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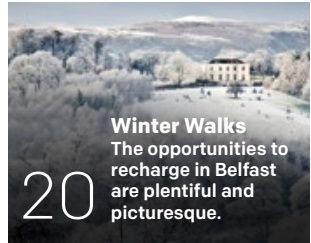
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To check current information on Coronavirus guidelines for Northern Ireland, visit: nidirect.gov.uk/campaigns/coronavirus-covid-19

Many providers have pre-booking systems and new regulations in place to keep you safe. Please be sure to check individual websites to avoid disappointment, or contact the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre where one of our travel advisors will be happy to help **028 9024 6609**

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Visit Belfast and our tourism and hospitality partners have been working hard to ensure that the city is ready to welcome visitors. Belfast is renowned for its resilience, innovation and creativity – and we have adapted to provide people with the confidence to return to the city safely.

Partnership is at the heart of everything we do – Belfast is ready to offer the warmest of welcomes and incredible experiences the city is already known for in a responsible, safe and sensitive way. Our partner businesses are COVID prepared in every aspect of their visitor experience.

Our city guide provides all the information you need to discover everything that Belfast has to offer, from the city centre right through to its eclectic quarters and the greater region beyond, each with something special to uncover and enjoy. From history to art to relaxing green spaces to great food, friendly faces and everything in between, uncover the heritage behind the city that built Titanic and enjoy serene coastal paths, charming villages and stunning Royal Palace gardens in the regions, just a short drive away.



MUST SEE:

Check out our essential list of places not to be missed this Christmas in Belfast.

EXPERIENCE

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Christmas in Belfast

As the city sparkles for the festive season, discover enchanting light displays and some great socially distanced family events, from walking trails to Santa experiences.



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Victoria Square

An exceptional shopping experience with spectacular 360° views across the city from The Dome. Four levels of shopping, including House of Fraser department store, and great places to eat and drink.

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EXPERIENCE

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Maritime Treasure Trail

Take a real-life adventure that will fuel the imagination and get you exploring the most interesting parts of Belfast's iconic waterfront while discovering its seafaring history, vibrant quaysides and historic docks.

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MARKETS

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St George's Market

Browse stalls full of the finest fresh produce, local arts and crafts and delicious hot food at the charming Victorian St George's Market every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

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TOUR

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Discover Some Urban Art

The Cathedral Quarter offers a distinctly varied and modern street art scene. Take some time to stroll around the area to view these amazing pieces of art and don't miss the fabulous ceiling of colourful umbrellas in the alley off Commercial Court.



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EXPERIENCE

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Titanic Belfast

This state-of-the-art visitor experience tells the story of the Titanic, from construction to her launch and subsequent place in history.

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TIME OUT

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Botanic Gardens

Located between the stunning Lanyon Building of Queen's University and the Ulster Museum, this beautiful 28 acre park dates back to 1828 and is home to the famous Palm House and Tropical Ravine.

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TOUR

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Belfast Cathedral

Pay a visit to this magnificent place of worship at the heart of Belfast's Cathedral Quarter, known locally as St Anne's Cathedral – a treasure trove of history, art, culture and music.

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Ulster Museum

Surrounded by the beautiful Botanic Gardens, the Ulster Museum's impressive galleries and interactive discovery zones bring history, science and art collections to life for visitors of all ages.

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Enjoy a stroll around the stunning Stormont Estate which is home to the NI Assembly and Stormont Parliament Buildings, one of the most striking pieces of architecture in Northern Ireland.

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Try life behind bars with a self-guided tour of the 150 year old gaol and learn first-hand how this Victorian prison evolved through history.

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GAME OF THRONES

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Glass of Thrones Trail

Find all six of Belfast's Game of Thrones stained glass windows and follow the trail from the city centre to the very place the show was filmed at Titanic Studios in the Titanic Quarter.

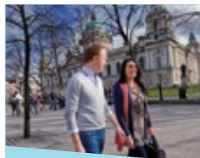




For locations, check out our handy maps on pages **63-68**.

CITY AREAS

Exploring a city can be tricky if you don't know your way around, or even what to look out for. Get a flavour of Belfast with this taster to help navigate your way around the city's areas and quarters.



CITY CENTRE

Home to the iconic Belfast City Hall, St George's Market and the main shopping district. You'll be spoilt for choice with the abundance of cool cafés, great pubs, trendy bars and an amazing restaurant scene. Start off in the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre (opposite City Hall) to pick up information, book tours and find out everything to make the most of your visit.



CATHEDRAL QUARTER

Packed full of fascinating architecture, buzzing beer gardens, trendy warehouse restaurants, cobblestoned streets, and colourful street art, this area of town contrasts the old with the new, with St. Anne's Square, home to the Metropolitan Arts Centre (MAC) and a piazza of welcoming eateries, alongside some of the oldest streets in Belfast.



LINEN QUARTER

Belfast was once nicknamed "Linenopolis" as it was the world leader in the production of linen in the 19th Century. Just south of City Hall, you can enjoy the architecture of the old linen mills which house a mix of offices, chic bars and renowned restaurants. This is a great part of town to enjoy dinner and drinks.



TITANIC QUARTER

Steeped in memories of a bygone era, the Titanic Quarter is now a fun and energetic urban waterfront development. Visit or take a tour of the many historic and state-of-the-art Titanic visitor attractions, or simply stroll around the Maritime Mile to learn more about the city's shipbuilding heritage.



QUEEN'S QUARTER

The area around Queen's University is a treasure trove of eclectic shops, boutiques, cafés, bars and art galleries. Visit the collections of the Ulster Museum, stroll around Botanic Gardens. The neighbouring Lisburn Road offers designer shopping, cafés, artisan delis, salons and wine bars.



GAELTACHT QUARTER

The centre for Irish language, music and culture is in the west of the city. An Cultúrann showcases cultural Irish Gaelic traditions and contains a restaurant, gift shop, theatre and gallery. Explore the stunning Clonard Monastery or enjoy the 3 mile Divis Summit Trail, a specifically designed loop walk on Divis Mountain with spectacular views over Belfast.



EAST SIDE

EastSide was once the beating heart of the city's industrial past with thousands of people employed in linen mills, rope factories, engineering works and shipyards. EastSide is now thriving once again but this time as a hub of culture and creativity. Make the EastSide Visitor Centre your first stop, with information on key attractions in east Belfast.



THE SHANKILL

Straddling North and West Belfast, the Shankill is home to a wide collection of painted murals depicting the social and political history of the area. Places of interest include the Peace Wall, the Old Shankill Graveyard, dating back to the 14th century, the Shankill Memorial Park and the ancient Bullaun Stone. The Spectrum Centre, a major landmark in the area, hosts a range of events and exhibitions.



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CHRISTMAS IN BELFAST

A man and a young boy are shown in profile, looking upwards and to the right, engaged in decorating a Christmas tree. The man, on the left, is smiling and wearing a brown jacket and a patterned scarf. He is holding the boy. The boy, on the right, is wearing a dark jacket with a white fur collar and a red and white striped scarf. He is holding a string of lights. The background is dark, with the tree's branches and lights visible. The overall atmosphere is warm and festive.

Belfast has something for everyone, from little somethings to say thank you, treats and surprises for friends, to special gifts for family and loved ones. Whatever is on your Christmas list, you'll find everything you need in Belfast at prices you'll love.

Belfast's retailers are Good to Go with hand sanitising stations and measures in place to ensure social distancing in-store, so you can shop safely for those last minute gifts. Victoria Square, CastleCourt and selected city centre shops have extended their opening hours to 9pm from Monday to Friday, so you have even more time to finish off your Christmas shopping.

LAST MINUTE GIFT IDEAS

Don't know where to start? Check out our top tips for ticking off your Christmas shopping list:

VICTORIA SQUARE

Victoria Square is a mecca for Christmas shopping. From designer to high street brands, stores include House of Fraser, Apple, Fossil, Guess, Mango, My Sister's Closet, Topshop, Hollister, Urban Outfitters and many more. Signage and one way systems are in place for social distancing. Underground car parking and a selection of cafés and restaurants are on-site.

ST GEORGE'S MARKET

With extended opening hours in the run-up to Christmas, shoppers will have more time to pick up unique handmade gifts and the freshest local ingredients. Traders will be open for a full week of extra shopping, from 10am to 3pm on Monday 21, Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23 December, and from 8am to 2pm on Christmas Eve.

QUEEN'S ARCADE

Featuring many independent shops, Queen's Arcade is the perfect place to find unique Christmas presents. Our favourites include Lunn's for stunning jewellery and Robinson's Shoes, which is home to high quality men's and women's footwear.

CASTLECOURT

CastleCourt shopping centre offers all your favourite high street stores under one roof, including Debenhams, Jack & Jones, New Look, Dorothy Perkins, Matalan, Villa, Yankee Candles, The Entertainer and O'Neills. Food court, cafés and car parking on-site. Social distancing measures are in place and hand sanitising stations are located throughout the centre.

BORN & BRED

Born & Bred has a simple ethos to support local, trade fairly and look after the planet by working with artists, manufacturers and suppliers to reduce the materials used in the production, packing and shipping process. Their store on Ann Street sells prints, mugs, cards, clothing, accessories and homeware made by local producers, some of whom you can see working in-store.

THE STEENSONS

One of Ireland's leading designers in handcrafted contemporary jewellery, visit their shop on Bedford Street to find beautifully crafted jewellery and gifts for the special person in your life this Christmas.

SAWERS DELI

With even more time for cheeseboards by the fire at home this winter, visit Sawers deli to stock up. Established in 1897, Sawers is Belfast's oldest deli, packed with everything you need for a festive spread as well as stocking a fantastic range of Christmas hampers for that food loving friend.

BELFAST RESTAURANT VOUCHERS

Give the gift of choice! Belfast Restaurant Vouchers can be used in over 60 restaurants, bars and cafés across the city, on everything from casual pub food to Michelin star dining. Vouchers are available to purchase online or pick them up from the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre, 9 Donegall Square North.

FESTIVE DRINKS

Whether it's Zoom drinks with colleagues or a fun night in with your bubble, make sure to stock up with your favourite drinks to get you in the festive mood. Order premium wines from Direct Wine Shipments or local distilleries Echlinville, Rademon, Copeland and Hughes Craft Distillery will deliver a gift range of their award winning local craft gins and spirits to your door.

BUY BELFAST VIRTUAL CHRISTMAS MARKET

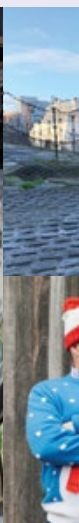
Shop local this Christmas at the Buy Belfast Virtual Christmas Market where local businesses share and sell their Christmas gift ideas. You can join it by visiting the Facebook group, enjoy browsing through all of the fantastic, local businesses while supporting local this Christmas! The online market runs until 20 December.

VISIT BELFAST WELCOME CENTRE

Located opposite Belfast City Hall, the centre is full of unique, local gifts including scarfs, accessories, books, games, homeware and much more. Open until 4pm on Christmas Eve, it's the perfect place to pop in for some last minute stocking fillers.

SHOP SAFELY

Please remember to wear a face covering, observe social distancing and use hand sanitising stations located in stores.



FESTIVE FAMILY FUN

Belfast believes in Christmas. As the city sparkles for the festive season, discover enchanting light displays and some great socially distanced family events, from walking trails to Santa experiences, here's our top ideas for festive family days out.



SEE THE CITY SPARKLE

While we weren't able to enjoy switch-on events this year, Belfast has been illuminated from top to toe for the festive season. Go to Belfast City Hall to see the sparkling decorations and you'll feel the glimmer of Christmas spirit in no time. There's a giant outdoor Christmas tree set against the backdrop of twinkling white lights adorning the face of the iconic Edwardian building, and the dazzling Star Factory installation is located within the grounds (event sold out).

PROJECTED ANIMATIONS

The Bank Buildings on Donegall Place will come to life for the festive season with a magical projection showing an uplifting and heart-warming cartoon series. Pop by to see the colourful animation, which has festive themes and messages about staying safe during the pandemic.

BELFAST CHRISTMAS TRAIL

11 December - 3 January

Explore Belfast city centre safely this festive season with the kids and take on the challenge of spotting the colourful Gingerbread House, and themed Christmas props in the windows of local businesses on Belfast One's magical free outdoor Christmas Trail.

Download the trail at:

belfastone.co.uk/christmastrail

MOVIES AT CHRISTMAS AT THE MAC

Various dates

Trade your living room for the atmospheric Luminaire Club at the MAC, where they will be playing Christmas movies and family films in the run-up to Christmas. Choose between classics like *It's a Wonderful Life*, *The Snowman*, *The Muppet's Christmas Carol* and *Santa Claus the Movie*, or kids' favourites *Frozen* and *Tangled*. Check the full programme at: **themaclive.com**



Take a Break

It's not too late to enjoy a festive city break in Belfast. Whether it's a last minute Christmas shopping spree, for relaxation and pampering or a festive night out at your favourite restaurant, check visitbelfast.com to find a great hotel offer to make a night of it this Christmas.



CHRISTMAS MARITIME MILE TREASURE TRAIL

Throughout December Don't miss the opportunity to see Belfast's Maritime Mile illuminated for Christmas! This festive adventure will fuel the imagination and get you exploring Belfast's iconic waterfront, while tracking down some mischievous elves and enjoying some festive cheer. There are 18 stops along the way with questions, clues, facts and challenges all of which can be easily found on a series of information panels along the self-guided route. Further details at: maritime-mile.com

FESTIVE SEASON AT TITANIC BELFAST

Until 26 December
Take a winter walk along the Maritime Mile and see the elves' handiwork at Titanic Belfast – they've been busy decorating the iconic building with a festive display of lights. See it illuminated red after dark and take a family picture in front of the twinkling Titanic sign.

