# **Trail Treats**

- SKERRIES
- St Patrick left his footprint on a rock here after leaping from a nearby island see if you can track it down.
- MALAHIDE

Malahide Castle is a treasure trove of heritage and historical tales, with its roor echoing different styles and tastes from centuries past.

- **HOWTH** Hidden in the heart of Howth is 'Aideen's Grave', a massive dolmen reputedly the purial place of a mythical princess.
- RAHENY Check out the Tree of Life, a dying 200-year-old Monterey Cypress reborn as a spectacular sculpture.
- **BULL ISLAND** Dollymount Strand is a vast expanse of sand that's the perfect launch pad for kite surfers or simply stretching your legs.
- GRAND CANAL DOCK Strut your stuff on the city's "red carpet" at Grand Canal Dock, a paved red runway decorated with eye-catching glowing light
- SANDYMOUNT

reland and Mexico's friendship is marked here with a 20 foot sculpture called Awaiting the Mariner, although Dublin has nicknamed it An Cailín Bán (the white girl)

- SALTHILL & MONKSTOWN ckish? Discover why Monkstown has rned a reputation as a home-from-ho
- DÚN LAOGHAIRE nble along the 1.2km harbour wall and let acing sea breezes work their magic.
- SANDYCOVE & GLASTHULE There are no medals for taking a dip at the Forty Foot – but when temperatures drop, there probably should be!
- DALKEY
- DALNET Once a mighty stronghold built to defend the port's valuable cargo, Dalkey Castle is now home to a Writer's Gallery that commemorates Dublin's best storytellers.
- KILLINEY Can you see Wales? On a clear day it's as clear as day from the top of Killiney Hill.



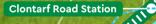
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# THE DUBLIN COASTAL TRAIL

A city by the sea and with a UNESCO Biosphere accolade for its majestic bay, Dublin's coastline is dotted with unexpected experiences & adventures. A wonderful addition to your city break & just a short hop on the train from the city centre; the Dublin Coastal Trail highlights many hidden gems running from Skerries to the north of the city, to Killiney in the south. By navigating the rail line to the trail's featured stops in small villages and harbour communities, you can easily explore castles, beaches, outdoor activities, heritage, amazing accommodation, local food, and much more. Have an adventure & a city break with a difference in Dublin as you

08 Windmill Lane Recording

windmilllanerecording.com

The first of its kind in Ireland,

the tour presents visitors with

an unprecedented opportunity

to understand the creation and

production of some of the most

09 Custom House Visitor

iconic albums and songs of the past

The stories of the building, burning and

restoration of Dublin's Custom House

are now brought to life in a new and

many-layered story that spans over

Voted Europe's leading tourist

what it means to be Irish.

11 Jeanie Johnston

jeaniejohnston.ie

joycetower.ie

mariner.ie

fascinating exhibition, revealing a rich,

10 Epic The Irish Emigration Museum

attraction 2019 - 2021, Epic is a must-do

for visitors and locals looking to get a

deeper understanding of Ireland and

The Jeanie Johnston tells the story of

the thousands of Irish people who

fled the Famine and embarked on a

treacherous voyage in the hope of a

mbrace the literature of James Joyce

within this iconic museum at the

13 National Maritime Museum

Ireland's National Maritime Museum is

housed in Dún Laoghaire's 180-year-old

Mariners Church, directly opposite the

In atmospheric tenth-century grounds,

writers' gallery. Costumed actors lead

a fun-filled Living History experience

Dalkey Castle uniquely combines a

medieval townhouse castle with a

contemporary visitors' centre and

Martello Tower, Sandycove

new DLR Lexicon library.

14 Dalkey Castle

dalkevcastle.com

better life in North America.

12 James Joyce Tower

Studios

40 years.

200 years.

epicchq.com

Centre

follow the Dublin Coastal Trail. From storms sea views and thrilling water based activities for boot sea food, here is a guide to the incredible activities and experiences that await you along the Dublin Coastal Trail. For further information, go to visitdublin.com



#### 01 Skerries Mills skerriesmills.ie

Comprising three national monuments which are two strikingly different Sail Mills and a Waterwheel of the 13th century, Discover the vibrant Watermill Building, and connect with rich heritage on the only site in Europe with

a collection of three Mills and a bakery.



## 02 Newbridge House and Farm newbridgehouseandfarm.com

Step back in time at Newbridge House, a stunning Georgian mansion. Explore the elegant rooms and beautiful gardens, then meet the charming farmyard residents! New adventures await at our state-of-the-art demo kitchen, where you can witness - and perhaps even taste! - exciting food and wine pairings. Don't miss out on this unique blend of history, nature, and culinary delights!

