

ANCIENT MONUMENTS

- +** **1 Drumena Cashel D4**
Brief Description: Drumena is an irregularly shaped stone fort (or cashel) 132' x 108' with 9-12' thick walls. Circa: Likely dates from the Early Christian Period. *Location:* 2 miles south-west of Castlewelling on the A25 to Killybeg situated opposite Lough Island Reavy reservoir.
- +** **2 Dundrum Castle E6**
Brief Description: Built by John De Courcy to control access into Lecale from the West and South. *Location:* Dundrum. *Circa:* 1177.
- +** **3 Green Castle A3**
- +** **4 Goward Dolmen Chambered Grave D3**
- +** **5 Killeaghan Portal Tomb E3**
- +** **6 Legananny Dolmen E4**
Brief Description: This ancient burial site featuring a series of balanced stones is not unlike a tiny part of Stonehenge. *Location:* On the southern fringe of the Slieve Croob Mountain Range. *Circa:* Neolithic period dating back to 4000BC.
- +** **7 Maghera Church D5**
Brief Description: It marks the site of the an early 6th Century monastery founded by St Donard (who gave his name to the highest peak in the nearby Mourne Mountains). The church itself was built in the 13th Century and is surrounded by a graveyard. *Location:* Maghera Village. *Circa:* 13th Century.
- +** **8 Narrow Water Keep B1**
Brief Description: Narrow Water Castles solitary stone tower was home to a garrison in the 1560's. The town is surrounded by an outer wall ('bawn'). *Location:* On the Newry River at the landward end of Carlingford Lough. *Circa:* Originally built in 13th Century.
- +** **9 Sliddyford Chambered Grave D6**
- +** **10 Binders' Cave Souterrain E4**
Brief Description: Finnis Souterrain known locally as 'Binders' Cave' dates back to the 9th Century and is thought to have been a place of refuge against attack. Binders' Cave consists of a main passage 30 metres long and two side passages each six metres long. The site is open to the public.

CYCLING TRAILS

There are 7 circular waymarked cycling routes available throughout the AONB.

- Newcastle/Lough Island Reavy (25m/40km)
- Legananny (20m/32km)
- Knockree (18m/28km)
- Rostrevor (17m/27km)

Cycle route cards are available from Mourne Heritage Trust.

MOURNE SENSE

The Mournes are a working countryside from which people derive a livelihood. Thoughtless behaviour causes problems for farmers, local residents and visitors when gates are left open, cars block lanes and country roads, when rubbish is left behind and when dogs are not kept under control. Using a little Mourne sense helps everybody to enjoy the area with the minimum disruption and danger to wildlife and livestock. Please:

- **Park sensibly;**
- **Leave gates, walls and fences as you found them;**
- **Take your litter home;**
- **Keep dogs under control;**
- **Be careful with fire;**
- **Dress appropriately and bring extra food.**

Mountain Rescue – Tel: 999

PLACES TO VISIT

Forest and Country Parks

- Tollymore Forest Park D5
- Castlewelling Forest Park E5
- Donard Wood D6
- Killybeg Park B2
- Silent Valley C4
- Donard Park D5
- Mourne National Nature Reserve D6

Museum/Visitor Centres

- Silent Valley Visitor Centre C4
- Anamlong Corn Mill B4



PARKING

- P** = Parking
- PT** = Parking with toilets

BUSES

Translink have a variety of scheduled services on offer and during the summer months there are also 3 Rambler Services that offer opportunities to experience the best of the Mourne countryside.

• Mourne Rambler • Killeel Rambler • South Down Rambler

For further information contact (028) 9066 6630 or visit www.translink.co.uk.

WALKS

Tracks / Paths

Long Distance Routes • Ulster Way • Lecale Way • Newcastle Challenge Trail • Drumee Countryside Path (10km) • Burrenreagh Countryside Path (10km) • Ballylough Castlewelling (3.5km)

Coastal Walks • Mourne National Nature Reserve • Bloody Bridge

Details available from Down District Council, Banbridge District Council, Newry & Mourne District Council and Mourne Heritage Trust.

MOUNTAINS

- ▲** Altaggart Mountain C3
- ▲** Ben Crom 524 C4
- ▲** Carn Mountain 588 C4
- ▲** Chimney Rock Mountain 656 C5
- ▲** Clonvaraghan Mountain E5
- ▲** Cove Mountain 655 C5
- ▲** Doan 594 C4
- ▲** Eagle Mountain 638 C3
- ▲** Finlieve 573 C3
- ▲** Hen Mountain 354 C3
- ▲** Knockree 347 B3
- ▲** Legananny Mountain 429 E4
- ▲** Luke's Mountain 391 D4
- ▲** Millstone Mountain 460 D5
- ▲** Ort Mountain 619 C4
- ▲** Pigeon Rock Mountain 533 C3
- ▲** Rocky Mountain 525 C5
- ▲** Shamliee 626 C3
- ▲** Slieve Bannagh 739 C4
- ▲** Slieve Bag B5
- ▲** Slieve Binntan 747 C4
- ▲** Slieve Comelagh 767 D5
- ▲** Slieve Croob 534 F4
- ▲** Slieve Donard 850 C5
- ▲** Slieve Donard 704 C4
- ▲** Slieve Donard 485 B2
- ▲** Slieve Meelbeg 708 C4
- ▲** Slieve Mealmore 704 D4
- ▲** Slieve Muck 674 C4
- ▲** Slieve Naoleby Mountain 324 E4
- ▲** Slieve Donard 445 C4
- ▲** Slieve Donard 586 D4
- ▲** Slieve Roe 364 C2
- ▲** Spelga 472 D3
- ▲** Thomas's Mountain D5
- ▲** Tieveohkaragh 473 C3
- ▲** Tullymasso Mountain D4

KEY

- Land above 600m
- Land above 300m
- Land under 300m
- Forest/Woods
- AONB Boundary
- Mourne Wall

