Foyle Port Marina Guide







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Welcome to Foyle Port Marina





Foyle Port Marina consists of over 600mtrs of secure deep water berthing.

- > Berths for all sizes of leisure vessels and super yachts
- > Shore power (240v +440v available)
- > Fresh water & waste reception facilities
- > Toilets and showers
- > Access for key holders only
- > 24 hour CCTV
- > Extremely good transport links

The charming city of Derry~Londonderry is the ideal base from which to explore the North West of Ireland and Scottish Islands. Idyllically positioned between UNESCO World Heritage Site 'the Giant's Causeway' and the stunning landscapes of Donegal and the 'Wild Atlantic Way' you are guaranteed a 'LegenDerry' experience!

Foyle Marina is located just a short walk along the picturesque river to the vibrant city centre where there is much to see and do. Renowned as one of the finest 17th Century

Walled cities in Europe, take stroll around the iconic Walls and discover over 400 years of history, check out one of the many museums, enjoy a bit of retail therapy or simply relax and watch the world go by. A busy day is guaranteed to work up an appetite. Whether you're looking for contemporary cuisine, a fine dining experience or somewhere to re-fuel the kids, you'll find it all here. The city is home to a thriving local music scene and is action packed with lively themed bars, stylish clubs and traditional pubs, all located within walking distance of the marina.

Named by Lonely Planet as a 'Top 10 City in the World', there really is no better time to Visit Derry!

Vessels can berth either side of the pontoons in depths of between 5 and 7 meters at low water.

A well-marked navigation channel with a maintained channel depth of 8meters at low water will guide you through the lough Foyle, river Foyle and into the heart of the city.

Derry~Donegal

The North West of the city offers the rugged beauty of Donegal and the 'Wild Atlantic Way' that includes the spectacular Malin Head – Ireland's most northerly point located on the picturesque Inishowen Peninsula. With its spectacular coast spotted with sea stacks, blue flag beaches and off shore islands it is no wonder that Donegal topped the National

Geographic Traveller's List as 'Coolest Place on the Planet 2017'! The stunning Causeway coastal route sweeps eastward from the Foyle Estuary along the North Coast taking in major visitor attractions such as the Giant's Causeway, Bushmills Distillery and Carrick-A-Rede Rope Bridge.





Located in the stunning North West of Ireland, the charming city of Derry~Londonderry is renowned as one of the finest Walled cities in Europe, full of fascinating history and culture. This vibrant destination offers a unique combination of rich heritage and a buzzing social scene - Derry was named as 'Friendliest Destination in Northern Ireland' so you will be guaranteed the warmest of welcomes! Uncover the many cultural delights on offer; the city centre is located a short walk from the marina, here you can take a trip back in time and discover over 400 years of history strolling along the historic 17th Century Walls, home to one of the largest collections of Cannon in Europe. Enjoy magnificent historic buildings and cathedrals or check out one of the many museums to uncover this unique destination's fascinating story and journey to peace.

If retail therapy is what you are interested in, you are spoilt for choice... This fashionista's paradise has two shopping centres which has a vast array of high street names alongside the vibrant independent stores. For those looking for something a little bit different check out the Craft Village, home to a range of local craft providers where you can pick up stunning pieces of artwork and clothing.

A busy day is guaranteed to work up an appetite so check out one of the many restaurants for a bite to eat. Derry was named as runner up in the prestigious 'Restaurant Association of Ireland's 'Foodie Town Awards' 2015 & 2016 so you can be sure to enjoy the very best of locally sourced produce including 'from pier to plate' seafood caught locally in neighboring Co. Donegal. From the Award Winning Legenderry Food Festival in March, Flavours of the Foyle Seafood Festival in July and the Slow Food Festival in October, and many more events in between, we invite you to taste, try, buy and fall in love with our delicious offering. Discover Derry's vibrant night time economy and see home grown artists and performers in action at one of the many cutting edge live music venues or chill out at an array of cosmopolitan cafes and bars.

To the South and East of the City is the scenic Sperrin AONB with its dramatic landscapes and mountainous terrain that is home to the Ulster American Folk Park. Angling, golf, and equestrian breaks can all be found within easy access of the city and region. Dedicated driving, cycle and walking routes guide you on your journey of discovery taking in a wonderfully scenic landscape rich in heritage and myth.

