
The Marine Gateway to Ireland's North West



**FOYLE
PORT**



Lough Foyle – Where the Wild Atlantic Way Meets the Walled City & Causeway Coast



A Warm Welcome to Foyle Port

Foyle Port is the marine gateway to the North West of Ireland for cruise tourism. The port welcomed the first cruise ship arrival on the island of Ireland in 1995 and since then has welcomed visits from some of the most prestigious operators in the world and tens of thousands of international cruise visitors annually.

The port is idyllically located in Derry-Londonderry, Northern Ireland's second largest city, and Ireland's only completely intact Walled City.

Foyle Port also provides access to some of the island's most magnificent areas of outstanding natural beauty including County Antrim's Causeway Coast and Glens, the County Donegal section of the Wild Atlantic Way and the Sperrin Mountains.

Our compact size and easy accessibility into both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland allows you to combine experiences to perfectly match your guests' interests. Foyle Port is the perfect destination for explorer and luxury cruise lines looking to embrace unique voyages.

Whether it's a bustling city with a vibrant culture, remote countryside, mountains or sandy beaches with dramatic coastlines, there is something for everyone to enjoy. No two trips will ever be the same, and there's always more to discover when cruising to Lough Foyle.

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Fort George

A picturesque sail down the majestic River Foyle gives smaller cruise vessels unique access to the heart of Derry.

The city centre berth is located a 15 minute stroll along the river's promenade, taking passengers to the city centre where Derry's historic 17th Century Walls, a wide range of cultural attractions, shopping outlets, welcoming restaurants and friendly pubs are all within walking distance.



Berthing Options

Foyle Port has a number of berthing options available to facilitate vessels of varying size. Smaller cruise ships can berth in the heart of Derry city at Fort George. Larger cruise vessels can berth at the main Port terminal in Lisahally or anchor in Lough Foyle.

Tendering options include Greencastle (the Republic of Ireland) and Magilligan Point (Northern Ireland) allowing your guests to enjoy two different destinations in one day.

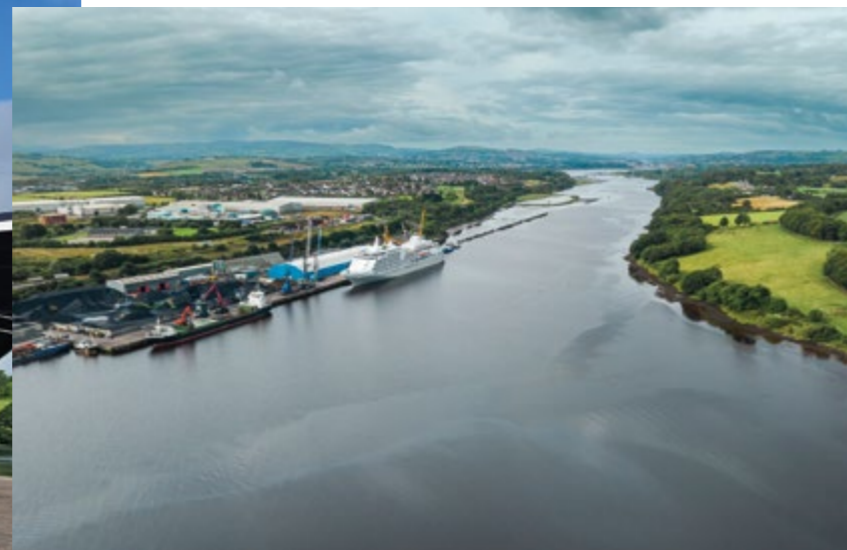
Greencastle & Magilligan

This deep water tender port offers over 10m of water and can accommodate large vessels of up to 325m. Tendering can be made into Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland at the same time, making this a unique location unlike any other cruise destination.

The tender time is just 10 minutes to both Greencastle and Magilligan Point and coach pick-up is adjacent to each pier.

