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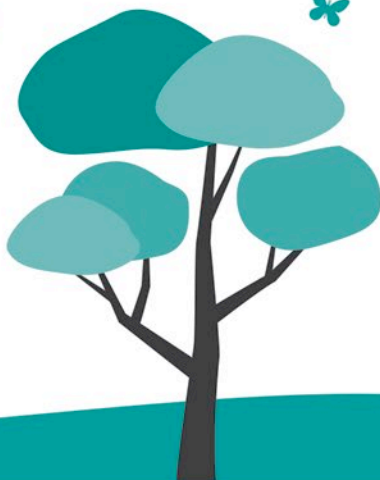
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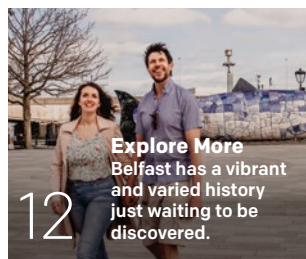


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Belfast's Best Beer Gardens
Check out our guide to the best rooftop bars and beer gardens in the city to enjoy this summer.



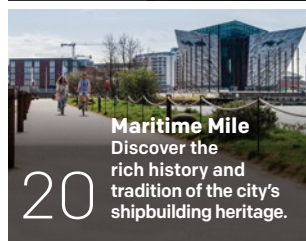
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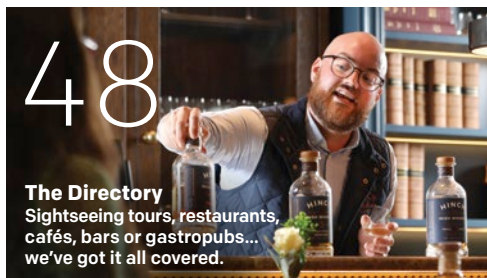
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Urban Adventure
There's a range of fun activities that will add a thrilling twist to your city break!



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Belfast City Council

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WELCOMING YOU TO BELFAST





Visit Belfast and our tourism and hospitality partners have been working hard to ensure that we're ready to welcome you back; and we've adapted our services to give you the confidence to return to the city safely.

Partnership is at the heart of everything we do and Belfast is ready to offer the warmest of welcomes and incredible experiences we're renowned 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.



Look out for the UK tourism industry's 'We are Good to Go' charter that ensures our partner businesses are COVID prepared in every aspect of their visitor experience.

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Please adhere to the social distancing guidelines. The use of face coverings is now mandatory in certain indoor settings across Northern Ireland. This includes shops, shopping centres, public and private transport services, taxis, airplanes, public transport stations and airports, banks and some government offices.

To check latest 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

**For more information,
visitbelfast.com**

MUST SEE:

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

TIME OUT

01

Belfast City Hall

The picturesque grounds of Belfast City Hall are a popular green space right in the heart of the city. It's the perfect sunspot for relaxing with a book, or just take a break to enjoy an ice-cream or takeaway coffee.

SEE MAP 04



EXPERIENCE

02

Titanic Belfast

The self-guided Titanic Experience is the most authentic way to discover the sights, sounds, smells and stories of the ship – now with a themed one-way tour route.

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EXPERIENCE

03

Crumlin Road Gaol

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.

SEE MAP 02



SHOPPING

04

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, cinema and great places to eat and drink.

SEE MAP 04

TIME OUT

05

Belfast Castle

Enjoy a walk around the gardens and scenic trails which offer uninterrupted views over the city and Belfast Lough. Relax over lunch or afternoon tea in the beautiful surroundings of the 1870 baronial style castle.





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.

SEE MAP 04

TOUR

07

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.

SEE MAP 03

DISCOVER

08

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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FAMILY FUN

09

Belfast Zoo

Spend the day visiting over 140 species of mammals, birds and reptiles, including giraffes, bears, penguins and sea lions. Or take the Belfast Zoo Outdoor Trek and enjoy 52 acres of beautiful grounds where you can see resident animals and reconnect with nature.

HERITAGE

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Hillsborough Castle

Explore Northern Ireland's royal residence with a visit to Hillsborough Castle and Gardens, located just 20 minutes from Belfast. Take a guided tour of the Castle and explore 100 acres of beautiful gardens.

FAMILY FUN

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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.

EXPERIENCE

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Ulster Folk Museum

Encounter costumed locals demonstrating traditional crafts in cottages, farm dwellings, schools, and shops as you enjoy exploring this outdoor living history museum.





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 Cúltúrlann 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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BELFAST'S BEST BEER GARDENS

BELFAST HAS A HUGE SELECTION OF WATERING HOLES, BUT ON A SUNNY DAY NOTHING BEATS A REFRESHING DRINK OUTDOORS. HERE ARE SOME OF OUR FAVOURITE ROOFTOP BARS AND BEER GARDENS FOR YOU TO ENJOY DURING THE SUMMER MONTHS.

The Dirty Onion

This old bonding warehouse has been transformed into one of Belfast's coolest bars. With its unmissable wooden facade and heated outdoor bar, The Dirty Onion is a great spot to enjoy a chilled pint on a sunny evening in the Cathedral Quarter. Open daily from 12 noon, no booking required.

thedirtyonion.com

The Bone Yard

A quirky outdoor venue on Bedford Street with picnic tables inside and out (available on first come, first served basis), or book a

private living room container. Enjoy a wide range of drinks, watch live sport on the big TV screens and tuck into something from the on-site food trucks. Dogs are welcome too!

theboneyardbelfast.com

Cargo by Vertigo

CARGO is Belfast's largest open-air al fresco venue located in the heart of the Titanic Quarter, just under the Harland and Wolff cranes. Reserve a VIP container, ski gondola or cavern and enjoy tasty pizzas, Prosecco, colourful cocktails and cold pints!

wearevertigo.com/cargo

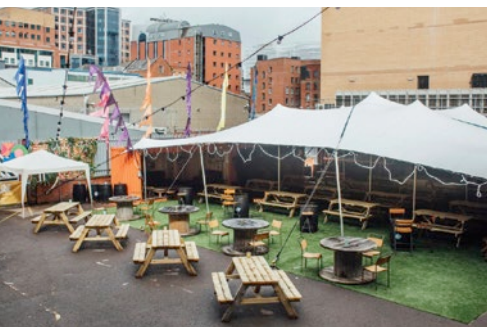
Babel Rooftop Bar & Garden

Babel Rooftop Bar & Garden is listed as one of Big 7 Travel's 50 Best European Rooftop Bars. Soak up the panoramic city views and enjoy modern, classic cocktails and homemade locally inspired sour-dough pizzas from the DoH seasonal pop-up kitchen. Open Thursday to Sunday.

bullitthotel.com

Cutters Wharf

What better place to enjoy the sun than a lazy day down by the river? This scenic spot sits on the banks of the River Lagan and always has a buzzing atmosphere. It's the perfect space for relaxing



and enjoying delicious food, cocktails and barbecues throughout the summer months.

cutterswharf.co.uk

The Perch Rooftop Bar

Travel up 5 floors in an old service elevator to discover The Perch, with its large centre bar surrounded by original window features, brick clad walls and adorned with birdcages and artwork. Sip on cocktails and sangria in the height of summer with blankets on hand if the evening turns cool.

theperchbelfast.com

The National

The National has created an epic new heated beer garden to chill out in! With full coverage over a huge heated space with two outdoor bars, why would you go anywhere else for your post lockdown nights out! It's time to get the cocktails flowing and good

times rolling! Open 7 days a week, 12pm-late.

thenationalbelfast.com

Kelly's Cellars

Built in 1720, Kelly's Cellars is one of Belfast's oldest traditional Irish pubs. Though not strictly a beer garden, the area in front of Kelly's Cellars transforms in summer with picnic benches, beer barrels and bar stools to perch on where you can enjoy live traditional music in the "garden sessions".

facebook.com/kellys.cellars

The Jailhouse

The Jailhouse offers a fantastic range of traditional food, local drinks and entertainment alongside the heritage of Joys Entry. Among the historical buildings in the entry, there's a cosy outdoor seating area that is often decked out for different seasons. No booking required.

thejailhousebelfast.com

The Sunflower

This historic pub has changed over the years to a modern, colourful, hip venue with amazing wood-fired pizzas served out in the south facing Beer Garden. None of the beers are mainstream brands, so enjoy sampling some great local craft beers, ales and ciders.

sunflowerbelfast.com

Granny Annies

The award-winning beer garden at Granny Annies can accommodate up to 80 guests and is open throughout the year. This popular bar and kitchen offers tasty pub food, sports on big screens and an array of cocktails, beers and wine. Bookings are available for food, not required for drinks.

grannyannies.co.uk/belfast

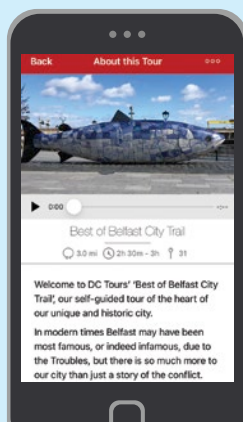
EXPLORE MORE

From literary greats to a wealth of maritime history and musical legends to captivating street art - Belfast has a vibrant and varied history just waiting to be discovered. Explore the city at your own pace with a self-guided tour or walking trail to experience the heritage, history and culture of Belfast.

