

# GLENDALOUGH MONASTIC SITE

## A GUIDE TO SOURCES

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This guide contains a list of books, articles and other resources which offer an overview of the history and development of the Monastic site of Glendalough.

The aim of the guide is to provide a list of resources for those carrying out research on the site or for those who simply want to find out more about Wicklow's iconic National Monument.

The list has been compiled from material available in the Wicklow County Council Library Local Studies Collection, material commissioned by the Heritage Office and resources produced by various heritage groups.

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### Websites:

- Discovery Programme 3D models: <https://sketchfab.com/discoveryprogramme>
- The Glendalough Graveyard Survey: <https://www.museum.ie/en-IE/Museums/Archaeology/Exhibitions/Glendalough-Power,-Prayer-and-Pilgrimage>

- Accompanying newsletter on the graveyard survey can be found on the UCD Research Repository:  
<https://researchrepository.ucd.ie/handle/10197/7261>
  
- Film of the excellent National Museums exhibition ‘Glendalough – Power, Prayer and Pilgrimage’. The website also provides numerous links to relevant sources, as well as, an online gallery of the objects in the exhibition:  
<https://www.museum.ie/en-IE/Museums/Archaeology/Exhibitions/Glendalough-Power,-Prayer-and-Pilgrimage>
  
- The Heritage Office commissioned three short films highlighting different aspects of the heritage of Glendalough and the Wicklow community project:
  - This one focuses on the excavation at Glendalough:  
<https://glendalough.wicklowheritage.org/new-contributions/heritage-week-2020-uncovering-the-past>
  - This one on the Glendalough Heritage Forum:  
<https://glendalough.wicklowheritage.org/new-contributions/heritage-week-2020-the-forum>
  - This video focuses one on the place itself and the connections people have with Glendalough:  
<https://glendalough.wicklowheritage.org/new-contributions/heritage-week-2020-the-spirit-of-glendalough>
  
- The Glendalough Heritage Forum website provides numerous resources including virtual versions of the exhibitions of historic photographs and paintings. The following videos provide a snapshot of some of these resources:
  - <https://glendalough.wicklowheritage.org/new-contributions/heritage-week-2020-art-atmosphere-revisited>
  - <https://glendalough.wicklowheritage.org/new-contributions/heritage-week-2020-an-age-old-attraction-revisited>