



*Your quick guide  
to Ireland's best tourist sights  
and recommended  
places to stay*






# How to use this guide

## Star Ratings

****	Not to be missed when visiting the region in question
***	Outstanding
**	Very interesting
*	Worth seeing

## Abbreviations

\$	Admission charge payable
N S E W	The sight or establishment lies North, South, East or West of the town. This information is usually combined with the distance and the road number where applicable.
N11	Follow this road number. Road numbers prefixed by N are national primary routes and R are regional routes
EUR or €	Euro currency
GBP	Sterling currency (Northern Ireland)
IRL	Republic of Ireland
NI	Northern Ireland
AX	American Express Card
DC	Diners Club Card
MC	MasterCard / Eurocard
VS	Visa Card
NSA	No street address available for this establishment
	Facilities for people with reduced mobility (confirm suitability direct with the establishment in question)
	Swimming pool
	Areas reserved for non smokers
© 100 053	National Grid Reference – numerical map reference which divides the country into 1km x 1km squares, devised by National Mapping Agency.
→	Nearest principal airport – DUB = Dublin, ORK = Cork, SNN = Shannon, KIR = Kerry Co, SXL = Sligo, GWY = Galway, WAT = Waterford

## Hotel and other accommodation listings

The room rate range shown is based on an indicative room price - the lower figure being for a single occupation room in low season and the higher figure being for a double room with 2 people in the high season.

You are advised to confirm all room rates, menu prices and other charges directly with the establishment in question before entering into a commitment.

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**Abbeyleix** **LS** Leinster  244 185 Pop. 1400  DUB  0502

*Mainistir Laoise*

Derivation Abbey of the principality of Leix (1183)

**Abbeyleix**








Nearest Railway Station: Portlaoise

Distance by road to Dublin 64km

Abbeyleix\* Tel 31450

## Hotels

Hôtels/Hotelen/Alberghi/Hoteles

						(EUR)
<b>Hibernian House Hotel</b>	Lower Main Street	Tel 0502 31252 Fax 0502 31888			<b>10</b>	32 - 64
	Cards: AX/VS/MC					
<b>Abbeyleix Manor</b>	NSA3	Tel 0502 30111 Fax 0502 30220 Cards:				<b>23</b>
	AX/VS/MC/DC					64 - 102

**Athlone\*** **WH** Leinster  203 242 Pop. 10000  DUB  090

*Baile átha Luain*

Derivation "Ath-luain" The ford of Luain

**Athlone**

Nearest Railway Station: Athlone

In the locality: Athlone Castle\* \$ Tel 649 4630 / 649 2912

In the region: Boat trips on River Shannon from/de/ab Coosan Point Tel 090 647 2892 - Clonmacnois\*\*\* (9th Century Monastic Settlement on banks of River Shannon - St Kieran's Church Grave Slabs - Cross of Scriptures) 20km S by N6 and N62  
Distance by road to Dublin 127km Galway 93km

Tourist Office: Athlone Castle Tel 649 4630








Athlone Golf Club\*\* Hodson Bay 649 2073

## Hotels

Hôtels/Hotelen/Alberghi/Hoteles

						(EUR)
<b>Radisson SAS</b>	Northgate Street	Tel 090 644 2600 Fax 090 644 2655				<b>128</b>
	Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC					
<b>Hodson Bay Hotel</b>	Roscommon Road (N61 10km N)	Tel 090 649 2444 Fax 090 649 2688 Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC				<b>130</b>
						
<b>Prince of Wales Hotel</b>	Church Street	Tel 090 647 2626 Fax 090 647 5658				<b>73</b>
	Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC					

