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MUST DO:

Check out our guide to the best Belfast events not to be missed!



Out to Lunch

3-26 January Various Venues

Boasting a packed menu of comedy, music and literature.

cqaf.com

FESTIVAL



NI Science Festival 13–23 February

Various Venues

Offering a stimulating range of events focusing on the wonders of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

nisciencefestival.com



DINING OUT

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Belfast Restaurant Week 17-23 February

17-23 February Various Venues

Treat yourself during a 7 day celebration of Belfast's food scene with special offers at over 40 venues across the city centre.

belfastrestaurantweek.org | belfast.com





Riverdance 25th Anniversary Show

19-22 February

A powerful and stirring reinvention of the original show, celebrated the world over for its Grammy Awardwinning music, thrilling energy and passion of its Irish and international dance.

ticketmaster.ie

MUSTO

Brilliant Corners Belfast Jazz Festival 27 Feb – 7 March

27 Feb - 7 March Various Venues

Serving up a multi-genre musical banquet from traditional big band and straight-ahead small ensembles to the avant-garde.

brilliantcorners

CULTURE



Féile an Earraigh 1–17 March

Various Venues

Belfast's traditional spring festival returns with a feast of music, talks, screenings, tours and live entertainment.

feilebelfast.com

FAMILY FUN

(04)



Belfast Children's Festival

6-11 March Various Venues

A packed programme of theatre, dance, visual art, music, literature, comedy, workshops and talks, guaranteed to inspire joy, creativity and curiosity.

youngatart.co.uk





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FAMILY FUN

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Belfast Nashville Songwriters Festival 11–13 March

Clayton Hotel
Celebrating the art of
song writing in a series of
concerts, showcases and a

convention for sonawriters.

belfastnashville.com

CELEBRATION

(09)



St Patrick's Day Celebrations 17 March Belfast City Centre

Belfast comes alive with colour for the annual carnival parade and St Patrick's Day concert.

belfastcity.gov.uk/ stpatricks

FASHION

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Belfast FashionWeek 19-22 March

Various Venues
A showcase of the

upcoming spring/summer fashion trends from unique local designers to High Street favourites.

belfastfashionweek.com

FESTIVAL

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Imagine! Belfast Festival of Ideas & Politics

23-29 March Various Venues

Belfast's unique festival of ideas and politics invites you to engage with the big issues of our time.

imaginebelfast.com

CINEMA

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Belfast Film Festival 1-9 April

Various Venues

An exciting and diverse selection of film from across the world including classic and premiere screenings.

belfastfilmfestival.org

CELEBRATION

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Easter Celebrations

10-14 April Various Venues

Get out and enjoy lots of 'eggciting' Easter events taking place in Belfast and beyond for all the family.

visitbelfast.com

FAMILY FUN

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Spring Fair 25-26 April

Malone House

Enjoy the spring flowerfilled grounds of Barnett Demesne with a great weekend of family fun and entertainment.

belfastcity.gov.uk/events



SNAPSHOT OF BELFAST



From unique street art to panoramic city views, Belfast is a photographer's heaven. Local Instagrammer @penmanslens takes us on a photo tour of the city.



changes colour to reflect holidays, celebrations and awareness days), have made this a must on any photographic tour of the city. Venture inside to enjoy a free tour of the equally inspiring interior.



1 Titanic Belfast

The majestic Titanic
Belfast building that
presides over the River
Lagan is one of the most
Instagrammed buildings in
Ireland. Its metallic, angular
exterior, sweeping slipways
and reflective pools of
water surrounding the
structure provide many
an opportunity.



3 Umbrellas on Commercial Court

Belfast's answer to Portugal's Umbrella Sky Project can be found just off Commercial Court, facing the Duke of York pub, and you'll find spectacular street art on many of the walls of the surrounding streets so it's worthwhile taking your own photo tour around the Cathedral Quarter



4 Harland and Wolff Cranes

A photography guide to the city would not be complete without Belfast's famous yellow cranes, Samson and Goliath, which dominate the skyline and are a symbol of the city. You can snap them up close or in the background of a wider city view.

5 HMS Caroline

A moody sky can capture a stunning shot of World War One survivor HMS Caroline, which you'll find at the Alexandra Dock in Titanic Quarter. You can also climb aboard and learn about life of the crew 100 years ago through a range of exciting interactive exhibits.



2 Belfast City Hall

Belfast City Hall's classical Renaissance design and tastefully lit panelling (which

6 St George's Market

If you're into food photography, then the charming Victorian St George's Market should be your first stop! Open every Friday, Saturday & Sunday, go and soak up the bustling atmosphere while sampling some delicious local food and browsing the stalls.



7 The Big Fish

One of Belfast's most famous pieces of public art, the Big Fish, has a lot of photo potential! Get close, because the outer 'scales' are made up of tiles depicting the history and spirit of Belfast. Also, as legend would have it, anyone who kisses the 'Salmon of Knowledge' will gain wisdom!





8 The Albert Clock Fountains

Belfast's Albert Clock is often referred to as our very own Leaning Tower of Pisa, but it is in fact the fountains beneath it that create a great opportunity to play around with shutter speed for some stunning water photography.



9 Queen's University Lanyon Building

Designed by architect Charles Lanyon, Queen's University's gothic Lanyon Building is well worth a visit. Not an inch of this architecturally magnificent building would be out of place on the set of Harry Potter, making it a must for keen photographers.



10 Belfast's Public Art

Belfast has over 150 pieces of imaginative public art scattered across the city, but a few picture worthy pieces to check out include the 'Spirit of Belfast' in Cornmarket, 'Beacon of Hope' on Oxford St and 'Rise' at the Donegall Rd junction of the M1.

11 Belfast Cathedral

An interesting mix of old and new, the foundation stone of the Cathedral was laid in 1899 and the building itself, Romanesque in style, continued to grow over the years with the 40 metre stainless steel Spire of Hope added in 2007. You can get a great shot with a colourful twilight sky.



12 Cave Hill

Just 5 miles from the city centre, this scenic stretch feels a world away from the bustle of city life. Begin your adventure at the majestic Belfast Castle, before climbing your way through forested paths to McArt's Fort for panoramic views across the city.



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MUST SEE:

Check out our essential list of places not to be missed this spring in Belfast.

HISTORY

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Belfast City Hall

The Visitor Exhibition offers a journey from the city's past to present, showing the vibrancy and diversity of Belfast City Hall across six themed zones. Free guided tours of Belfast City Hall are also available.

SEE MAP 04

EXPERIENCE

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Titanic Belfast

This state-of-the-art visitor experience tells the story of the Titanic, from construction to her launch and subsequent place in history.

SEE MAP (E2)

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St George's Market

Browse stalls full of the finest fresh produce, local arts and crafts and delicious hot food at the charming Victorian St George's Market every Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

SEE MAP 04



SHOPPING

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Victoria Square

An exceptional shopping experience with spectacular views, anchored by House of Fraser department store. Four levels of shopping, great places to eat and drink and an 8 screen Odeon cinema.

SEE MAP 04

EXPERIENCE

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Crumlin Road Gaol

Try life behind bars with a tour of the 150 year old gaol and learn first-hand how this Victorian prison evolved through history.

SEE MAP (62)

MARITIME

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HMS Caroline

Discover the fascinating history of this World War One survivor and learn about life of the crew 100 years ago through a range of exciting interactive exhibits.

SEE MAP (F1)





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TIME OUT

Belfast Castle

Enjoy a walk around the gardens and scenic trails which offer unobstructed views over the city and Belfast Lough. Relax over lunch or afternoon tea in the beautiful surroundings of the 1870 baronial style castle.

Belfast Food Tour

Take a bite out of Belfast and be introduced to the ever-changing Belfast food scene, while enjoying a range of drinks and dishes along the way on this culinary guided walk. Starts at St George's market. SEE MAP (D4)

MUSIC

Traditional Music Trail

With two professional musicians as your guides, walk through cobblestoned streets, past famous landmarks and on to historic pubs where you will enjoy a performance of traditional music, songs and stories.



Belfast Cathedral

Take a personal audio tour of Belfast's magnificent St Anne's Cathedral, Discover its rich historic artefacts and learn about the people who helped to shape this sacred place.

SEE MAP (D3)

Belfast Giants Ice Hockey

Bring all the family and get ready to cheer on the city's own Stena Line Belfast Giants for an evening of adrenalin fuelled on ice action.

SEE MAP (D7)







Clifton House

On a guided tour (Friday's at 3pm), explore a building that was built when Belfast consisted of just five streets. Learn about the founding members of the Belfast Charitable Society that all played pivotal roles in the history of the city. SEE MAP (C2)



CITY AREAS



For locations, check out our handy maps on pages **63-67**.

Exploring a city can be tricky if you don't know your way around, or even what to look out for. Get a flavour of Belfast with this taster to help navigate your way around the city's areas and quarters.



CITY CENTRE

Home to the iconic Belfast City Hall, St George's Market and the main shopping district. You'll be spoilt for choice with the abundance of cool cafés, great pubs, trendy bars and an amazing restaurant scene. Start off in the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre (opposite City Hall) to pick up information, book tours and find out everything to make the most of vour visit



LINEN QUARTER

Belfast was once nicknamed "Linenopolis" as it was the world leader in the production of linen in the 19th Century. Just south of City Hall, you can enjoy the architecture of the old linen mills which house a mix of offices, chic bars and renowned restaurants. This is a great part of town to enjoy dinner and drinks before an entertaining show at the Grand Opera House.



CATHEDRAL QUARTER

Packed full of fascinating architecture, buzzing beer gardens, trendy warehouse restaurants. cobblestoned streets. and colourful street art this area of town is absolutely buzzing at night. It contrasts the old with the new, with St. Anne's Square, home to the Metropolitan Arts Centre (MAC) and a piazza of welcoming eateries, alongside some of the oldest streets in Belfast.



TITANIC QUARTER

Steeped in memories of a bygone era, the Titanic Quarter is now a fun and energetic urban waterfront development. Visit or take a tour of the many historic and state-of-the-art Titanic visitor attractions, be wowed by science in W5, explore the 100 year old history of HMS Caroline or catch a show, concert or Ice Hockey game at the SSE Arena.



QUEEN'S QUARTER

The area around Queen's University is a treasure trove of eclectic shops, boutiques, cafés, bars and art galleries. Visit the collections of the Ulster Museum, stroll around Botanic Gardens or enjoy great live music or comedy at the Empire Music Hall. The neighbouring Lisburn Road offers designer shopping, cafés, artisan delis, salons and wine bars.



GAELTACHT QUARTER

The centre for Irish language, music and culture is in the west of the city. An Cultúrlann showcases cultural Irish Gaelic traditions and contains a restaurant, gift shop, theatre and gallery. Explore the stunning Clonard Monastery or enjoy the 3 mile Divis Summit Trail, a specifically designed loop walk on Divis Mountain with spectacular views over Belfast.



EAST SIDE

EastSide was once the beating heart of the city's industrial past with thousands of people employed in linen mills, rope factories, engineering works and shipyards. EastSide is now thriving once again but this time as a hub of culture and creativity. Make the EastSide Visitor Centre your first stop, with information on key attractions in east Belfast.



THE SHANKILL

Straddling North and West Belfast. the Shankill is home to a wide collection of painted murals depicting the social and political history of the area. Places of interest include the Peace Wall, the Old Shankill Graveyard, dating back to the 14th century, the Shankill Memorial Park and the ancient Bullaun Stone. The Spectrum Centre, a major landmark in the area, hosts a range of events and exhibitions.











Come to Belfast for a fantastic St Patrick's Day as the city welcomes you with an array of colour and music. The day begins with a vibrant carnival parade through the city streets, followed by a free concert on Tuesday 17 March.

The celebrations will start with a vibrant carnival parade focussing on the theme of the environment. It will fill the city centre with colour and music. Wonder at the eye-catching floats, performers and magnificent costumes. Come along and see St Patrick, Pipe Bands, dancers and more on their colourful journey through the heart of the city. The carnival leaves from Belfast City Hall at 12.30pm and will travel along Chichester

Street and Victoria Street, into High Street and Donegall Street before finishing at Writers Square.

After the parade, enjoy a free open-air concert at Custom House Square. Running from 1.30pm-4pm, the line-up will feature quality local traditional music and dance, along with special guest appearances, you won't be able to stop your hands clapping and your feet tapping! Entry to the concert will be on a first-come-first-served basis and terms and conditions apply.