Lisahally

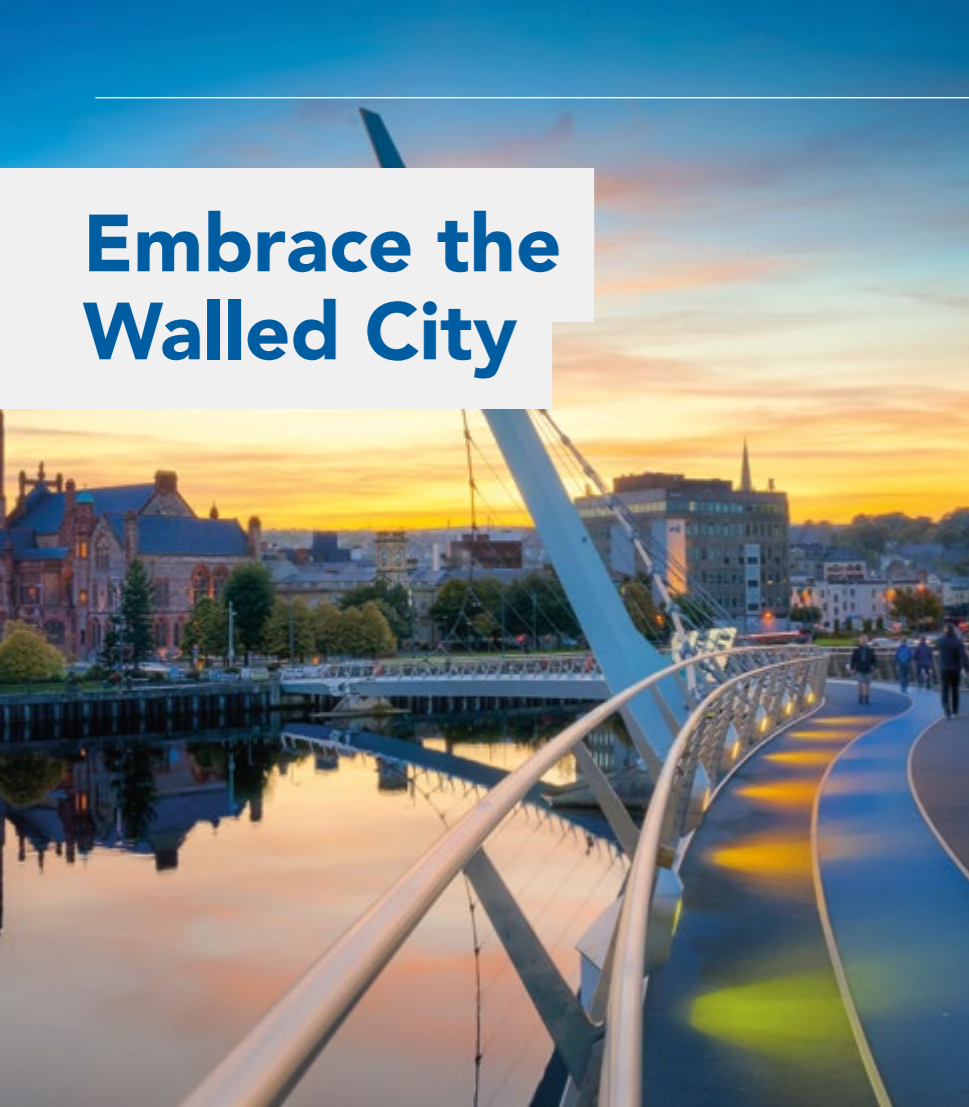
Lisahally Terminal is located at the commercial port just 15 minutes from Derry city centre. The terminal can accommodate medium sized vessels up to 200m berthing alongside. There is room for 20 coaches for pick-up and set-down pierside.



Technical Specification

	CITY CENTRE	COMMERCIAL PORT	TENDER PORT
	FORT GEORGE	LISAHALLY	GREENCASTLE & MAGILLIGAN
MAX LENGTH	100m	200m	325m
MAX DRAFT	5.5m (tidal)	7.5m	11.25m
MAX BEAM	22m	32m	no restrictions
AIR DRAFT	31.8m (tidal)	40.57m (tidal)	N/A
NO OF BERTHS	1	2	N/A
DISTANCE FROM DERRY	0	7mi	20mi
FRESH WATER	Y	Y	N/A
GARBAGE FACILITIES	Y	Y	N/A
SECURITY	Y	Y	Y

Embrace the Walled City



Derry, Ireland's only completely intact Walled City, is an exciting destination bursting with history and culture. A cosmopolitan city, home to the 'Derry Girls' and famous for its outdoor festivals, there really is no shortage of things to see and do here.