Local Sailing Regattas in Lough Foyle

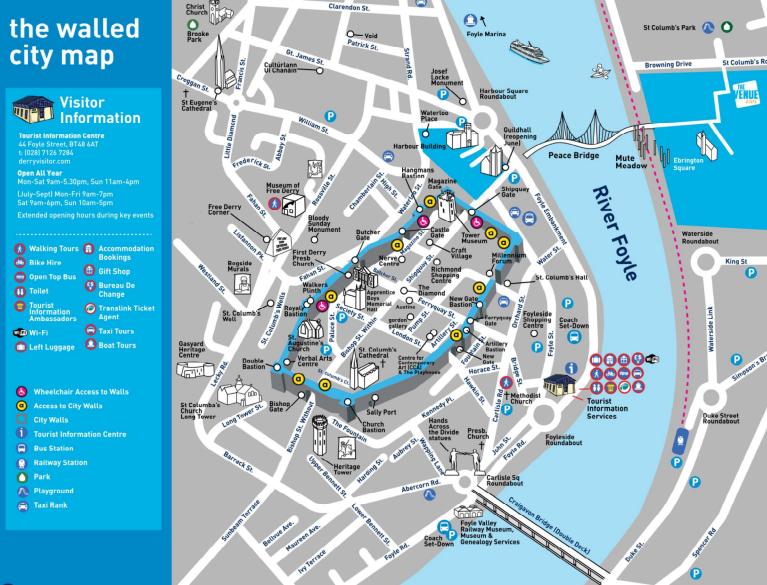
All sailing vessels are welcome to participate in local regattas which take place over the summer months.

IRC cruiser races, traditional boat and Dinghy races take place at Shrove, Greencastle, Moville and Culmore.

There will be a full program of activities for all ages on the shore and on the water, plus live music and entertainment.

- Shrove Regatta
- Moville Regatta
- Greencastle Regatta
- Culmore Regatta

For further details visit: www.movilleboatclub.com www.lfyc.co.uk



Foyle Sailability





Foyle Sailability was established in 2012 with the dual aim of providing both a local accessible environment and accessible vessels for people with disabilities to enjoy sailing opportunities and to participate in water-based activities. At Sailability's first local Regatta in May 2013, approximately 200 participants took part in sailing and other water based activities on the River Foyle over a two-day period.

The first Hansa Access 303 Sailing Dinghy (Foyle One) was launched at Foyle Marina in April 2014. This adapted dinghy was funded through the Loughs Agency's Sustainable Development Fund with sponsorship support from Foyle Port.

The boat will be managed by Ocean Youth Trust, who are proud to be a part of this exciting partnership which will give people of all abilities new and exciting sailing opportunities and allow them to develop these skills locally, for life.

This inaugural accessible dinghy signals a commitment to establish a fleet of adapted accessible boats for the north west cross border area. The development of infrastructure in terms of accessible pontoons in nearby Greencastle, Co.Donegal along with the availability of an 'H Pontoon' (by arrangement) further strengthens this exciting initiative. Foyle One is a very welcome step in enabling people with disabilities to participate fully in marine activity and enjoy the natural resource of River and Lough Foyle. There will be many more exciting developments to come with regards water based activities for people with disabilities on the Foyle.

Navigation in Lough Foyle



Reference should be made to the Irish Cruising Clubs 'East and North Coast of Ireland Sailing Directions' ISBN 9780955819919 or Admiralty sailing Directions NP 40 Irish Coast Pilot.

Admiralty Chart No 2510 Covers Lough Foyle and the River Foyle.

Lough Foyle is a wide expanse of water covering some 179sq km with an average depth of 5meters and extending to 15km width in places. A maintained channel with depths of 8mtrs runs from Greencastle to the commercial port of Londonderry at Lisahally. The channel runs close to the shore on the Donegal/Inishowen side of the Lough (West). The channel is well marked with beacons and

flashing lights though mariners are advised that the channel shelves suddenly if you leave the channel and there are large expanses of shallow sandbanks with in the lough. Tidal data should be studied and care should be taken whilst navigating in the channel. Appropriate scaled charts and electronic navigation aids should be utilised.







Large commercial vessels use this channel on a daily basis and leisure boat users are reminded not to impede their passage. A listening watch on VHF Ch14 must be maintained when using the channel.

The lough is also a popular sailing area, please be aware of other users especially sailing boats competing in races.

The Lough sustains a commercial shell fish economy, be aware at certain times of the year large volumes of fishing vessels will be working the area and these vessels may turn suddenly.

The Lough and river are tidal, significant currents may be encountered. Particularly following large tides or periods of heavy rainfall care should be taken to avoid flood debris such as logs and trees.