For more information contact Visit Belfast Welcome Centre 028 9024 6609 belfastcity.gov.uk/stpatricks #BelfastStPats



The SPAR Craic 10k 17 March, 9am **Belfast City Hall**

'Run for the Craic' in Belfast this St Patrick's Day and take part in the annual SPAR Craic 10k Just under 2,000 runners will take part in this urban 10k, which leaves City Hall at 9am, passing through the Gaeltacht Quarter before finishing in the EastSide at Ormeau Park. So begin St Patrick's Day in a fun and healthy way, before joining the celebrations in the city centre afterwards. Register at aisling-events.com

St Patrick's Day at the **Ulster Folk Museum** 17 March

Experience the very best of Irish traditions as we celebrate St Patrick's Day at the Ulster Folk Museum where you can enjoy a unique mix of traditional music. dance, crafts and food. nmni.com/ufm

Féile an Earraigh 1-17 March

Féile an Phobail's spring festival returns in 2020 with a wide variety of arts and cultural activities including traditional music. workshops, concerts, tours, debates and discussions,

literary events, youth and sporting events and family based activities.

feilebelfast.com

St George's Market 13-15 March

Enjoy the St Patrick's Day celebrations throughout the weekend with live traditional music, special offers, and lots of family fun, come and enjoy some of the best that St George's Market has to offer.

stgeorgesmarket.com

FURTHER AFIELD

St Patrick's Day Celebrations 17 March

Eniov a truly traditional St. Patrick's Day at the Ulster Folk Museum in Cultra, with traditional farming activities, arts. and crafts and traditional Irish music and dance. nmni.com/ufm

The Home of St Patrick Festival 6-17 March

Armagh is at the heart of celebrating the life of Saint Patrick and the festival promises an unrivalled mix of regional and international music, theatre, spoken word, art, comedy and family friendly events which will showcase the stunning locations where Saint Patrick walked and worked.

visitarmagh.com/stpatrick

Giant's Causeway Saint Patrick's Day Celebration 17 March, 9am-6pm

Take a hop and a skip across the world-famous stones this Saint Patrick's Day, Tap your toes to traditional Irish

music and dancers before following the Leprechaun trail down to Northern Ireland's only World Heritage Site. Meet at Visitor Centre. nationaltrust.org.uk/ni

Mussenden Lights

17 March, 7pm-9pm

Perched on the North coast, see the iconic Mussenden Temple join world-famous landmarks in lighting up the night sky for Saint Patrick's Day. Pack a torch and your camera to capture the Earl Bishops Library in a different light for one night only. Meet at Lion's Gate. nationaltrust.org.uk/ni



Celebrate St Patrick's Day at Castle Espie 17 March, 11am-4pm

Discover the little laughing leprechauns hidden around the reserve and enjoy lots of crafts and games.

wwt.org.uk

Saint Patrick's Day Celebrations 17 March

Get along to our Ceili on the Quayside and eniov the finest of local traditional music and take your partner for a dance as we celebrate the big day! nmni.com/uafp



PUBS AND CAFÉS

Enjoy a drink with your doggy in these popular Belfast bars and coffee shops, many with outdoor seating.

Sunflower Public House

Expect no gimmicks, just good drinks and great live music with everything from traditional sessions to gypsy swing. Water bowls and treats are available for four-legged friends and sharing pictures of your dog in the pub is highly encouraged.

Dirty Onion

Housed in one of Belfast's oldest buildings, you can sit indoors by the fire and enjoy trad music, or make the most of the large heated beer garden. The pub's line-up of events includes regular doggy get-togethers, including Pooch Socials and Hot Dawg BBQs.

SEE MAP 03

Hickson's Point

This 1900s-style public house beside Titanic Belfast holds on to the historic feel of the shipyard. Now a dog-friendly venue, you can enjoy a pint, nibbles and music with your furry friend before taking a walk along the Maritime Mile.



Pug Uglys

This quirky Irish venue is loved for its tasty pub grub, live sports, quiz nights, music and comedy. Dogs are welcome inside the pub and water bowls are available in the outdoor seating area.



Santeria

A dog friendly lively cocktail bar and coffee shop with outdoor seating, reasonably priced drinks and rhythmic funk and soul music.

SEE MAP C4

Henrys

This dog friendly bar is a popular venue in the historic Joy's Entry. Call in midweek for hearty traditional food or come for live sports, whiskey tasting and music at the weekend.



The Jailhouse

Located in a building dating back over 100 years, with great pub food, local drinks and live music. Dogs are welcome and there's heated outdoor seating in the quaint surroundings of Joy's Entry. SEE MAP (03)

Lamppost Café

A Narnia-themed coffee shop in EastSide. Bring your pooch and enjoy breakfast, lunch or sweet treats in this quaint venue, then head to the nearby CS Lewis Square for walkies.



HOTELS

There's no need for your pooch to stay home alone. Belfast has a range of pet friendly accommodation providers designed to suit all tastes and budgets.

Bullitt Hotel

Dog Dens come with a comfy dog bed and treats for your pooch, as well a king sized bed for owners. Make sure to read the pooch policy before booking. Bullitt's downstairs café and bar is dog friendly, too.

SEE MAP (03)

Malmaison Hotel

Mal love all their guests including canine ones, and well behaved dogs over 1 year old are welcome to share their owner's room for a charge of £10 per night. The hotel must be notified during the booking process.

Hilton Belfast

Located beside the Waterfront Hall, Hilton Belfast offers pet friendly rooms which are suitable for small dogs. Check hilton.com for charges and terms.

SEE MAP (E4)

Travelodge Hotel

Dogs allowed in dedicated bedrooms and lobby for food and drinks service. £20 charge per dog for the duration of stay, which should be added as an extra when you book on travelodge.ie

SEE MAP C4

Dream Apartments

Choose from a selection of self-catering or serviced apartments with a number of pet friendly options in great locations across the city. See dreamapartments.co.uk for details.

SEE MAP (D3)

ETAP Belfast

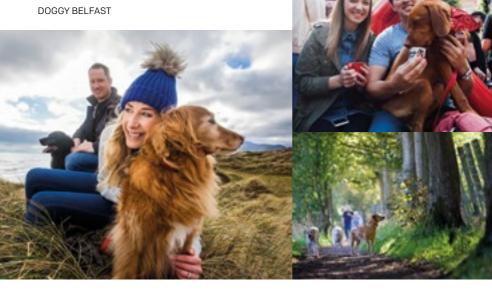
Furry friends are welcome at ETAP as well as their owners, so bring them along for the adventure! £5 charge per pet per night. See all.accor.com

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Salty Dog

This pet friendly accommodation, located just a half hour drive outside Belfast, allows two large/medium dogs or three small dogs per room. Fourlegged guests are treated to complimentary treats and a doggy toothbrush. See saltydogbangor.com/dog-accommodation





OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

From chasing sticks to meeting locals, your dog will love exploring Belfast's parks, gardens and trails. Just remember to keep them on a lead, and pick up dog waste and put it in the bin.

Botanic Gardens

Dogs are welcome at the Botanic Gardens, but must be kept on a lead. There are loads of gorgeous flowers and plants to enjoy here, and it's a fabulous destination for a day out with your best furry friend. Inside the Victorian Palm House you can even find birds of paradise along with tropical plants.

Divis and Black Mountain

A striking visual boundary of the city, the Belfast Hills provide a tranquil contrast to the hustle and bustle of urban life below. Just minutes from the city centre, the 4.2 mile Ridge Trail offers fantastic views over the famous landmarks of Belfast. Dogs must be kept under control.

Stormont Estate

A public park with beautiful gardens, walking and fitness trails and a children's play park. Dog owners can access the enclosed 'Bullfield' where dogs can be let off the leash while owners relax at the seated picnic tables.

Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park

Sir Thomas and Lady Dixon Park in south Belfast is one of the city's most popular parks. With more than 128 acres of rolling meadows, woodland and gardens it contains a number of walks and trails popular with dogs and owners alike.

Cave Hill Country Park

Cave Hill offers incredible views across Belfast from vantage points on the hillside. Access the park from Belfast Castle or Belfast Zoo car parks, then take a hike to the top. Dogs should be kept on a lead but they'll love exploring the wide open space.

TRAVELS & TOURS

Translink

Small dogs can travel on Translink buses and trains after 9.30am and at the driver's discretion. Check website for full conditions of travel.

translink.co.uk

Titanic Boat Tour

Dogs are also welcome on the Titanic Boat Tour. Meet Ruby, the ship's dog, who now has her own fan base of visitors from around the world! Enjoy a stroll on the grass park beside the pontoon at Donegall Quay before getting on board. Fresh water and bowls are provided.

SEE MAP (D3)



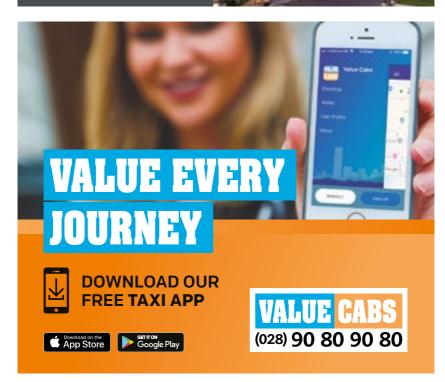


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VALENTINE'S
BREAK OR A
DATE NIGHT IDEA,
HERE'S OUR TOP
TIPS TO ENJOY A
SPECIAL EVENING
IN BELFAST WITH
YOUR OTHER HALF.



The Merchant Hotel

This luxurious hotel is a harmonious blend of Victorian grandeur and Art Deco inspired sleek modernity with elegant rooms, stunning spa, rooftop hot tub, fabulous jazz bar and gastronomic delights – perfect for a romantic getaway.

The Observatory

With stunning cityscape as far as the eye can see; this place takes tea time to a new elevated level. Spoil that special someone with an array of the finest teas, crafted coffees and deliciously designed and handcrafted nibbles. Add a touch of class with a glass of fine champagne or a champagne cocktail.

grandcentralhotelbelfast. com/observatory

Café Parisien

Be transported to Paris for an evening of traditional French cuisine in elegant surroundings. Soak up the relaxed ambience in the restaurant or embrace the intimacy of a secluded booth. The iconic terrace offers magical views and there's a Date Night menu with wine every Thursday. cafeparisienbelfast.com

Titanic Afternoon Tea

Ignite your romance like star-crossed lovers Jack and Rose with Sunday afternoon tea set in the replica surroundings of the Titanic ship, which was made famous in the Oscar-winning film. Enjoy tea at the foot of the Grand Staircase which featured heavily in the film as the ultimate meeting place. titanicbelfast.com



Get cosy in an Igloo

The riverside igloos at Cutters Wharf are cosily adorned with sheepskin rugs, tartan blankets and twinkling lights - the ideal night out with that special someone or can be shared with up to 8 friends. Book a food and drinks package or cuddle up for a movie night served with warm popcorn and hot chocolate.

cutterswharf.co.uk/ winter-igloos

Victoria Square's Dome

Take the lift to the top of this stunning shopping destination to enjoy spectacular 360° views over Belfast from the glass topped dome.

victoriasquare.com

OX Cave

The perfect place for wine lovers, choose from a vast menu of high quality, yet reasonably priced wine in a relaxed setting. Wine can be paired with Irish charcuterie and cheese boards.

oxbelfast.com

Snuggle up in The Crown

Dating back to the 1880s, The Crown is a gem of the Victorian era and was one of the mightiest Victorian Gin Palaces in the city. It still boasts many of its original features, including gas lighting and you can book one of the ornate private snugs for a cosy and romantic lunch date.

nicholsonspubs.co.uk

Cavehill Country Park

Pack a picnic and take a romantic walk up Cavehill to discover breathtakingly beautiful views of Belfast and beyond. Stop at Belfast Castle afterwards for a relaxing meal or afternoon

belfasthills.org

Cook up a Storm

If the way to someone's heart is through their stomach, why not develop your culinary skills with a cookery class at James Street, from sushi to bread making, a fun and delicious day out awaits you both.

COOKIIIDellast.Co.ui

HISTORY & HERITAGE

Over four hundred years have passed since the first settlers made Belfast their home: public buildings, museums and visitor centres will let you discover the city's rich history and heritage.







Clifton House (a) was established as Belfast's Poor House in 1774, where thousands of people sought sanctuary within its walls right up until 1882. The Belfast Charitable Society and its home in Clifton House, has survived rebellions and revolutions, while looking after the welfare of the people of the city. Public tours operate every Friday at 3pm. cliftonbelfast.com

The James Connolly Visitor Centre (Áras Uí Chonghaile) tells the story of Connolly, exploring his role as a pioneer of the early trade union movement, and his travels throughout Britain and America. Learn of his key role in the Easter Rising, his subsequent court-martial, death sentence and execution.

The Linenhall Library @ located opposite Belfast City Hall, is the city's oldest library (1788) and houses one of the most renowned collections of Irish material in the world. Browse the collections, visit the gift shop or relax in the coffee shop.

St Anne's Cathedral (3) is Romanesque in style with exquisite mosaics, carvings and stained glass. You can take an audio tour of this stunning building to learn its history and learn about the people who helped shape this sacred place.