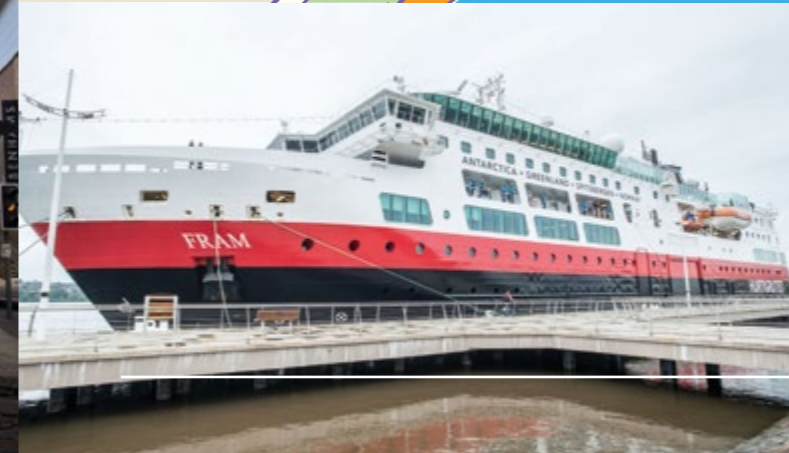
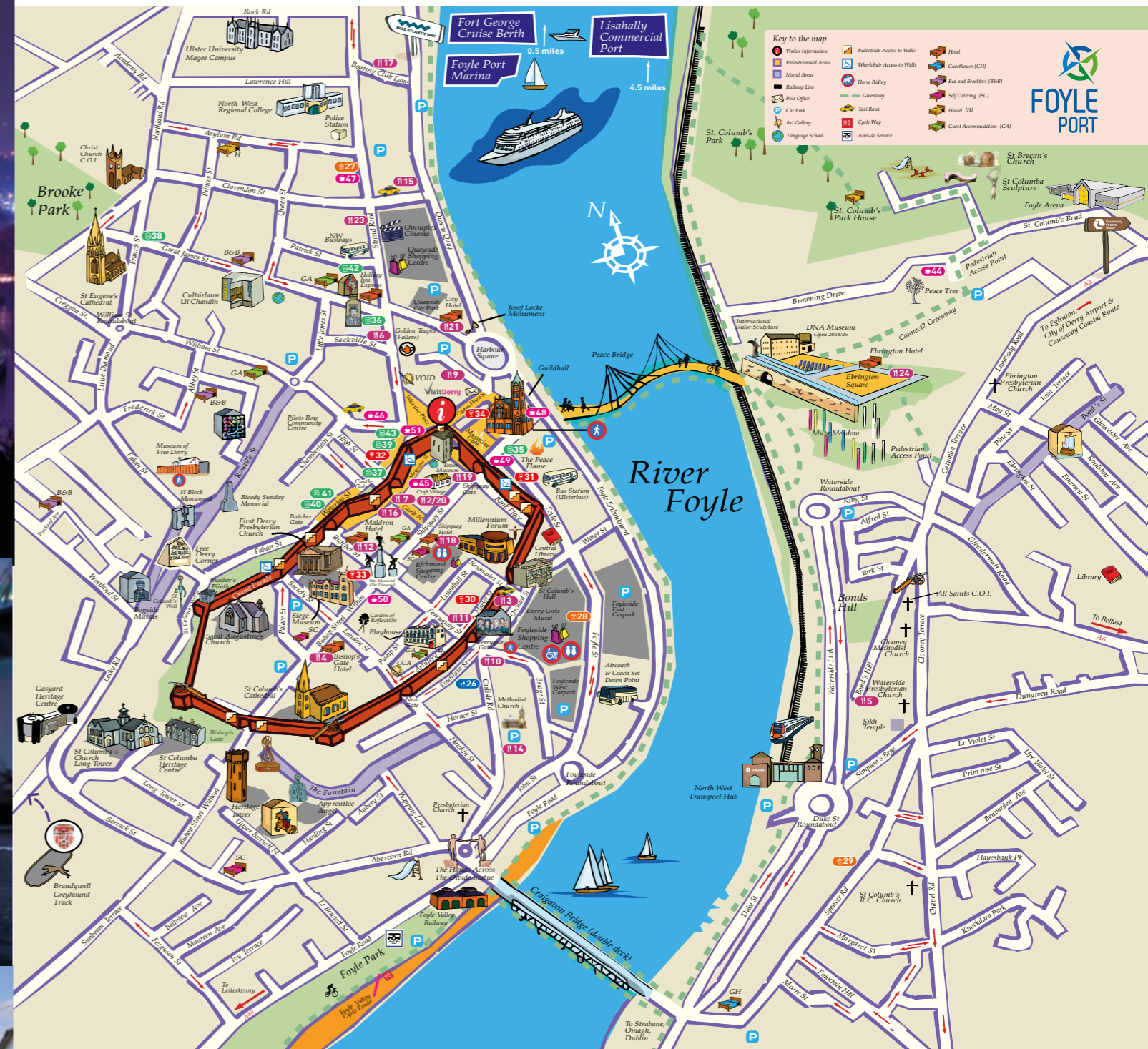


