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The official guide to golf in Northern Ireland

Northern Made Ireland Golf

Welcome

From the dedicated golfer to the first timer, Northern Ireland offers new places, new stories and new experiences to last a lifetime.

our hidden links gems such as Ardglass, Portstewart or Castlerock. Such evocative names are your first clue that golf in Northern Ireland is something out of the ordinary - a real find for the avid golfer seeking the exceptional.

Home of The 148th Open held at Royal Portrush in 2019, golf in Northern Ireland is more exciting than ever. With bucket list courses, it is a golfers haven.

As diverse as it gets...

Here you will find over 90 diverse clubs - every one a unique gem. Whether you're seeking a championship experience, dramatically scenic settings, a slice of history, links or parkland, or simply idyllic tranquillity,

We also have 4 superb golf resorts for you to enjoy. Lough Erne Resort in the heart of the Fermanagh Lakelands, of Co. Antrim close to Lough Neagh and Galgorm, host of the 2021 ISPS HANDA World Invitational presented by

What's more, Northern Ireland is so compact and easy to get around; you'll be amazed just how much you can squeeze into one visit!

Northern Ireland's soft climate, warmed by tropical gulf streams, makes it ideal for golf all year round. Dramatic landscapes, quality accommodation and the hearty warm welcome which awaits you, mean that your next golfing holiday could really be the best you'll ever experience.

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In geographic terms, Northern Ireland is not a huge country. But when it comes to golf, make no mistake: we're a giant, with over 90 clubs – and champions like Rory McIlroy, Darren Clarke, Graeme McDowell and Stephanie Meadow to prove it.

Their are also fresh NI names working their way up the ranks. Jonathan Caldwell from Co. Down has recently won his first European Tour title after shooting a 64 in the final round of the Scandinavian Mix.

He said after the round: "It's been a dream of mine for an awful long time. A lot of

hard work goes into it, and it hasn't quite sunk in yet. But hopefully there is more to come."

It's true what they say: major courses make major winners. And however good your game – from absolute beginner to pro – we've got you covered, from gentle links to the most challenging championship courses. You'll find the number one in the world here, as voted by the panellists of Golf Digest – Royal County Down – as well as Royal Portrush, host to The 148th Open in 2019. For Parkland golf lovers you will love Galgorm, host of the 2020 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open. And in the splendid Royal Belfast, we also have the oldest club in Ireland.

Our climate is soft and temperate, meaning it's good for golf pretty much all year round.

homegrown heroes

Rory McIIroy

- Rory won the 2011 US Open at Congressional Country Club with the lowest score in history, 16 under par.
- He has 14 European Tour and 18 PGA Tour wins.
 - ory is a four-time Major champion, and is one of only our players to win three majors by the age of 25.

Rory McIlroy

• Rory won The Open Championship Golfer of the Year at Royal Liverpool Golf Club, Hoylake in 2014.

Rory on Northern Ireland:

"I'm very proud to be from Northern Ireland and our little country has produced some great players over the years. We have some of the greatest courses in the world."

Darren Clarke

- In 2002, Darren became the first player to win the English Open three times.
- He was the first player other than Tiger Woods to capture a second World Golf Championship title.
- In 2011, Darren won The Open at Royal St. George's and was appointed as Europe's team



- captain for the 2016 Ryder Cup.
- In 2020, Clarke won his first tournament since the 2011 Open Championship with victory on the PGA Champions Tour, winning the TimberTech Championship in Florida.

Graeme McDowell

- Graeme was the first Northern Ireland golfer to win the US Open Championship.
- He was also the first Northern Ireland man to win a major since Fred Daly won The Open in 1947.

He has 11 European Tour wins, with 2020 seeing his 11th victory, winning the 2020 Saudi International.

He also has 4 PGA Tour wins to his name.



Stephanie Meadow

- Stephanie made her professional debut in 2014 at the women's U.S Open where she finished 3rd out of a field of 22.
- Since then Stephanie has represented Ireland in the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio de Janeiro. This was the first time that golf was involved in the Olympics.
- Stephanie will represent Ireland at the 2021 Olympic Games in Tokyo. Meadow was selected as one of 60 women's golfers to make the Olympic Games field. Currently competing on the world's leading women's tour, the LPGA Tour.
- In 2019 Stephanie won the inaugural ISPS HANDA World Invitational at Galgorm. Following the win Meadow announced a new long-term deal with Galgorm as their touring professional.

Stephanie on the partnership:

"I am absolutely delighted to be partnering with Galgorm Spa & Golf Resort. After staying a few times last year, it is easily one of my favourite places in the world."

Fred Daly

 Fred was a Portrush native who won The Open in 1947 at the Royal Liverpool Golf Club, Hoylake.

Stephanie Meadow

148" ROYAL PORTRUSH

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The 148th Open, Royal Portrush 2019

The Open quickly became the fastest-selling

In an electric atmosphere at Royal Portrush, all of the players, particularly Lowry, McIlroy, McDowell and Clarke, received phenomenal support from fans, while a number of international golfers made high-profile visits to the attractions on their doorstep along the Causeway Coast. Tiger Woods described the Royal Portrush golf course as "unbelievable" and praised the people of Northern Ireland as "so respectful" and "absolutely fantastic".

With so many home-grown heroes, excitement for The 148th Open built amongst the players as well as the fans. Prior to the event Rory McIlroy who lifted the Claret Jug at Royal Liverpool in 2014 said,

"For me, Northern Ireland really is made for golf. I'd urge anyone who hasn't played on one of our many superb courses to give it a go. It really is one special place to play the game."

Graeme McDowell soaked up the momentous occasion saying, 'It was such a special day. Getting off that first tee this morning. I literally had a tear in my eye.'

Shane Lowry expressed how it was a special time for his caddy as well as him.

Lowry's caddy, Brian Martin (Bo) grew up in the small town of Ardglass in Northern Ireland.

He is a former back-to-back Ardglass golf club champion, one of Northern Ireland's hidden gem links courses.



On the strength of a final-round of The Open on Sunday, fans revelled as Shane Lowry played the best golf of his career, winning The 148th Open at Royal Portrush in a six-shot romp over runner-up Tommy Fleetwood.

The win is the first major championship for the 32-yearold, who burst onto the professional scene a decade ago with a win at 2009 Irish Open as a 22-year-old amateur. At the time if an amateur won they could not claim the prize money.

A decade later, Lowry strode up the 18th fairway at Portrush to a raucous ovation. On The 148th Open Lowry said, "Honestly, that's the most incredible day I've ever had on the golf course. I honestly can't explain what it was like. I said to Bo walking off the 17th tee, 'we might never have a day like this on the golf course again. So let's enjoy this next half hour'."



Northern Ireland Open supported by the R&A

In September 2020, Northern Ireland welcomed the Northern Ireland Open supported by The R&A, returning to the European Challenge Tour. Played at Galgorm Spa & Golf Resort behind closed doors, this was an exciting return to golf tournaments as the Northern Ireland Open has long been the European Challenge Tour's standout event and a favourite stop for players. This tournament was no exception and the event celebrated Tyler Koivisto being crowned Champion in a remarkable victory in his first Official World Golf Ranking.



Pubai Duty Free Irish Open

Later in September the same venue hosted the 2020 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open. In a historic moment for the venue, it was the first time the Ballymena golf course has hosted the island of Ireland's national Open. The tournament welcomed exciting names, with Shane Lowry returning to Northern Ireland for the first time since his iconic win at The 148th Open at Royal Portrush. It was John Catlin, an aspiring American golfer who took the 2020 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open title.



ISPS HANDA World Invitational

The ISPS HANDA World Invitational was the first event of its kind in Europe and took place at Galgorm **Castle and Massereene** Golf Club in 2019.

It was transformed into a new global event for men and women professionals in 2019. This progressive move was made possible when ISPA HANDA and longtime partners of the NI Open, Modest! Golf, engaged with organisers and bought into the long-term vision for this unique event.

This event welcomed men and women playing the same golf courses, at the same time, competing for equal prize money. Our very own Stephanie Meadow took the female title and Jack Senior won the male title.





ISPS HANDA World Invitational **Presented by Modest! Golf**

28 July- 1 August 2021

Galgorm is one of the most recognised tournament venues in Ireland. Galgorm Castle has hosted international tournament golf for over a decade, and along with Massereene will provide a stern test to some of the world's best male and female professionals.



The agreement heralds an exciting new chapter for the event, which has been elevated to European Tour status following a hugely successful inaugural edition on the European Challenge Tour in 2019.

The 2021 event will form part of the European Tour's 2021 UK Swing, taking in tournaments in Wales, Northern Ireland, Scotland and England across July and August.It will be the first time an event of this format is trisanctioned by the European Tour, LPGA Tour and Ladies European Tour in the northern hemisphere – following in the footsteps of the ISPS HANDA Vic Open in Australia which has the same format.

The ISPS HANDA World Invitational will attract a field of 288 players, 144 men and 144 women. The women's field will be split equally between the LPGA and the Ladies European Tour. The US \$3 Million purse will be split evenly, with men and women competing for two equal prize funds.

The tournament will count towards the European Tour's Race to Dubai and carry Team Europe Ryder Cup points, while the women's tournament will count towards the Race to the CME Globe for women on the LPGA Tour, the Race to Costa del Sol on the Ladies European Tour (LET) and Solheim Cup points for both Team Europe and Team USA. Players will once again compete at Massereene over the first two days. The Fred W. Hawtree designed parkland is one of Northern Ireland's oldest venues dating back to 1895.



Homeof Golf events

Ulster Men's and Women's Stroke Play 2021

In 2021 The ISPS HANDA Ulster Men's and Women's Stroke Play Championship moves from its perennial home at Galgorm Castle to the renowned links of Royal County Down in Newcastle. This 54-hole event was the first pre-qualifier event that allowed players to receive an invite to the ISPS HANDA World Invitational.

7-8 June 2021.

Northern Ireland Open 2021

As part of the 2021 ISPS HANDA World Invitational presented by Modest! Golf, this year's Northern Ireland Open will take place at one of Antrim's most scenic venues at Cairndhu Golf Club and is part of the UK and Ireland's Clutch Tour. 14 - 15 June 2021.

ISPS HANDA World Invitational Presented by Modest!

Golf Management

The European Tour, LPGA Tour and Ladies European Tour will join forces for another innovative mixed tournament at the ISPS HANDA World Invitational presented by Modest! Golf Management. The tournament in Northern Ireland is hosted by Galgorm. The event is played at Galgorm Castle Golf Club & Massereene Golf Club.

29 July - 1 Aug 2021.

PGA EuroPro Tour

The PGA EuroPro Tour is Europe's leading development tour, and the European Tour's satellite in the UK and Ireland. The tournament is a 54 hole stroke play event being played at Clandeboye Golf Club.

18 Aug- 20 Aug 2021.

Great North Links Challenge 2021

This exciting event is held at three fantastic courses on the North Coast of Ireland. The Great North Links Challenge is an exciting tournament not to be missed, which attracts in excess of 300 competitors. The event was created, set up and is run by the clubs and takes place over the three links courses.

20-22 October 2021. Ballyliffin Golf Club (Glashedy Links), Royal Portrush Golf Club (Dunluce Links) and Portstewart Golf Club (Strand Links). Info:info@ballyliffingolfclub.com

International Pairs 2021

World Golf Tournaments (WGT) are proud to announce that Northern Ireland has become the latest country to join International Pairs. International Pairs Northern Ireland now offers the golf clubs in Northern Ireland the opportunity to host qualifying events for their golfers. The International Pairs is arguably the most established Club Golf Tournament around the World. Visit: internationalpairs-ni.com

Wond-famous links and stunning Parkland Tracks

Ardglass Golf Club

Type of course: Seaside/Links Length of course in yards: 6268 **Par:**70

Ballycastle Golf Club

Type of course: Parkland/Links Length of course in yards: 5876 **Par:**71

Castlerock Golf Club

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Bann Course, 4892; Mussenden, 6780 - Blue Markers, 6481 - White Markers Par: Bann Course, 68; Mussenden, 73

Portstewart Golf Club

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Strand, 7118; Riverside, 5715; Old, 3822 Par: Strand, 72; Riverside, 68; Old, 64

Royal County Down

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Championship, 7186; Annesley, 4594 Par: Championship, 71; Annesley, 67

Royal Portrush Golf Club

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Dunluce, Championship, 7317, Medal, 6705; Valley, Championship, 6346, Medal, 6107 Par: Dunluce, 72; Valley, 71

The dramatic layout of the course with several tees and greens overlooking the ocean gives it a really rugged feel. It is part links, part cliff-top in nature. The course meanders its way out to a headland, then winds its way back, offering some of the most thrilling views and play barnone.

Established in 1890, Ballycastle Golf Club is a founding member of the Golfing Union of Ireland. Despite some additions over the years, the course has remained largely unchanged since its final layout in 1926. It provides some outstanding views, from the ancient Bonamargy Abbey to the panoramic backdrop of Glenshesk and the Causeway Coastal Route.

Castlerock Golf Club sits on the scenic Causeway Coastal Route. Set among rolling sand dunes, it boasts eye-catching views of Donegal, Scotland and the Isle of Islay. There are 2 courses, the 18-hole Mussenden Course with firm fast greens, and the 9-hole Bann Course, which gets golfers closer to the sea again.

Home to three 18-hole courses, Portstewart Golf Club offers an abundance of challenges to golfers of all abilities. The indisputable jewel in Portstewart's crown is the Strand Course, which tested the players at 2017's Dubai Duty Free Irish Open.

Royal County Down is located in the naturally beautiful links setting of Murlough Nature Reserve, where the links stretch along the shores of Dundrum Bay. Narrow ribbons of fairways, dotted with the famous 'bearded' bunkers, thread their way through sand dunes surrounded by heather and gorse.

