

EXPLORE THE BURREN DISCOVERY TRAIL



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Looped Walks/Trails

- A Ballyvaughan Wood Loop:** 8km, Moderate (GPS 53.11682, -9.15159) (www.w3w.co/ashamed.cooperation.bleakly)
- B Blackhead Loop:** 26km, Strenuous (GPS 53.11837, -9.28206) (www.w3w.co/infinite.tasty.thawed)
- C Caher Valley Loop:** 14.5km, Moderate (GPS 53.11685, -9.28526) (www.w3w.co/asparagus.institutions.cheapen)
- D Carran Loop:** 9km, Strenuous (GPS 53.03564, -9.07609) (www.w3w.co/burgundy.mercury.thinly)
- E Cliffs of Moher Coastal Path:** Options 6km, Moderate (GPS 52.938468, -9.4487277) (www.w3w.co/swear.tipple.slamming) 8km, Moderate (GPS 53.022221, -9.3693879) (www.w3w.co/appointment.biked.troubles)
- F Dromore Woods:** A number of Easy walks (GPS 52.92295, -8.96132) (www.w3w.co/wiggle.begin.roadsides)
- G Fanore Ballyvaughan Trek:** 21km, Strenuous (GPS 53.1187, -9.28264 / 53.11697, -9.15226) (www.w3w.co/blitz.chives.shed)
- H Flaggy Shore:** 6.5km, Easy (GPS 54.662884, -8.771174) (www.w3w.co/ribbing.galas.pacers)
- I Lough Avalla, Farm Loop*:** 8km, Moderate (GPS 52.996638, -9.036644) (www.w3w.co/birdhouse.seriously.selections)
- J River Walk Ennistimon** (see No7 overleaf).
- K Templecronan Loop:** 5km, Easy (GPS 53.03564, -9.07609) (www.w3w.co/burgundy.mercury.thinly)
- L The Burren Way:** 114km: Options Lahinch: Moderate (GPS 52.934087, -9.3486343) (www.w3w.co/brainstorm.doves.sudden) Corofin: Moderate (GPS 52.947041, -9.0682630) (www.w3w.co/trips.mascots.hallways) Tubber: Moderate (GPS 52.989816, -8.8939825) (www.w3w.co/decorators.offices.decking) www.sportireland.ie/outdoors/find-your-trails Download the what3words app from your app store or enter the URL in your internet browser

Burren National Park Trails

- (GPS 52.996558, -9.037868) (w3w.co/splash.runs.enemies)
- Burren National Park Nature Trail*** (1.5km, Moderate) White Route
- Burren National Park Knockaunroe Turlough** (1.3km, Moderate) Orange Route
- Burren National Park Mullaghmore Traverse** (6km, Strenuous) Red Route
- Burren National Park Mullaghmore Loop** (7.5km, Strenuous) Blue Route
- Burren National Park Mullaghmore Return** (6.5km, Strenuous) Green Route

* No parking available on site. Park & Ride from Corofin available May - August

Local Playgrounds

- Ballyvaughan Playground**
- Corofin Playground** (GPS 52.94524, -9.068452)
- Crusheen Playground** (GPS 52.93939, -8.896307)
- Doolin Playground** (small, GPS 53.022313, -9.369270)
- Gort Community Playground** (GPS 53.0612, -8.8149)
- Lehinch Playground** (GPS.9341, -9.34799)
- Lisdoonvarna Playground** (GPS 53.025483, -9.291228)

