

Discover...the Boyne Valley Coastline

Counties Louth and Meath have some stunning beaches that stretch for miles along the coast. They can be enjoyed by families, walkers, runners and sea-swimmers. Here are some of our favourites.

Port Beach, Clogherhead Beach, Seapoint/Balray, Mornington, Bettystown and Laytown.



Loughcrew Cairns



Kells



Monasterboice



Hill of Tara



Royal Canal Greenway

The enchanting Royal Canal Greenway is 130km of level towpath, ideal for walkers, runners and cyclists of all ages and stages. Approximately 22km of the Greenway is set in County Meath, with access points at Enfield, Longwood and Hill of Down. Signboards at the access points guide you along the way, with picnic areas and benches to pause and enjoy your surroundings.

Navan, Ireland's floral town, is a vibrant business, shopping and tourist destination. The Solstice Arts Centre, located in the heart of town has a tourist information tower to visit the museum. Marvel at the majestic St Laurence's baroque church, shrine to St Oliver Plunkett. Highlanes Gallery is home to Drogheda's municipal art collection. There are many theatres in the town along with a vibrant arts scene.

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The Loughcrew Cairns are a group of 30 passage tombs comprising one of the most important prehistoric sites in Ireland. Dating from the 3rd millennium BC, the tombs are older than the pyramids of Egypt and boast some of Europe's finest megalithic art. Carved stone art.

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Visit the heritage town of Kells where you can see many fine examples of early Christian architecture including the late 9th/10th century Cross of Muiredach at Monasterboice is the first high cross in Ireland and is highly regarded as one of the best surviving examples of Irish religious art. Access is year round.

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Once the inauguration site of the Hill of Tara was used for millennia as a ritual assembly and burial site. The Hill is accessible all year round with AV presentation and guided tours available from Visitor Centre during Summer months.

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Drogheda



Slane



Old Mellifont Abbey



Trim Castle



Girlie Bog



Boyne Valley to Lakedans Greenway

The Battle of the Boyne was fought between King William III and his father-in-law King James II on July 1st 1690. A fantastic visitor centre is located on the battle site, in the restored 18th century Oldbridge House. Visitor Centre open all year round.

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Old Mellifont Abbey was one of the wealthiest and most influential monastic houses in medieval Ireland. Location where St Patrick introduced Christianity to Ireland. In recent times, Slane has become more famous as a concert venue. Castle Tours are available as are tours of Slane Distillery. Slane Hub offers a beautiful Cistercian Abbey, the first Irish and French monks founded this Abbey, along with a community of monks. Slane Hub offers a beautiful Cistercian Abbey, the first Irish and French monks founded this Abbey, along with a community of monks.

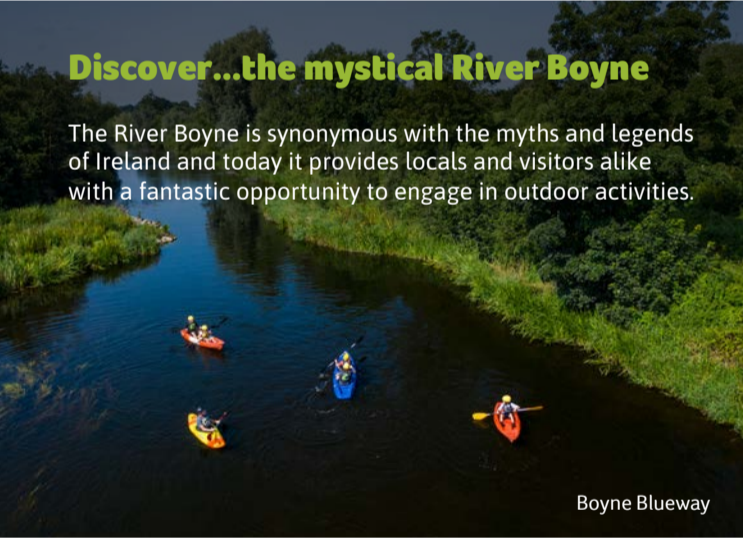
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Trim Castle & Heritage Town
The picturesque town of Trim is home to Ireland's largest Anglo-Norman Castle. Built in 1172 by Hugh de Lacy, the castle featured in the 1995 epic movie 'Braveheart' starring Mel Gibson. Enjoy the beautiful medieval heritage of Trim with AV presentation and guided tours available all year round. The Hill is accessible all year round with AV presentation and guided tours available from Visitor Centre during Summer months.