The Dunluce Course at Portrush hosted the first ever Open Championship held in Ireland in 1951, during which only two golfers managed to break 70. The course was put to the test again in 2019, when The Open Championship returned. The course won praise from players, fans and worldwide audiences. It was again featured in Golf Digest's top ten courses in the world in 2019.

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Galgorm Castle Golf Club	Hometo

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 7105 **Par:**72



ed by Harry Colt, Belvoir Park Golf Club sits just 3 miles from City Centre, but is perfectly etched through a vast forest of latural walls either side of lush weaving fairways provide from the city bustle and a challenge for players.

-hole course, designed by David Jones and David Feherty, imed as one of Northern Ireland's finest. It features 7000 f testing fairways and greens, interspersed with lakes and parkland.

forgettable golf course, nestled on a private 600 acre ula between Lower Lough Erne and Castle Hume Lough, rst in Ireland designed by six-time Major winner, Sir Nick Given its unique location, it's no surprise that water comes ay a lot at Lough Erne, with 11 of the 18 holes providing

d amidst 300 acres of wooded parkland, Malone Golf basts 27 holes, made up of Ballydrain, Drumbridge and erry nines. Plentiful mature trees shape many of the round the course, with a vast natural trout lake ng a fantastic centrepiece on the testing 13th.

d near the beautiful Causeway Coastal Route, this popular parkland course provides not only a testing round with per of challenging water features in play, but stunning views with Lough Foyle and the Sperrin Mountains providing atic backdrop.

ed on the shore of Belfast Lough, Royal Belfast is the oldest urse in Ireland, and provides a true test of golfing skill as well e of the most enjoyable scenic settings. The club became in 1885 after the Prince of Wales was invited to become its during a visit to Ireland.

to ISPS HANDA World Invitational, and host to the 2020 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open, Galgorm Castle Golf Course is set in 220 acres of mature parkland in the grounds of one of Ireland's historic demesnes.



As if further proof was needed that our place is the best place to play golf... many of our courses have been accredited with a Golf Quality and Assurance award.

Tourism NI, in partnership with the International Association of Golf Tour Operators (IAGTO), has launched a Golf Quality Assurance Scheme which was implemented from 2020. It is designed to certify golf courses in meeting and exceeding customer expectations. Haven carried out more than 200 golf tourism audits across golf courses worldwide, IAGTO make the perfect partner to ensure certification is met only to those exceeding customer expectations.

These awards set out to raise the bar when it comes to standards at golf clubs, with a particular focus on customer service. Having these high standards for our golf industry means you can enjoy the experience at every step, from arrival at the car park, the welcome and reception you receive, clubhouse facilities and services as well as the golf course itself. So we're not only delivering standards of excellence, we're working to exceed expectations on all factors.

The delivery of an excellent visitor experience at our golf clubs leads to an enhanced reputation and growing international success. With our world ranked players as well as our world class golf courses, Northern Ireland has much to be proud of. The following pages highlight the clubs that have been recognised for their commitment to providing high quality visitor experiences – with a Golf Quality and Assurance award.

Browse through them, read all about them, then come and play them and experience them for yourself.

Quality Assured courses were correct at time of print and are subject to change. Due to the Covid Pandemic there has been a delay with IAGTO doing physical inspections of courses. This will resume in due course.



What to Wear

In Northern Ireland, the weather forecast can often be all four seasons in a single day, so it's always advisable to pack your waterproofs. Smart casual is the accepted uniform in the clubhouse so leave the jeans and trainers behind. More traditional clubs may request a jacket and tie when using the dining room so it's a good idea to check with the club in advance.

Soft Spikes & Handicap Certificates

Many golf clubs now have a soft spikes only policy, so please check ahead of time. With handicap certificates now the accepted norm, be sure to bring your club certificate or club card with you.

Green Fees

Most clubs offer group rates which include green fees and club house catering. Clubs may offer concession rates for students, juveniles and seniors. Make your green fee reservations directly with the golf club.

key symbols



Trollies & Caddies

Trollies are commonly used on our courses and are inexpensive to hire from most clubs. You can also book a caddy at some of our more 'popular championship' courses. Simply make arrangements beforehand.

Currency & Credit Cards

Sterling is the currency used in Northern Ireland. While most shops, hotels and restaurants will accept most major credit cards, not all small businesses do, so it's a good idea to carry some cash with you to cover these expenses. Euro is accepted in selected areas, generally border regions and larger cities.

price bands









Please note that prices at clubs are subject to change





Through all the changes of the years, Royal County Down has retained its essential character. "It is one of those rare courses where you could feel a perfect handshake between the hand that created the land and the hand that shaped it into a golf course." (Tom Coyne, "A Course called Ireland")

Royal County Down is located in the naturally beautiful links setting of the Murlough Nature Reserve, where the links stretch along the shores of Dundrum Bay.

Narrow ribbons of fairways thread their way through sand dunes surrounded by heather and gorse – so beautiful but also punishing!

The famous 'bearded' bunkers feature overhanging lips of red fescue and heather. The greens are fast and many are domed, rejecting any shot lacking conviction.

The 9th hole is one of the most photographed holes in golf. A 486 yard par 4, it is played from one side of a huge mound to a fairway 60ft below and 260 yards from the tee. The second shot is played over two bunkers to a raised green.

Golf writer Bernard Darwin described the course as one of "big and glorious carries, nestling greens, entertainingly blind shots,

local knowledge and beautiful turf – the kind of golf that people play in their most ecstatic dreams."

Royal County Down hosted the 2021 Ulster Men's & Women's Strokeplay Championships.

The event moved from its perennial home at Galgorm Castle to the renowned links of Royal County Down in Newcastle. The Ulster Stroke Play remains very much part of The ISPS HANDA World Invitational events where elite amateurs from the men's and women's game not only compete in the prestigious event but have the chance to win a place in the tri-sanctioned ISPS HANDA World Invitational.

Royal County Down was voted the no. 1 course in the world (Golf Digest) 2017, 2018 and 2019.

Did you know?

Royal County Down was originally laid out in 1889 by 'Old' Tom Morris from St. Andrews. The Club Council, in a mixture of enthusiasm and parsimony, commissioned Tom to travel from Scotland "for a sum not to exceed £4" to advise on a second nine holes.

At a glance

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Championship: 7186; Annesley: 4594 Par: Championship: 71; Annesley: 67 Best days for visitors to play: Championship course Mon, Tues, Thurs am, Fri, Sun pro Annesley: Any day with the exception of Wednesdays and Saturdays



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Host of The 148th Open in 2019. Founded in 1888, the legendary Royal Portrush Golf Club has two Championship Courses the renowned Dunluce Course, where Darren Clarke plays while at home, and the smaller but equally enjoyable Valley Course, where Graeme McDowell, former US Open Champion, learnt his golf at an early age.

The Dunluce Course, re-designed in 1947 by golf. Over hit the second shot, Mr. H.S. Colt and later in 1951, became host to the first ever Open Championship held in Ireland. During the entire tournament only two golfers managed to break 70. It's easy to see why; the greens are scattered among huge sand dunes gently raised above the Antrim Coast providing vistas of sea, cliffs and islands.

Portrush's most celebrated holes are the 5th

hole and the 16th. The par 4 5th, White Rocks is one of the most exhilarating two-shots in

and your ball disappears into the Atlantic! The aptly named 16th hole, 'Calamity' requires total precision to carry the ball over an enormous ravine. Mis-hit this one and you could be taking your next swing from at least fifty feet below the hole.

Royal Portrush is currently No.8 in the world (Golf Digest 2019).

At a glance

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Dunluce: 7317; Valley: 6346 Par: Dunluce: 72, Valley: 70

Best days for visitors to play: Dunluce: Mon from 2pm; Tues & Thurs 9.40-11.50am & from 2pm; Wed & Fri 9.40-11.50am only; Sat from 3pm; Sun 10.30-11.50 & from 2pm. Valley: All week. Sat & Sun



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Did you know?

Rory McIlroy holds a course record at Royal Portrush from his amateur days. He was playing in the North of Ireland Championship in July 2005, playing off a +4 handicap and shot a 61. You can see his card displayed in the Club cabinet.







Situated on the south-east coast of County Down, Ardglass is unquestionably one of the most spectacular courses in Ireland. Ardglass was awarded IAGTO 2020 award for Golf Experience of the Year Northern Ireland.

The dramatic layout of the course with several tees and greens overlooking the ocean gives it a really rugged feel. It is part links, part cliff-top in nature. The course meanders its way out to a headland, then winds its way back, along the way offering some of the most thrilling play bar none. The first five holes are truly memorable and run right alongside the sea. The par 3 2nd (Howd's Hole) is many people's favourite and many people's undoing. With the tee shot needing to be fired across a rocky inlet, it is a real death-or-glory hole, somewhat reminiscent of the notorious 3rd at Tralee, County Kerry.

"At only 167 yards it may not be as damaging to the score card as 'Calamity' at Portrush but it nevertheless comes with a health warning" (Golf World). A second

magnificent par 3 is the downhill 12th where the Irish Sea can provide a daunting diversion and when the wind is dead against you, it can be truly intimidating. The final hole however, offers a good chance of a closing birdie, and then it's off to the 19th – in true Ardglass style, a restored castle. Bring plenty of spare golf balls!

Ardglass are currently upgrading the course under the guidance of Ken Kearney Design as part of a 5 year plan. During the winter of 2019 – 2020 Ardglass have upgraded holes 4, 11 & 18 as part of the on-going development plan.

Host of The 2018 Girls' British Open Amateur Championship.

Did you know?

Ardglass Golf Club has the oldest building in the world being used as a Clubhouse. It's built on the remains of fortified warehouses erected around 1400. Naturally, the Golf Club has its fair share of stories, ghostly and otherwise.

Type of course: Seaside/Links Length of course in yards: 6268 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play: Any day, visitors must pre book. Restrictions

Main Map Reference G4, 01 ¥44 (0) 28 4484 1219 Email: info@ardglassgolfclub.com www.ardglassgolfclub.com

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The seaside resort of Ballycastle is situated on the Causeway Coast which is a designated area of **Outstanding Natural Beauty.**

Founded in 1890, Ballycastle Golf Club is a founder member of the Golfing Union of Ireland. Despite modest beginnings, on a local area of sandy turf known as the Warren, the original nine holes opened in 1891. By 1926 the final layout was created and the current 18 hole course has remained largely unchanged to the present day.

Bonamargy Abbey is situated alongside the second, 3rd and 4th holes. The outstanding panoramic views of Glenshesk and the North Antrim Coast may force you to take your eye off the ball more often than you would like.

The course 'clubhouse' prior to 1901 consisted of a wood and corrugated iron hut. Over the years a fully functioning clubhouse was developed up to 2003 when the clubhouse was rebuilt and extensively modernised, providing excellent golfing facilities for both members and visitors.

The first five parkland holes are bounded by the rivers Margy and Carey and the ancient

Did you know?

Bonamargy Friary, situated in the middle of Ballycastle's golf course, is the resting place of the reclusive 'Black Nun' Julia McQuillan. She requested to be laid to rest at the entrance of the Abbey so worshippers would forever tread on her grave.





At a glance

Type of course: Parkland / links Length of course in yards: 5876 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Any day, restrictions Sat mornings

Main Map Reference E2,02

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Founded in 1923 and set in the rolling green countryside of Ballyclare, this mature 18 hole parkland course makes good use of the natural features of its landscape, particularly the local river and tree-lined fairways which provide a fabulous setting and demanding challenge.

The course, woven through the Antrim countryside, presents an enjoyable test with lakes in play on three holes for a fabulous setting that all are sure to find accessible. The signature hole is the demanding par 4 third hole "Orpinsmill", where you are faced with a breathtaking tee shot. Out of bounds lies in wait on the left, opposite two lakes on the right, which lead to a tree-protected green, proving just how entertaining the tumbling parkland of Ballyclare can be.

At 6,373 yards, there are plenty of longer holes for the power players to go for broke, while bunkers and avenues of woodland

mean considered course management and precision are rightly rewarded. After your round you'll find the clubhouse provides an inviting and friendly atmosphere with excellent dining facilities for enjoying an array of food and drink options with bar snacks, daily specials and a full A La Carte menu available and a friendly bar in which to settle after your round or even a place to rest your weary head after a day on the golf course.

WORLDHOST Recognition Award. Part of the Ballyclare Activity Trail - WORLDHOST Tourism Hotspot Award

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6373 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri and Sun



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Bangor golf course was designed and laid out in 1935 by the pre-eminent golf course architect of the time, James Braid, the legendary golfer who won The Open championship five times.

Seventy years on, trees planted then can now be seen in their full beauty, and the fairways and greens would do justice to many a course. There are stunning views of Belfast Lough, the Antrim Hills, the Irish Sea and the coast of Scotland from the top of the 4th hill and the view from the Clubhouse windows can't be beat.

The course has attracted some major

events, including the Ulster and Irish

Professional Championships and Pro-Ams

in which names such as Christy O'Connor

Senior, Fred Daly, Peter Allis, Tony Jacklin

and Roberto de Vincenzo featured.

The professional record was set on August 1962 by Christy O'Connor Senior who scored 62 with nine birdies, eight pars and an eagle at the 460 yard 5th hole.

The length of the course is 6410 yards from the medal tees, and although not an especially difficult course, it is enough of a challenge to entertain good players without discouraging the less skilled.

Did you know?

Norman Drew had an outstanding amateur career, all the more remarkable in that it was achieved in only four years before he turned Professional in 1953. He was the first golfer to play in the Walker Cup, Ryder Cup and Canada Cup (now World Cup).

Did you know?

Home Course of European Tour Player Gareth Maybin.



At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6410 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play:

Main Map Reference F3,04

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Northern Ireland golfers are very fortunate to enjoy several fine examples of the esteemed H.S. Colt's talents for course design, with Belvoir Park considered one of the best.

Belvoir Park Golf Club is just 3 miles from the city centre of Belfast, but you wouldn't know it once you are on the course.