AUNT SANDRA'S SANTA EXPERIENCE

Various dates
Enter a magical world at Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory this Christmas, where children can decorate their own Christmas chocolate, make a bauble and write a letter to Santa, before meeting the man in red himself! Aunt Sandra's is also offering personalised Santa videos with a heart-warming message recorded just for your family. Book tickets at: auntsandras.com

FEEL FESTIVE AT BELFAST ZOO

Until 21 December
Visitors will notice a touch of magic in the air at Belfast Zoo as they get into the festive spirit! Visitors can post their letters to Lapland and might even catch a glimpse of Santa zipping around in the zoo buggy. Watch the animals receive Christmas treats and follow the Christmas Trail to be in with a chance of winning a plush lion toy. More details at: belfastzoo.co.uk

Virtual Events

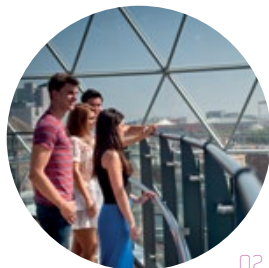
As many of our favourite festive events are unable to take place this year, there are many online performances taking place to watch or listen to from the comfort of your home. Don't miss the Ulster Orchestra's festive spectacular 'The Magic of Christmas' or the updated Listen at the Lyric production of Grimes & McKee's laugh out loud show, The Nativity: What the Donkey Heard. The Lyric Theatre are also bringing the magic of theatre into your homes with a choice of three of their favourite Christmas family shows and The MAC's Winter Wonderland Workshops are streamed from 10am each Saturday between now and Christmas, perfect for little ones aged 3 to 8 years old.

BUDGET BELFAST

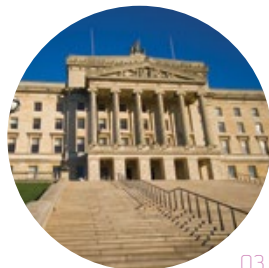
There are loads of fun, fascinating and free things to do around Belfast, so if you're on a budget, here are some tips for a day out that doesn't cost a bundle...



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Belfast City Hall

This iconic building is currently closed to the public, however the grounds contain a wealth of memorials to the history, people and events associated with the city. Visit the Cenotaph, built in memory of all those who died in the First World War and the Titanic Memorial Gardens which name all 1,512 victims of the disaster.

Ulster Museum & Botanic Gardens

Enjoy the impressive galleries and interactive discovery zones that bring history, science and art collections to life. Plus visit Botanic Garden's for a relaxing stroll around the stunning city park.

Cave Hill

Offering spectacular views over the city, a trek up to the top of Cave Hill is well worth the effort. At the base you can explore the gardens of the stunning Belfast

Castle, one of the city's most beautiful buildings.

The MAC

Open 7 days a week, the MAC includes three outstanding free admission art galleries within its impressive six-storey building, offering a wide-range of exciting exhibitions, newly commissioned works and monumental sculptures.

St George's Market 01

Oozing Victorian charm, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday markets offer some of the finest fresh produce, local arts and crafts. Make a stop for brunch and soak up the atmosphere.

CS Lewis Square

Rediscover The Chronicles of Narnia with a walk through CS Lewis Square. Featuring seven bronze sculptures from 'The Lion, The Witch and The

Wardrobe', it is a stunning display of public art.

Linenhall Library

The city's oldest library (1788) houses one of the most renowned collections of Irish material in the world. Browse the collections, visit the gift shop or relax in the coffee shop.

The Dome at Victoria Square 02

Boasting 360° views across the city, don't miss taking the lift to the top of this stunning shopping destination. In house tour guide Gerry is on hand to point out local attractions and points of interest.

Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich

Discover a varied programme of Irish language and cultural events as well as a café/restaurant, bookshop, art gallery and visitor information.

Discover Ulster-Scots Centre

Discover more about the Ulster-Scots heritage and how they emigrated around the world to become some of the more important world leaders and entrepreneurs in history.

Stormont Parliament Buildings 03

Home to the NI Assembly and one of the most striking pieces of architecture in Northern Ireland. Enjoy a walk around the stunning 407 acre Stormont Estate.

Political Murals

You can learn more about the history of 'The Troubles' with a walk along two of the most prolific areas in Belfast, the Falls Road and the Shankill Road, to view these amazing works of art.

See visitbelfast.com for more information on free things to see and do in the city.



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URBAN ART

Spend just a few minutes in Belfast and you'll notice the walls - there is street art everywhere. In the past this would have reflected the divisions in the city, but in recent years, it has been positive and transformative. Street artists from across the globe have joined a new generation of Belfast based street artists to leave their mark and to help form a new narrative for the city.



The charming and historic Cathedral Quarter has the highest concentration of street art in Belfast. Some of the most iconic pieces of local street art include 'Blurry Eyed' on Talbot Street, 'Belfast Romances' on Victoria Street, 'The Chef' on High Street, 'Forzan' on Gresham Street, 'Pandora's Jar' on Donegall Street and 'The Duel of Belfast, Dance By Candlelight' on Hill Street.

Belfast's answer to Portugal's Umbrella Sky Project can be found just off Commercial Court, facing the Duke of York Pub, but this hidden entry is much more than a few umbrellas in the sky. Stand beneath these vibrant yellow brollies and look around you and you will see caricatures of some of Belfast's most famous faces.

You can delve into this colourful and often hidden world with the Google Map

Street Art Guide which is a great way of enjoying these wonderful art pieces at your own pace, or you can take the Belfast Street Art Walking Tour to gain an entertaining insider's view to the art, the artists, the process, and the political and cultural history of the area.

For a taste of what's on offer, take our virtual tour: [visitbelfast.com/article/virtual-street-art-tour](https://www.visitbelfast.com/article/virtual-street-art-tour)



A TASTE OF BELFAST

Belfast is one of Europe's most exciting food destinations and our restaurants are now open and looking forward to welcoming you back! Book your table and tuck in for a taste sensation!

INCREDIBLE FOOD MARKETS

A good market reflects a city's attitude to its food and award winning St George's Market is one of the best around. Step inside at the weekend and you'll be bowled over with the incredible array of local produce. The sights, sounds, smells and tastes of this place puts it up there with the best on the planet – it's an endless gastronomic adventure.

THE ULSTER FRY

This is not just breakfast. This is one of the most delicious, most tasty, most satisfying breakfasts you've ever going to eat. A morning delight that will set you up for the whole day: we're talking eggs, soda and potato farls, sausages, bacon, black pudding and tomato. It's a delightful demonstration of the finery of Northern Ireland's produce.

FABULOUS FISH & CHIPS

Incredible fresh local fish from the waters around Northern Ireland is turned into the stuff of magic at old-school "chippies" such as John Long's. It's been here for over a hundred years, so it's got to be doing something right! Other go-to spots include award winning casual favourite Fish City, or if you're after something a little more upscale, try Deanes Love Fish or the Mourne Seafood Bar.

AMAZING LOCAL PRODUCE

We firmly believe that one reason food in Belfast tastes so great is the incredible natural produce available on our doorstep. Look out for amazing Glenarm Shorthorn beef, Brighter Gold Rapeseed Oil, Baronscourt Sika deer venison, Ballylisk Cheese, as well as local whiskeys, gins and craft beers at restaurants such as Ox, Hadskis, James Street and The Great Room.

Make it an Experience!

Whether you're working up a sweat kneading bread dough, watching old-time candy making, hand-picking botanicals to distil gin, or learning about the history of Irish Whiskey, there's plenty of fantastic food and drink experiences to enjoy.

COOK UP A STORM

James Street South Cookery School

From effortless entertaining, to knife skills, bread making to becoming a BBQ king or even sushi and cocktails, the aim is that you enjoy yourself, learn some new skills and leave filled with confidence in the kitchen.

cookinbelfast.co.uk



Tracey's Farmhouse Kitchen

Join Tracey on a Traditional Irish Bread making experience set in her kitchen on the shores of Strangford Lough in County Down, just 30 minutes from Belfast.

traceysfarmhousekitchen.com

SWEET TOOTH

Co Couture

This Gold Academy award-winning chocolate producer is situated on Chichester St, in the heart of Belfast. Their gourmet chocolates are hand-made in small batches using only the finest raw ingredients, which are sourced locally where possible.

cocouture.co.uk

Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory

See old-time candy making at its best at Aunt Sandra's in east Belfast. Visitors can see how chocolates, sweets and fudge are made through a viewing window overlooking the quaint factory, and enjoy the smells (and a few samples) of the treats on offer.

auntsandras.com

DIVINE DELIS

Explore amazing delis such as **Sawers**, **Avoca** and **Yellow Door**, with their extensive range of high quality local artisan products, they are an Aladdin's cave of culinary delights. You can choose from a huge range of fabulous foodie gifts and fantastic cookbooks.

FANCY A TIPPLE?

Taste & Tour

There's a 'menu' of Virtual and DIY Experiences for you to enjoy, including 'cocktail party & masterclass', 'pizza & seasonal spritz', 'keep your gin up', 'cheese xbeer' or 'chocolate campfire'. Just choose your experience and they'll deliver a box of goodies to everyone involved which can all be customised and your Taste and Tour host will run the show via Zoom.

tasteandtour.co.uk

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Belfast Whiskey Club

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whiskeyclub.com

Hughes Craft Distillery's Gin School

Whether you want to discover the secrets of craft-distilling or just an absolute devoted gin fan, get some 'ginspiration' by joining a small-group, interactive class and learn all about small-batch distilling. Take a journey of personal creativity as you select and weigh your own combination of botanicals with which to distil your gin.

stillhousemoira.com/gin-school

DINE AT HOME

If you prefer to dine at home, many of our restaurants continue to offer delicious take away and cook at home menus.



WINTER WALKS

2020 HAS BEEN A YEAR LIKE NO OTHER AND OUR CITY PARKS AND GARDENS HAVE PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN OFFERING WELCOME RESPITE FOR MANY TO ENJOY. FROM BOTANICAL GARDENS TO RIVERSIDE TOWPATHS OR SIMPLE MUNICIPAL SPACES, THE OPPORTUNITIES TO RECHARGE IN BELFAST ARE PLENTIFUL AND PICTURESQUE.

Botanic Gardens

Botanic Gardens was established in 1828 by the Belfast Botanic and Horticultural Society. Originally known as the Belfast Botanic Garden, the site contained exotic tree species and impressive plant collections from the southern hemisphere, many of which can still be seen in the park. It's also home to the Palm House and the Tropical Ravine. The Trail Route is a 0.8 mile circular walk that can be started from any of the entrances to the gardens.

Divis and Black Mountain

A striking visual boundary of the city, the Belfast Hills provide a tranquil contrast to the hustle and bustle of urban life below. Just

minutes from the city centre, the 4.2 mile Ridge Trail offers fantastic views over the famous landmarks of Belfast including Titanic Belfast, the Samson & Goliath cranes and Stormont Parliament Buildings. Cast your eyes a little further afield to see the Mourne Mountains, Strangford Lough, the Isle of Man and Scotland.

Barnett Demesne

Located next to Malone House, Barnett Demesne was once a private estate but opened to the public in 1951. Today, the award-winning park is popular with walkers and joggers and is a great place for a winter stroll. The park also includes eco-trails, orienteering routes, a children's playground (at

Shaw's Bridge) and is home to the Mountain Bike Trails and Jump Park. There are a wide variety of walking routes on offer, many linking with the adjacent Lagan Towpath.

Stormont Estate

In this 407 acre estate you will find the impressive Parliament Buildings, beautiful formal gardens, a children's adventure playground, statues, memorials and some interesting WW2 sites, including the original barrage balloon anchors that held the balloons protecting the government buildings from bombings during the war. Choose from the 2.5 mile long woodland walk, the 1.4 mile short woodland or the 1 mile fitness trail with outdoor gym equipment.



Belfast Castle Estate and Cave Hill Country Park

Belfast Castle's spectacular location and imposing architecture boast hours of family fun. Choose from the 2.4 mile Belfast Castle Estate trail, or be more adventurous and gain some of the best sights of Belfast on the 4.5 mile Cave Hill Country Park trail. The park has many natural and historical features including archaeological sites, ecotrails, walking and orienteering routes, and the landmark "Napoleon's Nose" is said to have inspired Jonathan Swift's novel, Gulliver's Travels.

Sir Thomas & Lady Dixon Park

Located in south Belfast, this popular park is home to the City of Belfast International Rose Garden. Covering more than 128 acres, the park is made up of rolling meadows, copses and woodland as well as containing international camellia trials, a walled garden, a Japanese-style garden with water feature for quiet contemplation and a children's playground.

The 2.5 mile circular walk starts from the lower car park.

Gruffalo Trail at Colin Glen Forest

A perfect stroll with younger children, join the very clever mouse, follow in his footsteps and meet the silly old fox, owl and snake on the way to an amazing 8 foot tall Gruffalo, complete with knobby knees, turned out toes and a poisonous wart on the end of his nose! The 1.2 mile trail is completely free so bring the family and 'take a stroll through the deep dark woods' to enjoy one of Belfast's most beautiful parks.

Lagan Valley Regional Park

The park covers 4,200 acres of countryside and eleven miles of riverbank between Belfast and Lisburn. The towpath is one of Belfast's most loved walking routes linking a number of parks and meadows, so you can pick and choose which ones you would like to discover on foot. Dander along for hours or walk a small section and you can finish off with a hot drink and a snack at the cosy Lock Keepers Inn.



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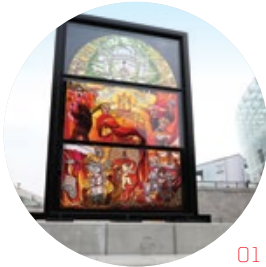
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**TITANIC
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GLASS OF THRONES

To celebrate 10 years of filming in Northern Ireland, stained glass windows depicting some of the most iconic scenes from Game of Thrones were installed, dotted throughout Belfast city centre and Titanic Quarter. Each window represents the trials and tribulations of a different house and at the final window you can pretend to be the ruler of the Seven Kingdoms, by taking your seat on a version of the throne.



