

THINGS TO DO

Bray has loads to see and do. Here's our top choices for a perfect family fun day out:

1. Promenade

The Promenade starts from the harbour near Martello Terrace, the childhood home of James Joyce, and ends at the base of Bray Head. The Promenade is a mile long walk along the seafront and commands magnificent views of Bray Head, The Sugarloaf and The Wicklow Mountains.

2. The Cliff Walk

The famous Cliff Walk around the side of Bray Head is one of Bray's most popular attractions for both visitors and local people alike with outstanding views throughout. It takes about two hours to complete the walk. Various sea birds, grey and common seals, can be seen as can the occasional school of dolphins or porpoises.

3. Mermaid Arts Centre

Mermaid County Wicklow Arts Centre is a leading centre of Arts in Ireland, presenting an ambitious programme of events including innovative dance, spellbinding theatre, cutting edge music and art house cinema.

Pop in today to pick up a brochure of upcoming events. Tickets can be purchased online through their website www.mermaidartscentre.ie/ or at their booking office.

01 272 4030 (box office)

4. Sea Life Bray – Ireland's Leading Aquarium

Bray's very own Aquarium, National Sea Life Bray, is located on our famous mile long promenade and is just a 2 minute walk from the Dart station. Visit Sea Life Bray and journey on a voyage to the deep, discovering the wonders of an underwater world filled with amazing and fascinating creatures.

The aquarium is perfect for the whole family and is completely indoors making it a perfect rainy day activity. Get up close to the tropical fish, sharks, octopus and stingrays. Visit Nemo and his friends and discover Ireland's largest collection of sharks in the new Shark Reef Encounter, marvel at these amazing creatures up close and learn some fascinating facts! All displays carefully recreate their natural habitats to give a more immersive experience.

Further information on the aquarium is available from 01 286 6939.

Book online: www.visitsealife.com/Bray/plan-your-visit/

5. Killruddery House & Gardens

Killruddery Country House and Gardens is the perfect place to escape for a great day out, with so much to see and explore. Located in a most picturesque spot, surrounded by the impressive Bray Head and Sugarloaf mountains, you'll feel a million miles away from the city. Or amble about the beautiful gardens, which has been the location for numerous film productions including The Tudors, Becoming Jane and Camelot.

The Country House and Gardens plays host to a wide range of activities and events throughout the year, highlights include falconry displays, the Killruddery film festival and outdoor concerts.

www.Killruddery.com

6. Horse Riding

Bray is located in a picturesque spot, surrounded by some truly impressive scenery, so why not take it all in by trekking cross country on horseback. Whether you'd be interested in regular lessons or just an adventurous trek, the following local riding schools have something for you.

Brennanstown Riding School

Brennanstown Riding School is one of Ireland's premier and longest running Equestrian Centres. They have extensive trekking facilities with access to the Little Sugar Loaf and Killruddery Estate along with their own Cross Country Course. They also have a large indoor arena and several outdoor ones.

www.brennanstownrs.ie

01-2863778

Killegar Stables

Located about 10 minutes away from Bray is another of Ireland's long established riding school, Killegar Stables. The Stables is situated in the hills overlooking the charming village of Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow and is just 5 minutes from Powerscourt Estate.

www.killegarstables.com

01-2860919

7. Feed the swans in Bray Harbour

There is a thriving colony of mute swans who have taken up residence in Bray! These beautiful creatures can be spotted relaxing and swimming about the harbour. A fond pastime of many locals is feeding these magnificent birds.

Feeding the swans can be a nice ending to a relaxing stroll along the Promenade and fun for the whole family. Swans enjoy brown or wholemeal bread or even green vegetables. Take note that these are wild birds and can be quite fierce if frightened or provoked. Young children should be carefully supervised when feeding the swans.

8. Bray Adventures

Experience the fun and adrenalin of outdoor adventure sports in the beautiful East Coast of Ireland. Located on Bray Seafront, they have the ideal base for both Water based and Land based activities.

Whatever your level of experience – complete novice to aspiring adventurer, Bray Adventure will make it a fun and unforgettable experience. Bray Adventure is a family run business and a friendly bunch! Bray Adventures only use fully insured and fully qualified instructors and all equipment is supplied.

Bray adventures are outdoor adventure experts specializing Kayaking, Surfing, Stand up paddle boarding (Supping), Raft building, Coasteering, Snorkeling Hillwalking and Rock climbing. We cater to schools, collages, corporate events, Family events, Tourist groups, Hens / Stag parties and run a very popular summer camp (Kamp Kahuna).

Tel. 087 366 9999 / 01 276 0973

Email: info@brayadventures.ie

Website: www.brayadventures.ie

9. Try a Round of Golf

Bray is the ideal base for a golfing holiday as it is within easy reach of some of the top golf courses in the country, including our very own Bray Golf Club. Whatever your handicap there are courses and links, lessons and driving ranges all within a very short distance of the town.

There are numerous Golf Club in and around Bray so there is plenty of choose from, to find your perfect tee-off. All are situated in some of the most scenic parts of Wicklow, and boast picturesque views. There is something for everyone, from experienced to novice golfers, with all abilities and preferences catered for.

Bray Golf Club Quill Road Bray 01 276 3200
www.braygolfclub.com

Old Conna Golf Club Ferndale Road Bray Co.Wicklow 01 286 6055
www.oldconna.com

10. Squirrel's Scramble

Squirrel's Scramble is an exiting new attraction now opened on the grounds of Killruddery House and Gardens. This Junior Tree Adventure Park is exciting fun for all the family! Experience the thrills of over 20 different challenges: Climb, Balance, Crawl and Zoom along the zip lines through the woods in the heart of the Killruddery estate. Absolutely perfect for all adventure seekers!

11. Bray Bowl

Bray Bowl is the perfect place to while away a rainy afternoon, have a awesome birthday party or have an epic night out. Bray Bowl is conveniently located beside the Dart Station and is near to the Seafront and the have free underground parking to their visitors. There is so much to do at Bray Bowl, with 16 tenpin bowling lanes, an arcade, snooker & pool and Quasar laser tag arena! They have numerous packages and deals so they have you covered whether it be for a kids party, corporate event or just a great night out with your friends.

www.braybowl.ie/