Golfers are shielded from the noise and sights of the city by huge, mature trees which line every fairway, many of which were well established in 1927 when the course was first built using teams of horses and hand ploughs. Largely unaltered since its design, the only changes to the course have been brought about by thoughtful planting of 40,000 new trees in the late 1950s.

From the balcony of the imposing new clubhouse, the green fingers of the fairways fan out like avenues, giving panoramic views of the 9th green, 10th fairway, 13th tee and 18th green. To the right of the clubhouse can be seen Samson and Goliath, the twin cranes of the Harland and Wolff shipyard which built the famous RMS Titanic passenger ship.

Mr. Harry Colt, upon being employed as course architect, reported, "I consider that it will be possible to make a course affording an excellent test and, at the same time, one that will give maximum of pleasure to players".

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6685 **Par: 70** Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tues or Thurs

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Cairndhu Golf Club is situated in 100 acres of parkland and surrounded by breath-taking views of the world famous Antrim Coast Road, the Glens of Antrim and the Scottish coastline.

The 6142 yard par 70 course is set upon a coastal headland and extensive mature parklands in what was once the historic Carnfunnock Estate

From the first five holes there are extensive views of the Antrim coast, the Mull of Kintyre, and sea vistas extending to the Scottish Islands of Jura and Islay.

The signature hole is the 160 yard par 3 2nd "The Head" which is set upon the exposed headland. Depending on how the wind blows the tee shot to a narrow green can require an extensive variety of shots and poses a club selection dilemma.

Host of the 2021 Northern Ireland Open Which this year the moved to Cairndhu Golf Club for the first time, where men and women professionals had the chance to win a place at the ISPS HANDA World Invitational through this dedicated qualifying event.

The more challenging back nine commences with the Cairndhu version of "Amen Corner". The 410 yard 10th hole presents probably the toughest drive on the course, the 11th is a daunting 215 yard par 3 and the 12^{th} hole is a 447 yard par 4 is simply the hardest hole on the course. The remaining six holes are a delightful combination of demanding shot-making and birdie opportunities.

Did you know?

Cairndhu Golf Club is situated on the historic Carnfunnock Estate along the famous causeway coastal route. The first four holes are situated on Ballygally Head, a volcanic plug which juts out into the Irish Sea.

Did you know?

By the mid 1930s, Belvoir Park was renowned as the best parkland course in Northern Ireland. However, during World War II, the 3rd, 4th and 5th fairways were used for cultivating potatoes and flax in the 'Dig for Victory' campaign.



At a glance

Type of course: Headland course with extensive sea views Length of course in yards: 6142 **Par:** 70 Best days for visitors to play:

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The course is famed for its curvaceous greens, rolling fairways and challenging water hazards. An eighteen hole parkland course with stunning views, manicured fairways and well contoured greens, the course has hosted the Ulster PGA Championships for over ten years and is enjoyed by members and visitors alike.

Golfers of all skill levels are in for a testing challenge with greens which are a real delight to putt on. Highly popular with societies, corporate days along with casual green fees, the reputation of the course is growing all the time through an intensive programme of improvements and conditioning.

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At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6265 **Par: 70** Best days for visitors to play: Any day, advised to book in advance



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Castlerock Golf Club on the North Coast embodies all the essential charms of links golf. 'Miss this beauty and you are missing a treat!' David Brice, Golf International Inc.

Castlerock Golf Club is a classic links course set amid the towering dunes on the North Coast of Ireland. Situated on the causeway coast it not only boasts some stunning views down the coastline but proves a great test of traditional links golf.

CASTLEROCK GOLF CLUB

The club formed in 1901 boasts two golf courses onsite, firstly The Mussenden Course which is an 18 hole championship course. The course designed by legendary club maker Ben Sayers and Harry Colt underwent significant renovations under the watchful eye of Dr Martin Hawtree in the winter of 2017 and again in the winter of 2019. The course with 10 fully renovated holes is a great test of golf to golfers of any

level and with the renovations complete 2021 is sure to be an exciting year for the club.

The Bann Course is situated on the banks of the river Bann and is a testing 9 hole course. Don't let the fact that there is only 9 holes fool you, it is every bit of a test as its partner and boasts some stunning holes. It was described by Golf Getaways as one of the best 9 hole courses in the land

Our restaurant and lounge provides a great way to relax and enjoy some of the finest Irish hospitality before or after your round.

IGTOA Manager of the Year 2015 - Bert MacKay

Did you know?

Mussenden Golf Course is named after the Mussenden Temple, a small circular building perched on a clifftop. Built by Frederick Hervey, the Earl Bishop of Derry, the Temple was inspired by the Temple of Vista in Tivoli, Italy.

Did you know?

Castle Hume boasts some seven thousand trees and over thirty bunkers. Manicured to the highest standards, it is a model of golfing elegance.





At a glance

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Bann Course: 4892; Mussenden: 6780 Par: Bann Course: 68; Mussenden:73 Best days for visitors to play:

Main Map Reference D2, 08

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This deservedly popular North Down club boasts two excellent courses, the Dufferin and the Ava. The vistas from the Dufferin Course over Belfast Lough and the Scottish Coast beyond, and Strangford Lough from the Ava Course create a perfect golfing ambience. Host of the PGA EuroPro Tour 2021, a 54 stroke play event.

The Championship Dufferin Course, largely woodland/heathland in character, offers the golfer a genuine and demanding test. This highly rated course, renowned for its unforgiving opening holes, is exacting in its demands for skill, and memorable for its special features. Clandeboye hosted the Northern Ireland Masters in 2003 which Darren Clarke won.

The signature hole is surely the 386 yard par 4 4th where the daunting tee shot into a narrow-necked fairway embraced on both sides by gorse heather and trees sends shivers through even the most hardened veteran.

Clandeboye is derived from an anglicised form of the Gaelic

"Clan-Aoo-Bwe" i.e. Clannaboy - coming from the name

Did you know?

of a chieftain of the O'Neill clan.

The Ava Course is the perfect partner to its sister course, exemplified by 'Tower Gap', the 524 yard par 52nd hole, rated one of the best holes in Ireland. Narrow fairways, established trees, gorse, bracken, rock close to the surface and all the other hazards of an unspoilt landscape make it a tough and varied challenge. A more sheltered course, the Ava's user friendly fairways make it extremely popular with members and visitors alike.

Clandeboye Golf Club is the home course of Harry Diamond, Rory McIlroy's caddie.

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland/heathland Length of course in yards: Dufferin: 6742; Ava: 5755 Par: Dufferin: 71; Ava: 70 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri. Restrictions

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Formed in 1890, Dungannon Golf Club is a founding member of the Golfing Union of Ireland. This pleasant parkland course has been extended in recent years with the advice of its famous member Darren Clarke.

Like other clubs of its vintage, the clubhouse facilities were small but in 2000, the clubhouse was completely rebuilt on the original site to provide the best facilities for the new Millennium.

Dungannon is also home to Northern Ireland's Darren Clarke, the 2011 Open Champion and it was Darren, now an Honorary Life Member, who officially opened the new Clubhouse in June 2000.

The course is located in typical drumlin countryside with Dungannon town as a backdrop. The course reflects the different acquisition dates of the front and back

holes, in that the front nine are reasonably flat whilst the back nine test the fitness and psyche of the average golfer. Fairways throughout are wide to let the ponds, bunkers and course structure challenge the player.

One of these new holes, the signature 9th par 3 "Darren Clarke", features a narrow, ribbon-like crescent shaped green protected from the tee by a pond.

Did you know?

Local member, Barry Shields, recorded 2 consecutive holes-in-one on the 9th hole in 2005 on the same week, with the same ball, same club and he had a Bishop to witness it!



Length of course in yards: 6155 Par: 72 Best days for visitors to play:

Main Map Reference C2, 13

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Dunmurry Golf Club is located in Dunmurry Lane, southwest of Belfast. It consists of an 18-hole course with a par of 70. The golf course provides the golfer with a unique opportunity to play one of Northern Ireland's finest layouts in a serene environment on outstandingly presented playing surfaces.

In 1983, Dunmurry Golf Club moved from its original location north of Dunmurry village to a site overlooking the River Lagan and adjacent to Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park. With views up the Lagan valley to the south and north towards the Belfast hills, the course merges into the woodlands comprising the Lagan Valley Regional Park.

Dunmurry has matured quickly and now provides some of the best playing conditions in the Belfast area. The 18 holes offer a variety of challenges, none more so than the par 5 fourth, requiring three accurate shots to reach an elevated, double-tiered green, the approach to which is well protected by mature trees.

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6156 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs and Sun

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The Club has a range of facilities for all visitors, including an 18-hole championship Golf Course, Spa, Restaurant, Fitness Suite and onsite accommodation.

Nestled in the heart of the beautiful Co Down countryside just a short drive from Belfast, Edenmore Golf & Country Club has matured and developed since its opening in 1992.

The championship course is renowned for its welcome to visitors and regular members alike. The mature grounds and stunning scenery provide a uniquely relaxing atmosphere and enjoyable place to play. The beautiful parkland course has many challenges in the form of the tree-lined fairways and some strategically placed bodies of water that are evident but it is the subtle undulations in the greens that prove the true test of golf at Edenmore.

The par 71 parkland course at Edenmore has developed into a true test of golf, with the new 17th and 18th holes being arguably two of the toughest finishing holes in parkland golf in Northern Ireland.

The impressive recently refurbished clubhouse features an award-winning Restaurant, the Curious Fox, a modern health and fitness suite, accommodation, conference and wedding facilities. Andrew Manson has been the resident PGA professional now for over twelve years. He provides a fully stocked professional shop alongside a Mizuno approved fitting centre for Northern Ireland. He uses his state of the art Trackman studio for lessons and fitting alike.

Did you know?

Even though Edenmore Golf Club only opened in 1993, there have been 50 holes-in-one in the last five years!

Did you know?

Max McCready really put Dunmurry on the golfing map. In 1949 he won the British Amateur Championship, held at Portmarnock GC. This led to selection for the Walker Cup, and the following year he made a valiant attempt to defend his title, losing in the Final. The Lounge Bar in the current Clubhouse is named in his honour.







At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6278 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Mon - Sun. Visitors must pre-book. Restrictions are in place on Sat

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Foyle boasts a superb golf complex with two courses, an impressive modern driving range with teaching academy, retail superstore, and a lively bar and restaurant. Set on the outskirts of the historic Walled City of Derry and overlooking the famous Donegal hills, it is a must for any visitor to the North West.

The Championship length Earhart Course measures 6,639 yards and provides a true test of golf, set against the stunning backdrop of the Donegal hills. Excellent drainage affords year round playability and visitors are most welcome every day.

The Woodlands Course is set over 9 holes ranging in distance from 114 to 182 yards. Kept to the same high standards as the Earhart and with tree lined fairways, greenside bunkers and a tricky water hazard, this par 3 course presents a fun and challenging game for all levels of golfer.

Foyle Driving Range offers 26 covered and floodlit bays with automatic tees. A locally renowned PGA Teaching Academy operates on site alongside the extensive Golf Store Europe, they are able to offer a full club custom fitting service.

Pitchers Wine Bar & Restaurant combines a warm welcome with a lively atmosphere, serving local food and beverages daily. Be sure to try the famous Seafood Chowder and a pint of Guinness.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6639 Par: Earhart Course: 71; Woodlands Course: 27 Best days for visitors to play: Any day

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Host of the 2021 ISPS HANDA World Invitational presented by Modest! Golf. This venue is also famous for hosting the 2020 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open and the 2020 Northern Ireland Open supported by The R&A. This golf course is set in 220 acres of mature parkland in the grounds of one of Ireland's historic demesnes.

Galgorm Castle was awarded the IGTOA's 'Parkland Course of the Year 2014' award. The Course previously draw widespread praise from European Tour players and Officials annually during the Northern Ireland Open, with particular praise based on the pristine greens that run true all year round. The par-72 layout was designed by Simon Gidman and opened in 1997.

The course is nestled in the heart of the 220-acre historic Galgorm Castle Estate, providing a mature setting that promotes an easy, relaxing rhythm that makes playing golf so pleasurable. Bordered by the rivers Maine and Braid, these come into play on numerous holes, as well as five lakes and

the magnificent oxbow lake adjacent to the 14th hole. A variety of teeing areas provide an exciting and enjoyable challenge for golfers of all abilities and its central location means the course is a must-visit for any golfers planning a trip to Northern Ireland.

Off the course, the academy includes a 24-bay driving range and USGA spec short game area plus the fun golf area's pitch & putt course and Himalayas putting green. The clubhouse is home to the outstanding Castle Kitchen + Bar, a brand new destination bar & restaurant offering the very best in local produce and hospitality.

Did you know?

The site comprising of 220 acres includes remnants of the ancient Irish fort of the McQuillan clan and is recognised as one of the finest examples of early Jacobean architecture in Ireland.

Did you know?

Amelia Earhart, the first woman to fly solo across the Atlantic, made an emergency landing on what is now the 6th green on 21st May 1932. She overnighted at the Gallagher farmhouse, the present owners of the golf centre.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 7105 **Par: 72** Best days for visitors to play: Any day

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The four star luxury Hilton Belfast Templepatrick Golf and Country Club is situated on 220 acres of beautiful park and woodland on the Castle Upton Estate.

This 18-hole course, designed by David Jones and David Feherty, is acclaimed as one of Northern Ireland's finest. It features 7000 yards of challenging fairways and greens interspersed with lakes and mature parkland. Probably the most daunting drive you will encounter is at the par 413th. To find the narrow fairway you need to avoid the Six Mile River on the right and two fairway bunkers on the left. To reach the green you must thread between the two bunkers hugging the left side of the green and stay out of the afore mentioned river.

Just a few miles from Belfast International Airport, it's perfectly situated for business or leisure visitors to make time for 18 holes.

