# Causeway Coast and Glens

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## Welcome to the Causeway Coast and Glens



The Causeway Coast and Glens is an area of breathtaking beauty where the rugged coastline merges with a romantic landscape of deep, silent glens and lush forest parks and boasts three Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It is a must see destination whether you're a local or come from further afield.

The area features picturesque rural and fishing villages, bustling seaside resorts, golden, Blue Flag beaches and Northern

Ireland's only UNESCO World Heritage site at the Giant's Causeway, all set along the Causeway Coastal Route which is regarded as 'One of the World's Great Road Journeys'.

Along the route you will find some of the best golf links courses in the world including Royal Portrush Golf Club, destined to host The Open for only the second time before the end of the decade.



If you wish to hit the beach for some fun and relaxation or perhaps to try out some watersports, you will be spoilt for choice with award winning beaches and the best surfing conditions in Northern Ireland.

History and heritage seem to appear at every turn – some notable sights include Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, Dunluce Castle, Mussenden Temple and the Downhill Demesne. Rathlin Island is a very special place that really should be on everyone's bucket list. Don't miss the Limavady Sculpture Trail that tells the mythical stories of our land and for fans of Game of Thrones® you may recognize some filming locations at Ballintoy Harbour (Pyke, The Iron Islands), Downhill Beach (Dragonstone), Murlough Bay (Storm's End), Cushendun Caves (The Stormlands) and the Dark Hedges (The Kings Road).

Opportunities for walkers abound, with a choice of coastal and rural trails. Escape from the ordinary in the Glens of Antrim trails where flowing waterfalls provide a stunning backdrop, follow the many paths through the Roe Valley Country Park or rise to the challenge of the Binevenagh mountain walks.

If you like the buzz of big events, you will not be disappointed in the Causeway Coast and Glens, whether it's the thrill of the Vauxhall International North West 200 or Air Waves Portrush, the Dale Farm Milk Cup, the Ould Lammas Fair or Stendhal Festival, these annual events are always a crowd pleaser.

Some wonderful hospitality awaits you in a choice of cafes, bistros, bars, restaurants, hotels and nightclubs. Whether you're thinking of coming to the Causeway Coast and Glens for the first time, or you are a regular visitor, there will always be something new to see and do.

The Visitor Information Centres (see back for details) will be pleased to provide you with any information on the area and assist you with your accommodation booking, whether you are looking for a hotel, guesthouse, B&B, self-catering property, hostel or a caravan park.

The Causeway Coast and Glens promises a warm welcome for visitors and an unforgettable experience.

Find out more on www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com

## The Magnificent Seven

The Causeway Coast and Glens has a wealth of natural and manmade assets in abundance. Our MAGNIFICENT SEVEN MUST SEES are listed below but read on and you will discover a whole lot more.



A geological wonder steeped in legend and folklore. Discover the Giant's Causeway, Northern Ireland's only UNESCO World Heritage Site, home to a wealth of local history and legend. Explore the geological phenomenon of 40,000 basalt stone columns formed by volcanic eruptions over 60 million years ago. Discover the legend

Opening Times: Stones and Coastal path open all year. Visitor Facilities: Last admission 1 hour before closing January – 9am to 5pm of the Giant Finn Mac Cool and search for distinctive stone formations such as the Camel, Wishing Chair, Harp and Organ.

Visitor Facilities: Interactive Exhibition, Outdoor Audio Guide, Gift Shop with Local Crafts, Refreshments, Toilets, Tourist Information, Bureau De Change, Parking and Park and Ride Services from Bushmills.

February - March – 9am to 6pm April – September 9am to 7pm October – 9am to 6pm November & December – 9am to 5pm Closed: 24 to 26 December

### Carrick-A-Rede Rope Bridge

119a Whitepark Road, Ballintoy, BT54 6LS

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Carrick-a-Rede Island and enjoy a truly cliff top experience. This 30-metre deep and 20-metre wide chasm is traversed by a rope bridge traditionally erected by salmon fisherman. Visitors bold enough to cross to the rocky island are awarded with fantastic views across to Rathlin Island as well as amazing flora, fauna and bird life. Only a short distance from the rope bridge is the

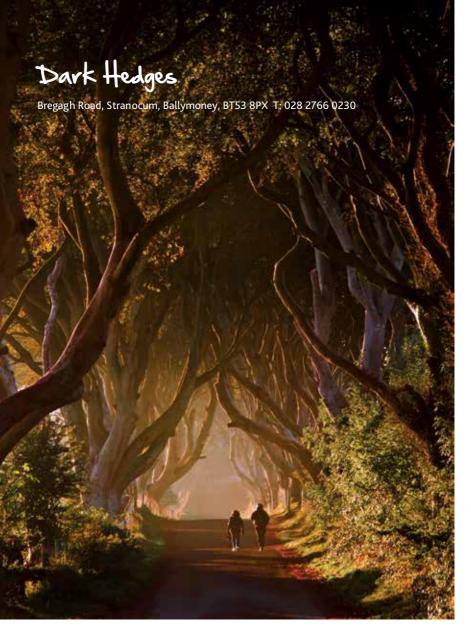
#### **Opening Times:**

1st Jan- 22nd Feb: 9.30am-3.30pm 23rd Feb - 24th May: 9.30am - 6pm 30th March to 12th April (Easter Fortnight) 9.30am to 7pm

13th April - 24th May: 9:30 - 6pm 25th May - 30th August: 9.30am to 7.00pm 31st August to 25th October: 9.30am - 6pm 26th October to 31 December: 9.30- 3.30pm fishery cottage perched precariously on the cliff edge, which is without doubt one of the architectural wonders of its time; a testimony to local tenacity. Come and enjoy an unforgettable experience that is Carrick-a-Rede. Guided Tours are available to groups if pre booked. Tea room and shop available on site. Suitable clothing and footwear recommended.

Rope Bridge open all year weather permitting except Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Boxing Day. Last entry to Rope Bridge 45 minutes before closing.

Standard Admission Charges: Adult £5.90 Child £3.00 Family £14.80



This beautiful avenue of beech trees was planted by the Stuart family in the eighteenth century. It was intended as a compelling landscape feature to impress visitors as they approached the entrance to their home, Gracehill House. Two centuries later, the trees remain a magnificent sight and have become known as the Dark Hedges. The Dark Hedges is one of the

most photographed natural phenomena in Northern Ireland and a popular attraction for tourists from across the world. It has The road is reputedly haunted by a spectral 'Grey Lady' who appears at dusk among the trees. She silently glides along the roadside and disappears as she passes the last beech tree. It has been a filming location for the very popular Game of Thrones ®.

### Downhill Demesse & Hezlett House

Mussenden Road, Castlerock, BT51 4RP
National Trust Area Office
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W: www.nationaltrust.org.uk
www.facebook.com/DownhillNationalTrust

Visit the stunning landscape of Downhill Demesne, and discover the striking 18th century mansion of the eccentric Earl Bishop that now lies in ruins, then explore Mussenden Temple, perched on the cliff edge. Extensive parkland, gardens and woodland walks.

Discover the fantastic wildlife in the area. As an extra treat learn about the reality of life in the rural 17th century cottage of Hezlett House and its orchard, allotments and pleasant country garden. Facilities include car park, toilets and light refreshments. Extensive events programme throughout the year.

#### **Opening Hours:**

1st - 9th March 10-5 Sat & Sun 10th – 23rd Mar 10-5 Sat, Sun & Mon 24th – 30th Mar 10-5 Sat & Sun 31st Mar – 7th Sept 10-5 Mon-Sun 8th -28th Sept 10-5 Sat & Sun

Grounds (Downhill only): Access all year (seasonal charge applies when Temple, Hezlett House and facilities are open)

#### Admission Charges:

Gift Aid Standard Admission: Adult: £4.70 £4.27 Child: £2.35 £2.13 Family: £11.70 £10.68 Group 15 person+: £3.70pp Group out of hours: £6.30pp

### Dunluce Castle

87 Dunluce Road, Portrush, BT57 8UY T: 028 2073 1938 E: Information: dunluce.castle@doeni.gov.uk Bookings: nyree.mayne@doeni.gov.uk W: www.ni-environment.gov.uk



### The Nine Glens of Antrim



The famous nine glens, endowed with evocative names and blessed with diversity of landscape are also rich in history, in folklore and in the natural beauty that is a

world away from the frantic bustle of modern life. There are woods, waterfalls, riverside paths, viewpoints and forest parks.

### Nine in number, all along the Antrim Coast road:

Glencloy - The glen of the hedges

Glenarm – The glen of the army

Glenariff – The fertile glen

Glenballyeamon - Edwardstown glen

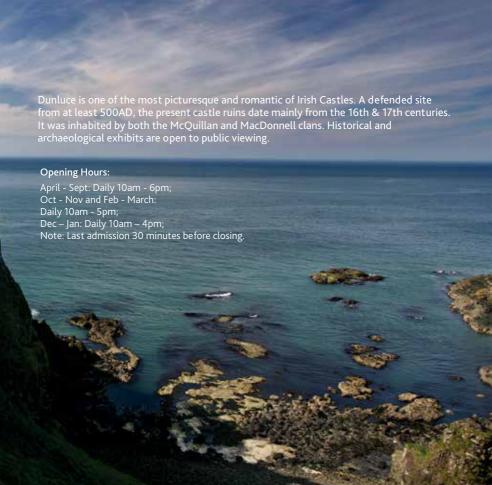
Glencorp – The glen of the slaughtered

Glenann – The glen of the colts foot

Glendun – The glen of the brown river

Glenshesk - The sedgy glen

Glentaisie - The glen of taisie of the bright sides



### Old Bushmills Distillery

2 Distillery Road, Bushmills, Co. Antrim, BT57 8XH T: 028 2073 3218 / 2073 3272 W: www.Bushmills.com



Visit Ireland's oldest licensed whiskey distillery for the ultimate Bushmills experience. Watch whiskey making take place and enjoy a wee taster as we unlock the secrets of 400 years of distilling at the home of Irish whiskey. Please note unsuitable for those with walking difficulties or wheelchair users. Children under 8 are welcome to visit the Distillery but are not permitted to join the guided tour. Whiskey gift shop and restaurant are open to the public. Phone for admission charges, tour times and group booking information.



### Game of Thrones® filming locations

The Causeway Coast and Glens is the location for several sets in the HBO© hit series, Game of Thrones®. For cast members Michelle Fairley (Catelyn Stark) and Conleth Hill (Lord Varys), it was something of a homecoming, as they originally hail from Coleraine and Ballycastle.

#### 1. Dragonstone, Downhill Beach, Co. Londonderry

One of the most iconic locations. Downhill Beach is an 11km stretch of sand and surf located on the Causeway Coast. This magnificent location is home to Mussenden - a tiny temple perched dramatically on a 120ft cliff top, high above the Atlantic Ocean.

#### Featured Scene

Downhill was illuminated and transformed into Dragonstone in Season 2. This is the spot where the old gods burn on the beach, where Stannis pulls the flaming sword and Melisandre chants: "For the night is dark and full of terrors".

#### 2. The Stormlands, Larrybane, Carrick-a-Rede. Co. Antrim

Located along the stunning North Coast close to Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge lies

Larrybane headland, which used to stretch out towards Sheep Island. Its large caves once served as a home to boat builders and a safe haven from winter storms

#### Featured Scene

Larrybane was the dramatic spot chosen for Renly Baratheon's camp in Season 2. This is where Catelyn Stark agrees a treaty with Renley on behalf of her son Robb. You might remember Renly swearing he will avenge Ned's death and bring Catelyn Joffrey's head. And then the drama really starts to unfold...

#### 3. Pyke, The Iron Islands, Ballintoy Harbour, Co. Antrim

Ballintoy is situated in one of the most picturesque parts of the North Antrim Coast between the Giant's Causeway and Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge. This stunning harbour location has been used for exterior Pyke shots and as the Iron Islands.



#### Featured Scene

This picturesque coastal nook is where Theon Greyjoy arrives back in the Iron Islands and where he later admires his ship, the Sea Bitch. This is also where he first meets his sister Yara.

#### 4. Storm's End, Murlough Bay, Co. Antrim

Located in North East County Antrim, Murlough Bay is an awe-inspiring location. Murlough is best known for its outstanding beauty, remoteness and views across the sea to Rathlin Island and the Mull of Kintyre. Plus the cows that sometimes graze along the sandy dunes.

#### Featured Scene

Murlough Bay becomes the Iron Islands in Season 3. This is the spot where Theon Greyjoy rides on the horse with his sister Yara. It's also the spot where Davos Seaworth is shipwrecked after the battle of Blackwater Bay.

#### 5. The Stormlands, Cushendun Caves, Co. Antrim

The caves at Cushendun were formed over a period of 400 million of years and are a product of extreme weather conditions. They can be found just beyond this beautiful coastal village next to the Cave House.

#### Featured Scene

In Season 2, Cushendun is where Melisandre gives birth to the shadow baby after being brought ashore by Davos Seaworthy.

### 6. The King's Road, Dark Hedges, Co. Antrim

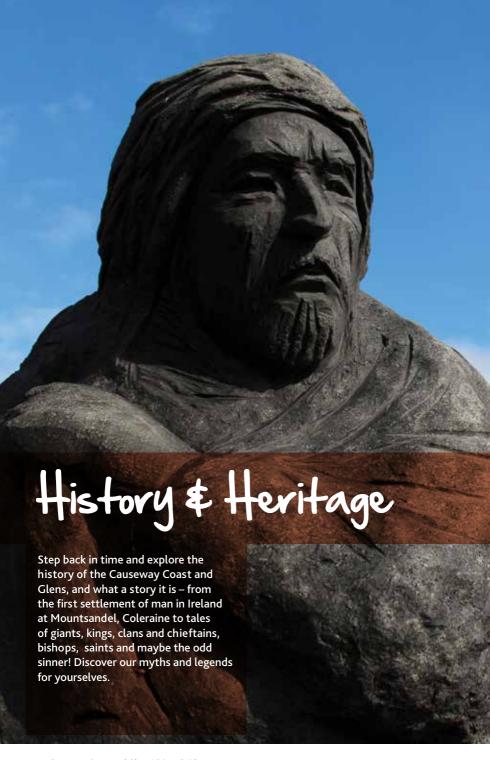
The Dark Hedges is a beautiful avenue of beech trees, planted by the Stuart family in the eighteenth century. Two hundred years later, the Dark Hedges remain a magnificent sight and have become one of the most photographed natural phenomena in Northern Ireland.

#### Featured Scene

The Dark Hedges live up to their haunting name in Season 2. These spectacular trees line the King's Road as Ayra Stark makes her escape from King's Landing. Disguised as a boy, Ayra travels with Yoren, Gendry, Hot Pie and all the others off to join the Night Watch

For information on Game of Thrones ® tours visit www.discovernorthernireland.com/gameofthrones.

Please note these tours are independently operated and are not sponsored, endorsed or affiliated with HBO or anyone else associated with Game of Thrones®.



#### **Agherton Old Church**

Coleraine Road, Portstewart, BT55 7HT

Opposite Flowerfield Arts Centre, the original Church of Agherton (Ballyaghran) dates from at least the 1300s. In a field to the east, there are the remains of a Stone Age Court Tomb and to the south; a mound marks the spot of the citadel of Congal Clairingneach, King of all Ireland in 161 B.C. There is also a Bronze Age standing stone at the entrance to the graveyard beside Flowerfield.

#### **Armoy Round Tower**

181 Glenshesk Road, Armoy, BT53 8RJ

In the grounds of St Patrick's Church stands Armoy Round Tower, roughly 1,000 years old. The upper storey and cone-shaped roof are missing, but the remains of the lower part of the tower are in good condition. A church was founded here by St Olcan, who was Bishop of Armoy in 460AD and saved from dying at birth by Saint Patrick. Excavations at this church in 1997 revealed the 400-500 year old remains of a leper, an unusual discovery because normally one so afflicted was not buried in Church grounds.

#### **Aughlish Stone Circles**

Access is from Rallagh Road, Dungiven, BT47 4TT

An excellent example of late Neolithic stone circles and alignments. Aughlish Stone Circles consist of no less than 5 circles and 5 alignments and is thought to be a remarkably well preserved site. The most southerly of the circles is most complete with a total of 42 stones.

#### Ballymoney Old Church Graveyard and Tower

Queen Street, Ballymoney, BT53 6JB

Ballymoney Old Church Graveyard is dominated by the old tower. This is the oldest building in Ballymoney and all that remains of the church which was built in 1637.

#### **Ballymoney Town Hall**

Townhead Street, Ballymoney T: 028 2766 0200

The Town Hall was erected through public subscription in 1866. It was renovated and enlarged in 1934 anad again in 2005. Inside are rooms which commemorate some of Ballymoney's most celebrated historical figures - George Shiels, the playwright; K.K. McArthur, Olympic gold medallist and James Cramsie. Cramsie helped to establish the town's first museum and subscribed over £400 to the building of the Town Hall. A stained glass window at the front of the building, depicts the former Ballymoney Coat of Arms. The Town Hall is home of the Ballymoney Drama Festival, the oldest festival of its kind in Ireland.

#### **Banagher Old Church**

Banagher Rd, Dungiven, BT47 4SR T: 028 7772 2074

W: www.doeni.gov.uk/niea

An impressive ruin, Banagher Church is thought to date from the late 11th or early 12th Century. It is thought that the date 474 carved on the west door was done in the 18th Century. Nearby, the small tomb of St Muiredach O'Heney can be seen.

#### Bishop's Gate and Black Glen

Mussenden Road, Downhill, BT51 4RP (approximately 1 mile from Castlerock)

A fine classical gate, which was once the main entrance to Downhill Castle gardens, arboretum and the woodland walks leading to Portvantage Glen. The Bishop's Gate and Black Glen is a National Trust property with a fish pond, trails, car park, picnic area and toilets at Lion's Gate Car Park. (Seasonal charge applies). See further listing under "Downhill Demesne & Hezlett House".

#### **Bonamargy Friary**

Off A2 Ballycastle/Cushendall Coast Road, Ballycastle T: 028 2076 2024

Remains of a Franciscan Friary founded in 1485 by Rory MacQuillan. East range of cloister gatehouse and church are virtually complete except for the roof. There are many interesting features including a burial vault containing the remains of the celebrated MacDonnell chieftain, Sorley Boy, as well as several Earls of Antrim.

#### **Bovevagh Old Church**

1 mile from Burnfoot, just off the B192 on Bovevagh Road, Dungiven BT47 4NP T: 028 7772 2074

W: www.doeni.gov.uk/niea

The name Bovevagh is commonly interpreted as deriving from Maeve's Church. A monastery built to replace the original wooden structure burnt in 1100 was in ruins by 1622.





### Camus Cross and Ballaun Stone

Curragh Road, Coleraine, BT51 3RY (A54 Coleraine-Kilrea Road)

The remains of the only existing High Cross in County Londonderry stand in a roadside graveyard, finely carved with biblical scenes in red sandstone. Beside a railed grave to the north of the graveyard is a Ballaun Stone, a stone with a large hollow used as a primitive font.



#### Carrick Church and Rocks

3 miles south of Limavady off the Drumrane Road (B192)

A small parish church stands on a cliff edge, in a picturesque location high above a wooded gorge on the River Roe). The rocks are on the southern boundary of the Roe Valley Country Park.

#### **Coleraine Town Hall**

The Diamond, Coleraine, BT52 1DP T: 028 7034 2850

Coleraine Town Hall, built in 1743, demolished and then rebuilt in 1859, presides over the central shopping piazza known as The Diamond. It was badly damaged in a bomb attack in November 1992 and consequently refurbished and reopened in August 1995. Today, it features a new stained glass window, commemorating Her Majesty The Queen's Diamond Jubilee in 2012. Temporary museum exhibitions take place during the year.

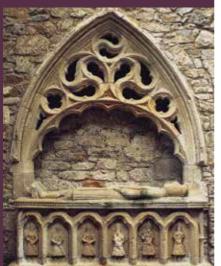
### Dooey's Cairn Neolithic Tomb

Close to the village of Dunloy is Dooey's Cairn (Grid Reference D0216 1830), a Neolithic tomb dating from around 2000-4000BC. It is named after Mr Andy Dooey on whose land it stood and who was instrumental in having it excavated in 1935. At that time various artefacts were discovered such as polished axe heads and flint arrows. When further excavations took place in 1975, traces of cereal seeds were discovered implying that early agriculture had been introduced to the region. That year, the Dooey family handed the site over to State Care and it is maintained by the Environment and Heritage Service.