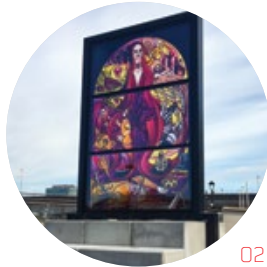
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1. Waterfront Hall 01

Stroll to the first window at Waterfront Hall, where you can see the gruesome trials and triumphs of House Lannister. The explosion at the Sept, Tywin's assassination and Oberyn Martell's brutal death at the hands of the Mountain all make an appearance.

2. Lagan Weir 02

The second window sits at the Lagan Weir footbridge. Featuring a striking portrait of the Red Woman, Gendry's war hammer and a shadow assassin, it depicts some of House Baratheon's most iconic moments.



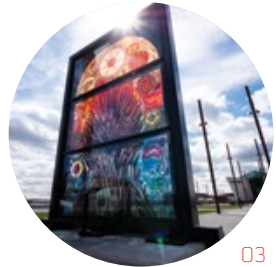
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3. Odyssey Point

Cross the River Lagan to Odyssey Point next to SSE Arena, where you'll find a window dedicated to House Targaryen. As well as an epic picture of Daenerys riding a fire-breathing dragon, it includes Viserys' unforgettable death by molten gold.

4. SS Nomadic

You'll find the most chilling installation at SS Nomadic. This White Walker themed window features some hair-raising scenes from beyond The Wall, including Hodor's death, the advance of the dead on a partially frozen lake and the Night King riding a fiery, dead dragon.



03

5. Titanic Slipways 03

Located on the Titanic Slipways next to Titanic Studios the sixth window is a fitting tribute to the Iron Throne. It features a built-in stool so you can get a selfie on seat the throne, overlooking the very studios that brought Game of Thrones® to life!

Please note window one, Stark Window, has been temporarily removed, so start your Glass of Thrones trail at Waterfront Hall.

For more inspiration and a list of Game of Thrones tours and activities available, check out: visitbelfast.com/gameofthrones

HISTORY & HERITAGE

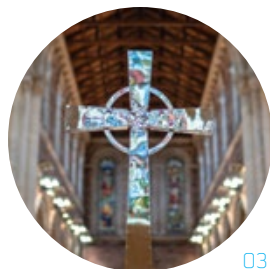
Over four hundred years have passed since the first settlers made Belfast their home: public buildings, museums and visitor centres will let you discover the city's rich history and heritage.



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Clifton House ① was established as Belfast's Poor House in 1774, where thousands of people sought sanctuary within its walls right up until 1882. The Belfast Charitable Society and its home in Clifton House, has survived rebellions and revolutions, while looking after the welfare of the people of the city. You can currently enjoy a fantastic programme of online events.

cliftonbelfast.com

The **James Connolly Visitor Centre** (Áras Uí Chonghaile) tells the story of Connolly, exploring his role as a pioneer of the early trade union movement, and his travels throughout Britain and America. Learn of his key role in the Easter Rising, his subsequent court-martial, death sentence and execution.

arasuichonghaile.com

The **Linenhall Library** ② located opposite Belfast City Hall, is the city's oldest library (1788) and houses one of the most renowned collections of Irish material in the world. Browse the collections, visit the gift shop or relax in the coffee shop.

linenhall.com

St Anne's Cathedral ③ is Romanesque in style with exquisite mosaics, carvings and stained glass. You can take a self-guided tour of this stunning building to learn its history and learn about the people who helped shape this sacred place.

belfastcathedral.org

The **Museum of Orange Heritage** focuses on the history and traditions of the Orange Institution, beginning with the Glorious Revolution, and travels right through until the present day. There's also a strong focus on Orangeism

around the world with a fascinating collection of artefacts.

orangeheritage.co.uk

Based in a former Presbyterian church, **Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich** is an arts and cultural centre with a strong focus on Irish language and culture. The interactive space on the 1st floor, provides an insight into the development of Irish language and culture in Belfast and on how Irish has influenced English.

culturlann.ie

Visit the **Discover Ulster Scots Centre** on Gordon Street where you can discover thousands of years of history, from the formation of the Giant's Causeway (which links County Antrim with the Western Isles of Scotland) right up to the present day.

discoverulsterscots.com

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Ulster Museum **Botanic Gardens**

A treasure house of the past and the present, the Ulster Museum is home to a rich collection of art, history and natural sciences. Discover the story of the people of the north of Ireland from earliest times to the present day. Impressive galleries and interactive discovery zones bring history, science and art collections to life. 📄
nmni.com/um

The MAC **St Anne's Square**

With free admission to its three outstanding galleries, seven days a week, The MAC showcases the very best of local and international talent, from a wide range of exciting exhibitions to newly commissioned works and monumental sculptures. 📄
themaclive.com

Belfast Exposed **Photography Gallery** **Donegal Street**

Born from engagement with the community, Belfast Exposed houses contemporary photography galleries, a bookshop, and a Troubles image archive. 📄
belfastexposed.org

Golden Thread Gallery **Great Patrick Street**

On the fringes of the Cathedral Quarter stands this red brick building whose ground floor houses one of Belfast's coolest art galleries. The stark concrete

interior lends itself perfectly to changing exhibitions of paintings, photography and installations. 📄
goldenthreadgallery.co.uk

Craft NI Gallery **115-119 Royal Avenue**

A lovely combination of shop and gallery, showcasing a range of ceramics, jewellery, sculptures, design items, fabrics, cards and art by local makers. The crafts exhibited change constantly and also showcase work by young, emerging artists. 📄
craftni.org

War Memorial Gallery **Talbot Street**

A must see attraction for visitors with an interest in the Home Front and US Forces in Northern Ireland during the Second World War. The exhibition recalls the contribution of the Home Front, the Belfast blitz of 1941 and the presence of US forces from 1942 to 1944. 📄
niwarmemorial.org

DAY TRIPS

Irish Linen Centre

Market Square, Lisburn

Explore Ireland's industrial heritage in the museum's award-winning exhibition. Trace the history of linen production in Ulster, from the earliest times to the present day, and see live spinning and weaving demonstrations. ☎ lisburnmuseum.com

North Down Museum

Town Hall, Bangor

Telling the story of the area from the Bronze Age to the present day. Key artefacts on display include the Bronze Age Ballycroghan Swords, the Bangor Bell from the Bangor Abbey settlement, and the Raven Maps, the only complete folio of Plantation era maps in Ireland. ☎ northdownmuseum.com

Ulster American Folk Park

Castletown, Omagh

Examine life in Ulster in the 18th and 19th centuries and learn how the settlers endured the arduous Atlantic crossing before adapting to the new and unfamiliar environment of America. Wander through the outdoor museum which brings both the Old and New Worlds to life. nmni.com/uafp

Down County Museum

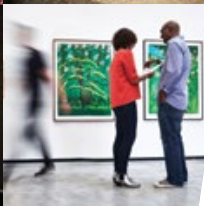
The Mall, Downpatrick

Located in the restored eighteenth century County Gaol of Down, the museum collects, conserves and interprets those objects which best illustrate the history, culture and environment of County Down. ☎ downcountymuseum.com

Seamus Heaney HomePlace

Bellaghy

Standing at the heart of the place and people which so inspired him, HomePlace is an arts and literary centre that includes a stunning exhibition dedicated to the life and work of one of Ireland's greatest writers. seamusheaneyhome.com



ArtisAnn Gallery

70 Bloomfield Avenue

Based over two floors, the gallery features an array of artworks by both emerging and established artists, from painters and sculptors to photographers and collage-makers. The exhibition space hosts a new show each month with all showcased work for sale. ☎ artisann.org

Gerard Dillon Gallery

Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich, 216 Falls Road

The gallery is dedicated to Gerard Dillon RHA RUA 1916-1971, an artist from the Falls Road area of Belfast who earned worldwide fame. The gallery focuses on work from professional artists and generally hosts eight exhibitions per year. ☎ culturlann.ie

The Naughton Gallery

Lanyon Building, Queen's University

One of Belfast's most vibrant and exciting art galleries, featuring a rolling programme of works from Queen's own collection, touring exhibitions and shows by local and international artists. ☎ naughtongallery.org

NEW ONLINE EVENTS

Many of our cultural venues are providing fascinating programmes of online events.

Ulster Folk Museum

Bangor Road, Holywood

Step back in time and experience what life was like in Ulster over 100 years ago. Wander through the beautiful parkland where you will encounter costumed locals demonstrating traditional crafts in cottages, farm dwellings, schools and shops. nmni.com/ufm

Ulster Transport Museum

Bangor Road, Holywood

Explore one of the most comprehensive transport collections in Europe. You'll find majestic locomotives, horse-drawn carriages, vintage motorbikes, and cars at the Ulster Transport Museum, along with exhibits of historical materials including photographs of the Titanic. nmni.com/utm



MARITIME MILE



SINCLAIR SEAMEN'S CHURCH

Built by Charles Lanyon in 1857–58 to meet the spiritual needs of visiting sailors, this part church, part maritime museum has a pulpit shaped like a ship's prow, a brass ship's wheel and binnacle (used as a baptismal font) salvaged from a WWI wreck and the ship's bell from HMS Hood.

BELFAST HARBOUR COMMISSIONERS

This stunning building dates back to 1847, and you can visit an exhibition in the Heritage Room which celebrates 400 years of Belfast's maritime history, detailing Belfast's emergence as a major port and the city's subsequent growth and development as an industrial hub.

CLARENDON DOCK & CITY QUAYS

The dry docks where Belfast's shipbuilding industry was born date back

to 1800–1826. Both docks were used to work on ships' hulls and the workshop was designed for working on the rigging of sailing ships. The area has now been transformed into the City Quays development, home to a mix of commercial offices, shops, cafes, restaurants as well as the AC Hotel by Marriott Belfast.

THE BIG FISH

The beautiful blue scales on the Salmon of Knowledge (affectionately known as The Big Fish) are made up of ceramic tiles depicting scenes from the city's history. Legend has it that if you kiss the fish you'll gain all of its wisdom!

LAGAN WEIR

A wide, modern foot and cycle bridge connecting the city centre with Titanic Quarter. Beautifully illuminated in the evening, take a seat and enjoy the views of the city from the River Lagan.

GLASS OF THRONES

You'll find 3 of the 6 Game of Thrones stained glass windows in Titanic Quarter, located at the Odyssey Point, SS Nomadic and on the Titanic Slipways. Created for the final season of the show, each one represents a different house or legacy.

THE BELFAST BUOYS

The three buoys are estimated to be around 80 years old, and would have been used by mariners to find a safe channel to and from port. Recently restored to their original colours, they have been installed as a permanent display at Abercorn Basin.

SS NOMADIC

The last remaining White Star Line vessel, SS Nomadic, has been restored to her original glory and is back home in the historic Hamilton Dock, near Titanic Belfast. Come on board and experience over 100 years of authentic maritime and social history.

The Maritime Mile begins on the city side of the river, linking Belfast's historic Sailortown across to Titanic Quarter. Take a stroll to explore this historic area and discover the rich history and tradition of the city's shipbuilding heritage.

TITANIC BELFAST

One of the world's leading visitor attractions is housed in an iconic six-floor building. With nine interpretive and interactive galleries that explore the sights, sounds, smells and stories of Titanic, as well as the city and people which made her, Titanic Belfast is an unmissable experience.

TITANIC & OLYMPIC SLIPWAYS

Behind Titanic Belfast you'll find the historic slipways where these famous ships were built and launched over a hundred years ago. Containing many original features, a Memorial Garden illustrates the proportion of Titanic's victims and survivors from each of the passenger classes and crew. The outline of the sister ships illuminate at night and are the perfect space to reflect.

TITANIC HOTEL BELFAST

The original red brick building is a truly authentic part of Titanic's story. Harland and Wolff had two main drawing offices within the building, where naval architects, marine engineers and draftsmen were responsible for the design of the ships. This historic building has been transformed into the Titanic Hotel, preserving its place in Belfast's maritime heritage.

THE GREAT LIGHT

This former lighthouse optic is a unique heritage object with significance to Belfast's economic industrial maritime past. Originally serving both Mew and Tory Island lighthouses, the optic is the largest of its kind ever constructed and dates back to 1887. It is lit all year round and has amazing views over Belfast Harbour and Lough.

THE MARITIME MILE TREASURE TRAIL

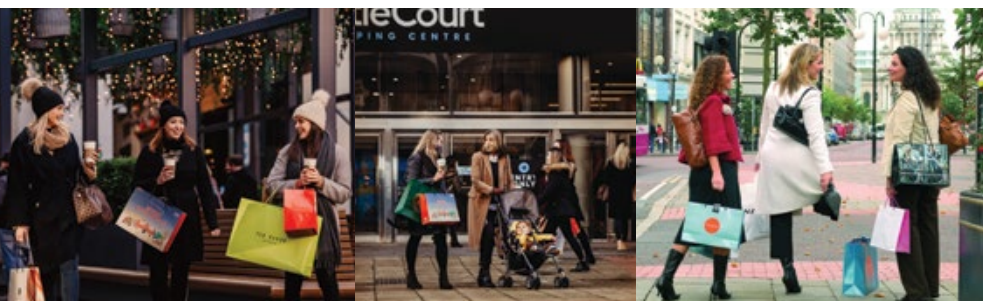
For little explorers and young Titanoraks, to adults who never grew up. The Maritime Mile Treasure Trail is an exciting outdoor experience that combines maritime-twisting clues and fascinating facts for anyone with a sense of adventure. Pick up or download a guide and using the map, make your way around each of the 18 stops. maritime-mile.com

TITANIC DOCK & PUMP-HOUSE

Discover the story behind Belfast's maritime magic by taking a tour at the site of the Thompson Dry-Dock and Pump-House. See the ship's physical footprint in history, descend 44 feet to the bottom of the dock where Titanic last sat on dry ground and learn about Belfast's shipbuilding legacy in the visitor centre.

Shopping in Belfast is a dream come true for fashionistas, savvy shoppers and foodies alike, with a huge variety of high street favourites, independent retailers, speciality emporiums, exclusive boutiques and traditional markets.