Discover the 400-year-old city walls, stunning architecture, beautiful cathedrals and award-winning museums. With a short 15 minute shuttle journey from Lisahally, or 30 minutes from Greencastle, guests can best explore this compact city on foot.

Nominated at the 2023 World Travel Awards for its renowned events and entertainment, Derry hosts festivals year round including Europe's BIGGEST Halloween Festival, The City of Derry Jazz Festival, the biannual Foyle Maritime Festival, City of Derry International Choral Festival, and IMBOLC International Music Festival. This year, Derry is also the host city of the GAA World Games!



Derry City Map





WILD ATLANTIC WAY
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Explore and experience the wildest stretches of the Atlantic coast.

The famous Wild Atlantic Way begins in County Donegal and guests disembarking in Greencastle will find themselves right on the Inishowen Peninsula section of the coastal touring route. Awarded Lonely Planet's ultimate Irish road trip 2023, guests can spend the day exploring Ireland's most northerly point, Malin Head and one of Ireland's most unique attractions, Doagh Famine Village.

Untouched and virtually unexplored, reconnect with nature and take in the sights of dramatic sheer cliffs, secret beaches, breath-taking sea views and fresh sea air.

Birdwatching fans can view seabirds in their natural habitat while basking sharks and dolphins can be spotted off the coast. Irish waters are an ideal feeding area for humpback whales and sightings occur in spring through to early winter.



FUN FACT:

Malin Head was used as a film location for *Star Wars: The Last Jedi*



FUN FACT:
The Causeway Coast was used for many of the film locations on *Game of Thrones!*



The Causeway Coastal Route

There's adventure and excitement waiting around every corner with Northern Ireland's Causeway Coastal Route. Lisahally and Magilligan are a fantastic jumping off point for discovering miles of dramatic coastal landscapes.

Discover the UNESCO World Heritage Site, the Giant's Causeway, Game of Thrones film locations, picturesque fishing villages and castle ruins of Dunluce and Dunseverick along the winding coastal route.

The rugged, raw elemental beauty of the landscape filled with mythical stories truly captures the thrill of adventure - it's no wonder the Causeway Coastal Route was voted the number one region in the world to visit by Lonely Planet in 2018.

Adventurous travellers can experience life on the edge with a walk across the famous Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge or hike along the cliff edge on the spectacular coastal path.

History and Heritage



The North West of Ireland is an area steeped in history which can be traced back to prehistoric times. It comes as no surprise there are many museums and local attractions boasting ancient artifacts and immersive exhibits so visitors can learn about the region's rich heritage.

