the old Celtic Year and the beginning of the New Year. The Celts believed that this was a time of transition, when the veil between our world and the next came down, and the spirits of all who had died since the last Oíche Shamhna (Night of Samhain) moved on to the next life.

One of the main spiritual centres of the ancient Celts was located on top of the hill of Tlachtga, now called the Hill of Ward, near Athboy, Co. Meath. The druids felt that this world and the otherworld were closest at Tlachtga and it was here that the festival of Samhain, or Halloween, was started. The old year's fires were extinguished and, after sunset, the ceremonial New Year Samhain fire was lit here. Torches were lit from this sacred fire and carried to seven other hills around the county including Tara and Loughcrew, and then on to light up the whole countryside.

Today, the old Celtic ceremony at Tlachtga has been revived and we mix the ancient past and the twenty-first century with a reenactment of the Celtic celebration starting with a torchlit procession from the Fair Green in Athboy, Co. Meath to the top of the Hill of Tlachtga each year. For details on all Spirits of Meath Halloween Festival events check out www.spiritsofmeath.ie or download the FREE Discover Boyne Valley App for full details.



[facebook.com/SpiritsOfMeathHalloweenFestival](https://www.facebook.com/SpiritsOfMeathHalloweenFestival)



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take a walk on the wild side

Gentle pathways to explore at leisure

A path well worn..

Visitors should respect the facilities, the flora and fauna, keep dogs under strict control and co-operate in keeping the areas free from litter, or if walking in a wooded area, refrain from lighting fires. Wear walking boots, bring rain gear and fluid. Leave only footprints and take only memories...



Heritage Walking Routes

Kells Girley Bog Eco Walk

3.5 mile waymarked National Loop covering forest and bogland located on the N52 to Mullingar just 5 km from Kells on the left hand side. The loop takes approximately 1 hr 30 mins and requires walking boots.

Boyne Ramparts Heritage Walk

This walk from Navan to Stackallen Bridge is 8km each way. Along this linear stretch there are interpretive panels providing interesting facts to help the walker enjoy the beauty of the Boyne Valley. Carpark located on the R153 in Navan.

Trim Castle River Walk

provides a glimpse of life in the middle ages in Trim. The walk is a linear walk commencing at Trim Castle and takes approximately 30 minutes along well marked pathways to Newtown.

Forest Walks

Loughcrew Cairns

There is a walk to Loughcrew Cairns and a guiding service for visits to the Cairns is available during the Summer months. Call 041 9880 300 for details or visit loughcrew.com

Balrath Wood

Balrath Wood, located just off the N2 on the R153 for Navan, was once part of the Somerville estate. A good time to visit Balrath is in late Summer/early Autumn when there are plenty of leaves and some fruits /nuts on the trees and some wildflowers still in bloom. Spring and Summer are also good times, especially to see woodland wildflowers in their natural habitat.

Littlewood Forest, Slane

Located on the N2 Collon Road, 1 mile from Slane, provides a fantastic amenity for walkers. The forest covers 28 hectares (70 acres). Today it comprises a varied mix of conifer and broadleaved tree species. A series of directional posts and information panels detail the flora, fauna and history along the walk.

Mullaghmeen Forest

Situated 8 km from Oldcastle, Mullaghmeen has 1,000 acres of forest. Picnics can be enjoyed and there are long and short walks depending on level of fitness. Mullaghmeen Forest is a state forest and provides 14 miles of roadway for the walker. It leads to the highest point in County Westmeath (894ft.)

Canal Walks

Royal Canal Way

A 77km, long distance walking trail, divided into 7 sections each representing a half days walking. Starting at Ashtown, Dublin (lock 10) and ending in Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, it passes through Co. Meath at Enfield where you can join the route. Interesting features: Enfield Harbour and Moyvalley tree lined stretch. It can be wet and muddy, so take care.

Walk & Cycle

Boyne Greenway Cycleway and Boardwalk

Phase 1 of the Greenway is a 1.9km long fully segregated walking and cycling facility which utilises sections of boardwalk to create a riverside resource connecting Oldbridge Estate to Drogheda's town centre, via the existing ramparts.

Bike Hire

Rock Farm Slane – Electric Bike Hire

Rock Farm Slane Electric Bikes are part of the Electric Escapes network and use the same high standard Kalkhoff electric bicycles to provide the longest range and safest travel throughout the Boyne Valley. We provide everything you need including a high-vis jacket and a helmet and self-guided routes. rockfarmslane.ie

Heritage Trails

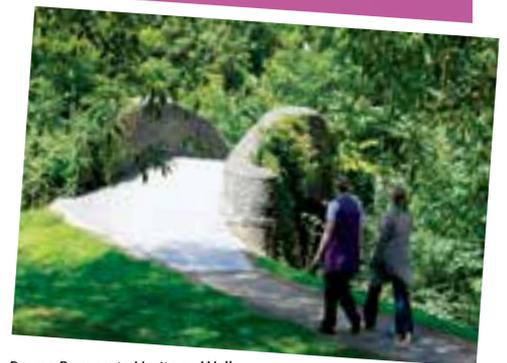
Athboy Heritage Trail
Battle of the Boyne - Oldbridge Estate Walks
Castletown Kilpatrick Trail
Duleek Heritage Trail
Dunshaughlin Heritage Trail
Gormanston/ Stamullen Trail
Moynalty Heritage Trail

Historic Town Walks

Kells Historic Trail
Navan Points of Pride Walk
Slane Historic Trail
Trim Historic Trail

These walking tours have multiple points of interest and are accompanied by a guided map which can be collected from the local tourist office.

For more information on all walking routes download the FREE Discover Boyne Valley App or visit discoverboynevalley.ie



Boyne Ramparts Heritage Walk



Loughcrew Cairns Walk

Blooming amazing



Loughcrew Gardens

The rich heritage of the Boyne Valley is reflected in gardens that date back to the C17th. Each garden member is open either by appointment, or for a set number of days/year. Many gardens host events, including walks, charity fetes, plant sales, outdoor theatre, music and much more. Check websites for more details.

boynevalleygardentrail.com

Face Book: Boyne Valley Garden Trail

Historic Gardens

Barmeath Castle, Dunleer, Co. Louth

Unique, C18th landscape designed by Thomas Wright includes fine specimen azaleas and rhododendrons. A recently restored walled garden restoration project is a joy to visit with opulent herbaceous borders and kitchen garden plots. Groups by appointment. boynevalleygardentrail.com

Tel +353 (0) 41 685 1205

Open May 1-31, June 1-9, 9am-1pm. Heritage Week in August.

Fee €5. Children free

Battle of the Boyne, Oldbridge House and Gardens, Drogheda, Co. Meath

Fine restored walled garden with sunken Octagon Garden, peach house, apple orchard and paths lined with vibrant herbaceous borders leading to a historic garden exhibition located in the Bothy. Tea Pavilion overlooking the gardens. battleoftheboyne.ie

Tel +353 (0) 41 980 9950

E battleoftheboyne@opw.ie

Open All year except Christmas and New Year

Fee Gardens - free. Admission charges to Visitor Centre

Beaulieu House and Garden, Drogheda, Co. Louth

C18th walled garden overlooking the river Boyne, planted with a vibrant double herbaceous border, fruit trees, knot garden, lawns and summer house.. House and garden open on dates listed. Tea and coffee by arrangement. Groups by appointment. 40 min guided tour of the house. Garden self guided. beaulieuhouse.ie

Tel +353 (0) 41 983 8557

E info@beaulieuhouse.ie

Open 1 Jun-10 Sep Mon-Fri 11am-5pm, Jul/Aug Sat-Sun 1pm-5pm

Fee €10 house tour, €5 garden only, under 16 free

Killineer House and Gardens, Drogheda, Co. Louth

Early C19th Italianate garden with formal paths descending from terraces and lawns to a woodland walk, beautiful lake, swans and a summerhouse. A visit to the 1.5 acre walled garden with fruit trees, herbaceous borders and vegetables is heavenly. Groups by appointment. killineerhouse.ie

Tel +353 (0) 41 983 8563

E charles.p.carroll@gmail.com

Open Feb 1-20, May 1-15, June 1-10, Aug 14-28

Fee €6 garden

Francis Ledwidge Museum, Janeville, Slane, Co. Meath

World War I poet and soldier, Francis Ledwidge, was born and raised in this restored C19th labourers' cottage, containing memorabilia. The pretty cottage garden reminds us of the poet's love for nature deep in the countryside of Slane. francisledwidge.com

Tel +353 (0) 41 982 4544

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Open 7 days: Mar-Oct 10am -5pm, Oct-Mar 10am-3.30pm

Fee €3 adults, €2 seniors and students, €6 family



Rokeby Hall

Octagon Garden, Oldbridge House



Boyne Garden Centre



Loughcrew House and Gardens, Oldcastle, Co. Meath

Magnificent restored gardens with yew walk, woodland walks, walled garden, canal and parterre - nestled close to the iconic Loughcrew Cairns. Adventure centre and coffee shop on site. Please see website for more details. loughcrew.com

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Open All year. Weekdays 10am-5pm, weekends 11am-5pm
Fee €6 adults, €5 OAP, €3 children, €20 family

Listoke Gardens, Gallery, Shop & Tea Rooms, Ballymakenny Rd. Drogheda, Co. Louth

Beautiful Edwardian garden with many rare herbaceous plants, woodland walk and a small menagerie of feathered friends to delight all ages. Art Gallery, Pavilion Tea Rooms, Garden Shop, Distillery & Gin School and Accommodation. listoke.com
listokedistillery.ie

Tel +353 (0) 86 2118741 / (0) 87 744 7057
E info@listoke.com
Open Apr-Sept, Mon-Sun, Oct-Mar, Thur-Sun, 11am-4.30pm
Fee €5 guided garden tour. Groups by appointment

Rokey Hall, Grangebellew, Dunleer, Co. Louth

Built by architect Francis Johnston in the C18th, Rokey won the An Taisce Ellison Award, 2013, for the restoration of its Turner designed conservatory. House and garden can be visited at times listed. Groups of 8 by appointment. rokeby.ie

Tel +353 (0) 86 864 4228
E info@rokeby.ie
Open May & Sep Mon-Sat 10am-2pm. Heritage Week 10am-2pm
Fee €7 adults, €5 students/children

Sonairte Eco Centre and Gardens, The Ninch, Laytown, Co. Meath

Sonairte is a great family day out; developed around a traditional C18th Irish farmstead. Visit the productive walled garden and nature trail along the pretty River Nanny and learn about bees at the Bee Museum. Craft and food fairs year round. Coffee shop on site. See web for details. sonairte.ie

Tel +353 (0) 41 982 7572
E info@sonairte.ie
Open year round, Tues-Sun: 10.30am-4.30pm.
Fee €2 Adult

St. Mary's Abbey, High Street, Trim Co. Meath

An intriguing, medieval abbey dating back to 1415 with walled kitchen garden overlooking the River Boyne and Trim Castle. Converted to a manor house and then a school, St. Mary's has centuries of history to tell. boynevalleygardentrail.com

Tel +353 (0) 87 205 7176
E piggins@reganmcentee.ie
Open Various dates throughout the year -see web for details
Fee €5 Adult. €2 unwaged.