### Dungiven Priory and O'Cahan's Tomb

Off the main A6 Dungiven to Belfast road, BT47 4PL T: 028 7772 2074 W: www.doeni.gov.uk/niea

The ancient Augustinian Priory was founded by the O'Cahan Clan in 1100AD and occupies a pictorial site 200ft above the River Roe. The chancel contains the ornate 15th Century tomb of Cooey-na-gall, a local O'Cahan Chieftain, who died in 1385.



#### **Dunseverick Castle**

(Part of the North Antrim Cliff Path)
W: www.walkni.com

All that remains of the Castle is a small wall on a high crag that faces the ocean. You would never guess that a distinguished castle once stood on that spot and that the area was popular enough to attract a number of visits from Saint Patrick himself. The remains of the castle are close to the little fishing harbour. Picnic area, parking and access to the coastal path.



#### **Errigal Old Church**

Ballyrogan Road, Ballintemple, Garvagh, BT51 5BQ

It is believed that a small church was built at Errigal around 560 A.D. The Church was attacked and rebuilt many times, until it was completely destroyed after the 1641 rebellion and a new Church was then built in the village of Garvagh in 1670. In the early days, the Church was called "Errigal Adamnan" after St. Adamnan - its patron. Another feature bearing the patron's name is Onan's Rock, an inauguration stone within Gortnamoyagh Forest, found near the old Church and unusual because of the footprints (said to be Adamnan's) impressed on the rock.

#### Giant's Causeway and Bushmills Railway

Giant's Causeway Station, Runkerry Road, Bushmills, BT57 8SZ. T: 028 2073 2844

The Giant's Causeway and Bushmills Railway follows the breath-taking two mile extension of the original Giant's Causeway and Bushmills Hydro Electric Tram Track. The new locomotive and coaches have been designed to recreate the experience of the original tram providing a nostalgic journey linking Bushmills to the World Heritage Site at the Giant's Causeway.

Opening Times: 15th, 16th & 17th March. Easter weekend: 3rd-6th April Weekends from Easter until end of June. Daily during July and August. Weekends during September and October.

Departures from Giant's Causeway: Every hour from 10am - 5pm Departures from Bushmills: Every hour from 10.30am - 5.30pm





#### Giant's Sconce

Windyhill Road (approximately 5 miles south-west of Coleraine)

The Sconce is probably the citadel of Nial of the Nine Hostages, 5th century founder of the O'Neill dynasty. It was originally a large circular, stone built fortress with walls 3 metres thick and chambers and tunnels within them. Many legends surround it, including its connection to Navan and Tara in the Republic of Ireland (the site is not readily accessible, but visible from road).

#### Joey & Robert Dunlop Memorial Gardens

Castle Street, Corner of Seymour Street Ballymoney, BT53 6JR T: 028 2766 0230 The Joey Dunlop Memorial Garden was built in memory of this unique special man. The garden is a fitting tribute to one of Ballymoney's greatest ambassadors, who won five Formula One World Championships, 13 North West 200 races, 24 Ulster Grand Prix and a world record 26 wins in the Isle of Man TT races. In this excellent setting, you will have time to reflect on the achievements of the legendary Joey Dunlop MBE, OBE.

Robert Dunlop was following in the footsteps of his older brother Joey, as an international motorcycling superstar until his tragic death in 2008 at a qualifying session of the North West 200. Robert's beautiful garden feature a polished granite obelisk that lists his many achievements, including five wins at the Isle of Man, 15 at the North West 200 and nine at the



Ulster Grand Prix. In addition, he won Grands Prix in Indonesia and Macau, was awarded Enkalon Motorcyclist of the Year three times and was the first rider to be inducted into the Irish Motorcycle Hall of Fame. A bronze sculpture, showing Robert triumphant after his 1998 Isle of Man TT victory, was unveiled in the Garden in March 2011.

Open all year. Free admission.

#### **Limavady Ancestry**

www.limavadvancestrv.com

A free and comprehensive online guide to assist with researching your family tree. Discover how to unlock your family's past by learning through the available archives and libraries; links to useful websites; news items; information on the Limavady

Heritage Trail and a section for you to tell us about your family research.

#### Limavady Union Workhouse

Benevenagh Drive, Irish Green Street, Limavady BT49 0AQ T: 028 777 65438 / 777 69160 E:manager@lcdi.co.uk

Opened on the 15th March 1842, the Limavady Union Workhouse is reported to be one of the best preserved buildings of its type in the whole of Ireland. In addition to its almost pristine exterior, there are many original features inside such as the Reception Block, the Punishment Cell, the Dining Room and the Women's Dormitory.

#### Lissanduff Ritual Site

Lissanduff, Portballintrae, BT57 8RT

An ancient water ritual site high above the village of Portaballintrae with a pair of earthen concentric rings specially designed to retain water for ancient purposes of worship. It is accessible from the Beach Road Car Park.

#### Kilrea Old Church

Church Street, Kilrea, BT51 5QU

The ancient church, which gives the town its name, stands on a height in the town centre.

#### Kinbane Castle

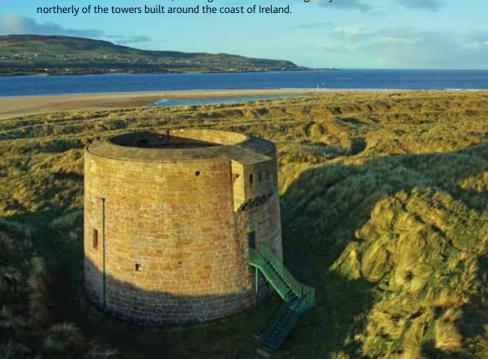
(Approximately 5 miles from Ballycastle on the road to Ballintoy)

Kinbane Castle is a little-known jewel, secluded ruin at the bottom of a steep cliff face, the castle commands excellent views of the surrounding coastline with Fair Head to the East and Rathlin Island to the North. There is an air of peace and solitude at Kinbane which is difficult to find elsewhere, perhaps because the castle is slightly off the beaten track. Picnic area, toilets and parking can be found at Kinbane Head.

#### Magilligan Martello Tower

Malligan Point, Point Road, Limavady, BT49 OLP T: 028 7772 2074 W: www.doeni.gov.uk/niea

At Magilligan Point, stands a well preserved Martello Tower built during the Napoleonic Wars with walls over 9ft thick, marking the entrance to Lough Foyle. It is one of the most northerly of the towers built around the coast of Ireland.



#### **Mountsandel Fort**

(within Mountsandel Forest)

Mountsandel Road, Coleraine, BT52 1JN

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Mountsandel Fort is located just south of the town of Coleraine overlooking the famous Salmon Leap on the River Bann at Castleroe. Dating back to the Iron Age, Mountsandel Fort is beside the Mesolithic site of the first hunter-gatherers in Ireland, where excavations have revealed evidence of a Middle Stone Age settlement from as long ago as 7700-7400BC. Visitors to Mountsandel Wood today can enjoy a circular walk within the woodland, which is interspersed with interpretative panels, highlighting the history and biodiversity of the site. There is a commanding view of the town from the summit of the fort, which is thought to date to the Anglo-Norman period. Admission is free.



### The Phoenix Peace Fountain

Anderson Park, Circular Road, Coleraine, BT52 1PS

Inspired by the Northern Ireland peace process of May 1998, the fountain is a gift from the communities of the United States to the communities of Northern Ireland. It is constructed using thousands of surrendered firearms from across the United States. The design incorporates different aspects from each of the six counties and former 26 local government areas of Northern Ireland, and is symbolic of the peace that has now been achieved.

#### **Red Bay Castle**

Off the A2 Road, BT44 0SH

The ruins of Red Bay Castle are located on the main Coast Road between Waterfoot and Cushendall (on the high ground above the Red Arch). The history of the site dates back 750 years when John and Walter Bisset, banished from Scotland in 1224 for the murder of their uncle, purchased the Glens of Antrim from Richard De Burgo and are said to have built the castle on the site. The existing castle is believed to have been built by Sir James MacDonnell around 1561. It was the scene for various struggles and battles in the late 16th Century and was abandoned about 1600.

#### The Rough Fort

1 mile west of Limavady on the Moneyrannel Road off the A2, BT49 9DN

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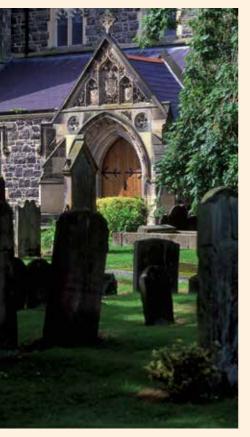
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The Rough Fort is one of the best surviving prehistoric earthworks in the province. The Rough Fort was one of the first properties to be acquired by the National Trust in Northern Ireland.

#### St Patrick's Church

Church Street, Coleraine, BT52 1PY T: 028 703 4 4213 W: www.stpats.co.uk

The church is located in the centre of Coleraine on the original site of the Early Christian Church founded by St Patrick in the 5th Century A.D. Part of the present church dates from 1613 and it contains many fine and poignant memorials. Outside, to the rear of the church at Anderson Park, are the remains of the earthen wall or rampart that surrounded Coleraine in the early 1600s. Visitors are very welcome but are advised to check opening times by telephoning the Parish Office. Free summer recitals take place every Thursday during July and August.



#### Roe Valley Country Park

Limavady, BT49 9NN T: 028 7772 2074

T: 028 7776 6107 (Café - Seasonal only)

E: roevalley2@doeni.gov.uk

The Roe Valley Country Park acts as a living history of Limavady. Take a step into the past and imagine local genius J.E. Ritter supplying the first direct current of electricity in Ulster to Limavady. Close your eyes and hear the hustle and bustle of linen production in days gone by, many relics of which are still visible today. Imagine the heroic leap of the dog across the river to the original O'Cahan's Castle, giving Limavady its name. Here in idyllic surroundings, the visitor can picnic or simply enjoy the beauty of their environment. The Visitor and Heritage Centre hosts a permanent educational exhibition. Ritter's Tearoom is adjacent to the centre. See website for opening hours.



### William Ferguson Massey Statue

7 Connell Street, Limavady, BT49 0HA T: 028 7776 0650

Born on the 26th March 1856 at Keenaught near Limavady, William Ferguson Massey lived in Limavady until he was 14. He then emigrated to New Zealand and later served as Prime Minister from 1912-1925. A plaque has been erected on Irish Green Street, where his family home was situated. A full size bronze statue of William Ferguson Massey stands on Connell Street.



#### Ballycastle Museum

59 Castle Street, Ballycastle, BT54 6AS T: 028 2076 2024 / 028 2076 2942

Open: From Easter-June, Friday and Saturday only 10am-6pm July and August, Monday-Sunday 10-6pm September, Friday and Saturday 10-6pm

Folk/Social history of the Glens in the town's 18th Century Courthouse. Exhibits include Glentaisie banner of the first Feis na nGleann (1904).

#### **Ballymoney Museum**

1 Townhead Street, Ballymoney BT53 6BE T: 028 2766 0230

This popular museum attracts visitors from across the world. The main exhibition reveals the history of this region and includes the mystical Derrykeighan Stone from which the museum takes its enigmatic logo. For many visitors, the highlight is the display of memorabilia belonging to local motorcycle road racing heroes.

### Garvagh Museum and Heritage Centre

142a Main Street, Garvagh, BT51 5AE T: 028 2955 7924 E: info@garvaghmuseum.com W: www.garvaghmuseum.com

#### Open:

Jun-Aug: Wed-Sat 2pm-5pm (Groups welcome by arrangement throughout the year)

Garvagh Museum in the Bann Valley is unique in Northern Ireland in that it is a rural folk museum. This exceptional collection comprising almost two thousand artefacts is a valuable resource used by both children and senior citizens alike. The location chosen for the museum was the walled garden of Garvagh House, the former seat of the Canning family.

#### Green Lane Museum

Roe Valley Country Park, Limavady, BT49 9NN T: 028 7776 0650

Step back in time by visiting Green Lane Museum. Here visitors can view historical exhibits relating to the Linen and agricultural industry and experience a true flavour of days gone by in Limavady. Both permanent and temporary exhibitions will be on display throughout the season.

### Rathlin Boathouse Visitor Centre

Church Bay, Rathlin Island, BT54 6RT

M: 07708 869605 Ballycastle VIC: 028 2076 2024

Spend time in the Boathouse Visitor Centre for a dip into Rathlin's history. The Boathouse houses a collection of displays, photographs, images and articles' gathering the Island's past and present together. Disabled access limited. Admission free.

#### Opening times:

April- Sept: Monday-Sunday 9.30am – 5pm (Contact Ballycastle Visitor Information Centre for the exact opening and closing date)

### RNLI Museum and Souvenir Shop

Kerr Street, Portrush, BT56 8DQ T: 028 7082 3201

E: press@portrushlifeboat.com W: www.portrushlifeboat.com

#### Open:

July-Aug: Mon-Fri 2pm-5pm & 7.30pm-

9.30pm;

Sat-Sun: 2pm-5pm;

Mar-Jun and Sept-Oct: Daily 2pm-4.30pm

This lifeboat station was established in 1860 in Kerr Street and has an interesting history, which is detailed in the small museum now housed there. The museum offers disabled access. Admission is free.



### Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre

24 Main Street, Limavady BT49 0FJ T: 028 7776 0650 E: information@rvacc.co.uk www.roevalleyarts.com

Heritage plays an important role at the RVACC. We have a dedicated heritage space – the Ritter Gallery – where temporary exhibitions of local and regional significance run throughout the year and Limavady Museum's accredited collection is stored in purpose-built facilities on site. Our heritage programme includes exhibitions, talks, workshops, activities for local schools and much more.

#### **Sheans Heritage Centre**

38 Coolkeeran Road, Armoy, Ballymoney , BT53 8XL

M: 077 5932 0434

E: danny@sheanshorsefarm.com

W: www.sheanshorsefarm.com

Over tea and scones, listen to a lively audio visual presentation of the great chieftain, Sorley Boy McDonnell who controlled the Causeway Coast in the 16th century. Visit our Interpretive Centre, go "off-roading" by bus or horseback to view the site and hear the story of one of Sorley's epic true-tolife Game Of Thrones® Battles. Take in the spectacular views, cut some turf, then meet our horses and get photographed along with them in their open plan stables.

#### **Heritage Trails**

See under 'Walking' section on page 63-77.



## Beaches



stretches of golden beaches with multiple winners of Blue Flag Awards and Seaside Awards.

Visit www.beachni.com for more details. Many of the beaches enjoy the excellent services of the RNLI Beachguards during the holiday period – full details may be found on www.rnli.org

#### Ballycastle Beach

BT54 6BT

Ballycastle Beach is approximately 1.2 kilometres in length and runs from the pier at Ballycastle Marina at the western end to Pans Rock in the east. Located about five minutes from the town centre it backs on to Ballycastle Golf Course for most of its length.

#### **Benone Strand**

Benone Avenue, Benone, Limavady, BT49 OLQ T: 028 7776 0304

Benone Beach, recipient of the European Blue Flag and Seaside Award, is a must-see when visiting the Limavady area. With seven miles of golden sand and a magnificent back drop of mountain and cliff scenery and stunning views across to Donegal. Benone Strand merges into Downhill Beach as the visitor moves east, making the seven mile beach one of the longest in Ireland.

#### Castlerock Beach

Sea Road, Castlerock, BT51 4RE

Castlerock Beach is located in the tranquil resort of Castlerock with extensive dunes backing onto the championship Castlerock golf course.

#### **Downhill Strand**

Seacoast Road, Downhill, BT51 4RP

Downhill Strand forms the eastern end of a magnificent 7 mile stretch of golden sand, running from the cliffs at Downhill to Magilligan Point. It is probably one of the most photographed beaches on the North Coast, as it is overlooked by Mussenden Temple and regularly features in TV and film dramas, including the highly acclaimed Game of Thrones® series.





Causeway Street, Portrush, BT56 8DZ

This golden beach stretches from Portrush to the Whiterocks with superb views over the Skerries to the Scottish Islands. It is backed by sand dunes just waiting to be explored, but watch out for stray golf balls from the famous Royal Portrush golf course.

#### **Portstewart Strand**

118 Strand Road, Portstewart, BT55 7PG T: 028 7083 6396

E: portstewart@nationaltrust.org.uk W: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/portstewartstrand

www.facebook.com/PortstewartNT

The magnificent two-mile strand of glistening golden sand is one of Northern Ireland's finest beaches for all ages. It is a perfect spot to spend lazy summer days, fun family picnics and take long walks into the sand dunes that are a haven for wild flowers and butterflies. The Bann Estuary is a sanctuary for waders, wildfowl and nesting

birds. You can view this spectacle from a well positioned hide on the west side of the River Bann (key required, contact 028 7084 8728, key deposit £15). Programme of events and guided walks through the year. Dogs welcome on leads.

Facilities: Toilets, beach shower, shop, Beach restaurant "Harrys Shack", vehicle recovery services.

Admission charged when facilities and services operational:

NT members: FREE

Non-members: Cars £5.00, Minibus

£12.50, Coach £18,

Barrier closes two hours after facilities close.

#### Portstewart Strand open:

Beach								
Open all year to pedestrians		М	T	W	T	F	S	S
Facilities + Beach services								
28 March - 2 April	10 - 5	М	T	W	T	F	S	S
3 April - 30 April	10 - 6	М	T	W	T	F	S	S
1 May - 31 Aug	10 - 7	М	T	W	T	F	S	S
1 Sep - 13 Sep	10 - 5	М	T	W	T	F	S	S
Services etc may also open outside of these times.	10 - 5	М	T	W	T	F	S	S





#### **West Bay**

Dhu Varren, Portrush, BT56 8EL

West Bay, just a short stroll to the town with all its attractions, is a family favourite with a newly upgraded promenade walk and views of the bustling harbour.

#### Whitepark Bay -

Area Of Special Scientific Interest Whitepark Road, Ballintoy, BT54 6NH

A delightful sandy half-moon shaped beach between two headlands on the North Antrim Coast. It is one of the first Neolithic settlements in Ireland and three passage tombs are sited on the surrounding hills. It is backed by sand dunes and cliffs and is a rich area for bird life. Bathing is not recommended due to strong currents. Access to coastal path, youth hostel and car park.

#### Whiterocks

Bushmills Road, Portrush, BT56 8NF

The Whiterocks beach forms a famous striking landmark on the North Coast with its magnificent chalk cliffs. The waves at the Whiterocks tend to be larger and stronger making it very popular with bodyboard and kayak surfers, but beware of rip tides.

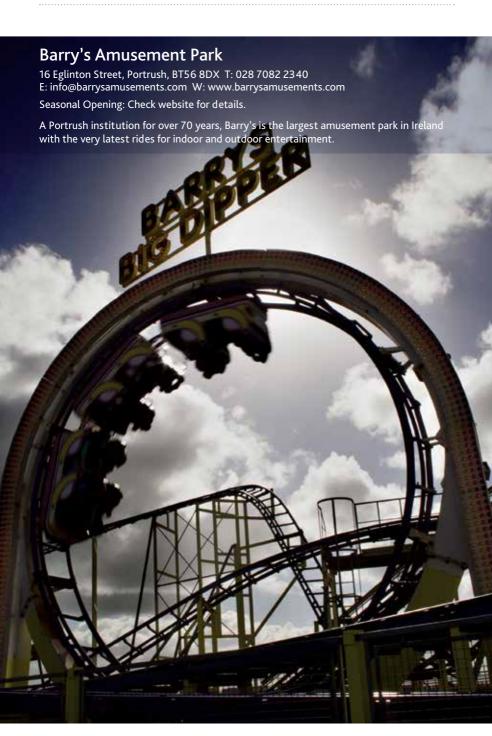
A recently completed Environmental Improvement scheme provides new access to the beach including board walks, viewing platform and shower facilities for watersports users. There is also a new off-road walking section of The Causeway Coast Way/Ulster Way, including a footbridge across the gorge and a scenic view point to the east of Whiterocks.



## Family Fun

The Causeway Coast and Glens is undoubtedly the holiday hotspot in Northern Ireland. Kids (and big kids) will have a ball at our indoor and outdoor attractions, playparks and amusements. It's just one big playground!







#### Benone

53 Benone Avenue, Limavady, BT49 0LQ T: 028 7775 0555

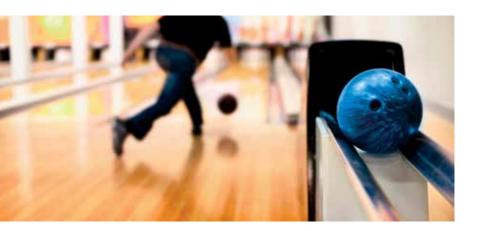
E: Benone.complex@limavady.gov.uk W: www.benoneni.com www.limavady.gov.uk

Benone Tourist Complex is an award winning holiday park with activities including a nine hole par three golf course, putting green, golf practice range, tennis courts, outdoor heated splash pools and activities areas with play park. New for Summer 2015 bistro, events delivery area and crazy golf.

