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Less than an hour from the world famous Giant’s Causeway and the stunning Mountains of Mourne, Belfast is a gateway city to a land of legends. Whether you’re here for the weekend or you have the opportunity to linger a little longer, a trip to Belfast this year promises memories to last a lifetime.
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Belfast City Hall

This imposing Portland stone and copper-domed building was completed in 1906 as a symbol of Belfast’s new city status granted by Queen Victoria. Uncover the history while exploring some of its finest features on a free 45 minute ‘behind the scenes’ tour. The splendour and grandeur displayed so proudly and created so magnificently by the craftsmen of Belfast in the interiors of City Hall, was reflected in the public rooms on board Titanic.
worth looking out for is the Linen Quarter, just south of Belfast City Hall, where the world’s great linen manufacturers once stood making the city’s name so synonymous with linen production. Belfast was known as Linenopolis, some of the old mills can still be seen in the north and west of the city, including Conway Mill which now houses artists’ studios, a museum, and a holistic healing centre. Visitors today can experience some of the artisan industry of modern Belfast at Lawrence Street Workshops or nearby Hilden Brewery, or sample local home grown and culinary produce from across Northern Ireland at St. George’s Market at the weekends.

**Political History**

Belfast, of course, has a more recent political history, and there are a variety of mural tours that you can go on to see the street art around the city. While sections of the peace wall and some overtly paramilitary murals do still exist, the murals in Belfast are increasingly reflecting the City’s history and culture in keeping with Northern Ireland’s focus on peace, modernity and celebration of our shared future.

**Industrial Heritage**

Some of the industries which allowed Belfast to flourish in the 19th century, such as rope making, ship building, and the artisan production of linen, tea and lemonade, are still very much in evidence today. While it’s hard to miss the innovative, rapidly developing Titanic Quarter on the site of one of Belfast’s former shipyards, also
HIGHLIGHTS

Whether you’re in the city for an afternoon, a day or a weekend, here’s our list of top things to see and do in Belfast.

1. Follow the journey of the world’s most famous ship at Titanic Belfast.
2. Enjoy a free tour of the iconic Belfast City Hall.
4. See it all in a day on a Belfast City Tour.
5. Try life behind bars at Crumlin Road Gaol.
7. Discover the 100 year old history of HMS Caroline.
8. Sensational city views from Belfast Castle and Cave Hill.
10. Explore the history of Belfast’s magnificent St Anne’s Cathedral.
11. Browse the stalls and soak up the atmosphere at St George’s Market.
12. Enjoy our amazing food scene with great local produce at one of the city’s top restaurants.
13. Shop ‘til you drop and enjoy 360° views from the glass dome in Victoria Square.
14. Experience a night out in the buzzing Cathedral Quarter.
EXPLORING BELFAST

CITY CENTRE

Belfast City Hall is the centre point of the city and visitors can enjoy a free tour of this iconic building, relax in the gardens and visit the Titanic Memorial Garden. Explore the main shopping district and the award-winning St George’s Market, as well as an abundance of cool cafes, great pubs, trendy bars and an amazing restaurant scene. Start off in the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre to pick up information, book tours and find out everything to make the most of your visit.

TOP TIP

As well as sensational shopping at Victoria Square, don’t miss taking the lift up to the huge dome to enjoy 360° degree views right across the city.

CATHEDRAL QUARTER

Taking its name from St. Anne’s Cathedral, this quarter is packed full of fascinating architecture, cobblestoned streets, buzzing beer gardens and trendy warehouse restaurants. 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. Full of colourful street art, this area of town is absolutely buzzing at night.

TOP TIP

Make time for afternoon tea in the luxurious Merchant Hotel to admire the opulent surroundings, huge domed ceiling and Ireland’s largest chandelier.

LINEN QUARTER

The Linen Quarter is the area south of Belfast City Hall, which was once the home of the White Linen Hall, an important international linen exchange. Belfast, once nicknamed ‘Linenopolis’, was the world leader in the production of linen in the 19th Century. Today 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.

TOP TIP

Be sure to visit Belfast’s highest rooftop bar, The Perch, where you can enjoy cocktails and sangria in the height of summer and hot cider, winter warmer’s and blanket’s in the winter.
Steeped in memories of a bygone era when Belfast was a world centre of maritime trade, shipbuilding and commerce, 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, enjoy thrills and spills at the T13 urban sports park or catch a show, concert or Ice Hockey game at the SSE Arena.

The leafy area spread around Queen’s University is home to a treasure trove of eclectic shops, boutiques, cafes, bars and art galleries. Visit the collections of the Ulster Museum, stroll around the Victorian Palm House in the stunning Botanic Gardens, take in an art-house movie at the Queen’s Film Theatre or enjoy great live music or stand-up comedy at the Empire Music Hall. The neighbouring Lisburn Road offers designer shopping, cafes, artisan delis, salons and wine bars.

The centre for Irish language, music and culture is in the west of the city. Many visitors come to see the area’s famous political murals and peace wall but there’s plenty more to discover. An Chultúrlann, the Quarter’s culture and arts centre, contains an excellent 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.

There’s always an action packed calendar of entertainment happening in TQ, from maritime festivals, BMX championships and music concerts to 5k colour runs, inspiring Titanic taster tours and the Dock Saturday market.

The neighbouring leafy Lisburn Road offers the ultimate designer shopping experience dotted with a selection of cafes, artisan delis, salons and wine bars.

Drop in to Cumann Chluain Árd where you can be assured of traditional entertainment at its very best with music, craic and ceilidh.
Belfast’s Titanic Quarter is steeped in the rich history and tradition of the city’s shipbuilding heritage. Much of what the Titanic Quarter stands on is reclaimed land, built on top of the Belfast harbour where ships were launched into Belfast Lough and on out to sea.
Alongside the Titanic and Olympic slipways, where these Harland and Wolff ships were launched, and Titanic’s impressive Edwardian Dock & Pumphouse, sit spectacular new high tech developments for the city: the BMC campus, the Northern Ireland Science Park, Titanic Exhibition Centre, Public Records Office of NI, and the internationally acclaimed film studio utilising Harland & Wolff’s former paint hall, home to the Game of Thrones film set.

The jewel in the Quarters crown, however, is Titanic Belfast. Not only is it an architectural triumph for the city but it houses the world’s largest Titanic visitor experience. The iconic six-floor building featuring 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, is an unmissable experience which brings history to life in an unforgettable way.

Located beside the Titanic Slipways, the Harland and Wolff Drawing Offices and Hamilton Graving Dock – the very place where Titanic was designed, built and launched in 1912, Titanic Belfast has welcomed over 2.5 million visitors from over 145 countries and has garnered glowing reviews in international and local press.

It’s not hard to see why: on entering, visitors can step back in time learn about the thriving industries and exciting design innovations that led to the creation of RMS Titanic - the largest and most luxurious ship in the world in Belfast before passing through the original Harland & Wolff gates to continue their journey to the Shipyard and the dark ride that uses special effects, animations and full-scale reconstructions to recreate the reality of shipbuilding in the early 1900s.