By Appointment Gardens

Balrath House and Courtyard, Navan, Co. Meath

A perfectly romantic Georgian house built in 1760, set in idyllic gardens, Balrath House offers 4 star self-catering accommodation. Please see website for reservations and to book a visit. balrathcourtyard.com

Tel +353 (0) 41 982 5749
E info@balrathcourtyard.ie
Open Garden by appointment

Bramley Cottage, The Rath Farm, Kilsallaghan, Co. Meath

Jane McCorkell, seven times Gold Medal winner at Bloom, opens her own gorgeous garden, by appointment in June. Please see her website for more details and to book a visit. janemccorkell.com

Tel +353 (0) 87 683 9520
E jane@janemccorkell.com
Open June. Please contact owner for appointments

College Hill House, Braystown, Slane, Co. Meath

This lovely 1820s house has B/B accommodation and is set in three acres of delightful, landscaped garden and grounds. For reservations and group visits, please see website. collegehillhouse.ie

Tel +353 (0) 41 982 4768
E eileen@collegehillhouse.ie
Open year round

Collon House, Collon, Co. Louth

Historic home built in 1740, with fine, Georgian interiors and an enclosed, ornamental garden with period planting. Award winning period accommodation is offered. Tea/Coffee by arrangement. Please see website for more details. collonhouse.com

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E collonhoureception@gmail.com
Open by appointment only

Julianstown Village Garden, Co. Meath

This Award Winning Village Garden has an orchard, woodland, flowerbeds, soft fruit bushes, herbs, pond and scattered seating. Plants for pollinators and biodiversity encourage bees and butterflies. Teddy Bears' Picnic June 11th. Halloween Night Event Oct 31st. Check website for details julianstowncommunity.com

Tel +353 (0) 87 347 7283
E nuil1@eircom.net
Open All year
Fee free

Rosemount, Julianstown, Co. Meath

Once upon a time, "Rosemount" was a commercial orchard, sloping down to the treacherous river Nanny. Today, it is an enchanted riverscape garden set on ten acres, studded with a collection of unusual trees and outhouses. Teas, apéritifs, music lectures, political and economic talks by arrangement. boynevalleygardentrail.com

Tel +353 (0) 41 982 9302
E martin@alioth.eu
Open by appointment only
Fee Group guided tour: €5 per person, min €75 per group

Tankardstown House, Rathkenny, Slane, Co. Meath

Tankardstown comprises 80 acres of woodland, parkland, courtyards and walled gardens. A 500m lime tree avenue leads up to the late C18th Manor House with wonderfully tended gardens and surrounds. The walled kitchen garden supplies the award winning Brabazon Restaurant. tankardstown.ie

Tel +353 (0) 41 982 4621
E info@tankardstown.ie
Open Garden by appointment

Gardens Centres

Boyne Garden Centre, Ardcaif, Slane, Co. Meath

Multi-Award winning garden centre including 'Best in Show' at Bloom 2016 and five successive Gold Medals at Bloom since 2012. Renowned for their unique selection of top quality plants, grown in their nursery with an emphasis on varieties that encourage pollinators and biodiversity. See website for plant catalogue. boynegardencentre.com

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E boynegardencentre@eircom.net
Open Mar-Sept, Mon-Sat 9.30am-6pm, Sun 2pm-6pm.
(inc. Bank Holidays) Oct -Feb, Sat 9.30am-6pm, Sun 2pm-6pm.

Ratoath Garden Centre, Raystown, Ashbourne, Co. Meath

A garden centre in a garden with beautifully planted borders. One of the largest show gardens in Ireland. Please check website for free informative Summer gardening talks. Sample tasty treats at the Wildflower Café and shop in the eclectic gift shop. ratoathgardencentre.ie

Tel +353 (0) 1 825 6678
E ratoathgardencentre@hotmail.com
Open Summer, Mon-Sun 10am-6pm.
Winter, Mon-Sun 10am-5pm.

Riverlane Nurseries, Roristown Lodge, Trim, Co. Meath

Owned by John and Eileen Eivers - winners of Gold, Gilt and Silver medals at Bloom, the nursery specializes in herbaceous perennials and cottage garden plants. riverlane.ie

Tel +353 (0) 87 636 3506
E info@riverlane.ie
Open Mar-Sept, Mon-Sat, 10am-6pm, Sun 12.00-5.30pm.
Oct-Feb, Weds-Sat, 10am-5pm.

Taste sensations

Boyne Valley - Ireland's Foodie Destination 2016



Boyne Valley Food Series Winner of Ireland's Foodie Destination 2016

The Boyne Valley, once the seat of the High Kings of Ireland, brings to you food experiences fit for any King. Heritage and food have successfully combined to become Ireland's Top Ten Food Destinations in 2016.

With the very best of artisan producers, rich rolling farm lands and a new wave of food revolution in Ireland, the Boyne Valley Food Series offers an experience led calendar of authentic and animated food events across the Boyne Valley for 2017. The campaign represents an array of food venues; farmers, producers, food service providers and restaurants who have come together as a collective in putting the Boyne Valley on the map for being a great Food Tourism Destination.

Events offer unique visitor experiences and a true sense of 'place on a plate', such as Guided Foraging Days, Producer Food Safaris, Restaurant Tapas Trails and Themed food evenings in unique locations and venues. Events take place during the months of May to September with festive events also taking place for Halloween & Christmas.

For more information see boynevalleyfoodseries.ie



Dan Kelly Cider



Drummond House Garlic



Free Range Turkeys from Maperath Farm

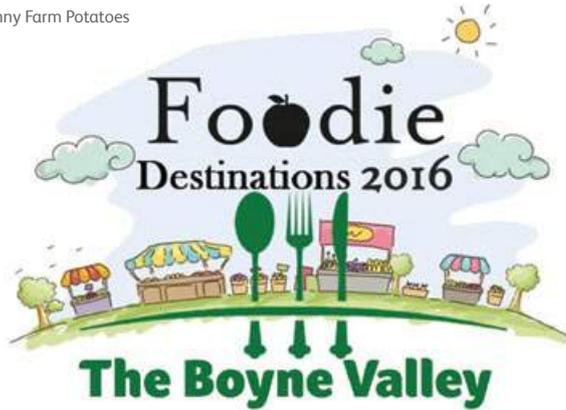


Dunany Organic Flour



Burke's Farm Ice-cream

Ballymakenny Farm Potatoes



Listoke Distillery & Gin School

Craft Drinks from The Boyne Valley



Derrycamma Farm



Boyne Valley Blue Cheese



Charcuterie from Tankardstown



Newgrange Gold Oils



Craft Drinks from The Boyne Valley

So crafty

Finely crafted works
of beauty



Boyer Valley Crafts

Bee Free Clothing

An award winning range of clothing designed with children's amazing imagination & adventurous spirit in mind. The range features dresses, hoodies, ponchos, snuggle wraps & accessories. Made from beautifully soft & vibrant fleece, they are as colourful & distinctive as kids are themselves! Designed & handmade in Slane in the heart of the Boyne Valley beefree.ie

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E info@beefree.ie

Boyer Valley Wools

A unique experience in wool craft - watch the Jacob sheep grazing the fields and see their wool spun into yarn and woven or knit. The whole process is done by hand with demonstrations daily. Family friendly, wheelchair accessible, free of charge. Open February to December - Hoot your horn for the shop. boynevalleywools.com

Alison Fullam Gogan
The Leck, Donore, Co. Meath
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Colette Gough Craft

A self-taught artist born in the heart of the Boyne Valley, Colette uses nib and ink to create intricate colourful drawings creating a contemporary interpretation of the iconic imagery of the Book of Kells. Original pieces are sold framed, ready to hang. A series of limited edition prints can be bought framed or mounted. colettegough.com

Colette Gough
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Jan Muyliaert Irish Harps

Jan has been making musical instruments since 1975. His Irish harps are renowned worldwide for their enduring quality of workmanship and sound. Many are played by professional performers and teachers. Native wood is used as much as possible. Carving and marquetry can be added and can also be done on other items. By appointment only. irishharps.net

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Lucy O' Gorman Ceramics

Unique ceramic pieces, drawing inspiration from the rural setting and the historical landmarks that scatter the Boyne Valley. Lucy's pottery, ranges from functional, dishwasher and microwave safe crockery and tableware to sculptural and commissioned pieces. Lucy's own technique of using glass in her pottery gives her work a distinctive and vibrant effect. Her love of excitement and need for the unpredictable comes through in her more abstract pieces and raku. slanecraftcollective.com

Lucy O'Gorman
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Pats Arts Studio

Located in Slane Arty Quarter, Pat, a local artist, paints and exhibits his works in a friendly, inviting studio. Works include a broad selection of oil paintings and drawings. Seascapes and cityscapes are included, as are figures and a variety of themed works. Feel free to browse and chat with no obligation. patsartstudio.ie

Pat Doyle
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Seamus Cassidy

Unique furniture commissions in a contemporary style. Artistic and functional woodturned and sculptural forms from his studio-gallery 5 minutes drive from Brú na Bóinne (Newgrange). Available Tue-Sat 10am-6pm. Woodturning classes and courses also available. seamuscassidy.ie

Seamus Cassidy
The Carthouse, Giltown, Beauparc, Navan, Co. Meath
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Skylight Gallery

View a collection of original oils and watercolours and perhaps take away a painting which you can enjoy for years to come. They can help you choose a gift for a presentation, retirement or special occasion. - well worth a visit! Exit 7 off the M1, sign-posted Julianstown. skylightgallery.net

Julianstown Golf Course, Julianstown, Co. Meath
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Slane Craft Collective

Slane Craft collective is an award winning craft retail outlet in the stunning historic village of Slane, in the heart of the Boyne Valley. The members of the collective work as a co-operative and offer a unique showcase of local craft and design. Call in, meet a maker and see our extensive collection of handcrafted gifts..

3 Newgrange Mall, Slane, Co. Meath
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E slanecraftcollective@gmail.com

Photography & Photographic Exhibitions

Copter View

Copter View is an aerial photography and videography specialist company based in Meath, providing unique views of property and landscapes. copterview.ie

Clonee, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 867 2339
E info@copterview.ie

Perfect Stills Photography

Perfect Stills Photography have been appointed Google Street view Trusted Photographers. Providing ariel and Google Inside 360 Virtual Reality Tours. perfectstills.com

Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 174 0454
E Aubrey@perfectstills.com

The Gateway to the Boyne Valley Exhibition

The Gateway to the Boyne Valley Exhibition aims to inspire and motivate visitors in an emotive way to explore the 33 heritage sites along the Boyne Valley Drive. Delve deeper to learn more about these sites within the wider Ireland's Ancient East. Enjoy the interactive display which contains videos of heritage sites such as Newgrange, Trim Castle, Millmount Museum plus beautiful photography. Children will enjoy drawing on the interactive screens.

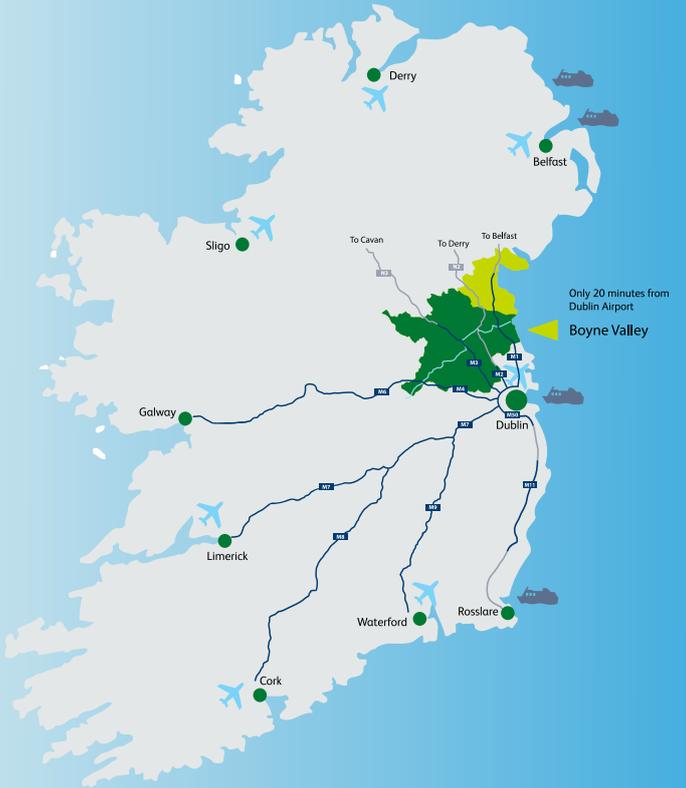
The Tholsel, West Street, Drogheda
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E tourism@drogheda.ie





Where is the Boyne Valley?