#### Damhead Miniature Railway

Damhead Road, Coleraine, BT52 2JS T: 077 14 026864 E: thcaskey@aol.com See www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com for dates of Open Days.

A charming miniature steam or diesel train ride operates on designated Open Days. Picnic facilities are available on the site with indoor facilities available for the wet days. Train rides cost: Adults £2 and Children £1.



Kidz Ahoy (Roe Valley Leisure Centre)

9 Greystone Road, Limavady, BT49 0ND T: 028 7776 4009

E: info@rvlc.co.uk W: www.rvlc.co.uk

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 2.30pm-6.30pm Sat 10.30am-5.30pm

Sun 2pm-5.30pm

Themed around a nautical adventure, Kidz Ahoy is the place for playing, partying and just having fun. Ball Cannons, Ball Levitator, Zip Line and giant slide to name a few features packed into our frame. Our Servery 'The Gallery' is open during Kidz Ahoy opening hours.

#### **Playspace**

Unit 2 and 3 Rathbuan Business Park. Greystone Road, Limavady, BT 49 OPB T:028 7776 7584

W: www.playspaceni.com

Opening hours: Wed-Thurs 10am-6pm Fri 10am-7pm Sat 11am-7pm Sun 12noon-6pm (Open Mon-Tues in school holidays)

Indoor adventure play centre, including kids soft play area, dedicated toddler area, coffee bar and cafe. For the bigger kids, there are pool tables and arcade games. Birthday packages and private hire available.

#### Wanes World

39 Station Road, Dungiven, BT47 4LN T: 028 7774 1245 E: eurospardungiven@outlook.com

Opening hours:

Water Play Area: June, July and August 10-Pin Bowling: Easter, June, July and August

Wanes World is a large soft play and interactive party centre in Dungiven. Suitable for 0-11 year olds, your children will be entertained in a safe and stimulating environment. There is a dedicated Party Room, a full Cafe Menu and delicious Hot Beverage Menu.

#### Waterworld

The Harbour, Portrush, BT56 8DF T: 028 7082 2001

W: www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com

Opening hours:

Water Play Area: June, July and August 10-Pin Bowling: Easter, June, July and August

The Pirate's Cove fun pool has a range of thrilling features including twin 85 metre waterslides, jacuzzis, water playground and power blasting cannons. The centre also boasts a 6-lane, 10-pin bowling alley, featuring state of the art technology. Admission charge applies. \*\*Last ticket sold 1 hour before area closes\*\*.



#### Goldrush Entertainment Centre

11 Dunluce Avenue, Portrush, BT56 8DG

T: 028 7082 2100

E: oforbes@btinternet.com
W: www.goldrushportrush.com

Goldrush Entertainment Centre is fun for all the family incorporating the 'Wacky Workshop' indoor adventure playground, 'Prizezone' ticket redemption area, amusement arcade, Avenue café and Goldrush's over 18s gaming area.

#### Opening hours:

Wacky Workshop & Avenue Cafe

Term –time: Wed-Sun 10am-6pm School & Bank holidays: Open daily 10am-7pm.

Closed: Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Eve Outside hours are available on request for group bookings or birthday parties (terms & conditions apply)

#### Prizezone & Arcade

Term –time: Wed-Sun- 10am-6pm School & Bank holidays: Open daily 10am-10pm

Closed: Christmas Eve, Christmas day, Boxing Day & New Year's Eve Goldrush Gaming Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Sat: 10am to 11.30pm; Friday & Sunday: 10am to 1am Closed: Christmas Day & Boxing Day

# Phil's Family Amusements and Bingo Hall

68-72 Main Street, Portrush, BT56 8BN T: 028 7082 2201 E: info@philsamusements.co.uk W: www.philsamusements.co.uk

Opening hours: Mon-Sat: 10am – Late; Sun: 12.30pm – Late

'Pay to Play' entertainment and gaming machines together with weekend bingo at Phil's (opposite The White House).

#### **Sportsland**

28-34 Main Street, Portrush, BT56 8BL

T: 028 7082 2766

E: info@portrushsportsland.co.uk W: www.portrushsportsland.co.uk

Opening hours: Daily: 10am - 11pm

Sportsland's Big Red Game Centre for families on Main Street, Portrush has a jam packed 'prizes for tickets' shop, modern amusement arcade and a gaming machine casino.





#### **Jet Centre**

Riverside Park South, Coleraine, BT51 3AW T: 028 7035 0001

W: www.thejetcentre.co.uk

Coleraine's premier entertainment centre and indoor amusement arcade for kids of all ages.

Alley Cats Indoor Play Area

T: 028 7035 0010

W: www.alleycatsplay.co.uk Please ring for opening times.

Movie House Cinema T: 028 7035 0000

W: www.moviehouse.co.uk

Times vary. Matinees at weekends and during school holidays – check website for details.

Superstrikes Ten Pin Bowling

T: 028 7035 0005

W: www.superstrikesbowling.co.uk Open: Monday to Friday 2pm - 11.30pm; Sat / Sun 10am - 11.30pm with extended summer opening hours.

Mini-Golf

T: 028 7035 0000

Open: Sat & Sun 10am- 10pm; Mon- Fri

2pm- 11pm

Prices: 12 and Over £5.00; Under 12 £4.00;

Crazy Tuesday £3.00

18 hole outdoor Mini Golf. Suitable for all ages and features some challenging greens that are great for a little healthy competition.

# Treasure Island (Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre)

Garryduff Road, Ballymoney, BT53 7DB

T: 028 2766 0260

E: visitor@ballymoney.gov.uk W: www.visitballymoney.com

Opening hours:

Mon-Fri 4pm-8pm; Sat: 10am-4pm; Sun

2pm-5pm

Open earlier during holiday periods from 10am (under parental supervision) Open 12pm-5.00pm 1st June to end of

August

Admission Prices: £3 under 5; £3.50 over 5

Treasure Island is a purpose built pirate themed indoor soft play centre for children aged 12 years and under. Let your child's imagination run riot on the twin wavy slide, spiral slide, ball pool and soft play area for toddlers. Our supervised equipment lets your child play safely at all times. Treasure Island based within the Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre is a three floor themed play structure with many exciting features:

- · Twin wavy slide
- Ball Cannon Arena
- · Ball Pool...and more
- · Exo-Station Interactive Games
- Hot Food Selection
- 540 (degree) Spiral slide
- Treasure Hunt

Let Treasure Island look after your birthday party, sit back relax and watch your children have a great time with their friends.



#### The Arcadia Playpark

Adjacent to East Strand, Portrush, BT56 8HE T: 028 7034 7234

Opening hours:

Easter: Daily 10am-Dusk

May-Jun: Sat and Sun 10am-Dusk Jul-Aug: Daily 10am-10pm

Sept: Phone for details

An imaginative play area for children, with giant sand toys and climbing frames.



#### **Megaw Park**

Coleraine Road, Ballymoney, BT53 6BS T: 028 2766 0230

The newly-redeveloped Megaw Park will cater for your outdoor activity needs, offering a mix of traditional and interactive play equipment in the new children's play area. Adults can work out in the 'tone zone' which incorporates a range of outdoor gym equipment, while a new trim trail and adventure play area provides a range of exciting and challenging play equipment for teenagers.

#### **Portstewart Crescent**

The Promenade, Portstewart, BT55 7AB T: 07879 886 005

Opening hours: (weather dependent) Easter, Jul & Aug: Daily; May, Jun & Sept: Weekends

Summer attractions include motorised bumper boats, bouncy castle, bouncy slide, kids motorised cars and go-kart track. There is also a substantial sand filled play area with swings and climbing structures. Café facilities are available on site. The 'Witch's Hat' area provides an ideal setting for concerts and entertainment shows with tiered seating giving a wonderful theatrical effect.

#### Watertop Farm

188 Cushendall Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6RN T: 028 2076 2576 E: watertopfarm@aol.com W: www.watertopfarm.co.uk

#### Opening hours:

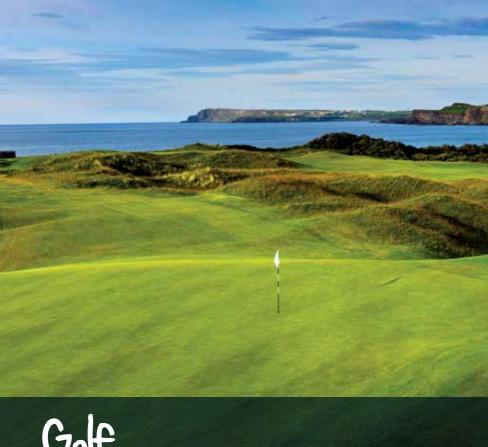
Easter Sat, Sun & Mon; 2nd- 4th May, 23rd-25th May; 27th June-31st Aug: Daily 11.00am - 5.30pm

Caravan/camping available Easter - Halloween

Admission: £3.00/adult, £2.00/child/ senior. All activities at extra charge. (Admission Charges are under review and may change for 2015)

Watertop Farm is located 6 miles east of Ballycastle on A2 to Cushendall. Ideally located in the Glens of Antrim, it offers a great day out for all the family, with a wide variety of family activities including Pony Trekking, Pony Rides, Boating, Pedal Karts, Quad Train, Paddywagon Farm Tours, Indoor Activity Barn complete with climbing wall, caravan/camping, Café, walks etc. New Toilet block and disabled facilities.

Limited access for disabled.



# Golf

We like our golf in the Causeway Coast and Glens and why wouldn't we? Where else can boast three major winners among their own, namely, Fred Daly (The Open 1947), 2010 US Open Champion, Graeme McDowell, MBE, 2011 Open Champion and 2016 European Ryder Cup Captain, Darren Clarke, OBE. The end of the decade might be a few years away, but we are already getting exciting about hosting The Open for only a second time, at Royal Portrush Golf Club. The Causeway Coast and Glens is truly a golfer's paradise, offering a variety of terrains from spectacular, championship links to delightful parkland courses. Whichever of our superb courses you choose to play, you will have a golf experience that is unlikely to be surpassed.



#### **Dunluce Links**

18 hole Championship Links Course 7,143 yd. Par 72

Visitors welcome:

Mon after 2pm Tue 9.40am -11.50am & after 2pm Wed 9.40am - 11.50am Thur 9.40am -11.50am & after 2pm Fri 9.40am -11.50am Sat after 3pm Sun 10.30am -11.50am & after 2pm

Tee reservation can be booked in advance by telephone, subject to written confirmation and receipt of a non-refundable deposit of £50.00 per person. All visitors are expected to be members of a recognized Golf Club and to hold a bona fide current Playing Handicap. A Certificate of Handicap with a maximum of 18 for males (24 for females) must be presented with a letter of introduction from Home Club.

Green fees: Weekdays £155 per person; Weekends/Bank Holidays £175 Special rate April and October only Mon - Fri £75

#### Valley Links

18 hole Championship Links Course 6,304 yd. Par 70

Visitors welcome:

Mon before 9am & after 11am Tue before 9am after 11am Wed before 9am & after 10.30am Thur before 9am & after 10.30am Fri before 9am & after 10.30am Sat after 2pm Sun after 2pm

Booking necessary, handicap certificate not required.

Green fees: Weekdays £42.50; Weekends/ Bank Holidays £55

Visitors may play a second round on weekdays at an additional charge of £15 (subject to availability on the day). Winter green fee: Nov 14 - Mar 2015

Inclusive £25 (Weekdays only)

#### Portstewart Golf Club

117 Strand Road, Portstewart, BT55 7PG

T: 028 7083 2015

E: jeanie@portstewartgc.co.uk W: www.portstewartgc.co.uk Club Professional: Neil Graham

Club Manager: Michael Moss

Facilities: Restaurant, bars, locker rooms,

showers, Pro shop

Services: Tuition, caddies, club, trolley and

buggy hire, putting green

#### Strand Course

18 Hole Championship Links Course 7,004 yd. Par 72

Visitors Welcome:

Monday, Tuesday and Friday (closed noon

- 1pm)

Wednesday closed from 8.30am-11.30am &

2.10pm - 4pm

Thursday closed 11am-1.30pm

Saturday after 2.10pm

Sunday 9.20-10.20am & after 1pm

Booking necessary, handicap certificate

preferred.

Green Fees: Weekdays £110 (£150 for a

double round); Weekends £130 Winter Green Fee (Nov-Mar inc):

Mon-Fri £40

October & April: Mon-Fri £60

#### **Riverside Course**

18 Hole Links Course 5,725 yd. Par 68

Best days for visitors: Any day Booking recommended.

**Green Fees**: Weekdays £22; Weekends £27 **Rates for parties of 16+ people**: Weekdays

£17; Weekends £22

#### Portstewart Old Course

18 Hole Links and Parkland Course 4,822 yd. Par 64

T: 028 7083 2549

Facilities: Refreshments, locker rooms,

showers, Pro shop **Services**: Club hire

Best day for visitors: Any day

Booking not necessary, handicap certificate

not required.

Green Fees: Weekdays £10.00;

Weekends £15

Weekly Ticket £60.00; Monthly Ticket £160 Groups of 12+ people: Weekend only £13



#### Castlerock Golf Club

65 Circular Road, Castlerock, BT51 4TJ

T: 028 7084 8314

Pro shop T: 028 7084 9424 E: info@castlerockgc.co.uk W: www.castlerockgc.co.uk

Club Professional: Thomas Johnston General Manager: Bert MacKay

#### Mussenden Course

18 Hole Championship Links Course 6,805yd. Par 73

Green Fees: Weekdays £75; Weekend £90 Winter Green Fee (Nov-Mar): Mon-Fri £35; Sat/ Sun £45

#### **Bann Course**

9 Hole Links Course 4,892 yd. Par 68 (18 holes)

Green Fees: Weekdays £15; Weekend £20 Winter Green Fee (Nov-Mar): Mon-Fri £10;

Sat/ Sun £12

Open week 16th – 23rd July – competition details on request.

#### Ballycastle Golf Club

2 Cushendall Rd, Ballycastle, BT54 6QP

T: 028 2076 2536

E: info@ballycastlegolfclub.com W: www.ballycastlegolfclub.com

18 Hole Links and Parkland Course Par 71

Best day for visitors:

Mon-Thurs – no restrictions;

Friday – from 11am

Weekends - Saturday from 1pm & Sunday

from 11am

Green Fees: Weekdays: £55; Weekends: £60 Special Winter Green Fee Mon-Thurs £20 pp, Fri £60 for 4 players (including 'Golfer's Fry'), Sat/Sun £25pp or £80 for 4 players.

Twilight Rate (April – Sept after 5pm):

Weekdays £10; Weekends £15 Online Booking: Weekdays £50;

Weekends £55

Husband & Wife: Weekdays £70;

Weekends £80

GUI Member: Weekdays £25;

Weekends: £30 (Upon production of G.U.I.

card before play)

Member/Guest: Weekdays £15; Weekends £20 (Maximum 3 guests per

member)

Juvenile under 18: Weekdays £10;

Weekends £15



#### Benone Golf Club

Benone Tourist Complex, 53 Benone Ave, Limavady, BT49 0LQ

T: 028 7775 0555

E: benone.complex@limavady.gov.uk

9 Hole Course, Par 3

Daily, weekly and seasonal passes are available.

Green Fees: Adult: Mon-Fri £10; Sat, Sun & BH £11

Junior, Senior Citizen and Student: Mon-Fri £7; Sat, Sun & BH £8

Crazy Wednesdays: All Players £5

Weekly Tickets: Adult £55; Junior,

Senior Citizen and Student £35

Season Ticket: Adult £160; Junior, Senior

Citizen and Student £90

**Group Bookings:** 1 Golfer free per group of 10

Putting Green (Includes Putter and ball): £1.50

NB Valid Student ID must be provided for student discount

#### Ballyreagh Municipal Links

2 Glen Road, Portrush, BT56 8LX

T: 028 7082 2028 E: leisure@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

Professional: Bob Cockroft

Facilities: Snacks / refreshments, Pro shop Services: Tuition, putting green, club and trolley hire

9 hole course 1,212 yd. Par 27 Best days for visitors: Any day Booking not necessary, handicap Certificate not required

Green Fees: Weekdays: Adult: £6.90 / Juniors: £5.20; Weekends: Adult: £8 /

Juniors: £6.90

Annual Membership: Adult: £135 /

Juniors: £80

#### **Bushfoot Golf Club**

50 Bushfoot Road, Portballintrae, BT57 8RR T: 028 2073 1317

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E: bushfootgolfclub@btconnect.com W: www.bushfootgolfclub.co.uk

Facilities: Restaurant, bar

Services: Trolley & Club hire (Caddies on

request)

9 Hole Course 6,001 yd. Par 70 (18 holes) Best days for visitors: Mon, Wed, Thurs

(Ladies have priority on Tues)

Booking not normally necessary

Green fees: Weekdays £16; Weekends /

Bank Holidays £20; (18-22yrs discount)

Group / Society Rates Available (Group size dependent)

Tuition by appointment with resident PGA

#### Cushendall Golf Club

21 Shore Road, Cushendall BT44 ONG

T: 028 2177 1318

professional

E: cushendallgc@btconnect.com

Services: Club hire

9 hole Course, 4,794 yd.



# Brown Trout Golf and Country Inn

209 Agivey Road, Aghadowey, BT51 4AD

T: 028 7086 8209

E: bill@browntroutinn.com W: www.browntroutinn.com

Facilities: Restaurant, gym, changing

facilities, society room

Services: Tuition, club hire, caddies (by

arrangement)

9 hole Parkland Course 5,510 yd. Par 70 (18 holes)

Best days for Visitors: Any day

Booking necessary, handicap certificate not required

Green fees: Weekdays £10; Weekends £15;

(under 18s 50% discount)

Groups of 10+ people: Weekday £7;

Weekend £12

#### Gracehill Golf Club

141 Ballinlea Road, Stranocum, Ballymoney, BT53 6PX

T: 028 2075 1209

E: gracehillgc@btconnect.com www.gracehillgolfclub.co.uk

18 hole Parkland Course, 6,550 yd. Par 72

#### Kilrea Golf Course

47a Lisnagrot Road, Kilrea, BT51 5SF T: 028 2954 0044

E: kilreagc@hotmail.co.uk W: www.kilreagolfclub.co.uk

Club Secretary: Michael Dean

**Facilities:** changing room, bar and restaurant

9 hole Parkland/Heathland Course, 5,672 yd. Par 70 (18 holes)

Best days for visitors: Mon, Thurs, Fri,

Sat pm and Sun pm

Booking advisable, handicap certificate not required

**Green fees**: Visitors – Weekdays £15;

Weekends £20

With Member - Weekday £10;

Weekends £10



#### Manor Golf Club

69 Bridge Street, Kilrea, BT51 5RR T: 028 2954 1636 / 2954 0205 W: www.manorhousekilrea.com

Facilities: Restaurant & bar
Services: Club & trolley hire
9 hole Parkland Course,
4,174yd. Par 64 (18 holes)
Best days for visitors: Any day
Booking necessary for weekends only,
handicap certificate not required
Green Fees: Weekdays (Mon-Thur): £10;
Weekend (Fri-Sun & Bank Holidays): £12
Concessionary rates available

#### The Roe Park Resort

T: 028 7776 0105 E: golf@roeparkresort.com W: www.roeparkresort.com/golf

Facilities: Restaurant and bar Services: Golf Academy with 18 bay floodlit driving range, chipping and bunker area, putting green and indoor video coaching studio. Resident PGA Pro coaching available.

18 hole Parkland Course, par 70 Equipment hire available.

**Green Fees**: Weekday £25; Weekend £30.00; Hotel Guest £20

Society Rates: Sun-Fri £18.50; Sat £23



#### Ballyreagh Pitch & Putt

Ballyreagh Golf Course, 2 Glen Road, Portrush BT56 8LX T: 028 7082 2028

9 hole pitch & putt (Par 27) **Adult:** £4 / Juniors £2.90 (subject to change)

#### Benone Crazy Golf

53 Benone Avenue, Limavaday, BT49 0LQ T: 028 7775 0555 W: www.benoneni.com 9 hole crazy golf course.

#### **Skerries Pitch and Putt**

Bushmills Road, Portrush (Royal Portrush Golf Club) T: 028 7082 2311

9 hole pitch and putt (1,187yd)

#### Crazy Golf, Ballycastle

Recreation Centre, Sheskburn House, Mary Street , Ballycastle BT54 6QH T: 028 2076 3300

W: www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com

Open: Easter to September

18 hole crazy golf, suitable for all ability levels and wheelchair access. Admission and golf equipment available at the Recreation Centre and Tennis Pavillion (July and August only).