The Museum of Orange Heritage focuses on the history and traditions of the Orange Institution, beginning with the Glorious Revolution, and travels right through until the present day. There's also a strong focus on Orangeism

around the world with a fascinating collection of artefacts.

orangeheritage.co.uk

Based in a former
Presbyterian church,
Cultúrlann McAdam
Ó Fiaich is an arts and
cultural centre with a
strong focus on Irish
language and culture. The
interactive space on the 1st
floor, provides an insight
into the development of
Irish language and culture
in Belfast and on how Irish
has influenced English.
culturlann.ie

Visit the **Discover Ulster Scots Centre** on Gordon
Street where you can
discover thousands of
years of history, from the
formation of the Giant's
Causeway (which links
County Antrim with the
Western Isles of Scotland)
right up to the present day. **discoverulster scots.com**



hmscaroline.co.uk







Experience this magnificent place of worship at the heart of Belfast's thriving Cathedral Quarter. Learn the history and the stories of the Cathedral, known locally as St Anne's, by taking a tour with one of our tour guides, or enjoy a self guided tour using our new multi-lingual audio guide - available in the following:



















New! - Children can now also experience the history of the building through the 'InSpire' Kid's Trail

Contact details:

Belfast Cathedral (St Anne's) Donegall Street Belfast BT1 2HB

T: 028 9032 8332 www.belfastcathedral.org



FOR A GREAT DAY
OUT THAT IS BOTH
EDUCATIONAL AND FUN,
VISIT A MUSEUM OR
GALLERY. FROM LOCAL
HISTORY TO MODERN
ART AND DINOSAURS
TO SPACE ROCKETS,
THERE'S SOMETHING
FOR EVERYBODY.

Ulster Museum

Botanic Gardens

A treasure house of the past and the present, the Ulster Museum is home to a rich collection of art, history and natural sciences. Discover the story of the people of the north of Ireland from earliest times to the present day. Impressive galleries and interactive discovery zones bring history, science and art collections to life. ®

The MAC

St Anne's Square

With free admission to its three outstanding galleries, seven days a week, The MAC showcases the very best of local and international talent, from a wide range of exciting exhibitions to newly commissioned works and monumental sculptures. (\$\frac{1}{2}\)

Belfast Exposed Photography Gallery

Donegall Street

Born from engagement with the community, Belfast Exposed houses contemporary photography galleries, a bookshop, and a Troubles image archive. **(%)** belfastexposed.org

Golden Thread Gallery

Great Patrick Street

On the fringes of the Cathedral Quarter stands this red brick building whose ground floor houses one of Belfast's coolest art galleries. The stark concrete interior lends itself perfectly to changing exhibitions of paintings, photography and installations. (a) goldenthreadgallery.co.uk

Craft NI Gallery

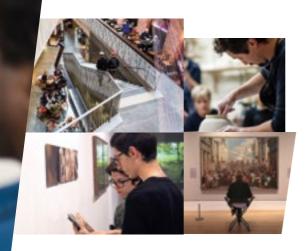
115-119 Royal Avenue

A lovely combination of shop and gallery, showcasing a range of ceramics, jewellery, sculptures, design items, fabrics, cards and art by local makers. The crafts exhibited change constantly and also showcase work by young, emerging artists. (2) craftni.org

War Memorial Gallery Talbot Street

A must see attraction for visitors with an interest in the Home Front and US Forces in Northern Ireland during the Second World War. The exhibition recalls the contribution of the Home Front, the Belfast blitz of 1941 and the presence of US forces from 1942 to 1944.

niwarmemorial.org



Ulster Folk Museum

Bangor Road, Holywood

Step back in time and experience what life was like in Ulster over 100 years ago. Wander through the beautiful parkland where you will encounter costumed locals demonstrating traditional crafts in cottages, farm dwellings, schools and shops.

Ulster Transport Museum Bangor Road, Holywood

Explore one of the most comprehensive transport collections in Europe. You'll find majestic locomotives, horse-drawn carriages, vintage motorbikes, and cars at the Ulster Transport Museum, along with exhibits of historical materials including photographs of the Titanic

nmni.com/utm

artisann.org

ArtisAnn Gallery 70 Bloomfield Avenue

Based over two floors, the gallery features an array of artworks by both emerging and established artists, from painters and sculptors to photographers and collagemakers. The exhibition space hosts a new show each month with all showcased work for sale. (S)

Gerard Dillon Gallery

Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich, 216 Falls Road

The gallery is dedicated to Gerard Dillon RHA RUA 1916-1971, an artist from the Falls Road area of Belfast who earned worldwide fame. The gallery focuses on work from professional artists and generally hosts eight exhibitions per year. (3)

The Naughton Gallery Lanyon Building, Queen's University

One of Belfast's most vibrant and exciting art galleries, featuring a rolling programme of works from Queen's own collection, touring exhibitions and shows by local and international artists. ® naughtongallery.org

Atypical Gallery

109-113 Royal Avenue

Atypical Gallery is the only permanent exhibition space on the island of Ireland dedicated specifically to highlighting the work of disabled and deaf artists. It provides a welcoming, accessible environment for both emerging and established artists practising across the visual arts spectrum. (a)

DAY TRIPS

Irish Linen Centre

Market Square, Lisburn
Explore Ireland's industrial
heritage in the museum's
award-winning exhibition.
Trace the history of linen
production in Ulster, from the
earliest times to the present
day, and see live spinning and
weaving demonstrations. ®
lisburnmuseum.com

North Down Museum

Town Hall, Bangor
Telling the story of the area from the Bronze Age to the present day. Key artefacts on display include the Bronze Age Ballycroghan Swords, the Bangor Bell from the Bangor Abbey settlement, and the Raven Maps, the only complete folio of Plantation era maps in Ireland.

northdownmuseum.com

Ulster American Folk Park Castletown, Omagh

Examine life in Ulster in the 18th and 19th centuries and learn how the settlers endured the arduous Atlantic crossing before adapting to the new and unfamiliar environment of America. Wander through the outdoor museum which brings both the Old and New Worlds to life.

Down County Museum

The Mall, Downpatrick
Located in the restored
eighteenth century County
Gaol of Down, the museum
collects, conserves and
interprets those objects which
best illustrate the history,
culture and environment
of County Down.

downcountymuseum.com

Seamus Heaney HomePlace Bellaghy

Standing at the heart of the place and people which so inspired him, HomePlace is an arts and literary centre that includes a stunning exhibition dedicated to the life and work of one of Ireland's greatest writers. seamusheaneyhome.com

MARITIME

SINCLAIR

SEAMEN'S CHURCH
Built by Charles Lanyon in 1857-58 to meet the spiritual needs of visiting sailors, this part church, part maritime museum has a pulpit shaped like a ship's prow, a brass ship's wheel and binnacle (used as a baptismal font) salvaged from a WWI wreck and the ship's bell from HMS Hood.

BELFAST HARBOUR COMMISSIONE

This stunning building dates back to 1847, and vou can visit an exhibition in the Heritage Room which celebrates 400 years of Belfast's maritime history. detailing Belfast's emergence as a major port and the city's subsequent growth and development as an industrial hub.

CLARENDON DOCK & CITY QUAYS

The dry docks where Belfast's shipbuilding industry was born date back to 1800-1826. Both docks were used to work on ships' hulls and the workshop was designed for working on the rigging of sailing ships. The area has now been transformed into the City Quavs development, home to a mix of commercial offices, shops, cafes, restaurants as well as the AC Hotel by Marriott Belfast.

THE BIG FISH

The beautiful blue scales on the Salmon of Knowledge (affectionately known as The Big Fish) are made up of ceramic tiles depicting scenes from the city's history. Legend has it that if you kiss the fish you'll gain all of its wisdom!

LAGAN WEIR

A wide, modern foot and cycle bridge connecting the city centre with Titanic Quarter. Beautifully illuminated in the evening, take a seat and eniov the views of the city from the River Lagan.

GLASS OF THRONES

You'll find 3 of the 6 Game of Thrones stained glass windows in Titanic Quarter. located at the Odyssey Point, SS Nomadic and on the Titanic Slipways, Created for the final season of the show, each one represents a different house or legacy.

THE BELFAST BUOYS

The three buoys are estimated to be around 80 years old, and would have been used by mariners to find a safe channel to and from port. Recently restored to their original colours, they have been installed as a permanent display at Abercorn Basin.

SS NOMADIC

The last remaining White Star Line vessel, SS Nomadic, has been restored to her original glory and is back home in the historic Hamilton Dock. near Titanic Belfast, Come on board and experience over 100 years of authentic maritime and social history. The Maritime Mile begins on the city side of the river, linking Belfast's historic Sailortown across to Titanic Quarter. Take a stroll to explore this historic area and discover the rich history and tradition of the city's shipbuilding heritage.

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One of the world's leading visitor attractions is housed in an iconic six-floor building. With nine interpretive and interactive galleries that explore the sights, sounds, smells and stories of Titanic, as well as the city and people which made her, Titanic Belfast is an unmissable experience.

TITANIC & OLYMPIC SLIPWAYS

Behind Titanic Belfast you'll find the historic slipways where these famous ships were built and launched over a hundred years ago. Containing many original features, a Memorial Garden illustrates the proportion of Titanic's victims and survivors from each of the passenger classes and crew. The outline of the sister ships illuminate at night and are the perfect space to reflect.

TITANIC HOTEL BELFAST

The original red brick building is a truly authentic part of Titanic's story. Harland and Wolff had two main drawing offices within the building, where naval architects, marine engineers and draftsmen were responsible for the design of the ships. This historic building has been transformed into the Titanic Hotel, preserving its place in Belfast's maritime heritage.

THE GREAT LIGHT

This former lighthouse optic is a unique heritage object with significance to Belfast's economic industrial maritime past. Originally serving both Mew and Tory Island lighthouses, the optic is the largest of its kind ever constructed and dates back to 1887. It is lit all year round and has amazing views over Belfast Harbour and Lough.

HMS CAROLINE

Visitors can explore, through a mixture of historic restoration, state-of-the-art special effects and handson interactive exhibits, the importance of the Battle of Jutland and discover what life was like at sea for the crew who served on board.

TITANIC DOCK & PUMP-HOUSE

Discover the story behind Belfast's maritime magic by taking a tour at the site of the Thompson Dry-Dock and Pump-House. See the ship's physical footprint in history, descend 44 feet to the bottom of the dock where Titanic last sat on dry ground and learn about Belfast's shipbuilding legacy in the visitor centre.

Shopping in Belfast is a dream come true for fashionistas, savvy shoppers and foodies alike, with a huge variety of high street favourites, independent retailers, speciality emporiums, exclusive boutiques and traditional markets.

RETAIL THERAPY



Victoria Square

Victoria Square is Belfast's premiere shopping destination featuring over 70 international and local brand stores including House of Fraser, Apple, Topshop, Ted Baker, Hollister and Cruise The centre is also home to a variety of cafés and restaurants as well as the Odeon cinema, and with panoramic views that stretch for miles across the city, the iconic Dome is a must visit when in Belfast.

SEE MAP (D4)

Castle Court

This one-stop shopping spot on Royal Avenue is home to a whole host of your favourite fashion stores including: Debenhams, Jack & Jones, New Look, Miss Selfridge. Dorothy Perkins and Burtons as well as popular plus size stores Evans and Yours Clothing, It's a fashion fix for the whole family and with 15 great food places to choose from and on-site parking, there's never been a better time to visit.

SEE MAP ©3

Donegall Place

In the heart of the City Centre you will find the main shopping district. lined by eight huge masts which represent famous ships that were engineered and built in Belfast. You will find everything from big brand chain stores and bijou boutiques to gourmet coffee shops and delectable local delis Don't miss the historic and charming Queen's Arcade, containing many of the city's more opulent stores.

SEE MAP (D4)

Hidden Gems

From cool boutique to so unique, Belfast has some hidden gems on our side streets that are very worth exploring. Happy hunting!



Avoca Located right in the heart of the city on Arthur Street, with an eclectic product range of clothing, homeware and gifts, plus an extensive food hall, jammed with tempting goodies.



Robinson's Shoemakers

Established in 1954, this is one of NI's only remaining shoemakers and a leading retailer of luxury footwear for men and women, based in the prestigious Queen's Arcade.



Unique Art & Design

Browse this student led art and design shop located at Ulster University in Cathedral Quarter, where you can purchase bespoke pieces from an array of art and design.



St George's Lisburn Market Road

Get down to St George's Market and experience the wonderful atmosphere. live music, street food from around the world, and an amazing selection of traders and stalls offering some of the finest local produce, arts and crafts. The Friday Variety Market is open 6am-3pm, the Saturday City Food & Garden Market is open 9am-3pm and the Sunday Market is open 10am-4pm. SEE MAP (D4)

This walkable Queen's Quarter stretch has a sprinkling of designer boutiques, art galleries, home accessories and to-die-for shoes, jewels and lingerie. Bespoke baby gifts, melt-in-the-mouth chocolates and relaxing day spas are all there for the asking. With an assortment of cafés, bars and restaurants you can easily make a day of it.

Outlet Shopping

The Boulevard in

Banbridge offers all your favourite brands at jawdropping prices in a relaxed and stylish setting. Make a day of it with a selection of eateries, an 8-screen cinema and the Ninja Boxx assault course. **The**

Junction Retail & Leisure

Park in Antrim is a bargain hunters dream come true with over 30 retailers, a wide range of places to eat and drink, activities for the kids and a 10-screen cinema.



LEARN & EXPLORE

Aunt Sandra's Candy Factory

Travel back in time and learn how toffee and sweets were made from 100 year old recipes. Make your own candy floss and shop for yummy treats including yellow man, raspberry ruffles and macaroons. auntsandras.com

Gruffalo Trail at Colin Glen Forest

Take a stroll through the deep dark woods and join the very clever mouse. Along the way you'll meet the silly old fox, owl and snake and an eight foot tall Gruffalo. colinglen.org

Ulster Museum

Surrounded by the beautiful Botanic Gardens, the Ulster Museum's impressive galleries and interactive discovery zones bring history, science and art collections to life for visitors of all ages.

nmni.com/um

Ulster Folk Museum

Uncover a way of life from 100 years ago and discover cottages, farms, schools and shops as you wander through the beautiful parkland Folk Museum. nmni.com/ufm

Ulster Transport Museum

Climb aboard steam locomotives, horse drawn carriages, electric trams, fire-engines and vintage cars or experience the sensation of flight in the Transport Museum.