DC Self-Guided Audio Tours

Explore Belfast City & Region at your own pace with a range of immersive audio tours to take you on a journey through the city's history, culture, architecture and stories. The 'Best of Belfast City Trail' is available on the DC Tours app in English, Spanish and French, and is packed full of information, pictures, audio and video. It also includes a GPS mapping feature to guide you along the way! Other tours to choose from include 'West Belfast: Peacewalls, Murals and More', the 'Queen's Quarter Walking Trail', the 'Titanic Quarter Trail' or take a short

trip out of Belfast to Strangford Lough, An Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, to explore the Cistercian Monastery at Grey Abbey and Nendrum Celtic Christian Site. Get started at: deadcentretours.com



Street Art

Belfast has incredible street art and you can discover a lot of it on a gentle stroll from the city centre to the Cathedral Quarter. From classic pieces that have been part of the city for years to new works in the historic entries, take a walk and see what you discover! *See P32 for more details.*

The Golden Mile Walking Trail

Linen Quarter BID has launched a new walking trail running from Belfast City Hall to the Ulster Museum via the Golden Mile. The trail covers the Linen Quarter and Queen's Quarter, combining stunning Victorian architecture with contemporary culture. Starting at the City Hall's Titanic Memorial, highlights



include the new Blackstaff Square Social Hub (opening August 2021), The Crown Liquor Saloon, Ulster Hall and the Eco sculpture outside the McClay Library. *See P34/35 for more details.*

Maritime Mile

The Maritime Mile captures the heritage of Belfast's waterfront, running from Sailortown past the Big Fish, SS Nomadic, Titanic Belfast, Titanic Slipways, Great Light and much more. It represents one navigational mile of water and 10 kilometres of accessible waterfront, where you can walk, cycle, run and play in the footsteps of giants. *See P20/21 for more details.*

CS Lewis Square Interactive Trail

Become an explorer on the CS Lewis Square Interactive Trail, where your mission is to find answers

to mysterious clues hidden in familiar landmarks.

This family friendly trail transports you to Narnia in east Belfast's CS Lewis Square and includes fun activities, perfect for kids.

Download the trail at: **visiteastside.com**

Van Morrison Trail

Go on a journey through the east Belfast of Van Morrison's youth. This trail offers a glimpse of some of the places the Belfast-born singer knew as a child growing up. Look out for QR codes at some locations to download a short song extract related to that place. Download the trail map from:

communitygreenway.co.uk/trails

Glass of Thrones

Six huge stained glass windows depicting some of the most iconic scenes from Game of Thrones form

a trail along the Maritime Mile. Starting at the AC Hotel by Marriott and ending at HMS Caroline, the trail passes Titanic Studios, which for 10 years was home to iconic sets such as the Great Hall of the Red Keep with the real Iron Throne! Find out more at: **visitbelfast.com/gameofthrones**

The James Connolly Heritage Trail – Launching Summer 2021!

This summer Áras Uí Chonghaile are launching their brand new James Connolly Heritage Trail. The trail will take you on a tour of the city and while using a new innovative augmented reality app, you'll be transported back in time to experience Connolly's Belfast and bring his story here to life. For more information please visit: **arasuichonghaile.com**



ENJOY OUR GREEN SPACES

JUST A SHORT DISTANCE AWAY FROM THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF THE CITY CENTRE, YOU CAN ENJOY A RANGE OF PARKS, GARDENS, COUNTRY ESTATES AND EXHILARATING COASTLINES. TIME SLOWS DOWN AS YOU REVEL IN THE SOUND OF BIRDSONG, THE SMELL OF FRESHLY CUT GRASS OR THE WAVES WASHING UP ON THE SHORE.

These well-tended green spaces are our pride and joy and often showcase fragrant rose gardens, exotic plants and a huge array of rare trees and shrubs. From botanical gardens to riverside towpaths or simple municipal spaces, the

opportunity to recharge are plentiful and picturesque.

For a city of its size, Belfast punches well above its weight in terms of the variety and accessibility of green space. You can choose from over 70 parks and open spaces within the

city boundary, including the historic **Botanic Gardens** in Queen's Quarter, the stunning **Stormont Estate** in EastSide and **Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park** in the south of the city, which is renowned for its International Rose Garden.



Enjoy Our Award Winning Parks and Open Spaces

78 of Northern Ireland's best-managed parks and open spaces have been recognised with the international standard of excellence, the Green Flag Award.

The city is bordered on three sides by hills and mountains where you can enjoy hiking trails and magnificent views of the Irish Sea to the east. In the north of the city, **Cave Hill Country Park** offers a more adventurous hike which rewards visitors with some of the best views over Belfast and beyond. **Divis and Black Mountain** offers a flatter Ridge Trail where on a clear day you can see the Mourne Mountains, Strangford Lough, the Isle of Man and the coast of Scotland.

For runners and cyclists, the **Lagan Towpath** runs for nearly the entire length of the River Lagan, from the centre of Belfast to the neighbouring city of Lisburn or the **Connswater Community Greenway** offers a 9km linear park through East Belfast. To enjoy one of the finest shoreline walks in Ireland, hop on a train to Holywood to the start of the 25km **North Down Coastal Path**, where you can find a variety of geological features, wild flowers, birds and seals.



A TASTE OF BELFAST

Belfast is one of Europe's most exciting food destinations and our restaurants have now reopened and look 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're 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 the various seafood restaurants in the city. Multi-award winning casual favourite Fish City, is a must go-to, or if you're after something a little more upscale, try Deanes Love Fish or 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, James Street, Deanes and The Muddlers Club.

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

Waterman House Cookery School

Award winning chef, Niall McKenna has moved his cookery school to a great new space in the Cathedral Quarter. Safely accommodating groups of up to 18, there's a great choice of classes covering everything from effortless entertaining to BBQ masterclasses or bread making to Middle Eastern, French, Spanish, Italian, Japanese or Indian cuisines.
cookinbelfast.co.uk



Forestsideside Cookery School

Join Chef Stephen Jeffers and his team at his cookery school located in Forestside Shopping Centre on the outskirts of Belfast, with free parking and easy access. There are 16 fully equipped work stations and you can choose from a wide range of classes including Irish breads, Asian Street Food, Italian cookery, various masterclasses and a selection of kids cookery and baking classes.

forestsidesidecookeryschool.com

SWEET EXPERIENCE

Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory

Enter the magical world of chocolate and sweets and see up close the magic of the old time candy making as you take in the colours, smells and magic of a bygone era. Hear how Aunt Sandra began making her famous sweets and how it has been passed from generation to generation. With prizes to be won, it truly is fun for all the family, friends and kids of all ages.

auntsandras.com

DEVINE DELIS

Explore amazing delis such as Sawers and Avoca in the city centre and Yellow Door on the Lisburn Road, with their extensive range of high quality local artisan product. They are an Aladdin's cave of culinary delights where you can choose from a huge range of quality local produce, fabulous foodie gifts and fantastic cookbooks.

FANCY A TIPPLE?

Taste & Tour

The best way to get to know a city is through its food and drink, so join your friendly Taste & Tour guide for a walking tour around some of the city's hotspots. Choose from the multi-award winning Belfast Food Tour, Gin Jaunt, Whiskey Walk, Cocktail Circuit, Crafty Beer & Street Eats or 5 Stop Brunch Tour.

tasteandtour.co.uk

The Friend at Hand Whiskey Emporium

A unique whiskey off-licence combined with a mini museum charting the whiskey distilling history of Belfast. Browse and buy from the biggest collection of Irish Whiskeys available anywhere and get exclusive access to our own brand 13yr old whiskeys. Open Wed-Sat.

dukeofyorkbelfast.com/venues/the-friend-at-hand

Belfast Whiskey Club

From tours to tastings, there's a range of fantastic Irish whiskey experiences available throughout Belfast and the world's largest Irish whiskey festival returns this summer when Belfast Whiskey Week will again be pouring online 23-31 July 2021 – get your pass at **belfastwhiskeyweek.com** **whiskeyclub.com**

Belfast Gin & Spirit School

Through experiential learning, a range of spirit schools are on offer including gin, whiskey, rum and calvados as well as master distilling classes, afternoon teas, private/group events and the enjoyment of bespoke cocktails. The gin class provides the opportunity to blend your own recipe miniature bottle of gin.

facebook.com/BelfastGinAndSpiritsSchool

Distillery Tours

Northern Ireland has seen a renaissance in brewing and distilling in recent years. Nearly every county now boasts a top-class producer of beer and cider or whiskey and gin who is willing to divulge at least some, if not all, of their long-held secrets! See P51 for more details.