#### **let Centre Mini-Golf**

Riverside Park South, Coleraine, BT51 3AW T: 028 7035 0000 W: www.thejetcentre.co.uk

Opening Hours: Sat & Sun 10am – 10pm;

Mon - Fri 2pm - 11pm

Prices: 12 and Over £5; Under 12 £4;

Crazy Tuesday £3

18 hole outdoor Mini Golf, suitable for all ages and features some challenging greens that are great for a little healthy competition.

# Watersports



# Surf's Up

The surf conditions on the Causeway Coast are fast gaining a highly respected reputation, with waves to suit every surfer from the beginner to the most experienced, throughout the year. You could also try sea kayaking, diving, stand-up paddleboarding or even coasteering if you are feeling really energetic.

We are fortunate to have RNLI Lifeguards on all our beaches every year from the last weekend in June until the first weekend in September. For further details on how to remain safe while enjoying your favourite watersport visit: www.rnli.org/beachlifeguards or T: 0845 045 6999.



#### **North Coast Watersports Centre**

East Strand, Portrush, BT56 8AN For information T: 028 7034 7234

This dedicated facility opened in summer 2007 and is used for a wide range of sea and coastal related activities. The centre allows year round access to high quality amenities for both local and visiting water sports users. The centre has toilet and changing facilities and can be used either for individual usage or hired for group/club events.



#### **Alive Surf School**

73 Ballywillin Crescent, Portrush, BT56 8JA T: 07935 952532

E: lessons@alivesurfschool.com W: www.alivesurfschool.com

Surfing lessons for all ages from 5 upwards, catering for everyone from a complete beginner to an experienced surfer. Lessons last for 2 hours; all equipment is provided along with a snack and drink afterwards. Booking online available. Under 16s £20; 16 and over £25; discount for groups of 10

#### Long John's Surf Academy

T: 07598 572 017

E: lessons@longjohns-surfacademy.com W: www.longjohns-surfacademy.com

Learn to surf / SUP with a fully qualified ASI instructor and 4 times Irish National Longboard Champion, "Long" John McCurry. The vision of Long John's Surf Academy is not only to get you on the board but also to evaluate, monitor and progress you to the point where you are trimming along a wave, by that time you have caught the surfing bug! All lessons are two hours long and include all equipment. Prices start from £15.

#### **Portrush Surf School**

Portrush, Co. Antrim, BT56 8NF T: 07894 854791 W: www.portrushsurfschool.com

Portrush Surf School, established and run by 10 times Irish National Bodyboarding Champion and current World and European Tour Competitor, Martin TK Kelly. The school runs all year and equipment is provided at no extra cost. Fully qualified and insured, the school caters for everyone. VIP Kids Summer Surf Camps run during July and August. Kids learn everything they need to know about the beach environment, safety on the beach, tides, waves, lifeguard flags, jelly fish, safety in the sun, as well as the fine art of surfing. Booking is essential.

#### **Troggs Surf School**

North Coast Watersports Centre, Portrush, East Strand, BT56 8AN Office located beach side of the centre. T: 028 7082 2335 M: 07748 257 717 E: carl@troggssurfschool.com W: www.troggssurfschool.com Learn to surf with Northern Ireland's only Quicksilver approved surf school with Level 1 and 2 surfing GB/ISA and new ASI instructors. All instructors are highly competent surfers and fully qualified beach lifeguards. A wide selection of courses are available, catering for beginners through to advanced surfers. Equipment is provided with classes for kids to adults and corporate groups. Check out more at our website or call into East Strand Water Sports Centre office.

#### **Long Line Surf School**

Benone Avenue, Limavady T: 07738 128507 E: info@longlinesurfschool.co.uk W: www.longlinesurfschool.co.uk

Opening times: 9am - 9pm

Situated in the heart of Binevenagh's AONB, explore and experience Limavady by surfing waves at Benone. Sessions catering for everyone and every group. Surf and SUP lessons, Kids Camps and Surf hire. Prices start from £15.



# Ocean Warriors Surf and Kite Store

80 The Promenade, Portstewart, BT55 7AF T/F: 028 7083 6500

W: www.oceanwarriors.co.uk

Open: Mon-Sun 10am-5pm

Portstewart's surf and kite store. Everything for the surfer, paddler or kite fanatic! Great range of family beach essentials plus hire of wetsuits, bodyboards, surfboards and kayaks! A large clothing range and lessons are available.

#### Ocean Warriors Mobile Surf Shack

Whiterocks and Portstewart Strand

Open: (weather and surf permitting): Weekends 10am - 5pm, also by special arrangement.

From the unmissable yellow Volkswagen Van you can hire everything you need for a great day at the beach! The surf shack hires out surf and body boards, kayaks, stand up paddle boards and wetsuits and has a range of beach essentials, for the seasoned surfer or family day out.

#### **Troggs Surf Shop**

88 Main Street, Portrush, BT56 8BN T: 028 7082 5476

E: info@troggssurfshop.co.uk W: www.troggssurfshop.co.uk

Opening Hours: Mon to Fri 11.30am – 5.30pm; Sat and Sun 10am – 6pm.

Troggs Surf Shop surf hire caters for individuals and groups. A large inventory of wetsuits, booties, gloves, hoods, surfboards, beginner longboards and bodyboards available for hire as well as advice on what beach is best to go to.

#### **Woodies Surf Shop**

102 Lower Main Street, Portrush, BT56 8DA T: 028 7082 3273

E: info@woodiessurfshop.co.uk W: www.woodiessurfshop.co.uk

Board hire, equipment sales and tuition. Phone for free surf report.

### Stand Up Paddleboarding



#### Long Line Water Trails

(Benone Beach)

Located beside Benone Tourist Complex, Benone Avenue, Magilligan T: 07738 128507

E: info@longlinesurfschool.co.uk W: www.longlinesurfschool.co.uk

Opening times: 9am - 9pm

Flow through an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty on a Stand Up Paddleboard (SUP) with on of only two ASI accredited SUP schools in Northern Ireland. Lessons start on the River Roe where beginners are taught the basic flat water skills and techniques to this new and fast growing sport while learning about the heritage of the local area with our knowledgeable instructors. Maximum group size of 6. Minimum age of 16 years. 2 hour lesson £30pp. (Minimum of 2 people per lesson). More advanced night trails and water trails available - £35 per lesson. SUP academy available - £80 for 2 days including 8 hours of paddling.

#### **Giant Adventures**

T: 07738128507

E: info@giantadventures.co.uk W: www.giantadventures.co.uk

Prices start from £30 Opening times: 9am – 9pm

Giant Adventures is a mobile outdoor water based adventure company offering a new type of adrenaline activity to the North Coast Area. Giant Adventures takes groups on Irelands biggest Stand Up Paddleboard for surf experiences and flat water activities and expeditions.

#### **SurfSUPNI**

Portballintrae Harbour, BT57 8RT T: 077 9661 4844

E: info@surfsupni.com W: www.surfsupni.com

Open: March to November

Learn Stand Up Paddleboarding with SurfSUPNI. A great exercise for all abilities (over 10s), based in Portballintrae on the Causeway Coast.



#### **Causeway Coasteering**

Various locations on the North Coast Contact: Matt Wright T: 078 7253 7550

E: jump@CausewayCoasteering.com W: www.causewaycoasteering.com

Specialists in coasteering, bodyboarding and coastal exploration (Explore Galore). This rapidly growing, exhilarating, adventure activity, uses the Causeway Coast as a natural playground. With an experienced

guide you will jump, scramble, climb, swim and shallow cave around an otherwise inaccessible, stunning coastline.

#### **Coasteering Ni**

T: 07513 868476

E: splash@coasteeringni.co.uk W: www.coasteeringni.co.uk

Explore our coastline under your own steam with the help of experienced Guides and Associate Guides.

## Sea Kayaking



The North Coast Sea Kayak Trail stretches 100km from Magilligan Point to Waterfoot along the North Coast's rugged headlands and spectacular sandy beaches. The East Coast Canoe Trail stretches 150km from Waterfoot to Portaferry taking in picturesque fishing villages, sea loughs and islands. These trails have been designed for canoeists by canoeists, further detailed information and guides can be downloaded from www.canoeni.com

The East Inishowen Sea Kayak Trail links to Limavady through the waters of the River Roe, accessible at Swann's Bridge, where a 3km paddle leads to Lough Foyle and links across the Lough to Moville.

# Ruddock Sea Kayaking and Canoeing

12 Glenvale Avenue, Portrush, BT56 8HL

T: 07858 404801

E: robinruddock@gmail.com W: www.robin-ruddock.com

Robin Ruddock provides guided sea kayak expeditions on the Causeway Coast and open canoeing on the Lower River Bann. There are courses in sea kayaking, surf kayak and open canoe. Discover hidden places in the company of an expert with an extensive knowledge of the local heritage and environment. Traditional boats and mountain bike tours are also available.

#### Simply Sea Kayak

47 Ballylagan Road, Coleraine, BT51 2PO

Contact: Steven Hodge T: 07773 359773

E: info@simplyseakayak.com W: www.simplyseakayak.com

Sea kayaking is a fast growing and exciting adventure sport and what better place than the fantastic coastline of Northern Ireland to sample this activity. Day trips, expeditions and courses with experienced sea paddlers.

# Scuba Diving & Sea Safari

# Aquaholics 5 Star Dive Centre (Portstewart)

14 Portmore Road, Portstewart, BT55 7BE Contact: Richard Lafferty T/F: 028 7083 2584 E: info@aquaholics.co.uk W: www.aquaholics.co.uk

Aquaholics is a Padi 5 star dive centre providing dives and courses for all levels along the spectacular North Coast. Open to all from 10 years old. Try a real dive in the sea with all equipment included. Full equipment rental / sales are available.

2 large licensed boats for trips and private charter.

#### Aquaholics (Ballycastle)

26 North Street, Ballycastle BT54 6BW M: 079 6816 4748 E: dive@aquaholics.org

Open 7 days a week

W: www.aquaholics.org

Prices: Sea Safari trips from £20 pp; Try - a - Dive £75pp; Diving Courses from £80

PADI 5 star dive centre offering a full range of dive courses for beginners to experienced divers. Also high speed powerboat thrill trips along the scenic Causeway Coast. Boat trips available for charter to the West Coast of Scotland and Donegal.

#### Aquasports

Ballycastle Marina, Harbour Road, Ballycastle BT54 6BT M: 07962 309670 E: alanwilson@aquasports.biz W: www.aquasports.biz

Experience island hospitality on Rathlin with wildlife trips around the island, see puffins, etc. and seals at the 'upside down' lighthouse and Bruce's cave. Trips to Islay and the islands – Sanda, Gigha, Jura and Iona for Golf and Whisky trail. Visit the Giant's Causeway and North Antrim Coast by sea.

## D & P Marine Boat Charters

M: 07880 625102 / 07754 2941777 E: info@dandpmarine.co.uk

Fishing reefs/wrecks, sharking, scuba diving, Scottish shooting trip, sea safari trips along the Causeway Coast and Rathlin Island. Trips to Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge from Ballintoy Harbour and much more.

#### North Irish Diver Ltd

North Irish Lodge, 161b Low Road, Islandmagee, Larne BT40 3RF T: 028 9338 2246 Boat T: 07753 816 069 W: www.northirishlodge.com E: caroline.steele@btconnect.com

#### **Portrush Sea Tours**

North Pier, The Harbour, Portrush, BT56 8DF T: 028 7082 3304 M: 077 6169 6060 E: info@portrushseatours.com W: www.portrushseatours.com

Portrush Sea Tours offer sightseeing experiences by rib from Portrush Harbour.

The tours leave from Portrush Harbour and can last from an hour long to full charter day tours taking you to Bay to Bay, Portrush; The Skerries; Giant's Causeway; Rathlin Island; Derry-Londonderry; Redcastle; Greencastle; Inistrahull and Scottish Isles. Bespoke tours by request. The boat is a Stormforce 11, with capacity for twelve passengers seated and two crew, complete with a heater and wraparound canopy to keep clients dry and warm - whatever the weather!

# Natural Gens





Rathlin Island lies just over six miles from Ballycastle and fourteen miles from the Mull of Kintyre, Scotland. Rathlin Island is situated within the Antrim Coast and Glens Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It is popular with bird watchers, geologists, botanists, divers and sea anglers – anyone with a love for rugged wild scenery. It includes several important natural heritage sites and is particularly internationally important for its flora, seabird colonies and in some cases its unique underwater marine life. In addition to this it has many interesting listed buildings and a strong cultural heritage, with storytelling, songs and music. Legend has it that Rathlin Island was the stopping place for Robert the Bruce and the famed spider.

To reach the Island, take the ferry from Ballycastle across to Rathlin to the harbour at Church Bay, the trip takes about 25 minutes on the Rathlin Express. As you sail along, you can identify the main features of the North Antrim Coast with Fair Head towering above the sea, marking the topmost corner of Ulster. Slough na Morra, "swallow of the Sea", is a whirlpool in the sea south of Rue Point, the southern tip of Rathlin.

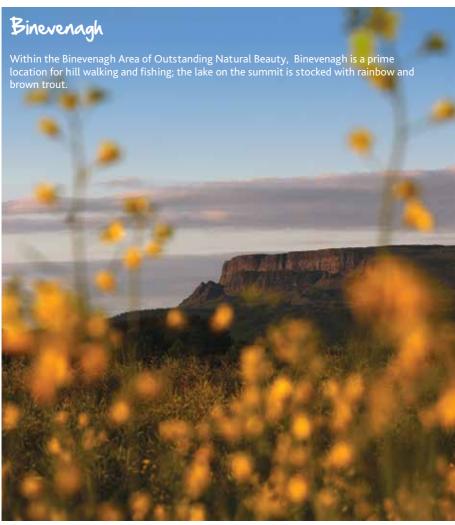
You don't have to do the round trip in one day: there are places to stay and a pub and café at the harbour. Visitors' cars are restricted, so the roads are quiet and ideal for walking and cycling. On the island you can follow the Sustrans National Cycle Network Route 93 to the west lighthouse, east lighthouse and Rue lighthouse.

Rathlin Island Ferry (Prior booking essential) Tel: 028 2076 9299 E: info@rathlinballycastleferry.com



Banagher Glen lies three miles south west of Dungiven accessed from the B74 and is a secluded, steep wooded glen leading to Altnaheglish Reservoir and Banagher Dam. One of the oldest ancient oak woodlands in Ireland, Banagher Glen is a Nature Reserve and Special Area of Conservation. Car park opens 9am – 9 pm weekends in June and September 9am – 9pm daily July and August.

E: countryside@limavady.gov.uk







## Dark Hedges

Bregagh Road, Stranocum, Ballymoney, BT53 8PX

T: 028 2766 0230

This beautiful avenue of beech trees was planted by the Stuart family in the eighteenth century. It was intended as a compelling landscape feature to impress visitors as they approached the entrance to their home, Gracehill House. Two centuries later, the trees remain a magnificent sight and have become known as the Dark Hedges. The Dark Hedges is one of the most photographed natural phenomena in Northern Ireland and a popular attraction for tourists from across the world. It has The road is reputedly haunted by a spectral 'Grey Lady' who appears at dusk among the trees. She silently glides along the roadside and disappears as she passes the last beech tree. It has been a filming location for the very popular Game of Thrones®.



#### RSPB Seabird Centre

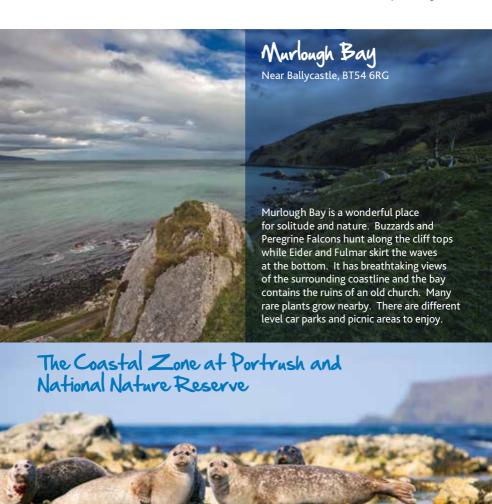
Rathlin Island T: 028 2076 0062 (April-August)

RSPB NI HQ: 028 9049 1547 (September-March)

The West Light Seabird Centre is home to one of the largest breeding seabird colonies in Europe including puffin, guillemot, razorbill and kittiwake.

The newly refurbished visitor centre is also being marketed as part of the All-Island Lighthouse Trail' and will reopen to the public from May until the end of August.

Access is via ferry, private bus and then down 89 steps to the Viewing Platform, RSPB staff and volunteers will be there to welcome you to the site.



8 Bath Road, Portrush, BT56 8AP T: 028 7082 3600 E: john.cowan@doeni.gov.uk W: www.ehsni.gov.uk

Opening Hours: April – August: Daily 10am-5pm

Opening hours after September are being reviewed. Contact the Coastal Zone for more details. The Coastal Zone at Portrush

is a centre for marine and coastal education. Visitors to the centre will be taken on a journey of Northern Ireland's wildlife and heritage found under the sea and along our coasts. The viewing platform at the back of the centre affords excellent views towards the sea, where just off the coast, dolphins, seals and harbour porpoises can sometimes be seen.





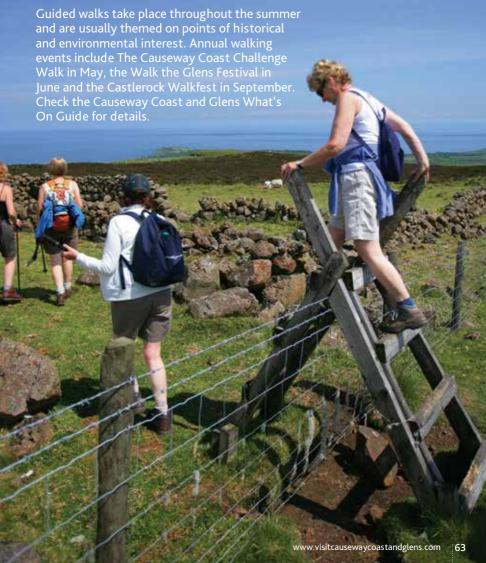


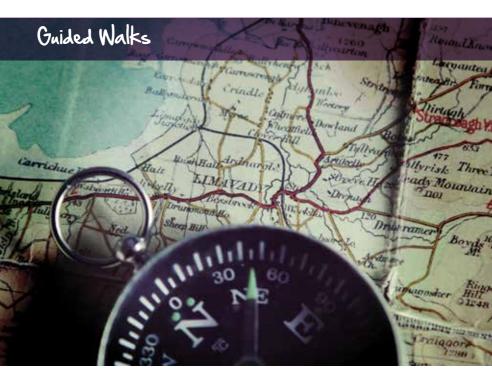
#### Wildlife Tour Guide

Gerry Bond Wildlife 139 Duncrun Road, Limavady, BT49 0JQ T: 028 7775 0594 M: 07745 740 431 Limavady and the Roe Valley is a perfect location for bird watching all year round with a variety of habitats to observe many different native and migratory birds.

# Walking on Sunshine

Walking is one of the best ways to fully appreciate the splendid, natural scenery of the Causeway Coast and Glens region. For further information about walking in the area contact one of the Visitor Information Centres or check www.walkni.com where you can download maps and routes.





#### **Coastal Walking Tours**

M: 07745566924 E: paul.quinn33@hotmail.com W: www.rathlinwalkingtours.com

Join an experienced walking guide with a wide knowledge of Rathlin Island's birdlife, plantlife and rich history and explore the island, or the wider North Antrim Coast. No rush walking tours of the island to suit all abilities.

#### **National Trust**

The National Trust host regular guided walks around the Bishop's Gate Gardens, Downhill in the company of the Estate Warden, where you can discover the latest developments around the estate and wider restorations; also, there are number of guided walks exploring the ancient dune system at Portstewart Strand throughout the year.

#### Downhill Demesne and Hezlett House

T: 028 7084 8728 W: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/downhilldemesne

#### **Portstewart Strand**

T: 028 7083 6396 W: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ portstewartstrand

#### **Outdoor Ireland North**

14 Shimnavale, Newcastle, Co Down BT33 0EF T: 028 4372 5191 M: 079 7340 8056

E: loretto@outdoorirelandnorth.co.uk W: www.outdoorirelandnorth.co.uk

Guided walks in the Causeway Coast and Glens with a Blue Badge Tourist Guide and qualified mountain leader.