There’s not much time to catch your breath, as you’re greeted with a panoramic eagle’s eye view of the actual slipways on which both the Titanic and the Olympic once rested as well as experience the excitement of launch day in 1911. Visitors can
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view the life size plan of Titanic’s Promenade Deck, outlining where the liner’s lifeboats and funnels and benches on board would have been, as well as Titanic Belfast’s memorial garden.

Then it’s all aboard to experience an eclectic range of exhibits, models, interactive databases and elaborate computer generated imagery which illustrate the ship’s opulent fit-out including exact replicas of the cabins, and journeys through the dining areas, the ship’s engine rooms, working interiors and deck promenade, where you can see and hear the oceans and feel the engines rumbling.

Pay tribute to the loss of this magnificent ship and the 1,500 men, women and children who lost their lives on her tragic maiden voyage, experience the aftermath, the inquiries and the sensational news reports of the time. The story is then brought up to the present with the discovery of the wreck and into the future with live links to contemporary undersea exploration.

So whether you come for the architecture, the history and heritage or the unique visitor experience, by bus, bike, walking, segway or tram tour, a stop off at Titanic Belfast is a highly recommended highlight of any trip to Belfast.

More to Explore

There’s more to just sightseeing in the Titanic Quarter, break it up with a stop off for a bite to eat or browse the Dock Market (every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month), showcasing the very best of Belfast’s art, photography, craft, fashion and artisan food.

The Dock Café is an ‘honesty box’ café, so you pay whatever you
think is a fair price. Here you’ll find an ever-expanding collection of quirky pieces of history from the Belfast docks: Titanic memorabilia, models and unique pictures of shipyard life, and artefacts from the lovely old H&W Drawing Offices.

You won’t be able to resist the smells of the bakers at work in the Belfast Baking Company, who offer a delicious locally themed menu of homemade baked breads, bespoke cakes, traditional breakfasts, healthy lunches and wholesome dinners.

Nestled underneath the Samson and Goliath cranes, you’ll find ‘Cast and Crew’, serving up great food for dine in or takeaway, with a superb selection of casual breakfast and lunch dishes on offer. Enjoy the cosy environment and open kitchen as well as a great choice of superfood salads, Titanic burgers, chilli dogs as well as the tasty all day brunch menu.
SS Nomadic

SS Nomadic is the last remaining White Star Line vessel and is the biggest Titanic artefact in the world. Built by Harland and Wolff in 1911, it served as the tender ship for Titanic on her maiden voyage, carrying first and second class passengers from the port of Cherbourg to the ship. The vessel also served in World War I and II, as well as luxury liners Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth. Visitors can now experience a rich, tangible and authentic piece of Belfast’s industrial and maritime heritage and follow in the footsteps of Charlie Chaplin, Elizabeth Taylor, Richard Burton, Marie Curie, the first female Nobel Prize winner, Hollywood legends past and present, American socialites.

Now restored to her former glory, SS Nomadic is open to the public as a fascinating visitor attraction with an onboard museum, exhibition and education areas.

Titanic's 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, once the beating heart of Harland & Wolff during the construction of the great White Star Liners. Walk every square foot of this colossal and authentic landmark, absorbing 100 years of history with every step. Descend 44 feet to the bottom of the dock where Titanic last sat on dry ground. Enter by the Pump-House and discover the power house that was the beating heart of the shipyard.

TitanICa The Exhibition

Take a trip to the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum to explore Titanic and her world in an insightful exhibition. Discover how local enterprise and skills were combined to produce vessels of exceptional quality and design. Find out about life onboard through fascinating objects and personal stories that explore 1912.
Belfast Cathedral welcomes visitors from 9am-5.15pm Monday to Saturday, and from 1pm-3pm on Sundays. There is a modest charge for entry. An audio tour and guidebook are also available. Guided tours for larger groups can be booked in advance.

Discover more online
www.belfastcathedral.org
Step on-board Belfast’s newest attraction and be blown away by a dynamic film showing the drama and devastation a battle can bring. Explore the impressively recreated cabins that have been restored as if the crew left the ship yesterday, listen in on the everyday sounds in the Captain’s and Senior Officers’ cabins and enjoy interactive exhibits throughout the ship.

Soak up the atmosphere as you learn about communication at sea in the Signal School and see if you can crack a code using techniques like semaphore and flags. A visit to the Torpedo School enables visitors to explore naval weaponry and dazzle, learn all about war at sea, create your own dazzle camouflage and evade an enemy attack.

The Virtual Access Suite provides access to remote and hidden areas of HMS Caroline. Learn how the ship works with interactive exhibits and take control of HMS Caroline in the Virtual Bridge. Here visitors will also learn about Caroline’s impact in Belfast – her home for over 90 years. The historic spaces on HMS Caroline have been recreated to look as they did in 1916, the year that HMS Caroline was part of one of the largest naval battle in history – the Battle of Jutland.

Walk along the decks and see the ship’s replica 6-inch and 4-inch guns. You can also head to the Navigating Bridge where you can visit the Captain’s Sea Cabin.

HMS Caroline, a World War I Light Battle Cruiser, is the last surviving ship from the Battle of Jutland in 1916.

HMS Caroline closed in Autumn 2016 for hull conservation work and is due to reopen mid-February 2017. For more information and to book tickets visit hmscaroline.co.uk
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The County Gaol for Antrim, as it was originally known, was built in Belfast between 1843 and 1845 on a design by the renowned architect and engineer Charles Lanyon. The new building took over from the original county gaol on Antrim Street in Carrickfergus. Constructed from Black Basalt rock on a 10-acre site at the bottom of the Crumlin road, it was modelled on London’s Pentonville prison.

The nineteenth century Grade ‘A’ listed building, the Crumlin Road Gaol has undergone a significant restoration and its doors are now open once again, but this time, as a visitor attraction to the public. Visitors can now take the tour and live life behind bars, in a history that begins when the Gaol opened in 1845, where you can find out firsthand how a Victorian prison evolved through history.

During its time in service 17 people were executed, numerous escapes were undertaken and many infamous inmates were detained in it. Learn about when women and children were held within its walls through to the political segregation of republican and loyalist prisoners and find out why the decision was taken to close the prison.

An estimated 25,000 people were imprisoned there and both history buffs and architecture fans will find the tour particularly fascinating.

A qualified guide assists visitors in exploring the prison and covers all aspects, including the underground tunnel linking the Crumlin Road Courthouse to the gaol, the Governors corridor and office, centre circle, C-wing, the historic holding cells, condemned mans cell and pinioning room before visiting the execution cell, where the majority of the 17 men were hanged, and finally the graveyard.

On 31 March 1996, the Governor of Belfast’s Crumlin Road Gaol walked out of the fortified prison and the heavy air-lock gates slammed shut for the final time. The closure ended a 150-year history of imprisonment, conflict and executions.