RETAIL THERAPY



Victoria Square

Victoria Square is Belfast's premiere shopping destination featuring over 70 international and local brand stores including House of Fraser, Apple, Topshop, Ted Baker, Hollister and Cruise. The centre is also home to a variety of cafés and restaurants as well as the Odeon cinema, and with panoramic views that stretch for miles across the city, the iconic Dome is a must visit when in Belfast.

SEE MAP **D4**

Castle Court

This one-stop shopping spot on Royal Avenue is home to a whole host of your favourite fashion stores including; Debenhams, Jack & Jones, New Look, Miss Selfridge, Dorothy Perkins and Burtons as well as popular plus size stores Evans and Yours Clothing. It's a fashion fix for the whole family and with 15 great food places to choose from and on-site parking, there's never been a better time to visit.

SEE MAP **C3**

Donegall Place

In the heart of the City Centre you will find the main shopping district, lined by eight huge masts which represent famous ships that were engineered and built in Belfast. You will find everything from big brand chain stores and bijou boutiques to gourmet coffee shops and delectable local delis. Don't miss the historic and charming Queen's Arcade, containing many of the city's more opulent stores.

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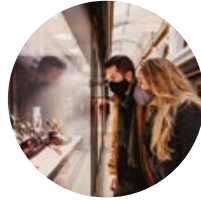
Hidden Gems

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From cool boutique to so unique, Belfast has some hidden gems on our side streets that are very worth exploring. Happy hunting!



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A unique treasure trove of beautiful souvenirs & gifts for friends, family and you. All products are created by local makers and celebrate Belfast, Northern Ireland and beyond.



Queen's Arcade

Featuring many independent shops, Queen's Arcade is the perfect place to find unique, quality products. Don't miss [Lunn's](#) for stunning jewellery and [Robinson's Shoes](#), which is home to high quality footwear.



Sawers

Established in 1897, Sawers is Northern Ireland's oldest deli. It holds a charming heritage and an extensive range of delicious food items, such as charcuterie meats, cheese, preserves, olives and oils.




St George's Market

Get down to St George's Market and experience the wonderful atmosphere, with street food from around the world, and an amazing selection of traders and stalls offering some of the finest local produce, arts and crafts. The Friday Variety Market is open 6am-3pm, the Saturday City Food & Garden Market is open 9am-3pm and the Sunday Market is open 10am-4pm.

SEE MAP 

Lisburn Road

This walkable Queen's Quarter stretch has a sprinkling of designer boutiques, art galleries, home accessories and to-die-for shoes, jewels and lingerie. Bespoke baby gifts, melt-in-the-mouth chocolates and relaxing day spas are all there for the asking. With an assortment of cafés, bars and restaurants you can easily make a day of it.

SEE MAP 

Outlet Shopping

The Boulevard in Banbridge offers all your favourite brands at jaw-dropping prices in a relaxed and stylish setting. Make a day of it with a selection of eateries, an 8-screen cinema and the Ninja Boxx assault course. **The Junction Retail & Leisure Park** in Antrim is a bargain hunters dream come true with over 30 retailers, a wide range of places to eat and drink, activities for the kids and a 10-screen cinema.



FAMILY FUN

There are plenty of fantastic attractions and activities around the city to keep the kids, tweens and teens entertained. Here's our top boredom busting tips for a great family day out!

LEARN & EXPLORE

Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory

Travel back in time and learn how toffee and sweets were made from 100 year old recipes. Make your own candy floss and shop for yummy treats including yellow man, raspberry ruffles and macaroons.

auntsandras.com

Gruffalo Trail at Colin Glen Forest

Take a stroll through the deep dark woods and join the very clever mouse. Along the way you'll meet the silly old fox, owl and snake and an eight foot tall Gruffalo, complete with knobbly knees, turned out toes and a poisonous wart on the end of his nose.

colinglen.org

Ulster Folk Museum

Uncover a way of life from 100 years ago and discover cottages, farms, schools and shops as you wander through the beautiful parkland Folk Museum.

nmni.com/ufm

Ulster Transport Museum

Climb aboard steam locomotives, horse drawn carriages, electric trams, fire-engines and vintage cars or experience the sensation of flight in the Transport Museum.

nmni.com/utm

CS Lewis Square

Return to Narnia with a walk through CS Lewis Square. Your little book worms will discover seven bronze sculptures of much loved characters including Aslan, Mr Tumnus, The White Witch and more. Free trail maps

can be found in EastSide Visitor Centre.

visiteastside.com

ANIMAL KINGDOM

The Ark Open Farm

A great day out for all the family, with lots of educational and fun experiences including feeding and handling opportunities. A multitude of activities such as an extensive outdoor play area, kangaroo bouncer and quad trailer rides are sure to keep the kids entertained.

thearkopenfarm.co.uk

Belfast Zoo

Home to more than 1,000 animals and 150 species, Belfast Zoo is a family favourite. Visit the California sea lions, the Sumatran tigers and watch the penguins play in their pool.

belfastzoo.co.uk



Castle Espie

A quackers day out for all! Meet the ducks & geese, spot the colourful kingfishers or venture into the mossy glades through the Secret Swamp Walk.

www.org.uk/castleespie

Exploris Aquarium

Discover what really happens under the sea as you visit the home of sharks, jellyfish, otters and seals. Explore the dark depths of the Reptile filled rainforest where a snappy crocodile and green gecko hide.

explorisni.com

ACTION PACKED

We Are Vertigo

Get your adrenaline pumping at the world's largest Inflatable Park and adventure play park at the Newtownbreda site or experience Indoor Skydiving, the Ninja Master Course and Inflatable Park at the Titanic Quarter site.

wearevertigo.com

Clip 'n Climb

An action-packed activity centre with individually themed climbing challenges that provide healthy, competitive fun for all ages! Do you have the determination to take the leap of faith?

clipnclimbdundonald.co.uk

The Lost City Adventure Golf

Choose from two 18-hole rainforest themed Indoor courses. Make your way around the course, amidst simulated thunder and lightning storms and challenge your skills against rainforest animals and moving walls. If you get a hole in one on the 18th hole, much Inca Gold will come your way.

lostcityadventuregolf.com

Bridges Urban Sports Park

The perfect place for skateboarding, in-line skating, Parkour and BMXing. If you've a need for speed enjoy a capsule bowl and street complex complete with handrails, hips, quarter pipes, grind boxes and hubbas.

belfastcity.gov.uk

Dundonald International Ice Bowl

Skate around this Olympic size ice rink, become king of the lanes in the Xtreme Tenpin Bowling Centre or go wild in the Indiana Land play kingdom.

theicebowl.com

Colin Glen Adventure Centre

Are you brave enough to try a 90 metre double zip line, fan descender, climbing wall and

challenges? Other activities available include kayaking, archery, orienteering, laser tag, raft building, bubbleball football, fishing, a 9-hole golf course, TopTracer driving range and 3G pitches.

colinglen.org

Let's Go Hydro

Watersports and activity resort offering a range of family friendly activities including a Drive-In cinema, aqua park, cable watersports, open water swimming, outdoor swimming pool along with an accommodation resort.

letsghydro.com

Prison Island Belfast

Gather a team of your family or friends to solve exciting challenges in our themed Prison Cells. We have 25 Cells that require a combination of intellectual, technical & physical skills. It's not an escape room, you are free to leave a cell at any time. Or why not try the new Urban Axe Throwing experience in the Axe Yard.

prisonislandbelfast.com

For more family fun ideas, see visitbelfast.com



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BELFAST CITY & REGION



Reasons to visit don't end at our city limits. One of the great things about Belfast is that within a short drive you can discover a completely different world filled with lush valleys, a stunning coastline, country parks, magnificent estates, wonderful wildlife and historic attractions. Take a breather and discover some of the other fantastic things to see and do, all just a few minutes' drive outside the capital.

Ards & North Down

Love Ards and North Down this Christmas!

With miles of magnificent coastline, water's edge driving routes, coastal and country walking and cycle paths it's the ideal place to wind down and make memories with your family and your bubble over the festive season.



Wrap up warm, breathe in the fresh air and enjoy the wide-open spaces we have to offer in Ards and North Down.

From nooks in the woods to the beauty of our beaches, there are new journeys to experience time and time again.

So, whether you enjoy a drive along the coast, a gentle dander, a brisk walk, or an adventurous hike, we have something for you.

Just minutes from Belfast city, we are easy to get to with great public transport links and road network.

FESTIVE FEEL GOOD IN ARDS AND NORTH DOWN

Add joy to the winter months....explore hidden gems, treat yourself to foodie delights, enjoy some festive fun and let us help you tick off your Christmas list with some shopping inspiration in our towns and villages.

DAY TRIP IDEAS

Follow the stunning 26km **North Down Coastal Path** on foot or bike along the shore of Belfast Lough from **Hollywood** via **Crawfordsburn Country Park** with its pristine beaches, to the seaside town of **Bangor**. Continue along the coast to **Donaghadee**, where the lighthouse stands

tall in the harbour and on a fine day the view to Scotland is clear and uninterrupted.

Slow down your pace as you drive along the **Ards Peninsula**, following the shoreline of the Irish Sea, discover charming villages and towns on the way to capture your Instagram story at Ireland's most easterly location, **Burr Point**.

Continuing along the east shore of Strangford Lough, this beautiful drive brings you to National Trust's magical **Mount Stewart**. A fine Irish Demesne steeped in history with a recently restored 19th-century stately home, world class gardens and walking trails.



To find out more about Mount Stewart click [here](#).

In **Newtownards**, stretch your legs with a gentle climb to historic Scrabo Tower for panoramic views of the lough. In nearby **Comber**, discover the great local tastes in artisan food shops. Just outside the town, explore a safe haven of wide open space bursting with wetland nature at **Castle Espie Wetland Centre**. To find out more about Castle Espie Wetland Centre click [here](#).

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PLAN YOUR DAY

CONNECT WITH NATURE

Relax and enjoy the great outdoors just minutes from Belfast city centre.

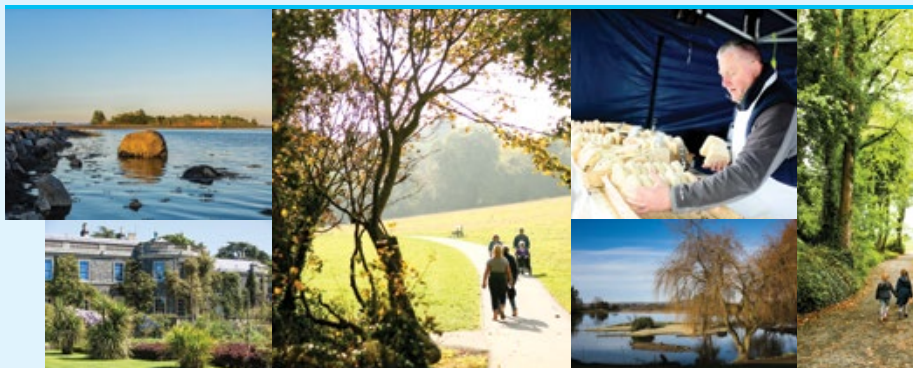
Not only do we have Northern Ireland's longest coastline with 185km of scenic shores, our parks and open spaces have received five Green Flag Awards, including, **Ballymenoch Park, Holywood, Castle Park and Linear Park** in **Bangor** along with **Londonderry Park** and **Kiltonga Nature Reserve** in **Newtownards**, all awarded the International mark of quality in 2020.

Restore your love of the outdoors. Here are some ideas for getting out and about in the area...

Castle Park, Bangor, a walk through this wooded wonderland is an exhilarating experience, stroll along the tree-lined avenue to explore the formal gardens of the Town Hall.

Located on the southern shores of Belfast Lough, **Crawfordsburn Country Park**, near Bangor has two spectacular beaches, breath-taking scenery, tranquil walks through wooded glens and a stunning waterfall, providing a relaxing natural retreat.

Set above Belfast Lough, **Redburn Country Park, Holywood** is the place to explore 7km of pathways with spectacular views for those



energetic visitors who climb to the top!

Only three miles from Newtownards off the Comber Road, **Island Hill** overlooks Strangford Lough and is an excellent vantage point for bird watching. Follow the path along the edge of the lough to a causeway accessible only at low tide to explore the island.

Once part of the Nugent's Estate, **Nugent's Wood Portaferry** is now managed by the National Trust. Enjoy a gentle walk through this mature wood of mixed broad-leaved trees with beautiful views across the Strangford Narrows, towards Audley's Castle and Castle Ward.

Click here to
CHOOSE A WALK

FOODIE DELIGHTS

At this time of year, we're thinking about foodie treats. Why not savour the tastes of our lands and loughs from unique artisan producers?

Weekly markets are a tradition here taking place in Bangor (Wednesdays) and Newtownards (Saturdays)

for almost a century. They showcase an array of fresh local fayre, Strangford Lough seafood, local vegetables, plants, homewares, and traditional breads baked as you wait. On the first Thursday of the month at Comber Farmers' Market you can pick up the finest local delights and lots of Christmas treats. To find out more about our local markets click [here](#).

We also have extra Christmas markets and magic happening in December. To find out more click [here](#).

WE'VE CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ALL WRAPPED UP

It wouldn't be Christmas without a spot of shopping and Ards and North Down is a retail hub. With five fantastic towns Bangor, Comber, Donaghadee, Holywood and Newtownards (High Street of the Year 2020) focused on offering a wonderful and safe Christmas shopping experience, you will be spoilt for choice.

In Ards and North Down we've more makers per head than anywhere else in Northern Ireland with studios dotted across region and you can buy beautiful hand-crafted items in the local towns and villages as well as online.

Click [here](#) to browse North Down Museum Christmas Craft Shop.

Click [here](#) to browse the Creative Peninsula Christmas Gift Guide.

STAY A WHILE

Relax in the beauty of this place with accommodation ranging from distinctive self-catering options, cosy guest houses, glamping and caravanning/camping to three, four and five-star hotel and spa facilities.

This year, even though the celebrations may be different over the festive season, let's make it magical!





FESTIVE FUN AND GIFT IDEAS

For some festive fun with a difference this year, Ards and North Down offers a wide range of Christmas themed experiences and gift ideas. Here are a few unique ways to make your holiday period special.