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<b>Glasson Golf Hotel &amp; Country Cl</b>	NSA (8 km NE via N55) Tel 090 648 5120 Fax 090 648 5444 (Views over Lough Ree) Cards: AX/Vs/MC/DC	    <b>28</b>	140 - 230
<b>Royal Hotel</b>	Mardyke Street Tel 090 647 2924 Fax 090 647 5194 Cards: AX/Vs/MC/DC	    <b>38</b>	33 - 76
<b>Shamrock Lodge Hotel</b>	Clonown Street Tel 090 649 2601 Fax 090 649 2737 Cards: AX/Vs/MC/DC	    <b>26</b>	38 - 89

**Banagher** **OY** Leinster  201 216 Pop. 1700  SNN  0509

*Beannchar*

Derivation Pointed hills or rocks




 **Banagher**

Nearest Railway Station: Athlone

Clonmacnois\*\*\* (via R356 + N62) - Clonfert Cathedral\*\* (8km NW) Distance by road to Dublin 130km Galway 88km

## Hotels

Hôtels/Hotelen/Alberghi/Hoteles

<b>Brosna Lodge Hotel</b>	Main Street Tel 0509 51350 Fax 0509 51521 Cards: AX/Vs/MC	   <b>14</b>	(EUR) 25 - 61
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**Birr** **OY** Leinster  206 205 Pop. 4155  DUB  0509

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 **Birr**

Nearest Railway Station: Roscrea









In the locality: [www.iol.ie/birr-castle/](http://www.iol.ie/birr-castle/) Birr Castle\*\* Distance by road to Dublin 124km Athlone 42km

Tourist Office: Summer Only Tel 20110

The Glens Tel 20010

## Hotels

Hôtels/Hotelen/Alberghi/Hoteles

<b>Dooly's Hotel</b>	Emmet Square Tel 0509 20032 Fax 0509 21332 Cards: AX/Vs/MC/DC	    <b>18</b>	(EUR) 55 - 100
<b>County Arms Hotel</b>	Station Road Tel 0509 20791 Fax 0509 21234 Cards: AX/Vs/MC/DC	    <b>24</b>	75 - 140

**Mullingar\*****WH**

Leinster

📍 244 253

Pop. 8000 ➔ DUB 📞 044

*An Muileann gCearr*✉ **Mullingar**

Nearest Railway Station: Mullingar

In the locality: Belvedere House and Gardens/Lough Ennel\*\* (N52 6km S) - Cathedral of Christ the King with Ecclesiastical Museum (Tel 48333) - Museum \$ - Franciscan Friary\* (at Multyfarnham N4 12km N)

Equestrian Holidays: Mullingar Equestrian Centre Tel 044 48331 Distance by road to Dublin 98km

Tourist Office: Dublin Road Tel 48650

Mullingar Golf Club\*\*\* Tel 48366

**Hotels**

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						(EUR)
<b>Greville Arms Hotel</b>	Pearse Street Tel 044 48563 Fax 044 48052 Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC	🏠 🚗 🅅 🏠	40			60 - 115
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<b>Bloomfield House Hotel</b>	Belvedere (N52) Tel 044 40894 Fax 044 43767 Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC	🏠 🚗 🅅 🏠	33			100 - 150

**Portlaoise****LS**

Leinster

📍 247 198

Pop. 9360 ➔ DUB 📞 0502

*Port Laoise*✉ **Portlaoise**

Nearest Railway Station: Portlaoise

In the locality: Rock of Dunamase\* (N80 6km E) Distance by road to Dublin 88km Kilkenny 49km

Tourist Office: Summer Only Tel 21178

The Heath\*\* (N7 8km NE) Tel 46533

**Hotels**

Hôtels/Hotelen/Alberghi/Hoteles

						(EUR)
<b>Killeshin Hotel</b>	Dublin Road (N 7 1.5 km NE) Tel 0502 21663 Fax 0502 21976 Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC	🏠 🚗 🅅 🏠	44			70 - 125
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<b>The Heritage</b>	Jessop Street Tel 0502 78588 Fax 0502 78577 Cards: AX/VS/MC/DC	🏠 🚗 🅅 🏠	109			150 - 250
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