Top Tip

After your tour why not stay for a bite to eat at Cuffs Bar and Grill, Belfast’s newest and captivating dining experience, in Crumlin Road Gaol.
Explore the City

You may already know what you want from your trip to Belfast: from Titanic and the political wall murals to the famous film locations featured in Game of Thrones. Tie it all together with a guided taxi tour, or explore the city on foot or bike. Here are a few ideas on the many ways that you can explore the city sights.

City Tours
If you’re short on time or want to get a general overview of everything the city has to offer, book a private guided taxi tour or open top bus tour. It’s the ideal way to find out all about the city’s history including the famous political wall murals, the Peace Wall and other highlights throughout the Gaeltacht, Queen’s, Cathedral and Titanic Quarters.

Titanic Boat Tour
Enjoy a unique perspective of the changing face of Belfast’s historic harbour which has seen over 10,000 ships built during its long history. Explore all the sites in the Titanic Quarter on this hop on, hop off water taxi service.

Coiste Irish Political Tours
Experience a bus or walking tour with trained tour guides from the Republican and Loyalist ex-prisoner community who give a truly unique insight into the British - Irish conflict, and how it has shaped their communities. Recently listed as one of Europe’s most alternative city tours.

Food & Drink Tours
There are a number of delicious food and drink tours on offer in and around the city and further afield. Take a walking tour around the city’s gastronomic hot spots or a coach tour that brings you to visit some of our top artisan food and drink producers, whose products are served on the tables of Michelin starred restaurants across the country.

Wee Tram Tour
Hop on and hop off for two days travel around the attractions of the Titanic Quarter. On board you’ll hear amazing stories of the shipyard, with photography, video and local knowledge on board each carriage. You can even wear your very own Edwardian ‘duncher’ (old yardmen’s cap) as you travel!

Street Art Tours
Like Berlin and Bethlehem, also famous for their walls, Belfast has become a place where Street Art has flourished, where artists from around the world have come to paint. Devised and led by the local artists who have driven the scene, this is a 90 minute, gently paced guide to the ever changing face of Street Art in the Cathedral Quarter.
Music Tour
Take a bus journey through the heart of this rock and roll city. Sit back, relax, and enjoy tunes and tales from Them to Van Morrison, by way of awesome guitar players, traditional and folk, to punk rock and Hollywood soundtracks. Finish up at the Belfast Music exhibition at the Oh Yeah Music Centre in the Cathedral Quarter, dedicated to telling the story of the great achievers of local music.

Belfast Pub Experience
Reserve a space on the ultimate pub experience for taking in the culture and craic that Belfast has to offer. Begin with a tasting session of local drinks before enjoying Irish traditional musicians, dancers and storytellers who will regale you with the city’s unique story.

Game of Thrones Tours
Filmed in Belfast’s Titanic Studios and across various locations throughout Northern Ireland, you can take a guided coach tour to explore some of the stunning filming locations featured in the hit show. You can even step into ‘Winterfell’ and experience archery in a recreated film set in ‘Stark family’ costumes.

Wee Toast Tour
Enjoy a unique ‘beer bike’ guided cycle tour through the streets of Belfast. This 15 seater vehicle lets you take in the sights and sounds of the city whilst enjoying a drink and pedalling from the comfort of your bar stool!
HBO®’s Game of Thrones® is one of the most popular and successful fantasy TV series ever made and it is filmed right here in Northern Ireland! The magical atmosphere captured on film is due to the stunning filming locations chosen by HBO® to feature in the show, so now is the time to get out and explore them.
Part of the show’s appeal and what has made it so popular with millions of fans are the mesmerising fantasy lands of Westeros which of course have been brought to life using Northern Ireland’s rugged coastlines, historic castles and breathtaking countryside and forests. The dramatic scenery of the Causeway Coast and Glens, County Down, County Fermanagh and County Armagh forms the backdrop to much of the show’s action. Fans can easily visit many of the locations where a favourite scene was filmed or walk in the footsteps of a much-loved character.

There are also some wonderful Game of Thrones inspired tours and family themed activities that have been created due to the popularity of the show, so you don’t have to be a fan to join in the fun. You can dress up in costume and enjoy a day of archery with Clearsky Adventure or take a self-guided cycle tour of some of the shows film locations - there really is something for everyone to enjoy.

Some of the stunning filming locations not to be missed include: Castle Ward which may be more familiar as Winterfell, Tollymore Forest Park which will be recognisable as North of Winterfell, Downhill Beach familiar as the Dragonstone exterior and Murlough Bay in County Antrim aka Stormlands - but there are many more to discover.

*All tours are independently operated by each provider. They are not sponsored, endorsed or affiliated with HBO or anyone associated with Game of Thrones*.

**Experience It**
Get the full experience and tour the Northern Ireland filming locations. Choose from a 3-day self-drive itinerary tour to a choice of guided coach tours. You can even step into Winterfell and experience archery in a recreated film set dressed in ‘Stark family’ costumes. For more information see: visitbelfast.com/gameofthrones
Belfast may be small in size, but it’s huge in imagination! Spend a day as a culture vulture and explore some of the cool art spaces and creative place just waiting to be discovered.

**Ulster Museum**
An inspiring piece of modern architecture set in the beautiful Botanic Gardens, the Ulster Museum is the largest museum in Northern Ireland and is free to visit. It tells 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 and its unparalleled collection of Irish art is well worth seeing.

**Linen Hall Library**
The Linen Hall Library is a truly unique institution. Founded in 1788, it is the oldest library in Belfast and the last subscribing library in Ireland.

It is renowned for its unparalleled Irish and Local Studies Collection, ranging from comprehensive holdings of Early Belfast and Ulster printed books to the 250,000 items in the Northern Ireland Political Collection, the definitive archive of the recent troubles. The Library also boasts the Northern Ireland Theatre and Performing Arts Archive, a unique collection reflecting our rich cultural heritage.

**Galleries**
Belfast has an impressive array of gallery space, displaying everything from the most contemporary visual art in the Golden Thread Gallery to traditional printmaking techniques showcased in the Belfast Print Workshop and the edgiest and freshest modern art in The MAC. The Naughton Gallery at Queen’s features a rolling programme of works from the University’s own collection, touring exhibitions and shows by local and international artists, and the Royal Ulster Academy’s Annual Exhibition showcases work by emerging and established artists to celebrate, enrich and expand contemporary approaches to the visual arts.

**The Murals**
Once described as “the world’s greatest open-air gallery”, the murals of Belfast are a must-see
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Artworks range from Republican and Loyalist political statements to colourful celebrations of the city’s famous sons and daughters. These pieces of art often appear on the gable end of residential homes and provide an insight into the culture and traditions of Northern Ireland. The Peace Wall that divides two communities in West Belfast, is home to a vibrant mix of political murals, graffiti and commissioned public art. Many visitors stop here to add their own messages of peace and hope.