- Before you take on the course, you can warm up on our floodlit driving range incorporating 16 bays, 7 with an automated teeing system, a short-game zone and putting green.
- The course has hosted major professional and amateur tournaments including the Ladies European Tour Northern Ireland Open and the Senior British Open Amateur Championships.
- 2 practice putting greens within facilities.

Host venue on 8 occasions for the Ulster PGA Championship.

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 7081 Par: 72 Best days for visitors to play: Any week day and after 1pm Sat & 10am Sun



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Set high in the Holywood Hills of County Down, Holywood Golf Club is just 7 miles outside of Belfast. The club is well known for its most famous member, world golf star Rory McIlroy, who joined at the tender age of 8 years old.

Holywood's front nine holes present an easy walk and plenty of room for the golfer to spray it a bit off the tee. The back nine, however, is laid out on different terrain with elevation changes and challenge all the way. It's here where the splendour of Belfast Lough and the city can be viewed. When playing holes 10 through 14 you can enjoy the views of the Belfast docklands where Titanic was built. Indeed, many people gathered here to watch the famous ship sail.

The difficult 12th hole is said to be the toughest of them all. It requires a long

accurate tee shot down the left side and a second shot over the rugged terrain to an elevated green.

Then at the par 414th, you will have to negotiate the guarry and fairway bunkers to make a par. Get through this difficult stretch and you'll have a score worth talking about!

Its length is not challenging but as Rory states, "it has all the traits that develop your game from playing it regularly".

Did you know?

At 8 years of age, Rory McIlroy became the youngest full member of Holywood Golf Club. At 9, he won the Under 10 World Championship at Doral, Florida. At 11, he shot par around Holywood's par 69. Two years later, his handicap was down to scratch.

Did you know?

Tall poplar trees fill this course. Legend has it that Treffner, a gardener once employed by Adolf Hitler, planted them after World War II. Before Germany's defeat Treffner came here to start a market garden and planted the trees to protect his produce from harsh winds.





At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6078 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play:

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Set in mature woodland and masses of rhododendron shrubs, Kilkeel has become one of the best inland stretches in Ireland. Located 3 miles from the town centre, the beautiful and historic Carlingford Lough flows alongside the town and frequent glimpses can be obtained through the many mature trees separating the fairways.

Only 12 miles from world famous Royal County Down, the club has played host to

the Senior European Tour and through the Royal and Ancient, has been used as a qualifying course for the British Amateur and Senior British Open.

Expanded to 18 holes in 1993, the new layout provides a true test to players at all categories. A new clubhouse, built in 2000 on land overlooking the 18th green, provides a spacious restaurant and bar facilities.

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6579 Par: 72 Best days for visitors to play: Visitors welcome any day subject to availability

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Situated on the Ards Peninsula coastline, Kirkistown Castle is a real old-fashioned gem. It is the nearest links golf course to Belfast and is uniquely the most easterly 18-hole golf course on the island of Ireland.

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year round.

Here you can play 'The Open' style links at very reasonable green fee rates. Kirkistown Castle Golf Club has a huge variety of holes and being at the seaside means that 'wind' is nearly always something to be mastered as well as the subtleties of the course.

The legendary golf course architect James Braid designed the layout in 1934 and little has changed since.

The signature hole is the par 4 10th, measuring 435 yards. With out of bounds all along the left side, some bunkering on the right and a small elevated green protected by gorse and links rough, this hole lives up to its ranking of 3rd hardest hole.

Did you know?

Rory McIlroy's coach, Michael Bannon, grew up and learned to play golf at Kirkistown Castle - it is still his favourite course after 40 years of playing.

Did you know?

Mourne Park, in which the golf club is situated, has an exceptionally private country home. In the past, the estate had notable guests including King Edward VII, the late Queen Mother and movie star Errol Flynn.

The layout makes perfect use of the two small hills at either end of the course. The 12th hole links the two hills with the tee box on one and an exposed green on top

This area has the lowest rainfall in Northern Ireland and, with the free draining sandy base, the course remains playable all

At a glance

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: 6167 Par: 69 Best days for visitors to play: Mon to Fri and Sat after 2pm

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Knock Golf Club has been a private members Club since its establishment in 1895.

In 1920 Knock moved to its current location at 'Summerfield', close to the village of Dundonald. The top-ranked firm of golf course architects, 'Colt, MacKenzie and Allison', was hired to design the course you see today.

Knock contains design features that relate to all three of these great course architects, who in their respective careers left such an indelible mark on the world of golf.

Knock Golf Club is a great test of golf, suitable for all levels of golfer and

accomplished players and has developed into one of Ireland's finest inland courses - the par of 70 is reputed to rank among the toughest in the country. Tree-lined fairways, a proliferation of bunkers and wellmanicured greens add up to an exceptional challenge. "The course gets off to a delightful start with a right hand dogleg which culminates to a deceptively sloping left to right downhill green. Another first nine favourite is the testing sixth, a par 4 of more than 450 yards."

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6428 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun



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It is testament to Fred Hawtree's architectural skills that his original plan for the course remains virtually unaltered since he first walked around the farm at Blaris Lodge and sketched it on the back of an envelope!

Lisburn Golf Club started off as a compact 9 hole course in the heart of the town at the turn of the 20th century. It moved to its present site in the early 1970's and Hawtree achieved what most golfers would regard as an ideal layout with two loops of nine holes, each starting and finishing at the Clubhouse and each composed of two par 5s, two par 3s and five par 4s.

As you progress round the course, you may need to exercise a variety of shots to manage your way around the water hazards and avenues of tree plantations. This is probably best exemplified by the signature hole, the 6th, measuring 158 yards, with a green surrounded by trees and guarded by water and bunkers. It demands an accurate tee shot and then a smooth putting stroke to cope with the gentle borrows on the two tier green.

This layout has been further enhanced with the planting of azaleas, rhododendrons, cherry blossom trees and specimen conifers that make Lisburn the "Augusta of the North" in the springtime.

Did you know?

The course record of 64 is held by David Feherty, the golf commentator for American TV golf. David played in the Ulster Professional Championship in 1989, recording a four round aggregate of 262 (65, 64, 68 and 65). He won the Championship by 18 shots!

Did you know?

The Club crest depicts a wood on a hill. It is thought this refers to the original Course at Cherryvalley with the mound at Shandon Park in the background.

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6604 **Par: 72**

Best days for visitors to play:

Mon, Thurs, Fri or Sun. Visitors are not permitted to tee off before 5.30pm on Sat, and not permitted to commence play

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Lough Erne Resort provides the ultimate 36-hole golf experience. Home to two Championship Golf Courses; the awarding winning Faldo Course and Castle Hume Golf Course and Golf Academy with state of the art facilities.

Designed by 6 time major winner, Sir Nick Faldo the Faldo Course is a top 100 course (UK & Ireland), measuring 7,071 yards Par 72, with superb all year round playing conditions.

Its spectacular setting, nestled on a private 600 acre peninsula between Lower Lough Erne and Castle Hume Lough, is a course you will remember.

It will be no surprise that water comes into play a lot at Lough Erne, no less than 11 holes, and this is best tested at the tricky par 4 10th. Whilst being the 2nd shortest par 4 on the card, it is fraught with trouble, both off the tee and on your approach shot to the green. It takes an extremely accurate second shot as you are hitting into an island

green, surrounded by Lower Lough Erne on left, right and back of the green.

Situated behind the 9th green, you would be well advised to stop at the Halfway House for a light bite before tackling the 'Emerald Isle' 10th.

This award winning resort with international acclaim, features a range of luxury quest rooms within unique lakeside lodges and the hotel.

Executive Chef, Noel McMeel and his culinary team invite you to choose from five unique dining experiences while The Spa welcomes you to an exclusive destination exuding exotic allure and inspired by the origins of Thailand.

Did you know?

Nearby Devenish Island, founded in the 6th Century by St. Molaise, is located in Lower Lough Erne and is one of the finest monastic sites in Ireland. It is home to a perfect 12th Century round tower, several Church ruins, two graveyards and an unusual cross.

At a glance

Type of course: Lakeland Length of course in yards: Faldo Course, 7071 Par: 72 Best days for visitors to play: Any day



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The layout of its 27 holes, the lake, the tree lined drive and the seasonal splendour of flowers and trees make Malone a special place to play golf.

Malone Golf Club has been a part of the sporting and social life of Belfast for more than one hundred years. Its present site of Ballydrain Estate is 330 acres of wooded parkland just 5 miles from Belfast.

The site boasts 27 holes made up of Ballydrain, Drumbridge and Edenderry nines. The first two usually make up the main course but the Edenderry is great for young and new golfers to enjoy the game.

The centrepiece of the course is the natural trout lake extending for some 27 acres. The plentiful mature trees shape many of the holes with the lake coming into play on the 13th. The 15th features a tee shot over water to a tricky green. The round finishes with a daunting drive and any ball to the right of the 18th green is water bound so beware!

Did you know?

The estate where the club now resides used to be a 'safe house' for both US and British soldiers during World War I. An upside down V, indicating a 'safe house', is still visible on the last post exiting the club.

Since 1895, Malone has become famous across Ireland with many excellent amateur golfers and successful teams winning multiple All-Ireland pennants. These are all proudly displayed in the comfortable and welcoming clubhouse, which features the Ballydrain Bar and breathtaking views over the final hole, the lake and surrounding countryside. The club has conducted extensive upgrades in the past year involving major bunker renovation. With dramatic changes to several holes, the finished

product is very impressive and as per leading consultant Ken Kearney's recommendations, existing fairway bunkers have been remodelled in situ.

Length of course in yards: 9 holes 3160; 18 Holes: 6706 **Par:** 9 holes: 36; 18 holes: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Wed am, Thurs, Fri and Sun

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Established in 1895, Massereene Golf Club offers a challenging and picturesque 18 hole par 72 parkland course. With panoramic views over Lough Neagh, it creates a challenge for all levels of skill and experience. Co host of the 2021 ISPS HANDA World Invitational! which has been elevated to European Tour status following the hugely successful inaugural edition on the European Challenge Tour in 2019.

Situated on the north shores of Lough Neagh, Massereene Golf Club enjoys panoramic views of the Lough as far as County Tyrone on the west side. Stretched over 140 acres, you can enjoy a stunning parkland course with an array of fairways outlined by mature trees.

The first hole is a good indication of what challenge lie ahead. The first nine are tree lined with well placed bunkers; the inward nine consists of more undulating fairways, reminiscent of a links course, finishing on the 18th green beside the clubhouse.

Equally the narrow fairways and small greens place a priority on accuracy rather than distance, making it a rewarding test for even the lower handicap golfer.

With lush fairways, silky smooth greens and spectacular views of Lough Neagh, Massereene Golf Club offers a fantastic challenge and a wonderful day out.

Massereene Golf Club is a Co- Host of ISPS HANDA World Invitational with Galgorm Castle Golf Club. The event seen tremendous success in 2019 and is set to return in August 2020.

Did you know?

Massereene Golf Course sits on the shores of Lough Neagh, the largest freshwater lake in the British Isles. The mound on the 12th hole was built around 1560 to act as a beacon for boats returning across the lough from Tyrone to Antrim.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6603 Par: 72 Best days for visitors to play: Sun-Fri



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This delightful course lies at the foot of Bessie Bell mountain, two miles from the town of Newtownstewart. Mature trees and natural fairway undulations make this an interesting and enjoyable challenge for golfers of all standards.

Founded in 1914. Newtownstewart Golf Club forms part of the Baronscourt Estate, home of the Duke of Abercorn.

The club is easily accessible, just five minutes from the main A5 Omagh to Strabane road. This beautiful 18th hole parkland course commands panoramic views of the surrounding Sperrin mountains and being part of the historic Baronscourt Estate has specimen oak and beech trees that are in excess of two hundred years old.

rather than formality and a warm welcome awaits all golfers, from their first contact with the well stocked Golf Shop, to their sojourn in the clubhouse where the professional bar and catering staff will ensure an enjoyable end to the day. The practice ground at the club is second to none, with separate areas for chipping, putting and bunker play complementing our new six bay driving range with expert tuition from our resident professional at our golf academy.

The emphasis at the club is on friendliness

Did you know?

The course is set in the rolling parkland of The Baronscourt Estate, the ancestral estate of the Duke of Abercorn. Golfers will frequently encounter deer, wild pheasant, red squirrels and buzzards during their round.



Length of course in yards: 5901 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play: Mon – Sun, (Ladies' Day is Thurs)

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Situated in the heart of Tyrone's county town, Omagh Golf Club boasts a stunning 18 hole parkland course. Consisting of two contrasting nines situated either side of the Dublin Road, the par 71 offers a significant challenge to members and visitors alike.

Evolving from a testing 9-hole stretch in 1910, Omagh upgraded to an 18-hole course in 1983 under the expert design of Don Patterson, professional and golf architect. The new-look Omagh soon established itself as one of the province's finest parkland courses. Well publicised visits from Ireland golfing legend Christy O'Connor Jr, and multiple winner Nick Faldo (both of whom were complimentary about the test posed by the Omagh course) gave an indication of the club's progression in the 1980s.

Famed for its demanding par fours and fast paced greens, the 7th hole probably exemplifies this. Framing the mill on the hill, a real sight at twilight, this shot par 4 offers trouble all around. Bunkers and young trees on the right penalise those steeling away from The Drumvagh River, whilst a second shot over an almost magnetic stream to a false fronted green nestling the riverbank can cause several wasted strokes.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 5869 for green marker. Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Mon-Fri and Sun

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Portstewart Golf Club is proud to offer 54 holes of golf spectacularly set on Northern Ireland's famous Causeway Coast with something to offer every golfer.

The Strand Course is the indisputable jewel in Portstewart's crown for quality of game and scenery. The course is set in classic links country amid towering sand dunes and views of the Donegal hills, the Atlantic and the River Bann. The first hole with its elevated tee, dogleg to the green and sandy strip on the right, is considered the best opening hole in Ireland.

