

# EXPLORE THE BURREN DISCOVERY TRAIL

## Looped Walks/Trails

- A Ballyvaughan Wood Loop**: 8km, Moderate (GPS 53.11682, -9.15159) ([www.w3w.co/ashamed.cooperation.bleakly](http://www.w3w.co/ashamed.cooperation.bleakly))
- B Blackhead Loop**: 26km, Strenuous (GPS 53.1837, -9.28206) ([www.w3w.co/infinite.tasty.thawed](http://www.w3w.co/infinite.tasty.thawed))
- C Caher Valley Loop**: 14.5km, Moderate (GPS 53.11685, -9.28526) ([www.w3w.co/sparagus.institutions.cheaper](http://www.w3w.co/sparagus.institutions.cheaper))
- D Carran Loop**: 9km, Strenuous (GPS 53.03564, -9.07609) ([www.w3w.co/burgundy.mercury.thimly](http://www.w3w.co/burgundy.mercury.thimly))
- E Cliffs of Moher Coastal Path**: Options 6km, Moderate (GPS 52.938468, -9.448727) ([www.w3w.co/swear.tripple.slammimg](http://www.w3w.co/swear.tripple.slammimg))
- F Dromore Woods**: A number of Easy walks (GPS 52.92295, -8.96132) ([www.w3w.co/appointment.biked.troubles](http://www.w3w.co/appointment.biked.troubles))
- G Fanore Ballyvaughan Trek**: 21km, Strenuous (GPS 53.1187, -9.28267) ([www.w3w.co/birchouse.seriously.selections](http://www.w3w.co/birchouse.seriously.selections))
- H Flaggly Shore**: 6.5km, Easy (GPS 53.03564, -9.07609) ([www.w3w.co/brainstorm.doves.sudden](http://www.w3w.co/brainstorm.doves.sudden))
- I Lough Avella Farm Loop**: 8km, Moderate (GPS 52.996638, -9.036644) ([www.w3w.co/ribbing.galas.pacers](http://www.w3w.co/ribbing.galas.pacers))
- J River Walk Ennistimon**: (see N07 overleaf).
- K Templecronan Loop**: 5km, Easy (GPS 53.03564, -9.07609) ([www.w3w.co/trips.masscons.hallways](http://www.w3w.co/trips.masscons.hallways))
- L The Burren Way**: 114km, Options Lahinch, Moderate (GPS 52.934087, -8.3486343) ([www.w3w.co/decorators.offices.decking](http://www.w3w.co/decorators.offices.decking))

Corofin: Moderate (GPS 52.949041, -9.0682630) ([www.w3w.co/decors.offices.decking](http://www.w3w.co/decors.offices.decking))

Tubber: Moderate (GPS 52.996558, -9.037868) ([www.w3w.co/splash.runs.enemies](http://www.w3w.co/splash.runs.enemies))

[www.sportireland.ie/outdoors/find-your-trail](http://www.sportireland.ie/outdoors/find-your-trail)  
Download the what3words app from your app store or enter the URL in your internet browser

## Burren National Park Trails

- Burren National Park Nature Trail**: 1.5km, Moderate, White Route
- Burren National Park Knockanroe Turlough**: 1.3km, Moderate, Orange Route
- Burren National Park Mullaghmore Traverse**: 6km, Strenuous, Red Route
- Burren National Park Mullaghmore Loop**: 7.5km, Strenuous, Blue Route
- Burren National Park Mullaghmore Return**: 6.3km, Strenuous, Green Route

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

## Local Playgrounds

- Ballyvaughan Playground** (GPS 52.94524, -9.068452)
- Corofin Playground** (GPS 52.93939, -8.896307)
- Crusheen Playground** (GPS 52.93939, -8.896307)
- Doolin Playground** (Small, GPS 53.023213, -9.369270)
- Gort Community Playground** (GPS 53.0612, -8.8149)
- Lehinch Playground** (GPS 9341, -9.34799)
- Lisdoonvara Playground** (GPS 53.025483, -9.291228)



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### Burren Discovery Trail Highlights

Corofin	Lisdoonvara	Gragan's Wood	Corkscrew Hill
Kilfenora	Ennistimon	Lehinch	Liscannor
Cliffs of Moher	Doolin	Fanore	Ballyvaughan
Flaggly Shore	Newquay	Bell Harbour	Kinvarra
Traught Beach	Coole Park	Gort	Shanaglish
Ardrahan	Thoor Ballylee	Kilmacduagh	Lough Bunny
Ballyvaughan	Carran	Burren National Park	Dromore Woods
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# The Burren Discovery Trail

## Things to See & Do

See map for location of each attraction.