Museums in Donegal

Inishowen Maritime Museum & Planetarium

The Inishowen Maritime Museum & Planetarium is just a minute's walk from Greencastle pier. Visitors can learn about the maritime heritage of the area and take in the impressive collection of artefacts and memorabilia. They even have two virtual reality experiences, transporting you onboard a Spanish Armada ship and a WWI Royal Navy Destroyer in Lough Foyle!

Doagh Famine Village

Just 30 minutes from Greencastle, Doagh Famine Village is one of Ireland's most unique and popular tourist attractions. An expert guide will take you back in time to early 1840s Ireland where guests can see original dwellings, learn about Irish traditions and the hardships of life during the famine.

Tyrone

The Ulster American Folk Park

Journey back in time from the Old World of Ulster to the New World of America. Learn about what life was like in rural Ulster and take the journey to North America on-board a full-scale emigrant ship.



Museums in Derry

The Guildhall

Built in 1887, it's hard to miss the grand neo-gothic building with its impressive stained-glass windows and distinctive sandstone brick when making a visit to Derry. Home to the Council's Chamber and Mayor's Parlour and full of historical information about the area, the Guildhall is a must-see visitor attraction.



The Siege Museum

The three-storey museum located in the city presents the history of the Siege of Londonderry 1688-1689 and explains the development of the Apprentice Boys Association and the background to the modern celebrations.

Museum of Free Derry

The Museum of Free Derry tells the story of what happened there during the years 1968 - 1973, more commonly known as 'Free Derry'. The stories are told from the people involved in and affected by the events during this time, including the Battle of the Bogside, Internment, Bloody Sunday and Operation Motorman.



Tower Museum

The Tower Museum is located within the historic city walls of Derry. There is no better place to learn about the dramatic history of the city, from early settlers to present day, than with a visit to the 'Story of Derry' exhibition.

Fans of the TV show won't want to miss the brand-new Derry Girls Experience where visitors can step into Erin's bedroom and have a nosey at her diary!

Lovers of the Great Outdoors

Our unique location provides a gateway to incredible sustainable tourism options. From surf lessons, to guided hikes of Binevenagh, a foodie cycling tour of Derry, or walks around country Estates, there really is no better way to explore our shores than being immersed in the sheer beauty of the natural world!

Brook Hall Estate

Brook Hall Estate & Gardens lies on the banks of the River Foyle on the edge of Derry. Unique in its heritage, sustainability, gardens, and exclusivity, guided tours of the Estate are something not to be missed.

Guests can take part in a landscape painting workshop held by Donegal artist, Sinéad Smyth... what better way to take home memories of a visit!



Glenshane Country Farm

Glenshane Country Farm is a visitor attraction based high up in the beautiful Sperrin mountains taking in panoramic views right across Northern Ireland. Visitors get the chance to enjoy spending time with Shephard, sheep farmer and shearer James McCloy as he demonstrates the centuries-old skill of herding sheep.

Farmer James also offers the chance to watch live sheep shearing, meet rare breeds of sheep and even hold a baby lamb or two!



