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# Trade Catalogue 2021



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Ireland's Ancient East  
Ireland's Hidden Heartlands  
Wild Atlantic Way



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1. GROUPS AND TRADE ... EXPLORE MORE

**Bring your group to visit an historic place for a great day out.**

- If you are a public group or in the travel trade and have customers for group travel, FIT or MICE our staff are delighted to present memorable experiences at over 70 historic attractions.\*
- Our guides excel in customer service and storytelling that enthral and engrosses the visitor, while offering a unique insight into the extraordinary legacy of Ireland's iconic heritage.
- Join our mailing list for more information on [heritageireland.ie](http://heritageireland.ie)
- Contact each site directly for booking – details in Groups / Trade Catalogue

\*Due to COVID-19 restrictions some sites may not be open.

2. GROUP VISIT BENEFITS

- Group Rate – up to 20% off normal adult admission rate. (min. 10 at most sites)
- One free tour leader per group booking
- Free once-off familiarisation visit
- Ability to amend/cancel bookings free of charge
- Coach parking at many of our sites
- Use of tour groups own wireless transmission whisper system allowed. (This does not include open audio loud-speakers.) Some of our sites have their own guided wireless transmission system/audio guide provided free of charge.
- Fast track admission for pre-booked groups
- Exclusive guided tours (some sites have specific language guided tours)

- Specific language audio-visual films in some sites for pre-booked tours
- Access to OPW Tour Operator Voucher Scheme (TOVS). Payment by monthly invoice. Email us at [toursopsaccounts@opw.ie](mailto:toursopsaccounts@opw.ie)

\*Minimum numbers may vary at sites due to COVID-19 restrictions as at July 2020.

\*Some sites may not be fully accessible or closed due to COVID-19 restrictions as at July 2020.

3. PLAN YOUR ITINERARY

- For inspiration about passage tombs, historic castles, Christian sites and historic houses and gardens throughout Ireland.
- From brunch to banquets – find out about catering facilities at sites, events and more ...
- Wild Atlantic Way
- Ireland's Ancient East
- Dublin
- Ireland's Hidden Heartlands

4. TOUR OPERATORS VOUCHER SCHEME – CONTACT US

- Visitor Services, Office of Public Works, 20 Lakeside Retail Park, Ballindine Road, Claremorris, Co. Mayo, F12 DK30, Ireland. T. 353 (1) 647 6000 / E. [toursopsaccounts@opw.ie](mailto:toursopsaccounts@opw.ie)
- Coming soon – Holiday Pass. Explore more with a 2-week Holiday Pass. For use by FITs / individuals only.
- Join our mailing list for more information on [heritageireland.ie](http://heritageireland.ie)