CS Lewis Square

Return to Narnia with a walk through CS Lewis Square. Your little book worms will discover seven bronze sculptures of much loved characters including Aslan, Mr Tumnus, The White Witch and more. Free trail maps can be found in EastSide Visitor Centre.

visiteastside.com

W5

Discover a world of science where visitors of all ages are free to let their imagination turn, twist and fly through more than 250 hands-on exhibits. Look out for special exhibitions and events and try the 3D climbing sculpture, Climbit. w5online.co.uk

ANIMAL KINGDOM

Belfast's Window on Wildlife

Get up close to birds and wildlife from all over the world from the comfort of the visitor centre. Trained staff are on hand to help you identify over 100 species to be found throughout the year. rspb.co.uk/belfastlough





The Ark Open Farm

A great day out for all the family, with lots of educational and fun experiences including feeding and handling opportunities. A multitude of activities such as an extensive outdoor play area, kangaroo bouncer and quad trailer rides are sure to keep the kids entertained. thearkopenfarm.co.uk

Belfast Zoo

Home to more than 1.000 animals and 150 species. Belfast Zoo is a family favourite. Visit the California sea lions, the Sumatran tigers and watch the penguins play in their pool. belfastzoo.co.uk

Castle Espie

A quackers day out for all! Meet the ducks & geese, spot the colourful kingfishers or venture into the mossy glades through the Secret Swamp Walk.

wwt.org.uk/castleespie

Exploris Aquarium

Discover what really happens under the sea as you visit the home of sharks. jellyfish, otters and seals. Explore the dark depths of the Reptile filled rainforest where a snappy crocodile and green gecko hide. explorisni.com

ACTION PACKED

We Are Vertigo

Get vour adrenaline pumping at the indoor Ski and Adventure Park, offering fun for all the family. Inflata Park action course and Ninia Warrior assault course are now available at the Titanic Quarter location.

wearevertigo.com

Clip 'n Climb

An action-packed activity centre with individually themed climbing challenges that provide healthy, competitive fun for all ages! Do you have the determination to take the leap of faith? clipnclimbdundonald.co.uk

The Lost City Adventure Golf

Choose from two 18-hole rainforest themed Indoor courses. Make your way around the course, amidst simulated thunder and lightning storms and challenge your skills against rainforest animals and moving walls. If you get a hole in one on the 18th hole, much Inca Gold will come your way. lostcityadventuregolf.com

High Rise

An exciting new indoor adventure centre in Lisburn designed to meet the needs of all families with Clip 'n Climb, baby, toddler and under 8 soft play area, sensory and quiet rooms, changing facilities and a café.

highriseni.org

Bridges Urban Sports Park

The perfect place for skateboarding, in-line skating, Parkour and BMXing. If you've a need for speed enjoy a capsule bowl and street complex complete with handrails, hips, quarter pipes. grind boxes and hubbas. belfastcitv.gov.uk

Dundonald International Ice Bowl

Skate around this Olympic size ice rink, become king of the lanes in the Xtreme Tenpin Bowling Centre or go wild in the Indiana Land play kingdom. theicebowl.com

For more family fun ideas, see visitbelfast.com



Explore the sights, sounds and stories of RMS Titanic at this world leading visitor attraction, in the city where it all began, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

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Belfast Box Office

Belfast's entertainment scene attracts a combination of big-name stars while continuing to develop top home-grown talent. So, whether it's rising stars or established artists you're after, you'll find Belfast's entertainment scene in good shape!



The Lyric Theatre is the only full-time producing theatre in NI and has won a series of awards for its architecture. Choose from a superb programme taking place in their two performance spaces from dramas to talks and music to comedy. Highlights include Cole Porter's iconic musical comedy. 'Kiss me Kate' (1-22 Feb), Derry Girls star Tara-Lynne O'Neill returns in a revival of the vibrant comedy, 'Shirley Valentine' (27 Feb-15 Mar). 'In the Name of the Son' (17 - 29 Mar) is an exciting new play chronicling the extraordinary life of The Guildford 4's Gerry Conlon. 'Keep Telling Me Lies' tells the journey of two Belfast women, set against the backdrop of the crumbling Floral Hall, a monument to the history of life, love, loss and the music of the Showband era and don't miss a chilling adaptation of George Orwell's classic tale '1984', which will leave audiences gripping their seats in fear Full programme online at:

lyrictheatre.co.uk

The Belfast Waterfront offers a packed programme of live entertainment throughout the year! Comedy highlights include 'Foil, Arms & Hog' (2 Feb) and 'Ed Byrne' (5 Mar) and there's live music from 'Clannad' (29 Feb), 'Andy Irvine & Paul Brady' (19 Mar) and 'Elbow' (29 Mar), You can enjoy an evening with Speaker of the House John Bercow' (28 Feb), or the legendary 'Sir Michael Parkinson' (18 Apr) and Strictly Come Dancing favourite 'Giovanni Pernice' will light up the stage along with his cast of professional dancers (8 Mar), Make sure to enjoy a spectacular evening filled with some of the greatest music from the West End & Broadway with the Ulster Orchestra performing 'Mad About Musicals' (7 Mar) or mark the release of the new 007 adventure with the 'Music of James Bond' (4 Apr), and Peppa Pig fans will be delighted to be part of 'Peppa Pig's Best Day Ever' (21-22 Mar).

Full programme online at: waterfront.co.uk

The Victorian **Ulster Hall** dates back to 1862 and is home to the Ulster Orchestra. who perform regularly with both evening and lunchtime concerts. You can also check out live music performances from 'Mabel' (30 Jan), 'Beth Hart' (2 Feb), 'Derek Ryan' (8 Feb) 'Supergrass' (17 Feb), 'The Dead South' (19 Feb). 'Eddi Reader' (21 Feb) and 'Leo Sayer' (15 Mar). If you're up for a laugh check out 'Neil Delamere' (6 Mar & 3 Apr), 'Colin Murphy' (20 Feb & 19 Mar), 'Rhod Gilbert' (11 Mar), 'David Meade' (14 Mar & 24 Apr), 'Kevin Bloody Wilson' (26 Mar) 'Roy Chubby Brown' (29 Mar), 'Brendan Schaub' (16 Apr) or 'Milton Jones' (26 Apr). 'MTK Fight Night' is back (1 Feb) with a night of action including the city's very own undefeated superlightweight Sean McComb taking on Argentinian Mauro Maximiliano Godov and the 'Give My Head Peace' gang return with a brand new show poking fun at all the things that make our 'wee' country great! (1-8 Mar) Full programme online at: ulsterhall.co.uk



The SSE Arena, Belfast

is the home of the Belfast Giants ice hockey team as well as hosting a top line-up of concerts, shows and sporting events. This season kicks off with the alitzy 'Strictly Come Dancing' live tour (29-30 Jan) followed by the 25th anniversary show of the sensational 'Riverdance' (19-23 Feb). Top performers in town include: 'The Script' (3 Mar), 'David Gray' (31 Mar), 'Snoop Dogg' (10 Apr) and 'Andre Rieu' (16 Apr). Dance the night away with the 'Magic of Motown' (19 Mar), enjoy a night of top comedy with Hollywood legends 'Steve Martin & Martin Short' (12 Mar) or 'Paddy Raff' (7 Mar & 25 Apr) and experience Cirque du Soleil's stunnina new production 'Crystal' which blends circus arts and the world of ice skating. Full programme online at:

searenabelfast.com

For more entertainment ideas, visitbelfast.com

The MAC brings music, theatre, dance and visual art under one roof. Check out a packed programme this season with a feast of comedy including 'Ed Gamble' (29 Mar), 'Gearóid Farrelly' (2 Apr) and 'Chris Kent' (17 Apr), superb theatre with 'Under the Hawthorn Tree' (30 Jan-9 Feb) 'Keep Er Lit' (13 Mar), 'Body Politics' (19-28 Mar) and 'Above All Flse' (27-28 Mar). There's music from 'Christine Bovill' (15 Mar), dance with 'Maiden Voyage Double Bill (7-8 Feb) and 'Wasteland' (3-4 Apr) as well as a variety of fascinating family friendly events and workshops as part of the 'NI Science Festival' (13 - 23 Feb). Full programme online at:

themaclive.com

WORTH FINDING

The Black Box located in the bustling Cathedral Quarter is a home for live music, theatre, literature, comedy, film, visual art, science, circus, cabaret and all points in between! Check out The Green Room Sessions and the Comedy Lab events. blackboxbelfast.com

The Crescent Arts Centre

in Queen's Quarter provides classes and workshops in music, dance, spoken and written word for all ages and abilities, as well as live music performances, theatre, poetry open mic nights and other events.

crescentarts.org

The Duncairn Centre for Culture and Arts is a cool arts and cultural venue, located on the Antrim Road in the north of the city. It offers an intimate and authentic Belfast experience – from art exhibitions and workshops to concerts and live performances.

Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich

in the Gaeltacht Quarter is an Irish language arts and cultural centre where you can experience traditional music, poetry readings, céilís, workshops and a children's arts programme. culturlann.ie

The stunning **Grand Opera House is** currently closed for restoration, but its red stage curtain will rise once again ahead of the theatres 125th birthday in December 2020. **goh.co.uk**





INDOOR ADVENTURES

Adventure comes in many forms and doesn't have to take place in the great outdoors! Belfast has a whole host of incredible indoor sports, activities and challenges suited to everyone, so enjoy one of our many thrilling indoor experiences... and have yourself some fun!

Prison Island Belfast

Gather your friends, form a team and attempt to solve exciting challenges in our themed Prison Cells. We have 25 Cells that require a combination of intellectual, technical & physical skills. It's not an escape room, you are free to leave a cell at any time. Do you have what it takes? Suitable for ages 9 to 99.

prisonislandbelfast.com

Escape Rooms Belfast

Escape games are an activity that has spread all over the world. The premise is simple: you have 60 minutes to complete a mission to escape a locked room. Located in the heart of the city centre with three different escape rooms and games on offer, where up to 18 people can play at the same time.

escaperoomsbelfast.com

GoT To Escape

Home to three duplicate Game of Thrones inspired escape rooms and a brand new escape room, 'The Assessment'. The state-of-the-art 60-minute games, suitable for small or large teams, offers intelligent indoor entertainment for those who find the ordinary can never be enough!

Dundonald International Ice Bowl

Located in East Belfast, with a host of fantastic activities all under one roof, you can choose to ice skate at the public Olympic size ice rink, become king of the lanes in the Xtreme Tenpin Bowling Centre or let the kids go wild for the adventure and excitement of the Indiana Land play kingdom.





Ireland's only Indoor
Skydiving Centre, Inflatable
Park and Ninja Master
Course is located in the
heart of Belfast's Titanic
Quarter. Choose one of the
three activities or enjoy an
ultimate adrenaline package
for a day out that packs
a real punch for the thrill
chasers out there!
wearevertigo.com

Toptracer Driving Range

Ireland's first Toptracer
Driving Range is located at
Colin Glen in West Belfast.
Experience the same balltracking technology that the
pros use to detect your shots,
which is revolutionising the
trip to the range thanks to
its amazing features, with
modes and games suited
for all ages and skill levels.
colinglen.org/toptracerdriving-range

Eddie Irvine Sports

Owned by local Formula One racing legend Eddie Irvine, this top indoor karting and sports facility offers one of NI's largest indoor purpose built karting tracks. The centre also offers Thunder Park (14.000 sq ft action sports skatepark), VR Race Experience, Golf Simulator, F1 Screen Simulation, Laser Combat, Paintball, Bubble Football, Padel Tennis, indoor 3G football pitches, Snooker, Pool and Footpool. eddieirvinesports.com

Odyssey Bowl

Located at the Odyssey Pavilion in Titanic Quarter, the game's on at this state-of-the-art 20-lane ten pin bowling alley with pool tables, an arcade, glo-bowling and a licensed bar serving hot food to your lane. odysseybowl.co.uk

The Lost City Adventure Golf

Make your way around the 18-hole jungle themed courses through (simulated) thunder and lightning storms and challenge your skills against rainforest animals and moving walls. Fantastic fun for all adventurers aged from 3 to 103, whatever the weather!