#### 03 Lambay Island lambayisland.ie

Lambay is a fascinating private island steeped in history, perfect for day trips and retreats.

## 04 Malahide Castle & Gardens malahidecastleandgardens.ie

Generations of the Talbot family have called Malahide Castle home. Hear their stories, explore the private rooms and collections, and discover the central part this castle played in Irish political and social life on a guided tour. Explore our enchanting fairy trail and be dazzled by hundreds of butterflies in the exotic butterfly house. Family fun awaits!



05 Casino Model Railway Museum

Step into a world of miniature marvels!

The Casino Model Railway Museum

in Malahide boasts an intricate Cyril

Fry collection that will captivate train

enthusiasts of all ages. A recent Irish

luck at driving a train. All aboard!

of Vintage Radio

at the time.

port

07 The Diving Bell

Rail addition allows children to try their

hurdygurdyradiomuseum.wordpress.com

Museum and amateur radio station

(EIOMAR) is located in Howth village

many built around the coast to quard

Martello Tower. Built in 1805, it's one of

against possible invasions by Napoleon

dublinport.ie/about-dublin-port/a-city-

The Diving Bell used in the building of

era right up until almost the 1960s is a

remarkable feat of Irish engineering, designed by the port engineer Bindon

Blood Stoney (1828 to 1907).

the Port's quay walls from the Victorian

modelrailwaymuseum.ie

# 19 Howth Cliff Cruises

howthcliffcruises.ie Experience the beauty of Howth's stunning coastline and Ireland's Eye with Howth Cliff Cruises. Our boat tours showcase the diverse wildlife and birdlife of the area, with the opportunity to witness breathtaking sunsets over Dublin Bay.

#### 20 Hidden Howth Experiences hiddenhowthexperiences.com

Experience Ireland Like a Local on the Dublin Coastal Hike & Pints Tour or the Dublin Coastal Craft Beer & Seafood Trai

21 Howth Boats

howth-boats.com Charter fishing and sea angling.

### 22 Howth Yacht Club hyc.ie

Discover Sailing at Howth Yacht Club. 23 Dorans on the Pier – Howth

#### School of Fish seafoodtogo.ie/school-of-fish

Get behind the scenes of an authentic working harbour in Howth. A wonderful insight into the amazing community and quirky characters who work the sea around the Irish Coast including a harbour tour and fresh seafood.

## 24 Pure Magic Water Based Activities

## puremagic.ie

Pure Magic will get you moving on the water! Kitesurfing, Stand Up Paddleboarding and WingSurfing! Based in Dollymount, Howth and Dún Laoghaire.

## 25 Howth Adventures

howthadventures.com Experience all the outdoor beauty

of Dublin on guided hiking, walking, electric bike and coastal boat tours with expert local guides.

#### 26 Howth Market Howthmarket.ie

The perfect place to buy unique souvenirs, Howth market offers street food, organic produce, freshly baked goods, gifts and more.

## 27 Surfdock surfdock.com

Dublin's premier water sports course provider & surf shop is based in Grand Canal Dock, a short stroll from the heart of Dublin city centre.



## 28 City Kayaking citykayaking.ie

Experience the city from a unique perspective by paddling on the Liffey through the city centre.

# 29 Dublin Discovered Boat Tours

dublindiscovered.ie Enjoy a guided tour along the River Liffey, showcasing Dublin's iconic landmarks and rich history.

## 30 Big Style SUP school Dún Laoghaire

bigstyle.ie

Stand up paddleboarding is a great way to explore Dublin's beautiful coastline, not to mention a fantastic way to get fit.

#### **Dublin Boat Tour (Irish** 31 National Sailing School)

dublinboattour.com/tours Based in Dún Laoghaire Harbour

explore Dublin Bay on our passenger boats - taking in the sights of the busy Harbour, Coastline and the wildlife of the bay.

# 32 Goat Boat Tours

goatboat.ie

An unforgettable and intimate boat tour within the Dublin Bay UNESCO Biosphere. Departing from Dún Laoghaire. Witness incredible scene

# 37 Ken the Ferryman Dalkey

#### kentheferryman.com Take a boat trip to stunning Dalkev Island, home to a colony of seals which

#### has greatly expanded in recent years. A herd of wild goats live on the island also. A truly unique experience! 38 Adventure.ie Dalkey Quarry

adventure.ie Experience the thrill and excitement of

reaching the top of your first rock climb. Once on top the only way is down!

## **CYCLING &** WALKING TRAILS

## 39 Skerries Coastal Trail

Start your journey at South Shore Esplanade, tracing the outline of the coast as you ring around the Martello Tower and past the Harbour along the North Strand.