Travelling to and throughout the Boyne Valley has never been easier. Just 20 minutes north of Dublin International Airport in the North East of Ireland, the Boyne Valley can boast a unique and enviable location at the hub of four major motorways – the M1, M2, M3 and M4. Convenient ferry ports in Dublin and Belfast, with regular train services from Dublin/Belfast stopping at Laytown, Drogheda and Dunboycne and frequent bus services throughout the Boyne Valley from Dublin, planning your visit couldn't be easier.



Useful links for travel schedules
Air: aerlingus.com ryanair.com
Ferry: irishferries.com stenaline.ie
poirishsea.com poferries.com
Rail: irishrail.ie
Bus: buseireann.ie



Boyne Valley Drive

i Tourist Information Office & Visitor Centre



Kells Round Tower & High Crosses

Early Monastic settlement where the High Crosses, depict biblical scenes and Celtic patterns, representing Celtic Christianity. Five premier examples can be found in Kells including the famous Market Cross. Kells is also associated with the Book of Kells, probably the most famous of illustrated manuscripts.

Kells, Co. Meath

Tel +353 (0) 46 924 0064

Open Access all year to Monastic Sites. Contact Tourist Office for information on access to Spire of Lloyd



Oldcastle



Loughcrew Cairns

Loughcrew Cairns are a group of 30 passage tombs and the site is one of the most important prehistoric cemeteries in Ireland. Older than the pyramids of Egypt dating from 3200 BC, much of Europe's megalithic art can be seen there. Don't miss the spectacular views.

Oldcastle, Co. Meath

Tel +353 (0) 46 980 0300

Open All year. Free guided tours June to August

loughcrew.com

Boyne Valley Drive

Old Mellifont Abbey

Mellifont Abbey was one of the wealthiest and most influential monastic houses in medieval Ireland. St. Malachy along with a community of Irish and French monks, trained at Clairvaux, Burgundy, founded this beautiful abbey, the first Cistercian Abbey in Ireland in 1142.

Tullyallen, Co. Louth

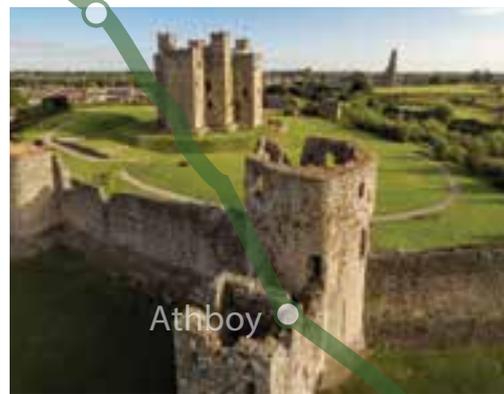
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Open Late May - early September



Ballinlough

Kells



Athboy

Trim Castle

Built by Hugh de Lacy in 1173 this is the largest Anglo-Norman castle in Ireland. In medieval times, the castle stood like an imposing stone sentinel and powerful symbol of Norman strength. In modern times, the castle remains a strong focal point in Trim town and has been used in the film Braveheart with Mel Gibson.

Trim, Co. Meath

Tel +353 (0) 46 943 8619

Open Open daily from Mid Feb – end of October. From November to mid Feb, open weekends and weekday tours start at 11am.

heritageireland.ie

Trim

Hill of Slane

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Slane, Co. Meath

Open All year



Monasterboice

At Monasterboice there are two of the finest High Crosses (Celtic Crosses) in Ireland – the 5th century South Cross (Cross of Muiredach) and the West Cross (Tall Cross) – which date from the 9th century. Today the image of the High Cross is recognised internationally as a symbol of Irish cultural heritage.

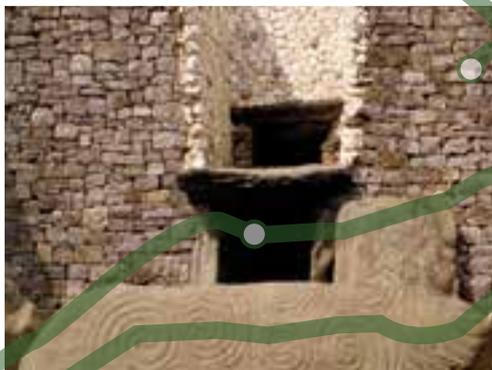
Monasterboice, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 983 7070
Open All year



St. Laurence's Gate

St. Laurence's Gate, which led to the Friary of St. Laurence, is widely regarded as one of the finest of its kind in Europe. It consists of two lofty circular towers, connected together by a wall, in which there is an archway. Tours available.

Monasterboice



Melifont



Drogheda

Donore

Millmount

Folklore says that Amergin, the great poet and son Mil is buried at Millmount. He is said to be the first Milesian to set foot in Ireland, on the banks of the Boyne, upon which he recited his famous poem. Millmount has had many incarnations throughout history. It is believed that there may have been a motte set up by Hugh de Lacy when granted the Lordship of Meath in 1172. The tower that graces Millmount today was built in the early nineteenth century to help protect the country from a potential invasion by Napoleon.

Drogheda, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 983 3097
E info@droghedamuseum.ie
Open All year. Admission charge
millmount.net

Newgrange and Knowth (Brú na Bóinne)

Brú na Bóinne is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the largest most important prehistoric megalithic sites in Europe. Dating from the Neolithic or New Stone Age, the passage tombs of Brú na Bóinne are about 5000 years old. The Visitor Centre interprets the monuments of Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth.

Donore, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 0300
Open Access all year. Access to monuments through Brú na Bóinne Visitor Centre only.
heritageireland.ie worldheritageireland.ie



Hill of Tara

The Hill of Tara was the seat of the High Kings of Ireland and the most sacred site in ancient Ireland. Stunning views of the surrounding landscape.

Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 5903 / 41 988 0300
Open Open Access all year. Visitor Centre open mid May – mid September
heritageireland.ie worldheritageireland.ie



Battle of the Boyne Site

The Battle of the Boyne was fought between King William III and his father-in-law, King James II on July 1st 1690. At stake were the British throne, French dominance in Europe and Religious power in Ireland. The Battle of the Boyne visitor centre is located in the restored 18th century Oldbridge House on the battlefield. Black powder musket firing and cavalry demonstrations every Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday in June, July and August.

Oldbridge Estate, Oldbridge, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 980 9950
E battleoftheboyne@opw.ie
Open All year (except Christmas & New Year), Admission charge to Visitor Centre only, tea pavilion avail.
battleoftheboyne.ie

More to discover

Navan

Less than an hour from Dublin, Navan holds the prestigious Purple Flag status for its evening and night-time economy has officially been named Friendliest Town in Ireland at the Retail Excellence Ireland Awards 2016.

Other historic sites of interest in the Navan area

Bective Abbey; Donaghmore Round Tower & Church; Ardmulchan Church, Dunmoe Castle, Skryne Church, Bective Abbey, Ardbraccan Church, Athlumney Castle, The Ringfort at Teltown.

What else...

If you fancy a laugh check out 'Navan Laughs' a comedy event in The Central which takes place on the last Thursday of every month. If sport is your thing check out Navan Racecourse, Navan Golf Club or Royal Tara Golf Club. You will be spoiled for choice with restaurants, gastro pubs and venue bars. Award winning seafood chowder in Ryan's Bar, Indian cuisine at Copper and Spice or for some Gastro grub check out The Central. Live evening entertainment is easily sorted in Navan with Beggy's Bar offering music 7 nights a week, all year round! The Solstice Arts Centre is one of the Boyne Valley's hub for the arts. Its 2017 programme calendar is packed offering performances in theatre, dance, local arts, ballet, opera and comedy throughout the year. solstice.ie

Trim Heritage Town

Situated on the River Boyne, Trim is dominated by the medieval Trim Castle which is the largest Anglo-Norman Castle in Ireland, built by Hugh de Lacy in 1173.

Other historic sites of interest in the Trim area

St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Mary's Abbey, The Newtown Monuments, Echo Gate, The Yellow Steeple

Drop into the Trim Visitor Centre for the exciting Living History Displays or to visit the Medieval Weaponry Room – both give a wonderful insight into the historical background of the medieval ruins of Trim.

What else...

The Medieval River Tour is a must! Sit back and relax as you literally 'float through time'. View the Medieval Building from the Boyne and gain a deeper understanding of their architecture and design. This 1.5 hr personally guided, interactive tour is truly memorable Boyne Valley experience. For Bookings – Boyne Valley Activities The Annual Scurlogstown Haymaking Festival which takes place in June is just one of a number of festivals and events scheduled for Trim in 2017. Visit discoverboynevalley.ie or download the Discover Boyne Valley App for a full listing of all festivals and events. If you've worked up an appetite you will love Trim, from hotel dining in Trim Castle Hotel and The Knightsbrook Hotel to more artisan restaurants like The StockHouse Restaurant, who have an avid love of great food and guarantee you won't be disappointed! If trad/acoustic music is your thing then call to James Griffin's Pub.



Dunmoe Castle

The mighty River Boyne – source of myth and legend slices through the towns of the Boyne Valley, yet unites this ancient ground. Dip away from the Drving Route and follow its meandering path to find a wealth of other interesting heritage sites, historical curiosities and as well as bustling towns and charming villages just waiting for you to discover.

Drogheda

Drogheda truly is the Gateway to the Boyne Valley. A visit to the interactive Boyne Valley exhibition in the historic Tholsel in the centre of the town is a must for anyone exploring the region. Drogheda is an ideal town to explore on foot. Pick up a copy of the Drogheda Visitor Guide (or download from drogheda.ie) and visit St. Oliver Plunkett's head in St. Peter's Church (saintoliverplunkett.com), see Cromwell's Sword and Mace at the beautiful Highlanes Gallery (highlanes.ie), grab a selfie at St. Laurence's 13th century Barbican Gate, cross the river and stroll up to Millmount Tower for magnificent views and to visit the Millmount Museum (Millmount.net) or take a stroll along the Boyneside Trial to Mornington. After your adventures, take time to enjoy the many cafés, restaurants and bars offering a friendly welcome and wonderful selection of refreshments.

Other historic sites of interest in the Drogheda area

The Millmount Martello Tower offers spectacular views over the town and the entire Boyne Valley. It was at Millmount that Cromwell met his strongest resistance when he laid siege to the town in 1649. The tower was restored by Drogheda Corporation in 2000 and is home to a military exhibition of Ireland's struggles. Open all year. millmount.net

St. Peter's Church, shrine to St. Oliver Plunkett, is among the finest gothic revival churches in Ireland and is famous for housing the shrine of St. Oliver Plunkett. saintoliverplunkett.com

Beaulieu House is situated on the banks of the River Boyne and is one of the earliest examples of an unfortified house in Ireland. Tours of Beaulieu House & Gardens available. beaulieuhouse.ie

What else...

Culture vultures will relish the offering at Droichead Arts Centre, TLT Theatre, The Barbican Theatre, Highlanes Gallery and Beaulieu House & Gardens. See drogheda.ie for a day to day listing of events and festivals. Families will enjoy fun days out at Funtasia, Drogheda Leisure Centre, Arc Cinema and trips to the beach.



Navan



Beaulieu House



Tholsel Tourist Office, Drogheda



European Sandyachting Championships 2017 Laytown & Bettystown

Kells

One of the most unique and special destinations in the world – Kells welcomes you to come explore and become a part of its special story. The heritage town of Kells contains many fine examples of early Christian architecture including the 9th & 10th century High Crosses. It's most famous treasure is the Book of Kells created by the community of St. Columba, it is now located at Trinity College and a facsimile version can be viewed in Kells Civic Offices in the town of Kells. The Spire of Lloyd is located outside Kells, this 18th century folly is the only inland lighthouse in Ireland.