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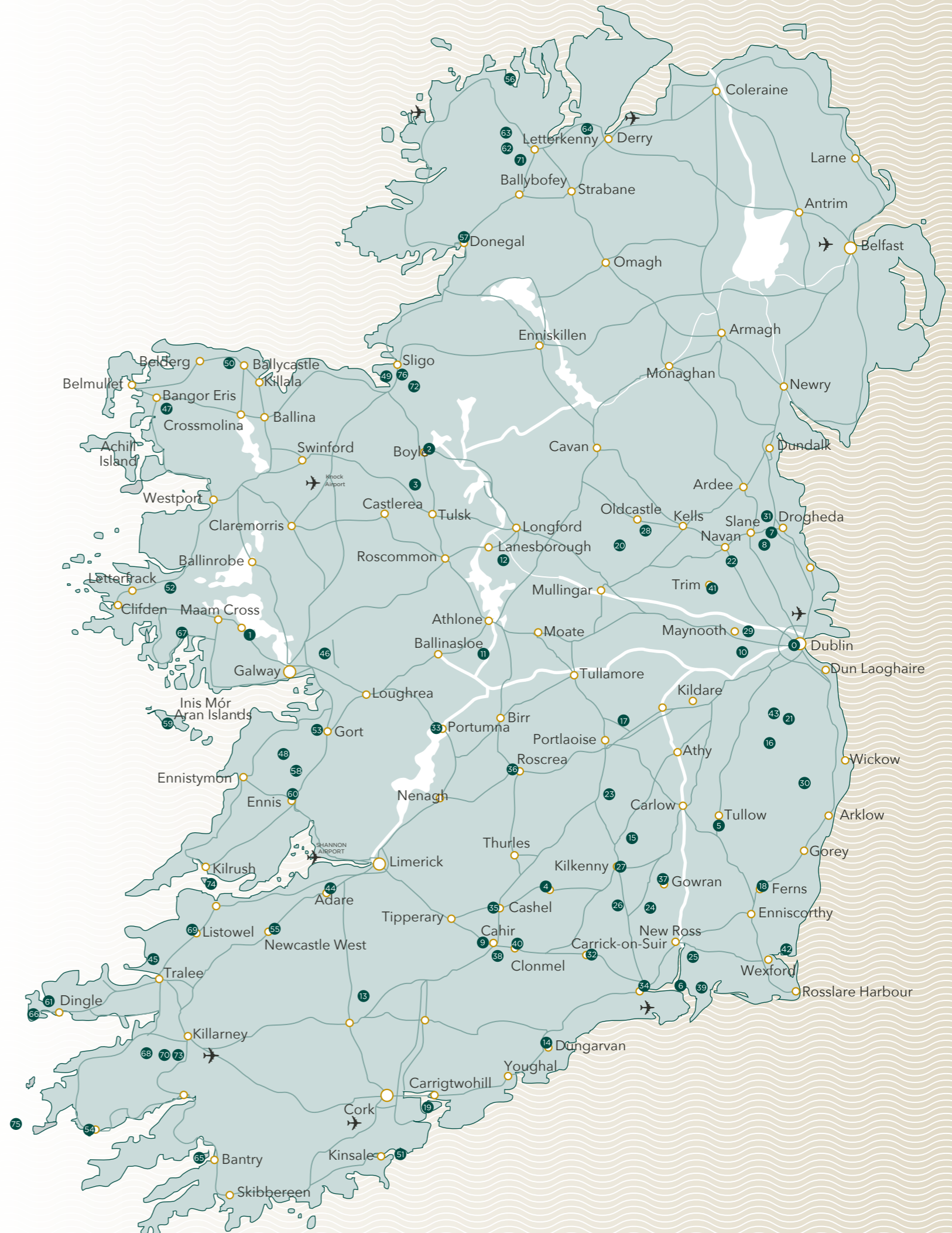
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From banquets to  
brunch ... enjoy  
catering facilities at  
our historic sites.



Clockwise from top left:  
Dublin Castle; Kilkenny Castle; Castletown House  
and Parklands; Farmleigh House

# Casino Marino

## Dublin



### Discover the secrets of Ireland's 18th century miniature architectural masterpiece.

#### OPENING HOURS 2020

2020 and 2021 dates to be confirmed.

#### ADMISSION

Snr & Group € 5

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- Clever design hides 3 floors and numerous rooms inside.
- Designed by Swedish born architect, Sir William Chambers.
- Sculptures designed by the famous Italian Giovanni Battista Cipriani, supervised on site by Simon Vierpyl.
- Amazing interiors and rich history

It was designed as a Pleasure House for James Caulfeild, 1st earl of Charlemont by Sir William Chambers, one of the finest architects of the time. Charlemont and Chambers created a unique and intriguing Garden Temple from which to overlook the magnificent panorama of Dublin Bay.

The Casino, meaning small house, surprises visitors as they discover the remarkable secrets of this architectural gem. The lavishly decorated and compact exterior cleverly disguises an interior of 16 rooms displaying intricately ornate Georgian motifs. Richly patterned marquetry floors and beautifully executed plasterwork act as an historical backdrop to the Casinos past which is lovingly brought to life by our friendly and knowledgeable tour guides.