On the Water

Get out on our coastal water and loughs at any time of year with these wonderful providers.

SUP Hub NI, Bangor

Stand Up Paddleboarding is the world's fastest growing water sport, Sup Hub NI provide a safe and fun way to get on the water, with various package options to choose from. Click [here](#) for gift vouchers.

Strangford Lough Activity Centre, based in Killinchy

SLAC offer quirky outdoor activities and adventure tours, you can escape from everyday life and immerse yourself in the moment. Click [here](#) for gift vouchers.

Mobile Team Adventure

Offering adventures in the great outdoors, try a unique immersive experience on Strangford Lough such as Glide with the Tide, a sea

kayaking and food tour or perhaps you want something bespoke to you or your group, Mobile Team Adventure will help you create that memorable experience. Click [here](#) for gift vouchers.

Take to the Skies

With a helicopter pleasure flight and enjoy a birds-eye-view over County Down.

Heli-Power, Newtownards

Take the controls of a helicopter with experienced and enthusiastic instructors and experience the thrill of helicopter flying with a trial flight experience. For more information click [here](#).

Foodie Experience

Step into an 18th century thatched cottage, set on the shores of the beautiful Strangford Lough for a hands-on bread making experience.

Tracey's Farmhouse Kitchen, Killinchy

Make yourself at home, sample local treats and Tracey's breads along with award-winning hand rolled butters and delicious homemade jams. Prepare to roll up your sleeves and get floury! You'll make three

traditional breads – Soda, Wheaten and Potato to take home along with a copy of Tracey's tried and trusted recipes. Click [here](#) for gifts and vouchers.

Guided Walking Tour

Enjoy a restorative and memorable experience on a guided coastal walk.

Sustainable Journeys Ireland

Connect with nature, landscapes and local people in the company of local tour guide, Brigid Watson. For more information about guided walking tours click [here](#).

Creative Inspiration

Create your own unique masterpiece, a perfect Christmas gift.

Eden Pottery

Based on the Ards Peninsula, Eden Pottery is best known for sponge-printed design, using traditional methods to hand craft and decorate, making every piece unique. Eden at Home, pottery decorating boxes available for collection. For more information about Eden Pottery Shop click [here](#).

Lisburn & Castlereagh

With its mixture of city, urban, village and rural communities, Lisburn & Castlereagh is ideal for those wishing to enjoy a combination of rolling countryside and urban life - packed full of places, people and experiences that make it an unforgettable staycation destination.



SHOPPING

Whether you fancy Christmas shopping in Northern Ireland's largest Marks & Spencer or finding the perfect one-of-a-kind gift for a friend or loved one in a quirky boutique, Lisburn and Castlereagh is renowned for its retail! With some of Northern Ireland's finest shopping centres such as **Bow Street Mall**, **Forestsides Shopping Centre** and **Sprucefield Centre** as well as a constantly growing selection of local independent shops, boutiques and retailers just waiting to be discovered, you're certain to find the retail

therapy we all crave! The area is home to an array of crafters and artists, whose products can be bought in many of the small gift shops and galleries you'll discover as hidden gems during your visit.

Top Tips
in **klöver Art Gallery, Hillsborough**, for a locally made piece of art.

LilyRose Boutique, Moira for that one-off outfit.

Rosie's Emporium, Lisburn for an unexpected souvenir.

FOOD & DRINK

From acclaimed gastro pubs and award-winning fine-dining, to the best in affordable family diners, take your taste buds on an unforgettable gastronomic tour of discovery around Lisburn and Castlereagh. Memorable dining starts with the local farmers, growers and producers, of whom Lisburn & Castlereagh have plenty! From **Hannan Meats** supplying local restaurants, to countless local growers selling fresh fruit and vegetables at our local markets at **Inns Cross** and **Hillsborough Seasonal**



Markets, the end product is a food & drink experience you'll come back for again and again.

If it's a local brew you'd like to try, you can take a tour of Ireland's oldest independent brewery - **Hilden Brewery**, where you'll learn about the art of micro-brewing and get to sample the various beers and enjoy a meal at The Tap Room restaurant on site.

If it's something stronger you're after, head to Moira and join a "Gin School" at **The StillHouse**, where you'll learn to distill your very own gin at the distillery!

Have a few mouths to feed? Make your way to **Eastpoint Entertainment Village** or **Lisburn Leisurepark** for some firm family favourites such as Eddie Rockets, Jersey Street Grill, Wagamma, Blue Chicago and Sugar Ray's.

Top Tips

Hillside, Hillsborough for open fires and wholesome food.

Haslem Kitchen, Lisburn for cocktails, live music and chic dining.

Wine & Brine, Moira for Michelin Star cuisine.





HISTORY & HERITAGE

Surrounded by some of Northern Ireland's most beautiful countryside, our welcoming towns and villages are renowned for their fascinating history and can be explored any time of the year. You'll also find many heritage sites all with their own stories to uncover. Discover **Glenavy** village, which dates back to St Patrick himself, who founded a church here as part of his 5th century crusade. Or visit the small village of **Drumbo**, which once boasted an ancient monastery. You can see its ruined round tower in the graveyard of the medieval parish church, the foundations of which are still visible.

Hillsborough village is the jewel in the crown of Northern Ireland's historic towns - an irresistible mixture of exquisite Georgian architecture, atmospheric gastro pubs, fascinating shops and charming cafés. There are Farmers' Markets during the summer months

and a Christmas Market in December, and it is home to Hillsborough Castle – Northern Ireland's Royal residence.

Lisburn was once the heart of Ulster's world famous linen industry and one of the most important towns in the province. Today, that unique history is evident throughout the city but particularly in the **Lisburn Historic Quarter**. The fabric of Lisburn's past comes to life at the **Lisburn Museum & Irish Linen Centre** in Market Square, where you'll experience spinning and weaving within the "Flax to Fabric" exhibition.

Top Tips

Lisburn Historical Quarter Trail for history and industrial heritage fans.

Hillsborough Village Walking Tour for historical architecture lovers.

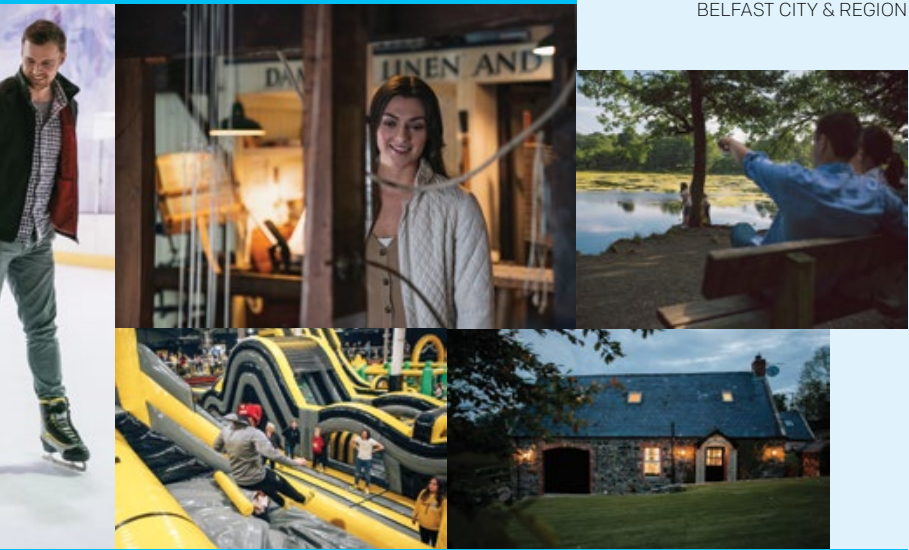
Harry Ferguson Legacy Trail for engineering and agriculture enthusiasts.

NATURAL SPLENDOUR

Lisburn & Castlereagh has parks and scenic open spaces in abundance, whether you seek the tranquillity and solitude of an urban oasis or the sociability of a popular, picturesque walking route, you'll find your happy place in one of our many outdoor locations.

Castle Gardens is a beautiful public park located on the site where Lisburn Castle, a fortified manor, stood from the 1620s. Providing an escape from the hustle and bustle of the City Centre, the lovely upper 19th century gardens and the 17th century terraces have recently been restored to their former glory.

Hillsborough Forest is set in the picturesque Georgian village of Hillsborough and sits just a few minutes' walk from Hillsborough Castle. A popular choice among bird-watchers, dog walkers, photographers and nature-lovers, the forest covers an area of almost 200 acres and has way-marked routes providing a variety of different walks to suit everyone.



The “Lagan Tow Path” runs from Lisburn to Belfast along the canal route which forms the **Lagan Valley Regional Park**. This linear pathway is popular with walkers, cyclists and runners and stretches approximately 11 miles from Lisburn to Stranmillis.

Top Tips

Belshaw’s Quarry Sculpture Park

for a unique combination of art and geology.

Wallace Park, Lisburn

and Moira Demesne for outdoor family time.

Castle Gardens Guided

Tour for your fix of history.

VISITOR ATTRACTIONS

Whether you’re a family, a couple or fancy some time on your own, there’s something for everyone to enjoy while exploring the Lisburn & Castlereagh area. You’re sure to delight the kids by visiting **Streamvale Open Farm** - not just a farm but a fantastic family experience with many opportunities for children

and parents to learn and play together. Staff are always on hand to make sure you and your family have a fantastic day out.

Visitors of all ages will enjoy walking in the footsteps of royalty at **Hillsborough Castle & Gardens** where 100 acres of manicured gardens are waiting to be explored! You’ll easily spend a morning or afternoon amongst the beautiful surroundings of the lakes, courtyards and tree-lined avenues. A landscape photographer’s dream – don’t forget your camera! .

For something altogether more energetic – include a trip to **We are Vertigo** - Northern Ireland’s premier Inflata-Park, Ski and Adventure Centre. You’re invited to bounce, ski, play and climb all year round! It doesn’t matter your age - they have something for everyone!

Top Tips

Climbing walls at Clip ‘n’ Climb, Dundonald for thrill-seekers.

A Grand Prix at Lyon’s Karting, Hillsborough for adrenaline junkies.

Ice skating lessons at Dundonald International Ice Bowl for family fun.

ACCOMMODATION

With a variety of accommodation options to suit all budgets and tastes, you’ll find the perfect place to call home while you’re here. From barn conversions to historic houses, cottages to hotels, the Lisburn & Castlereagh **accommodation directory** will help you find your home from home.

Top Tips

“Myrtle” the glamping truck at Larchfield estate for something different.

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ROAD TRIP

Jump in your car and discover hidden gems, geological wonders of the world, secluded bays and real-life fantasy locations, just a short drive from Belfast.

Causeway Coastal Route

County Antrim's Causeway Coastal Route runs north from Larne, and is the gateway to the Nine Glens of Antrim with Glenariff Forest Park at its heart. On the north coast you'll find the Giants Causeway, one of only two World Heritage Sites in Northern Ireland. Nearby, challenge yourself to cross the 100 feet (30 metres) high Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, first erected by salmon fishermen 350 years ago.

Mourne Mountains

Experience the magic of the Mourne Mountains, where dizzying peaks roll into deep valleys and tranquil forests. Venture to the top of Northern Ireland's highest peak, Slieve Donard, which overlooks the coastal town of Newcastle and the Irish

Sea. You'll walk through breathtaking countryside and forest, and learn about the fauna, wildlife and flora along the way.

St Patrick's Trail

Discover the legacy of St Patrick on this 92 mile driving route that links sites connected to the Irish Patron Saint. The Saint Patrick Centre situated below Patrick's burial site in Downpatrick is an interactive exhibition about his life. Visit Down County Museum, located within the walls of the former county gaol, and discover the past through the story of St Patrick and the human and natural history of the region.

Lough Neagh

Lough Neagh is the largest fresh water lake in the British

Isles, said to have been formed by the mythical giant Finn McCool. Visit the Lough Neagh Discovery Centre at Oxford Island, where you'll find tourist information, bird watching facilities, woodland, ponds, wildflower meadows and picnic and play areas.

Rathlin Island

Rathlin Island is Northern Ireland's only inhabited island and is also home to one of the largest seabird colonies. Take the Rathlin Ferry Service to experience amazing wildlife, explore the lighthouse and visit The Rathlin West Light Seabird Centre. In summer, the seabird colony is a real assault on the senses with tens of thousands of birds, including puffins, razorbills, guillemots and kittiwakes, jostling for space on the cliff face.



Mount Stewart

Embark on a road trip to explore the beautiful Strangford Lough and Ards Peninsula. Stop off at Mount Stewart, a stunning estate which has one of the most inspiring and unusual gardens in the National Trust's ownership and ranked as one of the top ten gardens in the world. You can take the ferry from Portaferry to Strangford, which takes both foot and car passengers, sailing every day of the year except Christmas Day.

Hillsborough Castle Gardens

The official residence of the Royal Family when in Northern Ireland, and home to the Secretary of State, Hillsborough Castle remains closed for tours but you can still visit the stunning gardens of the estate, including ornamental grounds, peaceful woodlands, meandering waterways and trimmed lawns as well as modern commemorative trees and exotic plants, and enjoy brunch, lunch or coffee and treats at the Yellow Door Café.

Castle Ward

From one magnificent house to another, continue your journey to Castle Ward which boasts spectacular views of Strangford Lough. Learn about the heritage of the family who lived there and walk the woodland pathways. Castle Ward is also the location for Winterfell Castle in the HBO hit television show Game of Thrones.

Antrim Castle Gardens

A historical gem, these 400 year old gardens have been preserved for generations to come. Walk into the past as you stroll around this magnificent setting, visiting beautiful features such as the Large Parterre, Her Ladyship's Pleasure Garden and Yew Tree Pond before sampling the many culinary delights in the Garden Coffee Shop.

Rowallane Garden

As other plants start to hibernate, a range of winter scented shrubs come to life making it the perfect time to wrap up warm and explore Rowallane Garden. Take a

stroll among winter flowering viburnums, mahonia and the fragrant yellow flowers of witch hazel. Discover the Walled Garden, the electric blue bandstand in the Pleasure Grounds and enjoy a tranquil walk around the famous Rock Garden Wood.