#### **Causeway Coast Way**

Portstewart - Ballycastle, BT55 7PG

The Causeway Coast Way, one of a series of way-marked ways throughout Ulster, follows a route along the spectacular North Coast between Portstewart and Ballycastle. This 52km (33 miles) route, following the line of the Ulster Way, incorporates the Port Path. between Portrush and Portstewart. and the North Coast Footpath. It passes through the Causeway Coast Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and offers opportunity for enjoyment to walkers of varied ability. Car parking is available along the entire route, both in the towns and villages and at specific parking/ view points along the coast. The Causeway Coast is accessible by train and bus services.

#### Portstewart Cliff Path

(Part of the Causeway Coast Way)

Portstewart Harbour - Portstewart Strand, BT55 7FB

A scenic, coastal walk, starting at the harbour in Portstewart and finishing at Portstewart Strand presents panoramic views over Donegal and the coastline. The focal point of the walk is the Dominican Convent (formerly O'Hara's Castle) perched high on the cliff top. Other places

of interest include the natural harbour (Portnahapple) and St Patrick's Well, directly above the Strand. The Well once supplied water for Stone Age inhabitants of the dunes.

#### Port Path

(Part of the CausewayCoast Way)

Portstewart Strand - East Strand, BT55 7PG

Enjoy a refreshing 6 mile coastal walk from Portstewart Strand to East Strand, Portrush and admire magnificent views of the North Coast and beyond. There are many points of interest along the route including the alleged grave of the Unknown Sailor (care must be taken going past Ballyreagh and Portstewart golf courses).

#### Rinnagree Coastal Park (Part of the CausewayCoast Way)

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Located on the coast road between Portstewart & Portrush, BT52 2JS

Situated on the main coast road, between Portstewart and Portrush, Rinnagree Coastal Park offers the visitor opportunities to enjoy the stunning coastal scenery or engage in some physical activity by walking sections of the Port Path, an integral part of the Causeway Coast Way and the Ulster Way.

## Heritage Walking Trails

#### Ballycastle Heritage Trail

T: 028 2076 2024

W: www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com

A unique interpretative walking experience within Ballycastle town centre, telling a story of past and present, highlighting significant points of interest. The trail links the town centre to the seafront via the Tow River Path, a perfect track for the visitor to explore. For more information contact Ballycastle Visitor information Centre.

#### Ballymoney Town Heritage Trail

T: 028 2766 0230 W: www.walkni.com

Ballymoney Heritage Guide Trail (available from Ballymoney Visitor Information) features a self-guided walking tour of the finest built heritage within the market town of Ballymoney, where you can discover more about the people and places from the past. Ballymoney Old Church Graveyard Trail Guide also available.



#### **Bushmills Heritage Trail**

T: 028 2076 2024

Bushmills Heritage Trail links the Park & Ride facility with the village, the riverside Millennium Park and the Old Bushmills Distillery, open to the public for tours. A warm welcome awaits you in Bushmills – Gateway to the Giant's Causeway.

# Glens Town and Village Tourist Trails

T: 028 2076 2024

The Glens Town and Village 3D tourist trails are the perfect way for you to get out and explore the stunning 9 Glens of Antrim. Hidden in every location you will discover fascinating stories, historical facts and many of the myths and legends of the area. A trail can be downloaded from www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com or collected from Ballycastle Visitor Information Centre.

# Coleraine 400 Heritage

Coleraine Town. T: 028 7034 4723 W: www.niarchive.org

The Coleraine 400 Heritage Trail explores the historic centre of Coleraine

– where the gridded street pattern of the 17th century, remains largely the same today. It reveals the importance of the port of Coleraine, considers how the Ulster Plantation affected the town and outlines the legacy left behind today. Coleraine 400 Heritage Trail brochures are available from Coleraine Visitor Information Centre.

#### Round The Ramparts Heritage Trail

Coleraine Town Centre T: 028 703 4 4723

A walking heritage guide, incorporating an illustrated booklet, interpretive panels and street signage, brings Coleraine's rich heritage to life. Visit Coleraine Visitor Information Centre for details.

#### **The Lost County Tours**

Coleraine Ulster Scots Resource Centre, 3A Union Street, Coleraine, BT52 1QB T: 028 7035 9412

W: www.coleraineulsterscots.org.uk Cost: £5.00 per person

A local guide, with an in-depth knowledge of the local area and Ulster Scots heritage, will take you on a historic walking tour of Coleraine. Duration: Approx 1 hour.





#### Rural Walks

#### Avish To Eagles Hill Walk

Gortmore View Point

A refreshing walk along the cliff top overlooking Benone Beach, Lough Foyle and the Inishowen Peninsula in Co. Donegal.

#### Drumaheglis Nature Walk

A short, pleasant woodland nature trail adjacent to the River Bann; set within the Drumaheglis Marina and Caravan Park complex.

From the marina car park follow the nature trail sign to a track through the woodland. This informal path swings around the outside edge of the existing woodland area and offers a short, quiet walk, good for families with small children. On returning to the car park, why not take the time to stop and enjoy this beautiful riverside site. Have a picnic on the banks of the River Bann or just enjoy refreshments from the shop while the children have fun in the play area.

#### Glenullin Hill Walking **Trails**

Glenullin, BT51 5DB

The Glenullin area, meaning 'Glen of the Eagle', located approximately 3 miles south west of Garvagh and gateway to the Sperrins, offers walkers two way-marked hill walking trails. The Drumbane Trail (10-13km) and The Errigal Glen Trail (4km) are detailed in "A Guide to Glenullin's Waymarked Trails" - available from Coleraine Visitor Information Centre.

#### Moyle Way Walk

The Moyle Way Walk is a 27 mile walk through the heart of the world famous Glens of Antrim. From its start on the coast at Ballycastle the route winds past ancient monuments, across rivers and high mountain tops culminating among the woodland waterfalls of Glenariff Forest Park before reaching the coastal village of Waterfoot.

#### Metal Bridge Walk

Stranocum

Starting in Stranocum village, the walk follows rural roads and quiet country lanes through the picturesque Bush Valley countryside.

From the Bush picnic area and car park follow the Ballinlea Road to its junction with the Livery Road. Turning right, the walk is signposted along the Livery Road. Continue along this road until you reach the small accommodation bridge over the River Bush, turn right onto the Gracehill Road then right again onto the Fivey Road which takes you back into Stranocum village. Please exercise care when walking along the Gracehill and Fivey Roads and be traffic aware.

#### The North Sperrins Way

Dungiven - Castlerock

The North Sperrins Way, connecting Dungiven and Castlerock, provides a contrasting walking experience to the coastal trails. The 60km route traverses higher ground forming the northern foothills of the Sperrins Mountains, passing notable landscape features including Benbradagh and Binevenagh, and affording excellent views over Lough Foyle towards Donegal.

#### **Banagher Glen and Forest**

Explore a 9 mile walk through the steep wooded glen of Banagher, one of the oldest ancient oak woodlands in Ireland to Altnaheglish Reservoir and Banagher Dam. Along the way, discover an ancient myth about the mythical serpent, in Lig-na-Paiste, said to be the last snake in Ireland.

#### Roe Valley Country Park

Combining heritage and legend with natural environment, the Roe Valley Country Park offers a variety of woodland riverside walks ranging from 2 - 7 miles. Explore the Dogleap and the seat of the O'Cahans where Limavady received its name.

#### **Aghadowey Forest**

North of Garvagh

Aghadowey Wood is a collection of four small woodlands named after the local townlands, Scotch Cah, Irish Cah and two areas called Ballycaghan, just North of Garvagh. There are no facilities for recreational activities provided here but the public are welcome to visit this forest on foot.





#### **Ballycastle Forest**

Ballycastle Forest, on the slopes of Knocklayde Mountain forms part of the Ulster Way Walk and has two entrances; one is a few hundred yards from the Diamond in the town centre, and the other is from the Forest Service car park approximately 1.8 miles along the Drumavoley Road, south of Ballycastle.

It is a step climb, but affords increasingly panoramic views of the coast to the north and Rathlin Island, and on a clear day the Scottish Islands of Islay and Jura are visible.

#### **Ballypatrick Forest**

Five miles from Ballycastle on the inland road (A2) to Cushendall.

Opening times: June & September weekends only; July and August Mon-Sun Admission Charges apply

A way marked Wildlife Trail leads from the Horseshoe car park, past deer lawns and fenced wildlife ponds, offering a chance to catch a glimpse of the resident deer, ducks and dippers, as well as geese and otters along the Glenmakeeran River. Picnic Area and car parking available.



#### **Camus Wood**

Curragh Road, Coleraine, BT51 3SB

Located approximately 3 miles south of Coleraine, on the main road to Kilrea. Overlooking the River Bann, Camus has a new parking & picnic area, a jetty and pleasant short woodland trails.

#### Castleroe Wood

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Located 1.5 miles from Coleraine on the A54 Curragh Road near Castleroe Village. This is a small mixed woodland of 16 hectares to the south of Coleraine, with two walking trails on the edge of the River Bann. Picnic tables and car parking are available.

#### Cottage Wood, Cushendall

This woodland park is a haven of peace in the centre of the village. There is a series of interesting walks, viewpoints, picnic facilities and play parks throughout this 10 acre site, look out for the red squirrels! Pedestrian access from Shore Road.



#### **Downhill Forest**

Mussenden Road, BT51 4RP Located 1 mile from Castlerock on the A2

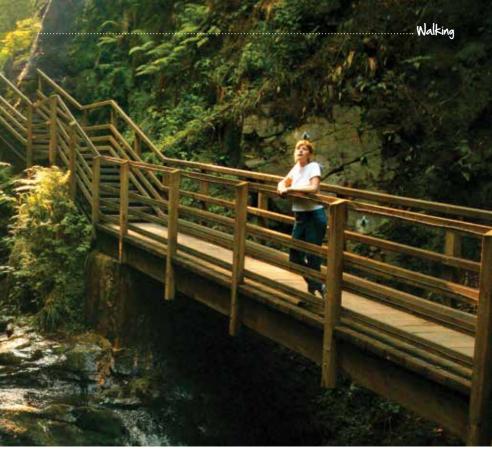
There are a number of enjoyable walks and rare trees through the 85 hectares of mixed commercial woodland around a beautiful lake, where you can take time to feed the ducks. Two of the biggest Sitka Spruce specimens in Ireland can also be found here. The forest is open from 8am until sunset for pedestrian and cycling access. The Ulster Way also runs through part of the forest. Part of Downhill Forest is linked into a province-wide cycling network called Sustrans (Route 93), running from the Mussenden Road down through mixed woodlands to Burrenmore Road.

#### Garvagh Forest

Main Street, Garvagh, BT51 5EF

Car park & picnic area located southend of Main Street, beside the river at Ballinameen Bridge

Covering over 200 hectares, Garvagh forest is situated on the outskirts of Garvagh, with trees from over 80 years old to those only planted at the turn of the 21st century, providing quiet walks and nature trails along the Agivey River. Watch out for spectacular bluebells in mid spring, the foxgloves in early summer, or the common spotted orchids are worth looking out for. The forest is also home to many birds and animals, including red squirrels, hares, finches and coal tits. The wildlife pond near the Forest Office is a haven for many aquatic species, especially frogs. Part of the Eagle's Glen Cycle Route is signposted through the forest.



#### **Glenariff Forest Park**

98 Glenariff Road BT44 0OX

Forest Park opens daily from 10am. All facilities open Easter-October. Charges apply.

Glenariff Forest Park is a beautiful scenic area based in one of the nine 'Glens of Antrim'. The unique Waterfall Walkway, opened 80 years ago, has been significantly upgraded along its 3 mile length which passes through a National Nature Reserve. The waterfalls provide a rich backdrop for photographers, as do the other forest trails, offering panoramic landscapes and peaceful riverside walks. A small visitor exhibition centre with interactive displays, tea rooms, restaurant and a caravan/camping site complement this "Gateway to the Glens". Disabled access and car parking available.

#### Croaghan Breen Forest Walk

Altarichard Road, Magherahoney, BT53 8YJ

At Breen Forest there is a self-guided way marked trail requiring sturdy waterproof boots. The route consists of open hillside, marhsy upland and forest tracks with fine views. Accessed by the Altrarichard Car Park situated on the scenic route between Magherahoney and Cushendall/Cushendun.

#### The Millibern

'The Millibern' is a three mile self guided way marked walk, also accessed from the Altarichard Car Park.



#### **Mountsandel Wood**

Mountsandel Road, Coleraine. BT52 1 IN

With over 21 hectares of prizewinning conservation woodland overlooking the River Bann. Mountsandel Wood contains the oldest known human settlement in Ireland. The circular forest walk passes a viewpoint at the ancient fort before leading down to the banks of the Bann, meandering close to the weir at The Cutts. Interpretative panels, highlighting the history and biodiversity of the site, help visitors to enjoy both the past and present of this unique woodland today.

#### Somerset Forest

Castleroe Road, Coleraine, BT51 3RL

This wood is situated one mile south of Coleraine on the A54 Castleroe Road. Somerset Forest was part of the original Somerset Estate and offers extensive views across the Bann to the ancient Fort at Mountsandel. The mature broadleaf and coniferous woodland now has several walking trails running through it as well as a fitness area near the entrance and a trail for less able visitors to 'Millennium Mile' standard. The woodland is also home to many species of bird and plant life. Herons nest beside the woodland and adult birds can be regularly seen at the side of the River Bann when the tide is low. Picnic tables and car parking available.

#### Springwell Forest

Dunhill Road, BT51 4JA

Located between Coleraine and Limavady on the A37

A predominantly coniferous woodland set in 1200 hectares of rolling landscape. Picnic tables and car parking are available.

### Parks & Gardens



#### Anderson Park

Circular Road, Coleraine, BT52 1PS

Situated in the centre of Coleraine, this attractively landscaped park includes an impressive children's adventure playground, suitable for children of all ages.

#### Benvarden Gardens

36 Benvarden Road, Dervock, Ballymoney, **BT53 6NN** 

T: 028 2074 1331 (Mr Hugh Montgomery) E: mail@benvardin.com

W. www benyardin com

Open Daily from 1st June to end of August 12noon - 5.30 p.m (Closed Mondays except Bank Holidays)

Benyarden House is an attractive house with an intriguing history, beautifully situated on the River Bush. The Walled Garden, about 2 acres in area, appears on a map dated 1788 and has been cultivated since then without interruption, although with alterations to the layout from time to time. Facilities on site include Tea Room/ Café and Toilets. Groups/Coach parties welcome. Car parking available. Euro accepted.

#### **Christie Park**

Strand Road, Coleraine, BT51 3AB

Christie Park has a welcoming riverside location placed between Coleraine's two bridges and contains many species of trees and flowers. The riverside path is open to cyclists and pedestrians. The park also features a jetty, providing access to the river.

#### Millennium Park. **Bushmills**

Access from Dunluce Road, Bridge Street & Main Street Car Park (via the new Millennium Footbridge) Open all year

With access for the disabled, the development includes footpaths, fishing bays, picnic areas and signage.

#### Riverside Park

Armour Ave, Ballymoney, BT53 7AG T: 028 2766 0230

Riverside Park is a superb open space, with 40 acres of parkland crossed with paths suitable for all users and is a quality accredited walking route. Enthusiastic walkers can combine the routes for a three-mile, figure-of-eight, circuit and take full advantage of the variety offered by Ballymoney's very own 'green gym'.

### Roe Valley Country Park

41 Dogleap Road, Limavady, **BT49 9NN** 

T: 028 7772 2074

E: roevalley2@doeni.gov.uk

The Roe Valley Country Park, situated outside Limavady, contains three miles of beautiful and tranquil scenery and offers the visitor a variety of riverside and woodland walks and scenery. The River Roe flows throughout the park and fishing for salmon and trout proves popular for angling enthusiasts visiting the region.

#### Somerset Riverside Park

Castleroe Road, BT51 3RL Located on the A54

Somerset Riverside Park, connecting Christie Park and The Cutts area, is a narrow strip of semi-natural riverside habitat on the west bank of the River Bann, overlooking Mountsandel Wood. Members of the public can enjoy a continuous riverside walk or cycle southwards from Coleraine town centre to Somerset Forest.

#### The Guy L Wilson Daffodil Garden

University of Ulster, Cromore Road, Coleraine, BT52 1SA T: 028 7012 3456 W: www.ulster.ac.uk

This garden was established not only as a memorial to the father figure of Irish Daffodil breeders, Guy Livingston Wilson (born 1886), but also as a centre where varieties from other well-known Irish breeders could be displayed. The site is a south-facing rath dating back 1500 years, lightly wooded and slopes towards the River Bann. Located in the grounds of the University of Ulster, The Daffodil Gardens are well worth a visit, particularly in the spring, with around 1500 old and modern varieties providing a magnificent splash of colour.







### Cycle Routes

# Ballyshannon to Ballycastle

(236 miles) - NCN Routes 91, 92 & 93

A significant section of the National Cycle Network (NCN) Route 93 passes through the northern section of the Causeway Coast and Glens. It is readily identifiable by distinctive signage. Substantial sections of this route offer superb coastal scenery and are along traffic-free cycle paths. These sections are suitable for novice cyclists and families with young children. Experienced cyclists may choose to venture off the signed routes and explore the countryside at their leisure.

The Lower Bann Cycleway is a 45 mile linear cycle route between Toome and Castlerock. The scenic route follows the Lower Bann River corridor from Lough Neagh to where the river enters the Atlantic Ocean at the Barmouth near Castlerock. The low-lying landscape of this river corridor provides a gentle cycle, leaving cyclists to enjoy the route at their leisure and take in the scenery of the Lower Bann.

Other cycling opportunities include two signed cycle routes centred on Garvagh; The "Eagle's Glen Cycle Route" (approx. 15 miles) explores the historic Errigal landscape centred on the picturesque Glenullin Valley, providing cyclists with superb views of the northern Sperrins foothills. The Bann Valley Cycle Route (approx. 15 miles), linking Garvagh and Kilrea, enables cyclists to enjoy the quiet country roads traversing the fertile landscape of the Bann Valley, with views of the Bann corridor and beyond towards the Antrim Hills.

#### The Meadows & Moorlands Cycle Route

(25 miles) links Ballymoney to the meadows and moorlands of North County Antrim. The area has a variety of raths, mottes and standing stones, testimony to an earlier age. The route is best travelled in an anticlockwise direction as this gives the best views of the villages and Antrim plateau. The route mainly uses country lanes but care should be taken whilst crossing main roads and on the short sections of 'B' roads near Ballymoney.

The River Cycle Route (approx. 15 miles) along the quiet roads on the East bank of the River Bann provides a great family cycle. The route takes you from Ballymoney, through Balnamore village towards Drumaheglis Marina and Caravan Park set on the banks of the River Bann. The quiet roads heading south towards Kilrea offer good views of the river and on the return

you travel north along the parallel inland road looking across rich farmland with the Antrim Hills in the background.

There are a number of cycle routes near Ballymoney to choose from where you can enjoy the beautiful rural countryside and explore many of the historic sites, including The Bush (18 miles), The Fisheries (15 miles), The Craigs (18 miles), The Mill (5 miles) and The Castle.

Rathlin Island's roads are quiet and ideal for walking and cycling. On the island you can follow the Sustrans National Cycle Route 93 to the west lighthouse, east lighthouse and Rue lighthouse. Visitors' cars are restricted but you may take your bikes on the Rathlin Island Ferry (prior booking essential).

T: 028 2076 9299

E: info@rathlinballycastleferry or www.rathlinballycastle.com





#### **Robin Ruddock**

12 Glenvale Avenue, Portrush, BT56 8HL T: 078 5840 4801

E: robinruddock@gmail.com W: www.robin-ruddock.com

Guided mountain bike trail riding as well as cycle tours along the Causeway Coast and Lower Bann Valley. Bike hire available as well as service and repair facility.

#### Causeway Cycle Adventures

116 Cappagh Avenue, Portstewart, BT55 7RZ

T: 079 0990 0916

E: info@causewaycycleadventures.co.uk

Causeway Cycle Adventures offer environmentally-friendly Kalkhoff electric bikes making cycling easier, faster and good fun when tackling the terrain in the Causeway Coast and Glens. Bikes are delivered to your door and collected again. Safety equipment of course is included in the cost of hire

#### **Roe Valley Cycles**

35 Catherine Street, Limavady BT49 9DA T: 028 7776 6406 E: info@rvc.co.uk

### Cycle Hire

#### Rest a While B&B

90 Castlenagree Road, Bushmills, Co. Antrim, BT578XL T: 028 2073 2869 E: restawhile.net@gmail.com W: www.restawhile.net

Cycle Hire- Daily Rate: £15. Delivery and collection available at no extra cost.