## VISITOR EXPERIENCES

Experience	Description	Fitness Level	Min. / Max. numbers	Duration (approx.)	Price per person
Guided Tour of Casino Marino	For special interest groups and any groups of more than 10. General Interest tours. Educational Tours focusing on Maths Trails, History of Art and Architecture, 18th Century Social History Free admission for all Irish Primary and Secondary Schools. T & Cs apply.	Building is accessed by a flight of stone steps. Top floor is accessed by wooden staircase. Wheelchair access to grounds and exterior only.	Min 10 Max 50 (for large groups – 2 tours running concurrently and finishing at the same time.)	1.5 hours approx.	€5.00 Group Rate
Self Guided Tours	Self guided tours are offered during special events such as Culture Night, Open House and on other special occasions.	Building is accessed by a flight of stone steps. Top floor is accessed by wooden staircase. Wheelchair access to grounds and exterior only.	50 approx	1 hour	Price same as Guided Tour and Free on special occasions

### BOOKING

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www.casinomarino.ie

### LOCATION

Casino Marino. Cherrymount Crescent, off Malahide Road, Dublin 3 D03 HH70

5kms north of Dublin City. 20 mins by car to Dublin Airport.

Dart: Clontarf and Killester 15 mins walk.

Buses: 14, 15, 27, 27A, 27B, 42, 43 and 123

### FACILITIES

Car and coach parking free.  
Toilets. No disabled access toilets on site. No Tea Room on site.

### CAUTION

Children must be supervised at times. Steep drops at lions and parapet.

### NEARBY

Croke Park and Museum, Glasnevin Cemetery Museum, National Botanic Gardens - Glasnevin, Howth Fishing Village, Bull Island Bird Sanctuary.

# Farmleigh House & Estate

Phoenix Park, Dublin



**Historic house holding important collections, an art gallery, a working farm, and the official Irish State guesthouse.**

#### OPENING HOURS 2020

Daily, 10.00 - 17.30  
14/03/20 - 31/12/20

**Farmleigh House can close to the public at very short notice due to government business.**

2021 dates should be similar.

#### ADMISSION

House admission charges: Adult €8.00, Senior/ Group €6.00, Child/ Student €4.00, Family €20.00. Accompanied under 12s go free.

Exterior Tours for remainder of 2020 only. Group rate €4.00.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- The Estate also boasts a working farm with a herd of Kerry Black cows.
- Exciting cultural programme of events all year round.
- Hear the fascinating stories of various members of the Guinness family who lived in the house

Originally a small Georgian house built in the late eighteenth century, Farmleigh was purchased by Edward Cecil Guinness in 1873 and after many numerous building phases, Farmleigh had, by the early years of the twentieth century, all the requisites for gracious living and stylish entertainment. Its great charm lies in the eclecticism of its interior decoration ranging from the classical style to Jacobean, Louis XV, Louis XVI, and Georgian.

An estate of seventy-eight acres situated to the north-west of Dublin's Phoenix Park, Farmleigh now provides accommodation for visiting dignitaries and guests of the nation.

As a historic house, Farmleigh remains a unique representation of its heyday, the Edwardian period, and houses important artworks and furnishings, as well as the Benjamin Iveagh collection of rare books, bindings, and manuscripts, which is held in the Library.

The extensive pleasure grounds feature walled and sunken gardens, and scenic lakeside walks.

## VISITOR EXPERIENCES

Experience	Description	Fitness Level	Min. / Max. numbers	Duration (approx.)	Price per person
House Tour	House used by the State to accommodate Visiting Dignitaries, Royalty and Presidents on official visits to Ireland. Highlights include the Benjamin Iveagh Library and the Guinness and State Art Collections.	Universal access to house.	Min. 10. Max. 25	45 minutes	€6.00
Library Tour	Advance Request Required. Library staff will showcase the Iveagh collection of rare books, bindings, and manuscripts, which is held in the Library.	Universal access.	Min. 10. Max. 25	30–45 minutes	€6.00
Garden Tour	Walled garden, sunken garden, pleasure grounds and lakeside walk. Seasonal flowers and trees introduced by the Guinness family, complimented by modern sculptures from the State Art Collection.	Universal access.	Min. 10. Max. 25	45 minutes	€6.00

### HIGHLIGHTS *continued*

- Discover the magnificent architecture and treasures in the Farmleigh collection.