Many gardens, parks, cafés, coast and countryside sites and some houses are now open for you to explore. When planning your visit, we recommend you check current opening times and book in advance.







Tours



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-  Causeway tours
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CQ Cathedral Quarter

TQ Titanic Quarter

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With its glorious terrace, Deanes at Queens takes full advantage of its enviable location. Chris Fearon of Great British Menu fame serves up a variety of menu options.

028 9038 2111
michaeldeane.co.uk

C6 CC

Deanes Meat Locker 28-40 Howard Street

When you combine the sheer skill of Deanes chefs with the superb quality of Hannan Meats and the accuracy of the Asador Grill you create a dining experience that simply excels.

028 9033 1134
michaeldeane.co.uk

C4 CC

EDŌ Upper Queen Street

A new, contemporary, European dining experience in the heart of the city offering tapas style sharing plates, robust meat and fish dishes and charcoal oven cooked steaks.

028 9031 3054
edorestaurant.co.uk

CA CC

Flame Restaurant 46 Howard Street

Flame's custom built 10ft Asador Grill and Tandoori ovens bring cooking to life. Soak up the relaxed, friendly atmosphere as you sit at your table overlooking the open kitchen.

028 9033 2121
flamerestaurant.co.uk

CA CC

Ginger Bistro 7-8 Hope Street

Head chef Simon McCance specialises in fish without forgetting vegetarians and meat eaters. The award winning Ginger has a strong reputation for quality and value for money.

028 9024 4421
gingerbistro.com

C3 LD

Granny Annie's Kitchen 81 Chichester Street

Casual destination for a comfort food menu served in front of a real fire in a brick-lined space. This Irish trad meets classic pub-grub diner brings the phrase "eat up, you're at your granny's" to a whole new belly-busting level!

028 9032 1331
grannyannies.co.uk

DA CC

Eating Out

Hadskis

33 Donegall Street

An eclectic little dining room with a great kitchen counter, where you can taste an ever changing menu of daily specials alongside some classic European dishes.

028 9032 5444

hadskis.co.uk

☺ ☹

44 Hill Street

44 Hill Street

A vibrant celebration of modern food influenced by the flavours of the Mediterranean, using local products from local, independent producers. Enjoy seasonal cuisine serving everything from casual lunch to plates you can share with your friends or family.

028 9590 8444

44hillstreet.com

☺ ☹

Holohan's Pantry

43 University Road

Located in the Queen's Quarter you'll find Belfast's only boxty house! Whether you're popping in for a quick lunch or relaxing dinner, you will find true Irish hospitality at its best in this family run restaurant.

028 9029 1103

holohanspantry.co.uk

☺ ☹

Home Restaurant

22 Wellington Place

Feel good food, throughout the day with morning coffee and pastries, a deli serving a selection of soups, salads, sandwiches and home baked treats. Lunch and dinner served in the restaurant.

028 9023 4946

homebelfast.co.uk

☺ ☹

Horatio Todds

406 Upper

Newtownards Rd

Situated in Ballyhackamore, Horatio Todd's is an award-winning, comfortable and welcoming local bar serving delicious dishes with a real emphasis on local produce.

028 9065 3090

horatiotodds.com

Howard Street

Restaurant

56 Howard Street

Serving up full-flavoured dishes created from the current season's ingredients sourced locally. Complementing the menu is a rejuvenated cocktail list and a range of artisan wines.

028 9024 8362

howardstbelfast.com

☺ ☹

Henry's Joy's Entry

Henry's, named after historic Belfast figure

and United Irish man Henry Joy McCracken, has been a pub for over 100 years. Call into this Joys Entry bar for great drinks, traditional food, live music and plenty of history.

028 9032 6711

henrys-belfast.com

☺ ☹

James St

21 James Street South

James St really is the place where good food, wine and service come together in relaxed surroundings. Enjoy lunch specials from 12pm, pre-theatre from 5pm, an extensive a la carte menu, alongside weekend brunch and a great Sunday Roast.

028 9560 0700

jamesstandco.com

☺ ☹

Novelli at City Quays

90 Donegall Quay

Situated on the waterfront, with unparalleled views

Eat & Drink

BELFAST

Restaurant Vouchers

The Eat & Drink Belfast Restaurant Voucher allows you to choose from a mouth-watering selection of eateries from Michelin Star fine dining and quirky restaurants, to gastropubs and cafes.

visitbelfast.com/voucher

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Belfast



across Belfast Lough, the multi-Michelin-starred and 5-out-of-5 AA Rosette-winning chef Jean Christophe Novelli's Ireland début serves an authentic Mediterranean menu with locally sourced produce and all-day dining.

028 9531 3191
novellirestaurants.co.uk/belfast
 (D3) (CC)

The Morning Star
17-19 Pottinger's Entry, Ann Street

Tuck into gargantuan steaks of quality assured Ulster beef and Irish stew. The kitchen also has a great sense of adventure - crocodile, shark and kangaroo all pop up from time to time.

028 9023 5986
themorningstarbar.co.uk
 (D3) (CC)

The Muddlers Club
Warehouse Lane, Waring St

Tucked away in the historic back streets of Cathedral Quarter is this modern, industrial-style restaurant named after a 200 year old secret

society. The menus are a beautiful balance of local delicacies combined with the finest of international touches.

028 9031 3199
themuddlersclubbelfast.com
 (D3) (CC)

Ox Restaurant
1 Oxford Street

With an enthusiastic approach to seasonality, Michelin starred OX works every day to provide the best possible fine dining experience in a relaxed, riverside environment.

028 9031 4121
oxbelfast.com
 (D4) (CC)

Ryan's Bar & Restaurant
116-118 Lisburn Road

A traditional menu with a fresh contemporary twist, from sharing platters to veggie grazers, farm quality assured steaks to Irish boxtys. A family friendly venue with a relaxed atmosphere.

028 9050 9850
ryansbelfast.com
 (C6) (CC)

Shed Bistro
467 Ormeau Road

The perfect lunch and dinner experience with a tantalising menu including chargrilled steaks, lamb, fresh fish, pasta, Belfast's best burger, daily specials and more.

028 9064 2630
shedbelfast.com
 (E8) (CC)

Shu Restaurant
253 Lisburn Road

One of the most renowned eateries in Belfast, Shu offers simple French influenced food using the best seasonal ingredients, served at a reasonable price, in an elegant location.

028 9038 1655
shu-restaurant.com
 (B7) (CC)

Top Blade
St Anne's Square

An affordable and accessible steak eatery specialising in flat iron steak as well as other cuts, burgers and light bites. Vegetarian and vegan customers can enjoy Top Blade's speciality seitan steak.

028 9033 3311
topblade.co.uk

(D3) (CC)

Yardbird
3 Hill Street

Yardbird is a free range rotisserie chicken restaurant. Here the chicken is marinated overnight before being cooked before your eyes on the restaurant's speciality Brazilian rotisserie.

028 9024 3712
thedirtyonion.com
 (D3) (CC)

SEAFOOD

Deanes Love Fish
28-40 Howard Street

Seafood dominates the wide ranging menu but it is the extraordinary affordability of the signature dishes, excellent quality and presentation at Deanes Love Fish that will surprise and delight you.

028 9033 1134
michaeldeane.co.uk
 (C4) (CC)

Eating Out



Fish City

33 Ann Street

Open all day serving breakfast, lunch and dinner using local and sustainably sourced food. As well as the traditional and award winning fish & chips, enjoy an extensive menu of seafood, meat and vegetarian dishes.

028 9023 1000

fish-city.com

D4 C6

Mourne Seafood Bar

34-36 Bank Street

Fresh, locally sourced seafood traditionally prepared with an Asian or continental twist.

Enjoy local ingredients, value for money and friendly service with shellfish sourced from Mourne's very own shellfish beds.

028 9024 8544

mourseafood.com

D4 C6

The Oyster Rooms

2-4 Winecellar Entry

Located above the historic White's Tavern, step upstairs to enjoy a menu of locally sourced, authentic Irish food alongside great drinks and live music.

028 9031 2582

**whitetavern
belfast.com**

D3 C6

ITALIAN

Coppi

St Anne's Square

Open seven days a week, Coppi specialises in simple Italian classics big on flavour and offers a range of cichetti



(Italian style tapas), starters, main courses, pizzetta and pasta freshly made daily.

028 9031 1959

coppi.co.uk

D3 C6

Deane and Decano

537 Lisburn Road

A stylish buzzing restaurant/café/bar with a distinctly Italian flavour. Located on the ever fashionable Lisburn Road, Deane and Decano is open for lunch, afternoon snacks & dinner.

028 9066 3108

michaeldeane.co.uk

A8 C6

Little Wing Pizzeria

**Ann Street/
Lisburn Road/ Upper
Newtownards Road**

Passionate about pizzas, Little Wing use time honoured methods to create traditionally made Naples style pizzas, prepared with the finest fresh ingredients.

028 9024 7000

littlewingpizzeria.com

D3 C6 A8 C6

Scalini

85 Botanic Avenue

Whether you are seated under the stars or up in Romeo & Juliet's

balcony, diners will feel they are actually there. With a superb selection of pizza, pasta and extensive grill dishes, enjoy this Italian experience.

028 9032 0303

**scalinirestaurant
.co.uk**

C6 C6

Villa Italia Restaurant

37-41 University Road

In the heart of the bustling Queen's Quarter, Villa Italia, is a firm favourite with visitors and locals. The extensive grill, pizza and pasta menu offers a selection of authentic Italian dishes.

028 9032 8356

**villaitaliarestaurant
.co.uk**

C6 C6

ASIAN

BaoBun

48 Botanic Avenue

Offering exciting, fresh, vegan friendly Taiwanese street food. All ingredients are cooked, steamed, baked and pickled in-house, with a mission to create

fresh food fast.

028 9032 9686

baobunbelfast.com

D4 C6

Cosmo

Victoria Square

From the Chinese countryside and fishing villages of Japan, to the food markets of Delhi and everywhere in between; experience your favourite dishes from around the world.

028 9023 6660

**cosmo-restaurants.
co.uk**

D4 C6

House of Zen

St Anne's Square

Bringing a little bit of the Orient to the traditional cobbled streets of Cathedral Quarter. Offering a unique blend of Asian fusion cuisine, served up in cool, funky and relaxed surroundings.

028 9027 8688

**houseofzenbelfast.
co.uk**

D3 C6

Kamakura Sushi

**69 Donegall Pass
18 Holywood Road**

A traditional Japanese Sushi and Ramen restaurant offering

fresh, delicious food and a great dining experience at both their Queen's Quarter and EastSide locations.

028 9543 0970
kamakurasushi.co.uk
 (D5) (Q)

Mumbai Milano
11 Wellington Place
 Located opposite the iconic Belfast City Hall, experience a beautiful, authentic dining experience that takes the best of Indian and Italian food culture to create a delicious fusion menu, using the best fresh local produce.

028 9031 1101
mumbaimilano.co.uk
 (C4) (CC)

Sakura Sushi
82 Botanic Ave
 Specialising in the art of sushi as well as offering a variety of fusion food. Carefully chosen dishes are prepared using only fresh ingredients; creating deliciously nutritious and naturally low fat cuisine.

028 9043 9590
sakurabelfast.com
 (C6) (Q)

Wagamama Belfast
Victoria Square
 Inspired by delicious Japanese noodle bars and flavours, Wagamama offers an exciting and inclusive casual dining experience.

028 9023 6098
wagamamani.com
 (D4) (CC)

Zen
55-59 Adelaide Street
 The innovative menu

offers a wide range of new and exciting Japanese style dishes including a plethora of 'Fusion cuisine' consisting of Japanese and Asian food with a Western twist.

028 9023 2244
zenbelfast.co.uk
 (D4) (LQ)

MEXICAN

La Taqueria
274-276 Ormeau Road
 Authentic Mexican street food paired with fresh, creative cocktails and Mexican beers. Enjoy Quesadillas, Tacos and Qesos Fundidos with condiments allowing you to add your own level of spice.

028 9064 4477
lataqueriabelfast.co.uk
 (E8) (Q)

CAFÉS / TAKEAWAY

Avoca Café
41 Arthur Street
 The perfect spot to chill out in between all that shopping. Spacious with an eclectic vintage style, it features lots of delicious, freshly-prepared favourites from our award-winning menu.

028 9027 9955
avoca.com
 (D4) (CC)

Clements
**Donegall Sq West/
 Royal Av/Rosemary St/
 Botanic Av/**

**Ballyhackamore/
 Stranmillis Rd/QUB**
 Clements' baristas are trained in the art of making great coffee. Staff passionately create divine drinks while heavenly bakers add to the pleasure with delicious treats.

028 9024 9988
clementscoffee.com
 (C4) (C3) (D4) (CC)
 (C5) (A8) (C7) (Q)

The Dock
The Arc, Titanic Quarter
 Belfast's first Honesty Box Cafe offers a variety of treats from Suki tea, gourmet coffee, hot soup, fresh sandwiches, scones, buns and cakes. The price is totally up to you.

the-dock.org
 (E2) (TQ)

The Lamppost Café
**19 Upper
 Newtownards Road**
 A cosy, C.S Lewis themed cafe in the heart of East Belfast with vintage crockery and a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Family friendly and dog friendly.

028 9058 0059
thelamppostcafe.com

Oh! Donuts & Coffee
55 Upper Arthur Street
 Incredible coffee and handcrafted donuts are a match made in heaven, so this slick city centre venue delivers a taste of paradise.

07790 907404
ohdonuts.co.uk
 (D4) (CC)

Starbucks
**Castle Lane/Great
 Victoria St/Cornmarket/
 Wellington Place/
 Victoria Sq/CastleCourt/
 Botanic Ave/ Lisburn Rd**
 Starbucks are passionate about making perfect handcrafted beverages. Catch up with friends or just enjoy the relaxed atmosphere with a delicious range of coffee, tea and light bites.