# Soerneog View Hostel and Cycle Hire

John and Jennifer McCurdy
Ouig, Rathlin Island
T: 028 2076 3954
W: www.rathlin-island.co.uk

#### Strandeen Bike Hire

63 Strand Road, Portstewart T: 028 7083 3159 E: strandeen@btinternet.com

W: www.strandeen.com



The Causeway Coast and Glens is an angler's paradise. The area offers stocked lakes, River Bann produces two thirds of all specimen coarse fish in Ireland and is one of the close to the Giant's Causewy on the North Antrim coast, the River Bush offers top clower part of the river has been divided into several day ticket stretches to give the bopportunity to fish in Roe Valley, both in the River Roe at the Roe Valley Country Parand Binevenagh Lake, an artificial lake managed by DCAL, stocked regularly with up to

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For further details visit www.nidirect.gov.uk/angling.



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E: theirishsociety@btconnect.com W: www.honourablerishsociety.org.uk Opening hours: 9.30am to 3pm Monday to Friday

For information regarding permits, prices and booking of river Lower Bann fishing please go to www.fishpal.com/Ireland/Bann or www.honourableirishsociety.org.uk

#### **Roe Angling Limited**

97 Castle Park, Limavady BT49 0SW E: info@roeangling.com W: www.roeangling.com

#### Leck Game Farm & **Sporting Agency**

95 Bravellen Road Ballymoney, BT53 7DU T: 028 2766 5554 E: betty.mcaleese@btinternet.com W: www.visitballymoney.com

Leck Game Farm and Sporting Agency offers visitors a wide range of fishing and shooting breaks tailored to suit their individual needs.

#### Movanagher Fish Farm

152 Vow Road, Ballymoney, BT53 7NT www.nidirect.gov.uk/angling peter.simpson@dcalni.gov.uk. 0300 200 7860

Movanagher is a working fish farm producing brown and rainbow trout for restocking angling waters throughout Northern Ireland. Tours can be arranged by appointment and consists of a visit to the hatchery and fish ponds where visitors may feed the fish



#### **River Bush Salmon Station**

21 Church Street, Bushmills, BT57 8QI T: 030 0200 7860 E: Bush@dcalni.gov.uk

When conditions are right, high quality salmon angling is available on four stretches of the river which are all situated within walking distance of the village. A Department of Culture, Arts and Leisure (DCAL) game rod licence is required along with your DCAL permit or day ticket to fish the four angling beats. Contact the above for full details

#### **Ballylagan Fishery**

Ballylagan Farm, 39 Ballylagan Road, Coleraine, BT52 2PQ

T/F: 028 7082 2251 M: 07769 836 265

W: www.ballylaganfishery.co.uk Open: Mon-Sat all year, dawn to dusk.

Ballylagan fishery is a true fishing experience. The five acre spring fed lake is stocked with rainbow trout and can reach depths of 30 feet. Fly fishing only, flies for sale, fish up to 25lbs, boat hire, toilet facilities.

#### Cashel Trout Fishery

17 Birren Road, Dungiven BT47 4SH

T: 028 7774 2159 M: 07999 013250

E: casheltrout@hotmail.com

Open: Monday – Thursday (B&B guests and

group bookings only)

Friday, Saturday and Sunday (open to

general public)

Cashel Rainbow Trout Fishery offers a sanctuary for the angler looking for solitude, whilst providing some of the most excellent and intensifying angling in Europe. Set deep in the heart of the Sperrin Mountains in an AONB, the lake is fed naturally from the adjacent River Roe. Stocked with quality rainbow trout, it is for fly fishing only.

#### Glenmore Fishery

94 Whitepark Road, Ballintoy, BT54 5LR T: 028 2076 3584

E: glenmorehouse@lineone.net W: www.glenmore.biz

Rod hire and bait are available at Magheralough Fly Fishing Lakes situated close to Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge. These lakes are stocked with rainbow and brown trout. Moorbrook Trout Fishery

46 Glebe Road, Castlerock, BT51 4SW

T: 028 7084 9408

E: moorbrook@hotmail.co.uk W: www.moorbrooklodge.co.uk

Open: Tuesday to Sunday 12 months a year

Trout fishery and tackle emporium. Stocked with brown and rainbow trout, fly fishing with a bait stream where children can fish with worms for perch and roach. Tackle hire available and fully qualified instructors are on site for tuition. Free tea and coffee and disabled access.

#### **Temple Springs Fishery**

11 Temple Road, Garvagh, BT51 5BH

T: 07830 345286

E: info@templesprings.co.uk W: www.templesprings.co.uk

Open hours: all year by appointment

Temple Springs is a catch and release bait fishing facility for large and small groups. An induction can be given if required. All tackle and bait will be supplied. There is a fishing lodge with toilets, kitchen, lounge, accommodation and BBQ.

### Deep Sea Fishing

# Ballycastle Sea Fishing Co-Operative

M: 07751 3 45791 E: cpmccaughan@aol.com W: www.ballycastle.info

April – End October.

Daily trips: 11am, 2pm, 7pm. All rods and tackle supplied free for 3 hours. Sea fishing from £20pp. MCA licence boat coded and

safe. Phone for pre-booking.

# Boy Matthew Sea Angling (MFV)

Portstewart Harbour, BT55 7DB Contact: Peter Boston M: 07764 514270 E: peter-boston@yahoo.co.uk

Operating from Portstewart Harbour, offering 2-3 hour fishing trips for families, groups and individuals. Departs 2.00pm and 6.00pm daily. Rods and tackle supplied. Six hours charter angling is also available for groups and clubs. Booking is required during peak season. "Boy Matthew" is code of practice approved by M.C.A. and licensed for 12 passengers.

#### **Brothers**

Portrush Harbour, BT56 8DF Contact: Dessie Stewart T: 07702 052918 E: dessie@portrushseafishing.co.uk W: www.portrushseafishing.co.uk

Open: May to October

The Brothers have been operating pleasure trips and deep sea fishing on the Causeway Coast for the past 40 years. Fishing trips are available for 3 hours, 6 hours or 8 hours. You can choose a deep sea angling trip for cod, pollock, skate, ling and turbot. Mackerel trips are also available.

#### The Causeway Explorer

Contact: William Verner M: 07712 115755

E: causewayexplorer@hotmail.co.uk

The Causeway Explorer takes fishing trips out of Ballycastle all year around, as well as sightseeing trips to Rathlin Island and Islay.



# Causeway Lass Deep Sea Fishing

The North Pier, Portrush Harbour, BT56 8DF Contact: Richard Connor T: 07712 115751 E: causewaylass@yahoo.com W: www.fishportrush.net

Open: March to December

Deep sea fishing trips departing daily from Portrush Harbour, Three hour mackerel fishing trips, rod, fishing tackle and bait supplied. Eight hour shark and wreck fishing trips, sightseeing trips and day trips to the Scottish islands of Islay, Jura and Gigha are also available.

#### Lady Lynda

T: 028 2076 9665 M: 07712 167502

Fishing trips around the North Antrim Coast.

#### **Predators Charters Ltd**

9 Bellisk Drive, Cushendall BT44 0AX T: 028 2177 1828 M: 07720 440117 E: info@predatorireland.com W: www.predatorireland.com

Angling, scenic tours along the North Antrim Coast, bird watching, seal watching, birthday parties, corporate entertainment, diving, Campbeltown runs, Islay whisky tours, TV filming.

### Angling Equipment & Supplies

#### Flying Tackle

74 Main Street, Portrush, BT56 8BN T: 028 7082 2209

(Seasonal opening) Fresh and frozen bait available. Sea angling specialists – rods available for hire. Leaflets, information and friendly advice on local fishing.

#### **Outdoor Country Sports**

58 Society Street, Coleraine, BT52 1LA T: 028 7032 0701

E: keith@outdoorandcountrysports.co.uk W: www.outdoorandcountrysports.co.uk

#### **Smyth's Country Sports**

1 Park Street, Coleraine, BT52 1BD T: 028 703 4 3970 E: stephensmyth44@gmail.com W: www.smythscountrysports.com

#### Roe Valley Fishing Tackle

10b Terrydremont Road, Limavady, BT49 0NL T: 028 7776 6688

#### S.J. Mitchell & Co

Central Car Park, Limavady, BT49 0ER T: 028 7772 2128



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### Activity Centres



#### Ardclinis Outdoor Adventure

Sundial House 11 High Street, Cushendall BT44 0NB T: 028 2177 1340 E: info@ardclinis.com W: www.ardclinis.com

We deliver a wide range of outdoor activities at various locations in the Moyle area. One of our most popular outings is Coasteering, which takes place at Dunseverick Harbour on the North Coast. We also offer a host of other activities: Outdoor Laser Tag, Climbing Wall, Archery, Canoeing, Kayaking, Zip Line, Rock Climbing, Abseiling, and Orienteering. Normally we work with large organised groups but do run a number of open events during the summer months. Contact us for more information

# Bushmills Education Centre

7 Priestland Road, Bushmills, BT578QP T: 028 2073 1599 E: Elizabeth.gibson@neelb.org.uk

Bushmills Education Centre is a fully staffed multi-purpose centre located on the outskirts

# Carrowmena Activity Centre & Hostel

100 Carrowclare Road, Limavady, BT49 9EB T: 028 7776 3431 E: info@carrowmena.co.uk W: www.carrowmena.co.uk

Carrowmena is based at the foot of Binevenagh in the beautiful Roe Valley. We offer action packed wet and dry activity packages for all ages and abilities along with different style accommodation from hostel, camping and glamping with optional catering for all.

# Foyle Hovercrafting & Leisure

71 Carrowclare Rd, Limavady, BT49 9EB T: 028 7772 2235 E: info@foylehov.com W: www.foylehov.com

Foylehov, an outdoor activity centre based just outside Limavady on the shores of Lough Foyle. Activities for all ages and abilities including Hovercrafting, Powerturn Buggying, Archery, Laser Clay Pigeon Shooting and Laser Combat, plus onsite catering is available. Open Monday to Sunday, booking is advisable.

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### Archery



### Blokart Sailing

#### **Blokart Fun**

T: 07835 949057 (George Brien)
E: blokartfun@gmail.com
W: www.blokartfun.co.uk

Experience the thrill of piloting a wind powered kart along the beautiful strand at Benone. This is a fun activity that both adults and children over 8 years can enjoy together. No previous sailing experience is necessary. The activity is weather dependent and can usually be booked at short notice.



### Climbing

# Mountaineering Ireland Sport Hq

National Sports Campus Blanchardstown, Dublin 15 T: 00 353 1625 1115 E: info@mountainering.ie W: www.mountaineering.ie

Fair Head is the greatest expanse of climbable rock in Ireland or Britain. It is the ultimate climbing venue stretching for 5 km. A copy of the "Fair Head Rock Climbing Guidebook" (2014) is available from Mountaineering Ireland, which describes over 400 routes that includes new routes since last published in 2002. Detailed colour maps, route explanations and photographs makes this an essential source of information for climbing at Fair Head.

#### Steve Hodge Mountaineering

T: 07773 359773

E: info@shmountaineering.co.uk W: www.shmountaineering.co.uk

SHMountaineering provides high quality mountain training in rock climbing, scrambling, navigation and hill walking. Located in Portrush, SHMountaineering is within a short drive of many exceptional climbing locations such as Fair Head and Donegal.





#### Causeway Flying Club

Causeway Airfield, Rhee Lane, Aghadowey, BT51 4BE Contact: Mark Holmes T: 028 7082 3793 M: 07803 717711

Come and experience the joy of flight with one of our experienced CAA approved instructors. No previous experience necessary. See the beautiful Causeway Coast from 2000 feet and marvel at the views. Full instruction for a pilot's license is available.

#### **Ulster Gliding Centre**

The Airfield, Seacoast Road, Bellarena, Limavady, BT49 OLA Contact: James Weston/Simon Langtry T: 028 7775 0301 (Weekends) M: 07709 808276

E: secretary@ulsterglidingclub.org W: www.ulsterglidingclub.org

Learn to fly in a two-seat dual control glider or take a one-off trial session at one of the finest soaring sites in these islands, beneath the cliffs of Binevenagh on the shore of Lough Foyle. No previous experience is necessary. Special Offer Trial lesson – £65 per person, includes 3 months club membership (prices subject to change).

# The Ulster Hang Gliding and Paragliding Club

T: 07813 859348 (Ian Fraser, Secretary) E: secretary@uhpc.co.uk W: www.uhpc.co.uk

Learn to fly in a two seat dual control glider. No previous experience necessary. Enjoy flying training or a one off trial lesson at one of the finest soaring sites on these islands, in the beautiful setting beneath the cliffs of Binevenagh on the shores of Lough Foyle.

### Cloud Surfer Ireland

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### Karting

#### **Go ProKart Racing**

58 Movanagher Road, Kilrea, BT51 5YI

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E: info@goprokartracing.com
W: www.goprokartracing.com

**Opening Times** 

Apr-Oct: Tues-Friday 12noon - 9pm;

Saturday 9am-9pm

Oct-Mar: Tues-Friday 3pm-9pm

Saturday 9am-9pm Closed Mondays

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W: www.room2race.co.uk

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### Orienteering





### Shooting

#### **Leck Game Farm & Sporting Agency**

95 Bravellen Road, Ballymoney, BT53 7DU T: 028 2766 5554 E: betty.mcaleese@btinternet.com

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#### Wild Geese Skydiving Centre

116 Carrowreagh Road, Garvagh, BT51 5LQ

T: 028 2955 8609

E: wild.geese@btconnect.com W: www.skydivewildgeese.com

The centre offers tandem sky-diving and static line solo courses. It is one of the best equipped centres within the British

Parachute Association with a purpose built hangar. The centre is open seven days a week all year round from dawn till dusk and suffers no altitude restrictions.

# Adventure Specialists Mobile Team Adventure

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# Touring

The Causeway Coastal Route has been described as "one of the world's great road journeys". The 120 mile way-marked trail takes you on a voyage of some of the most outstanding scenic drives and follows a path to most



# The Causeway Coastal Route (Via A2)

Downhill-Castlerock-Coleraine-Portstewart- Portrush-Portballintrae-Bushmills (Allow 45 minutes plus extra for stopping) - The North Coast forms part of the stunning Causeway Coastal Route, covering some of the most spectacular and dramatic scenery in Ireland. With beautiful stretches of unspoilt coastline, the journey features a number of picturesque towns and villages and celebrated landmarks. For details of the full Causeway Coastal Route and suggested itineraries visit www. causewaycoastandglens.com or contact a local Visitor Information Centre.

### Torr Scenic Drive (Off The A2 At B92)

On a clear day magnificent views can be seen from Torr Head across to Scotland's Mull of Kintyre and the Isles of Jura and Islay. Torr Head was once the site of an ancient fort and a walk up to the disused

coast guard lookout rewards you with magnificent views.

#### Navigation & Plantation Historical Touring Route

The Historical Touring Route focuses on three elements: the town of Coleraine, the River Bann and the Ulster Plantation and is designed to take you on a journey from past to present through beautiful landscape, dramatic scenery and hidden lands. You will begin your tour in Coleraine, travelling through a once forgotten countryside, learning of the folklore and the history that is evident in every tree and building, new or old. The enchanting tour uncovers the struggles and triumphs that have struck the land throughout the ages. You are sure to find beauty in the rugged landscape, old architecture and the knowledge of the people who once depended so highly on their natural landscape. The Historical Touring Route is available to download from www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com

#### Glens Town and Village Tourist Trails

T: 028 2076 2024

The Glens Town and Village 3D tourist trails are the perfect way for you to get out and explore the stunning 9 Glens of Antrim. Hidden in every location you will discover fascinating stories, historical facts and many of the myths and legends of the area. A trail can be downloaded from www.visitcausewaycoastandglens. com or collected from Ballycastle Visitor Information Centre.

#### North Sperrins Heritage Trail

T: 028 7776 0650 W: www.sperrinsheritage.com

This scenic heritage trail through the North Sperrins has a strong collection of archaeological sites, cultural heritage, myths and legends and many more interpretative stories.

# O'Cahan's Quest, a treasure trail of Limavady

(Starting Point: Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre, 24 Main Street, Limavady, RT49 OFI )

T: 028 7776 0650

Collect the clues which will help you find the secret locations on the O'Cahan's Quest Treasure Trail. Learn more about the area of Limavady through this mysterious trail. Pick up a Treasure Trail booklet from Limavady Visitor Information Centre which is presented in an exciting 3D format and is accompanied with 3D glasses.

#### **Orra Scenic Route**

T: 028 2766 0230

On the Orra Scenic Drive, you will enjoy the spectacular scenery and panoramic views over the unspoiled landscapes of the Antrim Glens from Slievenorra by taking the drive between Magherahoney and Cushendall/Cushendun.

# The Limavady Myths and Legends Sculpture Trail

T: 028 7776 0650 W: www.roevalleyarts.com

The Limavady Myths and Legends Sculpture Trail is an original way to allow visitors to experience the area's most celebrated tales. The essence and legacies of Limavady are captured within seven exceptional works of art, depicting the stories in an innovative way. Discover tales of merciless highwaymen pillaging unsuspecting travellers, lovers and banshees or seek a gift for an ancient sea god. Listen to the faery harp playing 'Danny Boy', marvel at the leaping dog and unearth the last serpent in Ireland.



#### **Rural Route**

Coleraine - Garvagh(A29) - Kilrea(B64) -Ballymoney(B70) - Coleraine(A26)

Travelling inland from the coast, you will discover a wealth of history, heritage and cultural interests. The rural villages of the region are filled with character and charm and the woodland, rivers, forests and hills provide an excellent natural, outdoor playground for a choice of recreational activities.

### Discovery Points

#### **Ballintoy Harbour**

Harbour Rd., Ballycastle, BT54 6NA

Idyllically situated between the Giant's Causeway and Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, this area is renowned for its historic harbour, breath-taking views of Rathlin Island and Scotland beyond, spectacular geological architecture, large seabird colonies and rare plants.

The harbour reached by a steep winding road is a painters' paradise with its sea stacks,

rocky islands, pools and busy harbour. It is also part of the Causeway Coast Path, one of Europe's great cliff-top and wild beach walks.

This is also used as one of the film locations for the popular Game of Thrones® fantasy TV series. A full Game of Thrones Itinerary is available – contact one of our Visitor Information Centres for more information.

A large car park and picnic facilities are available beside the café.



## Loughareema Vanishing Lake

#### Loughareema Rd, Cushendall, BT44 0TA

A lonely and mysterious Moorland Lake, sometimes called the "Vanishing Lake". One day a sparkling lake, a few days later a bed of cracked mud and not a drop of water in sight, this is indeed a mysterious place.

#### Portbraddan

#### Portbraddan Rd. Bushmills. BT57 8TA

Picturesque fishing village, under the cliff at the end of White Park Bay. The name means "port of the salmon", it still has an operational slipway for salmon fishermen.

Portbraddan is noted as the location for the smallest Church in Ireland, St Gobban's. Limited parking and access to the coastal path.

### Viewing Points & Picnic Areas



# Altarichard Picnic Area & View Point

Atlarichard is on the scenic route between Magherahoney and Cushendall with a car park, picnic area, viewpoint facilities and hillwalking routes.

#### **Ballyhacket Viewing Point**

Ballyhacket Lane, Downhill, BT51 4SU

Ballyhacket, approximately 3 miles south west of Castlerock and within the

Binevenagh Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), provides wonderful panoramic views towards the north and east of the Province including Donegal, the Antrim Hills and the Causeway Coast.

#### **Gortmore View Point**

Bishop's Road, Limavady, BT49 OFJ

Gortmore View Point is situated on the Bishop's Road, on the Binevenagh Loop which is part of the Causeway Coastal Route. On a clear day views extend across There is a number of viewing points and picnic areas dotted along the coastline for you to enjoy - too numerous to list individually, but here are a few.



to Donegal and the islands of Islay and Jura off the west coast of Scotland.

There are many other stopping places near Limavady including Largentea, Feeny Picnic Area, Swann's Bridge, Carrickhue and Cashel.

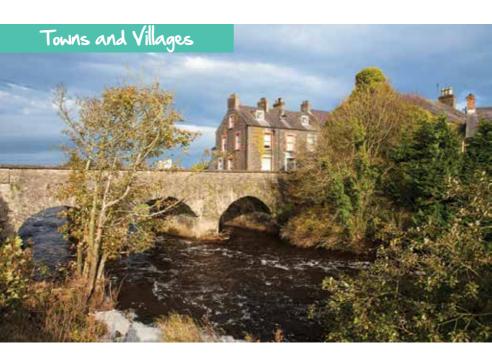
# Magheracross Viewing Point & Picnic Area

Dunluce Road, Portrush, BT57 8UY

Located just west of Dunluce Castle, Magheracross is an excellent spot to stop and enjoy a picnic and take in the stunning, coastal scenery often missed when travelling by car along the coast road.