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...



01

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 01

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



02

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

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.



03

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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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.

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

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.

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.

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

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 you way around each of the 18 stops. maritime-mile.com

of the dock where Titanic last sat on dry ground and learn about Belfast's shipbuilding legacy in the visitor centre.

HICKSON'S POINT

Make a stop to 'rest your wee legs' while out enjoying the Maritime Mile. Offering an authentic 1900's public house setting, serving up perfect pints and classic Clangers with traditional music, heritage décor and a beer garden! Located on the plaza outside Titanic Belfast, Hickson's Point is open daily and dog-friendly!



URBAN ADVENTURE

Sure, you can visit Belfast and lounge in luxurious accommodation and pamper yourself in a spa. But wouldn't it be better to get out and about for some high-octane laughs? If you're looking for something a bit different... an adventure, a thrilling twist on the average city break; we have it by the bucket-load!

Colin Glen

Opening in July 2021, Colin Glen's new world-class attractions bring unmissable action to Belfast!

The Black Bull Run

Ireland's first and only Alpine coaster! Experience this adrenaline-pumping woodland course and zoom through the dense woods of Colin Glen Forest at 25 miles per hour, twisting and turning through tunnels and trees to experience the outdoors like never before!

Zip Lines

Brave the all-new 235m and 700m zip lines, the Forest Flyover and River Rapid, and skim the treetops of the forest as you zip down the line

at up to 50 miles per hour, taking in the mind-blowing views over the city and valley of County Down!

Other activities include:

- SKYTrek high/low ropes climbing course
- Archery
- Laser tag
- 9-hole golf course
- TopTracer driving range
- 3G pitches
- Gruffalo & Stickman Guided Walk

Find out more at:

colinglen.org



Let's Go Hydro

Water sports and activity resort offering a range of water based activities including an inflatable aqua park, ringo rides, kayaking, wakeboarding, kneeboarding, open water swimming and beach arena. Glamping pods, café, BBQ pods, pizza restaurant and drive-in movies are also available.

letsgohydro.com

Axe Yard

Urban Axe Throwing is a really fun activity where you get to enjoy throwing axes at wooden targets. It's a group activity where you will play fun games and enjoy some friendly competition, so the more the merrier!

All bookings include a dedicated coach to teach you all you need to know – we aim to have you sinking axes in no time!

axeyard.co.uk

Vertigo Indoor Skydiving

Ireland's only indoor skydiving centre allows you to tick this exciting activity off your bucket list, without jumping out of an aeroplane. Put on the flight suit, helmet, goggles and earplugs and you're ready to spread your wings and fly.

wearevertigo.com

Surf Belfast

Experience the thrill of catching a wave indoors on Northern Ireland's first ever indoor surf simulator! Pumps fire a constant 5 metre wide wave sheet to challenge riders. Designed for a variety of age groups and skill levels, Surf Belfast has four different performance settings to ensure that the ride can be enjoyed by just about everyone.

better.org.uk/surf-belfast

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.

prisonislandbelfast.com

Thunder Park

Get your skates on at Ireland's only RESI-ramp action sports facility. Perfect for BMX, skate, inline-skate, scooters and more, the park has been designed for fun and training with expert tuition and equipment for hire. Suitable for ages 6+.

Eddieirvinesports.com/thunder-park

Clearsky Adventure Centre

A stunning adventure playground located at Castle Ward, on the shores of Strangford Lough. Located just 40 minutes from Belfast and 2 hours from

Dublin, the centres unique medieval setting creates the perfect place to enjoy some fun land and water activities in the great outdoors.

clearsky-adventure.com

The Jungle NI

Just a 45 minute drive from Belfast, awaits a daring adventure unlike any other. Adrenaline-packed activities include zorbing, paintball, high-wire tree-top adventure courses, clay pigeon shooting, forest segways, and llama trekking.

thejungleni.com

GoT to Escape

Offering intelligent indoor entertainment with 3 Game of Thrones inspired escape rooms and one mystery room, each designed for a 60 minute game for up to five players.

gottoescape.com

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!



FAMILY FUN

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 & Stickman Guided Walk

Bring your little ones along and go right inside the glorious Gruffalo and Stickman stories – search for the famous characters in the woods, listen to the classic tales and take home your very own Julia Donaldson and friends book, sticker and certificate, to keep forever! 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.wwt.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

A spectacular 200-acre forest park located just 5 minutes from Belfast City Centre where you'll find Ireland's only official Gruffalo Trail, the Sky Trek high-ropes course, Ireland's first Alpine Coaster and longest Zipline! So bring comfy shoes, and a sense of adventure!

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.

letsgohydro.com

Cathedral Gardens Play Park

Make a stop at this family friendly zone in the heart of the city which features a giant spinning 'hamster' wheel, outdoor musical instruments, a swinging bridge, and colourful mushrooms on a carpet of rainbow grass. Seating and picnic tables available.

For more family fun ideas, see visitbelfast.com

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, Urban Outfitters, 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; Jack & Jones, New Look, Miss Selfridge, Dorothy Perkins and Burton's 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.

SEE MAP **D4**

Hidden Gems

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



Learning Space

Visit this fun and sensory-friendly city centre store. Learning SPACE offers an inspiring range of toys and resources that captivate, inspire and enable all children to feel on top of their world.



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.



Avoca

A beautiful Aladdin's cave of gifts, toys, home ware, Irish fragrances and soaps. Famous for its Irish, hand woven throws and scarves created on 300 year old handweaving looms in Avoca, County Wicklow.



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 **(D4)**

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 **(A8)**

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 and an 8-screen cinema. **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.



HISTORY & HERITAGE

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

Belfast City Hall

Designed by Alfred Brumwell Thomas in the Baroque Revival style and constructed in Portland stone, Belfast City Hall first opened its doors in August 1906. The grounds contain a wealth of memorials to the history, people and events associated with the city including 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.

Crumlin Road Gaol

Built between 1843 and 1845, the gaol was designed by the renowned architect Sir Charles Lanyon. The black basalt rock prison was modelled on London's Pentonville Prison. Visitors can take a self-guided tour of this nineteenth century Grade 'A' listed building and experience life behind bars.

Clifton House

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.

Linenhall Library

Located opposite Belfast City Hall is the city's oldest library (1788) which 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.



St Anne's Cathedral

Romanesque in style with exquisite mosaics, carvings and stained glass, you can explore this stunning building to learn about its history and the people who helped shape this sacred place.

Belfast Castle

One of the city's most famous landmarks, the castle was built in the 1860s and is located at the base of Cave Hill in north Belfast. The estate contains landscaped gardens and mature mixed woodland offering superb views of the city from a variety of vantage points.

Queen's University

The UK's ninth oldest university contains a distinguished heritage and history. Its main building was also designed by Sir Charles Lanyon, and opened in 1849. Take a stroll around the open campus or enjoy a self-guided campus tour.

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

Museum of Orange Heritage

An interpretive centre showcasing the culture, history and traditions of the Orange Order. The new Centennial exhibition '100 Years, 100 Images' tells the story of Northern Ireland in pictures and stories, from its formation through to the present day.
orangeheritage.co.uk

ARTS & CULTURE



FOR A GREAT DAY OUT THAT IS BOTH EDUCATIONAL AND FUN, VISIT A MUSEUM OR GALLERY. FROM LOCAL HISTORY TO MODERN ART AND DINOSAURS TO SPACE ROCKETS, THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYBODY.

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** **Donegall 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

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

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

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



Bradley Gallery Victoria Square

Terry Bradley is one of the most recognisable and collectable artists working in Ireland today and you can browse a wide selection of limited edition prints, canvases and original art works in the Victoria Square complex on the Lower Ground floor.

terrybradley.com

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

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

URBAN ART

Belfast has become a place where street artists from across the world gather to produce their work. Spend just a few minutes in the city centre and you'll notice the walls - there is street art to be explored everywhere. This generation of street artists are forming a vibrant and 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 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 and you will see caricatures of some of Belfast's most famous faces.

You can delve into this colourful world with the Google Map Street Art Guide, which is a great way of enjoying these wonderful art pieces at your own pace, or 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.



LGBT+ BELFAST

Belfast is a buzzing and diverse city offering a range of colourful events and vibrant nightlife. Home to the largest lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender festival in Ireland, the city has a thriving LGBT+ community and gay scene.

NIGHTLIFE

Belfast's best gay bars and clubs* are located in the city's Smithfield and Union Quarter area, north of the city centre on the edge of the Cathedral Quarter.