TRAILS & TALES

Taste & Tour

Belfast is quickly acquiring a reputation as one of the foodie capitals of Europe, and a Belfast Food Tour is a great way to get acquainted with the city. This four-hour guided walk around the city centre begins in the bustling St George's Market and ends in a Cathedral Quarter restaurant. 'Belfast Bites' and '5 stop Brunch' food tours also available.

tasteandtour.co.uk

Belfast Bred

Join Chef Barney on the only theatrical food tour in town! Discover, and taste, the food Belfast was built on during this fun filled one of a kind experience! Tours run throughout the year on the last Saturday of every month.

visitbelfast.com/tours

The Titanic Food Tour

Experience the birthplace of a legend whilst enjoying the tastes of Belfast's maritime quarter. You'll be treated to appetisers and 3 courses at 4 unique venues as you journey through the heritage

locations behind Titanic's conception, construction and completion.

titanicfoodtour.com

Tracey's Farmhouse Kitchen

Learn how to make local Irish breads in a traditional thatched cottage on the shores of Strangford Lough, just 30 minutes outside Belfast. Take home a bag of your own homemade breads and a copy of all of the recipes of everything that you will taste and enjoy.

traceysfarmhouse kitchen.com



TIPPLE TOURS

Taste & Tour

Take a Gin Jaunt around Belfast or a Whiskey Walk with an Irish Whiskey Ambassador. The Crafty Beer & Street Eats tour will take you to some fantastic craft beer bars or enjoy a cocktail hour that lasts for three on the 'City Cocktail Circuit'!

tasteandtour.co.uk

Belfast Gin & Spirit School

Immerse yourself in unique experiential learning at one of the spirit school events, including Gin; Whiskey; Rum and Calvados as well as master distilling classes, afternoon teas and bespoke cocktails. facebook.com/Belfast

facebook.com/Belfast GinAndSpiritsSchool

COOK UP A STORM

James Street South Cookery School

From effortless entertaining, to knife skills, bread making to becoming a BBQ king or even sushi and cocktails, the aim is that you enjoy yourself, learn some new skills and leave filled with confidence in the kitchen.

cookinbelfast.co.uk

MEET THE MAKER

Hilden Brewery

Discover the magic of brewing, learn about this ancient craft from the Master Brewer and learn about the process which converts malt and hops into one of the finest beverages known to man, traditionally brewed beer.

taproomhilden.com/brewery

Copeland Distillery

Learn about the history of The Copeland Islands and Donaghadee's first distillery. Enjoy a neat gin tasting and sensory botanical experience and learn about the unique process of their spirit making. copelanddistillery.com/tours

Echlinville Distillery Believed to be Ireland's

only field-to-glass distillery, this family-run distillery on the Ards Peninsula, love to share their devotion to quality spirits with visitors from around the world, through tours, tastings and special 'stay and distil' experiences.

Rademon Estate Distillery

Enjoy an exclusive prebooked tour and tasting experience to unlock some of the secrets and skills that go into creating the local award winning Shortcross Gin. After the tour enjoy a guided gin tasting and browse in the Distillery Shop. events@shortcrossgin.com

Old Bushmills

Come and watch whiskey making take place in Ireland's oldest working whiskey distillery and enjoy a wee taster too. Take a guided tour of Ireland's only "grain to glass" distillery and discover some of the trade secrets learned over 400 years of distilling.

bushmills.com

BUDGET BELFAST

There are loads of fun, fascinating and free things to do around Belfast. so if you're still on a post-Christmas budget, here are some tips for a day out that doesn't cost a bundle...







Belfast City Hall & Titanic Memorial Garden

Free tours are available of Belfast's most iconic building (1906). Outside, the Titanic Memorial Garden contains plagues listing the names of the 1,512 people who perished on RMS Titanic.

Ulster Museum & **Botanic Gardens**

Enjoy the impressive galleries and interactive discovery zones that bring history, science and art collections to life. Plus visit Botanic Garden's stunning Palm House and refurbished Tropical Ravine.

Cave Hill

Offering spectacular views over the city, a trek up to the top of Cave Hill is well worth the effort. At the base you can explore the gardens of the stunning Belfast Castle, one of the city's most beautiful buildings.

The MAC

Open 7 days a week, the MAC includes three outstanding free admission art galleries within its impressive six-storey building, offering a wide-range of exciting exhibitions, newly commissioned works and monumental sculptures.

St George's Market @1

Oozing Victorian charm, the Friday, Saturday and Sunday markets offer some of the finest fresh produce, local arts and crafts. Make a stop for brunch and soak up the atmosphere with some great live music.

CS Lewis Square

Rediscover The Chronicles of Narnia with a walk through CS Lewis Square. Featuring seven bronze sculptures from 'The Lion The Witch and The Wardrobe', it is a stunning display of public art.

Linenhall Library

The city's oldest library (1788) houses one of the most renowned collections of Irish material in the world. Browse the collections, visit the aift shop or relax in the coffee shop.

The Dome at Victoria Square @2

Boasting 360° views across the city, don't miss taking the lift to the top of this stunning shopping destination. In house tour quide Gerry is on hand to point out local attractions and points of interest.

Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich

Discover a varied programme of Irish language and cultural events as well as a café/restaurant. bookshop, art gallery and visitor information.

Discover Ulster-**Scots Centre**

Discover more about the Ulster-Scots

heritage and how they emigrated around the world to become some of the more important world leaders and entrepreneurs in history.

Stormont Parliament Buildings @3

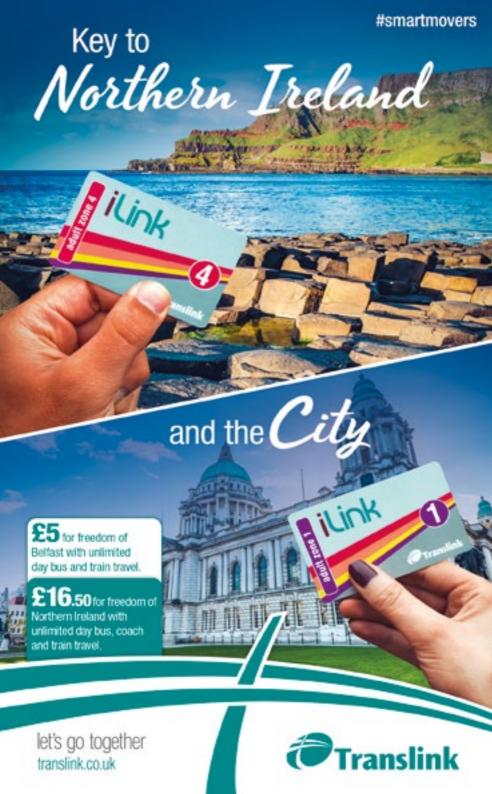
Home to the NI Assembly and one of the most striking pieces of architecture in Northern Ireland. Take a free tour, relax in the gift & coffee shop or enjoy a walk around the Stormont Estate.

Political Murals

You can learn more about the history of 'The Troubles' with a walk along two of the most prolific areas in Belfast, the Falls Road and the Shankill Road, to view these amazing works of art.

See visitbelfast.com

for more information on free things to see and do in the city.





Easter Duck Quest WWT Castle Espie 10-13 April

Get outdoors this Easter at WWT Castle Espie Wetland Centre with friends and family and have fun finding our giant yellow ducks hidden amongst their real life duck cousins.

wwt.org.uk/castle-espie

Belfast Zoo 10-14 April

Celebrate Easter with the animal characters at Belfast Zoo, Follow the Easter egg trail and visit your favourite animals at feeding time.

belfastzoo.co.uk

Easter Trails at HMS Caroline seasonal foods and see 10–19 April straditional crafts being

All aboard HMS Caroline for some Easter fun! Follow

the Easter bunny trails around the ship, and enjoy a range of family and craft activities on board.

hmscaroline.co.uk

Belfast City Centre Easter Egg Hunt 10-19 April (excl. 12 April)

Explore Belfast city centre with the kids and hunt down the coloured eggs hidden in local shops, cafes and restaurants. belfastone.co.uk/easter

Easter at the Ulster Folk Museum 11–13 April

Enjoy a range of traditional Easter activities, sample seasonal foods and see traditional crafts being made and take part in traditional street games. Visit the friendly animals in the Discovery Farm visitbelfast.com

Easter Eggspress 11 & 13 April

Hop aboard the Easter Eggspress on for a steam train adventure to Whitehead. Fun for all the family with Easter eggs for the children. Tickets available from the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre. Departs from Lanyon Place Station visitbelfast.com

Ulster American Folk Park 12–14 April

Stroll down Ulster Street this Easter to witness the sights, smells and sounds of a busy market day. Try your hand at traditional





crafts, meet the spring lambs and enjoy fun filled storytelling sessions. Taste seasonal treats, giggle at Punch & Judy, have a go at egg & spoon races or enjoy a spin on a traditional late 1800s horse drawn buggy.

The Biggest Indoor Easter Egg Hunt Belfast Cathedral 14 April, 11am-3pm

On Easter Tuesday families can explore the Cathedral in the search for those hidden eggs. In addition, the InSpire Kid's Trail will be available, as well as arts and crafts to stimulate young minds.

£3 entry per child belfastcathedral.org

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Easter at Mount Stewart 4-19 April, 11am-4pm

Scurry down to Mount Stewart for the Easter holidays and see if you can spot Ruby Red and her friends as they celebrate the return of spring.

Easter at Rowallane Garden 4–19 April, 10am-6pm

Get competitive and challenge your loved ones to some races on the front lawn. Try your hand at egg and spoon racing.

Easter at Castle Ward 6-19 April, 11am-4pm

Explore the Secret Shore Nature Trail and get creative with the spring themed activities. Why not make a day of it, visit the farmyard animals and relax by the shores of Strangford Lough.

Easter at The Argory 6-19 April, 11am-4pm

Hop over to The Argory this Easter and go wild in the play park, enjoy crafts and games in the courtyard and take part in our nature trail. We'll have traditional games on the front lawns for all the family to enjoy.



It's in the grandeur of our gardens...

The jewel in the crown is perhaps the beautifully restored 400-year old Antrim Castle Gardens and Clotworthy House, set in a beautiful riverside location close to Antrim town centre. The Gardens have been transformed into a unique living museum and must-see attraction that has been awarded the 2019 Tourism NI, Authentic NI Experience of the Year award including prestigious Green Flag and Green Heritage status. Few historic gardens in Northern Ireland offer such evolutionary garden designs and characteristics with layer upon layer of design features and planting added over the centuries. It's 17th-century Anglo Dutch style canals, pands and avenues provide a unique walkway into the past.

Antrim Castle Gardens has a programme of events running throughout the year and the gardens themselves are open to the public all year round.

There are many more wonderful gardens waiting to be explored throughout Antrim and Newtownabbey such as the Walled Garden at Greenmount, Ballyrobert Cottage Gardens, Holly House Garden in Crumlin. These hidden gems are waiting to be discovered where you might even pick up some ideas for your own garden! To finish the day, visit Colemans Garden Centre. Templepatrick to shop for those garden essentials and enjoy some well-earned refreshments!

For further information and opening hours go to www.visitantrimandnewtownabbey.com or T. 028 9442 8331







You'll find a feast of fantastic attractions to visit within an hour's drive from Belfast. Here are our top tips of great ways to enjoy the countryside and coast outside of the city.

Hillsborough Castle

From grand family home to charming royal residence, Hillsborough Castle has welcomed the world and witnessed pivotal chapters in politics. Tour includes guided access to all the State Rooms that make up this elegant Georgian home. Also explore 100 acres of beautiful gardens to complete a relaxing day out for the whole family. hrp.org.uk/

hillsborough-castle Antrim Castle Gardens

The 400 year old 60 acre gardens are a complex living museum containing over four centuries of culture and heritage. Within the heart of the gardens is a unique visitor experience, Clotworthy House. Visit the Garden Heritage Exhibition to read about the history of the gardens or the Oriel Gallery art exhibitions. antrimandnewtown abbev.gov.uk/visitor

Giants Causeway

A UNESCO World Heritage site, this magnificent, mysterious geological formation on the coast of Co. Antrim is NI's most visited attraction. Stop at the Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, suspended almost 100ft above sea level, crossing the bridge is a thrilling experience and brave explorers will be rewarded with stunning views. nationaltrust.org.uk/ giants-causeway

The Argory

This atmospheric Irish gentry house was built in the 1820s and is surrounded by a wooded riverside estate. Take a tour of this neo-classical masterpiece and outside enjoy the sweeping vistas, superb spring flowers, scenic walks and fascinating courtyard displays. nationaltrust.org.uk/ the-argory

Castle Ward

A unique 18th-century mansion, famed for its mixture of architectural styles. Inside the 820 acre walled demesne you will find an exotic sunken garden and paths that wind their way through woodland onto the shores of the Lough. The historic farmyard is the location of Winterfell from Game of Thrones. nationaltrust.org.uk/ castle-ward

Mount Stewart

An inspiring and unusual garden reflecting a rich tapestry of design and artistry. The formal areas exude a strong Mediterranean feel and resemble an Italian villa landscape; the wooded areas support a range of plants from all corners of the world. Tours available of the house and gardens. nationaltrust.org.uk/ mountstewart

Rowallane Garden

This informal plantsman's garden reflects the beautiful natural landscape of the surrounding area. There are spectacular displays of shrubs, including a large collection of rhododendron species and several areas managed as wildflower meadows. nationaltrust.org.uk/rowallane

Hill of The O'Neill & Ranfurly House

Explore the site that once was the powerbase of Gaelic Ulster and headquarters of the famous O'Neill Chieftains for over 300 years and, after the Flight of the Earls, the proposed capitol of the Plantation of Ulster by Arthur Chichester. Take a tour to learn how Hill of The O'Neill was one of the most important historical sites in the history of Ireland. dungannon.info

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DISCOVER ARDS AND NORTH DOWN

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Discover beautiful countryside walks and spectacular water's edge views this Spring. Enjoy a host of exciting attractions, outdoor activities and learn more with informative local tours.