Public Art
Belfast has over 150 pieces of distinctive, inspiring and imaginative pieces of public art scattered across the city. Highlights include the ‘Big Fish’ on Donegall Quay, a 10 metre long salmon whose scales are made up of ceramic tiles decorated with texts and images relating to the history of Belfast. The 15 metre tall ‘Beacon of Hope’ is a female figure that stands proudly holding a ring of peace and reconciliation towering over the River Lagan, and the biggest art sculpture in the city is ‘Rise’ located at the M1 gateway to the city. The two globes symbolise the rising sun and new hope for Belfast’s future.

C.S. Lewis Trail
Explore Belfast’s literary son by following the trail that will take you on a journey to the places that influenced and inspired the young Clive Staples Lewis. Learn of the events that helped to shape one of the most wonderfully creative minds of the twentieth century. Trail maps are available from the Eastside Visitor Centre.

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Late Night Art
Want to pack in as many galleries and as many new exhibitions as you possibly can? Visit the city on the first Thursday of the month to take the Late Night Art tour when most of Belfast’s galleries stay open longer and have new shows just beginning.
Shopping in Belfast is a dream come true for savvy shoppers, fashionistas and foodies alike, with a huge variety of independent retailers, speciality emporiums, high street chains, exclusive boutiques and traditional markets.

Whether it’s high fashion or the high seas you need kitted out for, antiquarian books, artisan foods, exquisite jewellery or a unique piece of pottery, you’re sure to find what you are looking for in one of the City’s shopping districts.

Find literally everything you could ever need under one roof in Victoria Square, home to House of Fraser and many other stores from lingerie to the latest smart watches. Visit CastleCourt for all the leading high street stores or pop in to some of Belfast’s beautiful craft shops, from Utopia for gorgeous gifts, Space CRAFT for unique Belfast design or The Wicker Man for traditional crafts that make special souvenirs to take home.

Compact in size, perhaps, but uncompromising in choice, Belfast offers the most sophisticated of shoppers the ultimate luxury retail experience along the Lisburn Road. Dotted with cafes, salons, wine bars and its own leafy oasis of tranquillity in Drumglass Park, this lengthy boulevard houses award winning delis, alongside designer...
fashion, art galleries, party frocks, tailored suits and glitzy jewellery as far as the eye can see.

Meanwhile, in the city centre, vintage stores and specialist retailers sit alongside independent record shops, second hand book treasure troves and a wealth of high street chains and department stores. There’s sportswear galore at SS Moore’s, a Pandora’s box of treats to be explored at Avoca and beautifully crafted jewellery at Steenson’s and Lunn’s.

The heart of old Belfast, home to the city’s oldest buildings, its newspapers, library and Smithfield market. Though newly christened, Smithfield and Union has existed for generations. Always beating to a different rhythm than its neighbouring counterparts, Smithfield and Union celebrates the individual, the different, the separate, the idiosyncratic and the eclectic.

At the end of Winetavern Street you’ll find yourself facing Smithfield Market, featuring an array of interesting oddities that no High Street would entertain; toy museum, Filipino deli, army surplus, seamstress, boxing regalia, Caribbean foodstore, organic growing equipment, exotic spiders, scorpions and reptiles.

Make a stop in Queen’s Arcade at this fantastic award winning deli, teahouse and coffee brewbar that specialises in 100% locally sourced, home-grown, artisan food. Their all day ‘afternoon tea’ menu is not to be missed, and browse the range of delicious fine food gifts to take home, or build your own hamper and have it delivered anywhere in the world.
Belfast’s vibrant restaurant scene offers everything from Michelin Star fine dining and exciting midlevel restaurants to the classic ‘Ulster fry’ cooked breakfast. Leading restaurant reviewers have platted up praise for Belfast’s buzzing food scene and labelled the city ‘passionate’ about its restaurant culture.

Restaurant Scene
Eating out is one of the great pleasures in life. It’s also one of the joys of travel. The much coveted Michelin Stars awarded to fine dining restaurants ‘Epic’ and ‘Ox’ have put Belfast firmly back on the culinary map, and the finest in local cuisine can also be experienced in style at renowned establishments across the city including James Street South, The Muddlers Club and The Great Room Restaurant to name but a few.

Talented chefs, superb local produce and great value means Belfast has one of the tastiest food scenes in the UK or Ireland. In the Cathedral Quarter, you’ll find a selection of seven unique restaurants in the beautiful Italian style piazza of Saint Anne’s Square, and you’ll be spoilt for choice in the city centre with a selection of exciting restaurants including Mourne Seafood Bar, Robinson and Cleaver, Deanes and Howard Street. The city’s diverse cultural traditions are showcased with the very best of Chinese, Indian, Mexican, Spanish, Italian and Japanese food all well represented, so there’s plenty to choose from.

With everything from fine dining, brasseries and bistro to gastro pubs, cafes, coffee shops and some of the best fish & chips around, there’s something for everyone!

Markets and More
Belfast is a foodies delight just waiting to be discovered. At the weekend, St George’s Market oozes Victorian charm offering 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. The Folktown Market is a farmers and artisan market taking place every Thursday in one of the oldest and most unique parts of the city. Explore amazing delis such as Sawers, the Good Food & Wine Company and Avoca, which house an extensive range of high quality local artisan products. For the sweet tooth amongst you, don’t miss a stop at Co Couture where you can buy locally made award-winning chocolates.

**Coffee Stop**
Belfast has a vibrant café culture. From local artisan roasters, to incredible independent coffee shops and top class baristas... you’ll never be far away from a great handcrafted coffee or a boutique loose leaf blended tea. There are an abundance of coffee shops in Belfast but worth a stop are local chain Clements, Patisserie Valerie beside City Hall and the ‘honesty box’ Dock Café in Titanic Quarter.

**Ginaissance**
Belfast is experiencing something of a ‘Ginaissance’ with many bars and restaurants across the city offering an entire menu dedicated to this increasingly varied spirit. While you’re here, make sure to try the best in our local craft distilled gin. ‘Jawbox’ is perfect served with ginger ale, mint leaves and a wedge of lime, or ‘Shortcross’ served with frozen orange ice cubes, fresh mint and elderflower tonic water.

**Art of Craft**
Craft beers are taking the brewing world - and Belfast - by storm. So join other beer lovers in sampling the delicious wares of local microbreweries and small scale producers. Check out the Woodworkers, offering six rotating taps of craft beers, served in a range of sizes from 7oz taster glasses to 2 litre ‘growlers’. Brew your own beer using a smartphone app at Brewbot Belfast or take a tour at Lisburn’s Hilden Brewery, which has been creating some of the finest quality craft beers for 35 years. You can enjoy one of their collection at many bars across the city.