Union Street Bar 8-14 Union Street

Situated in a 19th century shoe factory, Union Street Bar is one of the city's most stylish bars with a cool yet comfy vibe. Upstairs, the Green Room Cocktail Lounge is particularly worth a visit, and the adjoining Shoe Factory provides wacky entertainment, from bingo and karaoke to quizzes and cabaret.

unionstreetbar.com

Maverick Bar 1 Union Street

Maverick Bar on Union Street is a popular gay bar, well-loved for its eclectic live music nights and comedy shows. The open mic sessions are unmissable, taking place every Wednesday.

maverickbelfast.com

Kremlin

96 Donegall Street

The city's most famous gay club* is probably Kremlin on Donegall Street. A Soviet-style industrial opulence exudes throughout the venue's extravagant decor, with the Tsar Cocktail Lounge, the Long Bar and Red Square continuing the communist-chic vibe. A huge variety of theme nights, celebrity performances and the friendliest up-for-it clubbers gives Kremlin the reputation of being the best gay venue in Ireland.

(*reopening subject to Covid restrictions)

kremlin-belfast.com

Other Bars

Other gay-friendly bars include **Muriel's** on Church Lane, **The Spaniard** on Skipper Street and **The Bear and The Doll** on Little Donegall Street.

PRIDE

Belfast Pride Festival 31 July – 1 August

Belfast bursts into a rainbow of colour every summer with Belfast City Hall lighting up in rainbow colours to celebrate Pride Day when the annual Pride Parade* takes place on Saturday 31 July. This award winning festival is a celebration packed with a variety of events from film and music to drama and debate. (*subject to Covid restrictions).

belfastpride.com

More Information

The **Belfast LGBT Centre** is located at 23-31 Waring Street in Belfast's Cathedral Quarter, which houses a number of charities including the **Rainbow Project** and **Cara Friend**, providing counselling, befriending, information and a health and social space for the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community.

WALK THE GOLDEN MILE

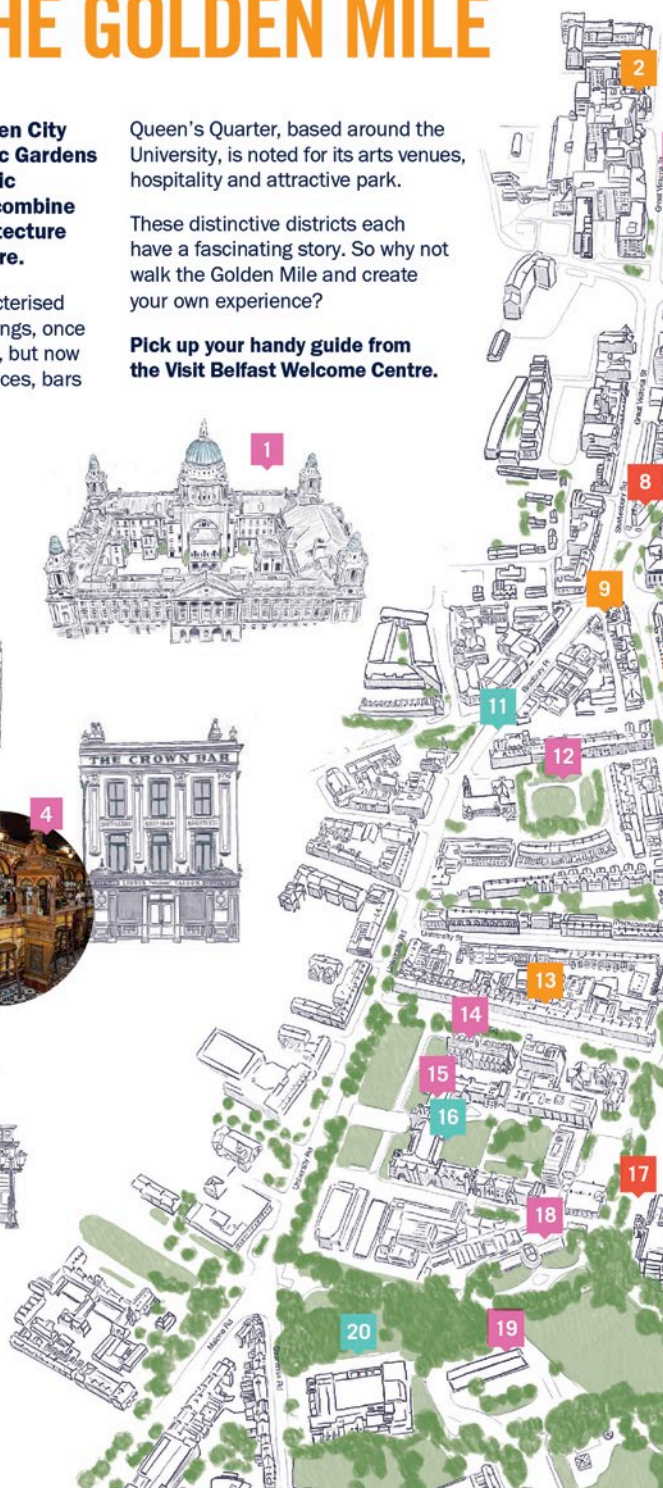
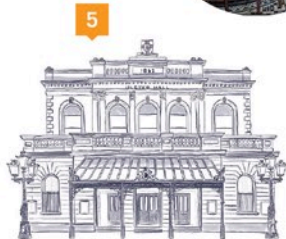
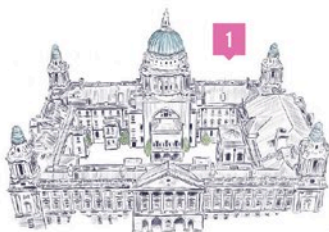
The relaxing walk between City Hall Grounds and Botanic Gardens encompasses two historic districts, both of which combine stunning Victorian architecture with contemporary culture.

The Linen Quarter is characterised by beautiful red brick buildings, once used as Linen Warehouses, but now converted into high end offices, bars and restaurants.

Queen's Quarter, based around the University, is noted for its arts venues, hospitality and attractive park.

These distinctive districts each have a fascinating story. So why not walk the Golden Mile and create your own experience?

Pick up your handy guide from the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre.





1. CITY HALL
2. GRAND OPERA HOUSE
3. FLAX AT LINEN QUARTER
4. THE CROWN LIQUOR SALOON
5. ULSTER HALL
6. THOMAS THOMPSON FOUNTAIN
7. ORMEAU BATHS
8. 'FLYING FIGURES' BY ELISABETH FINK
9. ACCIDENTAL THEATRE
10. THE BELFAST EMPIRE MUSIC HALL

11. CRESCENT ARTS CENTRE
12. CRESCENT GARDENS PARK
13. QUEEN'S FILM THEATRE
14. QUEEN'S LYNN BUILDING
15. QUEEN'S LANYON BUILDING
16. NAUGHTON GALLERY
17. "ECO" BY MARK DIDOU
18. BOTANIC GARDENS
19. TROPICAL RAVINE/ PALM HOUSE
20. ULSTER MUSEUM

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The Cathedral is open to visitors from 10am-6pm, Monday-Saturday. Please check our website for up-to-date service times.



Opening times:

Mon-Sat: 11am-6pm

Sun: 1pm-6pm

Contact details:

Belfast Cathedral,
Donegall St,
BT1 2HB

www.belfastcathedral.org



BELFAST CATHEDRAL
THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST ANNE

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

Explore and Experience Ards and North Down. Embrace natural landscapes and seascapes as you journey the 115 miles of scenic coastline winding your way along the edge of Belfast Lough, on to the Ards Peninsula and Strangford Lough.



Explore water's edge beauty spots and historic heritage sites, be inspired by our creative makers, savour our award-winning local food and drink, and make unforgettable memories at our top-class attractions.

Ards and North Down is the ideal location to escape, relax and have fun.

10 GREAT INSTAGRAMMABLE LOCATIONS

Here are some of the most beautiful sights in Ards and North Down, they need no filter, and you are guaranteed to be snap happy.

1 Scrabo Tower, Newtownards

As one of Northern Ireland's most well-known landmarks, the majestic Scrabo Tower can be seen from afar and is a local icon. The 19th century lookout tower is 135 feet (41m) tall and stands on Scrabo Hill, where you can enjoy vast views across Strangford Lough.

2 Ballycopeland Windmill, Millisle

Ballycopeland Windmill is the only remaining windmill in Northern Ireland with the original Reef mechanism still existing. It was built in the late 18th or early 19th century

and was worked until the First World War when it fell into disrepair. The windmill is currently undergoing regeneration work, with investment to construct a visitor centre with coffee shop and refurbishment of the existing miller's cottage and kilnman's house.

3 Eisenhower Pier and Bangor Marina

North of Bangor Marina by Bangor Lifeboat Station, the pier has a number of mosaics representing the history of the town and one which depicts the borough's crucial role in the Second World War. From here, you can dander round



Above: Exploris image courtesy Tourism Northern Ireland

to the seafront promenade which hugs the marina and forms part of the North Down Coastal Path. Stroll past Pickie Funpark, enjoy the lovely seaside vibes and capture beautiful coastal shots.