#### **Portnaeevey View Point**

Situated close to Carrick-a-rede Rope Bridge, Portnaeevey has a spectacular viewing point of the famous rope bridge. It has a spacious car park with several picnic areas.



#### **Ballycastle**

There is a wealth of activities from golf, tennis, sailing and watersports or less challenging pursuits such as shopping or a leisurely stroll along the beach. Enjoy delicious homemade ice-cream or end the day with a meal or drink in one of the many relaxing restaurants and lively pubs. Tradition and culture run parallel with modern living in this unique town making Ballycastle a must to visit, any time of the year.

#### **Ballymoney**

Ballymoney town boasts Riverside Park - 40 acres of parkland complete with trim trails and green gym. The newly re-developed Megaw Park offers soccer pitches, tennis courts and interactive play equipment and tone zone. Visit the Memorial Gardens where people from all over the world have come to pay their respects to racing brothers Joey and Robert Dunlop. Balllmoney's retail centre offers more than the typical high street experience with a

charming mix of family-run shops and a vibrant café culture.

#### Rushmills

Bushmills, home to the world's oldest licensed distillery, is steeped in history. At least 7 mills were sited on the river Bush processing corn, flax, spades and ironwork, timber, paper and eventually in the 1880's a generating station to power the new tram linking Portrush to the Giant's Causeway - the world's first hydroelectric railway system.

Bushmills is a Conservation town with some 80 listed buildings, shops, cafes, restaurants and both hostelries. Two Corn Mills, both with working water wheels, have been restored as private residences. Vacant buildings are even attracting visitor attention and world-wide publicity as the windows and doors have been imaginatively used to re-create old grocer/pubs and shops while replicas of the panels can be found in Silver Springs, Maryland, 10 miles north of Washington DC.





#### Castlerock

Castlerock is a small, quiet resort situated just a kilometre from where the River Bann meets the sea at The Barmouth with a fine beach and championship golf course. It is an attractive, peaceful village in which to enjoy forest and coastal walks, birdwatching, angling or tennis. The beautiful beach and attractions at nearby Downhill offer some of the most scenic views in Northern Ireland.

#### Coleraine

Coleraine is the principal town on the Causeway Coast. Situated on the banks of the River Bann, it boasts an attractive pedestrian area with award winning floral displays. Soaked in history, with charm and character, the town offers a unique mix of old and new.

#### Cushendall

(on the A2 coast road between Glenariff and Cushendun)

Cushendall is a conservation town and is known locally as "The Capital of the Glens" at the foot of Lurigethan Mountain. Francis Turnley, who built the prominent Curfew Tower in its centre in 1817, owned Cushendall, once known as "Newtownglens". Troublesome citizens were confined in this tower. There is a minor road from the shore near Cushendall Golf Club that winds uphill to the remains of the ancient church and graveyard of Layde, a quiet place from which to enjoy views of Red Bay and the lush countryside surrounding Cushendall.



#### Cushendun

(Off the A2 coast road between Cushendall and Ballycastle)

This attractive village, owned by the National Trust, is best known for its unusual Cornishstyle cottages, (the work of Clough William Ellis between 1912 and 1925). The ruins of Castle Carra stands in a field above Rockport House at the north end of Cushendun Bay. This was a 15th Century MacDonnell stronghold. There are delightful walks along Glendun River to Glendun viaduct, a most impressive structure built in 1839 by the world renowned English Architect Sir Charles Lanyon of the 19th Century.

Cushendun Caves in the village were used as one of the film locations for the popular Game of Thrones® TV series. Contact Visitor Information Centres for a full Game of Thrones® Itinerary.

#### **Dungiven**

The market town of Dungiven (meaning Given's Fort) lies nine miles south of Limavady near the foot of Benbradagh mountain. Dungiven provides visitors with a range of locally owned shops on its Main Street and contains historic features such as Dungiven Priory and Castle Garvagh.

#### Garvagh

A market town standing south of Coleraine and close to both the Rivers Bann and Agivey - the ideal spot for the game and coarse angler. There are many ancient and historic churches in the area waiting to be explored.

#### Kilrea

A busy market town with two nine-hole golf courses, Kilrea is situated on the scenic inland route from Coleraine beside the River Bann. It is a major river and lake angling centre on one of the most idyllic stretches of the Bann with 70 fishing stands available.

#### Limavady

www.roevalleychamber.com

Characterised by family-owned independent retailers, Limavady has a unique choice not found in many of the high streets. Offering a distinctive mix of retailers that caters for all, great service,

quality products and a friendly atmosphere – in a time when town centres are all the same, Limavady is decidedly different.

#### **Portrush**

Northern Ireland's favourite holiday resort, Portrush has everything needed for a break away. Home to the highly acclaimed Royal Portrush Golf Club, the resort also offers a host of activities for all the family. A days fishing or sightseeing can be organized on a local charter boat and surfers can enjoy the consistent North Atlantic swell off the spectacular award winning beaches. Visitors to Portrush will enjoy the picturesque harbour surrounded by restaurants, wine bars and and the award winning Harbour Bar, the beautiful sandy beaches that stretch for miles and everything you expect from a traditional resort

#### **Portstewart**

The upper and lower walks of Portstewart Promenade along the shore provide spectacular views across the North Coast to the Inishowen Peninsula. Stroll along the Strand via the winding cliff path or watch the world go by from one of the famed icecream parlours, cafes, pubs or restaurants. Browse in the colourful art galleries, craft and gift shops, or enjoy an afternoon's golf, tennis or bowls.





#### Tommy Collins Blue Badge Guide

33 New Row, Kilrea, BT51 5TA T: 028 2954 0645 M: 079 8939 7942

E: collinskilrea@btinternet.com

W: www.beguided.co.uk

Tours can be planned for church groups, tourists, conference delegates, tour operators and corporate groups. Interests include walking in rural Ireland, vintage vehicles, local history, folklore, Irish and Scottish traditional music, ornithology, conservation, Ulster Scots history and Pre-Christian Ireland.

#### **Tim Conway**

T: 028 7082 5678 M: 07802957567

E: timconway@btinternet.com

Specialising in Irish history, golf tours, genealogical research, Giant's Causeway and Derry~Londonderry.

#### The Golf PA

20 Loughan Road, Coleraine, BT52 1UB T: 028 7032 6707 M: 07511 888 888 E: info@thegolfpa.com

W: www.thegolfpa.com

The GolfPA.com provides bespoke golf vacations throughout all areas of Ireland and Northern Ireland with tailor-made itineraries allowing clients to hand pick the courses they play, the accommodation type they stay in and the method of transport needed to fully enjoy a wonderful experience in the 'World Capital of Golf'.

### Camper Hire **Causeway Campers**

141 Atlantic Road, Portrush, BT56 8PB T: 077 9077 5471

E: hire@causewaycampers.com W: www.causewaycampers.com

If you're looking for a holiday where you can be free to explore the beautiful scenery and coastline of the Causeway Coast and Glens, whilst surrounded by home comforts, a classic or modern camper van or motor home from Causeway Campers will give you the holiday you'll talk about for years. Based in Portrush, and offering convenient pick up points, including Belfast International and City Airports, Causeway Campers will happily work with you to create a bespoke itinerary so you can enjoy the holiday of a lifetime ... there will be an adventure round every corner.



# Harbours & Marinas

# Ballycastle & Rathlin Marinas

14 Bayview Road, Ballycastle, BT54 6BT T: 028 2076 8525 M: 078 0350 5084 W: www.ballycastlemarina.com

Ballycastle's superb 74-berth marina is situated on the spectacular North Antrim Coast. It offers excellent scope for marine travel around Ireland and Scotland.

Portnagree House at Ballycastle Harbour offers on-shore facilities to provide visitors with modern toilets, showers, a kitchen and laundry facilities as well as internet access. The Harbour Master's office and meeting facilities are also accommodated in the building.

Rathlin offers pontoons with berthing capacity for approximately 42 boats.







#### **Coleraine Marina**

64 Portstewart Road, Coleraine, BT52 1RS T: 028 7034 4768

# Drumaheglis Marina

36 Glenstall Road, Ballymoney, BT53 7QN T: 028 2766 0227 E: drumaheglis@causewaycoastandglens.

gov.uk

Open all year.

Drumaheglis Marina is one of the few and most attractive access points to the Lower River Bann, with superb natural landscapes, making it an idyllic riverside location for cyclists, walkers and water enthusiasts. The modern 5 star award winning accessible caravanning, camping and glamping facilities make Drumaheglis Marina and

Caravan Park the perfect touring base for visiting the Causeway Coast and Glens region. Fishing, sailing and canoeing are just some of the fun activities on hand to enjoy.

## **Portrush Harbour**

Harbour Road, Portrush, BT56 8DF T: 028 7082 2307

#### **Portstewart Harbour**

The Promenade, Portstewart, BT55 7TD T: 028 703 4 4768

#### Portballintrae Harbour

Beach Road, Portballintrae, BT57 8RT T: 028 7034 4768



# Coleraine Yacht Club

The Marina, Portstewart Road, Coleraine, BT52 1EY T: 028 7034 4503 M: 078 6084 1398

E: coleraineyachtclub@googlemail.com W: www.coleraineyachtclub.co.uk

Coleraine Yacht Club, RYA 2012 'Club of the Year' is a (RYA RTE) Training Centre offering courses in power boating, dinghy sailing, first aid and VHF Radio. It has a growing membership demonstrating its commitment to the sailing environment and contribution to community development.

# Cushendall Sailing and Boating Club

Coast Road, Cushendall, BT44 0AF T: 028 2177 1673 W: www.csbc.co.uk

CSBC facilities include changing and toilet facilities, a secure boat park and social area with bar. CSBC host a series of events and races throughout the year. The sailing school provides a wide range of training courses from Easter to Halloween.



## Portrush Yacht Club

7 Harbour Road, Portrush, BT56 8DF T: 028 7082 3932 M: 07929 781236 (Ivor Neill) E: nickchristie@gmail.com

Training centre offering courses in power boating, sailing, diving, kayaking / canoeing, first aid and VHF radio. Training available for both adults and children. Angling section also within the club.

## Portballintrae Boat Club

The Harbour, Portballintrae, BT57 8RT T: 028 2073 2301

Temporary membership available.



# Sailing Courses

# Causeway Power and Sail

Scallywag, Coleraine Marina, 64 Portstewart Road, Coleraine, BT52 1EY Contact: Fergus Henderson T: 078 3347 4057
E: Fergus@causewaypowerandsail.co.uk W: www.causewaypowerandsail.co.uk Open: April to November

Sail cruising and powerboat training centre (RYA recognized) offering practical and shorebased instruction, day sailing, skipperedcharter holidays cruising the ancient sea kingdom of Dalriada from the Causeway Coast to the Scottish islands.

# Sailing Trips Causeway Coast Sailing

Contact Chris Carton
M: 077 5922 8111
E: info@causewaycoastsailing.com

W: www.causewaycoastsailing.com

Enjoy a day's sailing on Antrim's scenic Causeway Coast on a 24ft yacht departing from Ballycastle Marina or Rathlin Island. Sailing trips from £17pp.



Equestrian centres provide qualified, helpful and experienced guides, allowing advanced riders and novices alike to enjoy trekking. Full and half day treks and lessons for all ages and abilities are available at most centres.

# **Crindle Stables**

6 Carrowclare Road, Myroe, Limavady, **BT49 9ED** 

T: 028 7776 8257

M: 07747 695542 / 07738 516106

E: info@crindlestables.co.uk

W: www.crindlestables.co.uk

Crindle Stables is a fantastic horse riding experiencing catering for all ages and abilities, from beginner to those at competition level. Situated on the Causeway Coastal route, Crindle Stables provides lessons (private or group), hacking, beach rides, specialist show jumping, dressage and also riding breaks.

Crindle Stables also offers a range of other activities including archery, zorbing and team building.

# Faughanvale Pony **Trekking Centre**

11 Dunlade Road, Greysteel, BT47 3EF

T: 028 7181 1843

E: valestables@hotmail.co.uk W: www.faughanvalestables.co.uk

Faughanvale Stables has a wide range of facilities including an indoor arena, 2 outdoor arenas (1 floodlit and non-dusty), fantastic hacking and a cross country course for more advanced riders. Faughanvale caters for beginners.





# Hill Farm Riding Centre

47 Altikeeragh Road, Castlerock, BT51 4SR T: 028 7084 8629 M: 07818 036285 E: admin@hillfarmridingcentre.co.uk W: hillfarmridingcentre.co.uk

Open: July, August and Bank Holidays: Mon-Sat 9am - 5pm

Rest of year: Sat by appointment.

Family run riding centre, offering safe supervised riding for all the family. Individual or group lessons are available. Pony trekking, hill rides and beach hacks for experienced riders. Full and holiday livery provided. Approved by BHS (British Horse Society) and licensed by the Department of Agriculture.



# Island Equestrian Centre

49 Ballyrashane Road, Coleraine, BT52 2NL T: 028 7034 2599 E: mccollum@islandirishart.com W: www.theislandequestriancentre.com

Riding lessons from beginner to advanced standard, provided by BHS qualified instructor.

# **Maddybenny Riding Centre**

18 Maddybenny Farm, (off Loguestown Road), Portrush, BT52 2PT Contact: Philip White T: 028 7082 3394 M: 07732 630963 E: riding@maddybenny.com

W: www.maddybenny.com
Open: 9am - 5pm all year round

The BHS highly commended riding school situated in a picturesque farm setting is part of the NITB award winning Maddybenny, (self-catering cottages/B&B/riding centre/campsite). There are 20 reliable horses/ponies and catering for riders of all ability. We welcome individuals, families, groups/clubs and disabled riders for a relaxed riding experience or lessons.

# **Sheans Riding Centre**

38 Coolkeeran Road ,Armoy Ballymoney, BT53 8XL M: 07759 320434 E: danny@sheanshorsefarm.com W: www.sheanshorsefarm.com

Sheans Riding Centre has the most extensive off road horse riding facility along the whole of Ireland's North Coast. Using a team of 50 horses and ponies, all riding takes place on miles of off- road tracks. Trekking is for novice riders and beginners whereas with the hacking you can choose to ride at your own level with cross- country riding and jumping for experienced riders. Suitable for all levels of riding, regardless of age and ability.

# Leisure & Sports Facilities

#### Benone

53 Benone Avenue, Limavady, BT49 0LQ T: 028 7775 0555

Benone Tourist Complex is an award winning holiday park with activities including nine hole par three golf course, golf practice range, tennis courts, outdoor heated splash pools and activities areas with play park. New for Summer 2015 bistro, events delivery area and crazy golf.

### Coleraine Leisure Centre

Railway Road, Coleraine, BT52 1PE T: 028 7035 6432

Opening hours: Mon-Fri: 8am-10pm; Sat: 9am-6pm; Sun: 2pm-6pm (Please note opening times of swimming pool may vary)

Coleraine Leisure Centre boasts one of the most up to date leisure centre facilities in Northern Ireland. The swimming pool offers a superb minor pool suitable for parents with very young children. Fun features include a mini walrus slide and bubbling water volcano. The 'Gym' Fitness Studio offers comprehensive cardio-vascular and fitness equipment and there is a superb health suite comprising a sauna, steam room and spa. 'The Court' is an all new fitness room for classes in spin cycling and Pilates. The centre also includes a cafeteria. There is disabled access to all facilities including separate changing areas.

# **Dungiven Sports Pavilion**

3 Chapel Road, Dungiven, BT47 4LG T: 028 7774 2074

The Sports Pavilion caters for indoor football, handball, racquetball and squash. It can also facilitate children's birthday parties. The pavilion has a state of the art fitness suite, with a range of memberships available. It has an indoor cycling studio and also offers a range of fitness classes.

## Joey Dunlop Leisure Centre

33 Garryduff Rd, Ballymoney, BT53 7DB T: 028 2766 0260

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9.30am-10pm; Sat 9.30am-8.30pm; Sun 1.30pm-5.30pm.

Facilities include: 25m pool, 10m learner pool, 3 x meeting rooms, children's soft play area, 2 x multi- purpose sports halls, 78-station fitness suite and exercise studio, health suite (including spa, steam room, sauna and heated loungers). Outdoor facilities include tennis courts, astro pitches.

#### Kilrea Sports Complex Craiglea Gardens, Kilrea, BT51 5QZ T: 028 2954 1483

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-10pm; Sat 10am-6pm; Sun closed

Multi-purpose sports hall, catering for indoor bowls, 5-a-side football, netball and many other sporting activities; can also be used for private functions such as birthday parties, meetings, concerts etc. Also provides an outdoor soccer/Gaelic football pitch, outdoor bowling pavilion and children's play park.

# **Megaw Park**

Coleraine Road, Ballymoney, BT53 T: 028 2766 0230

The newly-redeveloped Megaw Park will cater for your outdoor activity needs, offering soccer pitches and tennis courts for fun or competitive sport. Adults can work out in the 'tone zone' which incorporates a range of outdoor gym equipment, while a new trim trail and adventure play area provides a range of exciting and challenging play equipment for teenagers.

# Ramore Head Recreation Grounds and Play Park

Ramore Head, Portrush, BT56 8BB T: 028 7082 4441 (seasonal)

Opening hours:

Recreation Grounds: Easter & summer months: Mon-Sat 10am-Dusk; Sun 1-7pm Children's Play Park: Open all year

Twelve top class tennis courts lie alongside two bowling greens, one golf putting area and one crazy golf area, with regular matches and tournaments providing plenty of entertainment. The Play Park has an extensive range of play equipment. The

grounds are serviced with a fully equipped pavilion, changing rooms and a hire facility for tennis, bowls and putting.

# Roe Valley Leisure Centre

9 Greystone Road, Limavady, BT49 0ND T: 028 7776 4009 E: info@rvlc.co.uk W: www.rvlc.co.uk

A modern leisure complex, comprising of two pools, sports halls, fitness suite, health suite, squash court and meeting rooms, the centre caters for sports, fitness and recreation activities. RVLC have recently developed Kidz Ahoy Soft Play Area, which is a state of the art soft play area based on a pirate theme.

#### Portstewart Warren

Old Coach Road, Portstewart, BT55 2HD T: 07738 340805

This recreation area incorporates a children's play park, 2 tennis courts, 2 bowling greens and 1 football pitch complemented by a state of the art bowling pavilion and football changing facility. Equipment is available to hire. Booking is advisable for all sporting activities.

# Tennis

Anderson Park, Millburn Road, Coleraine, BT52 1QX T: 028 7034 7234. 4 floodlit synthetic courts.

Benone, 53 Benone Avenue, Limavady, BT49 0LQ T: 028 7775 0555 E: benone.complex@limavady.gov.uk

Lisanduff Avenue, Portballintrae, BT57 8RU T: 028 7034 7234. 1 court.

Recreation Grounds, Freehall Road, Castlerock, BT51 4TP T: 028 7034 7234. 2 courts.

Sheskburn Recreation Centre, 7 Mary Street, Ballycastle BT54 6QH T: 028 2076 3300

5 Grass and 6 All Weather (Floodlit) courts - the only grass courts in Northern Ireland.





#### The Arcadia

Adjacent to East Strand, Portrush T: 075 2549 6968 (seasonal)/028 7034 7234 E: yayagillen@hotmail.com W: www.facebook.com/arcadiaportrush

Upstairs open for classes and art space all year - check website for details. The Arcadia houses a café (open Easter-Sept), an art gallery and fitness and well-being studio offering a selection of yoga classes, pilates, Tai chi, taebo and bokwa. The timetable is updated every season. The studio space is also available to hire for small weddings, workshops and seminars. New entry:

# Roe Park Resort

T: 028 7772 2222 E: thespa@roeparkresort.com W: www.roeparkresort.com/spa

One of the premier spa break destinations in Northern Ireland combines stunning settings and expertly prepared treatments to create total oasis and a sensual, relaxing break. De-stress, relax and renew under the expert hands of highly-trained therapists and choose from a selection of relaxation treatments, and beauty therapies alongside our Aqua Meditation chamber, sauna and steam suite, heated pool and gym.

# Springwell Manor Health Farm and B&B

7 Ballystrone Road, Macosquin, Coleraine, BT51 4IF Contact: Iennifer Cochrane T: 028 7035 3505 E: jen@springwellmanor.com W: www.springwellmanor.com

Springwell Manor Health Farm offers a true sanctuary, where you can rejuvenate the body and deeply relax the mind. It has the distinctive 'home from home' feeling which makes guests feel very much at ease. Treatments and facilities include: facials, handcare, footcare, tanning, waxing, body and holistic therapies, toning table, yoga and Turkish baths etc.