**Culinary Experience**
A fun treat for any food lover is to improve your skills by booking into a class at one of the City’s cookery schools. Suitable for singles, couples or groups, you can choose from a wide range of classes available for all levels of ability and learn the craft of making your masterpiece under the guidance of top chefs, before relaxing and enjoying your meal with a well deserved glass of wine.
Evening Entertainment

Belfast’s entertainment scene attracts a combination of big-name stars while continuing to develop top home-grown talent. Many Northern Irish performers have become international names – most notably Liam Neeson, Kenneth Branagh and Van Morrison. So, whether it’s rising stars or established artists you’re after, you’ll find Belfast’s entertainment scene in good shape!

**Lyric Theatre**
The Lyric is the only full-time producing theatre in Northern Ireland and with its two performance spaces and perennially full programme, there’s always a production worth seeing no matter when you visit. The new theatre with its breathtaking views of the River Lagan and its gourmet café make the venue well worth a visit on its own merits. Described by the Daily Telegraph’s architecture critic Ellis Woodman as one of the “best British buildings built this century”, the stunning £18m building has won a series of awards for its architecture.

**Grand Opera House**
Since opening its doors in 1895, the Grand Opera House, designed by prolific theatrical architect Frank Matcham, has delivered an unrivalled programme of entertainment, playing host to some of the greatest names in theatre and music and bringing London’s West End into the heart of Belfast. The modern extension to the original building created the notable addition of the ‘Baby Grand’ - which hosts smaller musical, dramatic and comedy performances.

**Ulster Hall**
First opened in 1862, the ‘Grand Dame of Bedford Street,’ as she is affectionately known, is one of the oldest purpose-built concert halls in the UK and Ireland. This grand Victorian building has survived two World Wars and welcomed names as famous and diverse as Charles Dickens and Motorhead. Over the years it has served as a hugely popular dance hall, a venue for boxing, and in later years many top rock bands, pop stars and the latest stand-up comedians have chosen to play here. Home to the Ulster Orchestra, you can also enjoy a variety of lunchtime and evening classical concerts.
Most restaurants across the city centre offer great value pre-theatre menus. Make a night of it and enjoy some superb local produce at one of our many fine restaurants.

Travelling with a group? Make sure and check with the box office for group booking ticket discounts and offers.

**Belfast Waterfront**
A multi-purpose conference and entertainment centre, the main circular auditorium, with its glass front and copper dome, first opened in 1997 and was based on the Berlin Philharmonic Hall. With stunning city and river views, the building was extended to provide additional event halls and facilities in 2016. From unmissable pop and rock to world class comedy, theatre, opera, ballet, dance and much more, the Belfast Waterfront offers a packed programme of live entertainment throughout the year.

**The MAC**
The Metropolitan Arts Centre (MAC) is home to music, theatre, dance and visual art, bringing you the very best of local and international talent under one roof. A particular highlight is The Permanent Present artwork by Mark Garry, a graceful spectrum of light made up of hundreds of lines of colour that travels through the atrium space, symbolising the hopes, aspirations and ambitions of young people in the city. Enjoy casual pre-theatre dining with tasting plates of local deliciousness before your show at the onsite bar and restaurant, Native.

**SSE Arena**
Northern Ireland’s largest premier entertainment arena is home to the Belfast Giants hockey team as well as having hosted a top line up of international stars and sporting events to its stage. 2017 highlights already in the calendar include Scottish comedian Billy Connolly, The Vamps, The Stone Roses and the annual September highlight, the Belfast Tattoo. The surrounding Odyssey Pavilion offers a variety of bars and restaurants to provide the complete night out.

**Top Tips**
Most restaurants across the city centre offer great value pre-theatre menus. Make a night of it and enjoy some superb local produce at one of our many fine restaurants.
Belfast resonates to an ever changing soundtrack of live music and you’re guaranteed to find something musical to enjoy on your visit here, whether it be a great vintage record fair to browse, a standing room only gig to attend or a classical evening at the opera. Belfast has been the birthplace, spiritual home, inspiration and venue extraordinaire for musicians past and present in every genre, all around the world. 1950’s chart storming songstress Ruby Murray was born and raised on the city’s Donegall Road, while iconic blues rock guitarist Gary Moore and the legendary Van Morrison were both from east Belfast. The city has also been memorialised.
in song down the decades, from recent pop hits such as Snow Patrol’s ‘Take Back the City’ to classic punk anthem ‘Alternative Ulster’ by Stiff Little Fingers. Belfast’s musical legacy is still alive and kicking today, with a stellar line up of international acts and up and coming local talent playing at venues across the city on a nightly basis.

Belfast is also a city of music festivals, from Out to Lunch in January, Feile an Earraigh in March, Cathedral Quarter Arts Festival in May, Belsonic and Tennent’s Vital in August and Culture Night in September to name just a few. Belfast’s festivals have hosted a variety of top artists playing in outdoor gigs, packed bars, intimate backroom acoustic sets and beautiful concert halls. The city has plenty of venues worth seeing in their own right, from the majestic Ulster Hall and the elegant Belfast Waterfront, to The Empire, a glam rock music hall in a former church on Botanic Avenue. Other highlights include traditional sessions in the Duke of York in the City’s Cathedral Quarter, a pub filled with old printers’ paraphernalia or smooth jazz in the sumptuously decadent Bert’s Jazz Bar at the Merchant Hotel.

Traditional Sessions
On any given night in Belfast you can find open mic, karaoke, classical recitals and rock, pop and jazz concerts, but the city also holds true to its musical roots with a wide variety of traditional music sessions where you’ll find chat, cheer and ‘craic agus ceol’ aplenty. Some of the best venues to experience trad include: Hatfield House, Robinson’s Saloon Bar, Cultúrlann, Harp Bar and The Garrick.

NI Music Exhibition
Make a stop at the Oh Yeah Music Centre in the Cathedral Quarter to visit the exhibition dedicated to telling the story of the great achievers of local music, with memorabilia on display from local heroes such as Van Morrison, Gary Moore and Snow Patrol.
One of Belfast’s most popular areas for evening entertainment is the Cathedral Quarter, where you’ll find everything from live music to local theatre, classy cocktails to micro beers, smoky jazz to traditional Irish music, atmospheric beer gardens and gourmet cuisine to tapas on the go. Check out the Duke of York boasting the largest whiskey collection in Ireland, the Dirty Onion in Belfast’s oldest building and the John Hewitt for its extensive craft beer selection and diverse range of live music.

Find the best traditional pubs to enjoy the perfect pint of Guinness. With original features, a warm atmosphere and friendly welcome there is no better place to meet friends and enjoy the local craic. Relax in a cosy snug in the Crown Liquor Saloon, an ornate Victorian gin palace dating back to 1826 and one of the best known landmarks in the city, or enjoy a pint in Belfast’s oldest pub, Kelly’s Cellars.

Belfast resonates to an ever
Mixology: Book in for a cocktail masterclass at the Fitzwilliam Hotel, a Sherry Cobbler at the Bar in The Merchant or kick things off with a Breakfast Martini in The Apartment – the choice is yours!