Glenveagh National Park & Castle

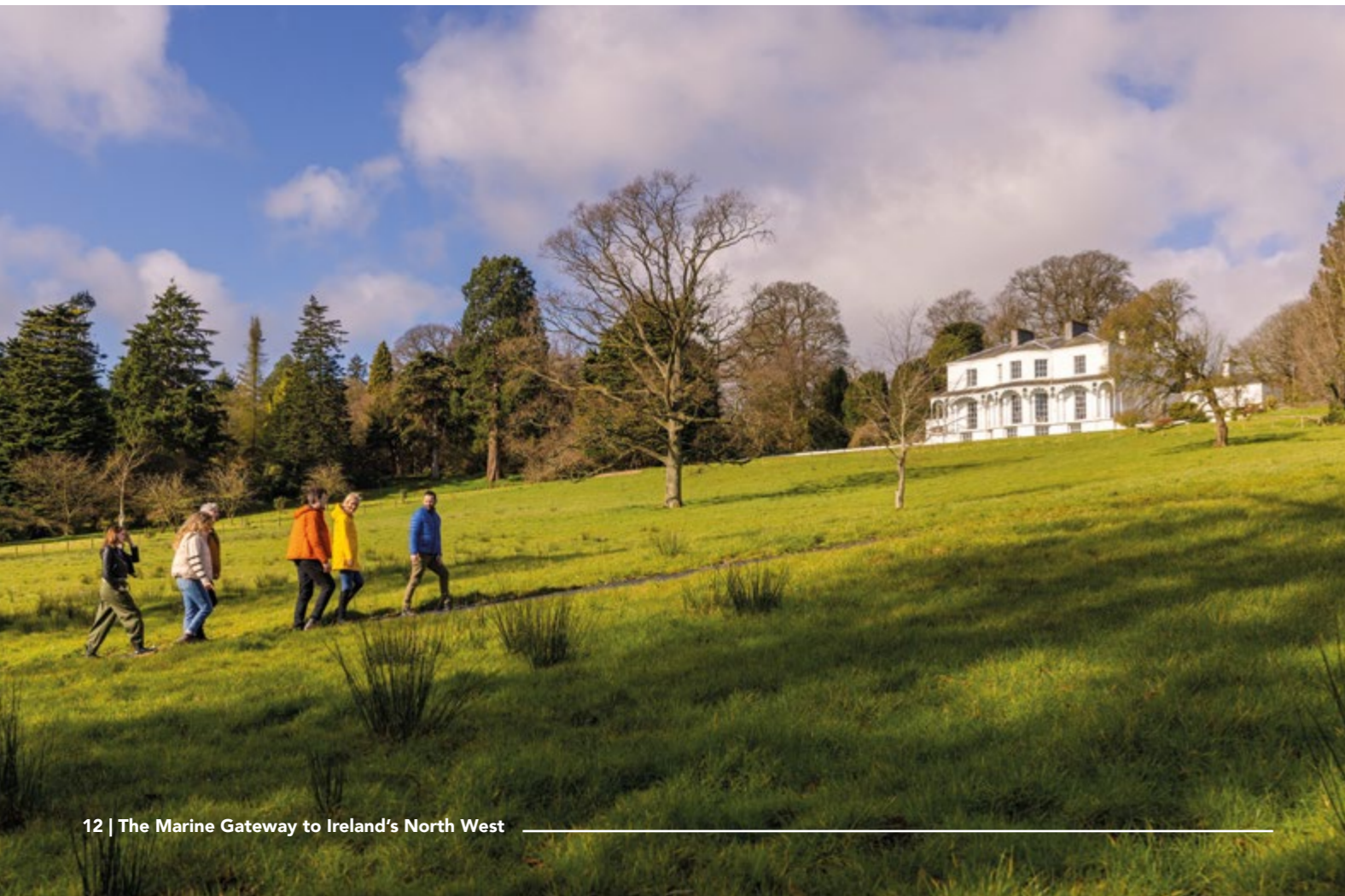
Glenveagh National Park lies in the heart of County Donegal, among the wild and rugged landscape of the Derryveagh Mountains. Its pristine habitats and walking and cycling trails take in the stunning Victorian Castle and Gardens, making Glenveagh the ideal escape for lovers of the natural world.

Crindle Stables

Saddle-up by the sea with a leisurely horse riding beach experience against the backdrop of Mussenden Temple. Or enjoy a countryside canter with views of lush green fields while nestled beneath the impressive steep hills of Binevenagh. This is an equestrian experience that will delight the senses and create wonderful lasting memories.

Beach Destination

The North West coast is home to some of the most spectacular beaches in the world. Visitors can enjoy stunning stretches of white sand beaches surrounded by impressive sand dunes, backdrops of lush greenery, sweeping hills, cliffs, temples and ancient castle ruins. Many have safe swimming areas and are so clean they have been credited with the Blue Flag award.





Golf-Lover's Dream

From gentle links to challenging championship courses, the North West coast is the best place to visit for any golf enthusiast. Championship courses nearby include Royal Portrush (the Open 1951, 2019 & 2025), Ballyliffin Golf Club (The Irish Open 2018 & North West of Ireland Open 2002) and Portstewart (the Irish Open 2017 & 2019). Greencastle has a beautiful 18 hole links course less than five minutes from the pier.