# Yoga Kula Studio

6 Gateside Business Park, Gateside Road Coleraine, BT52 2PB Contact: Heather Wright M: 078 1043 5921

Daytime and evening yoga classes, drop in classes, one-to-one sessions, customised group classes, workshops and events.

# Markets/Local Produce

# CRANBERNIES 2509 £4.50

The Causeway Coast and Glens has an enviable reputation for food and drink with a wide choice of hotels, bars, cafés and restaurants and artisan bakeries offering the finest local produce – seek out Smoke-Roasted Organic Salmon from North Coast Smokehouse, Free Range Rose Veal, Cabrito Meat and goat from Broughgammon Farm and fresh fish and shellfish caught in local waters from Morton's Fishmongers. No trip to the Causeway Coast and Glens is complete without tasting our local ice-cream from award winning Morellis, Maud's and Mullins.

# Old Bushmills Distillery

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Old Bushmills Whiskey is arguably the most famous export from the Causeway Coast and Glens. Enjoyed by millions throughout the world you can visit the distillery and find out how it is made and what makes it so special.

# **Ballycastle Market**

M: 07723 622008

E: ballycastlemarket@gmail.com W: www.facebook.com/ballycastlemarket

Ballycastle Market is held regularly throughout the year in a Marquee at the Seafront in Ballycastle and in various in-door venues. A chance to see, sample and buy some great local food and locally produced arts and crafts. The Ballycastle Market is managed by the Ballycastle Market Group, a not for profit community group.

# Causeway Speciality Market

The Diamond, Coleraine, BT52 1DP T: 028 7034 7045 / 07702 910 884 Open: 2nd Saturday of every month 9.00am-4pm

The Causeway Speciality Market is a bustling, organic, speciality food and craft market held around Coleraine Town Hall on the second Saturday of each month. It is the largest regular outdoor market in Northern Ireland offering fabulous fish, cheeses, home baked speciality breads, olives, spices, coffees, organic fruit and vegetables and a superb range of quality crafts such as handmade jewellery, wood crafts, candles and soaps.



# **Arkhill Open Farm**

25 Drumcroone Road, Garvagh, BT81 4EB T: 028 2955 7920

Organic eggs, pork and lamb, seasonal turkey and chicken. Also available as North West Organics at the Causeway Speciality Market, Coleraine (see above) and the Derry City Market held on the first Saturday of every month. Please contact directly to check if open to the public.

#### **Braemar Ice Cream Farm**

67 Altikeeragh Road, Castlerock, BT51 4ST T: 028 7084 8331 M: 077 9947 1199 E: ruth@braemarfarmicecream.co.uk W: www.braemarfarmicecream.com

Braemar Ice Cream is made with fresh milk straight from the parlour, locally sourcing ingredients, the finest fruits and Italian equipment to ensure the products are made the Artisan way. Visitors are welcome to see the cows being milked in the viewing gallery while enjoying a scrumptious ice cream.

# **Broighter Gold Rapeseed Oil**

80 Broighter Road, Limavady, BT49 9DY T: 07912 076607 E: info@broightergold.com

W: www.broightergold.con

Visit artisans of the Économusée network and learn about their history, traditional production techniques and contemporary products, stamped with identity and originality. Discover Artisans at work! Broighter Gold Rapeseed Oil is produced on Broglasco Farm in Myroe located on the slight outskirts of Limavady on the edge of Lough Foyle.

# **Claggan Farm**

116 Highlands Road, Limavady, BT49 9LU T: 028 7772 2544

Pick your own Seasonal Fruit Farm. (Strawberries, Raspberries, Blackcurrants and Gooseberries)



# **Ballymoney Town Hall**

Townhead St, Ballymoney, BT53 6BE T: 028 2766 0230

Ballymoney Town Hall is the venue for a wide range of cultural and arts events and activities. Throughout the year the programme includes music, dance, talks and exhibitions. It is also the home of Ballymoney Drama Festival, the oldest drama festival in Ireland.

#### Flowerfield Arts Centre

185 Coleraine Road, Portstewart, BT55 7HU T: 028 7083 1400 E: info@flowerfield.org W: www.flowerfield.org Open: Mon- Fri 9am - 5pm; Sat 10am-1pm

Flowerfield Arts Centre is a dedicated arts facility with exhibitions, concerts, film showings, lectures and events throughout the year.

#### **Portrush Summer Theatre**

Portrush Town Hall, BT56 8DX (seasonal) T: 028 7082 9539 (Box Office) www.audf.org.uk/portrush.html

Performances take place Wednesday -Saturday during July and August. For details contact the Theatre Box Office or Coleraine Visitor Information Centre

# **Riverside Theatre**

Ulster University, Cromore Road, Coleraine, BT52 1SA T: 028 7012 3123 (box office) T: 028 7012 4430 (admin office) E: js.lewis@ulster.ac.uk W: www.riversidetheatre.org

Northern Ireland's first regional theatre, now in its 38th year seats just under 400 and aims to provide an annual programme of arts and entertainment for the local population and staff and students of the university.

# Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre

24 Main Street, Limavady, BT49 0FJ T: 028 7776 0650 E: information@rvacc.co.uk W: www.roevalleyarts.com

The Roe Valley Arts and Cultural Centre is a superb facility situated at the heart of Limavady. The arts centre provides a dynamic cultural programme of activities throughout the year, including the best of national and international theatre, music, visual arts and heritage exhibitions, film and engaging creative learning opportunities.



# **Adrian Margey Art Studio**

3 Gorse Road, Kilrea, BT51 5SZ M: 07841 593762

E: adrianmargey@googlemail.com W: www.adrianmargey.com

Adrian Margey is one of Northern Ireland's most collectable young artists. His contemporary depictions of Irish landscape, iconic local landmarks and musical traditions are winning him a fan base both nationally and internationally. Arrange a visit to Adrian's Kilrea studio where you will find the artist at the easel and an excellent selection of his work year-round. Viewings are by appointment.

#### The Arcadia

Adjacent to East Strand, Portrush T: 07525 496968

E: yayagillen@hotmail.com W: www.facebook.com/arcadiaportrush

Upstairs open for classes and art space all year – check website for details.

# The Bushmills Gallery

53 Main Street, Bushmills, BT57 8QA T: 028 2073 1911 M: 07980 615519

E: shop@thebushmillsgallery.com W: www.bushmillsgallery.com Affordable art by NI artists showcased alongside NI handcrafted silver jewellery and lampwork glass jewellery. Browse a selection of great giftware including the best of NI pottery.

# **Castlecat Studio Gallery**

76 Castlecatt Road, Bushmills, BT57 8TW

T: 028 2074 1682

E: jamesmcnulty48@gmail.com W: www.jamesmcnultyartist.co.uk Open: Wed-Sat 12noon to 6pm

Located in a small, tastefully converted stable of a former farmhouse in the hamlet of Castlecatt, near Bushmills, the gallery has a permanent exhibition of around 50 paintings in oils, watercolours and pastels.

# **Causeway Gallery**

110 Dunluce Road, Portrush, BT56 8BN T: 028 7082 2783 / 028 7082 2364 W: www.furniture-ni.com

# **Dunluce Gallery**

33 Ballytober Road, Bushmills, BT57 8UU

T: 028 2073 1140

E: mail@dunlucegallery.com W: www.dunlucegallery.com Open: Mon-Thurs 10am-5.30pm; Sat 2pm-6pm (or by appointment)

#### Flowerfield Arts Centre

185 Coleraine Road, Portstewart. **BT557HU** 

T: 028 7083 1400

E: info@flowerfield.org W: www.flowerfield.org

Open: Mon-Fri 9am-5pm; Sat 10am-1pm.

You'll discover examples of contemporary and traditional visual art by a selection of Irish artists in Flowerfield's gallery. There are also activities for adults and children: pottery, painting, photography, creative writing and more. State of the art facilities including auditorium, galleries, teaching facilities, media training suite, craft studios, craft shop, reception and coffee.

# Gallery 1608

66-68 Main Street, Bushmills, BT57 8QD T: 07730 330284 E: info@gallery1608.co.uk W: www.gallery1608.co.uk

Open: Mon-Sat 9am-6pm; Sun 11am-5pm

Gallery 1608 in Bushmills brings together the very best of Irish art and bespoke craft, representing both established artists and highly regarded emerging artists. The gallery also claims to stock, perhaps the largest selection of Irish art books under one roof across Northern Ireland.

# Harbour Gallery

Bayview Road, Ballycastle, B54 6BT T: 028 2076 2908 (Out of season) M: 07989 574023 (Jun-Sept) W: harbourgallery.ballycastle@gmail.com

#### Portstewart Galleries

49 The Promenade, Portstewart, BT55 7AE T: 028 7083 4600 E: sales@irishartgroup.com

W: www.irishartgroup.com

Open: Mon-Sat 9.30am-5pm all year.

The Portstewart Galleries are specialists in contemporary Irish art, publishers of fine art prints and cards by Irish artists, dealers in vintage fountain pens, antiquarian maps

of Ireland, bespoke frames, art consultants and valuers.

# The Stables Gallery

Roselick Lodge, 9 Roselick Road, Portstewart, BT55 7PP T: 028 7083 4006 M: 07860 816219

E: stewart-moore@btconnect.com W: www.stables-gallery.co.uk Open daily.

The Stables Gallery was established in 1988, specializing in fine contemporary paintings and sculpture by leading Irish artists. Private parking available. Visit the website to check on the latest exhibition information.

# Pretty Crafty Design Studio & Willow Garden Tea Room

5 Springbank Road, Castlerock, BT51 4SA T/F: 028 7084 8146 M: 07801786865

E: prettycraftydesignstudio@yahoo.co.uk W: www.prettycraftydesignstudio.com

Open: Mon-Sat 10am-5pm; Sun 12noon-5.30pm

Discover a range of imaginative and unusual hand crafted gifts and floral sculptures. We support twenty local crafters in our studio, and personalized commission work can be undertaken. Adult and children craft parties can be arranged.

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#### Atlantic Craft NI

Traditional Heritage Craft Basket-makers & Straw Work

103 Atlantic Road, Portrush, BT56 8PB

T: 028 7082 4810 M: 07731 457263

E: atlanticcraft@btinternet.com

Open daily to the public and by arrangement to suit visitors. Atlantic Craft is the only working traditional heritage craft studio on the Causeway Coast producing a range of home grown willow basketry, straw products and coppice craft. Talks and demonstrations can be arranged for groups. Exhibitions and workshops are held in teaching traditional basketry skills and straw work.

# Class Glass On The North Coast

T: 07752 315476

E: classglass@hotmail.co.uk

W: classglassonthenorthcoast.com

This local glass studio produces unique dress jewellery, bespoke glassware and wall art for commercial premises and homes, all inspired by coastal colours and textures, which are available to purchase. With years of experience tutoring workshops, opportunities to book a tailored private, or group, session are also welcomed.



# Elements Studio Art & Crafts

Glenhassan Hall, 12a Mussenden Road, Downhill, Castlerock, BT51 4RP T: 028 7084 9077 M: 07884 290169 E: info@elementsstudio.com

W: www.elementsstudio.com

Classes include fun and friendly pottery painting, traditional craft sessions in papermaking, mosaics or pottery techniques and adventurous workshops in Raku ceramics, paperclay sculpture or glass fusing. Residential courses can also be arranged in Downhill through Downhill Hostel: Beach Retreat Centre. Please enquire for details.

# **Magpie Crafts**

70 Ringrash Road, Macosquin, Coleraine, BT51 4LI

Contact: Marion Coupe T: 028 7032 1131

Open: 10am-9pm (Easter to October); 10am-5pm (October to Easter)

Magpie Crafts run classes and workshops in paper crafting (cards, books and mixed media), beading/jewellery making and decorative furniture painting. Classes run weekly throughout the year. Workshops are usually monthly on Fridays and Saturdays. Family craft classes run during school holidays.

# Northcoast Nature, Photography Workshops

M: 07723 087668 E: tommcdonnell@live.com

W: www.clikpic.com/tommcdonnell

Wildlife and Landscape photographic workshops on Rathlin Island with award winning photographer Tom McDonnell, as seen on BBC Country file and UTV Lesser Spotted Ulster. Find us on Facebook, Northcoast Nature.

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Throughout the year the Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre provides a range of engaging learning opportunities for all. Catering for participants from early years to young adult to senior citizens, we want to make sure that you have access to great creative arts and cultural activities in a range of disciplines with professional artists and artisans. In addition, Green Lane Museum at the Roe Valley Country Park hosts craft workshops during July and August.

#### **Scullion Hurls**

16 Lough Road, Loughguile, BT44 9JN T: 028 2764 1308 M: 07736 648 115

E: info@scullionhurls.com W: www.scullionhurls.com

Watch craftsmen at work by experiencing the Scullion Hurls production process and learn what inspired the Scullion family to start up the business and more about the local teams that use a Scullion hurl. This local business is park of the Economusee Artisans at Work network, designed to promote and keep alive traditional crafts and knowledge within rural communities.

# Shuttersheep Photostudio & Workshops

M: 07718 089 972 E: philip@philiptadams.com W: www.shuttersheep.com

A professional photographer will show you how to use your camera to capture amazing sights and scenery.

# **Susan F Hunter Pottery**

20a Tullaghgore Road, Ballybogey Road Ballymoney, BT53 6QF

T: 028 2766 7616

E: susan@susanfrancescahunter.com W: www.susanfrancescahunter.com

Want to try a new activity while visiting the North Coast? Susan has opened up her studio for small groups to get together and try pottery. Beginners welcome! One day, half day or evening sessions can be arranged and tailored to your needs.



# Causeway Coast and Glens Main Events 2015

## 'Big Arts Weekend'

1st May - 4th May, Cushendun

# Roe Valley Sprint Triathlon

9th May, Limavady

## International North West 200

10th-16th May, Portrush & Portstewart

## **Danny Boy Festival**

15th-17th May, Limavady

# **Rathlin Sound Maritime Festival**

22nd May – 31st May, Ballycastle and Rathlin Island

#### **RNLI Raft Race**

23rd-24th May, Portrush

# Causeway Coast Amateur Golf Competition

1st-5th June, Royal Portrush (Valley), Ballycastle, Castlerock and Ballyliffin

#### Walk the Glens Festival

5th June – 7th June, Cushendall









#### **Red Sails Festival**

19th-25th July, Portstewart

#### **Armoy Road Races**

24th - 25th July, Armoy

#### Dale Farm Milk Cup International Youth Football **Tournament**

26th – 31st July, Various Venues

## **Dogleap Rally**

1st August, Limavady

# Heart of the Glens Festival

1st - 9th August, Cushendall

### Stendhal Festival of Art

7th - 8th August, Limavady

#### North West Pipe Band Championships

21st - 22nd August, Portrush

#### The Ould Lammas Fair

24th - 25th August, Ballycastle

#### Causeway Mini Weekend

29th - 30th August, Bushmills and Portrush

#### Air Waves Portrush

5th – 6th September, Portrush

#### **Eddie Butcher Festival**

2nd-13th September, Magilligan

## **Giant's Causeway Coast Sportive**

12th September, Ballycastle

#### **Bushmills Salmon and Whiskey Festival**

18th - 20th September, Bushmills

## Roe Valley Folk Festival

23rd – 25th October, Limavady

#### **Atlantic Sessions**

12th - 15th November, Portrush and Portstewart





The Causeway Coast and Glens can be easily accessed by air with three airports within a 90 minute drive: Belfast International Airport, George Best Airport and City of Derry Airport with direct flights from a number of international destinations.

#### **Belfast International Airport**

BT29 4AB, T: 028 9448 4848, E: feedback@bfs.aero www.belfastairport.com

#### George Best Airport

BT3 9IH, T: 028 9093 9093 www.belfastcityairport.com

#### City of Derry Airport

Airport Road, Eglinton, BT47 3GY T: 028 7181 0784



There are two main ferry ports in Northen Ireland at Belfast and Larne. These can be reached from Great Britain via Cairnryan, Troon, Birkenhead and the Isle of Man

#### **P&O** Ferries

(Terminal Building Larne Harbour, Larne BT40 1AW), T: 0871 66 44 777 E: customer.services@poferries.com www.poferries.com

P&O Ferries operate the shortest, fastest, most frequent crossings with up to nine daily sailings from Cairnryan, and Troon and Larne.

#### Stena Line

(Victoria Terminal, 4 West Bank Road, Belfast BT3 9JL), T: 08447 707070 (General Reservations). E: info.uk@stenaline.com www.stenaline.co.uk

Stena Line offer frequent sailings from Liverpool and Cairnryan direct to Belfast.

#### Rathlin Island Ferry Ltd

18 Bayview Road, Ballycastle BT54 6BT, T: 028 2076 9299, M: 07553 359 596 E: info@rathlinballycastleferry.com www.rathlinballycastleferry.com

Rathlin Island Ferry Ltd operates two ferries on the scenic route across the Sea of Moyle between Rathlin Island and Ballycastle Harbour. MV Rathlin Express crosses in 20 minutes and the leisurely MV Canna, carrying cargo and passengers, crosses in 45 minutes. Rathlin can be a quick trip for an hour or two, or a long day of exploring.

## **Lough Foyle Ferry**

The Pier, Greencastle, Co. Donegal. T: 00 353 74 9381 901 E: info:loughfoyleferry.com W: www.loughfoyleferry.com

Operation of seasonal ferry route from 27th March-October between Magilligan Point and Greencastle, Co. Donegal.





#### **Translink**

(Central Station East Bridge Street, Belfast BT1 3NR)
T: 028 9066 6630 E: feedback@translink.co.uk www.translink.co.uk
Bus and Rail Services throughout Northern Ireland and Cross Border.

#### Translink: NI Railways

Discover the Causeway Coast with NI Railways, one of the world's great railway journeys between Londonderry and Coleraine will allow you to experience the stunning and breathtaking scenery of the spectacular Causeway coastline.

#### Translink: Ulsterbus

Explore the spectacular Antrim coastline with Ulsterbus. The Antrim Coaster 252 ticket (seasonal) is terrific for a day out, or look out for the Causeway Rambler (seasonal), this bus service offers reliable and comfortable bus travel for both local people and visitors, whether they want to enjoy the stunning landscape or visit great attractions along part of the scenic Causeway Coast, including Dunluce Castle, Bushmills Distillery and Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge.

#### **Kintyre Express**

Benmhor, Campbeltown, Argyll, PA28 6DN, T: 01586 555 895 E: info@kintyreexpress.com W: www.kintyreexpress.com

Campbeltown – Ballycastle passenger ferry service. Bicycles are carried free of charge. Journey time is approximately 1 hour 30 minutes. Boat also available for private charter.

#### Timetable:

Friday 1st May - Monday 28th September: Every Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday Departs Campbeltown at 7.30am Departs Ballycastle at 4.30pm

Tuesday 5th May - Thursday 27th August: Every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Departs Campbeltown at 12 noon Departs Ballycastle at 2pm

Single Fare: £35, Return Fare: £60.

Online bookings: www.kintyreexpress.com/ferry-service.html

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#### www.visitcausewaycoastandglens.com





# Visitor Information Centres

#### **Ballycastle Visitor Information Centre**

Portnagree House Harbour and Marina

14 Bayview Road, Ballycastle, Co Antrim, BT54 6BT

T: 028 2076 2024

E: ballycastlevic@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

#### **Ballymoney Visitor Information Centre**

Town Hall, 1 Townhead Street, Ballymoney, Co Antrim, BT53 6BE

T: 028 2766 0230

E: ballymoneyvic@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

#### **Bushmills Visitor Information Centre**

Main Street, Bushmills, Co Antrim, BT57 8QA

T: 028 2073 0390

E: bushmillsvic@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

#### **Coleraine Visitor Information Centre**

Coleraine Town Hall, 35 The Diamond, Coleraine, Co Londonderry, BT52 1DE

T: 028 7034 4723

E: colerainevic@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

#### **Limavady Visitor Information Centre**

Roe Valley Arts & Cultural Centre, 24 Main St, Limavady, Co Londonderry, BT49 OFJ

T: 028 7776 0650

E: tourism@rvacc.co.uk

#### **Portrush Visitor Information Centre**

Portrush Town Hall, 1 Mark Street, Portrush, Co Antrim, BT56 8BT

T: 028 7082 3333

E: portrushvic@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk

#### Tourism information is also available from:

#### **Cushendall Local Information Office (Seasonal)**

Old School House, Cushendall, BT44 ORR

T: 028 2177 1180

E: antrimhistory@utvinternet.com

#### **Castlerock Community & Visitor Information Centre**

2A Circular Road, Castlerock, Co. Londonderry , BT51 4XA

T:028 7084 9303

www.coastlinecastlerock.org