Other historic sites of interest in the Kells area

St. Columba's Church, Kells High Crosses and Round Tower, St. Colmcille's Oratory, St. Kieran's Well.

What else...

If you'd ever considered being 'Irish for a Day' you must book a visit to Causey Farm just outside Kells where you can learn to make brown bread, play the bodhrán or milk a cow! Visit Martry Mill and grind some flour in this beautiful fully functional watermill on the River Blackwater with the earliest records dating back to 1323. Kells has lots to offer the visiting tourist with fantastic accommodation, food, golf, equestrian, theatrical and artistic activities. Meet with local food producers as part of the Boyne Valley Food Series or book your place at the Guth Gafa International Documentary Film Festival or the annual Pink Ribbon Walk amongst others. Why not pay a visit to Donaghpatrick and Teltown – the area of the ancient Tailteann Games. Donaghpatrick is the site of St. Patrick's Church, which was founded by St. Patrick. Across the road is Rath Airthir, a very impressive monument identified as a trivallete ring fort, which was the Royal residence of the Kinds of the Fir Cúl Breg. Rock Art dating back to 2,000BC can be viewed at Cill Tailtean.

Oldcastle

This area of the Boyne Valley is one of the few undiscovered regions of Ireland. It has an extensive collection of pre-historic monuments, many of which still await archaeological investigation. The Loughcrew Hill of Oldcastle reveal passage graves, megalithic chambers and decorated stones and are a great place for walkers.

Other historic sites of interest in the Oldcastle area/ North East area

Sliabh na Callaighe, Cullcagh House, Castletown, Kilpatrick and Moynalty – home to one of Ireland's largest steam threshing festivals and Nobber – the birthplace in 1670 of Turlough O'Carolan, the renowned composer and harpist.

What else...

Visit and/or stay at Loughcrew Megalithic Centre or Loughcrew House and Gardens, where you are assured a warm welcome and a tasty lunch before exploring a range of on-site facilities. For something a little different try 'Fancy a Play and a Pint' - an amateur dramatic experience with performances in Farrelly's Bar on the first Wednesday of each month. Full details on Equinox Celebrations, the Loughcrew Opera and many more festivals, download the FREE Discover Boyne Valley App or visit discoverboynevalley.ie



Slane

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Other historic sites of interest in the Slane area

Slane Abbey, The Ledwidge Cottage Museum and The Parochial House, Slane. follow the road to its neighbouring town Duleek and visit St. cianan's Church, St. Mary's Abbey and the High Crosses. Slane Castle is the residence of The Marquess Conyngham and is internationally famous for its summer music concerts. Guided tours of Slane Castle are available during the summer months. Tel: 041 982 0643 slanecastle.ie

What else...

View the Slane Craft Collective and choose your very own Boyne Valley craft keepsake from the collection. Climb a tree, forage for your supper and enjoy the great outdoors at Rock Farm Slane. Enjoy a meal and/or stay at The Conyngham Arms Hotel or Tankardstown House before your visit to Slane Castle, The Irish Military War Museum, White River Karting, or the Francis Ledwidge Museum Centenary 2017. Lots of accommodation choices available from self-catering, hosting and camping at Slane Farm Cottages or try something completely new and stay in the Lime House Eco Guest House at Rock Farm Slane or in a Yurt of your choice on the same site. Evening entertainment or for some quiet time try The Village Inn, Slane.

Boyne Valley Coast

Discover the Boyne Valley Coast. Choose from Mornington, Bettystown, Laytown or Gormanston – neighbouring villages linked by a stretch of beautiful beach ideal for outdoor activity, making sandcastles or taking a dip in the sea. The Boyne Valley Coast with its wide safe sandy beaches is regarded across Ireland and Europe as one of the best locations in Ireland for beach based sports.

What else...

The Laytown Strand Races on 5th Sept 2017, are breathtaking and they occupy a unique position in the Irish and English racing calendar as it is the only race event run on a beach under the rules of the Turf Club. Ireland are proud to be chosen to host the 52nd European Sandyachting Championships on Bettystown Beach in September 2017. Welcoming the best Sandyachters from across Europe to join the communities of East Meath to Laytown & Bettystown beach for a festival of landsailing and to witness a magnificent sporting spectacle. If you're not sure what sand yachting is check out ipksa.com. You may wish to spend the whole afternoon on the beach but there's more to Bettystown than just the sea and sand. Funtasia fairground (funtasia.ie) just across from the beach has plenty of rides and bowling to keep you and all the family entertained. For luxury self catering accommodation you must check out 'The Cottages', Winner of the Best Beach Holiday Home in Europe Award for 2016, The Cottages consist of six exclusive 300 year old thatched holiday cottages nestled in a private, gated flower gardens directly on the beach. Superb luxury accommodation ideally located for your dream holiday, just 25 minutes from Dublin Airport. cottages-irelands.com

Boyne Valley South

The town of Ashbourne is the only place of insurrection outside of Dublin during the 1916 rising and a monument, similar to a ship's bow honours the nationalists that were killed there.

Other historic sites of interest in the area

Dunshaughlin, Clonard, Enfield and Ratoath - whose street plan follows the curve formed by the characteristic Norman Motte. Dunboyne Castle is an 18th century mansion which replaced the original castle as the seat of the Butlers, Lords of Dunboyne, and is now a hotel.

What else...

Tayto Park, one of Ireland's top tourist attractions is situated outside of the town of Ashbourne in the south of the Boyne Valley. In 2015 Tayto opened 'Cu Chulainn' Ireland's first rollercoaster and Europe's largest wooden rollercoaster with an inversion. Stay in the Pillo Hotel or Aisling Guesthouse and enjoy the flavour of Ashbourne and its hinterland just 15 minutes from Dublin. Visit the Tattersalls International Horse Trials and Country Fair in Ratoath each June or for a unique outdoor experience with a heritage twist, Rathbeggan Lakes & Family Adventure Park, Dunshaughlin is a must!

Kells Civic Offices



Loughcrew



Slane Village



Boyne Valley Towns & Villages

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|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Ardee | Drumcondrath | Mornington |
| Ashbourne | Dunleer | Moynalty |
| Athboy | Duleek | Navan |
| Baltray | Dunboyne | Nobber |
| Bellewstown | Dunshaughlin | Oldcastle |
| Ballivor | Enfield | Rathcairn |
| Bettystown | Gormanston | Ratoath |
| Clogherhead | Julianstown | Slane |
| Clonard | Kells | Summerhill |
| Clonee | Kilcock | Tallenstown |
| Collon | Kilmessan | Termonfeckin |
| Donore | Laytown | Trim |
| Drogheda | Longwood | |

A fly fisherman wearing a cap, sunglasses, and waders is standing in a river, casting a line. The river is surrounded by tall reeds and a large stone bridge with multiple arches in the background. The scene is set in a lush, green environment with trees and foliage.

The Boyne Valley gives anglers of all disciplines some fantastic fishing opportunities to catch their target species of choice. The River Boyne and its many tributaries provide fly anglers with world class river fly fishing for wild brown trout from March to September and “Lough Style” fishing for brown trout is also available on the legendary Lough Sheelin. In addition to the trout fishing, it offers anglers some great salmon fishing opportunities on the River Boyne between Navan and Drogheda. Pike, coarse and sea angling are also available in the area all year round. The quality of the fishing experience is further enhanced by the beautiful scenery and the availability of professional angling services such as specialist accommodation, fishing guides, boat and tackle hire, angling tuition and tackle shops.

Angling for a catch



in the magical waters of the Boyne Valley

Angling Associations

The majority of game angling on the Boyne is controlled by angling associations and some by private fishery owners. Anglers wishing to fish for wild brown trout on an angling association water must obtain a permit from that association and fishing methods must be in accordance with the current rules and regulations of the association. Most associations support a policy of catch and release. When salmon fishing both a permit and a State licence is required. Salmon fishing is subject to the salmon and sea trout regulations which are renewed annually. For more information on game angling in the Boyne Valley please visit fishinginireland.info

Trout and Salmon Fishing

The River Boyne and its tributaries are recognised as being among Ireland's best wild brown trout fisheries. Some of the best fishing in the Boyne Valley can be found on the River Boyne at Slane, Navan, Trim and Longwood. There is also excellent wild brown trout fishing on the Kells Blackwater, Stoneyford, Athboy, Enfield Blackwater and Deel Rivers. Top quality "Lough Style" fishing for brown trout is accessible as well on the legendary Lough Sheelin. Competitively priced day permits can be purchased for most waters and the best way to ensure you make the most of your fishing trip is to book an experienced angling guide. The best time of year for brown trout fishing is from May to September. Salmon fishing is easily accessed on the River Boyne between Navan and Drogheda and the best period is generally from the end of July to the end of September. Additional trout fishing in Co. Meath is available on the River Nanny around Duleek, at Lough Bracken near Drumconrath and at Rathbeggan Lakes near Dunshaughlin.

Brochures and Publications: The Boyne Valley Fishery, Fishing in Ireland's North East and A Sea Angling Guide to the East Coast can be obtained from Inland Fisheries Ireland at blackrock@fisheriesireland.ie

Information courtesy of Inland Fisheries Ireland, Tel + 353 (0) 1 278 7022 fisheriesireland.ie

Coarse & Pike Angling

The Boyne Valley Fishery offers excellent opportunities for the coarse and pike angler especially around Collinstown and Delvin to the West and Enfield to the southwest. Drumconrath village in County Meath is surrounded by a number of small to medium sized lakes including Corstown Lake, Ballyhoe Lakes 1 and 2, Mentrin Lakes, Bracken Lake and Balrath Lake. The Royal Canal also provides great fishing and a number of competitions are held here each year. Coarse and pike fishing are available all year round. More information available at fishinginireland.info

Sea Angling

South of the mouth of the River Boyne, there are extensive beaches at Mornington, Bettystown and Laytown. The south beach at Laytown and the Boyne estuary are popular angling venues where bass, mullet, flounder, turbot, mackerel and sea trout can be caught. Evening and early morning tides can provide the best fishing opportunities. Best time of year: May to October.

Landing a pike



Chasing the wind

Horse racing excitement in the Boyne Valley

The Boyne Valley is famous for the wonderful horses it produces. The reason being, experience in horsemanship from breeding, breaking, livery and training. Lessons and trekking for all ages and standards are available in the centres here.

Where else to go racing than in the Boyne Valley. There is plenty of choice. National Hunt and Flat racing are regularly held at Fairyhouse (home of the Irish Grand National) and Bellewstown (for over 300yrs). Navan Racecourse is one of the finest possible tests for National Hunt horses, whilst Laytown Races is a unique event where the horses race on the beach.