For something less challenging, the Riverside Course stretches from the clubhouse down to the River Bann. And if you like a little heritage in your game, the original Old Course has tested players since 1894.

The present clubhouse has come a long way from the corrugated iron and wooden frame

Did you know?

of 1895. The present building, completed in 2009, makes it one of the most modern clubhouses in Ireland. Without doubt, Portstewart has

championship pedigree having hosted numerous important events and competitions including the qualifying rounds of The Open in 1951, the British Ladies Senior Championship in 2004 and the British Girls Amateur Championship in 2006.

Hosted the British Boys Amateur Championship in 2018 and the 2017 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open

Did you know?

Omagh Golf Club's recorded history dates back to 1891 when a heady 20 members listed it as one of ten clubs in existence in Ireland at that time. The Club then moved to its current site and affiliated in 1910, and in 2010 celebrated its centenary.

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Maureen Madill was undoubtedly the most successful golfer that Portstewart ever produced. She was three times Ulster Ladies Champion, an Irish International champion from 1978 to 1985, British Amateur Stroke play champion 1980 and British Ladies match play Champion 1986.

At a glance

Type of course: Links Length of course in yards: Strand: 7118; Riverside: 5715; Old: 4822. Par: Strand: 72; Riverside: 68; Old 64 Best days for visitors to play: Phone in advance for Strand and Old courses. All 3 courses are bookable online via the Club website or you can contact the Club directly.

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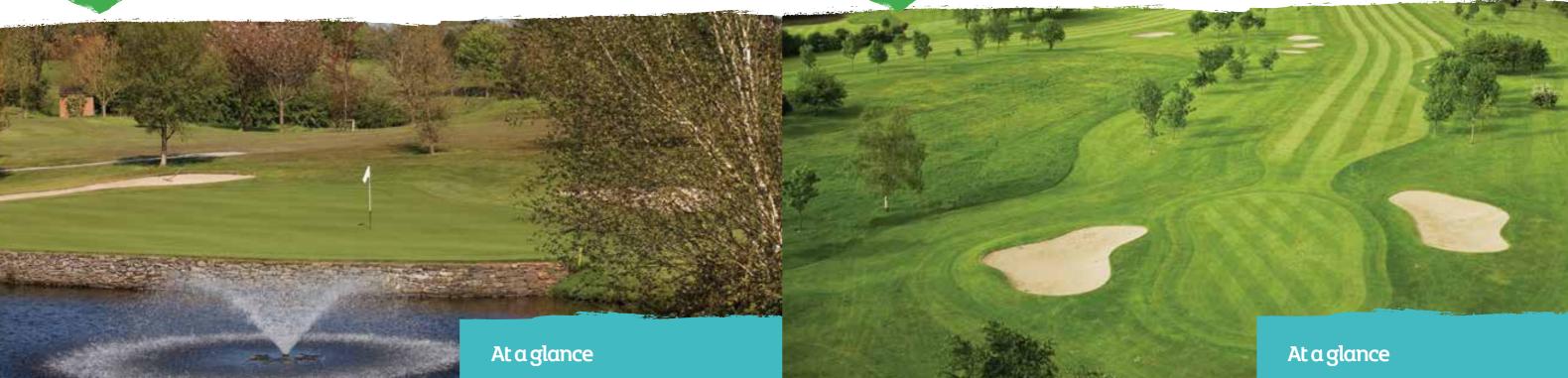
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With excellent greens and testing holes over the lake, ponds and stream, this course is a masterpiece for golfers of all standards.

Nestled into the drumlins of north County Down, the 18 holes at Rockmount Golf Club have matured into a challenging parkland course.

The course has been cleverly designed so that the natural terrain is incorporated throughout. Water plays its part with hazards around the 5th and 6th greens and a small pond in front of the 14th tee. Large trees strategically added through the course will cause some tricky approach shots to the 8th and 15th greens in particular.

The signature hole is the 11th. This par 4 has a touch of 'Pete Dye' about it, ample room for the drive, followed by a demanding second shot into a green fronted with water.

Rockmount Clubhouse is tastefully decorated in old brick and solid oak creating a warm homely atmosphere. From the dining room you can take in the panoramic view of the golf course and the famous Mourne Mountains. There is no doubt Rockmount is an excellent test of golf you are sure to enjoy.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6410 Par: 72 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri am and Sun



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Roe Park Resort is set amidst the gorgeous surroundings of the Roe Valley Country Park, offering first-class amenities for every level of golfer.

This 18 hole course is a welcome and very popular course along the Causeway Coast even more so since 2017 having undergone a £1m upgrade. The layout includes a number of challenging water features and takes full advantage of this beautiful setting, with Lough Foyle and the Sperrin Mountains providing a dramatic backdrop.

The 265 yard, par 4 15th hole provides a real risk and reward opportunity with the long hitters being able to reach it from the elevated tee. The sympathetically restored 18th century Coach House contains the informal dining Brasserie, which

immediately overlooks the 6th hole from tee to green, allowing diners to become "armchair golfers" for the day !

The Golf Academy is designed to provide the best facilities to help you improve your game, whether you're an absolute beginner or the next Rory McIlroy. An indoor studio uses state of the art systems to analyse and record your swing, while the outdoor driving range utilises the latest technology in synthetic grass to give you that realistic club to turf contact.

IGTOA Golf Resort of the Year 2017 and Golf Manager of the Year 2018 (Terry Kelly) (Golfers Guide to Ireland Awards)

Did you know?

Recorded history in the area goes back to AD575 when AEDH (Hugh) the High King of Ireland called all his Earls, Chieftains and Scholars to a convention on Mullagh Hill - the hill in the centre of the golf course overlooking the Coach House.

Did you know?

Darren Clarke performed the honours of officially opening the course on 8 May 1995. In 2013, he returned to a mature golf course to celebrate the clubs 18th Birthday.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6180 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play:

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Founded in 1881, Royal Belfast Golf Club lays claim to the title of the oldest golf club in Ireland.

In the summer of 1881 Thomas Sinclair spent a holiday in St. Andrews, Scotland. He was totally smitten by the game of golf and persuaded the Laird of Holywood to generously give his land free of rent at Kinnegar, Holywood for a golf course.

In 1885 the club became "Royal". The present course dates back to 1925, when H.S. Colt, the eminent English course architect, assisted by Walker Cup player W.A. Murray, produced a course of great charm which provides a true test of golfing skill and enjoys one of the most scenic settings with its unrivalled views of Belfast Lough.

The course remains much the same today as it was then, a tribute to the enduring excellence of its original design, always meticulously maintained with impeccable greens. Visiting players are always warmly welcomed to enjoy a real slice of history.

Did you know?

What are believed to be the first golfing trophies in Ireland, early Royal Belfast Golf Club Monthly Medals, are today on view in the clubhouse.

At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6185 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri and Sun - Restrictions on Sat



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Shandon Park is a popular parkland course in East Belfast, boasting the best greens you'll find anywhere in Northern Ireland. It has superb clubhouse facilities and is only 15 minutes from the centre of Belfast.

The original name of the club which played on this course was Knock Golf Club, formed in 1895. It wasn't until 1925 that the idea of establishing Shandon Golf Club was conceived after Knock Golf Club moved to their present location on the outskirts of Belfast.

For seven decades the club has had a veritable production line of international players who have represented their country, and Walker Cup teams of distinction. The most recent of these is Michael Hoey, 4 time

winner on the European Tour and recent holder of The Dunhill Trophy.

It is an amazing course that is not excessively long, but provides a top class challenge due to the exceedingly high standards of its greens.

The club built a new clubhouse in 2000 and successfully hosted The All Ireland finals in 2007.

Did you know?

European Tour player and recent winner of the Dunhill Trophy, Michael Hoey, started his early golf career at Shandon Park Golf Club.



Length of course in yards: 6336 Par: 70 Best days for visitors to play:

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Naturally crafted out of the historic drumlins of Down, St. Patrick's is a classic and challenging parkland course, boasting spectacular views of the County, including the Mountains of Mourne, Strangford Lough and as far as the Isle of Man.

Established in 1930, the course has had nearly 85 years to mature and produce greens that rival any of the championship courses in Ireland. The layout and style of the course makes it an interesting challenge that plays very much like a links course. Look out for the testing par 47th, the stunning par 311^{th} , and the par 414^{th} .

One of Ireland's best kept golfing secrets St Patrick's Golf Club, Downpatrick is well known for extending a warm welcome to its visitors who come from near and far. The course offers golfers of all abilities a breath-taking challenge on a natural stage and our clubhouse boasts fantastic facilities in which to dine and relax.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 5969 Par: 69 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri and Sun afternoon



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Views from the 10th hole tee span three counties with the Slieve Donard mountain in County Down on the left and the Sperrin Mountains in County Tyrone ahead.

The course was developed in 1911 on the Duke of Manchester's Estate and green fees were collected at the Gate Lodge, which is still the entrance to the club. In 1928, green fees were set at "two shillings per day with no reduction for visitors staying with members overnight".

Tandragee Golf Club is a formidable yet picturesque 18 hole parkland course, set in the scenic County Armagh countryside. Parts of the course overlook the ancient Tandragee Castle and on many holes

golfers can admire the mature woodlands astride the fast flowing River Cusher. The duck pond is an unusual attraction at Tandragee Golf Club, often visited by golfers and non-golfers alike.

'The Wall', par 411th, is regarded as the signature hole and commands respect. The original boundary wall of the Estate marks out of bounds on the right while the trees on the left guide you to a slightly hidden green.

Did you know?

In 1911, during the creation of the course, the Duchess of Manchester, who was from Cincinnati, Ohio, designed some of the original bunkers, which were laid out in the shape of America's Great Lakes. These remain to this day.

Did you know?

Downpatrick is derived from the Irish, Dún Pádraig, meaning "Patrick's stronghold". Once the ancient city of Down, the town's cathedral is also said to be the burial place of Saint Patrick.





At a glance

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6310 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Wed, Thurs, Friand Sun

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our website.





The club is very proud of its record in producing great amateur golfers over the years as well as titles. 20 All-Ireland titles have been won by Warrenpoint Golf Club since 1981.

This attractive parkland course is set in part of the luxurious Hall Estate, home to Narrow Water Castle - the inspiration for the club badge. The clubhouse enjoys views of the Cooley Mountains of County Louth and the estuary of Carlingford Lough.

Over 6000 yards, this course demands a high degree of accuracy and will test the golfer's shot-making capabilities. The par 4 7th 'Slieve Foy' is regarded as the signature hole, requiring a long high tee shot to get over the fir plantation. Two mature beech

trees guard the approach to the well protected green. Extremely tight driving down a corridor of trees on the 12th and a green with danger all round on the 13th are great tests for even the most skilled.

A number of club members have represented Ireland & Great Britain in the Walker Cup and Curtis Cup teams. Ronan Rafferty, who is now a golf commentator and analyst, was a Dunhill Cup winner and played in the Ryder Cup.

Type of course: Parkland Length of course in yards: 6173 Par: 71 Best days for visitors to play: Mon, Thurs, Fri and Sun



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A stopover at the 19th is also a great opportunity to sample our famous hospitality. Here, you can share your experiences, tips and tall tales and pick up useful suggestions from the local 'regulars' who know every bunker and tree - the insight could make all the difference on your next round!

Be sure to indulge in an excellent meal and sample the local tipples -



Did you know?

Warrenpoint Golf Club completed a historic feat in 1987 when they won 5 All-Ireland Titles in the one year. The club also hosted a Ladies European Tour Event in 2003, won by Sophie Gustafson, and has just celebrated their 125th Anniversary in 2018.



like a smooth single malt, distilled just a few miles up the road at the Bushmills Distillery or a refreshing pint of Guinness just hits the spot. As locals say "there's eating and drinking in it".

After an hour or two at the 19th hole you'll realise how the clubhouses, wherever you go, are the perfect way to end the perfect day!



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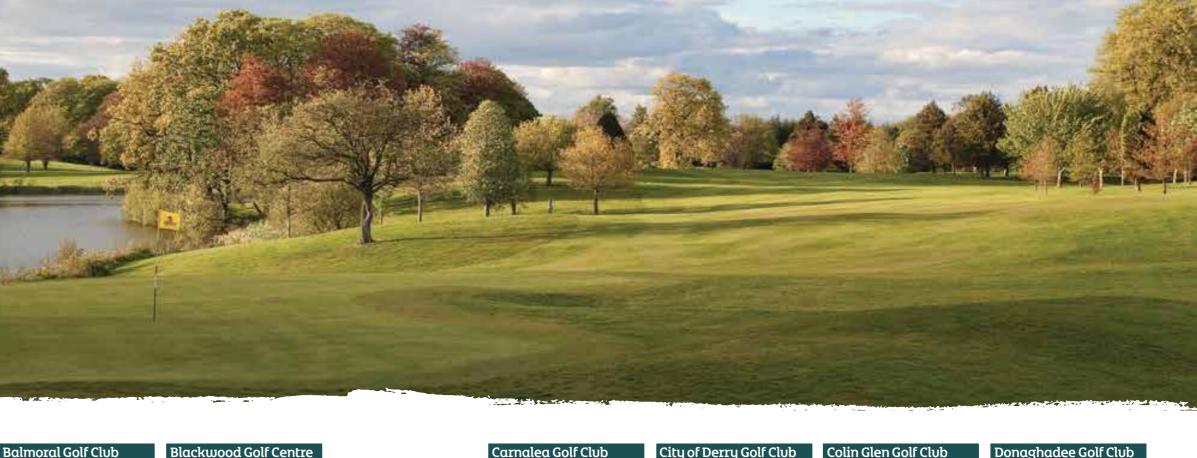
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Hineraries

A few ideas for your Northern Ireland adventure













Causeway Coast

Some Unmissables on the Causeway Coastal Route





















Golfing at Galgorm

This is how you start a golf trip! Your adventure across Northern Ireland gets underway at Galgorm Castle Golf Club. This beautiful 18-hole, par-72 championship course covers 220 acres of lush parkland and hosts the ISPS HANDA World Invitational. Stop off here to play the course that hosted the 2020 Dubai Duty Free Irish Open and The 2020 Northern Ireland Open supported by The R&A. If you're playing Galgorm Castle Golf Club, you've got a real treat waiting for you off-course. Right next door, you'll find one of the region's most spectacular resorts, Galgorm Spa & Golf Resort. Make sure you recharge post-game in one of the many restaurants, bars or riverside hot-tubs.