## 40 St Patrick's Way and Art Trail

St Patrick's Way and Art Trail in Skerries is a captivating public art initiative. This trail features five unique art commissions by artists Atsushi Kaga, Bennie Reilly, Liliane Puthod, Marie Farrington, and Mary Conroy, each offering a distinct perspective and experience along the afront, enhancing the picturesque views of Skerries.

## 41 Fingal Walking Trails

fingal.ie/trips Fingal has 88km of coastline to be explored from Sutton to Balbriggan.

42 Coastal Route Malahide to

## Portmarnock

The walk from Malahide to Portmarnock is an approx. 4km elevated seaside coastal walk, skirting parkland on one side and the

#### other side. 43 Howth Cliff & Looped Walks

There are four long versions of this Howth walk to tackle, each of which kicks off at the DART station in Howth Village, and one shorter walk, that starts from Howth Summit.

## 44 The North Bull Island

Bull Island is a low lying, sand dune covered island in Dublin Bay off the coast of the city's North side. As a National Nature reserve with a UNESCO Biosphere designation, it s a paradise for birdwatchers and wildlife enthusiasts, and a good place for walking. The long sandy beach on Bull Island is named Dollymount Beach.

## 45 Docklands Walking Trail

There is so much to see and discover in Dublin's Docklands, from Ireland's smallest museum to the magical creatures hidden atop The Custom House. This circular trail can be started at any of its seven stops and with a range of activities, it's suitable for all the family to take part in and enjoy

## 46 Irishtown Nature Park

The Irishtown Nature Park is on the southside of the Poolbeg peninsula. The main track through the park skirts the coastline, looking out over Sandymount Strand, with its fast-moving tides, while several more minor paths cross the hilly uplands of the park

## 47 Dún Laoghaire Pier Walk

Whatever the weather, the pier is always a romantic and idyllic place to take a stroll, breathe in the sea air, and enjoy stunning views of Dublin Bay.

## 48 Dún Laoghaire Harbour Trail

dlrcoco.ie/trails-and-maps/trails-and-maps The Dún Laoghaire Harbour Trail features 10 key points of interest that highlight the area's rich history and scenic beauty. Follow the trail signage of each point and expect to encounter great stories of its history and landmarks that offer insight into the harbour's past.

## 52 Howth Castle howthcastle.ie

15th century Howth Castle estate is situated on 472 acres. encompassing much of Howth Head and home to Deer Park Golf, Howth Castle Cookery School, the famous Rhododendron gardens and Aideen's Grave. Steeped in history, Howth Castle welcomes visitors to enjoy the rich historic atmosphere and views across Dublin Bay and beyond.



## 53 St Anne's Park

dublincity.ie/residential/parks/dublincity-parks/visit-park/st-annes-park The Park is named after St Anne's Holy Well that was found on the site. On the northeast corner of the park there is a Cyprus tree that was deemed too hazardous to keep, but the City Council enlisted tree sculptor Tommy Craggs to create a sculpture to represent the wildlife found at Bull Island Nature Reserve, it features

sparrow hawks, hares, badgers, herons and is topped by a swan 54 Dollymount Beach beach, down a small rock face, on the Dollymount Strand is the closest

in Ireland.

large beach to Dublin city centre. It is situated on Bull Island which was created in the 19th century in Dublin Bay to deal with silting problems. The sandy beach runs along the full 5 kilometre length of the island. Today, it is an important UNESCO designated Biosphere nature reserve, being a breeding site for many bird species and one of the most protected areas

## 55 Sandymount Strand

Sandymount Strand is a large strand on the east coast of Ireland, adjacent to the village and suburb of Sandymount. It is part of South Bull - a major component of the south side of Dublin Bay, and part of the Dublin Bay

Biosphere Reserve.

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visitdublin.com/dublin-discovery-trails

The free Dublin Discovery Trails app

takes you on an entrancing journey of

discovery with themed GPS enabled

Into Docklands trail dives into Dublin's

maritime history using animation, narration and augmented reality as you

routes are always being added, so you

can keep revisiting the app to explore

visit famous landmarks and heritage

sites in the edgy Docklands. New

immersive walking tours. The Doors

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TRAILS

# TRANSIT RAIL

There are stations dotted along the Dublin Coastal Trail at all the major seaside towns. Use the map to follow the tracks and explore the Dublin Coastal Trail by transit rail. Irishrail.ie

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

**Dublin Leap Card** about.leapcard.ie/dublin Visitor Leap Card about.leapcard.ie/leap-visitor-card

## **SHARED BIKE** SCHEME

# 56 The People's Park

dalkeygardenschool.com

from the kitchen.