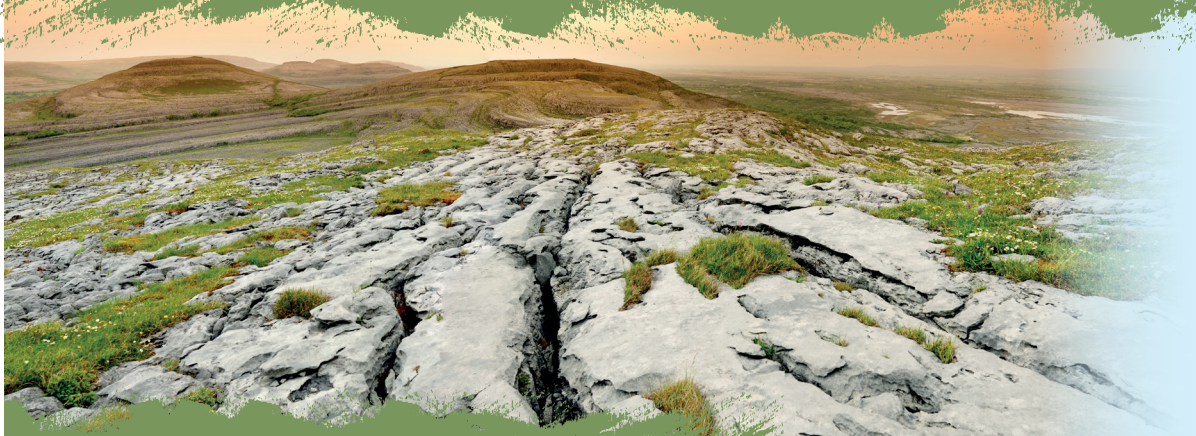
Burren Discovery Trail Highlights

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| Corofin | Lisdoonvarna | Ardrahan | Kilmacduagh |
| Kilfenora | Gragan's Wood | Thoor Ballylee | Lough Bunny |
| Ennistimon | Corkscrew Hill | Coole Park | |

AREA COVERED BY THE MAP

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The Burren Discovery Trail



Things to See & Do

See map for location of each attraction.

* Denotes by appointment only

01 Dysert O'Dea Castle

The authentically restored 15th century castle, the stronghold of the O'Dea clan. Standing on the site of an early Christian monastery that is home to the Clare Archaeology Centre. dysertcastle.com

02 Clare Heritage & Genealogy Centre

For those wishing to experience a truly authentic portrayal of 18th and 19th century Clare and, by extension, that of Ireland in general and its remarkable emigration story. clareroots.com

03 Burren Experience Walking Tours

Experience guided walks on Mullaghmore mountain – the sublimely beautiful heart of the Burren, rich in heritage and natural beauty and famous for its flora and wildlife.

mullaghmore-burren.com

04 E-Whizz Electric Bike Tours & Hire

The Burren Electric Bike Tour takes you off the beaten track to some stunning locations in the magical Burren region. e-whizz.com

05 The Burren Centre

Home of The Burren Exhibition - a fascinating insight into the identity of The Burren, its extraordinary geology, archaeology, flora, wildlife, and people, the Kilfenora Céili Band Exhibition, plus craft shop, café and tourist information desk. theburrencentre.ie

06 River Walk Ennistimon

Relax and refresh yourself to the healing sounds as you stroll down the Inagh Glen as you hear the Inagh River rushing by.

07 Art Trail Ennistimon

Take a short walk to visit a growing number of galleries and exhibitions located within the village of Ennistimon.

ennistimonarttrail.com

08 St. Tola's Goats Cheese

Join Siobhán Ni Ghairbhith in a personal guided tour of St Tola Irish Goat Cheese farm on her family land near Inagh. Get up close with their friendly nanny goats and beautiful gentle kids. st-tola.ie

09 Cliffs of Moher Visitor Experience

Cliffs of Moher Experience, visit the world-famous Cliffs of Moher. Home to over 30 species of seabirds, visit O'Brien's Tower and savour the magical views. Online booking only cliffsofmoher.ie, download the free Cliffs of Moher App & Audio Guide. cliffsofmoher.ie

10 Burren Smokehouse

Immerse yourself in the story of the Salmon of Knowledge. Learn the secrets of salmon smoking and enjoy the silky, smoky texture of the Burren Smoked Irish Organic Salmon. burrensmokehouse.com

Did you know...?

The Burren is home to over 1,100 plant species, about three quarters of the total flora of 1,400 plant species found in the whole of Ireland.

11 Doreen Drennan Art Studio*

Doreen's relaxing garden and studio is situated on the edge of the Burren with views of the dramatic Cliffs of Moher which has inspired many fantastic pieces of seascape art. doreendrennan.com

12 Burren College of Art

Located in Ballyvaughan, a region famous for its natural beauty and unique ecosystem that instils creativity in all that visit. burrencollege.ie

Did you know...?

28 of Ireland's 30 butterfly species are found in the Burren, with two more limited to this area – the pearl bordered fritillary and the brown hairstreak.

13 Aillwee Burren Experience

Explore the dramatic underworld of the Burren where expert guides take you through the many wonders of the caverns. Experience the Birds of Prey Centre before visiting the farm shop for homemade cheese. aillweeburrenexperience.ie

14 Burren Mountain Tours*

Travel the route taken by the herdsmen of long ago to winter their cattle in the mountain. This is a unique driving experience over a private mountain farm in the Burren. burrenmountaintours.com

15 Caher Bridge Garden*

A delightful, award-winning garden that nestles around a restored riverside cottage near Fanore is a gardener's haven. Find us on Facebook

16 Poul nabrone Dolmen

Situated on the high Burren limestone plateau, Poul nabrone Dolmen is one of Ireland's most iconic archaeological monuments and is the second most visited location in the Burren after the Cliffs of Moher. It is the oldest dated megalithic monument in Ireland. burrengeopark.ie

