

Discover...our wonderful tracks and trails

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Boyne Greenway & Boyne Valley Camino

Running from Dominic’s Park in 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.

The Boyne Valley Camino is a self-guided, 25km looped walk from Drogheda, forming part of the Celtic Camino series. Download a Boyne Valley Camino Map & Guide or pick up a copy from the Drogheda Tourist Office.

Discover...our unique heritage

Wander through the beautiful Boyne Valley and experience 5000 years of history in this unique destination.

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 while you visit. Check website for details of guided tours and opening hours. Book a hands on experience at Trim Visitor Centre where you get the opportunity to touch and hold medieval swords, chainmail and helmets.

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Old Mellifont Abbey

Mellifont Abbey was one of the wealthiest and most influential monastic houses in medieval Ireland. It was founded by a community of Irish & French monks and was the first Cistercian Abbey in Ireland. Site open all year round. Visitor Centre open summer months.

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Slane

The picturesque village of Slane is also well known for being the 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 tourist information point and tours of the Hill of Slane are available.

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Brú na Bóinne

Brú na Bóinne is a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the largest and most important prehistoric megalithic sites in Europe. The visitor centre interprets the Neolithic monuments of Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth, and an exhibition at Knowth showcases its megalithic carved stone artwork. All access to the monuments is via Brú na Bóinne Visitor Centre. Advance online booking is required.

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The Battle of the Boyne

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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Boyne Valley to Lakelands Greenway



Girley Bog



Trim Castle



Old Mellifont Abbey



Slane



Drogheda

Boyne Valley to Lakelands Greenway

Ireland’s newest greenway currently provides 30kms of car free pathway commencing at Blackwater Park in Navan in the heart of the Boyne Valley. Ireland’s most walking friendly greenway has 2 walking loops at Castletown Kilpatrick and at Nobber. boynevalleytolakelandsgreenway.ie

Girley Bog Eco Walk

This 6km trail is of considerable conservation significance and is home to a variety of birds, plants and animals. Walking boots are recommended and interpretive panels are dotted along the route.

Balrath Woods Forest Walk

Balrath can be enjoyed throughout the year. Visit in spring and summer to see woodland wildflowers in their natural habitat. Late summer/early autumn brings plenty of leaves and some fruits/nuts on the trees, some wildflowers and insect life can be seen.

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. Storyboards at the access points guide you along the way, with picnic areas and benches to pause and enjoy your surroundings.



Royal Canal Greenway

Hill of Tara

Once the inauguration site of the ancient high kings of Ireland, 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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Monasterboice

The late 9th/ 10th century Cross of Muiredach at Monasterboice is the finest 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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Hill of Tara



Monasterboice



Kells



Loughcrew Cairns

Drogheda

Gateway to the Boyne Valley: Visit the interactive Boyne Valley exhibition in the Tholsel in the town centre or walk up to Millmount Martello tower to visit the museum. Marvel at the majestic St Laurence’s barbican gate and be sure to visit St Peter’s 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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Navan

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 point and is the starting point for the Navan Points of Pride Walking Trail.

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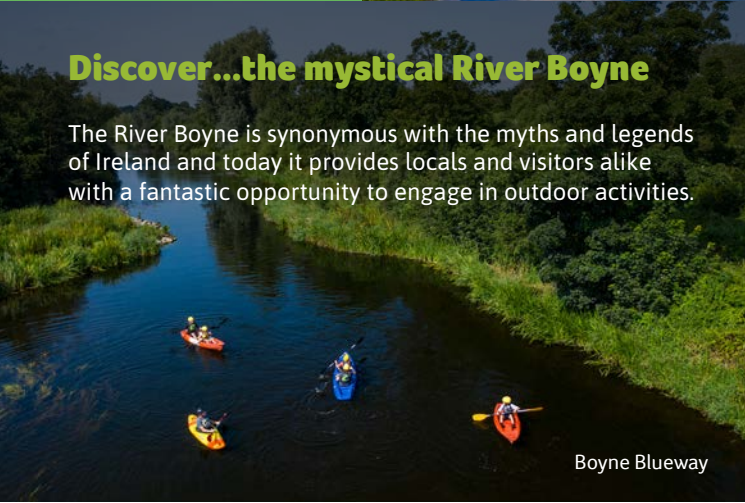
Discover...the Boyne Valley Coastline

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/Balrath, Mornington, Bettystown and Laytown.