Fairyhouse Racecourse

Fairyhouse Racecourse Home of the BoyleSports Irish Grand National, Ireland's most valuable handicap steeple-chase with a prize fund of €500,000. First run in 1870, it has become a key date in the Irish sporting calendar. Public bar/ restaurant and suites available for meetings and functions. fairyhouse.ie

Ratoath, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 825 6167
E info@fairyhouse.ie

Navan Racecourse

18 Race meetings on a superb NH track, fine dining, entertainment after racing. Group discounts, tailored packages, membership only €125.00. Admissions €10 - €15.00. Join us on Facebook or Twitter. navanracecourse.ie

Proudstown Road, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0)46 902 1350
E info@navanracecourse.ie

Laytown Races

Ireland's unique race meeting, Laytown is famous for its annual strand races, the only official strand races remaining in Europe and is a wonderful day out. laytownstrandraces.ie

Laytown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 984 2111
E info@laytownstrandraces.ie

Bellewstown Racecourse

Bellewstown has two festivals. The first recorded dates of the Bellewstown Races were in 1726. bellewstownraces.ie

Bellewstown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 984 2111/ (982 3614 on raceday)
E klybell@eircom.net

Tattersalls Ireland - Tattersalls International Horse Trials & Country Fair

The World's Largest NH bloodstock auctioneers and home to the Tattersalls International Horse Trials & Country Fair. tattersalls.ie

Ratoath, Co. Meath
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E info@tattersalls.ie or info@tattshorsetrials.ie

Fairyhouse



Bellewstown Racecourse



Navan Racecourse

2017 race fixtures

Fairyhouse Racecourse

January	01	Sun
	15	Sun
	25	Wed
February	04	Sat
	25	Sat
April	02	Sun
	16	Sun
	17	Mon
	18	Tue
June	01	Thur
	16	Fri
July	05	Wed
	23	Sun
September	20	Wed
October	07	Sat
	21	Sat
November	07	Tue
	15	Wed
December	02	Sat
	03	Sun
	16	Sat

Navan Racecourse

January	21	Sat
February	19	Sun
March	04	Sat
	19	Sun
April	01	Sat
	23	Sun
	24	Mon
May	20	Sat
June	03	Sat
July	14	Fri
September	02	Sat
	23	Sat
October	08	Sun
	25	Wed
November	12	Sun
	26	Sun
December	09	Sat
	17	Sun

Laytown Races

September 05 Tue
Europe's only strand races. The Annual Laytown Strand Races takes place on Tuesday 5th September. First Race scheduled off 4:45pm. Last Race 7:15, approx.

Bellewstown Races

July	06	Thur
	07	Fri
	08	Sat
August	30	Wed
	31	Thur

Time for tee

On some of the finest
courses in Ireland

From the challenging parklands at Headfort, Royal Tara and Co. Meath Golf Club, to the historic old links at Laytown & Bettystown, golfers of all ages and standards will find a course to suit their game. Add in a well established old favourite at Black Bush or the world famous links course at Baltray- together with more recent gems such as Killeen Castle, Knightsbrook, Julianstown and Bellewstown - and there is enough variety to whet any golfer's appetite to stay and play in the Boyne Valley.

Boyne Valley offers quality and value to visiting golfers and you will be assured of a warm Irish welcome wherever you go. You will find accommodation to match the great golf courses with a selection of fine hotels, guest houses and self catering, all within easy reach of every course.

Visit discoverboynevalley.ie for further details on accommodation, golf and things to do while in the Boyne Valley.



Bellewstown Golf Course

A challenging, but fair golf course suitable for all levels of golfing ability. The course boasts USGA greens, mature trees and many exciting water features and breathtaking views up to the Mourne mountains and over the Boyne Valley. Relax in the warm and friendly clubhouse for light refreshments. bellewstowngolf.com

Bellewstown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 2757
E info@bellewstowngolf.com

Black Bush Golf Course

Three 18-hole golf courses set on 186 acres of beautiful parkland with strategically placed bunkers and water hazards. It will please and test experienced players. The lush fairways lined with mature trees lead to sand based greens, playable all year, providing an enjoyable round of golf in an ideal setting. blackbushgolfclub.ie

Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 825 0021
E marketing@blackbushgolfclub.ie

County Louth Golf Club

Also affectionately known as 'Baltray', it is situated 7km from Drogheda at the mouth of the River Boyne. The course is laid out in two nine-hole loops covering 190 acres and consistently ranks among the top 10 courses in Ireland. County Louth Golf Club assures a warm and friendly welcome. countylouthgolfclub.com

Baltray, Drogheda, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 1530
E reservations@countylouthgolfclub.com

County Meath Golf Club

Established in 1898, this parkland course is 3km from Trim. Tree lined undulating fairways, strategic bunkering and subtle, well maintained greens ensure an interesting test of golf for the discerning golfer. Modern clubhouse with full bar and catering facilities. Floodlit driving range open until 10.00pm. countymeathgolfclubtrim.ie

Newtownmoyknagh, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 1463
E info@countymeathgolfclubtrim.ie

Headfort Golf Club

36-hole parkland facility. Headfort Old, opened in 1928, is one of the best examples of a traditional parkland course with superb trees gracing its fairways and greens. Headfort New is a splendid course set among ancient woodland with native and Asiatic specimens, it was designed by Ryder Cup hero, the late Christy O'Connor Jnr. headfortgolfclub.ie

Navan Road, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 0146
E info@headfortgolfclub.ie

Julianstown Golf Club

A 9 hole parkland course located along the R132. It is excellently maintained and offers a real challenge to the most experienced golfers, boasting five par 4's and four par 3's with a lake and many difficult bunkers. There is also an 18 hole pitch and putt course. Club hire, teas and coffees available. julianstowngolf.com

Julianstown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 981 1953 / (0) 87 417 8290
E mail@julianstowngolf.com

Killeen Castle Golf Club

Host of the Ladies Irish Open 2011-2013 and the 2011 Solheim Cup. One of only two Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Courses in Ireland, measuring over 7,700 yards from the back tees. It is a magnificent test of golf, showcasing modern golfing excellence in terms of design and presentation. Voted the Best Parkland Course in the greater Dublin area. killeencastle.com

Dunsany, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 689 3000
E info@killeencastle.com

Knightsbrook Golf Resort

Situated in the heritage town of Trim, offers superb accommodation and an 18-hole championship golf course designed by former Ryder Cup Legend, the late Christy O'Connor Jnr. Challenging and creative, the course enjoys a stunning location with views over undulated fairways, testing greens and demanding water features. Enjoy the clubhouse with Gulliver's lounge and restaurant. knightsbrook.com

Dublin Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 948 2100
E golf@knightsbrook.com

Laytown & Bettystown Golf Club

A traditional links with undulating fairways, riveted bunkers and fast greens, situated on the banks of the River Boyne with views of the Cooley and Mourne mountains. First played in the 1880s, the club was formed in 1909 and has produced some of Ireland's best golfers, notably Ryder Cup - Des Smyth and Philip Walton. landb.ie

Bettystown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 982 7170
E links@landb.ie

Royal Tara Golf Club

Nestling at the base of the Hill of Tara, the club is an enjoyable and conveniently located (just off M3 Motorway) golf retreat. One of the finest inland complexes with 27 championship holes set in mature parkland complete with new practice and driving range facilities. Proud recipients of the Best Hidden Gem Award by the Golfers Guide to Ireland December 2015. royaltaragolfclub.com

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Seapoint Golf Links

Opened in 1993, the links measures 7000 yards and is constructed on 260 acres of linksland. The closing holes are bordered by the beach and offer magnificent views of the Irish Sea and the Mountains of Mourne. One of only 150 links courses in the world and open every day of the year. seapointgolflinks.com

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Knightsbrook Golf Resort



Seapoint Golf Links



Royal Tara Golf Club

Stay a while

Great accommodation
in the Boyne Valley

From luxury four star hotels to cosy cottages and fabulous yurts for those looking for something a bit different, the range of accommodation in the Boyne Valley will certainly tempt you to stay longer...



Hotels

Ardboyne Hotel

Situated on the outskirts of Navan. It is an ideal base for exploring the Boyne Valley. Carefully selected furnishings and a warm, welcoming atmosphere, alongside beautifully appointed rooms provide the very best in creature comforts. Live music every Saturday night. 🍷 Hugo's Restaurant, The Kells Bar. ardboynehotel.com

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Castle Arch Hotel

Nestled in the picturesque heart of the heritage town of Trim, just 35 minutes from Dublin, the Castle Arch Hotel is a home from home with 21 excellently appointed ensuite bedrooms. Additional facilities include Conference & Banqueting Suites, private car. We offer comp Wi-Fi to all guests. 🍷 Arch Lounge Conservatory. castlearchhotel.com

Summerhill Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 1516
E info@castlearchhotel.com

City North Hotel M1

Contemporary 4 star hotel combines high standards of hospitality and service, 128 stylish bedrooms, bar/restaurant, treatment room. 15 minutes from Dublin Airport on M1, 25 minutes from Dublin city centre, 24 hr complimentary shuttle bus service to and from Dublin Airport. Live music at weekends. 🍷 Morningson Restaurant, Tara Lounge. citynorthhotel.com

Gormanston Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 690 6666
E info@citynorthhotel.com

The Conyngham Arms Hotel

A lovingly restored 18th century coaching inn, in Slane village, this classic country style village hotel is bang up to date on a new style of home grown, 15 bedrooms, original, relaxed and sitting comfortably within its environment. Uncomplicated, fresh menus, offer locally produce fare in season. 40 minutes from Dublin. 🍷 The Conyngham Arms Restaurant. conynghamarms.ie

Main Street, Slane, Co Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 4444
E info@conynghamarms.ie

Darnley Lodge Hotel

A haven of tranquillity nestled in Athboy with a warm and welcoming atmosphere. 15 en-suite bedrooms including the stunning Jewel Suite. An ideal place to relax and unwind with its homely charm and friendly feel. Live music Saturday nights and live trad sessions Sunday nights. 40 minutes' drive from Dublin Airport. 🍷 The Darnley Restaurant. darnleylodgehotel.ie

Main Street, Athboy Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 2283
E info@darnleylodgehotel.ie

the d hotel

This award-winning hotel is located on the banks of the River Boyne in Drogheda. This impressive waterfront location includes the Scotch Hall shopping complex and a pedestrian bridge to the town centre. 104 luxurious bedrooms. The hotel is only 25 minutes from Dublin airport. 🍷 De Lacy's Steak & Seafood Restaurant, Wm Cairns & Son Gastropub. thedhotel.com

Scotch Hall, Marsh Road, Drogheda. Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 987 7700
E info@thedhotel.com

Dunboyne Castle Hotel & Spa

This restored former home to the Lord of Dunboyne offers sophisticated modern luxury. Convenient to both the airport and Dublin city, this hotel boasts magnificent gardens, large conference and banqueting facilities and the exquisite Seoid Spa. 145 spacious bedrooms. Complimentary WIFI. 🍷 The Ivy, The Terrace Lounge, The Sadlier Bar. dunboynecastlehotel.com

Dunboyne, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 801 3500
E frontoffice@dunboynecastlehotel.com

Headfort Arms Hotel

Family owned & managed hotel offers a true Irish Experience in the heritage town of Kells. This listed building has 45 bespoke bedrooms with all modern facilities. Enjoy the Headfort Spa, traditional pub and open fire. The hotel hosts a facsimile edition of the Book of Kells. Golf packages available. 🍷 Vanilla Pod Restaurant, Café Therese, The Keltic Bar. headfortarms.ie

Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 0063
E info@headfortarms.ie

Knightsbrook Hotel, Spa & Golf Resort

A combination of luxury and modern sophistication, in the 4 star hotel set in 186 acres of rolling parkland, 131 bedrooms including 12 suites, health club, 17 suite Spa, championship golf course designed by the late Christy O'Connor Jnr, conference facilities for up to 1100 delegates and 28 luxurious holiday homes. 🍷 Rocco Restaurant, Swifts Bar, Terrace Lounge. knightsbrook.com

Dublin Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 948 2100
E info@knightsbrook.com

The Newgrange Hotel

Located in the centre of Navan Town. Private car parking. Just 30 minutes from Dublin. The hotel boasts 62 luxurious bedrooms. Additional facilities include Conference & Banqueting suites, private car parking, live entertainment in Rowley's bar Friday - Sunday. 🍷 The Bridge Restaurant, Rowley's Pub, Ruxton's Café. newgrangehotel.ie

Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 907 4100
E info@newgrangehotel.ie

The Pillo Hotel and Spa Ashbourne

combines contemporary chic with 4 star luxury. Perfectly located 22Km from Dublin city at the gateway to Meath. 148 bedrooms decorated to the highest standard, leisure centre, swimming pool, sauna, steam room, jacuzzi and kids pool. There's a children's play room onsite and kids club during the summer months. 🍷 Grill 21, Red Lounge Bar. pillohotelashbourne.com

The Pillo Hotel and Spa Ashbourne
Tel +353 (0) 1 835 0800
E info@pillohotelashbourne.com