Staying Snug: The Crown Bar is perhaps the finest Victorian ‘gin palace’ in the UK. Owned by the National Trust, the ornate interior has been enjoyed by travellers since 1885. Look out for the cosy snugs, elaborate stained glass and antique bell system.

Your round or mine?

Changing soundtrack of live music and you’re guaranteed to find something musical to enjoy on your visit here, whether it’s toe-tapping traditional Irish music in a historic pub, a packed live gig or an evening of soothing classical music, you’ll find it all on offer in Belfast.

Love a laugh? Then head to The Empire in the Queen’s Quarter for its weekly comedy night. Want to catch a night of big screen sports? Make a stop at Lavery’s in Queens’ Quarter, The Garrick in the city centre or Rockies Sports Bar in the Odyssey Pavilion at Titanic Quarter, or for something a little different, book a table at Cabaret, where you can enjoy a 1920’s Hollywood style supper club with a variety of entertaining dinner shows.

For those that want to party on into the small hours, there’s a vibrant club scene on offer. Sixty6 features a 4th floor club, a 50s themed drinking lounge, a chic rooftop bar and an intimate cocktail bar, all under one roof! Ollie’s Club in the basement of the Merchant Hotel is one of Belfast’s most exclusive nightclubs, and plays host to many celebrities, VIPs and socialites. While Alibi in the Queen’s Quarter showcases the very best in local DJ talent as well as guests from the Marbella and Ibiza scene.

Whatever nightlife you seek, Belfast is happy to oblige!
Belfast’s Odyssey Pavilion is sure to be a highlight for the younger visitor, with a bowling alley, gaming area, multiplex cinema, W5 interactive science museum, Belfast Giants ice hockey games, hamburgers and ice cream...all under one roof!

Sample the sweet treats at the city’s very own Aunt Sandra’s Candy Factory where seeing is believing as you watch the sweets being made! Plus, adults and kids alike can learn about the city’s maritime heritage as SS Nomadic, HMS Caroline and Titanic Belfast are all family-friendly.

Ascend the city’s Cave Hill for activities from tots to teens in Cave Hill Adventurous Playground, with its cradle swings, slides, spring rockers, spectacular space net and aerial runway, or go really wild at Belfast Zoo with spectacular wildlife, fun feeding times and trails to follow, as well as panoramic views across Belfast. Or get up close and cuddling with Streamvale Farm’s little animals, where you can enjoy tasty milkshakes, traybakes and lunches too.

Or if prehistoric beasts are of more interest to your young dinosaur hunter, head over to the Ulster Museum in Queen’s Quarter, with its interactive learning zones full of great activities to keep the kids happy and its stylish café for mums and dads to re-fuel!

Venture out of the city to enjoy a wealth of National Trust properties with glorious gardens to explore and plenty of family events during the year. Make a splash at Bangor’s Aurora Aquatic & Leisure Complex, or Aqualand at Lisburn’s Lagan Valley LeisurePlex, choose from trampolining, high ropes courses or indoor skiing at weareVertigo or they can get their skates on at Dundonald Ice Bowl. Visit the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum, which has one of the best rail galleries in Europe and also allows visitors to experience what life would have been like 100 years ago in its outdoor folk museum. But for the authentic rail experience take a steam train excursion where all little train conductors will relish the chance to get onboard. See the Railway Preservation Society of Ireland website to find out more.

Family event highlights include St Patrick’s Carnival Parade and Belfast’s Children’s Festival in March, Belfast Maritime Festival in May, Orangefest in July, the Monster Mash Halloween spectacular in October and the Christmas lights switch-on in November.

Belfast is a great holiday destination for those with more than luggage in tow! There’s plenty of entertaining attractions for the young (and the young at heart) around the city.
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Northern Ireland has found a new, super-star status in the world of golf during the past couple of years, aided by the trio of golf champions that our small country has produced. Rory McIlroy, Graeme McDowell and Darren Clarke have become not only ambassadors for the game of golf, but ambassadors for their homeland. Not only does Northern Ireland produce golf champions, it also boasts an enviable collection of some of the world’s very best golf courses. Friendly and informal, challenging and invigorating, Northern Ireland’s golf courses are increasingly being described as a superb destination for both the serious and casual golfer.

This passion began when Royal Belfast laid down a golf course in 1881, reputed to be the oldest in Ireland. The game quickly caught on and today Northern Ireland can boast over ninety courses in what is a very small and compact area. Belfast itself boasts fourteen courses and golf centres within the city’s boundary, making it a true golfer’s paradise. You can enjoy the stunning 18 hole parkland courses of Royal Belfast, Shandon, Malone and Belvoir Park Golf Clubs just a few minutes drive from the city centre.

Meanwhile the world-renowned links courses of Royal County Down and Royal Portrush are only an hour’s drive away.

So come and walk the hallowed ground of our great golfing giants, whether you’re seeking championship courses, dramatically scenic settings, a slice of history, links or parkland, or simply idyllic tranquillity, Belfast and Northern Ireland has it all - every course is a unique gem.

The Strand, Portstewart Golf Club
The Irish Open
6–9 July 2017

The European Tour confirmed that the Irish Open will return to Northern Ireland in 2017, when one of the country’s finest links courses, Portstewart will be staging a European Tour event for the first time. It will be the third time in six years that Ireland’s national Open has been held in the north, when tournament host Rory McIlroy defends his title this summer.

The Open Championship
18–21 July 2019

The 148th Open will be played at Royal Portrush in 2019, marking a historic return to Northern Ireland for golf’s oldest and most prestigious international Championship after nearly 70 years.
Whether you enjoy a night at the rugby, a Belfast Giant’s ice hockey game, a soccer match or fancy checking out a fast-paced gaelic football or hurling match, Belfast is a great city for sports fans, with ample opportunities for spectating.

Prefer life on two wheels rather than two feet? Belfast is very bike friendly, with riverside cycle paths, bike tours and the new Belfast Bikes scheme offering easy cycle hire at many locations around the city centre. Up for a challenge? Sign up to the annual Belfast City Marathon and take to the streets with over 20,000 participants from all around the world.

See the city from up high with a hike up Black Mountain or the iconic Cave Hill, and enjoy the fresh air, history, nature and fantastic city views. Or inject some adrenaline into your break with some high octane adventure sports from karting to high wire adventure courses and canoeing to rock climbing. There’s nowhere quite like Belfast for a bit of action!

Don’t Miss

The world’s eyes will be on Belfast in 2017 as we welcome these prestigious sporting championship events to the city for the first time.

**Ice Hockey World Championship 2017**
23-29 April
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**UEFA Women’s Under-19 Championship 2017**
8-20 August
More info available at: [irishfa.com/uefawu19](http://irishfa.com/uefawu19)

**Women’s Rugby World Cup 2017**
22 & 26 August
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Belfast is filled with colour by day and lit up by night through our world-class programme of annual festivals. No matter what time of the year you visit the city, your trip is bound to coincide with one of Belfast’s many festivals giving you the chance to experience everything from world music, European theatre productions, gastronomic food festivals, traditional sessions and contemporary dance. Celebrate Chinese New Year, Mela or St. Patrick’s Day in Belfast and see how diverse, vibrant and lively the city really is.