028 9023 6679
starbucks.ie
 (D4) (C3) (CC) (C4) (LQ)
 (C5) (C6) (Q)

The Yellow Door
**427 Lisburn Rd/
 Hillsborough Castle**
 The Yellow Door Deli pride themselves on showcasing world class produce grown locally. Serving flavoursome food which is freshly baked and cooked in house.

yellowdoordeli.co.uk
 (D3) (CC) (B7) (C6) (Q)

CULINARY EXPERIENCES

**The Cookery School
 at James St**
 Run by Niall McKenna and his team of chefs at James St, offering a great selection of practical cookery classes for food lovers of all abilities and avid cooks who want to improve their skills.






028 9560 0701
cookinbelfast.co.uk
 (C4) (LQ)

Gastropubs



While some of our pubs and clubs remain closed due to the current restrictions, our gastropubs are now open and ready to welcome you for a delicious meal and some winter warming drinks.

KEY

-  Map grid location
-  Serves food
-  Traditional music
-  Live music
-  DJ/Club

CITY CENTRE

Cabaret Supper Club 38-42 Upper Arthur St.

A sophisticated evening of sumptuous dining is topped by a smorgasbord of refined cabaret acts. Dress to impress and soak up the elegant surroundings of this 1920s inspired Cabaret Club.

028 9024 9009
cabaretbelfast.com

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Fountain Lane

16 Fountain Street
Established in 1901, make a stop at the newly refurbished Fountain Lane for fantastic food and drink with big screen sports, live local and trad music and great company, 7 days a week!

028 9032 4769
fountainlanebelfast.com

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The Jailhouse Joy's Entry

The Jailhouse, and adjoining sister bar Henrys, offers a fantastic range of traditional food, local drinks and entertainment alongside the rich history of their name sake Henry Joy.

028 9032 6711
thejailhousebelfast.com

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Kelly's Cellars 30-32 Bank Street

One of the oldest pubs in Belfast, Kelly's Cellars remains resolutely old fashioned, with vaulted ceilings and an elbow worn bar, providing food, traditional music sessions & plenty of craic.

028 9024 6058
kellyscellars.com

☎️ 🍷 🎵

McHughs 29-31 Queen's Square

Housed in Belfast's oldest building, McHugh's offers 'traditionally modern Irish cuisine' including house speciality, Boxy Potato Cakes. Step down into the basement for trad, folk, blues, jazz and the best alternative local music.

028 9050 9999
mchughsbar.com

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Margot 18 Donegal Square East

Tucked away below street level is Margot, serving small plates, flat breads, creative cocktails and carefully curated drinks every day of the week. Late Late Club every Thursday to Sunday 10pm-late.

028 9693 1211
margotbelfast.com

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The Morning Star 17-19 Pottinger's Entry

This historic pub dates back to 1810 with the original mahogany counter and old terrazzo

floor. The upstairs restaurant prides itself on serving freshly made food using the best ingredients sourced locally.

028 9023 5986
themorningstarbar.com

☎️ 🍷

The National 62-68 High Street

An airy and sophisticated space to relax and socialise with friends, it offers a paired back cocktail menu, simple but bold food menus and coffee that packs a punch.

028 9031 1130
thenationalbelfast.com

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Revolución de Cuba 25-39 Arthur Street

The ultimate Cuban food, cocktail and fiesta experience. With dazzling handcrafted cocktails, dishes loaded with exotic flavours and full on tropical party vibes unlike anything you've experienced before!

028 9590 9249
revoluciondecuba.com

☎️ 🍷 🎵

Voodoo 9-11 Fountain Street

Relax in the intimate bottom bar or venture upstairs to the club and music venue. The lunch menu is a perfect blend of traditional and Cajun style dishes at very affordable prices.

028 9027 8290
voodooobelfast.com

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CATHEDRAL QUARTER

Babel Rooftop Bar and Garden 70-74 Ann Street

Located on the top floor of Bullitt Hotel, Babel is a rooftop bar, garden and kitchen complete with panoramic city views across Belfast. Offering cocktails, sharing platters, live music and more.

028 9590 0555
bullitthotel.com

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The Cloth Ear 35-39 Waring Street

The Cloth Ear's warm and welcoming interior provides the ideal environment to relax in style. Combining both modern and traditional elements with a healthy dose of the eccentric! Food served daily.

028 9026 2719
themerchanthotel.com

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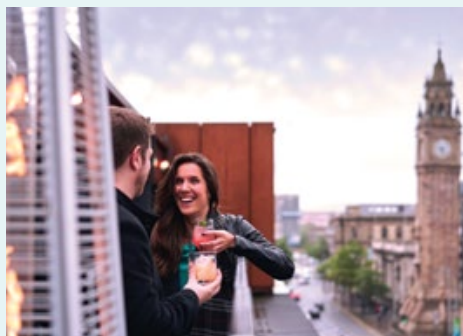
The Dirty Onion 3 Hill Street

A modern take on the traditional Irish pub with live entertainment and great 'craic', 7 nights a week including open workshops in singing and traditional instruments, to sessions with traditional musicians.

028 9024 3712
thedirtyonion.com

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Gastropubs



The Northern Whig 2-10 Bridge Street

With a blend of luxury, comfort and glamour the Whig is dedicated to bringing you the best that Belfast has to offer in all aspects of hospitality with the best in local cuisine and specialist cocktails.

028 9050 9888
thenorthernwhig.com

☺ ☹ ☹ ☹

Sunflower Bar 65 Union Street

The Sunflower is free of gimmicks and themes, where music is very much part of the pub's life. Hearty bowls of stew are served at the weekends.

028 9023 2474
sunflowerbelfast.com

☺ ☹ ☹ ☹

White's Tavern 2-4 Winecellar Entry

Built in 1630, Whites Tavern serves a great selection of Irish and traditional food, beers and of course, Guinness. They host live music every weekend including traditional Irish

from local musicians with no cover charge.

028 9031 2582
whitestavernbelfast.com

☺ ☹ ☹

LINEN QUARTER

The Bone Yard 29-33 Bedford Street

A quirky outdoor venue in the heart of Belfast! There are picnic tables inside and out, or why not reserve one of the living room containers. Enjoy a wide range of drinks, big screen sports and food from the Pug Ugly and Tribal Burger Trucks. Dog friendly venue.

028 9032 0030
theboneyardbelfast.com

☺ ☹ ☹

Brennan's Bar 46-50 Great Victoria Street

Beyond the modern red brick exterior lies an attractive old-style mahogany & brass bar, stained glass panels

and traditional snugs. Live music at weekends upstairs and downstairs and food served daily.

028 9024 2986
[facebook/
brennans-bar](http://facebook/brennans-bar)

☺ ☹ ☹

The Bridge House 35-42 Bedford Street

A warm welcome awaits at The Bridge House where you can enjoy a pint of real ale and a full menu which includes breakfast, served from 7am.

028 9072 7890
jdwetherspoon.co.uk

☺ ☹ ☹

Crown Liquor Saloon 46 Great Victoria Street

The ornate Victorian exterior and delightful interior make the Crown Bar Belfast's greatest treasure since 1884. Enjoy a unique selection of real ales and local brews with a great seasonal menu.

028 9024 3187
nicholsonspubs.co.uk

☺ ☹ ☹

The Perch 42 Franklin Street

Enjoy cocktails and sangria in the summer or hot cider, winter warmer's and blankets in the winter at Belfast's highest rooftop bar.

028 9024 8000
theperchbelfast.com

☺ ☹ ☹

Pug Ugly's 21 Bedford Street

Welcome to Pug Uglys, old dog, new tricks bringing you a quirky Irish venue in the heart of Belfast. Pub with grub, live music, trad, comedy, quizzes and more.

028 9032 0030
puguglys.com

☺ ☹ ☹ ☹

Rita's 44 Franklin Street

Rita's is one of Belfast's most lavish cocktail dens, located in the historic Linen Quarter, beside sister bars The Perch, Sweet Afton and Chinawhite. Join the talented bartenders to



enjoy one of their many gins, a crafted cocktail or light bite.

028 9024 8000
ritasbelfast.com



Robinsons
38-42 Great Victoria Street

Enjoy a pint in the Saloon Bar, fine food in the Bistro, live Irish music in Fibber Magees nightly, or even sing the night away in the Karaoke bar BT1.

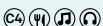
028 9024 7447
robinsonsbar.co.uk



Sweet Afton Bar & Kitchen
12 Brunswick Street

Relax in this atmospheric American style bar offering an extensive beer & cocktail menu, a casual all day menu, big screen sports and live music every weekend.

028 9042 8000
sweetaftonbelfast.com



QUEEN'S QUARTER

The Points
44 Dublin Road

Named after a notorious Irish neighbourhood in 19th century America, this is a truly traditional Irish venue that replicates Belfast's culture and history. Come and listen to traditional Irish and folk music 7 nights a week, engage in great conversation and share stories about the past.

028 9099 4124
thepointsbelfast.com



The Parlour
2-4 Elmwood Avenue

The ultimate student haunt, with entertainment every night, special drinks offers and reasonably priced food including the popular Parlour Pizzas.

028 9068 6970
parlourbar.co.uk



SOUTH BELFAST

The Chelsea
346 Lisburn Road

A modern gastropub serving quality bistro food & drinks seven days a week, where you can unwind with sophisticated cocktails, grab a lazy Sunday brunch, find the perfect spot for a date night, or simply celebrate the weekend in style.

028 9068 7177
thechelseabar.com



Cutter's Wharf
Lockview Road

Idyllically located on the banks of the Lagan, rowers and boats drift by this bright airy bar and restaurant making it the perfect spot for relaxing and enjoying the food and drink.

028 9080 5100
cutterswharf.co.uk



The Doyen
829 Lisburn Road

The Doyen boasts

a beautifully new designed traditional bar, perfect for listening to live music, sipping carefully crafted cocktails, watching the sport and enjoying a specially created gastropub menu.

028 9050 9950
thedoyenbelfast.com



The Errigle Inn
312-320 Ormeau Road

A famous traditional pub offering 5 bars, roof gardens and a beer garden, serving food throughout.

028 9064 1410
errigle.com



Hatfield House
130 Ormeau Road

Enjoy fusion inspired food served 7 days a week, live traditional music, all the sporting action, a roof garden, friendly staff and brilliant craic!

028 9043 8764
hatfieldhousebelfast.com



Getting About

Belfast is compact and bijou, so getting around the city is easy on foot, by bike or by taxi. However, if you want to wander a little further afield then we've got a network of transport options which will get you to your desired destination.

TO/FROM AIRPORTS

George Best Belfast City Airport is located 3 miles from the city centre. Airport Express 600 bus service runs from the airport terminal to the city centre.

Belfast International Airport is a 30 minute drive from Belfast. The Airbus Express 300 operates between the airport and Europa Bus Centre in the city.

JUST EAT BELFAST BIKES

Belfast Bikes is a simple, fun and inexpensive way to get around with 300 bikes and 30 docking stations positioned across the city centre. For just £6 you can get a three-day pass. The first 30 minutes of each trip is then free of charge, with 50p charges for each additional 30 minutes. To register, simply go online at **belfastbikes.co.uk**, download the Nextbike app or call **034 3357 1551**

TAXI HIRE

Value Cabs
Value Cabs have a fleet of over 650 vehicles offering a professional taxi service, sightseeing tours and executive vehicles. Debit/credit card payment facility available in every vehicle.
028 9080 9080
valuecabs.com

fonaCAB
fonaCAB has 400 cars and over 40 years' experience in the taxi industry. The services provided include airport transfers, executive cars and tours by taxi, on request.
028 9033 3333
fonacab.com


CAR HIRE

Renting a car is another great way for visitors to get around Belfast and to visit some of the many attractions throughout Northern Ireland. Providers available online at **visitbelfast.com**

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Translink is responsible for Metro, Glider, Ulsterbus and NI Railways, operating a network of bus and rail services throughout Northern Ireland and on cross border routes.
028 9066 6630
translink.co.uk

BELFAST VISITOR PASS

Offering unlimited travel around the city and exclusive discounts on a variety of attractions, tours, restaurants, cafés and shops. Available from the **Visit Belfast Welcome Centre** 

COACH SERVICES

Aircoach
High frequency, high quality non-stop express coach service connecting Dublin City and Dublin Airport with Belfast.
00353 1844 7118
aircoach.ie


The Airporter
A direct scheduled service between both Belfast airports and Derry/Londonderry.
028 7126 9996
airporter.co.uk