4 Grey Abbey Ruins

A great photo opportunity, the Cistercian abbey was founded in 1193 by Affreca, wife of John de Courcy, the Anglo-Norman invader of East Ulster. Grey Abbey is located in a picturesque village with beautiful antique and coffee shops, you're sure to be won over by its charm.

5 North Down Coastal Path

The photo opportunities are endless along one of the finest shoreline walks in Ireland. Take in the beautiful surroundings and contrasting shoreline, from rocky outlets to salt marshes and mudflats to sandy beaches.

6 Mount Stewart, Ards Peninsula

Wow, you will be spoilt for choice at magical Mount Stewart - find out why Mount Stewart has been voted as one of the Top Ten Gardens in the world. Capture the beautifully landscaped and informal grounds that

surround the picturesque lake walk, recently extended walking trails, and impressive neoclassical family home. (Pre-booking is essential)

7 Nendrum Monastic Site, Comber

Thought to be the best example of a pre-Norman monastic site in Northern Ireland, you'll want to add this scenic location to your camera roll. The monastic site consists of three round dry stone walled enclosures, one within the other, situated on the shores of Strangford Lough. Another great opportunity to capture fantastic images.



8 Sketrick Castle, Killinchy

Sketrick Castle, reached by a causeway on the west coast of Strangford Lough, take your pics at the ruins of the castle located on Sketrick Island. This large tower house was built in the mid-15th century and has a rich history to be discovered.

9 Ulster Folk Museum, Cultra

Promising fantastic shots as you stroll around the grounds of the Ulster Folk Museum. Encounter costumed locals demonstrating traditional crafts in cottages, farm dwellings, schools, and shops as you enjoy a visit to this living history museum. Set in the rolling hills of Cultra and featuring a bustling town, filled with authentic period buildings, rich in traditions from over 100 years ago. (Pre-booking is essential)

10 Donaghadee Harbour and Lighthouse

This well-photographed famous Northern Ireland landmark welcomes you to take your creative capture! Donaghadee's iconic lighthouse stands guard on the harbour keeping ships right in times of trouble with its beam and foghorn. The Donaghadee Lighthouse has the distinction of being the first Irish lighthouse to be converted to electricity. On a clear day, get that perfect shot of an uninterrupted view across to Scotland.

These are only a selection of the inspiring sights and places to visit in Ards and North Down. To explore more check out visitarndsandnorthdown.com

Please Note

Some sites are currently undergoing refurbishment and conservation works. Always check the website before travelling.

ESCAPE INTO THE GREAT OUTDOORS, RELAX AND TRY SOMETHING NEW WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Ready with a warm welcome and a passion to share their skills, our local people offer a wonderful range of unique experiences to truly connect you to this place and create lasting memories.

Discover first-hand what we have to offer, with captivating historic guided walking tours or unique experiences to try on our stunning coastal waters and loughs. Glide across Strangford Lough by canoe or learn the skills of stand-up paddleboarding in Bangor followed by delicious local treats.

Find out more and pre-book your adventure today at visitarndsandnorthdown.com/experienceAND



EXPERIENCE ARDS AND NORTH DOWN

Family Fun

We've top class visitor attractions to enjoy and two family favourites are Pickie Funpark, Bangor and Exploris Aquarium, Portaferry.

At Pickie Funpark, pedal a giant Pickie Swan around the lagoon, share a round of Pickie Golf, jump into the watery fun at the splash pads, enjoy the Adventure Playground or climb aboard the Pickie Puffer for a railway journey around the colourful landscape.

pickiefunpark.com

Or why not visit Exploris Aquarium, Northern Ireland's only aquarium and seal rehabilitation centre?

Be wowed with a diver's view of marine life from around the world, the aquarium is home to friendly sharks, a snappy crocodile and new arrivals, Humboldt Penguins, 14 of whom have recently moved from the Isle of Man to settle on the shores of Strangford Lough and look forward to your visit!

explorisni.com

Play and stay

Ards and North Down is a haven for golfers with a rich heritage dating back 125 years – we have 12 diverse courses all within a 1-hour drive from Belfast, including parkland and links as well as being home to Ireland's oldest club, The Royal Belfast.

Our variety of courses and easy access to Belfast makes Ards and North Down the idyllic location for the perfect golfing break. Our courses boast stunning scenery with views of Belfast or Strangford Loughs.

Courses designed by H.S. Colt, James Braid and Peter Alliss sum up the quality on offer with The Royal Belfast, Bangor, Clandeboyne, Kirkistown Castle and Rory's own club, Holywood, awarded the 'Quality Assurance' accreditation by Tourism Northern Ireland.

With accommodation ranging from distinctive self-catering options, cosy guest houses to three, four and five-star hotel and spa facilities there is somewhere to suit your needs and make this the perfect golfing getaway, check out options at **visitardsandnorthdown.com**

Golf Facilities

Accredited Golf Clubs

Bangor Golf Club

Clandeboyne Golf Club

Hollywood Golf Club

Kirkistown Castle Golf Club

The Royal Belfast Golf Club

18-Hole Golf Courses

Blackwood Golf Centre (including driving range)

Carnalea Golf Club

Donaghadee Golf Club

Scrabo Golf Club

9-Hole Golf Courses

Helen's Bay Golf Club

Driving Ranges

Bradshaws Brae Driving Range

Groomsport Driving Range and Golf Centre

Lisburn & Castlereagh

There is no better place to enjoy summer than in Lisburn & Castlereagh. Experience the great outdoors by spending quality time in one of the many parks across the area, which are perfect for exercising, cycling or dog walking. Quench your thirst or enjoy a bite to eat in one of the numerous beer gardens or outdoor eating areas, whilst watching the world go by. So why not get out and connect with nature and experience what's on offer in Lisburn & Castlereagh this summer.



WALK LISBURN

You're never too old to learn and following the **Sir Richard Wallace walking trail** is the perfect way to explore Lisburn and spruce up on your knowledge. So put on your walking shoes and learn all about Lisburn's famous landlord on this self-guided walking trail around the City centre. The trail makes it way from Wallace Park to Wallace Avenue and Wallace High School, then on to Castle

House, Castle Gardens and Lisburn Cathedral. During the walking trail you can enjoy the peaceful retreat of Castle Gardens, once the site of Lisburn Castle.

Download the guide: visitlisburncastlereagh.com

If you prefer a more challenging walk or cycle then **Lagan Valley Regional Park** is the perfect choice. Stretching eleven miles between Lisburn

& Belfast, you can enjoy the variety of valley landscapes from wet meadows, to mixed beech woodland and parkland. This is the perfect time of the year to connect with nature and enjoy everything that Lagan Valley Regional Park has to offer.

Have your camera at the ready! Only a short 20 Minute walk along the **Lagan Tow Path** and you will have a superb view of the now



abandoned **Hilden Mill**, home of the Barbour Thread Factory. A recommended spot for photographs of this highly significant building in the history of Lisburn's Linen Industry.

DISCOVER HILLSBOROUGH

Hillsborough Forest Park is set in the picturesque Georgian village of **Hillsborough**. The park sits

a few minutes' drive from **Hillsborough Castle** and is home to Hillsborough Fort. Hillsborough Forest Park is a popular choice for photographers, bird watchers, fishing enthusiasts and dog walkers alike. The forest covers an area of almost 200 acres providing a variety of walks to suit people of all abilities. Visitors can now enjoy upgraded pathways throughout, stunning lakeside

viewpoints with seating, additional picnic benches, extra car-parking facilities, and a state-of-the-art woodland-themed outdoor children's play area. The entire lake area is a forest wildlife sanctuary and is home to a wide variety of birds and animals. Look out for the many species of resident and over-wintering waterfowl, especially swans and several varieties of duck.



VISIT MOIRA

A must see place to visit in **Moira** is **Moira Demesne**. With over 40 acres of parkland, Moira Demesne provides a quiet retreat where you can enjoy the walkways, picnic sites and superb children's play park. This park was once one of the foremost botanical gardens back in 17th Century Europe. There are areas dedicated to biodiversity and the Demesne benefits from a range of wildlife species.

It's time to brush the cobwebs from your fishing rods and relax in the beautiful surroundings at **Moira Lakes**. Book your socially distanced space for all the family at **moiralakes.com** and enjoy the lakes, picnic areas and nature trail. Try your luck at

fishing from the Main Lake or Bait Pond whilst enjoying great coffee, German hot-dogs and a range of take-away food.

HISTORIC MOAT PARK DUNDONALD

Moat Park is an idyllic green oasis, situated in the heart of **Dundonald**. Moat Park offers walks around the historic Motte as well as providing links so you can explore the many facilities on offer in the village. It's hard not to be impressed when you walk around one of the largest Motte's in Northern Ireland. Close by is the Parish Church of St. Elizabeth which dates back to 1306. The park also has a Wildlife Garden where you can see a variety of plants and wildlife.