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Boyne Greenway & Boyne Valley Camino
Running from Drogheda, the Boyne Greenway takes you along the river close to the Mary McAleese Cable Bridge and then along the Boyne Canal to the Battle of the Boyne Visitor Centre at Oldbridge. Suitable for pedestrians and cyclists.

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Discover...the mystical River Boyne

The River Boyne is synonymous with the myths and legends of Ireland and today it provides locals and visitors alike with a fantastic opportunity to engage in outdoor activities.

Boyne Blueway

Flowing through the picturesque heritage town of Trim, the BoyneBlueway is a beautiful stretch of the River Boyne from Trim to Bective Mill. 8kms in length, it can be paddled in 2.5 to 3 hours and is suitable for dabblers and intermediate ability. Canoeing Ireland has graded this section of the river as "Grade II" (generally slow moving and easily manageable, no weirs or obstructions). More information at Trim Visitor Centre.

Trim Porchfield and River Walk
From Trim Castle to the monuments at Newtown, there are many interesting information panels dotted along the river bank providing ample opportunities for learning about the history of this medieval landscape. More information at Trim Visitor Centre.

Boyne Ramparts Heritage Walk
This walk from Navan to Stackallen Bridge is 8km each way. Along this linear stretch there are interpretive panels providing interesting facts. The walk commences in Navan from the carpark on the R153. Visit discoverboynevalley.ie.

Indoor Activities
While the Boyne Valley has a breathtaking landscape of 5000 years, there are also occasional rainy days. Rainy days offer the opportunity to discover the destination's indoor activities and centres. Visit discoverboynevalley.ie for inspiration.

Boyne Ramparts Walk



Just 20 minutes north of Dublin International Airport in the North East of Ireland, the Boyne Valley boasts a unique and enviable location at the hub of four major motorways – the M1, M2, M3 and M4. Convenient to ferry ports in Dublin and Belfast, with regular train services from Dublin/Belfast stopping at Laytown, Drogheda and Dunboyne and frequent bus services throughout the Boyne Valley from Dublin, planning your visit couldn't be easier.

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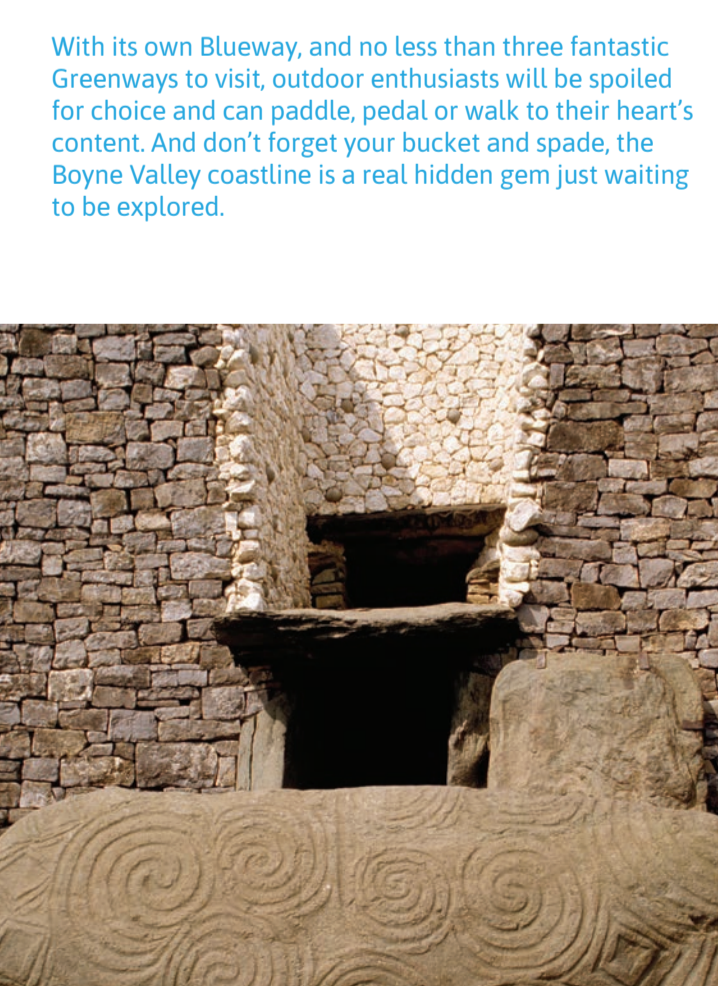