Spectators can enjoy watching the world-class professionals in action at the 153rd Open which will make its return to Royal Portrush 13th – 20th July 2025, early booking is recommended.



Taste the Coast

Thanks to the countryside's natural unspoilt environment, our expert producers, specialist fishermen and wealth of talented chefs, visitors to the North West can enjoy an exceptional food and drink experience like no other.

Derry offers a fantastic range of world-class food and drink experiences, from Michelin recommended restaurants to more relaxed, casual dining experiences.

Embark on an unforgettable tasting experience at the Walled City Brewery. Visitors can enjoy sampling delicious locally produced beers or create their own bespoke gin to take home at the Earhart Gin School.

You know it's true what they say, a pint of Guinness tastes best on the island of Ireland - call into Peadar O'Donnell's for a pint of the black stuff!

Greencastle is the second largest white fish port in Ireland, so don't miss trying some delicious chowder and home-baked wheaten bread. We recommend the award-winning Kealy's Seafood Bar which is right next to Greencastle pier.

At over 400 years old, Bushmills is the world's oldest licensed whiskey distillery. Today, visitors can see how the whiskey is made and take part in whiskey tasting on a guided Distillery Tour.

Chocolate lovers won't want to miss out on the Taste the Causeway Chocolate Experience at the Chocolate Manor. The Chocolatiers teach visitors how to handcraft a delectable collection of chocolate truffles which can be taken home and enjoyed!



Shop to Your Heart's Content!

Derry has a vibrant shopping scene with an abundance of popular high street boutiques, shopping centres, independent retailers and specialty shops.

Derry's Craft Village is a real hidden gem and should not be missed when visiting the area. The charming village is a reconstruction of an 18th century street where you will find an array of luxury boutiques selling local artisan craft products and restaurants. Make sure to look out for 'The Cottage', a delightful craft and coffee shop with traditional thatched roof.

Retail therapy would not be complete without unwinding with a smooth Irish coffee, choose from any number of the city's many welcoming coffee shops.



Helpful Information



Language

The main language spoken is English however, you may hear Irish being spoken in Donegal.



Pharmacy

Most pharmacies are open 9am – 6pm Monday to Saturday.

Healthwise Pharmacy, Crawford's Square, Back Ln, Moville, Co. Donegal, Ireland.

Superdrug, 30-32 Ferryquay St, Derry-Londonderry BT48 6JD.



Currency

Currency is Sterling (£) in Northern Ireland and Euro (€) in the Republic of Ireland. All major credit cards are accepted in most places. Money can be exchanged in any Post Office or Money Exchange facilities in Derry.



Tipping

Tipping is not necessary except when dining out where a 10% tip is standard. Restaurants sometimes add a service charge so it might be worth checking your bill first.



Post Office

Post offices are open from 9am - 5.30pm Monday to Friday and some are also open on Saturday mornings from 9am – 12.30pm.

Derry Post Office, 3 Custom House St, Derry-Londonderry BT48 6AA

Greencastle Post Office, Eleven Ballyboes, Lifford, Co. Donegal



Taxi

Taxis should be booked in advance. Recommended cab companies:

City Cabs
+44 (0)28 7126 4466

Foyle Taxi Co.
+44 (0)28 7126 2626

Deluxe Tours and Transfers
+44(0)74 5282 4813
info@deluxtoursandtransfers.com



Emergency Services

Police and urgent medical assistance - 999



Tourist Information Offices

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Wi-Fi

Visitors can access complimentary Wi-Fi at the Visit Derry Tourist Office. Most restaurants, bars and coffee shops offer complimentary Wi-Fi.

Support

At Foyle Port, in partnership with our shipping agents, excursion providers and tourist information offices, we offer our full support throughout; from the itinerary planning process, right through to on the day operations.

A friendly Welcome Host will be available quayside for every cruise call thanks to the team at Visit Derry. The trained tourist information staff will be on hand with maps, visitor guides and provide helpful information and advice.