Causeway Coastal Route

Time to hit the road. But not just any old road. The gorgeous Causeway Coastal Route is an iconic drive along a dramatic coastline with ocean vistas you can't help stopping to stare at. National Geographic even named it among the world's greatest road trips. Bring the good camera!

Spots to stop

There are dozens of great places to visit along the Causeway Coastal Route. Among the absolute must-sees are the mind-boggling natural wonder of the Giant's Causeway, and the knuckle-whitening Carrick-a-Rede, a 350-year-old rope bridge that lets you cross the Atlantic on foot. Need to settle your nerves after that? Stop by the world's oldest working distillery for a wee sample or two at the nearby Bushmills Distillery.

Bushmills Inn

Here's a very special hideaway on your trip. The Bushmills Inn is a former coaching inn dating back to the 1700s. Today, you get modern luxury, but it doesn't compromise its heritage. You can really feel the history when you wander under its low wood-beam ceilings, through narrow stone corridors, and find its rustic fireside snugs. It's a must for any visitor to the area.

Royal Portrush Golf Club

You can't miss Royal Portrush while you're here. It's the only club on the island to have hosted The Open, following its return for the second time in 2019. Recently ranked in the world's top 10 courses, Royal Portrush has two championship links courses with jaw-dropping views as far as Scotland and Donegal. It also has some of the most dramatic and challenging holes in the world (over-hit your second shot on the fifth and your ball will be lost to the roaring Atlantic Ocean!

Explore more:

There are plenty more gems to find along the glorious Causeway Coastal Route, including Game of Thrones[®] filming locations, lunch with a view at Harry's Shack in Portstewart, and the much-loved Ramore restaurants in Portrush.



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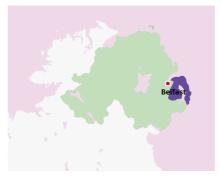












Holywood Golf Club

Kick-off your trip by following in the footsteps of one of the world's greatest golfers. The fairways of Holywood Golf Club forged the skills of four-time Major winner Rory McIlroy. This 6118-yard, par-66 parkland course sits high in Northern Ireland's very own Holywood Hills, giving you stunning views of Belfast Lough and the eastern end of the Causeway Coastal Route.

Rayanne House

Royal Belfast Golf Club

This is a true taste of history. Royal Belfast is the oldest golf course in Ireland, and still retains so much of its original charm. That endurance is a testament to the skill of the course's designer, the famous H.S. Colt. You'll adore the challenge of this classic par-70 course and reliving your best shots in the Victorian clubhouse afterwards.

Scrabo Golf Club

A beautiful and challenging course with stunning views over Strangford Lough, Scrabo Golf Club is set in the shadows of the famous 19th Century Scrabo Tower. The par 41st hole was described as one of the best opening holes in Ireland by the late, great Christy O'Connor Senior.

Kirkistown Castle Golf Club

You'll find the island's most easterly golf course in the tiny village of Cloughey, perched out there on the edge the Ards Peninsula. The legendary golf course architect James Braid designed its layout in 1934 and little has changed since. It's still a tough round for any golfer. With 6167 windswept yards to negotiate, you'll need a good strategy to even get close to the course par of 69.

Fiddler's Green

Clandeboye Golf Club

Situated in the country surrounds of Lady Dufferin's Estate, the Dufferin Course is one of the Highest Rated Championship Courses in Ireland.

Explore more:

An area of outstanding natural beauty, the Ards Peninsula is famous for picturesque villages, a wealth of history and welcoming locals who'll be delighted to share tips on how to explore a beautiful region which is a haven for golfers!



For a truly unforgettable dining experience, get to Rayanne House. You can sit down to the very menu served aboard the Titanic. It's a once-in-a lifetime chance for foodies and history enthusiasts to time-travel and get a taste of life aboard the world's most iconic ship, one of Northern Ireland's greatest exports.

In the seaside idyll of Portaferry, you'll find a traditional little pub full of surprises. Fiddler's Green is a family-run pub and hotel that's always overflowing with characters, live music and great Guinness. It's even home to one of the famous Doors of Thrones. One of only 10 such doors, it was hand carved from a fallen tree at The Dark Hedges, one of dozens of the filming locations here in Game of Thrones® Territory.

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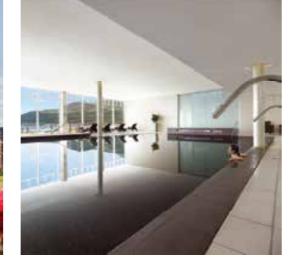


















Ardglass Golf Club

Royal County Down

This course needs little introduction. Royal County Down is the world's number 1 golf course (Golf Digest, 2017, 2018 & 2019). Originally laid out in 1889 by 'Old' Tom Morris from St. Andrews, the course is set in the beautiful setting of Murlough Nature Reserve. The 7187-yard championship course features narrow ribbons of zig-zagging fairways dotted with famous 'bearded' bunkers. This one is a must.

Slieve Donard Resort and Spa

Right next to the world's greatest golf course is a world-class spa resort. Slieve Donard sits in the stunning seaside town of Newcastle, where the majestic Mourne mountains meet the Irish Sea. As soon as you get here you realise exactly why it won five prestigious awards at the 2017 Irish Hotels Awards – its original Victorian features, luxurious modern interiors and beautiful spa are an absolute treat.

Shortcross Gin Distillery Tour

If you're a gin fan, you can't miss the Shortcross Gin Distillery Tour. Made on the Rademon Estate, this is Northern Ireland's first premium crafted gin, and the most-awarded gin on the island of Ireland. You'll soon see why, as the Shortcross experts teach you how they harvest local botanicals, distil with their copper pot still, and perfect the finished product.

Castle Ward

Northern Ireland is Game of Thrones[®] Territory. This is where most of the world's biggest TV show was shot, and the filming locations are a magnet for the show's many millions of fans. Explore Castle Ward estate where many scenes were shot in Season 1. Dress like a Stark and try your hand at archery with Winterfell Tours. For the uninitiated, it's a rare chance to uncover some of the show's special-effect secrets, for a Game of Thrones[®] fan it is simply heaven.

Warrenpoint Golf Club

With the Mourne Mountains and Carlingford Lough as your backdrop, you'd be forgiven for not focusing on your swing at Warrenpoint Golf Club. It's a gorgeous 6173-yard parkland gem set in an official Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). It's also home to a world record - club member Jim Carvill holds the global record for the fastest ever round of golf (27 minutes and 30 seconds).

Explore more:

There are lots more golf clubs nearby, including Spa Golf Club in Ballynahinch, St Patrick's in the historic Downpatrick and Kilkeel Golf Club with superb views of the Mourne Mountains. Newcastle also boasts some great restaurants including Brunel's, Vanilla and Villa Vinci.



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Your toughest opponent at Ardglass is always the Irish Sea, as it comes into play in a total of 8 holes. These are among the most pictures que and challenging holes anywhere on the island. You'll play over rocky inlets and rugged coastlines with the sea and wind a regular hazard. Even the clubhouse is spectacular – the 15th century structure is the oldest building in the world that's being used as a clubhouse. This is an unforgettable visit for any golfer.

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Greater Belfast

some bright lights in our Big City



















Malone Golf Club

Start your Belfast golf break with a round at Malone Golf Club, a superb championship course with a beautiful trout lake as its centrepiece. While you're there, see if you can spot the upside down 'V' on the last post exiting the club. It means this estate was a 'safehouse' for both US and British soldiers during World War 1.

Shandon Park

This is one of the toughest parkland courses around. The course record is just six under par despite the best efforts of some of the world's best golfers. The two-shot sixth hole is a 455-yard giant, so you'll need accuracy from the tee and a pinpoint second shot downhill to make it to the protected green.

Grand Central Hotel

Savour Belfast

This city's culinary scene is booming. There have never been more world-class foodie options for visitors to enjoy. From the Michelin-starred hotspots like Deanes Eipic, to local institutions like Mourne Seafood Bar, there's something for every palate. And, of course, we know a thing or two about nightlife - just take a stroll through the bustling cobbled streets of the Cathedral Quarter and you're guaranteed to find a watering hole to suit the most diverse tastes.

Titanic Belfast

This city is one of Europe's rising stars on the tourist scene. Visitor numbers are climbing year on year, and it's no surprise with attractions like Titanic Belfast. The centrepiece of the blossoming Titanic Quarter, this stunning venue was voted the World's Leading Tourist Attraction (World Travel Awards, 2016). It's an unmissable immersive experience that tells the story of the world's most iconic ship on the very spot it was built.

Belvoir Park

Belvoir Park Golf Club boasts a distinguished history, having hosted The Irish Open, The Irish PGA, and The Irish Amateur Close. This stunning championship parkland course covers 163 acres of mature woodland, and is one of several Northern Irish courses designed by the master of the art, Harry S. Colt.

Explore more:

If you have more time in the city, make sure you check out Knock, Rockmount, and Dunmurry Golf Clubs. Off the course, visit Crumlin Road Gaol for history, Victoria Square for shopping, and The Friend at Hand Whiskey Shop and Tour for a wee dram and a dander.



Belfast's newest luxury hotel is the perfect place to see more of Belfast. In fact, The Observatory cocktail lounge is the highest bar on the island of Ireland and gives you panoramic views of the city and beyond.

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The Best of the West



















Lough Erne Resort & Spa

Faldo & Castle Hume Courses

The Faldo Course at Lough Erne Resort & Spa is one of the finest on the island of Ireland. Designed by six-time Major winner Nick Faldo, the 7167-yard par-72 takes full advantage of its 600-acre peninsula setting. Water is an ever-present hazard and the green of the 10th hole is even surrounded on three sides by the lake. The Castle Hume course is another par-72 championship track that has hosted an unprecedented 10 Ulster PGA Championships.

Erne Water Taxi

To really travel in style in these parts, you need a chauffeur-driven water taxi. It's the best way to tour the serene Fermanagh Lakelands and island-hop at will. You can even explore Ireland's only island town, Enniskillen, from the water.

Cuilcagh Boardwalk

Every visitor should see this. The Cuilcagh Boardwalk gives you jaw-dropping views to rival any in Ireland. The 1.6km boardwalk across the bogland of Cuilcagh Mountain is an exhilarating experience, whether you're out for a stroll or a veteran hillwalker.

Omagh Golf Club

This course is famous for tough par-fours and speedy greens, so you'll have to be on your game in Omagh. The Drumragh River is an ever-present hazard through the front 9, while the back nine takes you towards the forest and some spectacular views of West Tyrone.

Marble Arch Caves

Fermanagh is even beautiful when viewed from below. The Marble Arch Caves are a fascinating natural labyrinth of caves, rivers, winding passages, and tunnels deep beneath the earth's surface. It's a one-off experience that's not to be missed, and it might be the only chance you ever get to take a subterranean boat ride!

Explore more:

Got more time? Visit the Ulster American Folk Park in Omagh for some immersive time-travel, and Blakes of the Hollow in Enniskillen for live traditional music in a beautifully preserved old pub... also home to one of the Doors of Thrones.



This might just be the ultimate 'stay and play' destination for golfers. The Lough Erne Resort & Spa is a luxurious hideaway in the Fermanagh Lakelands. You'll find stunning lakeside bars, the 3 AA Rosette Catalina Restaurant, a multi-awardwinning Thai spa, and two beautiful golf courses.

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Derry - Londonderry











Roe Park

Deep in the stunning Roe Valley Country Park, you'll find one of Northern Ireland's best golf resorts. The Roe Park Resort gives you a beautiful parkland course with spectacular views across Lough Foyle, the Inishowen Peninsula and Binevenagh Mountain. Add that to facilities that include the driving range, practice holes, indoor interactive video coaching system and much more. This is golfing heaven.

Castlerock Golf Club

Castlerock is another stunning links course - two courses, in fact - on the Causeway Coastal Route. You'll play a par-5 that's been described as one of the most scenic holes in Irish golf and take on the famous 'Leg O'Mutton', a 200-yard par-3 with a raised green, a railway line to the right, and a stream to the left.

Bishops Gate Hotel

Here's the perfect city hideaway, somewhere packed with history but with all the contemporary comforts you'll ever need. This former Victorian clubhouse has actually hosted Winston Churchill and W.B. Yeats. But today, it's a chic hotel blending classic and contemporary in its Wig Champagne Bar and The Gown Restaurant.

Flavours of the city

As you would expect from one of Europe's youngest cities, the social and culinary scenes here are lively, adventurous and cool. Some of the best new spots include the Walled City Brewery, which was named the Best Gastro Pub in Ireland (Irish Restaurant Awards 2017), The Shipquay Restaurant, another example of the 'classic with a contemporary twist' vibe that Derry-Londonderry has mastered, and Paedar O'Donnell's, the home of live traditional music in the city.

City Walls

A tour of Derry-Londonderry's 400-year-old city walls is an absolute must for every visitor. These 17th Century fortifications have a fascinating history and make this the last completely walled city in Ireland and one of the finest examples in Europe. Don't miss your chance to explore them and meet 'Roaring Meg', the ear-splitting cannon used during the 1641 Siege.

Foyle Golf Club

Foyle International Golf Centre gives you access to a championship standard par-71 course on the outskirts of Northern Ireland's second city. And the course attracts some pretty famous visitors – on 21st May 1932, after a gruelling 15-hour flight, Amelia Earhart had an emergency landing on what is now the 6th green!