17 Caherconnell Stone Fort & Sheep Dog Trials

Explore an ancient Celtic ring fort, learn about prehistoric Irish traditions, and experience the famous sheepdog skills between a Border Collie and his master. caherconnell.com

18 Burren Perfumery

The Burren Perfumery creates its artisan range of hand-crafted soaps, organic creams and candles while using natural and organic ingredients sourced from all around the world. burrenperfumery.com

19 Michael Cusack's Centre

A visit to the home of Michael Cusack, founder of the GAA, provides an insight into his life and how the history of the GAA has evolved over the years. michaelscusack.ie



20 Hazel Mountain Chocolate

Engage your five senses through touch, taste, smell, sight and sound as expert chocolatiers take you through the chocolate making process with tastings at different stages until you reach the finished product. hazelmountainchocolate.com

21 Corcomroe Abbey

Situated in the shadows of the picturesque Burren mountains, Corcomroe Abbey has been standing here since the 12th century. The church is one of the few remaining original features of the Abbey, dating somewhere between 1210 and 1225. Corcomroe was designed in the style of the 'School of the West', a term referring to the work carried out by the stonemasons of the time. heritageireland.ie/unguided-sites/corcomroe-cistercian-abbey/

22 Russell Gallery

The Russell Gallery overlooking Galway Bay on the beautiful coastline of the Burren Geopark. The Gallery holds regular exhibitions and displays the work of over 20 emerging and established Irish artists. russellgallery.net

23 Flaggy Shore Oysters

Where the foothills of the Burren meet the wild Atlantic waters of Galway Bay. Master the art of oyster shucking and indulge in your fill of Flaggy Shore oysters. www.flaggyshoreoysters.ie

24 Dunguaire Castle

Built by the O'Hynes clan in the picturesque town of Kinvara overlooking the shores of Galway Bay, visitors gain insights into the lifestyle of the residents in the 1520's. dunguairecastle.com

25 Burren Nature Sanctuary

Burren Nature Sanctuary is the interpretive centre for the biodiversity of the Burren.

Reconnect with nature on trails, visit the enchanting Disappearing Lake, meet the farm pets and discover the unique flora in Burren Botany Bubble geodome. Playground and café on site. burrennaturesanctuary.ie

26 Irish Fibre Crafters

Located in Ardahan, learn the art of traditional spinning and weaving of Irish wool (using native Galway sheep fleece), turning yarn into fabric, leaving with your own hank of hand spun yarn. irishfibrecrafters.com

27 Thoor Ballylee Yeats Tower

Visit the tower that inspired WB Yeats's greatest books of poetry. Walk the narrow bridge and crossing stones, admire the gardens that he enjoyed during his time there. yeatsthoorballylee.org

Did you know...?

Remember you are now on a protected landscape ... mind where you walk

28 Kiltartan Gregory Museum

Fadó, fadó, long, long ago – the old Irish classroom will bring you down memory lane. Listen to the students answering the daily roll call or singing 'Down By The Sally Gardens'. kiltartangregorymuseum.org

29 Coole Park Nature Reserve & Visitor Centre

This rare and complex nature reserve where wetlands meet woodlands is an ideal location for a peaceful and scenic walk. Coole Park has inspired many writers throughout the years. Visitor Centre open year-round coolepark.ie

30 Kilmacduagh Round Tower

Ireland's tallest round tower stands proudly within an 800-year-old monastery with the tranquillity of the Burren's karst landscape as its unique backdrop. discoverireland.ie

Did you know...?

The Burren and Cliffs of Moher is a UNESCO Global Geopark www.burrengeopark.ie

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Did you know...?

The Burren limestone is 780 metres thick in places.

34 Attyslaney Woods

Attyslaney contains a wonderful mix of native woodland with ash, hazel, birch, oak, yew and rowan, beech woodland, scrub and limestone pavement. With quiet tracks and trails throughout, Attyslaney is a lovely site to explore!

35 Burren National Park Information Point*

Park your car, enjoy our complementary bus service to the Park where you can explore this protected landscape. Guided walks available. Bus operates May-August. burrennationalpark.ie

Geopark Map QR



31 Burren Farm Experience*

You will be warmly welcomed on board the family tractor where you will get up close to the animals while hearing stories of life growing up on this farm. burrenfarmexperience.ie

32 Burren Art Gallery

The former church has been transformed into an area for original, contemporary, art, craft and design venue with performance area located on the edge of the beautiful Burren region. Find us on Facebook

33 The Farmyard*

The Quinn family farm is steeped in tradition and here you can learn some of the old traditions and practices of farming life in an interactive, informative way that is fun for everyone that stops by. thefarmyard.ie

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