VENUES

60 3 Arena

3arena.ie

Docklands

Docklands.

59 Killiney Beach

Bray Head to the south.

61 Bord Gáis Theatre

bordgaisenergytheatre.ie

62 Aviva Stadium

avivastadium.ie

conferences

h Laoghaire's magnificent People's Park is a beautifully landscaped oasis of calm, a short stroll from Dún Laoghaire harbour

## 57 Sandycove Beach & the 40 Foot

The Forty Foot, a historic bathing pool on a promontory on the southern tip of Dublin Bay, is a short walk from the James Joyce Tower. 58 Mornington Garden

A private family garden where the

owner will guide you, explaining the

coffee, tea, and homemade delights

Killiney is a long, stony beach & offers

excellent views of the surrounding rocky coastline including Dalkey Island

and Sorrento Terrace to the north, and

The 3Arena is an indoor amphitheatre

The Bord Gáis Energy Theatre is a performing arts venue, located in the

The Aviva Stadium is a world class

international stadium - an outstanding

venue for football, rugby, concerts and

located at North Wall Quay in the

history and planting of the garden.

Sit and relax with freshly brewed

rom basement to battlements, via the infamous Murder Hole. The Archer demonstrates the Longbow, Cook shares medieval recipes, and the Barber Surgeon specialises in ancient cures.

## **OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES**

## 15 Skerries Water Sports

#### skerrieswatersports.com

Taking you on great adventures. Enjoy paddleboarding, kayaking, kitesurfing or windsurfing in Skerries.

## 16 Skerries Paddle Tours

#### skerriessunsettours@gmail.com 06 Ye Olde Hurdy Gurdy Museum Offering Stand Up Paddle Boarding

sunset tours, rentals and lessons in beautiful Skerries Harbour.

# 17 Dublin Bay Cruises

## dublinbavcruises.com

Leisurely boat trips between Dun Laoghaire, the City Centre and Howth, 6 days a week. Suitable for families and aroups of up to 96. A great way to experience Dublin Bay and its coastline.

#### 18 Irelands Eye Ferries irelandseyeferries.com

Small group coastal boat tours that aet up close to the amazing wildlife panoramic views and marine habitats of Howth in Dublin.

wildlife, elegant architecture and hear about the rich history of Dublin bay.

# 33 Gosailing.ie

### gosailing.ie

Experience Dublin Bay onboard a 53 foot yacht or one of our powerboats. We specialise in private tours, corporate outings and team building events taking in all the sights from Dún Laoghaire to Killiney Bay. Get the adrenalin pumping on a high powered powerboat experience or relax on a leisurely sailing trip.

#### 34 Dublin under Sail dublinundersail.com

Experience life on board this traditional sailing vessel. Be part of the crew! Perfect for beginners and seasoned sailors alike.

## 35 The 40 Foot Sea Swimming

The area of Sandycove featured in the opening scenes of James Joyce's Ulysses. The writer even lived here for a short time in a Martello Tower that overlooks the famous swimming location.

## 36 Kayaking.ie Dalkey kayaking.ie

Join the crew for an unforgettable kayaking experience with seals. Suitable for beginners and great fun. Several walking trails through meadows, forest, and hilly terrain adorn Dalkey/Killiney Hill, alongside several monuments, two of which are the Obelisk, alternatively known as the witch's hat, and a small step pyramid.

# HERITAGE SITES, PARKS, BEACHES, GARDENS

#### 50 Ardgillan Castle & Demense ardgillancastle.ie

Ardgillan park is unique among Dublin's regional parks for the magnificent views it enjoys of the coastline. A panorama, taking in Rockabill Lighthouse, Colt Church, Shenick and Lambay Islands may be seen, including Sliabh Foy, the highest of the Cooley Mountains, and of course the Mourne Mountains can be seen sweeping down to the sea.

## 51 Ardán Garden Howth

dublingardengroup.com/ardan A unique opportunity to visit a sculpture and organic floral garden which attracts many garden, art and nature enthusiasts. A personal welcome from the owners ensures an inspirational and uplifting visit.

#### bleeperactive.com dublinbikes.ie

#### mobybikes.com fingal.ie/activetravel/bikes

## LOCAL TOURIST INFORMATION

## **Malahide Tourist Office**

Malahide Castle 085 2521042

## **Skerries Tourist information**

Skerries Mills (01) 849 5208 & Skerries village: (01) 849 0629

### Howth Tourist Information Office

Harbour House, Harbour Rd, Howth, Co. Dublin (01) 840 0077

## **Dún Laoghaire Tourist Office**

#### dlrtourism.ie

The Metals, Marine Rd, Dún Laoghaire (01) 280 6964