### BOOKING

T. 00353 (1) 8155914  
E. farmleighguides@opw.ie

### LANGUAGES

Irish, English

### LOCATION

Phoenix Park, Dublin 15,  
D15 TD50.

### FACILITIES

Exhibitions, toilets, disabled toilets, coach and car park, gardens on site, baby changing facilities available.

### TEA ROOMS

Overlooking the ornamental lake at Farmleigh, allows you to enjoy a wonderful setting in a landscape unchanged since the nineteenth century.

Open 7 days a week. Seating capacity 60–70.

T. 00353 (1) 8157255  
www.brambles.ie

### NEARBY

Phoenix Park Visitor Centre and Walled Victorian Gardens, Kilmainham Gaol, Royal Hospital Kilmainham, Dublin Castle.



# Pearse Museum & St. Enda's Park

Rathfarnham, Dublin



## Former home and school of Patrick Pearse, leader of the famous 1916 Rising.

### OPENING HOURS 2020

**Mon-Sat, 09.00 - 17.00**  
01.11.19 - 01.02.20

**Mon-Sat, 09.30 - 17.00**  
01.02.20 - 28.02.20

**All year Sundays and Bank  
Holidays open from 10am**

2021 dates should be similar.

### ADMISSION

Free

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Important collection of unique objects relating to Pearse and the Pearse family, original artworks and a gallery devoted to the sculptural work of Pearse's brother William
- Park and playground surrounded by 50 acres of landscaped parkland
- Nature Room where visitors can learn about Ireland's flora and fauna

The Pearse Museum is located in the former home and school of Patrick Pearse. Pearse was the leader of the 1916 Rising, and he, and his brother William, were among those executed for their part in the rebellion. The Pearse Museum tells the story of their role in that dramatic event, as well as Pearse's work as a writer, teacher and Irish language campaigner.

The Museum exhibition tells the story of Pearse's life and includes unique items such as the handwritten manuscript of his famous O'Donovan Rossa speech. Visitors can stroll around historic rooms, including Pearse's study where he did much of his writing, a school dormitory, study hall and chapel. The school art gallery contains original artworks by Beatrice Elvery, Patrick Tuohy and Jack B. Yeats. A separate gallery is devoted to the sculptural work of Pearse's brother William. The courtyard at the rear of the Museum houses a recreation of an original school classroom as well as a Nature Room where visitors can learn about Ireland's flora and fauna.

## VISITOR EXPERIENCES

Experience	Description	Fitness Level	Min. / Max. numbers	Duration (approx.)	Price per person
Full Guided Tour	In the expert hands of our experienced and enthusiastic guiding staff visitors will hear the stories of Patrick Pearse and his brother William, both of whom were executed for their part in the 1916 Rising. Visitors will also hear about Scoil Éanna, Patrick Pearse's innovative school which offered his pupils a wide and varied curriculum in a building filled with beautiful artworks and historic artefacts.		Min. 8. Max. 30	60 minutes	Free
Self Guided Tour	Visitors may explore the Pearse Museum themselves visiting the exhibition which tells the story of Pearse's life and strolling through the historic rooms including Pearse's Study, a school dormitory, the Study Hall and the chapel. Our guiding staff are happy to provide self-guiding visitors with a brief introduction before they start.			30-60 minutes	Free

### HIGHLIGHTS *continued*

- Contemporary Tearoom with attractive courtyard seating area
- Extensive education facilities and programmes.

### BOOKING

T. 00353 1 493 4208  
E. [pearsemuseum@opw.ie](mailto:pearsemuseum@opw.ie)  
[www.pearsemuseum.ie](http://www.pearsemuseum.ie)

### LOCATION

8km south of Dublin City Centre. St. Enda's Park, Grange Rd., Rathfarnham, Dublin 16, D16 Y7Y5.

### FACILITIES

Car and Coach parking on site, accessible building with lift and accessible bathrooms, 50 acres of parklands.