January
— Out To Lunch Festival cqafrica.com
— NI Motorcycle Festival motorcyclefest.tv
— Four Corners Festival 4cornersfestival.com
— Chinese New Year cwa-ni.org
— NI Science Festival nisciencefestival.com
— Belfast CityDance crescentarts.org
— BMS International Festival of Chamber Music belfastmusicssociety.org

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— NI Motorcycle Festival motorcyclefest.tv
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— Chinese New Year cwa-ni.org
— NI Science Festival nisciencefestival.com
— Belfast CityDance crescentarts.org
— BMS International Festival of Chamber Music belfastmusicssociety.org

March
— Belfast Nashville Songwriters Festival belfastnashville.com
— Imagine! Belfast Festival of Ideas and Politics bellylaughsbelfast.com
— Belfast FashionWeek belfastfashionweek.com
— An Droichead Spring Festival androichead.com
— St Patrick’s Day Celebrations visitbelfast.com
— Feile an Earraigh feilebelfast.com
— Brilliant Corners - Belfast Jazz Festival movingonmusic.co.uk
— Belfast Children’s Festival youngatart.co.uk
— Ulster Festival of Art & Design ulsterfestival.com

April
— Belfast Film Festival belfastfilmfestival.org
— Holi Festival of Colours artsekta.org.uk
— Ice Hockey World Championship belfastgiants.com
— Spring into Easter Festival visitbelfast.com
— Sonorities Festival of Contemporary Music qub.ac.uk/sonorities
— Spring Fair visitbelfast.com
— Ards Int. Guitar Festival ardsguitarfestival.co.uk

May
— Cathedral Quarter Arts Festival cqafrica.com
— Deep RiverRock Belfast City Marathon belfastcitymarathon.com
— Festival of Fools foolsfestival.com
— Writers on Writers Festival linenhall.com
— Tether seedheadarts.com/tether
— Belfast Spring Market visitbelfast.com
— Belfast Titanic Maritime Festival visitbelfast.com
— Balmoral Show balmoralshow.co.uk
— May Day in Holywood visitardsandnorthdown.com
— Ards and North Down Puppet Festival visitardsandnorthdown.com
June
— Beat’s Belfast Carnival Village
beatcarnival.com
— Belfast Photo Festival
belfastphotofestival.com
— Belfast International Tango Festival
belfasttangofestival.co.uk
— Belfast City Blues Festival
belfastcityblues.com
— Belfast Book Festival
belfastbookfestival.com
— UK National Pipe Band Championships
visitbelfast.com
— MCM Comic Con
mcmcomiccon.com/Belfast
— Summer Festival of Racing
downroyal.com
— Comber Earlies Food Festival
visitardsandnorthdown.com
— Lisburn Half Marathon
lisburnhalfmarathon.com
— Ards Half Marathon
visitardsandnorthdown.com

July
— Belfast Guitar Festival
facebook.com/belfastguitarfest
— Orangefest
belfastorangefest.co.uk
— Rose Week
visitbelfast.com
— Belfast Pride
belfastpride.com
— McCracken Summer Festival
mhicreachtain.com

August
— Féile an Phobail
feilebelfast.com
— Belsonic
belsonic.co.uk
— Tennants Vital
tenantsvital.com
— Women’s UEFA U19
irishfa.com/uefawu19
— Women’s Rugby World Cup
ticketmaster.co.uk
— Feile an Droichead
androichead.com
— EastSide Arts Festival
eastsidearts.net
— Belfast Mela
belfastmela.org.uk

— Craft Month
craftni.org
— Woodstock Rhythm & Blues
woodstockbelfast.co.uk
— Bounce! Arts Festival
adf.ie
— Hilden Beer and Music Festival
hildenbrewingco.com
— Sunflowerfest
sunflowerfest.co.uk
— Ulster Grand Prix
ulstergrandprix.net
— NI Speed Weekend
visitlisburncastlereagh.com
— Sea Bangor
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September
— The Belfast Tattoo
   belfasttattoo.com
— Culture Night
   culturenightbelfast.com
— Hit the North
   comartspartner.org
— European Heritage Open Days
   discovernorthernireland.com/ehod
— Tesco Taste NI Festival
   tasteni.com
— Autumn Fair
   visitbelfast.com
— Belfast City Half Marathon
   belfastcitymarathon.com
— Belfast Comedy Festival
   belfastcomedyfestival.com

October
— Hillsborough International Oyster Festival
   hillsboroughoysterfestival.com
— Aspects Literature Festival
   aspectsfestival.com
— Belfast Tattoo
   belfasttattoo.com
— Culture Night
   culturenightbelfast.com
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November
— Belfast Design Week
   belfastdesignweek.com
— Sound of Belfast
   soundofbelfast.com
— Outburst Arts Festival
   outburstarts.com
— C.S. Lewis Festival
   eastsidearts.net
— Festival of Brass
   brassbandleague.org
— Fleadh Feirste - the Gaeltacht Quarter Festival
   culturlann.ie
— Lady Boys of Bangkok
   visitbelfast.com
— Twilight Market
   stgeorgesmarket.com

December
— North Belfast Winter Fest
   newlodgearts.com
— Christmas Lights Switch On
   visitbelfast.com
— Belfast Christmas Market
   visitbelfast.com
— Creative Peninsula Christmas Fayre
   ardsarts.com

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Lisburn & Castlereagh has a rich cultural heritage, from the historic quarter in Lisburn City Centre to the Memories of Castlereagh Heritage Trail, come and explore the unique history of the area.

**Discover the History**
Explore the beautifully restored Castle Gardens in the City's historic quarter, and learn about our industrial heritage with a visit to the award winning Irish Linen Centre, which tells the story of our spinning and weaving traditions through fascinating displays and artefacts. You can discover the magic of traditional brewing by visiting Ireland's oldest independent brewery in the 19th Century courtyard of Hilden House.

**Villages, Castles & Gardens**
Enjoy a visit to the picturesque villages of Hillsborough and Moira, with their mix of boutique shops, gastro pubs and cafes offering superb local produce. Take time to explore the beautiful parkland of Moira Demesne and the woodlands and lake at Hillsborough Forest. The Georgian village of Hillsborough is also home to the historic Courthouse and stunning Hillsborough Castle and Gardens, the official residence of the Royal Family in Northern Ireland. With its fascinating history and glorious gardens, it offers a memorable glimpse into the village's historic stories.

**Shop and Dine**
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 area's award winning growers and producers. Memorable shopping opportunities await you at Bow Street Mall, Sprucefield and Forestside Shopping Centres and Lisburn Square. With a mix of intimate boutiques and high street names.