\* Denotes by appointment only

### 01 Desert O'Dea Castle

The authentically restored 15th century castle, the stronghold of the O'Dea clan. Standing on the site of an early Christian monastery that is home to the Clare Archaeology Centre. [desertcastle.com](http://desertcastle.com)

### 02 Clare Heritage & Genealogy Centre

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

### 03 Burren Experience Walking Tours

Experience guided walks on Mullaghmore mountain – the sublimely beautiful heart of the Burren, rich in heritage and natural beauty and famous for its flora and wildlife. [mullaghmore-burren.com](http://mullaghmore-burren.com)

### 04 E-Whizz Electric Bike Tours & Hire

The Burren Electric Bike Tour takes you off the beaten track to some stunning locations in the magical Burren region. [e-whizz.com](http://e-whizz.com)

### 05 The Burren Centre

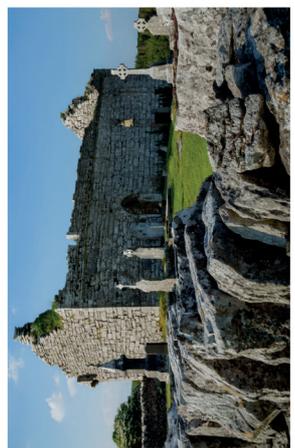
Home of The Burren Exhibition – a fascinating insight into the identity of The Burren, its extraordinary geology, archaeology, flora, wildlife, and people, the Killenora Céilí Band Exhibition, plus craft shop, café and tour information desk. [theburrencentre.ie](http://theburrencentre.ie)

### 06 River Walk Ennistimon

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

### 07 Art Trail Ennistimon

Take a short walk to visit a growing number of galleries and exhibitions located within the village of Ennistimon. [ennisimonarttrail.com](http://ennisimonarttrail.com)



### Did you know...

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

### 13 Aillwee Burren Experience

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

### 14 Burren Mountain Tours\*

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

### 15 Caher Bridge Garden\*

A delightful, award-winning garden that nestles around a restored riverside cottage near Fanore is a gardener's haven. [find.us.on.facebook](http://find.us.on.facebook)

### 16 Poulinabrone Dolmen

Situated on the high Burren limestone plateau, Poulinabrone Dolmen is one of Ireland's most iconic archaeological monuments and is the second most visited location in the Burren after the Cliffs of Moher. It is the oldest dated megalithic monument in Ireland. [burrengeopark.ie](http://burrengeopark.ie)

### 17 Caherconnell Stone Fort & Sheep Dog Trials

Explore an ancient Celtic ring fort, learn about prehistoric Irish traditions, and experience the famous sheepdog skills between a Border Collie and his master. [caherconnell.com](http://caherconnell.com)

### 18 Burren Perfumery

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

### 19 Michael Cusack's Centre

A visit to the home of Michael Cusack, founder of the GAA, provides an insight into his life and how the history of the GAA has evolved over the years. [michaelcusack.ie](http://michaelcusack.ie)

### 21 Doreen Drennan Art Studio

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

### 22 Burren College of Art

Located in Ballyvaughan, a region famous for its natural beauty and unique ecosystem that instils creativity in all that visit. [burrencollege.ie](http://burrencollege.ie)

### 26 Hazel Mountain Chocolate

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

### 27 Corcomroe Abbey

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

### 28 Russell Gallery

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

### 29 Flaggy Shore Oysters

Where the foothills of the Burren meet the wild Atlantic waters of Galway Bay, Master the art of oyster shucking and indulge in your fill of Flaggy Shore oysters. [www.flaggyshoroysters.ie](http://www.flaggyshoroysters.ie)

### 30 Dunguaire Castle

Built by the O'Hyne clan in the picturesque town of Kinvara overlooking the shores of Galway Bay, visitors gain insights into the lifestyle of the residents in the 1520's. [dunguairecastle.com](http://dunguairecastle.com)

### 31 Burren Nature Sanctuary

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

Reconnect with nature on trails, visit the enchanting Disappearing Lake, meet the farm pets and discover the unique flora in Burren Botany Bubble geodome. Playground and café on site. [burrenaturesanctuary.ie](http://burrenaturesanctuary.ie)

### 32 Irish Fibre Crafters

Located in Airdrahan, learn the art of traditional spinning and weaving of Irish wool (using native Galway sheep fleeces), turning yarn into fabric, leaving with your own hank of hand spun yarn. [irishfibrecrafters.com](http://irishfibrecrafters.com)

### 37 Thoor Ballylee Yeats Tower

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

### Did you know...

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

### 38 Kiltartan Gregory Museum

Fadó, fadó, long, long ago – the old Irish classroom will bring you down memory lane. Listen to the students answering the daily roll call or singing 'Down By The Sally Gardens'. [kiltartanregorymuseum.org](http://kiltartanregorymuseum.org)

### 39 Coole Park Nature Reserve & Visitor Centre

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

### 38 Kilmacduagh Round Tower

Ireland's tallest round tower stands proudly within an 800-year-old monastery with the tranquility of the Burren's karst landscape as its unique backdrop. [discoverireland.ie](http://discoverireland.ie)

### Did you know...

The Burren and Cliffs of Moher is a UNESCO Global Geopark [www.burrengeopark.ie](http://www.burrengeopark.ie)

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### Did you know...

The Burren limestone is 780 metres thick in places.

### 31 Burren Farm Experience\*

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

### 32 Burren Art Gallery

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

### 33 The Farmyard\*

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

### 34 Attyslaney Woods

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

### 35 Burren National Park Information Point\*

Park your car, enjoy our complimentary bus service to the Park where you can explore this protected landscape. Guided walks available. Bus operates May-August. [burrennationalpark.ie](http://burrennationalpark.ie)

### Geopark Map QR



### Discoverireland.ie QR