Scholars Townhouse Hotel

Built in 1867 as a monastery, this magnificent building is now a boutique hotel. Renowned for its excellence in hospitality and customer service. The McGowan family have created a homely atmosphere with the warmest of Irish Welcomes. 16 en suite bedrooms. 🍷 Scholars Restaurant. 2 AA rosettes 2016-17, RAI Best Hotel Restaurant County Louth 2016. scholarshotel.com

King Street, Drogheda, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 983 5410
E info@scholarshotel.com

Trim Castle Hotel

Overlooking Trim Castle and the adjoining rolling lawns of St. Patricks Church. This stunning but contemporary 4 star hotel offers superb accommodation. Stunning rooftop garden, 68 bedrooms, conference facilities, cafe, bar, restaurant, ample parking, Kilkenny Gift Shop. Complimentary wifi. 🍷 Jules Restaurant, The Bailey Bar, Barista Café. trimcastlehotel.com

Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 948 3000
E info@trimcastlehotel.com

The Station House Hotel

Set on 11 acres of landscaped gardens, this award winning, cosy country house hotel has been run by the Slattery family since 1983. This converted railway station which dates back over 150 years has much old memorabilia still on display with an authentic character and quaint appeal.  Signal Restaurant, The Platform Piano Lounge. stationhousehotel.ie

Kilmessan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 5239
E info@stationhousehotel.ie

Specialist Accommodation

Clonabreany House

Four star approved cottages surround a large courtyard, with ample parking to the rear. Includes a cosy private country bar and restaurant for up to 60 people. All cottages provide luxury and comfort with modern facilities, fitted kitchens, luxury bathrooms and flexible accommodation, sleeping up to 84 people, whilst retaining individual character and historical charm. clonabreanyhouse.ie

Crossakiel, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 3814
E info@clonabreanyhouse.ie

Loughcrew House

Private and exclusive accommodation in the centuries old Loughcrew Estate. Decorated with style by Emily Naper the house sleeps 17 with options for more in the courtyard apartments. Views of beautiful landscapes transport you back to a different time where you can imagine yourself as the lord of the Estate. loughcrew.com

Loughcrew, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 49 854 1356
E info@loughcrew.com

Tankardstown House

Set on an 80 acre estate, Tankardstown House comprises an 18th century manor house for overnight guests and chic courtyard suites. Dining in the lower courtyard restaurants. Parkland and walled pleasure gardens. Bus parking, tea/ coffee/ lunch available, child friendly, dogs allowed on leads. Viewing by appointment only. tankardstown.ie

Rathkenny, Slane, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 982 4621
E info@tankardstown.ie

Group Accommodation

Gormanston Park

Gormanston Park provide catered group accommodation for groups between 10–300 people. Facilities include: large indoor sports arena, Swimming and leisure centre, golf course, playing pitches and meeting rooms all on the 110 acre parkland site. Wide range of accommodation options available 20 minutes from Dublin Airport. Failte Ireland Approved. gormanstonpark.ie

Gormanstown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 849 6853
E info@gormanstonpark.ie

Guesthouses

Aisling Guesthouse

20 rooms sleep 60 people (inc large family rooms sleep 5, family sleep 4 & family sleep 3) also 2/3 Bed self-catering apartments, free Wifi in Rooms & Apts. 5 mins from M50. The bus stops outside our gate - 25 mins journey to the Dublin City. We pride ourselves on our top class accommodation & service for over 30 years. aislingguesthouse.ie

Dublin Road, Baltrasna, Ashbourne
Tel +353 (0) 1 835 0359 / (0) 86 7 30 60 10
E info@aislingguesthouse.ie

Highfield House

Beautiful period residence overlooking Trim Castle and the River Boyne. 30 Mins to Newgrange, 40 mins from Dublin Airport. Facilities include: laundry services, baby-sitting service, free Internet access. (Wi fi) tea/coffee making facilities & flat screen TVs. A relaxing and memorable experience with a very warm welcome awaiting all. highfieldguesthouse.com

Maudlins Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 6386
E highfieldhouseaccom@eircom.net

Rock Farm Slane

Lime House Eco Guesthouse, Stunning 6 en-suite bedrooms in straw bale eco farm house offering year-round accommodation in the heart of the Boyne. rockfarmslane.ie

Slane, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 4861
E info@rockfarmslane.ie

B&Bs

Cranmor Guesthouse

Georgian Country House with gardens on the outskirts of Trim "Heritage Town", Convenient to Golf, fishing and Boyne Valley. Marc O'Regan is a qualified Fishing Guide. Approx 45 minutes to Dublin Airport. cranmor.com

Dunderry Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 1635 / (0) 87 288 7390
E cranmor@eircom.net

Hill of Tara House

Located on the Hill of Tara with beautiful views. 10km from Navan town off the N3. Convenient to Dublin/Navan Bus Route. Free wifi for guests. Home baking a speciality. hilloftarahouse.com

Hill of Tara, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 5296
E info@hilloftarahouse.com

Telltown House

17th century country house on 290 acres in the heart of the Boyne Valley. Situated close to where the historical Tailteann Games were held. Accommodation for 8-10, all bedrooms en suite with 3 reception rooms, log fires and jacuzzi and a full Irish breakfast included. Short distance to all historic sites. A chauffeur driven mini bus is available airport collection. telltownhouse.net

Telltown, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 3239 / (0) 87 665 9022
E telltownhouse@eircom.net



Tigh Cathain B&B

A Tudor style country house 1 km from Trim Castle on the R160. 40 minutes to Dublin Airport. Large luxury ensuite rooms. Secure private parking. tighcathain-bnb.com

Longwood Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 1996
E tighcathain.bnb@gmail.com

Teach Cuailgne / Cooley House B&B

Quiet, friendly and relaxing family home walking distance to Carlanstown Village, pubs and facilities. 3km from Kells on N52. Central to all Boyne Valley Heritage sites. Double, twin and family rooms all ensuite. Home cooking, breakfast choice including special diets. Free Wi Fi. Tour Guide available on request. teachcuailgne.com

Carlanstown, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 6621 / (0) 87 648 1080
E info@teachcuailgne.com

White Lodge

Town house - 5 mins walk to the Castle - 6 ensuite bedrooms, TV, Coffee/Tea, free internet. Free private parking. Walking distance of all locations in Trim. Airport only 40 mins. whitelodge.com

Lackanash, New Road, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 6549 / (0) 86 819 2704
E whitelodgetrim@eircom.net

The Yellow House B&B

Spacious detached house located beside the famous River Boyne on the R147. Two minutes walk from Ardboyne Hotel with full bar and restaurant facilities. Free wifi for guests. Short walk to town centre. Dublin Bus and Airport bus stop 2 mins. from B&B. Free parking. Home cooking a speciality. theyellowhouse.ie

1 Springfield Glen, Dublin Road, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 907 3338
E info@theyellowhouse.ie

Self Catering

The Cottages

Winner of the Best Beach Holiday Home in Europe Award for 2016, The Cottages consist of six exclusive 300 year old thatched holiday cottages nestled in a private, gated flower gardens directly on the beach. Superb luxury accommodation ideally located for your dream holiday, just 25 minutes from Dublin Airport. cottages-ireland.com

Seabank, Coast Rd, Bettystown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 982 8104
E info@cottages-ireland.com

Decoy Country Cottages

Award winning 4 star Luxury Self Catering Accommodation & Day Spa. Beautifully restored stable mews. Accommodation from 1,2,3 or 4 bedrooms. Located close to Tara & Newgrange. Indoor/outdoor play area, games room, relaxation room, gym, day spa, underfloor heating, satellite TV, car e-charging point. Some cottages with Jacuzzi bath, BBQ, boules. decoycountrycottages.ie

Garlow Cross, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 6960
E info@decoycountrycottages.ie

Gaulstown House Courtyard Apts

This exclusive and unique 4 star apartments in a converted stone faced barn on a working farm beside the N3. Only 24 km from Dublin. Open all year. Weekly or shorter lets. dunshaughlinselfcatering.com

Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 825 9147
E delany@gaulstown.teo.ie

Hideaway at Foxhollow

Fall in love with Hideaway at Foxhollow, located half way between Kells and Athboy in Fordstown, Co. Meath. This beautifully restored cut stone farmhouse guarantees comfort, luxury and a memorable traditional 'Irish' welcome.

Fordstown, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 4042 / 87 851 8553
E junehideawayatfoxhollow@gmail.com

Kiltale Holiday Homes

Kiltale House, Cottage, The Loft/Stable/Dairy and Stone Cottage. Award winning 4 star approved self catering accommodation with all modern conveniences. Ideal for families. Milk the goats, feed the lambs, ride the donkeys and ponies. Playground and playhouse. Angling facilities on site. On bus route to Dublin city, close to Dublin airport, Sleeps 3, 4, 6 or 7. meathselfcatering.com

Kiltale, Dunsany, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 6679
E mmyldon@eircom.net

The Cottages



Highfield House



Tankardstown House





The Millers House at Killeen Mill

Step back in time and visit The Miller's House at Killeen Mill - a unique period cottage, located beside a mill on a quiet country lane in Drumree. Adjacent to the world class Killeen Castle Golf Course and near Dunsany Castle and Royal Meath Equestrian Centre. Just 2km from Dunshaughlin and 30mins from the heritage town of Trim, Dublin city and the airport. 3 bedrooms – Wi-Fi.

Clavinstown, Drumree, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 818 2384
E fiacoyne@eircom.net

Newgrange Lodge

Traditional farmhouse style 27 bedroom lodge within a minute's walk to Newgrange Heritage site. 22 double/twin and family ensuite rooms, 40 dorm beds ideal for groups, self catering kitchen, conference facilities, recreation rooms, BBQ & picnic areas. Wheelchair accessible, family friendly. Complimentary wifi, 24hr security, bike hire, coach and car parking. newgrangelodge.com

Donore, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 907 3338
E info@newgrangelodge.com

Slane Farm Cottages

Award winning 4 star cottages converted from old farm buildings into luxury accommodation. slanefarmhostel.ie

Harlinstown, Slane, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 4985
E info@slanefarmhostel.ie

Steeple View Holiday Homes

Luxury 4 Star Fáilte Ireland approved 3 bedroom apartment, overlooking the Yellow Steeple, 3 mins walk to town centre and the castle. Walking distance to all locations in Trim, the perfect location to explore Dublin and the Boyne Valley. meathselfcatering.com

Steeple View, High Street, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 122 1589
E mmyldon@eircom.net

Hostels, Glamping & Camping

Loughcrew Megalithic Centre

Our cozy hostel sleeps 16 and include a kitchen, common area and washing facilities. Our campsite is surrounded by mature trees and consists of 15 hardstanding berths with electric hook up. If you feel like getting back to nature we have plenty of room for tents. Guests can also make use of our playground, tv room and games room. loughcrewmegalithiccentre.com

Loughcrew, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 736 1948 / (0) 87 397 4295
E info@loughcrewmegalithiccentre.com

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Donore, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 907 3338
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Rock Farm Eco Tourism

Fáilte Ireland – Glamping Category (yurts and shepherd huts) – Luxurious glamping accommodation set in a magical forest setting in the Slane Castle Estate (seasonal Apr-Oct) rockfarmslane.ie/glamping

Slane, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 4861
E info@rockfarmslane.ie

Slane Farm Hostel & Campsite

Old farm stables converted into a luxury hostel with private rooms and dorms. Camping also available. slanefarmhostel.ie slanecamping.ie

Harlinstown, Slane, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 4985
E info@slanefarmhostel.ie

Campers & Motorhomes

Retro Campers

Vintage VW Campervan Rental. Tour and camp the Boyne Valley in style with a 1970s Camper, the perfect way to take in the magnificent sites and outdoor activities that will make for a unforgettable holiday. Make new friends, tour castles or camp on the beach, experience the freedom of life on the road in a Retro Camper. Within easy reach of Dublin airport. retrocamper.ie