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

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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.



Boyne Valley Tourist Information Points

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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.

Home of Halloween

Celebrate Samhain in the birthplace of Halloween

The Boyne Valley is the global birthplace of Halloween, where the traditions of Samhain echo through the centuries.

Bonfires once lit on the Ancient Hill of Tlachtga (Hill of Ward, Athboy) to guide spirits now illuminate a 5-week programme of vibrant festivals including Spirits of Meath, Lú Festival of Light, Púca, and the Samhain Festival of Food & Culture. Visit our website for more information.



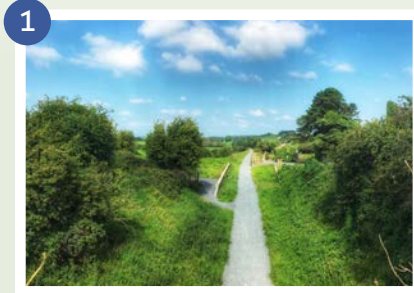
Tlachtga (Hill of Ward)



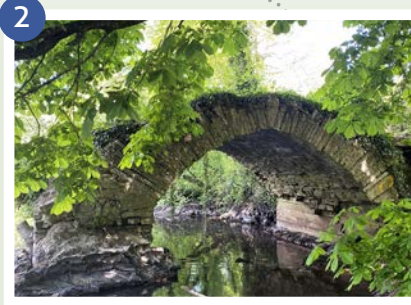
Newgrange, Brú na Bóinne

Boyne Valley Heritage and Walking Trails

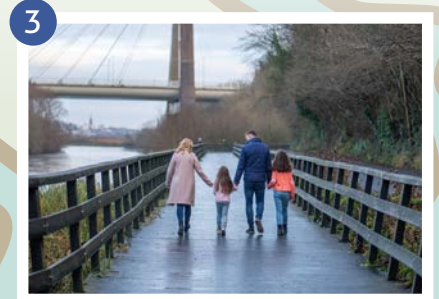
Discover the heritage sites of the Boyne Valley, amongst the best in the world. The Boyne Valley is bursting with breathtaking scenery, a beautiful eastern coastline and a great outdoors which can be explored through its self-guided walking trails, greenways and blueway.



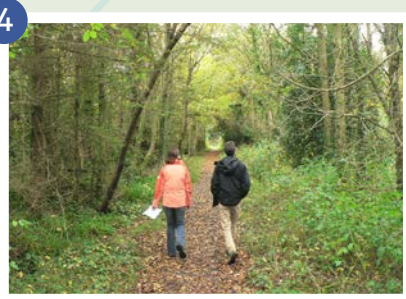
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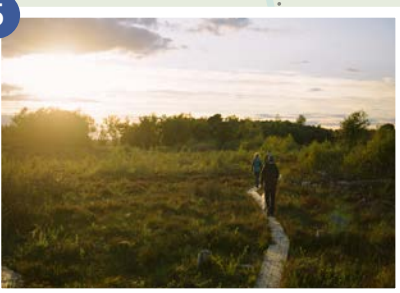
Boyne Ramparts Walk



Boyne Greenway and Boyne Valley Camino



Littlewood Forest, Slane



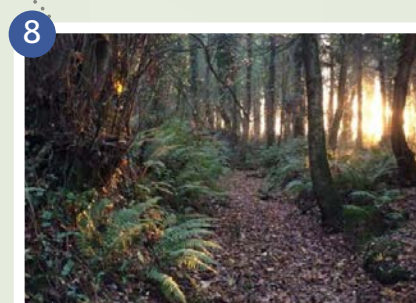
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Boyne Blueway, Trim



Balrath Woods Forest Walk



Royal Canal Greenway



	Boyne Valley Driving Route
	Greenways
	Blueway
	Motorway
	Primary National Road
	Secondary National Road / Local Road