

Attractions

Maritime & Heritage Centre

The home of the world famous Killybegs Carpet Factory tells the story of carpet making in the town and is home to the largest hand-knotted loom in the world. The centre also provides an insight into Killybegs history as a fishing port. It even has a navigational simulator allowing you take control of a ship.

Sliabh Liag

Towering above the roaring Atlantic Ocean at a height of 601m the Sliabh Liag cliffs are a "must see" attraction within close proximity to Killybegs.

South West Donegal Gaeltacht Discover this district to the west of Killybegs where Irish is the first language. Visit the villages of Kilcar, Teelin, Carrick and Glencolmcille. Indeed in Glencolmcille, there is a centre offering courses in Irish language and culture.

Fr. McDyers Folk Village Museum

Discover what life was like in the Ireland of the 19th and early 20th century with a visit to the Folk Village in Glencolmcille.

Bruckless House & Gardens Enjoy visiting this 18th century period house and its three acres of mature gardens. Local Shopping Discover an array of shops selling local crafts and produce. Also discover the marine related retailers and browse the latest products and equipment for boating and watersports.

St. Catherine's Well—St. Catherine is the Patron Saint of Killybegs and during your visit you can visit the well constructed in her honour.

Killybegs

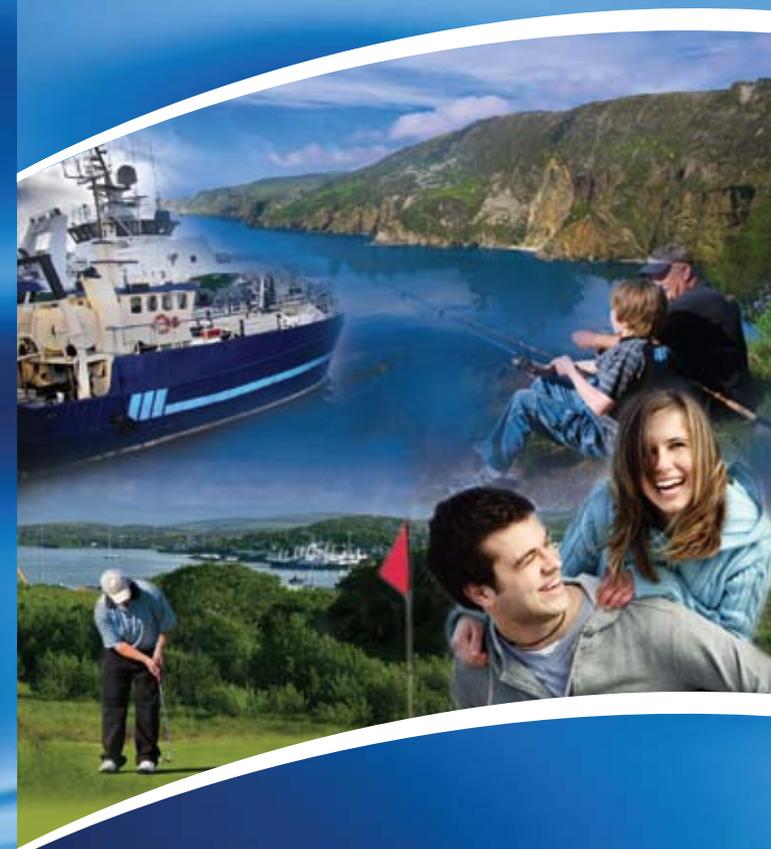
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Gateway to
South West Donegal





Welcome to Killybegs



The town of Killybegs, located on the northern shore of Donegal Bay, is a major fishing port and is surrounded by dramatic coastline and unspoilt countryside.

Killybegs is rich in history and with a strong maritime tradition, there is much to see and do within the town. Explore the harbour area, visit the Heritage & Maritime Centre and take the Killybegs Town Walk to discover numerous heritage sites.



Killybegs is the ideal location from which to base yourself and explore the South West of County Donegal. Only a short distance from Killybegs are the majestic cliffs of Sliabh Liag which at 601m above sea level are amongst the highest in Europe. To the west of Sliabh Liag is the Gaeltacht village of Glencolmille famous far and wide for its Folk Village and Irish language school. Close by to Killybegs is the Blue Flag beach at Fintra which offers safe bathing.



There is a great supply of quality guest accommodation in and around the town, ranging from homely B&Bs to hotels to camp sites.



There are many restaurants and eateries serving the best of local produce including seafood. In recent years Killybegs has become a port of call for cruise ships enabling more people to discover the unique charms of this part of the world.

Activities

Angling - hop aboard one of the many fully equipped and licensed sea angling boats and head for a days fishing out on Donegal Bay, an unforgettable experience.

Walking - from the looped walks that take in the town of Killybegs, to the waymarked paths of the Blue Stack Way to the dramatic One Man's Pass at Sliabh Liag, there are walks to suit all levels in the area

Diving - Killybegs is central to some of the best diving in the region.

Sailing & Watersports - the sheltered harbour is ideal for sailing and with access to Donegal Bay, the options are limitless. There are also local opportunities for sea kayaking and surfing.

Boat Trips - the perfect way to explore the coastline and its geological features including the Sliabh Liag cliffs. A perfect way to see marine life too with regular encounters with dolphins. The many colonies of birds can also be observed along the coastline.

Archaeology - Killybegs and its environs have a large number of sites of archaeological and historical interest including neolithic tombs and a number of Mass Rocks dating back to the penal times of the 17th Century.

Equestrian - saddle up at one of the local equestrian centres to experience Donegal from horseback!

Golf - nearby there are some of the most scenic links golf course in Ireland. Only a short distance from Killybegs are the courses at Murvagh and Narin & Portnoo.

Bird Watching - Bird Watch Ireland have designated Killybegs Harbour as a site of importance in terms of the variety of gulls present. The nearby island of Innisduff is classified by Birdlife International as an Important Bird Area due to its barnacle geese population.

Cycling - take to two wheels and pedal along quiet country lanes to discover the delights of rural South West Donegal

Rock Climbing - Muckcross Head is a rock climbers dream with a variety of climbs to suit all levels.

Wellbeing - Nearby St. John's Point is home to a Holistic and Wellbeing Centre offering a variety of treatments.

