

## Attractions near Carton House

### Carton House

- 2 Golf courses - O'Meara (Parkland), Montgomerie (Links)
- GUI Driving Range *Details*
- 2 walking trails on the grounds
- Bicycles for hire - €10/hour
- Fishing - €30/3hr, €50/6hr, €50/Gillie/4pax  
Experienced gillies who supply equipment accompany guest
- Snooker room and Games' Arcade
- Tour of Old House

### Ireland Xtreme (*Very subject to availability*)

- Huge range of Activities, mainly for groups
- Laser clay shooting
- archery
- 4x4 driving
- teamwork
- high ropes etc etc
- see <http://www.xtreme.ie/activity-list/>

### Maynooth

- Manor Mills Shopping centre,
- Restaurants/Cafe's (*Opinions?*)
- Nightlife (*Opinions on each?*)
  - Roost
  - Caulfield's
  - Brady's
  - Piano Bar
  - O'Neill's
  - Mantra

### County Kildare

- Castletown House - see leaflets (*Opinions?*)
- Straffan Steam Museum and Walled Gardens- see leaflets *Small, quaint, fun for kids - Opens June, July, August (Open May and September if requested in advance) €7.50/€5 (adult/concessions)*
- National Stud & Japanese Gardens.- see leaflets *Very good, Open from 12th Feb til Christmas. Stud museum, guided tours, Japanese and St. Fiachra's gardens. €11/€8/€6 (adult, student, child <16yo)*
- Kildare Village shopping outlet store - Near National Stud - *High price shops, we've received mixed reviews. Opinion's?*
- Abbeyfield Equestrian Centre, on the Clane/Celbridge Road - Horse-riding, Clay-pigeon shooting & Archery - see leaflet. Prices/Packages - <http://abbeyfieldfarm.com/rates-%7C-packages-page.html>
- Straffan Butterfly Farm - Tropical house, exhibition room, outdoors picnic area, gift shop. Open June to August €8/€6/€5 (*Adult/Student/Child*) *Nice for kids, fun way to learn*
- Donadea forest Park - Large park with cafe shop, very nice for long walks and picnics. €4 entry (in cash) per car

- Millennium Maze - Open Daily June-August, weekends May and September €6/€4

Co. Dublin

- Fort Lucan - Good for kids 2-14yo  
Adventure park with 2 water features (bring spare clothes for kids)  
Mini-park area for <5yo  
Child €9.50 (free go on Waterfall/Crazy Golf (extra charges for some rides)  
Adult €3.50 (includes tea/coffee)  
<2yo - free  
Open 16/5/11 for Easter, then Open Summer months
- Newbridge Demesne and Traditional Farm.
  - Large Grounds, good for picnics, great on a sunny day. Free entry to grounds
  - Traditional Farm - ~€3 entry (check leaflet)  
Nice farm, almost like a zoo, with regular and unusual farm animals, incubation area for chicks and exhibition on farming tools/the lord's carriage.
- National Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin, D9
  - Open Weekday 9-5, Weekends 10-6
  - Visitor Centre, Gardens, Glass houses
  - Free Entry, €2 car park fee
  - Drive, or take Bus: 4, 12, 19, 19a, 83

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- Shopping (Henry St. and Grafton St.)
- Dublin Bus Tours service, which has a hop-on, hop-off system and drives by all the major sites of interest.
- Dublin Ghost Bus Tour
- Dublin Walking Tours
- The Millennium Spire on O'Connell Street
- CineWorld cinema on Parnell St. and Savoy on O'Connell st. (*Cineworld is better*)
- Theatres in Dublin city centre, which show plays, musicals and concerts all year round.
  - Gaiety, Gate, Abbey, Peacock, Ambassador, Olympia, Civic (Tallaght), Draiocht (Blanchardstown), Helix (Santry)
- Natural History Museum & Collin's Barracks
- The Guinness Store House
- Kilmainham Gaol
- IMMA
- Phoenix Park, one of the largest city parks in Europe
- Dublin Zoo €15/€12.50/€10.50/free <3yo
  - Open Year-round, 9.30am-6pm (closes earlier in Winter)
- Dublinia €7/€6/€5 - Open year-round, 10am-5pm
- Christ Church €11/€9/€9 (combo with Dublinia)
- Dublin Castle
- National History Museum
- National Art Gallery

- Liffey Cruise
- Viking Splash Tour
- Wax Museum (not good)
- IFI
- The Lighthouse cinema, Smithfield
- Exhibitions - Check <http://www.visitdublin.com/events/dublin.aspx>
- Nightlife – Clubs, Pubs, Restaurants (*Suggestions?*)

#### Co. Meath

- Brú na Bóinne (Newgrange) Heritage Centre - Visits tours to Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth - Prices depend on tour package (from €3/€2 to €11/€6). Open Year-Round
- Hill of Tara - Open Year Round, tours need to be booked in advance. Free without tour.