Though generally well sheltered the Foyle can become choppy, particularly in wind against tide situations. Winds from the Southwest on

a flooding tide can produce short steep waves all along the river and lough.

The lough is an important eco system and home to many birds, fish and marine mammals. Please do not throw any garbage into the sea.

On passing the port of Londonderry care should be taken if large commercial vessels are manoeuvring. These vessels may move erratically and tug boats may also be in the vicinity. Keep well clear.

From the port to the city is a 4km cruise, passing under the impressive Foyle Bridge (32mtrs), the channel remains marked with port and starboard beacons. As you pass under Foyle Bridge the full splendour of the city will come into view with its gothic buildings, bridges and modern architecture all on view. The City's new 'Peace Bridge (2011)' provides a majestic backdrop to your moorings at Foyle Port Marina.

Foyle Port Marina

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Come and go as often as you please, as there are no tidal restrictions.

Our Benefits include:-

- Book online www.londonderryport.com/marinaForm.html
- Two pontoons, offering over 600m of secure berthing
- · Toilets and Showers on Site
- City Centre location
- · Deep water berths
- 24 hour CCTV security
- · Secure 'key fob' access
- Moments from Derry's famous 'City Walls' and a host of tourist opportunities await.
- Great transport links: 10 minutes stroll to Bus Station with regular services to Belfast/ Dublin/Galway and more; Train station with services to Coleraine, Portrush, and Belfast for further onward connections; Airport - just 7 miles away.



Lough/River Foyle cruise highlights

From Sea to Marina

Greencastle, on the western shore. A large commercial fishing harbour. Home to many large fishing vessels. A seasonal ferry service links Greencastle to Magilligan on the Eastern shore. The harbour breakwater may be entered by visiting vessels, though moorings are usually only available by rafting to resident craft.



Moville, on the western shore. A quaint seaside resort with many shops, restaurants and bars. There is a commercial pier which can be used to berth alongside. Scenic woodland and many palatial houses can be viewed on the shore.



The lough itself has huge swaths of mudflats and sandbars which may be visible depending on tidal conditions. The Lough is an important site for many breeds of sea birds and waders. The Lough is also an important shell fish fishery. Lough Foyle and its tributaries are important salmon breeding rivers. Marine mammals, dolphin, porpoise, seals and otters are frequently encountered.

The stunning scenery of Inishowen on the western shore and the Derry/Antrim coast on the eastern shore. Towering hills, rocky shorelines and miles of sandy beach will all be visible.

Culmore Point, the change from Lough Foyle to River Foyle. Take care with strong currents in this narrow section. The point is marked by a distinctive Green and White tower on the shore standing by an old medieval castle.



Lisahally, the commercial port. A variety of vessels can often be seen working at the quayside or alongside the tanker or chemical berths. The Pontoon for visitors to stop at to collect key fobs and to pay dues for the marina is located at the southern edge of the port. Old wooden jetties are visible to the south of the port, this was the location of the mass surrender of the German North Atlantic U-Boat fleet in 1945



Foyle Bridge, 32mtrs high and spanning over a mile makes it one of the longest in Ireland, was opened in 1984.



The City of Derry~Londonderry.

As you make your way towards the marina you will pass the old quays that once made up the city's port. Now this area is widely developed and you will pass a cruise berth, modern shopping centres, apartment blocks, shops & restaurants. The Marina is located in front of the city's distinctive council offices.



The 'Peace Bridge' opened in 2011 is a pedestrian bridge spanning the river Foyle in the city centre. Linking the east and west banks this bridge has won accolades and awards since opening in 2011.



Navigational information for approaches to Lough Foyle and River Foyle can be found on **inyourfootsteps.com** website or the Irish cruising clubs sailing directions.



Useful numbers

Fire + Rescue service	Dial 999
Police	028 7137 9709
Doctor (closest) Aberfoyle surgery	028 7126 4868
Dentists (closest) Quayside dental	028 7126 6000
Hospital (With A&E)	028 7134 5171
Coastguard – Malin Head	00 353 74 9370103
Coastguard – Belfast	028 9146 3933
Harbour Radio – Security	028 7186 0313
Harbour Master	028 7186 1113

VHF Frequencies	
Calling & Distress	Channel 16
Harbour Radio (VTS)	Channel 14
Malin Head Coastguard	Channel 23



For additional information

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Rules for users of the Marina and local Byelaws can be obtained from the Harbour office or on the Port's website **www.foyleport.com**



Marina Map









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