



ACCOMMODATION

Hotels

Tullamore Court Hotel, Tullamore.
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Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore.
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The Central Hotel, Tullamore.
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County Arms Hotel, Birr.
+353 (0)57 9120791 | www.countyarmshotel.com

Dooly's Hotel, Birr.
+353 (0)57 9120032 | www.doolyshotel.com

Kinnitty Castle Hotel, Kinnitty.
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Offaly Local Development Company



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GRAND CANAL

The Grand Canal Greenway is an historic trail which traverses Leinster from Dublin City to the River Shannon at Shannon Harbour in west Offaly. The route is punctuated by canal locks, lock houses and industrial architecture from bygone days. Visitors can explore and enjoy the Canal by bike, boat, walking or fishing.

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TULLAMORE DEW

Tullamore Dew has its roots firmly in Offaly. The original Tullamore distillery opened its doors in 1829 in the heart of Tullamore town. The old bonded warehouse still sits majestically on the banks of the Grand Canal. After 60 years of waiting, in September 2014 Tullamore D.E.W. resumed production in its ancestral home. The new state-of-art distillery will ensure the legacy of our legendary whiskey will live on in the heart of Ireland for the foreseeable future. From Summer 2021, visitors will be able to enjoy a new immersive Tullamore D.E.W. Visitor Experience at the new distillery, hosting brand and whiskey tours.

www.tullamoredew.com



GOLF

Offaly is home to the 2019 Open champion Shane Lowry and also home to five wonderful golf courses providing a challenging and enjoyable experience for golfers of all levels. The James Braid designed Tullamore Golf Club and the Christy O'Connor Jnr course at Esker Hills are in the capital town, with Portarlington, Birr and Edenderry located either end of the county.

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LOUGH BOORA DISCOVERY PARK

Previously a commercial bog where peat was harvested to heat homes around the country, today Lough Boora Discovery Park is home to countless species of birds and wildlife, fish-filled lakes and a permanent exhibition of huge outdoor sculptures. Created using the old industrial materials of the bog such as locomotives, rail-line and timber, all crafted into magnificent works of art. The park can be explored by bike or walking.

www.loughboora.com



FAMILY FUN

Whether it's adventure or activities with a more relaxed feel for your family, Offaly has a surprisingly wide range of places to visit and hidden gems to explore. From water sports to pet-farms, off-road cycling to play centres and treehouse adventures; your only challenge will be trying to fit them all in!

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BIRR CASTLE DEMESNE

The award-winning Gardens of Birr Castle Demesne in Ireland are both rich in amazing feats of science and engineering as well as rare trees and flowers, wonderful wildlife, and walks along peaceful rivers and the lake. The Parsons family invite you to explore one of the most extraordinary places in Ireland. Created over generations it is an environmental and scientific time capsule.

www.birrcastle.com



THE SLIEVE BLOOM MOUNTAINS

The Slieve Bloom offers something for everyone, from the experienced hiker to the casual stroller. Whether you take on the long-distance Slieve Bloom Way or opt for one of the shorter looped trails, you'll be rewarded by spectacular views. For the more adventurous try the Slieve Bloom Mountain Bike Trails, a network of purpose-built single-track trails and forest roads that are designed for use by mountain bikes on waymarked circular routes.

www.slievebloom.ie



CLARA BOG AND VISITOR CENTRE

Clara Bog is one of the best remaining examples of a relatively intact raised bog in Western Europe. Experience ten thousand years of history in the ten square kilometres that accommodate Clara Bog and its surroundings. This refers to the influence that the last Ice Age had on the Irish landscape. You can learn all about its importance at the fabulous visitor centre and then experience it for yourself with a stroll on the boardwalk.

www.clarabognaturereserve.ie



CLONMACNOISE

This sixth century monastic site, located on the banks of the River Shannon is home to three high crosses, a cathedral, seven churches and two round towers. This great monastery was founded in 548- 9 by St. Ciarán and the strategic location of the monastery at a crossroads between the major east - west land route, through the bogs of central Ireland and the River Shannon helped it become a major centre of religion, learning, craftsmanship and trade by the 9th century.

www.heritageireland.ie/en/midlands-eastcoast/clonmacnoise



CRUISING ON THE RIVER SHANNON

If you like the idea of setting your own course and choosing when and where to stop off and explore, then a cruising trip along the Shannon could be just the ticket. Start your riverside adventure in Banagher and cruise on one of the finest natural inland waterways in Europe, as the unspoilt River Shannon meanders through beautiful countryside, past historic towns offering the best in Irish hospitality.

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CASTLES & HERITAGE

Previously known as 'King's County', Offaly preserves a rich tradition and heritage of castles. Prepare to immerse yourself in the county's diverse landscape with high crosses, round towers, spectacular outdoor sculptures and medieval castles. Visit Ireland's most haunted castles in Leap and Charleville or stop-off at Clonony Castle that was seized by Henry the 8th, or treat yourself to an overnight stay in Kinnitty Castle.

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Located in the midlands, County Offaly is at the heart of Ireland and welcomes the visitor to enormous tracts of wilderness, expanses of bogland, a vast mountain park, esker hills and deep wooded valleys with their streams and rivers. The majestic Shannon River defines its western boundary and the gently rolling hills of the Slieve Bloom Mountains, a national nature reserve, rise up in the east.

The great thing about a visit to Offaly is that you're always going to be surprised. Around every bend and down every country road, you'll come upon an unexpected view or a tucked-away gem of a place.