OUTDOOR DINING TO ENJOY

With the weather improving and the days getting longer there's nothing more inviting than enjoying delicious food and having a chat in a Beer Garden. You'll be spoilt for choice in Lisburn & Castlereagh but here are just a few to add to your bucket list.

The Speckled Hen Derriaghy

This is County Antrim's oldest pub and has been serving weary travellers and locals alike since 1660. Serving locally-sourced seasonal produce, the meals are freshly prepared by a team of experienced chefs. There is also an on-site nano-brewery, making their very own expertly crafted beers by master brewer, plus their own blends of gins, whiskey and vodka. **speckledhenlisburn.com**



Gowdy's of Down Royal Lisburn

This is a family friendly Country Pub that prides itself in serving the freshest food, cooked with love and passion. Enjoy your favourite sun spot from the outside seating area. Taste the delicious Gowdy's authentic stone baked pizzas or popular roast dinners.

gowdysofdownroyal.com

The Plough Inn Hillsborough

Situated at the gates of Hillsborough Castle. This gastro pub offers some of the tastiest food served with a welcoming atmosphere. With a BBQ area and roof-top terrace to enjoy, this will definitely not be your only visit. Your four legged friend will also receive a warm welcome with a water bowl and biscuit.

theploughhillsborough.co.uk

The Hillside Hillsborough

The Hillside is a very friendly run pub with some of the greatest food on offer, sourced locally and cooked to order. In the summer, customers can relax with friends or family in the cobble courtyard, enjoying some of the wonderful food and salads on offer. Or simply try the local draft ales as The Hillside is one of the very few bars serving such delights. Your furry friends will also be made welcome.

hillsidehillsborough.co.uk

The Stillhouse Moira

This family owned Distillery & Pub is located in the centre of the beautiful village of Moira. Now famous for the RubyBlue range of speciality spirits produced on site by Stuart & Barbara Hughes.

Enjoy the fantastic food from the Gastro pub menu, or relax over a drink of your choice in the courtyard or beer garden.

stillhousemoira.com

The Ivanhoe Hotel Carryduff

The hotel has been offering a warm welcome to travellers on the Saintfield Road since the 1800s and offers a range of dining options. Relax in the beautifully designed outside area with fire pits to enjoy into the evening, serving locally sourced dishes presented in their own contemporary style.

ivanhoehotel.co.uk

We hope that we have inspired you to connect with nature, and experience something new this summer. We can't wait to welcome you to Lisburn & Castlereagh.

visitlisburncastlereagh.com



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. Visitors can walk along the basalt columns which are at the edge of the sea, just over 1km from the entrance to the site. Booking essential.

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 with sailings daily.

Hillsborough Castle Gardens

From grand family home to charming royal residence, Hillsborough Castle has welcomed the world and witnessed pivotal chapters in politics. A tour includes guided access to all the State Rooms that make up this elegant Georgian home. Also explore 100 acres of beautiful gardens to complete a relaxing day out for the whole family 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

Come for a walk, explore the garden and take in all the vibrant colours, fresh scents and sounds of a wide range of wildlife. Discover the Walled Garden, the Pleasure Grounds and enjoy a tranquil walk around

the famous Rock Garden Wood. This summer there are new spaces for you to explore and the kids will love the new Explore & Play area.

Most 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



You may already know what you want from your trip to Belfast: from Titanic and the political wall murals to the Giants Causeway or the famous film locations featured in Game of Thrones. Tie it all together with an open-topped bus tour, or hire a personal tour guide for a bespoke experience.

KEY

-  Belfast Visitor Pass member
-  Causeway tours
-  Game of Thrones tours
-  Tickets available from Visit Belfast Welcome Centre

HOP ON / HOP OFF TOURS

Belfast City Sightseeing

The hop on / hop off open-top bus tour operates daily, taking in the Titanic Quarter, Stormont and Parliament Buildings, the Shankill and Falls Roads, and the picturesque Queen's Quarter. Departs from Castle Place.

028 9032 1321
belfastcity
sightseeing.com



City Tours Belfast

This comprehensive open top hop on–hop off bus tour of Belfast includes the Titanic Quarter, the Falls and Shankill Roads, Queen's Quarter plus an exclusive stop at Belfast Castle. Departs from High Street.

028 9032 1912
citytoursbelfast.com



GUIDED COACH TOURS

Allen's Giant's Causeway Tours

Spend a memorable day visiting the unforgettable Giant's Causeway. Travel on board a private coach taking in the spectacular natural beauty of the Antrim Coast.

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bustours.com



Belfast Mini Coach

Discover some of Northern Ireland's top destinations with an all day coach tour. Uncover what Belfast and the beautiful North Coast has to offer and visit locations made famous by hit television show Game of Thrones.

028 9086 6888
belfastminicoach.com



Executive Coach Tours

Specialising in tours of the North Coast, including the stunning Giants Causeway and the very popular Game of Thrones day tour.

028 8673 7325
quinnsccoachhire.com/
tours



Game of Thrones Tours

Full day coach tours to Game of Thrones locations throughout Northern Ireland. Stark cloaks, Iron Island costumes and replica swords add to the adventure.

028 9568 0023
gameofthronetours
.com



Game of Thrones Tour of the North

Fully guided tour of film locations from the HBO award winning show, departing from central Belfast. Sites included are the Dark Hedges, Carnlough & Lordsport Harbours and the Giants Causeway.

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028 9031 0101
irishtourtickets.com



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028 9031 5333
mccombscoaches.com

McComb's Coach Tours

Belfast's longest established daily tour to the Giants Causeway as well as the unique #WeeLoveBelfast city tour, Grub Crawl food tour and Game of Thrones guided tour. Ticket centre located in Victoria Square.

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mccombscoaches.com



Odyssey Coach Tours

Offering a variety of tours departing from Belfast to various destinations of interest throughout Northern Ireland, including the Giants Causeway and the Belfast City Tour.

028 9024 0300
odysseycoachtours
.co.uk



Paddywagon Tours

Daily guided tours from Belfast to the Giant's Causeway including admission to the Causeway visitor centre. Enjoy stunning coastal views, a photo stop at Dunluce Castle and time to cross the Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge.

028 9033 3367
paddywagontours.com



Top Irish Tours

A Belfast based small group tour company offering you a private bespoke tour experience. Visit all of the major attractions in comfort and at a pace that suits you.

07764 533638
topirishtours.com



Travel Ireland Coach Tours

Operating luxury coach tours daily throughout the island of Ireland including political tours of Belfast, Giants Causeway, Newcastle & the Mourne and Derry~Londonderry.

028 9077 2180
travelireland
coaches.com



Tours

GUIDED TAXI TOURS

Value Cabs Taxi Tour

A variety of vehicles are on offer on this tour which takes in sights including Belfast City Hall, Queen's University, Stormont, Titanic Quarter, Shankill and Falls Roads, including murals and peace line.
028 9080 9080
valuecabs.co.uk



The Black Cab Tour

A Blue Badge certified tour guide takes you through the Loyalist and Republican heartlands where the murals tell the story from a historical perspective. Write your own message on the Peace walls and enjoy a city sightseeing tour.
07798 602401
touringaroundbelfast.com

Taxitrix Tours

Visit the famous wall murals throughout Belfast which convey local politics, history and culture. Go for a journey into the politics of Belfast from the late 60's to the present day.
07892 716660
taxitrix.com



WALKING TOURS

Away A Wee Walk

Offering a daily tour of the Causeway Coast which includes a stunning 5 mile cliff path walk into the Giant's Causeway site, the world famous Antrim

Coast drive and a visit to Carrick-A-Rede.

07837 703643
awayaweewalk.com



Belfast Free Walking Tour

Discover the history of the city and its people on this tip-based 2 hour walking tour, which departs daily at 11am from the front of Belfast City Hall – look out for the yellow umbrella!
07393 585531
belfastfreewalkingtour.com

Belfast Hidden Tours

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07971 895746
belfasthiddentours.com



Belfastology Walking Tours

Offering a number of original tours and experiences that take you all over Northern Ireland. Most of the tours are based in Belfast, and cover everything from street art to architecture and the city's incredible history.
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belfastology.com

Belfast Traditional Music Trail

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enjoy a performance of traditional tunes, songs and stories.