**Events and Festivals**
There is a packed calendar of events on offer all year round from the Balmoral Show, Hillsborough International Oyster Festival and Down Royal Festival of Racing to vibrant music festivals Moira Calling and Hilden Beer and Music Festival. Families can enjoy an array of shows and workshops at the ISLAND Arts Centre and seasonal events in Lisburn’s Market Square.

**Family Fun**
The Lagan Valley Leisureplex provides fun for kids of all ages with its fantastic lazy river and water rides in Aqualand. Get active at Dundonald Ice Bowl or relax in the rural surrounding of Streamvale Farm. Sports enthusiasts won’t be disappointed with a night at Drumbo Park Greyhound Stadium, or improve your golf handicap at one of the many terrific courses that Lisburn and Castlereagh has to offer.

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**Family Fun**
When the sun is up, head to Pickie Funpark for activities galore, get up close and personal with sharks, sting wrays and starfish at Exploris Aquarium or step back in time at the Ulster Folk and Transport Museum. Alternatively take it easy enjoying an ice-cream and leisurely stroll in one of the coastal villages, or cool off with a paddle in the sea.

**Great Outdoors**
Explore the expansive shoreline with a bracing walk along one of the many beaches, visit Crawfordsburn Country Park to take in the spectacular North Down Coastal Path, or climb to the top of Scrabo hill for panoramic views over Strangford Lough and County Down.

**Relax and Unwind**
The peaceful surroundings of Bangor Castle Walled Garden, a gem in the heart of Bangor, or the spectacular lakeside garden and new trails at Mount Stewart provide the perfect retreat. Pack a picnic and make memories with friends and family or check out the range events.

**Foodie Heaven**
The fertile fields are full of Comber Early Potatoes and many varieties of vegetables, which are straight from field to fork. Also Pedigree herds fed on the rich grasslands produce luxury beef, cheese, ice cream and yoghurt - this area has it all. Portavogie prawns and Strangford Oysters are renowned internationally and feature on many local menus. Local food can be enjoyed in award winning restaurants or bought through small artisan stores, all offering their own specialities.

**Tee Off and Drive**
There are also lots of activities to get your heart racing, from indoor karting to off road driving or trial flights from Ards Airfield. With many golf courses, all offering something different, either following in Rory McIlroy’s footsteps at Holywood Golf Club, the wonderful links course at Kirkistown or the breath-taking views from Scrabo Golf Club, you will be spoiled for choice!

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While there’s plenty to keep you entertained in Belfast, it’s also worth keeping in mind that the city makes a great base for exploring the rest of Northern Ireland.

Just twenty minutes from Belfast visitors can discover pristine seafronts, country parks, boutique village shopping and plenty of places to enjoy the gourmet gastro-pub or country house experience.

County Antrim’s Causeway Coastal Route runs north from Larne, and is the gateway to the Nine Glens of Antrim with Glenariff Forest Park at its heart. On the north coast you’ll find the Giant’s Causeway, the only World Heritage Site in Northern Ireland. Hire an audio tour from the state-of-the-art visitor centre, explore the interactive exhibition spaces, watch Finn McCool on the big screen and unlock the secrets of this inspirational landscape. Nearby, take a tour of the oldest licensed distillery in the world; Bushmills and challenge yourself to cross the 100 ft. high Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge. A short trip by train or bus takes you to Derry-Londonderry, where there’s plenty to see in the historical walled city, with its lively cultural scene, impressive architecture, carnivals, festivals and visitor attractions.

Shrouded in magic and majesty, the Mourne Mountains is an area of outstanding natural beauty, filled with dizzying peaks, rolling valleys, tranquil forests and golden coastline, just waiting to be discovered, enjoyed, experienced and never forgotten.

Don’t miss out on island hopping in the unspoiled Fermanagh Lakelands, or to pay a visit to a number of stunning National Trust properties including Florence Court, Castle Ward and Mount Stewart.
To find out more about Northern Ireland and all that it has to offer visit the Tourism NI website. discovernorthernireland.com

Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge

Bonamargy Friary

Mourne Mountains

Seamus Heaney Home Place

**Home Place**

Take a trip to Bellaghy and step into Seamus Heaney HomePlace, which celebrates the life and legacy of the Nobel prize-winning poet. Standing at the heart of the place and people which so inspired him, HomePlace includes a stunning exhibition which interprets Seamus Heaney’s work. The entire space over two floors is filled with personal stories and artefacts, dozens of family photographs, video recordings from friends, neighbours and cultural figures, and the voice of the poet himself reading his own words.
Visit Belfast Welcome Centre

Call in and discover what our city has to offer... you’ll be surprised!

Start your journey in the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre. Located opposite Belfast City Hall, you’ll find information on pretty much everything, whether you need to book accommodation, buy tickets for events or find out more about visitor attractions, tours, and transport. Our friendly travel advisers are here to help plan your perfect trip in Belfast and Northern Ireland.

Look out for exciting, fun features, including a video ‘wall’, self-service touch screens, digital maps of the city and discover Belfast’s ‘story’ on our interactive touch screens. Free WiFi will enable you to access and download information straight to your smartphone or tablet, making it even easier to plan your time in Belfast.

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1 star acceptable
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3 star very good
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Colour Coding
All premises are listed alphabetically by grade and in coloured sections denoting the type of accommodation.

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SS single supplement

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Internet and Wi-Fi access is widely available throughout the city. Belfast is one of 10 UK cities set to become a Super-connected City. Plans include city wide access to high speed ultrafast broadband as well as widespread WiFi.

Most post offices are open Monday to Friday 9am to 5.30pm and some are also open on Saturday mornings. The main post office is located on Bridge Street in the city centre.

Banking
Most banks are open Monday - Friday 9am to 5pm. All major credit cards are widely accepted in the city and some shops will accept euro. There are foreign exchange facilities in the Visit Belfast Welcome Centre and various retail outlets across the city.

Tipping
Most restaurants add a discretionary service charge to the bill for parties of six people or more. If this charge is added to your bill, tipping is not necessary. If a service charge is not included, a discretionary tip of 10-15% is customary.

Shopping
Many shops in the city centre follow these opening hours:
Monday - Wednesday: 9am-6pm
Thursday: 9am-9pm
Friday & Saturday: 9am-6pm
Sunday 1pm-6pm
Shopping centres may have extended opening hours midweek.

Stay Safe
Belfast is one of the safest cities in Europe with an extremely low crime rate. However, it is always wise to be sensible and to follow good advice when exploring a new destination. There are a number of Emergency Contact Points in the city which are monitored by the police.

Smoking
Belfast has been a smoke free city since 2006. It is against the law to smoke in bars, restaurants, cafés, hotels, offices, factories and other places of work. The majority of hotels in Belfast no longer offer smoking rooms - please check this when booking your accommodation. Many bars, clubs and restaurants have installed outdoor smoking areas.

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