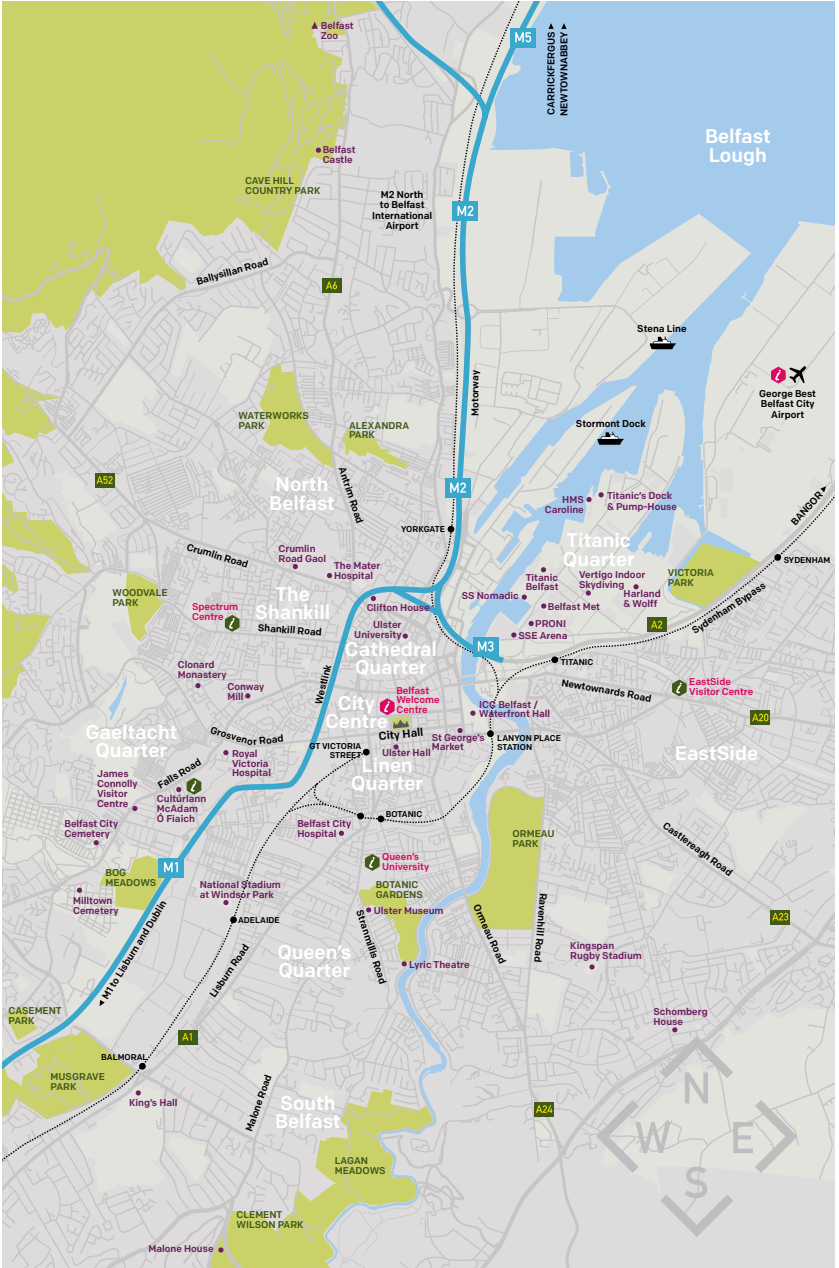


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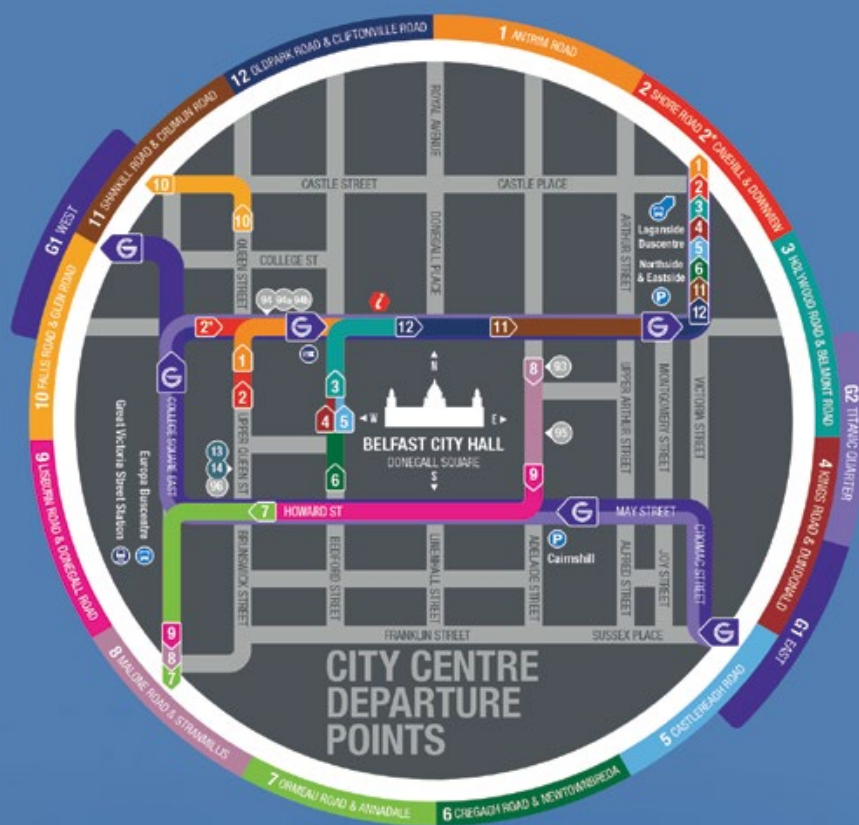
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 Visitor Information Centre

 Local Information Centre



BELFAST CITY CENTRE GLIDER AND METRO BUS DEPARTURE POINTS



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Getting around the city

There are many fascinating and beautiful places to visit in Belfast and Northern Ireland, and making your way around using public transport couldn't be easier, you can reach every county in a couple of hours.

WHICH SERVICE?

Metro – Bus services operating throughout the Belfast area. Metro and Glider tickets are interchangeable and can be used on both services.



Glider – A cross-city service, G1 runs between east and west Belfast and G2 runs between Belfast City Centre and Titanic Quarter. Glider and Metro tickets are interchangeable and can be used on both services.

* Before you board Glider you must always buy your ticket or tap your Smartcard at the validator.



Ulsterbus – Local bus services, serving all main towns and villages in Northern Ireland.

Goldline – Express coach services which link together the main towns and cities across Northern Ireland.

NI Railways / Enterprise – Rail Services across Northern Ireland and from Belfast to Dublin.

Airport Services – Bus services from Europa Buscentre to airports in Belfast, Dublin and Derry~Londonderry.

WHICH TICKET?

DayLink – unlimited day travel on Glider and Metro available for 1, 5 or 10 days.

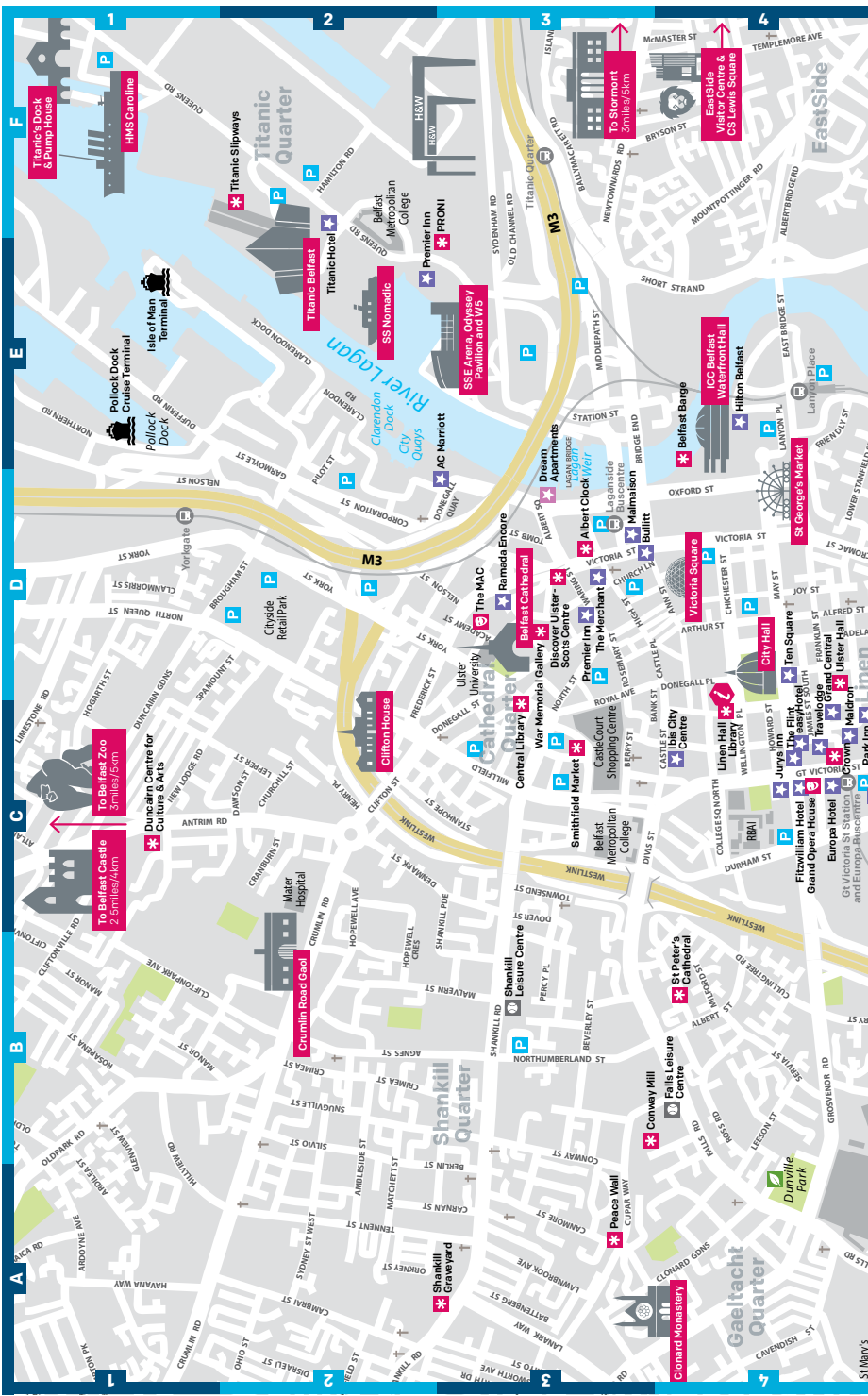
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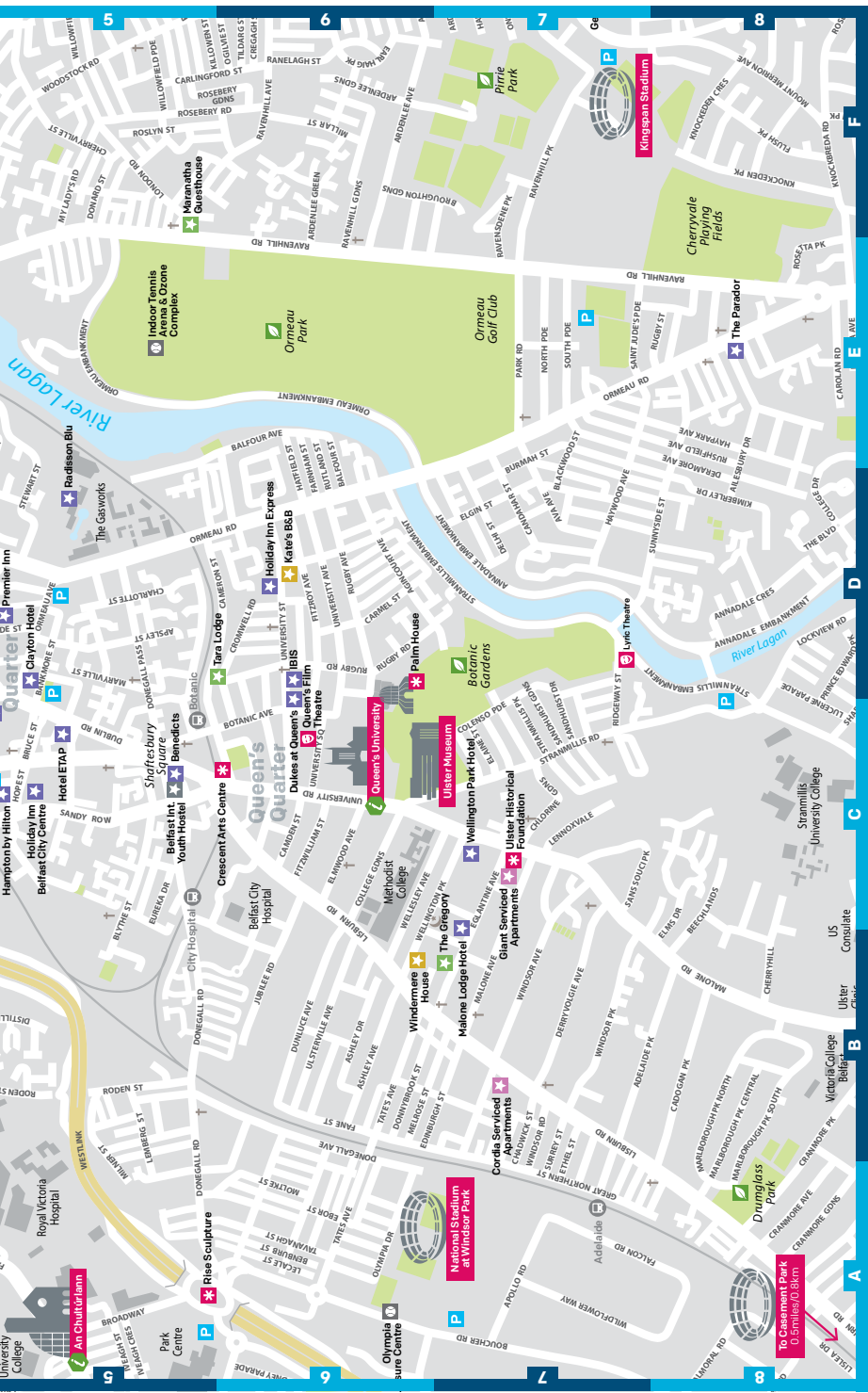
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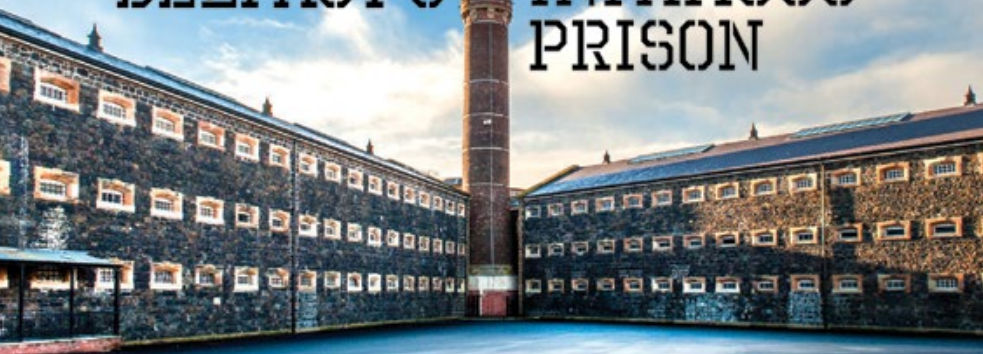
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