The Barn, Puddenhill, Garristown, Co.Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 835 5679
E info@retrocamper.ie

Teach na Teamhrach

Motor Home parking facilities. Traditional Irish pub with restaurant and full bar menu. tarahouseaccommodation.ie

High Street, Trim, Co. Meath
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Kiltale Holiday Homes



Retro Campers



Loughcrew Megalithic Centre

Soul food

Eating out in the Boyne Valley



Restaurants

The Bective

A relaxed, atmospheric restaurant in Kells specialising in Irish beef and fish with over 90% of food sourced within the Boyne Valley. An elegant but cosy vintage interior and outdoor seated terrace including a children's play area. Open times and special offers online. A sister restaurant to The Central Bar, Restaurant & Cafe in Navan. thebective.ie

Bective Square, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 7780
E info@thebective.ie

Brogans of Trim

Brogans traditional Irish bar with cosy fire and spacious lounge - Bakers Loft. Extended function and music space. Fresh, home cooked food served every day. brogans.ie

18 Ludlow Street, Navan Co.Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 948 1559
E info@brogans.ie

Copper & Spice Restaurant

An award winning restaurant. Owners and Head Chef Nitin Gautam and Carmel Corrigan are the dynamic duo who have made the marriage between Irish hospitality and Indian cooking, work to its very best potential. Best Indian Restaurant Ireland" 2015 Yes Chef - "Casual Dining" Meath 2015 RAI. copperandspices.ie

18 Ludlow Street, Navan Co.Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 906 0648
E copperandspices@gmail.com

Eatzen

At Eatzen we combine a fresh approach to Asian fine dining, with the richness of the classic imperial kitchen. Eating together and enjoying the moment is as important to us as the quality and authenticity of our ingredients. eatzen.ie

High Street, Ashbourne, Co. Meath
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The Gate Restaurant

A Relaxed modern bistro with a friendly atmosphere. Seasonal menu of local produce. Weekly specials with complimentary glass of house wine. Home baked desserts are a speciality. Awarded 'The Happy Heart' for healthy food options. Open: Mon-Sat 8.00am - 6.30pm Fri 8.00am - 9.00pm

32 Trimgate St, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 2508
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Khan Spices, Indian Restaurant & Take Away

Creating the flavour of real Indian cuisine in the same way as back home in India. Traditional Indian methods are used, with pungent spices and herbs, exotic and fragrant ingredients to offer subtle sensuality - the very essence of Indian cuisine. Proudly serving customers since 2008. khanspicestrim.ie

Emmet St, Emmet Yard, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 1378
E info@khanspicestrim.ie

Monasterboice Inn

Family run restaurant close to Monasterboice and Newgrange, specialising in steak from own farm. Scampi is also a big hit. Good wholesome local food of the highest quality, in a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Can cater for any group, large or small, with 3 dining rooms. monasterboice-inn.ie

Monasterboice, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 983 2989
E reservations@donegans.net

Sage & Stone

Cafe/Restaurant serving breakfast lunch and afternoon tea. Using the finest local ingredients, all food and cakes are home made on the premises. Small gift shop also, selling quirky gifts and Jewellery. sageandstone.com

The Farm, Newlanes, Duleek, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 981 4362
E info@sageandstone.com

The Silver Tankard Restaurant

The Silver Tankard is a gastro pub, open 7 days for the lunch and dinner, serving Irish cuisine with hint of Authentic Thai made with the freshest local ingredients at a very reasonable price because we believe food is one of life's greatest joys. Our private banquet area can serve up to 100 people from a specially prepared menu either. thesilvertankard.ie

Tankardstown, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 1994
E thesilvertankard@gmail.com

The Spire Restaurant

The Spire Restaurant is located in Old St. Cianan's Church of Duleek. The unique atmosphere of this restaurant reflects its ancient locale and is enhanced by the beautifully stonemason-crafted church spire. Owners Aogán & Karen Dunne offer a warm welcome and a lavish dining experience. Weekly offers provide exceptional value for money. thespirerestaurant.ie

Church Lane, Duleek, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 988 0697
E info@thespirerestaurant.ie

Stockhouse Restaurant

Welcome to StockHouse Restaurant, in the shadow of the magnificent Trim Castle. Born out of an avid love of great food we are all about Trim and producing consistent great food! We aim to provide our customers with a memorable night out - great food, good craic in relaxed comfortable surroundings. stockhouserestaurant.ie

1 Emmet Hse, Finnegans Way, Trim, Co Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 7388
E justask@stockhouserestaurant.ie

Tankardstown House

Set in the 'Garden Village' at Tankardstown, Brabazon Restaurant offers seasonal dishes created from local produce and vegetables, salads and herbs from the walled garden. A la carte menu or 7 course tasting menu. Dine on the terrace in Summer. The Cellar Restaurant and Tea Garden offers more casual dining and Afternoon Tea. tankardstown.ie

Slane, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 41 98 24621
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Teach na Teamhrach

Offering the visitor a traditional Irish pub atmosphere in our convivial bar with an extensive bar menu, perfect for those returning from a morning's sight-seeing when a hearty appetite has been worked up. A warm welcome awaits all our visitors. tarahouseaccommodation.ie

Trim Road, Navan, Co. Meath
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Vanilla Pod Restaurant

Although under the umbrella of the Headfort Arms, The Vanilla Pod is a self-contained contemporary restaurant that has earned regional and national acclaim in its 10 plus years of operation. We pride ourselves on good quality, carefully sourced produce from local suppliers, using ingredients that are in season with specialties such as locally reared lamb. headfortarms.ie

Kells, Co. Meath
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E info@headfortarms.ie

Cafés

Café Therese

Café Therese in the Headfort Arms has something for everyone throughout the day. Breakfast is cooked fresh from our kitchen and served alongside our home-made traditional breads, mid-morning scones and pastries. From midday, a traditional carvery lunch operates, with evening grill menu offering a selection of freshly prepared dishes. headfortarms.ie

Kells, Co. Meath
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The Central

The Central features several bars, a restaurant, cafe and roof top terrace in Navan town centre. Family friendly venue with a buzzy atmosphere, unique design, outdoor areas and open kitchen style restaurant. Fresh wholesome food served all day. thecentral.ie

4 Trimgate Street, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 7999
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Harvest Home Bakery & Café

In the heart of Trim offering freshly baked goods from 9.00am. Homemade soup, soda bread, toasted panini and salad plates. Fresh cream cakes and Bewleys coffee. Outdoor seating available. Like us on facebook and twitter. Cafe/Bistro of the Year at the Creativeoceanic.blogspot.ie food awards.

18 Market St, Trim, Co. Meath
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Loughcrew Coffee Shop

Sit and sip an excellent coffee and delicious cake while watching the kids play outside. Situated in Historic Gardens this is the perfect place to relax and unwind away from the hustle and bustle of town. Open 7 days 10am - 5pm during summer. loughcrew.com

Loughcrew, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 49 854 1356
E info@loughcrew.com

Loughcrew Megalithic Centre Café

In Nelly's Kitchen Café visitors can warm up with good quality food and beverages. Our cakes and treats are all home-made and our staff use the freshest ingredients for our hot and cold meals. It's the perfect place to relax after taking a trip up the ancient Loughcrew Complex. loughcrewmegalithiccentre.com

Loughcrew, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
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A pint and a chat

There is no better place to embrace Irish culture and friendliness than in the pub and those in the Boyne Valley are always full of craic and ceol. Most have been in the same family for generations. So whether you're searching for a quiet pint in that elusive snug, great food, a cosy fire or just wish to be regaled by local characters, we have one to suit.

Bars

Beggy's Bar

One of Navan's oldest traditional Irish pubs, resonates a warm legendary charm and ambience created by original stone walls emblazoned with much-loved, 'folklore-like, sporting moments, a glowing open fire and a prevailing passion for music. The atmosphere is not to be missed. Music 7 night a week all year. liveatbeggys.com 

15 Bridge St, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 807 4560
E beggysbarnavan@gmail.com

Bermingham's Bar

Traditional late Victorian gem - a small, cosy and well frequented bar which has been in the same family since 1884. An award-winning snug, the original bar and many other original features, and a varied selection of gin and rare whiskeys. No loud televisions here, just good live music, great beer and local characters at the bar.  

7 Ludlow St, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0)
E marmionsnavan@gmail.com

Boggan's Bar

Traditional thatched Irish pub. The building dates from 1780 -1820. Some of the original mud-walls still stand. Built as a private dwelling, but has been a pub since 1864, as it was mentioned in the Evictions of Rathcore. Large bar with live Sky Sports, a lounge area and a separate room with a pool table.  

Rathcore, Enfield, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 2508
E noreenamcfadden@gmail.com

Colwell's

Established in the early 1900s, Colwell's is the oldest family-owned pub in Co. Meath. A cosy inviting place for friends and family to meet up and have a chat beside a wood burning stove. Beer Garden and free Wi-Fi. Book club meets once a month. Walking club every Sunday. Pub quiz for local charities.

Oristown, Kells, Co. Meath
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Fagan's Pub

Unique, traditional Irish family-run heritage pub with a warm, friendly, cosy atmosphere. In the winter you'll be warmed by our pot-belly stove and in summer our south-facing premises is a heat trap. Listed by the Irish Mirror newspaper as one of the 18 Irish pubs you have to try before you die. Music every Sunday evening during July & August.  

Moynalvy, Co. Meath
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Farrelly's Bar

A truly authentic family-run, traditional Irish pub. At Farrelly's, we are famous for the quality of our pint of Guinness. As well as providing a traditional atmosphere we have a very pleasant outdoor area, a modern Wi-Fi network and live music every Friday. 🎵📶

Church Street, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
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Fincourt Bar

A small licensed guesthouse run by the O'Neill family with quality accommodation, fabulous food and a very warm welcome. Relax at the open fire in the Fincourt bar with morning/afternoon tea and homemade baking. Have a pre-dinner cocktail in the stylish "Side Door" lounge. Tranquil beer garden for those good summer days. fincourt.com 🎵📶

Oliver Plunkett Street, Oldcastle, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 49 854 1153
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Flood's Bar

Several generations of Floods have been running the pub for over 80 years. Watch your favourite sport, join in the 'round-the-bar-banter', enjoy good music, sing a song or simply unwind and sip on your favourite tippie by our open fire. The choice is yours, the welcome is ours. Impromptu Trad Sessions. Monthly charity table quiz. 🎵

Main Street, Athboy, Co. Meath
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E maryaflood@hotmail.com

Fox's Castle Lounge

Fox's, located on the picturesque hill of Skryne, is the perfect place to relax with a nice pint or even an Irish coffee. It is a family run business, now in its second generation of the Fox family, where a warm friendly welcome awaits you. We have a pool table and offer all sports channels. Parties catered for.

Skryne, Tara, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 5146
E declanandirmafox@eircom.net

J O'Connell's

Featured in the Guinness Christmas advert and popularly known as 'Mrs O's' or 'Yankees', this pub has remained practically unchanged since the early 1800s, with a snug, a turf fireplace and authentic wood-panelled walls. No TV to disturb the quiet and banter. A great atmospheric pint is to be had. 🍷

Hill of Skryne, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 5122

James Griffin

One of the oldest pubs in Meath, since 1904. This pub was voted Traditional Pub of the year and Runner-Up 'Powers' Snug of the Year in 2012. There are many nooks and corners to this wonderful pub, where you can enjoy our craft beers, special whiskeys or your favourite cocktail beside the cosy log fires and watch the world go by. jamesgriffinpub.ie 🎵🍷

High Street, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 1295
E jamesgriffinpub@gmail.com

John Smyth's

Enjoy a tasty bite from the all-day food menu. The pub features a traditional forge area with blacksmiths tools and bellows on display. It is warm, luxurious and welcoming - successfully combining the traditional and modern, retaining the nostalgic Forge Area of past times in Navan with new areas like the French Kitchen. smythsofthebridge.com 🎵📶

53/54 Academy Street, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 1899
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Kelly's Pub

Kelly's is a modern, family-run pub in the heart of Ashbourne. Caters for all age groups from its pool room bar, old bar, newly refurbished lounge and beer garden. Shows all major sporting events and with high-speed Wi-Fi you can stay connected while visiting. Our friendly staff welcome you into our busy pub where the atmosphere is great. 📶

Main Street, Ashbourne, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 835 0173
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Maguire's

An old-style pub and family-run business. Established in 1959 by John and Agnes Maguire, the pub is now run by their son Sean and his wife Teresa. The Maguires have been involved in the licensed trade for over 100 years. Log fires during the winter. Sky Sports. Meeting room and small functions catered for.