### TEAROOMS

Open 7 days a week. Groups bookings to be made in advance. Seating capacity indoors + 16-39 outdoors.

T. 00353 (1) 4939061.

# Rathfarnham Castle

## Rathfarnham, Dublin 14



**Stunning four hundred year old Castle only five kilometres from Dublin city centre.**

### OPENING HOURS 2020

May to October (inclusive): Open daily 9.30am–5.30pm. Last admissions 4.45pm.

November to April (inclusive): Wednesday to Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays. 10.30am–5.00pm. Last admissions 4.15pm.

2021 dates should be similar.

### ADMISSION

Adults €5, Senior/Group €4, Child/Student €3. Family €13, accompanied under 12s go free.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- One of Ireland's first fortified houses.
- An architectural gem, featuring fine Georgian interiors

This Elizabethan period fortified house was commissioned in 1583 by the Archbishop–Chancellor of Ireland, Adam Loftus (d.1605), as his private residence. The design was radically modern for the time and the building combined defensive features such as the four angled corner towers and a series of gun loops with the comfort and status demanded by the owner.

Extensive remodelling and redecoration of Rathfarnham Castle took place in the eighteenth century under a series of later owners. Perhaps most notable are the works commissioned by Henry Loftus (d.1783) of such famous architects and designers as Sir William Chambers and James 'Athenian' Stuart. Much of the neo–classical design and decoration which characterises the building today can be attributed to their efforts.

Since coming into State care in the nineteen eighties much of the building has been restored to its Georgian splendour and today it features a collection of original fine art, including family portraits by Peter Lely, Angelica Kauffman and Hugh Douglas Hamilton together with some antique furnishings. A series of contemporary art exhibitions are held at the Castle throughout the year as well as a busy cultural programme of concerts, theatre, talks, lectures and other events.

## VISITOR EXPERIENCES

Experience	Description	Fitness Level	Min. / Max. numbers	Duration (approx.)	Price per person
Guided Tour	A full guided tour with insights into the Castle's history, its owners, including commentary on architectural and artistic features. Visitors will learn about the origins of the building as a home for Adam Loftus in the violent and dangerous times of the late sixteenth century before its transformation into a fashionable Georgian villa in the eighteenth century. We will then explore some of the finest interiors in Georgian Dublin	Fully accessible building with entrance ramp, lift and accessible bathrooms.	Min 8 Max. 30.	60 minutes.	€4.00 Group Rate
Self guided Tour	Visitors may explore the Castle themselves with the aid of hand held room guides spread throughout the building. Our guiding staff are happy to provide brief (5 min) historical introductions to self-guiding visitors should they wish for greater background and context before beginning their self guided tour.	Fully accessible building with entrance ramp, lift and accessible bathrooms.	Min 1 Max. 30.	40 minutes	€4.00 Group Rate

### HIGHLIGHTS *continued*

- Colourful Characters from Adam Loftus to the 'Wicked Earl'.
- Nationally significant Greek and Roman style interiors.
- Impressive collection of family portraits, landscape paintings and antique furniture.
- Surrounded by an extensive park with woods, lake and a playground.
- Contemporary Tearoom located in what was once the Castle's Georgian kitchen wing.

### BOOKING

T. 00353 1 493 9462  
E. [rathfarnhamcastle@opw.ie](mailto:rathfarnhamcastle@opw.ie)  
[www.rathfarnhamcastle.ie](http://www.rathfarnhamcastle.ie)

### FACILITIES

Car and Coach parking on site (pay and display).

### LOCATION

5km south of Dublin City Centre (D14 K3T6). The Castle is easily accessible from both Dublin City Centre (only 7km) and the M50.

### TEAROOMS

The Stuart and Chambers Tearooms by Brambles is open seven days a week from 09:30 to 16:30. Contact the Tearooms directly on +353 1 4939461. Tearooms open seven days.

### ACCESSIBILITY

Fully accessible building with entrance ramp, lift and accessible bathrooms.

### NEARBY

Pearse Museum and St Enda's Park, Marlay Park and House, Airfield House, Farm, and Gardens, Dodder Valley Park.