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belfasttradtrail.com

Coiste Political Tours

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coiste.ie



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Discovery Tour at Titanic Belfast

Visitors are introduced to the historic story and landmarks, through to the modern day concept, build and fascinating facts and features of Titanic Belfast – the iconic tribute to Titanic's story.
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titanicbelfast.com



Harty Culture

Offering foraging and nature tours taking visitors on an immersive experience through Northern Ireland's beautiful, nature-rich landscape which shows that everything has its place and purpose – be it edible, medicinal, practical or poisonous.
07490 974421
hartyculture.com

If Buildings Could Talk Tour

Every building in every city has a story to tell and Belfast is no different. Join this leisurely walk, billed as "the most entertaining tour in Belfast" and hear stories of interesting, unusual and entertaining events that have happened in Belfast over the last 150 years.
07714 684804
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mybelfast-tours.com

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Our awesome team of local guides have a passion for all things Belfast! From history, culture, food, modern day, art, and alternative, this city has it all and we can't wait to show you why!
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Experience a comfortable cycle through beautiful Belfast. Each tour is unique and guests can experience the city how they like, guided by our experienced, fun, and knowledgeable guides.
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belfastcitybike
tours.com

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028 9694 7119
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FOOD & DRINK TOURS

Belfast Bred

Join Chef Barney on the only theatrical food tour in town! Discover, and taste, the food Belfast was built on during this fun filled one of a kind experience! Tours run throughout the year on the last Saturday of every month.

visitbelfast.com/tours



The Belfast Pub Trail Map

Pick up your free copy of Diageo's Belfast Pub Trail Map from the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre and enjoy a great range of Irish beers in Belfast. Sample a pint of Guinness, Harp, Hop

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028 9045 7723
tasteandtour.co.uk

DISTILLERY TOURS

Copeland Distillery

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028 9162 4000
copelanddistillery
.com/tours

Echlinville Distillery

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028 4273 8597
echlinville.com/visit

Hinch Distillery

Located in the heart of County Down countryside, visitors have the opportunity to learn about our distilling traditions. Choose from our classic or premium tours, lasting one hour, finishing in our tasting room to sample some of our wonderful whiskeys. At Hinch we also produce the multi-award winning Ninth Wave Irish Gin so we have designed a unique gin school evening.

hinchdistillery.com

Rademon Estate Distillery

Home of Shortcross Gin, Northern Ireland's first craft gin and now the most awarded gin in the island of Ireland. Visitors from all over the world are welcome to explore this unique working distillery and visitor's centre.

028 4483 0001
shortcrossgin.com

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Full members are Blue Badge Guides and National Guides, accredited by the Institute of Tourist Guiding in London or Failte Ireland. Qualified for coach, walking, religious and site-specific tours, the guides are fantastic ambassadors for Northern Ireland as well as being recognised experts in key subject areas.

nitga.co.uk

Tour Guides NI

Established and experienced guides for groups looking to experience the best that Northern Ireland has to offer. Tours can be delivered in a variety of ways; walking, taxi, driver/guides and by coach. Their fields of expertise are extensive with a blend of past, present and future and all tours can be tailored to meet your specific needs.

tourguidesni.com

Eating Out



Belfast boasts an amazing choice of places to eat, offering everything from the traditional Ulster Fry breakfast, gourmet coffee bars and express lunch deals to tasty gastro pub fare, cosy bistros and award-winning fine dining, showcasing the very best fresh local produce available.

KEY

D4 Map grid location

CC City Centre

CQ Cathedral Quarter

TQ Titanic Quarter

LQ Linen Quarter

QQ Queen's Quarter

GQ Gaeltacht Quarter

MODERN CUISINE

Actons

17 Brunswick Street

Situated in the heart of Belfast's Linen Quarter, close to the Grand Opera House, the Ulster Hall and many of Belfast's hotels. A modern, vibrant and relaxed restaurant, offering a menu that will appeal to all!

028 9024 0239

actonandsons.com

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High Street

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028 9026 2713

themerchanthotel.com

Brights Restaurant

23/25 High Street

Award-winning Ulster fries, fish and chips, big bold burritos and tasty Tex Mex are among the many global classics served up at this fabulous café/deli.

028 9024 5688

**brightrestaurant
belfast.co.uk**

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028 9568 0162

bubabelfast.com

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Belfast BT3 9DT

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028 9037 0133

belfastcastle.co.uk

Coco Restaurant

7-11 Linenhall Street

The chic boutique surroundings of Coco welcome those who love to eat well, in style. Relax and enjoy locally sourced food, cooked to perfection.

028 9031 1150

cocobelfast.com

Cutters Wharf

Lockview Road,

Stranmillis

Relax overlooking the

river with an intimate lunch or dinner. The extensive menu offers dishes ranging from re-interpreted classics to modern flavours, which are sure to tempt your taste buds.

028 9080 5100

cutterswharf.co.uk

Deanes at Queens

1 College Gardens

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

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

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Upper Queen Street

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edorestaurant.co.uk

Flame Restaurant

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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

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

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

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

Eating Out

Havana Bank Square 56-58 Berry Street

Serving seasonal food, the kitchen brings together its influences to create contemporary and ingredient led dishes. Enjoy the vibrant atmosphere with live music every Friday evening.

028 9031 0809
havanabanksq.com

CS CC

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

D3 CC

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

CS QQ

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

C4 CC

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
horatiododds.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

C4 CC

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

D3 CC

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

C4 LD

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

Novelli at City Quays 90 Donegall Quay

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

028 9531 3191
novellirestaurants.co.uk/belfast

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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
michaeldeanes.co.uk

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

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
mourneseafood.com

ⓓ Ⓢ

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
whitestavernbelfast.com

ⓓ Ⓢ

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

ⓓ Ⓢ

Eating Out

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 Q9

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 CC A8 Q9

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 Q9

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 Q9

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

D6 Q9

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 CC

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.

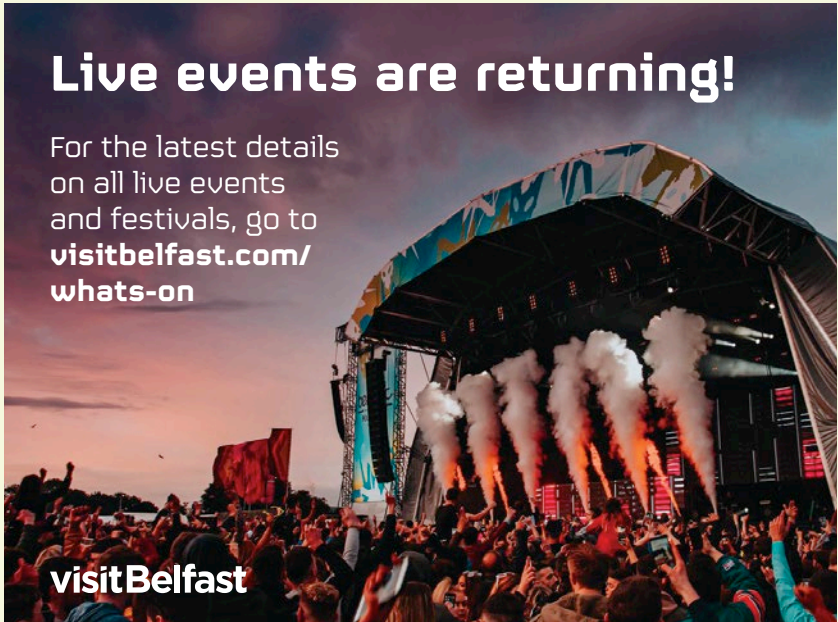
028 9027 8688
houseofzenbelfast.co.uk

D3 CC

Live events are returning!

For the latest details on all live events and festivals, go to **visitbelfast.com/whats-on**

visitBelfast



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

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

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

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

MEXICAN

La Taqueria

274-276 Ormeau Road

Authentic Mexican street food paired with fresh, creative cocktails and Mexican beers. Enjoy Quesadillas, Tacos and Quesos Fundidos with condiments allowing you to add your own level of spice.

028 9064 4477

lataqueriabelfast.co.uk

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

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

Guilt Trip

4 Orangefield Lane,

EastSide

497 Lisburn Road,

SouthSide

Guilt Trip proudly offers a wide selection of unique donuts made fresh in house each morning alongside some of the best coffee they could source.

guilttripcoffee.com

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

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






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

CULINARY EXPERIENCES

Improve your culinary skills with a fun and practical cookery class!

Waterman House

Cookery School

Cathedral Quarter

028 9560 0701

cookinbelfast.co.uk

Forestside

Cookery School

SouthSide

07709 827282






forestsidecookeryschool.com

Gastropubs & Bars



Belfast city doesn't disappoint when it comes to a night on the town, with an abundance of traditional pubs, smart and stylish bars, big screen sports, live music venues, nightclubs and gay venues, there's something for everyone!

KEY

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

*Venues are operating within current Coronavirus restrictions.

Gastropubs & Bars

CITY CENTRE

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



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



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, Boxty Potato Cakes. Step down into the basement for trad, folk, blues, jazz and the best alternative local music.

028 9050 9999

mchughsbar.com



Margot

18 Donegall 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



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



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



The Sagart

18a Chapel Lane

Enjoy artisan coffee, cocktails, wine and tapas at The Sagart. Enjoy live major sporting events and unmissable Gin tasting nights at one of Belfast's newest chic venues.