Extensive shore excursions have been designed with the guest's interests at heart so they can experience the best the North West has to offer.

Why not experience this wonderful region for yourself? Site visits can be arranged to introduce you to our fantastic destination!

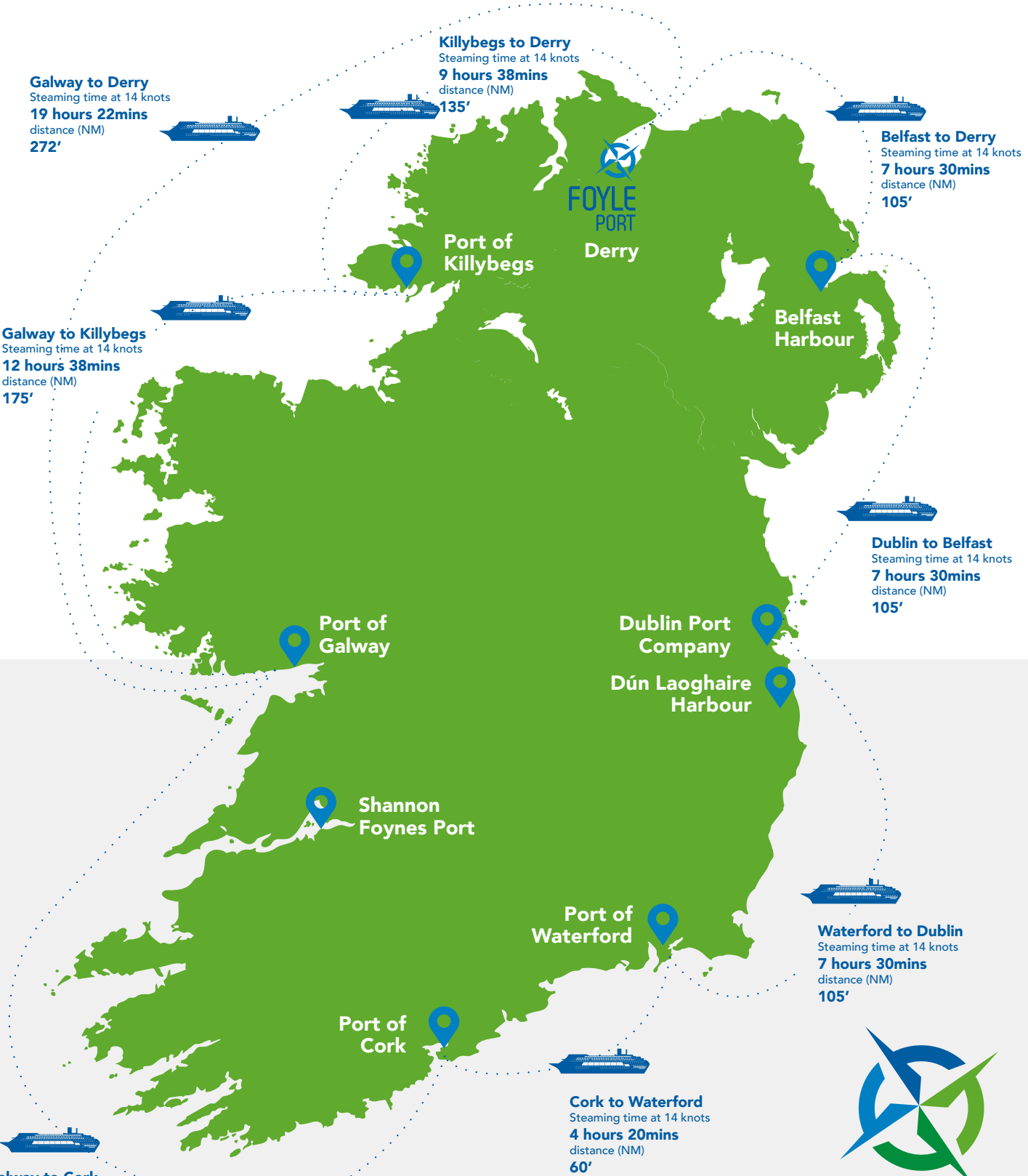


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