Explore more:

Hungry for more of Derry-Londonderry? Check out the Peace Bridge, Tower Museum, Museum of Free Derry, and the Guildhall.



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Top tips for your own links tour





















water hazard.

Kirkistown Golf Club Now in its 118th year, Kirkistown Castle Golf Club is a landmark within the townland of Kirkistown and the small village of Cloughey. Don't miss the clubhouse which is situated on the eastern shores of County Down's beautiful Ards Peninsula.

Bushmills Inn one roof.

Royal Portrush

Portstewart Golf Club Follow in famous footsteps at the home of 2017's Dubai Duty Free Irish Open hosted by the Rory Foundation.

Harry's Shack Make sure to find this much-loved beachside restaurant for stunning ocean views and a menu to match.

Explore more: With more time on your hands, you could also visit Cairndhu Golf Club and Ballycastle Golf Club more of Northern Ireland's superb links courses.



Royal County Down

Simply unmissable - the world's number one course.

Slieve Donard Resort & Spa

A world-class spa and hotel right next door to the world's best golf course.

Ardglass Golf Club

Make sure you play this dramatic links course, where the Irish Sea is an omnipresent

Causeway Coastal Route

Explore the area named the world's #1 region to visit in 2018 (Lonely Planet).

Bushmills Distillery

Take a tour and sample the goods at the world's oldest working distillery.

Don't miss this 400-year-old historic treasure for legends and luxury all under

Test your skills on the course that hosted The 148th Open in 2019.

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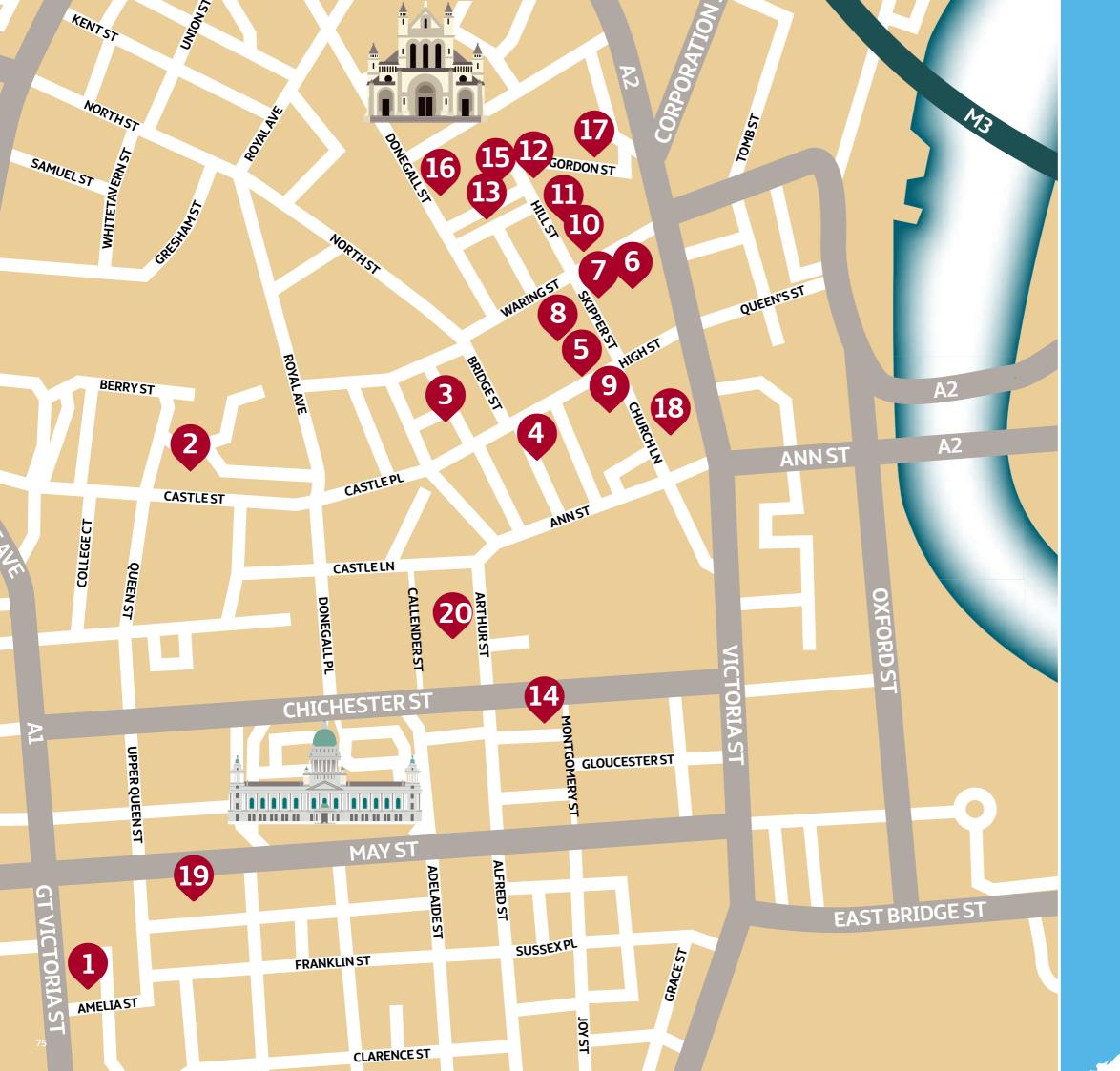






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Get to know Belfast & its locals by pulling-up a chair in any of the city's favourite bars and pubs.

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5.	The National
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7.	The Cloth Ear
8.	The Spaniard
9.	Muriel's
10.	Thirsty Goat
11.	Dirty Onion
12.	The Harp Bar
13.	Duke of York
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What to do & where to stay

Audacious Activities

Enjoy a relaxing round of golf and then unleash your adven-turous side with amazing activities in beautiful locations. Take a surf lesson along the north coast and experience the spectacular North Atlantic waves. Or test your mettle on a tree top adventure in the Sperrin Mountains. Check out canoe trails on Strangford Lough or go mountain-biking in the awe inspiring Mourne Mountains. Relax with cruising or canoeing through the wonderful Fermanagh Lakelands.

A world of adventure awaits!

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Glorious Gardens & Houses

We aren't afraid of a bit of rain here - it's what makes our gardens grow- and we have plenty of exciting locations for you to choose from. All kinds, for all garden lovers, green-fingers and afternoon outers. There are grand gardens, walled gardens, woodland gardens – even Japanese gardens. The Antrim Garden Trail is newly established and includes a mix of public gardens and private gardens open by appointment. The recently revamped Hillsborough Castle and Gardens has 100 acres of stunning gardens. The Georgian House built by Wills Hill is still in use as a Royal Residence in Northern Ireland.

Learn more: discovernorthernireland.com/gardens

Unmissable Music

Love music? Want to experience something unique? Check out a vibrant local scene. Head to the local pub for a traditional session or have a go yourself at a traditional music school. Attend a concert featuring the world renowned Ulster Orchestra. Or if rock and pop is more your thing, then you'll find a host of venues and events across NI with upcoming artists or established heroes. You could even time your golf trip around one of our many music festivals and experience great music in a wonderful setting.

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Stay

Northern Ireland isn't just awash with picturesque panoramas, exciting happenings and delectable places to eat – there are endless wonderful places to sleep over too. Whether you love the seaside, cityscapes or rural countryside, there's a place to stay that will suit you. Countless venues, lodgings, rooms and crash-pads. With spectacular views, charming owners and a real sense of Northern Irish hospitality. The range is varied from bunkhouses and campus accommodation to hotels, bed and breakfasts and self-catering.

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A clean, unspoiled environment. A mild climate and great growing conditions. Outstanding quality ingredients. And above all, passionate producers.

These are the key factors driving Northern Ireland's emergence as a premium foodie destination. Here you will find artisan dairy products, incredible seafood and meats, exceptional fruit and vegetables, innovative spirits and traditional craft beers – not forgetting one of the world's most famous whiskeys – and a whole lot more, including three Geographically Protected Foods: Lough Neagh Eels, Armagh Bramley Apples and Comber Early Potatoes.

Northern Ireland was named the World's Best Food Destination 2018. Across the country new and established chefs are showcasing the best of what we produce here – in sea-front restaurants along the Causeway Coastal Route; in contemporary bistros and restaurants in Belfast and Derry~Londonderry; in cosy country pubs. Eating out is an excellent way to discover and experience the range and quality of our food. But there are many others too – for example, local food tours in Belfast and in the Ards Peninsula; and craft beer, gin and whiskey tours of both new and historic distilleries. You might even like to take a class in one of our excellent chef-run cookery schools.









Northern Ireland's food and drink offering has a fantastic story to tell – so, make yourself comfortable and take a look at the menu...

fia Belt

Discover Titanic: The story behind the legend at Titanic Belfast. Titanic Belfast is an iconic six floor building featuring nine interactive galleries that explore the sights, sound smells and stories of Titanic.

It is located at the birthplace of RMS Titanic, beside the historic Slipways, the Harland and Wolff Drawing Offices and Hamilton Graving Dock – the very place where Titanic was designed, built and launched in 1912.

Titanic Belfast tells the story of the Titanic, from her conception in Belfast in the early 1900s, through her construction and launch, to her famous maiden voyage and subsequent place in history. Explore the shipyard, walk the decks, travel to the depths of the ocean and uncover the true legend of Titanic...in the city where it all began.

Highlights include:

- The Shipyard Ride where visitors are taken on a journey around Harland & Wolff's shipyard as they explore the complex process of building an Olympic-class liner
- Individuals with stories to tell including the chief designer, members of the Harland and Wolff Guarantee Group, local craftsmen and passengers
- A virtual tour through the ship's interiors with a 3D cave that allows visitors to 'walk' the corridors of the ship
- 'Titanic Beneath' with an insight into how Titanic looks today underneath the seabed

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Game of Thrones® Territory

For a Game of Thrones[®] fan this is simply unmissable. It's your once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to explore every inch of the Seven Kingdoms. Northern Ireland is the home of Thrones, where most of the world's biggest TV show was filmed. Explore over 25 spectacular filming locations and walk in the footsteps of your favourite characters. Welcome to Northern Ireland, Game of Thrones[®] Territory.

Filming Locations

For a decade the worldwide cultural phenomenon that is Game of Thrones® has called Northern Ireland and its landscape its home. The dramatic coastlines, foreboding mountains and ageless forests formed the perfect backdrop for the biggest TV show in the world. Explore the spectacular filming locations where so many pivotal scenes were shot and transport yourself to the fantasy world of Game of Thrones®.

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23 I	NCH ABBEY	3330	ROBB STARK'S CAMP, RIVERRUN
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Doors of Thrones

In 2016 a storm swept through the island bringing down some of the beech trees at the world famous Dark Hedges, aka Kingsroad, one of the most iconic Game of Thrones[®] filming locations. Wood from the fallen trees was salvaged and transformed into 10 intricately crafted doors. Using iconic symbols and key scenes from the show, the doors work together to tell the tale of Season 6. The doors are located in pubs close to the filming locations - collect your Journey of Doors passport and discover the 10 doors, collecting a unique stamp at each venue.



DOORS OF THRONES

0	THE CUAN, STRANGFORD
2	FIDDLER'S GREEN, PORTAFERRY
3	PERCY FRENCH, NEWCASTLE
4	BLAKES OF THE HOLLOW, ENNISKILLEN
5	OWENS, LIMAVADY
6	FULLERTON ARMS, BALLINTOY
7	DARK HEDGES ESTATE, STRANOCUM
8	MARY MCBRIDE'S, CUSHENDUN
9	BALLYGALLY CASTLE, BALLYGALLY
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Game of Thrones® Experiences

There is a host of exciting experiences - choose from a range of filming location tours or immerse yourself in Game of Thrones[®] themed adventures - try your hand at archery, take a horse trek along breath-taking Downhill Beach, aka Dragonstone, or feast like a King at a medieval style banquet. For more information about Game of Thrones[®] experiences in Northern Ireland check out

discovernorthernireland.com/gameofthrones

Glass of Thrones Trail

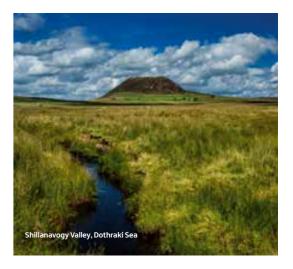
The production of Game of Thrones® called Northern Ireland its home for over 10 years. Ensuring its legacy would be felt long after the final episodes aired, forever connected with Northern Ireland's own history and heritage six beautifully crafted, freestanding stained-glass windows were created. Each one depicting the world's most searched, shared and talked-about moments from across the entire Game of Thrones® story. Each week after one of the final episodes aired, a new window was unveiled in the heart of Belfast. The six windows form a trail across the city, along the Maritime Mile to Titanic Studios.













Northern Ireland has gained a global reputation as the go-to location for TV and film productions. Production companies are making use of its unique unspoiled natural beauty and highly skilled creative industries.

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Undoubtedly the most high-profile screen success to date is HBO's epic fantasy television series, **Game of Thrones**[®], which was filmed largely in Northern Ireland for a decade.

An adaptation of George R.R. Martin's series of fantasy novels, Game of Thrones[®] was filmed at Titanic Studios, Belfast, and Linen Mill Studios, Banbridge. It also used spectacular outdoor locations across Northern Ireland including Ballintoy, Tollymore Forest, Castle Ward, Cushendun Caves, Murlough Bay, Larrybane, Inch Abbey and Downhill Beach.

While Northern Ireland has hosted a number of major international film and television productions, Game of Thrones[®] has been transformative for the country as a screen tourism destination.

But it's not just filming locations drawing fans here. The **Glass of Thrones** is six beautifully crafted, freestanding stained-glass windows. Each one depicting the world's most searched, shared and talked-about moments from across the entire Game of Thrones[®] story. And the **Doors of Thrones** are 10 beautifully crafted doors – made from fallen trees at the iconic Dark Hedges filming location – these can be found at pubs and hotels across the region.

