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Social guide to Loughcrew

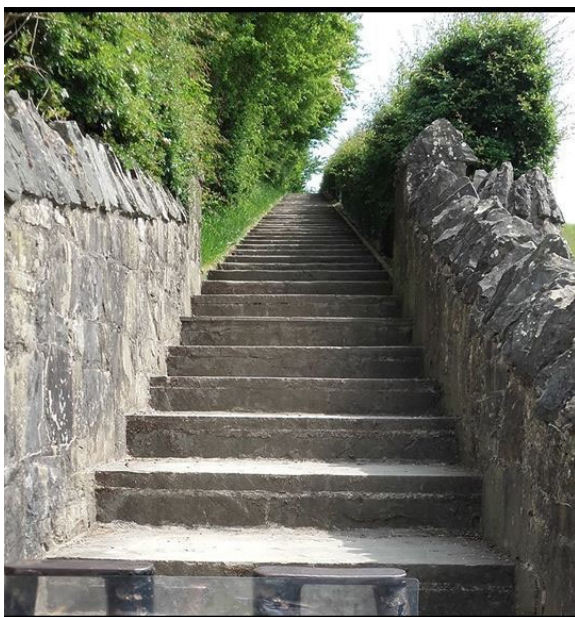
Welcome to Loughcrew. The cairns are on top of a high hill, the highest in Co Meath so you must be prepared before you leave your house.



Bring good shoes with a good grip on the soles as you will be climbing a steep hill on short grass. Bring a coat in case it rains or gets cold. It's always colder on top of the hill than it is in the car park. Bring a bottle of water in case you get thirsty and bring a stick to lean on. Now you are ready for an adventure.

The cairns are located near the village of Oldcastle in Co Meath. They are well sign posted. If you are coming from Dublin, take the N3 to Kells then follow sign posts for Oldcastle.

After you park your car in the car park, the first part of the journey involves climbing some steps.



Then you start to climb the hill



There are benches along the way where you can sit down and admire the view



When you get to the top of the hill, the guides will be there and they will let you know when the next tour is beginning. The guided tour brings you to different monuments on the hill and tells you about the people who built the monuments 5000 years ago.



The chamber of the main mound is closed because we are afraid that it is not safe. However, you can look inside and see some of the art.





When the guided tour is finished, you can walk around by yourself but you are not allowed to climb on the monuments.

As you come down the hill, be sure and admire the views and maybe take some photos



There is a café and toilets at the Loughcrew Megalithic Centre near to the car park.

We hope you enjoy your visit.