Canon St, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 0047
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McCabe's Bar

Located in Crossakiel, a small village between Kells and Oldcastle. The main tourist attractions in the village are the Jim Connell Monument and St. Scire's church. The Kells Road Races are held annually in Crossakiel - in addition to spectacular racing, fans can be assured of a friendly greeting from the locals.

Crossakiel, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 86 602 0218
E mccabespub1@yahoo.com

Monasterboice Inn

A family-run pub/restaurant, specialising in a warm welcome, perfect pint and delicious food. The Donegan family have owned and run the Monasterboice Inn for the last five generations. We and our staff love taking care of customers and nothing is too much trouble. Specialities - steak from our farm and our legendary scampi. monasterboice-inn.ie 📶

Newtown, Monasterboice, Drogheda, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 983 7383
E reservations@donegans.net

Peter's Pub

A lovely pub with old rustic charm. Food is served all day in the bar and the restaurant opens from early evening providing varied dishes from a choice of menus. Coach tours are catered for but prior notice is appreciated. There is also music provided in this premises. 🎵📶

Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 1 825 9161



Al fresco refreshments

The Central



O'Connell's

Ryan's Bar

A renowned family-run pub serving award-winning lunches in a cosy and friendly atmosphere. People travel from far and wide for our seafood chowder. A special feature of the pub is Navan's old town wall which is proudly displayed. Our beer garden is a treasure to relax in. Ryan's is Navan's number one sport and venue bar. ryansbarnavan.ie 🎵 🍷

22 Trimgate Street, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 1154
E ryansbarnavan@eircom.net

Ryan's of Robinstown

Located half way between Trim and Navan, Ryan's of Robinstown is a family-run, traditional style bar. Bective Abbey is nearby and well worth a visit. The pub boasts a beer garden, pool table, function room and stove fire. Live music every Saturday night and Traditional Irish music every Thursday night. All major sporting events shown on TV. Bar food available. 🎵

Robinstown, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 909 4048
E ryansofrobinstown@gmail.com

Slevin's Pub

Traditional Irish Pub serving quality food and drink in a friendly atmosphere. Breakfast: Mon-Sat 10-12.30pm. Carvery Lunch: Mon-Fri 12.30-2.30pm. A La Carte: Mon-Fri 2.30-9.00pm. Bar menu: Sat 12.30-9.00pm. Sunday Carvery: 12.30-3.00pm followed by A La Carte: 3.00-7.00pm. Live music every Saturday night & Bank Holiday Sunday nights 🎵 🍷

Dunboyne, Co. Meath
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Smyth's Flathouse

Traditional pub situated only five minutes' walk from Navan town centre. Located directly across from the Solstice Arts Centre. Going to a show at the Solstice? Drop in for pre- or post-event drinks, or order your drinks for the interval and we'll have them waiting.

Railway St, Navan, Co. Meath
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E vincentsmyth@eircom.net

Smyth's of the Square

Walk into Smyth's of the Square and it's like stepping back in time. A truly traditional bar - well-stocked, low ceilings and great atmosphere. We carry a wide range of craft beers and hold a craft beer festival at least three times a year. Extensive, comfortable beer garden filled with old pub memorabilia. Regular live music. 🎵 🍷

10 Market Square, Navan, Co. Meath
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Stoney's

family-run premises which has been owned by the Burkes for over 50 years. We take great pride in the quality of our pint and we guarantee you won't be disappointed when you come in to taste it. Enter a world of nostalgia and intrigue when you come in the door! Music at the weekends - trad, ballads, singsong, recitals. 🎵

Main Street, Longwood, Co. Meath
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Swan's Curragha

For over 50 years the Swan family have sourced the best live music acts around, welcoming well-known names in the music industry and discovering and nurturing new local talent. It is a place where people and music of different generations and cultures meet to create one of the most unique Irish pub experiences Ireland has to offer. swansbar.ie 🎵

Curragha, Ashbourne, Co. Meath
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Tara Na Ri

Tara Na Ri, meaning Tara of the Kings, is located on the foothills of the world famous Hill of Tara with a comfortable lounge with a solid fuel stove and a lively bar. The old stone building has been meticulously maintained and is ideal for any occasion. Regular live music events including the annual music festival 'Tara Rocks'. taranari.ie 🎵

Garlow Cross, Navan, Co. Meath
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Teach Na Teamhrach

Enjoy a traditional Irish pub atmosphere in our convivial bar. Discuss the issues of the day with your fellow guests, have a leisurely read of the newspaper, debate with our friendly bar staff in advance of a meal in our restaurant. As well as a relaxing drink, avail of our extensive bar menu. Accommodation also available. tarahouseaccommodation.ie 🎵 🍷 🏠

High Street, Trim, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 807 8248
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The Auld Stand

Family-run pub, features a recently refurbished bar, lounge and beer garden. The friendly staff are always up for a chat and the local community loves the atmosphere. All age groups are catered for. With large flat screen TVs, you will catch all major sporting events. Stocks all major brands and a range of craft beers - so why not drop in and join us for a drink!

Main Street, Ratoath, Co. Meath
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The Becks Dowlings

At over 150 years old, The Becks has always been a meeting place for the local community and was used by the Catholic Church to hold Holy Communion ceremonies. A family-run pub with a friendly atmosphere. In summer the enclosed beer garden is great for families. In winter our wood burning stoves keep the bar and lounge very cosy. 🎵 🍷

Cushenstown, Garristown, Co. Meath
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The Central

Winner Best Gastro Pub in Meath 2015, 2014 & 2013. National Winner Best Food in a Bar 2014/15. National Winner Bar of the Year 2014/15. A multi-purpose venue with 5 bars with a 'buzzy' atmosphere, outdoor areas, live music, comedy gigs and New York style open kitchen restaurant. Great food & service. 90% of produce is local. thecentral.ie 🎵 🍷

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Great music and a bit of craic



Super food



The Central Bar



The Keltic Bar

Great casual gastropub food in a relaxed atmosphere with outdoor courtyard spaces during summer and open fires in wintertime for a real Irish welcome. Showcasing Irish craft beers, gins and barista coffees, it is the perfect resting spot after a day exploring the Boyne Valley. Live entertainment on many nights of the week. headfortarms.ie   

Headfort Arms Hotel, Kells, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 924 0063
E keltic@headfortarms.ie

The Round O

A well-established public house owned by the Keenan family since 1972, offering a range of cuisine to cater for all. Whether it's breakfast - from pancakes to a 'Full Irish'; lunch - with freshly-made sandwiches, paninis, wraps or one of our daily specials; or our evening A la Carte menu, it's all sure to impress. theroundobar.com  

Flowerhill, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 902 1972
E theroundo@gmail.com

The Royal Meath

commonly referred to as 'The Royal' it is something of an institution in the town, good pints and better banter have been the staple diet of the pub's patrons for some two generations. You will meet just about everybody you need to meet in The Royal and the live music on Thursday nights guarantees that extra bit of craic. 

3 Watergate St, Navan, Co. Meath
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E theroyalmeath@gmail.com

The Village Inn

Come in for a pint in our friendly, relaxed surroundings and enjoy our extensive Slane Rock Concert memorabilia. We show football, rugby and GAA matches every weekend and serve a great pint of Guinness too. 

Main St, Slane, Co. Meath
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The Westway Bar

Located on Bective Street - the western road out of Kells - the Westway is a traditional, family-run pub and boasts the 'best pint of Guinness in the town'. The pub has a beer garden, pool table and shows all major sporting events. Parties are catered for. Traditional Irish music every Thursday night. 

Westway, Kells, Co. Meath
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Gastro Pubs

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The Lime Kiln

In the village of Julianstown is the north east's newest gastropub, The Lime Kiln. We know that great food starts with great ingredients, and we aim to offer the best of our locally-sourced produce on our menus and together with our talented team we look forward to welcoming you to enjoy our hospitality! limekiln.ie 

Main Street, Julianstown, Co. Meath
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Wm Cairns & Sons

At Wm Cairnes & Son Drogheda we are truly passionate when it comes to great service, food, beer, whiskey and wine. We strive hard to use local, seasonal produce to provide you with the finest food. Range of Irish Craft beers from small microbreweries. Live music Thursday to Sunday and late bars till 2am at the weekend. wmcairnes.com  

Scotch Hall, Drogheda, Co. Louth
Tel +353 (0) 41 987 7700
E book@wmcairnes.com

Night Clubs

LIVE Nite Club

Open Friday, Saturday, Sunday, 11pm-2am. headfortarms.ie

Headfort Arms Hotel, Headfort Place, Kells, Co. Meath
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Solar Nightclub

newgrangehotel.ie

Newgrange Hotel, Bridge Street, Navan, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 907 4100
E info@newgrangehotel.ie

Swan Lane Music Venue

A brand new purpose built Music Venue in Ardboyne Hotel, Navan. ardboynehotel.com

Ardboyne Hotel, Dublin Road, Navan, Co. Meath
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E info@ardboynehotel.com

TABU Nightclub & Venue

A brand new purpose built Nightclub & Music Venue

Darnley Lodge Hotel, Main Street, Athboy, Co. Meath
Tel +353 (0) 46 943 2283

The Palace Nite Club

Piano Bar open 7 days from 5pm with late bar Thurs - Mon with Live Music 6 nights per week. Palace Night Club open Thursday - Sun. Awarded Nightclub of the year 2012. Awarded Music Venue of the year 2014. thepalace.ie

Ludlow Street, Navan, Co. Meath
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Xango Night Club

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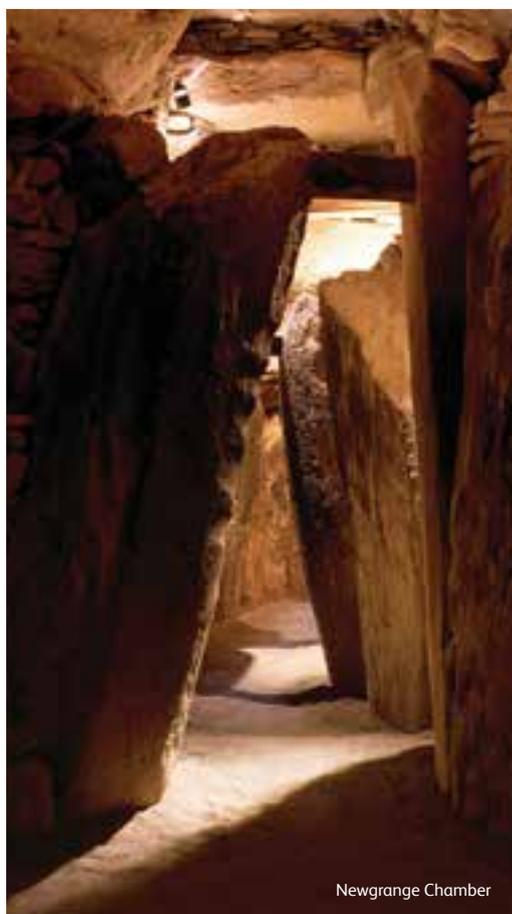
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Birthplace of Ireland's Ancient East



Tayto Park Zoo



Newgrange Chamber



Family Fun



Funtasia

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