Take in the view

Stroll along the North Down Coastal Path, skirting Belfast Lough from Holywood to the seaside town of Bangor. While there, visit Bangor Castle's award winning Walled Garden and North Down Museum to learn about the rich history of this place. Take in idyllic meadows and woodland paths at Crawfordsburn Country Park. This natural retreat boasts spectacular views across Belfast Lough and a stunning waterfall. Immerse yourself in over 100 miles of scenic shoreline.

including Strangford Lough designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the picture perfect Ards Peninsula

Rich heritage and history

Visit magical Mount Stewart, the National Trust's 19thcentury stately home, world class gardens and walking trails. Then spend the day in picturesque Greyabbey village, visiting quaint tea rooms and antique shops followed by a stroll around the historic Abbev. Our range of Guided Tours will highlight the rich history and heritage of the region.

Great food and drink

Enjoy our finest local foods in one of the many awardwinning restaurants and artisan food shops or sample a 'wee dram' of local ale, gin or whiskey in our cosy pubs. Why not book a foodie tour to sample our produce, learn artisan bread making or

experience spirits production at local distilleries?

Make memories with family

Step back 100 years at the Ulster Folk Museum and Ulster Transport Museum in Cultra and visit Northern Ireland's only aquarium and seal rehabilitation centre, Exploris in Portaferry, Get up close to Ireland's largest collection of native and migrant birds at Castle Espie Wetland Centre or spend the day at Bangor's Pickie Funpark, with family favourites the 'Pickie Puffer'. giant pedal swans and more.

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SPRING IN LISBURN & CASTLEREAGH

Put a spring in your step with a visit to Lisburn Castlereagh, renowned for its award winning attractions, shopping and fantastic food.

Explore Lisburn City Centre or take a trip to one of the historic villages while the beautiful Georgian architecture is complimented by floral displays.

Where better to visit in spring than Wallace Park in Lisburn? This sprawling park features play areas, tennis courts, a duck pond and some wonderful scenery or experience the start of the brewing process by visiting Ireland's oldest independent brewery in the 19th Century courtvard of Hilden House. also home to the Tap Room Restaurant

Plan a relaxed visit to the picturesque villages

of Hillsborough and Moira. with their mix of boutique shops and gastro pubs and cafés offering superb local produce. Take time to explore the beautiful parkland of Moira Demesne and stop for a coffee at one of the tempting cafés or learn how to distil your own gin at The Still House. The Georgian village of Hillsborough is also home to the historic Courthouse and the stunning Hillsborough Castle & Gardens, the official residence of the Royal Family in Northern Ireland. which has one of the largest Rhododendron plants in Europe!

Whether you are a seasoned foodie or want a quick bite, discover the true taste of Ulster in our vibrant restaurants, cafés and farmers markets featuring produce from some of the

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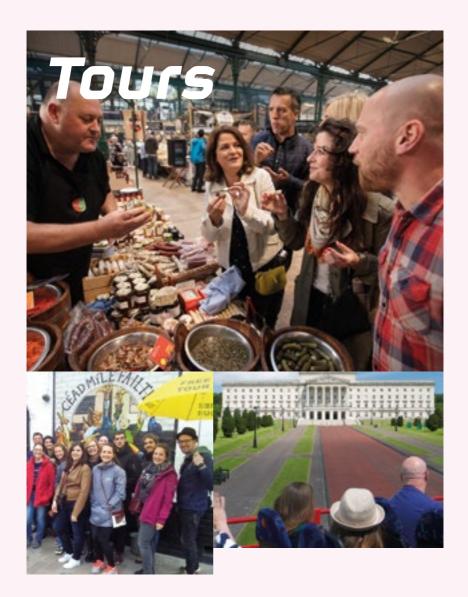




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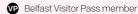
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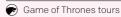


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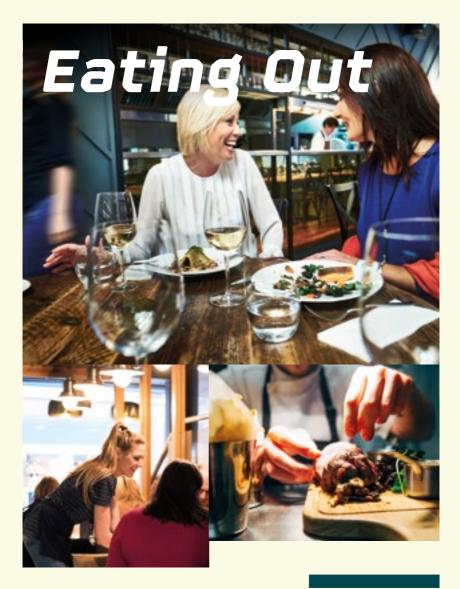
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028 9024 8800 michaeldeane.co.uk



Deanes Deli Vin Café

42-44 Bedford Street Café by day serving breakfast, sandwiches, lunch specials and an afternoon menu, it transforms by night into an atmospheric candlelit wine bar.

028 9024 8800 michaeldeane.co.uk



Deanes EIPIC 28-40 Howard Street

Michelin starred and possibly the most sophisticated restaurant in the Deanes portfolio. Chef Alex Greene serves the best quality local ingredients cooked to the highest standard.

028 9033 1134 deaneseipic.com



Deanes Meat Locker 28-40 Howard Street

When you combine the sheer skill of Deanes chefs with the superb quality of Hannan Meats and the accuracy of the Asador Grill you create a dining experience that simply excels.

028 9033 1134 michaeldeane.co.uk



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Upper Queen Street

A new, contemporary, European dining experience in the heart of the city offering tapas style sharing plates, robust meat and fish dishes and charcoal oven cooked steaks.

028 9031 3054 edorestaurant.co.uk



Flame Restaurant 46 Howard Street

Flame's custom built 10ft Asador Grill and Tandoori ovens bring cooking to life. Soak up the relaxed, friendly atmosphere as you sit at your table overlooking the open kitchen.

028 9033 2121 flamerestaurant.co.uk



Ginger Bistro

7-8 Hope Street

Head chef Simon McCance specialises in fish without forgetting vegetarians and meat eaters. The award winning Ginger has a strong reputation for quality and value

028 9024 4421 gingerbistro.com



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Eating Out

Granny Annie's Kitchen

81 Chichester Street

Casual destination for a comfort food menu served in front of a real fire in a brick-lined space. This Irish trad meets classic pub-grub diner brings the phrase "eat up, you're at your granny's" to a whole new belly-busting leve!!

028 9032 1331 grannyannies.co.uk (24) (30)

Hadskis 33 Donegall Street

An eclectic little dining room with a great kitchen counter, where you can taste an ever changing menu of daily specials alongside some classic European dishes.

028 9032 5444 hadskis.co.uk

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Havana Bank Square 56-58 Berry Street

Serving seasonal food, the kitchen brings together its influences to create contemporary and ingredient led dishes. Enjoy the vibrant atmosphere with live music every Friday evening.

028 9031 0809 havanabanksq.com

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44 Hill Street

A vibrant celebration of modern food influenced by the flavours of the Mediterranean, using local products from local, independent producers. Enjoy seasonal cuisine serving everything from casual lunch to plates you can share with your friends or family.

028 9590 8444 44hillstreet.com

Holohan's Pantry

43 University Road
Located in the Queen's
Quarter you'll find
Belfast's only boxty
house! Whether you're
popping in for a quick
lunch or relaxing
dinner, you will find
true Irish hospitality at
its best in this family
run restaurant.

028 9029 1103 holohanspantry.co.uk

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Home Restaurant 22 Wellington Place

Feel good food, throughout the day with morning coffee and pastries, a deli serving a selection of soups, salads, sandwiches and home baked treats. Lunch and dinner served in the restaurant.

028 9023 4946 homebelfast.co.uk

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Horatio Todds 406 Upper Newtownards Rd

Situated in Ballyhackamore, Horatio Todd's is an award-winning, comfortable and welcoming local bar serving delicious dishes with a real emphasis on local produce.

028 9065 3090 horatiotodds.com

Howard Street Restaurant

56 Howard Street

Serving up full-flavoured dishes created from the current season's ingredients sourced locally. Complementing the menu is a rejuvenated cocktail list and a range of artisan wines.

028 9024 8362 howardstbelfast.com



Henry's Joy's Entry

Henry's, named after historic Belfast figure and United Irish man Henry Joy McCracken, has been a pub for over 100 years. Call into this Joys Entry bar for great drinks, traditional food, live music and plenty of history.

028 9032 6711 henrysbelfast.com



James St 21 James Street South

James St really is the place where good food, wine and service come together in relaxed surroundings. Enjoy lunch specials from 12pm, pre-theatre from 5pm, an extensive a la carte menu, alongside weekend brunch and a great Sunday Roast.

028 9560 0700 jamesstandco.com

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Molly's Yard 1 College Green Mews, Botanic Ave

Molly's Yard serves modern Irish cuisine and prides itself on using the finest local ingredients. Locally produced draught beers are available along with a select choice of wines. 028 9032 2600

mollysyard.co.uk

Novelli at City Quays 90 Donegall Quay

Situated on the waterfront, with unparalleled views across Belfast Lough, the multi-Michelinstarred and 5-out-of-5 AA Rosette-winning chef Jean Christophe Novelli's Ireland début serves an authentic Mediterranean menu with locally sourced produce and all-day dining.

028 9531 3191 novellirestaurants. co.uk/belfast



The Morning Star 17-19 Pottinger's Entry, Ann Street

Tuck into gargantuan steaks of quality assured Ulster beef and Irish stew. The kitchen also has a great sense of adventure - crocodile, shark and kangaroo all pop up from time to time.

028 9023 5986 themorningstarbar. co.uk



The Muddlers Club Warehouse Lane, Waring St

Tucked away in the historic back streets of Cathedral Quarter is this modern, industrial-style restaurant named after a 200 year old secret society. The menus are a beautiful balance of local delicacies combined with the finest of international touches.

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028 9031 3199 themuddlers clubbelfast.com



Ox Restaurant 1 Oxford Street

With an enthusiastic approach to seasonality, Michelin starred OX works every day to provide the best possible fine dining experience in a relaxed, riverside environment.

028 9031 4121 oxbelfast.com



Ryan's Bar & Restaurant 116-118 Lisburn Road

A traditional menu with a fresh contemporary twist, from sharing platters to veggie grazers, farm quality assured steaks to Irish boxtys. A family friendly venue with a relaxed atmosphere.

028 9050 9850 ryansbelfast.com



Shed Bistro 467 Ormeau Road

The perfect lunch and dinner experience with a tantalising menu including chargrilled steaks, lamb, fresh fish, pasta, Belfast's best burger, daily specials and more.

028 9064 2630 shedbelfast.com



Shu Restaurant 253 Lisburn Road

One of the most renowned eateries in Belfast, Shu offers simple French influenced food using the best seasonal ingredients, served at a reasonable price, in an elegant location.

028 9038 1655 shu-restaurant.com



The Tap Room Hilden Brewery, Grand Street, Lisburn

A working brewery with a licensed restaurant in a beautiful and historic Georgian setting. Enjoy a beer or two with a relaxed lunch or dinner in the converted stables of Hilden House.

028 9266 3863 taproomhilden.com

TGI Fridays Victoria Square

The authentic American style restaurant makes every day feel like a Friday! The perfect venue for any occasion, with an extensive cocktail and delicious food menu.

028 9024 9050 fridays.ie



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Top Blade St Anne's Square

An affordable and accessible steak eatery specialising in flat iron steak as well as other cuts, burgers and light bites. Vegetarian and vegan customers can enjoy Top Blade's speciality seitan steak.

028 9033 3311 topblade.co.uk

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Yardbird 3 Hill Street

Yardbird is a free range rotisserie chicken restaurant. Here the chicken is marinated overnight before being cooked before your eyes on the restaurant's speciality Brazilian rotisserie.

028 9024 3712 thedirtyonion.com



SEAFOOD

Deanes Love Fish 28-40 Howard Street

Seafood dominates the wide ranging menu but it is the extraordinary affordability of the signature dishes, excellent quality and presentation at Deanes Love Fish that will surprise and delight you.

028 9033 1134 michaeldeane.co.uk



Fish City 33 Ann Street

Open all day serving breakfast, lunch and dinner using local and sustainably sourced food. As well as the traditional and award winning fish & chips, enjoy an extensive menu of seafood, meat and vegetarian dishes.

028 9023 1000 fish-city.com

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John Long's 39 Athol Street, Grosvenor Road

The longest established fish and chip shop in Belfast is a real hidden gem located just around the corner from the Grand Opera House. Drop in to experience the best 'fish supper' in the city.

028 9032 1848 johnlongs.com





Eating Out

Mourne Seafood Bar 34-36 Bank Street

Fresh, locally sourced seafood traditionally prepared with an Asian or continental twist. Enjoy local ingredients, value for money and friendly service with shellfish sourced from Mourne's very own shellfish beds.