Fans of the show can download the **Game of Thrones® Filming Locations Northern Ireland App** to navigate their way around Northern Ireland and find all 10 doors and filming locations. For more information on all the Game of Thrones® experiences, visit: **DiscoverNorthernIreland.com/GameOfThrones** Our very own **Derry Girls** was filmed here too, of course. The coming-of-age comedy follows four teenage girls from Northern Ireland and the wee English fella as they navigate their adolescent dramas in mid-1990s Derry.

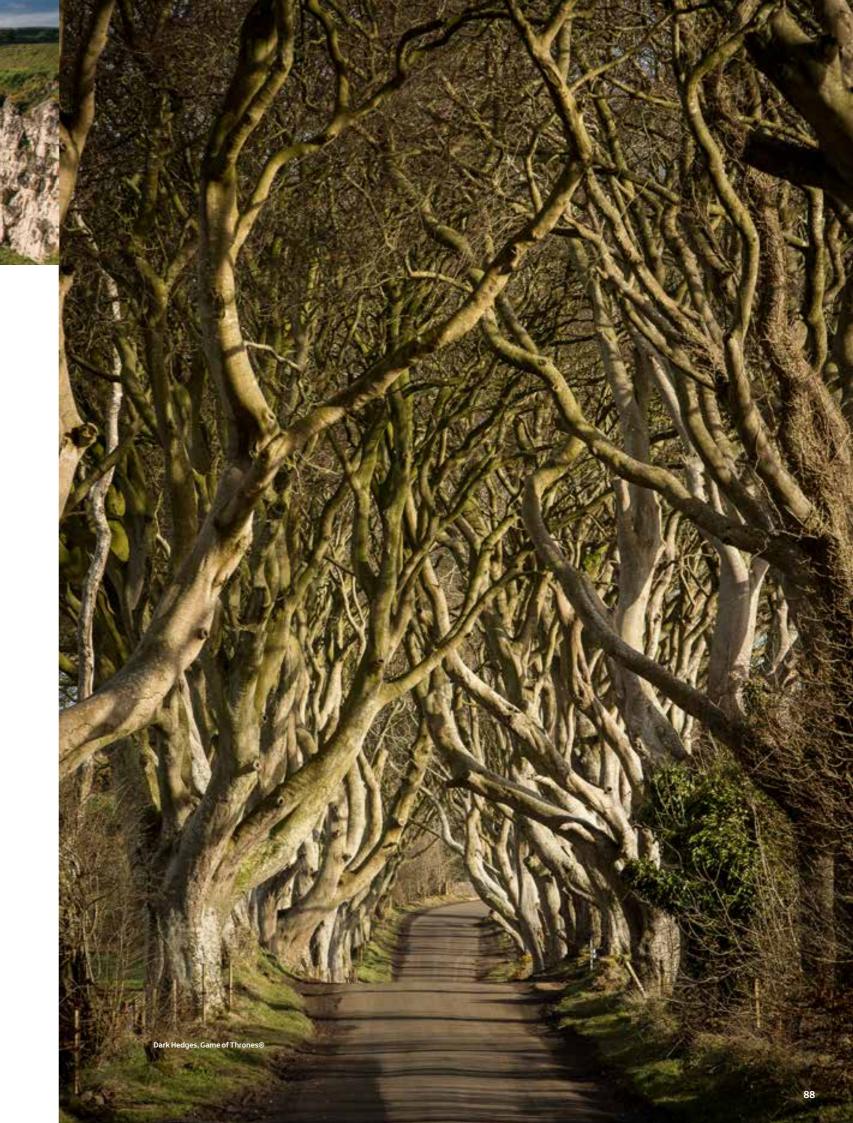
The first series received such an overwhelmingly positive reaction from viewers across the UK and Ireland that it was Channel 4's biggest comedy series launch in 15 years. The show has growing numbers of fans internationally, now that series 1 & 2 are available on Netflix. It became an instant hit and was picked up for another series before its second episode had even aired.

Known for its characters, soundtrack and sharp oneliners, the programme has been showered with awards, winning the Radio Times Comedy Champion Award, plus both Best Comedy and Best Comedy Writer at the 2018 IFTA Awards.

The show's popularity also sparked a demand for behind-the-scenes guided tours and the much-loved cast were even immortalised with their very own mural near the city's famous walls.

Game of Thrones[®] actor **Sean Bean**, returned to Northern Ireland for the filming of **The Frankenstein Chronicles**. **Jamie Dornan** and **Gillian Anderson** reprised their starring roles in **The Fall** for the BBC here. **Line of Duty** is also largely filmed in Northern Ireland, with **Vicky McClure** and **Adrian Dunbar**.

Other notable productions to be filmed in Northern Ireland in recent years include the movies Disney's Artemis Fowl, Ordinary Love, The Last Right, A Bump Along the Way and BAFTA award-winning Boogaloo and Graham, as well as TV dramas Dublin Murders, The Deceived and Mrs Wilson.



Travel information

GETTING TO NORTHERN IRELAND

Northern Ireland is easy to get to and easy to get around. Excellent fast ferry links from England and Scotland to Belfast and Larne, three airports with frequent, low-cost flights from the UK and beyond, plus good roads, buses and trains to take you where you want to go.

You can fly to Northern Ireland directly from a number of European and International destinations. Check with the airports directly for details of carriers and the most up-to-date scheduled and chartered flights. Please check official Government updates on travel guidance.

BELFAST INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (BIA)

T: +44 (0) 28 9448 4848 W: belfastairport.com

Services to/from Belfast (Bus) T: +44 (0) 28 9066 6630 W: belfastairport.com

Airport Express 300 Bus service between the airport and Belfast City Centre. Departs: bus stop at terminal exit. Single £8. Return £11.50.

Services to/from Derry~Londonderry (Bus) T: +44 (0) 28 7126 9996 W: belfastairport.com

Airporter operate a frequent coach service between Derry~Londonderry and both Belfast airports.

Services to/from Belfast and Derry~Londonderry (Rail) T: + 44 (0) 28 9066 6630

W: belfastairport.com

Nearest rail service operates from Antrim, six miles from BIA. Ulsterbus 109a operates between BIA and Antrim Station. Purchase an Airlink ticket from the Visit Belfast desk at BIA, on board the bus or on board NI Railways.

Taxi fare to Belfast City centre is approximately £25 - £30.

GEORGE BEST BELFAST CITY AIRPORT

T: +44 (0) 28 9093 9093 W: belfastcityairport.com

Services to/from Belfast (Bus) **T:** +44 (0) 28 9066 6630 W: belfastairport.com

Airport Express 600 Bus service between the airport and Belfast City Centre. Single £2.60.1 month return £4.

The "Airporter" -Operates to Derry~Londonderry. T:+44 (0) 28 7126 9996 W: airporter.co.uk

Services to/from Belfast (Rail)

Nearest rail service to/from Sydenham Station. To get to City Centre, board at Sydenham Station for Lanyon Place and Great Victoria Street Stations. Taxi fare to the city centre is

approximately £10.

CITY OF DERRY AIRPORT

T:+44(0)2871810784 W: cityofderryairport.com

Services to/from Derry~Londonderry (Bus) **T:** +44(0) 28 9066 6630

at translink.co.uk.

Derry~Londonderry (Rail)

and run to Coleraine and Belfast.

Please note:

Prices and scheduling information are correct at the time of print, you may be able to avail of cheaper ticket prices than those listed if you look online in advance of your trip. Taxi prices are estimates. Car hire is available

BELFAST HARBOUR

Taxi fare is about £7-£10 to city

Sailings: Belfast to Cairnryan

Translink operate Metro Service 96

to/from the Stena Line terminal daily.

Plan your journey at translink.co.uk

LARNE HARBOUR

T: +44 (0) 28 2887 2100

T: +44 (0) 28 9055 4422

W: belfast-harbour.co.uk

centre.

Stena Line

W: stenaline.com

and Liverpool.



GETTING AROUND NORTHERN IRELAND

Translink Bus and Train Services

T:+44 (0) 28 9066 6630, W: translink.co.uk

Metro & Glider: services operate across greater Belfast. Enjoy unlimited all day travel for £3.00/£3.50 per day with a dayLink card or on the mLink app.

Goldline Cross Border Coach Service: (approx. 2hrs 25 mins) travels between Dublin Airport/City centre and Belfast, and operates 7 days a week.

Belfast to/from Dublin Airport: single £15, return £22; to/from Dublin City centre: single £15.70, return £23. Web fares available online

Enterprise Train Dublin-Belfast: (approx. 2hrs 5 mins). Standard single £30, standard return £35 (day)/ £45 (monthly). Web Saver fares available at translink.co.uk or irishrail.ie

Driving and Speed Limits: Drive on the left and overtake on the right is the rule of the road. Speed limits: 30 miles per hour (mph) in towns unless signs show otherwise; 60mph on single carriageways; 70mph on dual carriageways and motorways.

Passport/Visa Requirements

Passport Advice Line (UK) T: 0300 222 0000

This publication is going to print post-BREXIT so details will change. Please visit discovernorthernireland.com for up to date FAO's.

UK nationals can travel without a passport but will need photographic identification. Individual airline and ferry company requirements can vary. Passports are not required for travel between Northern Ireland and the Republic. For further information, contact the British Embassy in your country of origin.

Bringing a pet?

UK Pet Travel Scheme helpline: T:+44(0)8702411710 W:daera-ni.gov.uk/

Medical Insurance

For EHIC enquiries contact 0300 330 1350.

The below has the potential to change as the negotiations for Brexit continue. You need to obtain a European Health Insurance card (EHIC) which will allow you to access state-provided healthcare in all European Economic Area (EEA) countries at a reduced cost or sometimes free of charge. You can apply online at their website or by telephone. Visitors are strongly advised to take out private travel insurance

Money

Sterling currency. Most large stores accept Euro, although generally you will get a better rate if you bring Sterling. Main credit cards are in general use but bring cash too. In main towns, bank hours are 09:30-16:30. Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs) dispense cash at hundreds of locations banks, garages and shopping centres. Bureau de Change are in larger bank branches.

can park elsewhere on the street except when there are double yellow lines which prohibits al parking, or a single yellow line which permits parking at limited times only. Pay heed to restriction notices.

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Blue Badge parking scheme: The scheme offers an important service for people with severe mobility problems, enabling badge holders to park close to where they need togo

Telephone

area code (without 0) + local number. From the Republic of Ireland, dial 048 + area code (without 0) + local number. From elsewhere in UK or to make an internal call, dial area code (with 0) + local number. To call the Republic from Northern Ireland, dial 00 353 + the area code (without 0) + local numbe

Left Luggage

T: +44 (0) 28 9024 6609

Tipping

Check your bill to see if a service charge has been made. If not and you're satisfied with the service add10-15%

Public Holidays

Banks are closed and transport services are reduced on 2022 public holidays.

> New Year's Day Januarv St. Patrick's Day March Good Friday April Easter Monday April start May May Bank Holiday Spring Bank Holiday end May Queen's Platinum Jubilee beginn ina of June mid July Iuly Holiday August Bank Holiday end August Christmas Day Decembe Boxing Day December

Pub Licensing Hours

Monday-Saturday: 11:30-23:00. Sunday: 12:30 – 22:00. Some pubs with an Entertainment Licence can serve alcohol until 01:00. Club opening times vary depending on the club.

W: belfastairport.com

Ulsterbus operates services to/ from the airport to Foyle Street Bus Station in the city. Plan your journey

Services to/from

Rail services operate from Derrv~Londonderry train station

Full details are available on the Translink website. Taxi fare from the airport to city

centre. Car rental available. P&0

Services from the Republic of Ireland to Londonderry (Bus) W: buseireann.ie

W:portoflarne.co.uk Trains to Belfast: £7.70 single. Taxi is about £30 to Belfast City

centre is about £10-£12. & Troon.

W: poferries.com/en Sailings: Larne to Cairnryan

Seat belts are mandatory for drivers and all passengers and motorcyclists must wear crash

Visit nidirect.gov.uk/motoring for the Highway

Car Parking: Car parking is permitted where there is a blue P sign which indicates a car park in towns or a lay-by at the roadside outside towns. Drivers

Visit nidirect.gov.uk for information on the scheme and restrictions.

Car Rental: Prices for car rentals start from about £100 per week, though you should shop around to get the best deal to suit your needs. Age restrictions vary according to rental company but you must have a valid driving licence for more than one year. For further information visit **bvrla.uk**

Taxis: All legal taxis should display taxi licence plates. Taxis are generally private hire taxis.Taxis are generally meter reading fares; if not ask the fare to your destination before setting off. In Belfast, taxi ranks are also available: these are generally in the city centre or at some points of entry, and are London-type black cabs.

To call Northern Ireland from abroad, dial 00 44 +

Belfast Welcome Centre is the only place that provides this service for a small fee. Last pick up is 15 minutes before closing

Shopping

Victoria Square, Castle Court and many Belfast City centre stores have extended opening hours from 09:00 until 18:00 each weekday evening. Thursday is late night shopping until 21:00 (Wednesday - Friday in Victoria Square). Late night shopping varies in other towns/cities and may only include shopping centres/larger stores On Sundays shops are open from 13:00 and stay open until 17:00/18:00 in Belfast and in many other towns/cities.

VAT

While you are in Northern Ireland you will pay Value Added Tax (VAT) on most goods that you purchase. If you wish to get a refund of VAT for larger purchases ask the retailer if they participate in the Retail Export Scheme. This may change with Brexit implications.

Emergency Services

Dial 999 for emergency services.

Dial 101 for non emergency services. If your passport is lost or stolen, contact the local

police station, embassy or consulate.

Accessibility

There are many accessible attractions throughout Northern Ireland. Please contact the venue to check accessibility provisions prior to visitina

All Ireland Information

To view further coach operator information please visit discovernorthernireland.com/

Please note:

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Please visit ni.gov.uk/ for updated information