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Discover Boyne Valley...

A vibrant landscape, inspired by the past

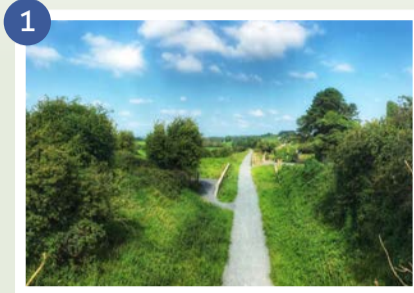
The Boyne Valley region, consisting of County Meath and the southern part of County Louth, is a holiday destination with something for everyone. Famed for its rich heritage and mythical landscapes, the Boyne Valley is home to illustrious landmarks such as the Hill of Tara, Trim Castle, Old Mellifont Abbey, the site of the Battle of the Boyne and the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Brú na Bóinne.

With its own Blueway, and no less than three fantastic Greenways to visit, outdoor enthusiasts will be spoiled for choice and can paddle, pedal or walk to their heart's content. And don't forget your bucket and spade, the Boyne Valley coastline is a real hidden gem just waiting to be explored.

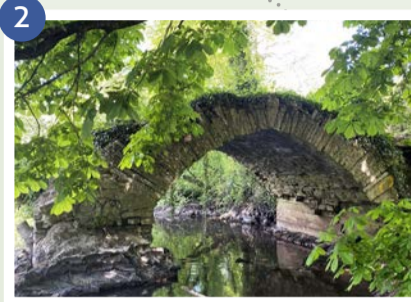



Boyne Valley Heritage and Walking Trails

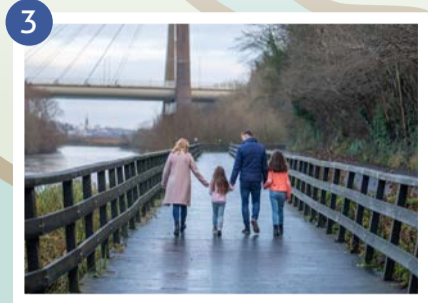
Discover the heritage sites of the Boyne Valley, amongst the best in the world. The Boyne Valley is bursting with breathtaking scenery, a beautiful eastern coastline and a great outdoors which can be explored through its self-guided walking trails, greenways and blueway.



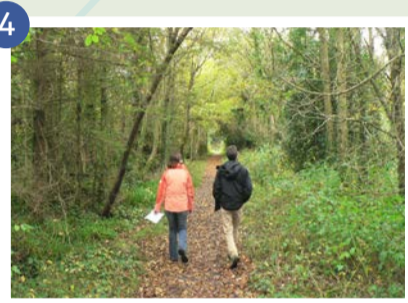
Boyne Valley to Lakelands Greenway



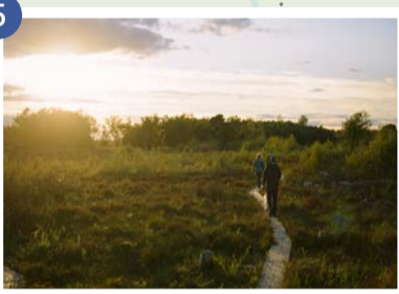
Boyne Ramparts Walk



Boyne Greenway and Boyne Valley Camino



Littlewood Forest, Slane



Girley Bog, Kells



Trim Porchfield and River Walk



Boyne Blueway, Trim



Balrath Woods Forest Walk



Royal Canal Greenway

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