028 9024 8544 mourneseafood.com



The Oyster Rooms

2-4 Winecellar Entry Located above the historic White's Tavern, step upstairs to enjoy a menu of locally sourced, authentic Irish food alongside great drinks and live music.

028 9031 2582 whitestavern belfast.com

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ITALIAN

Coppi St Anne's Square

Open seven days a week, Coppi specialises in simple Italian classics big on flavour and offers a range of cichetti (Italian style tapas), starters, main courses, pizzetta and pasta freshly made daily. 028 90311959

028 9031 1959 coppi.co.uk

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Deane and Decano 537 Lisburn Road

A stylish buzzing restaurant/café/bar with a distinctly Italian flavour. Located on the ever fashionable Lisburn Road, Deane and Decano is open

for lunch, afternoon snacks & dinner.

028 9066 3108 michaeldeane.co.uk



Fratelli Belfast 60 Great Victoria Street

Oozing rustic Italian charm with a contemporary edge, Fratelli's serves traditional Italian dishes in a family friendly setting.

028 9031 0862 fratellibelfast.com



Gusto è Restaurant 1 Lanyon Place

A new meeting place between great food lovers and traditional Italian producers. The Ristorante, Café & Pasticceria uses quality products from all regions of Italy combined with the best Italian traditions to provide a great new authentic dining experience.

028 9033 3393 gustobelfast.co.uk

Little Wing Pizzeria Ann Street/ Lisburn Road/ Upper Newtownards Road

Passionate about pizzas, Little Wing use time honoured methods to create traditionally made Naples style pizzas, prepared with the finest fresh ingredients.

028 9024 7000 littlewingpizzeria.com



Scalini 85 Botanic Avenue

Whether you are seated under the stars or up

in Romeo & Juliet's balcony, diners will feel they are actually there. With a superb selection of pizza, pasta and extensive grill dishes, enjoy this Italian experience.

028 9032 0303 scalinirestaurant .co.uk

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Villa Italia Restaurant 37-41 University Road

In the heart of the bustling Queen's Quarter, Villa Italia, is a firm favourite with visitors and locals. The extensive grill, pizza and pasta menu offers a selection of authentic Italian dishes.

028 9032 8356 villaitaliarestaurant .co.uk

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ASIAN

BaoBun 48 Botanic Avenue

Offering exciting, fresh, vegan friendly Taiwanese street food. All ingredients are cooked, steamed, baked and pickled in-house, with a mission to create fresh food fast.

028 9032 9686 baobunbelfast.com



Cosmo Victoria Square

From the Chinese countryside and fishing villages of Japan, to the food markets of Delhi and everywhere in between; experience your favourite dishes

from around the world. 028 9023 6660 cosmo-restaurants. co.uk



House of Zen

St Anne's Square
Bringing a little bit
of the Orient to the
traditional cobbled
streets of Cathedral
Quarter. Offering a
unique blend of Asian
fusion cuisine, served
up in cool, funky and
relaxed surroundings.
028 9027 8688

028 9027 8688 houseofzenbelfast. co.uk



Kamakura Sushi 69 Donegall Pass 18 Holywood Road

A traditional Japanese Sushi and Ramen restaurant offering fresh, delicious food and a great dining experience at both their Queen's Quarter and EastSide locations.

028 9543 0970 kamakurasushi.co.uk

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Sakura Sushi 82 Botanic Ave

Specialising in the art of sushi as well as offering a variety of fusion food. Carefully chosen dishes are prepared using only fresh ingredients; creating deliciously nutritious and naturally low fat cuisine.

028 9043 9590 sakurabelfast.com



Wagamama Belfast Victoria Square

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bars and flavours, Wagamama offers an exciting and inclusive casual dining experience.

028 9023 6098 wagamamani.com

Zen 55-59 Adelaide Street

The innovative menu offers a wide range of new and exciting Japanese style dishes including a plethora of 'Fusion cuisine' consisting of Japanese and Asian food with a Western twist.

028 9023 2244 zenbelfast.co.uk



MEXICAN

La Taqueria 274-276 Ormeau Road

Authentic Mexican street food paired with fresh, creative cocktails and Mexican beers. Enjoy Quesadillas, Tacos and Quesos Fundidos with condiments allowing you to add your own level of spice.

028 9064 4477 lataqueriabelfast.co.uk

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CAFÉS / TAKEAWAY

Avoca Café 41 Arthur Street

The perfect spot to chill out in between all that shopping. Spacious with an eclectic vintage style,

it features lots of delicious, freshlyprepared favourites from our awardwinning menu.

028 9027 9955 avoca.com



The Bobbin Belfast City Hall

The Bobbin social enterprise cafe at Belfast City Hall is a popular spot with tourists visiting the new exhibition area and locals who love the food and atmosphere of the busy eatery.

028 9050 2068 loafcatering.com



Brights Restaurant 23/25 High Street

Award-winning Ulster fries, fish and chips, big bold burritos and tasty Tex Mex are among the many global classics served up at this fabulous café/deli.

028 9024 5688 brightsrestaurant belfast.co.uk

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Clements Donegall Sq West/ Royal Av/Rosemary St/ Botanic Av/ Ballyhackamore/ Stranmillis Rd/QUB

Clements' baristas are trained in the art of making great coffee. Staff passionately create divine drinks while heavenly bakers add to the pleasure with delicious treats.

028 9024 9988 clementscoffee.com

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The Dock

The Arc, Titanic Quarter

Belfast's first Honesty Box Cafe offers a variety of treats from Suki tea, gourmet coffee, hot soup, fresh sandwiches, scones, buns and cakes. The price is totally up to you.

the-dock.org



HappyDog 11 Stranmillis Road

A gourmet hotDOG house serving you the best damn hotDOG you've ever tasted! All 5 signature sausages are made fresh onsite with top quality ingredients and veggie beanDOG also available.

028 9009 8999 facebook.com/ happydogstranmillis

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The Lamppost Café 19 Upper Newtownards Road

A cosy, C.S Lewis themed cafe in the heart of East Belfast with vintage crockery and a warm and welcoming atmosphere. Family friendly and dog friendly.

028 9058 0059 thelamppostcafe.com

Oh! Donuts & Coffee 55 Upper Arthur Street

Incredible coffee and handcrafted donuts are a match made in heaven, so this slick city centre venue delivers a taste of paradise.

07790 907404 ohdonuts.co.uk

Starbucks Castle Lane/Great

Victoria St/Cornmarket/ Wellington Place/ Victoria Sq/CastleCourt/ Botanic Ave/ Lisburn Rd

Starbucks are passionate about making perfect handcrafted beverages. Catch up with friends or just enjoy the relaxed atmosphere with a delicious range of coffee, tea and light hites

028 9023 6679 starbucks.ie



The Yellow Door 427 Lisburn Rd/ Market Sq. Lisburn/ Hillsborough Castle

The Yellow Door Deli pride themselves on showcasing world class produce grown locally. Serving flavoursome food which is freshly baked and cooked in house.

yellowdoordeli.co.uk



CULINARY EXPERIENCES

The Cookery School at James St

Run by Niall McKenna and his team of chefs at James St, offering a great selection of practical cookery classes for food lovers of all abilities and avid cooks who want to improve their skills.

028 9560 0701 cookinbelfast.co.uk (2) (a)



Belfast city doesn't disappoint when it comes to a night on the town, with an abundance of traditional pubs, smart and stylish bars, big screen sports, live music venues, nightclubs and gay venues, there's something for everyone!

KEY

- (D4) Map grid location
- Serves food
- Traditional music
- Live music
- O DJ/Club

Pubs & Clubs

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CITY CENTRE

Cabaret Supper Club 38-42 Upper Arthur St.

A sophisticated evening of sumptuous dining is topped by a smorgasbord of refined cabaret acts. Dress to impress and soak up the elegant surroundings of this 1920s inspired Cabaret Club.

028 9024 9009

cabaretbelfast.com

Fountain Lane

16 Fountain Street

Established in 1901, make a stop at the newly refurbished Fountain Lane for fantastic food and drink with big screen sports, live local and trad music and great company, 7 days a week!

028 9032 4769 fountainlanebelfast. com

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The Jailhouse

Joy's Entry

The Jailhouse, and adjoining sister bar Henrys, offers a fantastic range of traditional food, local drinks and entertainment alongside the rich history of their name sake Henry Jov.

028 9032 6711 thejailhouse belfast.com

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Kelly's Cellars 30-32 Bank Street

One of the oldest pubs in Belfast, Kelly's Cellars remains resolutely old fashioned, with vaulted ceilings and an elbow worn bar, providing food, traditional music sessions & plenty of craic.

028 9024 6058

kellyscellars.com

McHughs 29-31 Queen's Square

Housed in Belfast's oldest building, McHugh's offers 'traditionally modern Irish cuisine' including house specialty, Boxty Potato Cakes. Step down into the basement for trad, folk, blues, jazz and the best alternative local music.

028 9050 9999

mchughsbar.com

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Margot 18 Donegall Square East

Tucked away below street level is Margot, serving small plates, flat breads, creative cocktails and carefully curated drinks every day of the week. Late Late Club every Thursday to Sunday 10pm-late.

028 9693 1211 margotbelfast.com

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The Morning Star

17-19 Pottinger's Entry This historic pub dates back to 1810 with the original mahogany counter and old terrazzo floor. The upstairs restaurant prides itself

the best ingredients sourced locally. **028 9023 5986**

on serving freshly

made food using

themorningstarbar.com

The National

62-68 High Street

An airy and sophisticated space to relax and socialise with friends, it offers a paired back cocktail menu, simple but bold food menus and coffee that packs a punch.

028 9031 1130 thenationalbelfast.com

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OX Cave

3 Oxford Street

Browse a high quality, but not highly priced, extensive wine collection and pair with high quality Irish charcuterie and cheeses. All wines are available by the glass and wine tasting events are held monthly.

028 9023 2567 oxbelfast.com/cave

oxbelfast.com/cave

The Sagart

18a Chapel Lane

Enjoy artisan coffee, cocktails, wine and tapas at The Sagart. Enjoy live major sporting events and unmissable Gin tasting nights at one of Belfast's newest chic venues.

028 9031 0809 facebook.com/ thesagart

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Santeria

19 Fountain Street

Laid back late night café bar complete with irresistible rhythms, funk and soul. Serving classic contemporary cocktails without pretension in the heart of Belfast City Centre. santeriabelfast.com

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Revolución de Cuba

25-39 Arthur Street The ultimate Cuban

food, cocktail and fiesta experience. With dazzling handcrafted cocktails, dishes loaded with exotic flavours and full on tropical party vibes unlike anything you've experienced before!

028 9590 9249

revoluciondecuba.com

Voodoo

9-11 Fountain Street

Relax in the intimate bottom bar or venture upstairs to the club and music venue. The lunch menu is a perfect blend of traditional and Cajun style dishes at very affordable prices.

028 9027 8290 voodoobelfast.com

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CATHEDRAL QUARTER

Babel Rooftop Bar and Garden 70-74 Ann Street

Located on the top floor of Bullitt Hotel, Babel is a rooftop bar, garden and kitchen complete with panoramic city views across Belfast. Offering cocktails, sharing platters, live music and more.

028 9590 0555 bullitthotel.com

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Pubs & Clubs

The Cloth Ear

35-39 Waring Street The Cloth Ear's warm and welcoming interior provides the ideal environment to relax in style. Combining both modern and traditional elements with a healthy dose of the eccentric! Food served daily.

028 9026 2719 themerchanthotel.com (3) (W) (J)

The Dirty Onion **3 Hill Street**

A modern take on the traditional Irish pub with live entertainment and great 'craic', 7 nights a week including open workshops in singing and traditional instruments, to sessions with traditional musicians.

028 9024 3712 thedirtyonion.com



The Duke of York **Commercial Court**

A traditional Belfast bar, crammed with original mirrors and memorabilia. Cold beer, great Guinness and the largest selection of Irish whiskeys in Ireland.

028 9024 1062 dukeofyorkbelfast. com



John Hewitt Bar 51 Donegall Street

The John Hewitt has a traditional style and is a popular venue for quality, live music with regular gigs and sessions ranging from jazz, traditional folk and cajun.

028 9023 3768 thejohnhewitt.com 03 (W) (A) (I)

The Northern Whig

2-10 Bridge Street With a blend of luxury, comfort and glamour the Whig is dedicated to bringing you the best that Belfast has to offer in all aspects of hospitality with the best in local cuisine and specialist cocktails

028 9050 9888 thenorthernwhig.com (B) (W) (I)

Ollies 35-39 Waring Street

Opulence and luxury abound in this intimate space, which is one of Belfast's most sophisticated nightclubs. Situated in the basement of the five-star Merchant Hotel.

028 9026 7964 olliesbelfast.com

Sunflower Bar 65 Union Street

The Sunflower is free of gimmicks and themes, where music is very much part of the pub's life. Hearty bowls of stew are served at the weekends.

028 9023 2474 sunflowerbelfast.com

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White's Tavern

2-4 Winecellar Entry Built in 1630, Whites Tavern serves a great selection of Irish and traditional food. beers and of course. Guinness. They host live music every weekend including traditional Irish from local musicians with no cover charge.