028 9031 0809

facebook.com/theagart



Santeria

19 Fountain Street

Laid back late night café bar complete with irresistible rhythms, funk and soul. Serving classic contemporary cocktails without pretension in the heart of Belfast City Centre.

santeriabelfast.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

voodoobelfast.com



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

bullittbelfast.com



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



Gastropubs & Bars

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



The Duke of York Commercial Court

A traditional Belfast bar, crammed with original mirrors and memorabilia. Cold beer, great Guinness and the largest selection of Irish whiskeys in Ireland.

028 9024 1062
dukeofyorkbelfast.com



John Hewitt Bar 51 Donegall Street

The John Hewitt has a traditional style and is a popular venue for quality, live music with regular gigs and sessions ranging from jazz, traditional folk and Cajun.

028 9023 3768
thejohnhewitt.com



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
whitetavernbelfast.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

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brennans-bar](https://facebook.com/brennans-bar)



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



Limelight Belfast 17 Ormeau Avenue

The Limelight complex encompasses 2 great live music venues hosting international acts and local bands, as well as Katy's Bar and The Rock Garden rooftop terrace, open daily until late.

028 9032 7007
limelightbelfast.com



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 gigs, 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
robinsonsbars.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 Empire

40-42 Botanic Avenue

The heartbeat of Belfast's live music scene, The Empire offers great live music, a weekly comedy club, food served daily and shows all major sporting fixtures.

028 9024 9276

thebelfastempire.com



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



TITANIC QUARTER

Hickson's Point at Titanic Belfast

Queen's Road

Inspired by one of the first ship builders in the city, this authentic 1900's public house serves up the spirit of the shipyard with traditional music, entertainment, heritage décor and locally produced food.

028 9076 6386

titanicbelfast.com/Hicksonspoint



The best beer
in the world?
Probably.

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**

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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 1 844 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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Directly opposite front of Belfast City Hall



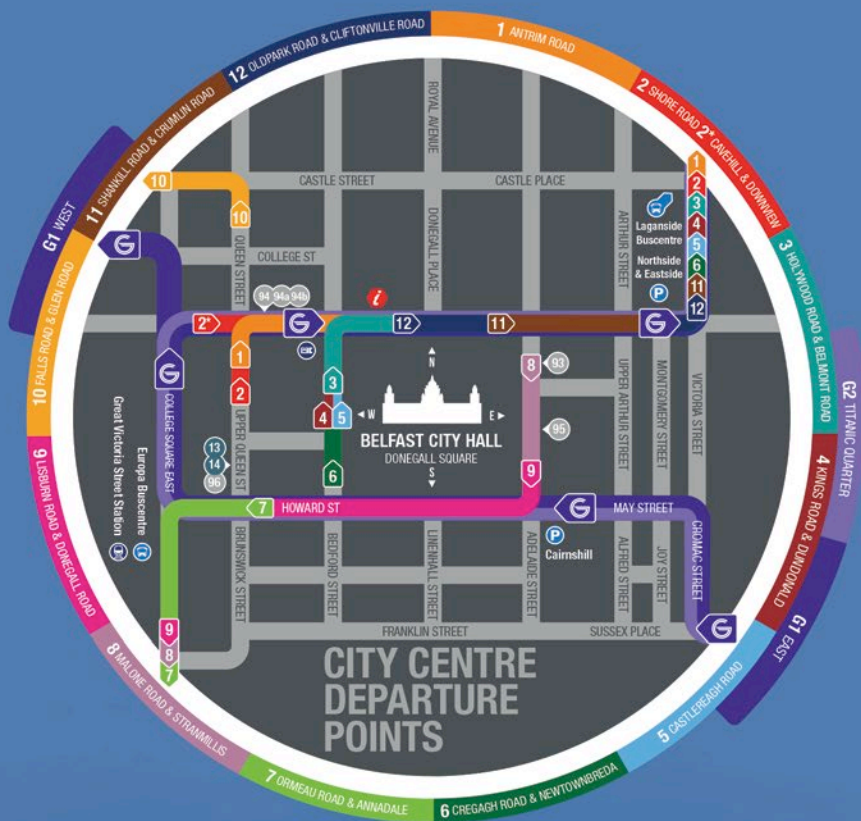
Greater Belfast

 Visitor Information Centre

 Local Information Centre



BELFAST CITY CENTRE GLIDER AND METRO BUS DEPARTURE POINTS



let's go together
translink.co.uk



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 and urby –

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.

Smartlink Weekly or Monthly Travel Card – unlimited travel on Glider and Metro for 1 week or 1 month.

Multi Journey Smartlink Card – for inner, city or extended zone Metro and Glider journeys. Not valid for Glider journeys across the City Centre.

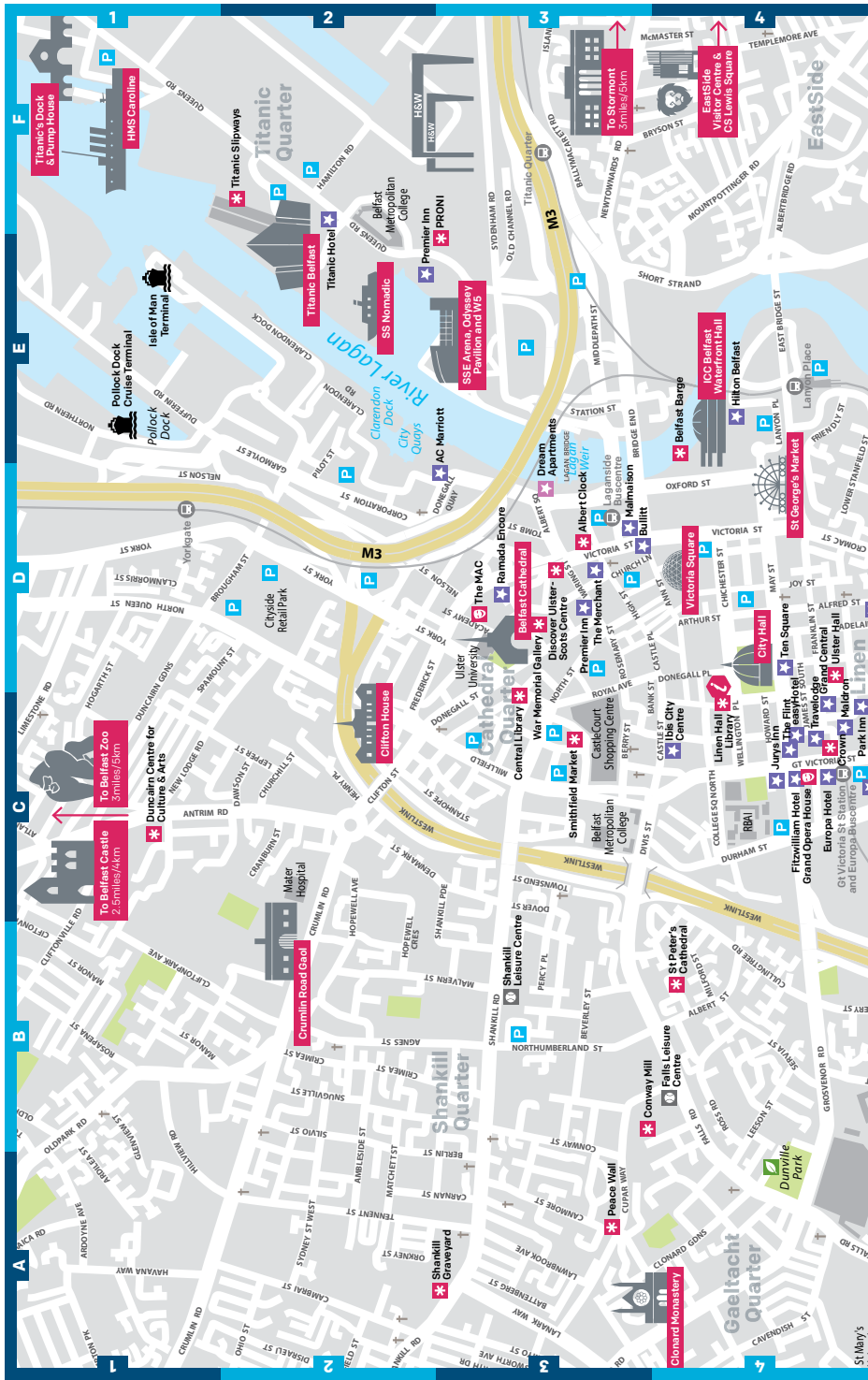
MLINK TICKETING APP

The mLink mobile ticketing App is available to download on IOS and Android devices. You can purchase NI Railways, Metro/Glider, Foyle Metro, yLink and 24+, Airport Express 300, Goldline services (within Northern Ireland), selected Ulsterbus and urby tickets.

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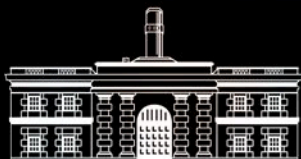


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| | Theatres | | Guesthouse | | Lagan Maritime Trail |
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