028 9031 2582 whitestavern belfast.com (D3) (Y4)

LINEN **OUARTER**

Brennan's Bar 46-50 Great Victoria Street

Beyond the modern red brick exterior lies an attractive old-style mahogany & brass bar, stained glass panels and traditional snugs. Live music at weekends upstairs and downstairs and food served daily.

028 9024 2986 facebook/ brennans-bar

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The Bridge House 35-42 Bedford Street

A warm welcome awaits at The Bridge House where you can enjoy a pint of real ale and a full menu which includes breakfast, served from 7am.

028 9072 7890 jdwetherspoon.co.uk

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Crown Liquor Saloon 46 Great Victoria Street

The ornate Victorian exterior and delightful interior make the Crown Bar Belfast's greatest treasure since 1884. Enjoy a unique selection of real ales and local brews with a great seasonal menu. 028 9024 3187

nicholsonspubs.co.uk

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Limelight Belfast 17 Ormeau Avenue

The Limelight complex encompasses 2 great live music venues, as well as Katy's Bar,

hosting international touring acts, sell out club nights and local bands every week.

028 9032 7007 limelightbelfast.com

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The Perch

42 Franklin Street

Enjoy cocktails and sangria in the summer or hot cider, winter warmer's and blankets in the winter at Belfast's highest rooftop bar.

028 9024 8000 theperchbelfast.com (C4) (W) (C)

Pug Ugly's

21 Bedford Street

Welcome to Pug Uglys, old dog, new tricks bringing you a quirky Irish venue in the heart of Belfast. Pub with grub, live music, trad, comedy, auizzes and more.

028 9032 0030 puguglys.com

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Rita's

44 Franklin Street

Rita's is one of Belfast's most lavish cocktail dens, located in the historic Linen Quarter. beside sister bars The Perch, Sweet Afton and Chinawhite, Join the talented bartenders to eniov one of their many gins, a crafted cocktail or light bite.

028 9024 8000 ritasbelfast.com

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Robinsons

38-42 Great Victoria Street

Enjoy a pint in the Saloon Bar, fine food in the Bistro, live Irish music in Fibber Magees nightly, or even sing the night away in the Karaoke bar BT1.

028 9024 7447 robinsonsbar.co.uk (△) (Ψ) (♣) (Ω)

Sweet Afton Bar & Kitchen 12 Brunswick Street

Relax in this atmospheric American style bar offering an extensive beer & cocktail menu, a casual all day menu, big screen sports and live music every weekend.

028 9042 8000 sweetaftonbelfast.com



Tutti Frutti 43 Franklin Street

2 floors, 2 bars, pizzas, goliath cocktails and a dazzling variety of entertainment to surprise and delight drinkers and diners, no two nights are ever the same! Open Thurs-Sat, 6pm-late.

028 9024 8000 tuttifruttibelfast.com

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QUEEN'S QUARTER

An Síbín 44 Dublin Road

A hub for live quality traditional music and dance seven nights a week. Enjoy free Irish language classes every Monday evening and Whiskey tasting sessions every Wednesday.

028 9099 4124 sibinbelfast.com



Alibi Belfast

Bradbury Place

A two floor venue offering the very best in liquor, food and music. The Bar Kitchen serves food all day while The Club showcases the very best in local talent and guest DJs from the Marbella and Ibiza

028 9023 3131 alibibelfast.com



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The Empire

40-42 Botanic Avenue
The heartbeat of

Belfast's live music scene, The Empire offers great live music, a weekly comedy club, food served daily and shows all major sporting fixtures.

028 9024 9276 thebelfastempire.com



The Points 44 Dublin Road

44 Dublin Road
Named after a notorious
Irish neighbourhood in
19th century America,
this is a truly traditional
Irish venue that
replicates Belfast's
culture and history.
Come and listen to
traditional Irish and
folk music 7 nights a
week, engage in great
conversation and share
stories about the past.

028 9099 4124 thepointsbelfast.com

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The Parlour

2-4 Elmwood Avenue The ultimate student

haunt, with entertainment every night, special drinks offers and reasonably priced food including the popular Parlour Pizzas.

028 9068 6970 parlourbar.co.uk



SOUTH BELFAST

The Chelsea 346 Lisburn Road

A modern gastropub serving quality bistro food & drinks seven days a week, where you can unwind with sophisticated cocktails, grab a lazy Sunday brunch, find the perfect spot for a date night, or simply celebrate the weekend in style.

028 9068 7177 thechelseabar.com



Cutter's Wharf Lockview Road

Idyllically located on the banks of the Lagan, rowers and boats drift by this bright airy bar and restaurant making it the perfect spot for relaxing and enjoying the food and drink.

028 9080 5100 cutterswharf.co.uk

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The Doyen 829 Lisburn Road

The Doyen boasts a beautifully new designed traditional bar, perfect for listening to live music, sipping carefully crafted cocktails, watching the sport and enjoying a specially created gastropub menu.

028 9050 9950 thedoyenbelfast.com

The Errigle Inn 312-320 Ormeau Road

A famous traditional pub offering 5 bars, roof gardens and a beer garden, serving food throughout.

028 9064 1410 errigle.com



Hatfield House

130 Ormeau Road

Enjoy fusion inspired food served 7 days a week, live traditional music, all the sporting action, a roof garden, friendly staff and brilliant craic!

028 9043 8764 hatfieldhouse

belfast.com

TITANIC QUARTER

Hickson's Point at Titanic Belfast Queen's Road

Inspired by one of the first ship builders in the city, this authentic 1900's public house serves up the spirit of the shipyard with traditional music, entertainment, heritage décor and locally produced food. 028 9076 6386

titanicbelfast.com/ Hicksonspoint



Getting About

Belfast is compact and bijou, so getting around the city is easy on foot, by bike or by taxi. However, if you want to wander a little further afield then we've got a network of transport options which will get you to your desired destination.

TO/FROM AIRPORTS

George Best Belfast City Airport

is located 3 miles from the city centre. Airport Express 600 bus service runs from the airport terminal to the city centre every 20 minutes at peak times.

Belfast International

Airport is a 30 minute drive from Belfast. The Airbus Express 300 operates between the airport and Europa Bus Centre in the city every 15 minutes at peak times.

JUST EAT BELFAST BIKES

Belfast Bikes is a simple, fun and inexpensive way to get around with 300 bikes and 30 docking stations positioned across the city centre. For just £6 you can get a three-day pass. The first 30 minutes of each trip is then free of charge, with 50p charges for each additional 30 minutes. To register, simply go online at

belfastbikes.co.uk, download the Nextbike app or call 034 3357 1551

TAXI HIRE

Value Cabs

Value Cabs have a fleet of over 650 vehicles offering a professional taxi service, sightseeing tours and executive vehicles. Debit/credit card payment facility available in every vehicle. 028 9080 9080

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fonaCAB

fonaCAB has 400 cars and over 40 years' experience in the taxi industry. The services provided include airport transfers, executive cars and tours by taxi, on request.

028 9033 3333 fonacab.com

CAR HIRE

Renting a car is another great way for visitors to get around Belfast and to visit some of the many attractions throughout Northern Ireland. Providers available online at visitbelfast.com

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

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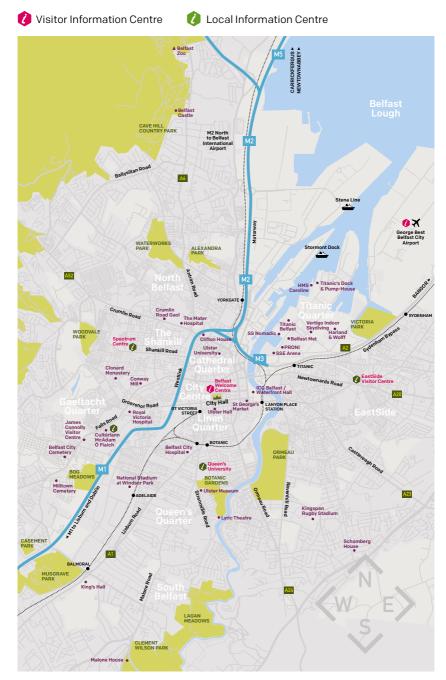
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Getting around the city

There are many fascinating and beautiful places to visit in Belfast and Northern Ireland, and making your way around using public transport couldn't be easier, you can reach every county in a couple of hours.

WHICH SERVICE?

Metro – Bus services operating throughout the Belfast area. Metro and Glider tickets are interchangeable and can be used on both services.



Glider – A cross-city service, G1 runs between east and west Belfast and G2 runs between Belfast City Centre and Titanic Quarter. Glider and Metro tickets are interchangeable and can be used on both services.

* Before you board Glider you must always buy your ticket or tap your Smartcard at the validator.



Ulsterbus – Local bus services, serving all main towns and villages in Northern Ireland.

Goldline – Express coach services which link together the main towns and cities across Northern Ireland.

NI Railways / Enterprise -

Rail Services across Northern Ireland and from Belfast to Dublin.

Airport Services -

Bus services from Europa Buscentre to airports in Belfast, Dublin and Derry~Londonderry.

WHICH TICKET?

DayLink – unlimited day travel on Glider and Metro available for 1, 5 or 10 days.

Smartlink Weekly or Monthly Travel Card – unlimited travel on Glider

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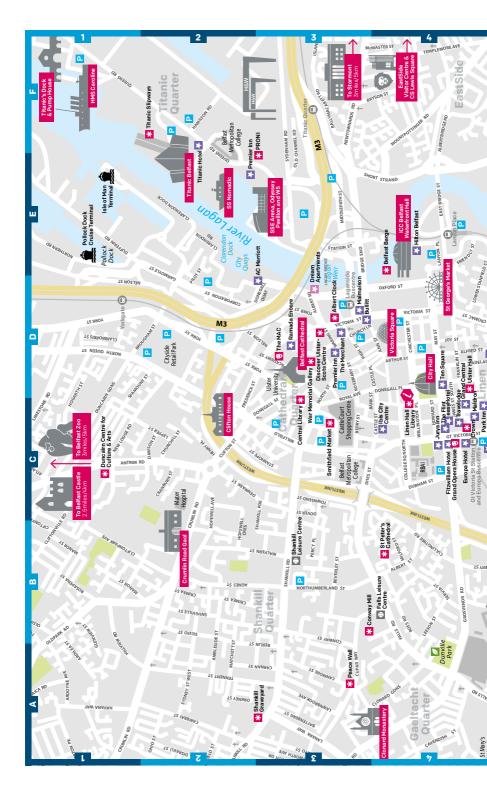
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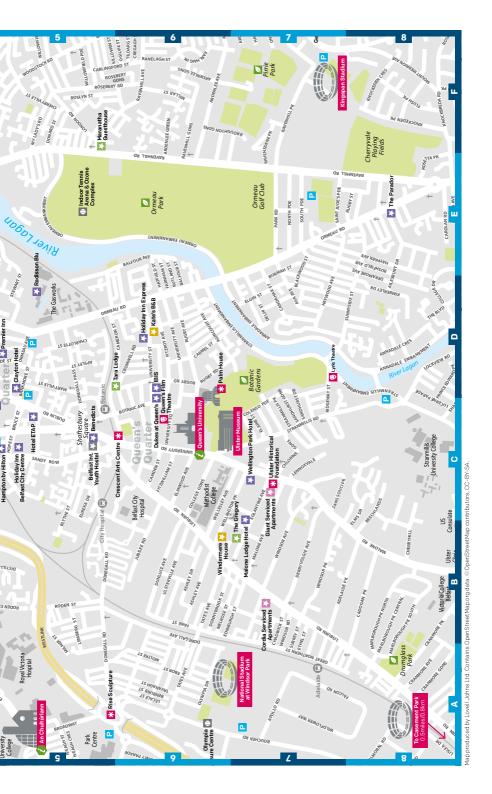
Card – for inner, city or extended zone Metro and Glider journeys. Not valid for Glider journeys across the City Centre.

THE BELFAST VISITOR PASS

An integrated Translink smartcard providing unlimited bus and rail travel for 1, 2 or 3 consecutive days within the Belfast Visitor Pass Zone. This means you can get out and about and explore more of our vibrant, lively city. Your Belfast Visitor Pass will also let you enjoy a whole world of fantastic offers and discounts, from savings on key attractions and tours to special offers and incentives in some of our main cultural venues, restaurants, cafés and shops! You can purchase your pass from the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre. at both airports and bus or train stations in the city.

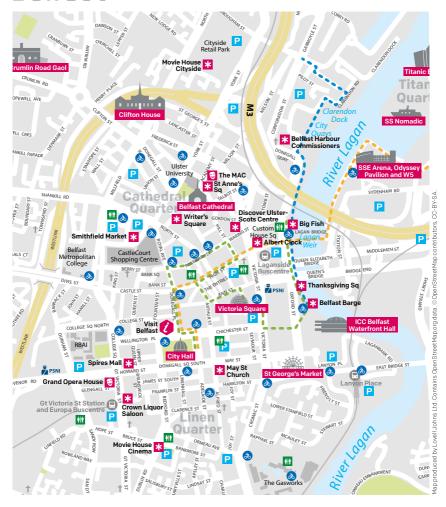
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