

## Top Things to Do in County Cavan

### Adventure

**Carratraw Canoe Centre**, Carratraw Bridge, Butlersbridge t: 087 2905752

Guided full/half day canoe trips around beautiful interweaving channels of Lough Oughter.

**Outdoors and Dirty (ODD)**, Brackley Lake, Ballyconnell t: 049 952 3930 [www.odd.ie](http://www.odd.ie)

Outdoor activity Gamespark– mud buggies, laser war games, laser clay shoot system, hovercrafts.

**Tanagh Outdoor Education Centre**, Rockcorry, Cootehill t: 049 5552988 Kayaking, banana boating, night hikes, climbing wall, canoeing, aerial slide, archery, gorge walking, orienteering and assault course.

**Wildflower Mountain Biking**, Ballyconnell t: 049 952 3923 or 087 614 3527 Cycling and walking packaged and independent holidays for all. Places to stay, tours, transfers, cycle hire and maps.

### Crazy Golf & Tennis Courts

The Arches, Arvagh t: 049 433 5460 [www.archesfarmhouse.com](http://www.archesfarmhouse.com)

### Equestrian

**Ross House Equestrian Centre**, Mountnugent t: 049 854 0218 [www.ross-house.com](http://www.ross-house.com)

Trekking, trails, camps and lessons on shores of Lough Sheelin.

**Redhills Equestrian Centre**, Redhills t: 047 55 042

Trekking, trails, camps and lessons. Specialising in children's holidays.

**Cavan Equestrian Centre** Latt, Cavan t: 049 433 2017 [www.cavanequestrian.com](http://www.cavanequestrian.com)

Weekly show jumping events and national and international show-jumping events.

### GAA

**Breffni Park GAA Grounds, Cavan** Visit the county headquarters of GAA in County Cavan.

### Golf

**Slieve Russell Hotel Golf & Country Club**, Ballyconnell t: 049 952 6444

**County Cavan Golf Club**, Cavan t: 049 433 1541

**Crover House Golf Course (9 Hole)**, Crover House Hotel, Mountnugent t: 049 854 0206

**Belturbet Golf Club (9 Hole)**, Erne Hill, Belturbet t: 049 952 2287

**Blacklion Golf Club**, Toam t: 071 985 3024

**Virginia Golf Club (9 Hole)**, Virginia t: 049 854 8066

**Cabra Castle (9 Hole)**, Kingscourt t: +042 966 7030

**McSeain's Pitch & Putt (18 Hole)**, Cornafean t: 049 433 7138

**Farnham Estate Golf Club** (opening mid-2008), Cavan t: 049 437 7700

### Health & Wellbeing

**Utopia**, Cavan Crystal Hotel t: 049 436 0675

**Farnham Estate Health Spa**, Farnham Estate, Cavan t: 049 437 7700

**Ciúin Spa & Wellness Centre**, Slieve Russell Hotel, Ballyconnell 049 962 6444

**Eden Health & Wellness**, Errigal Country House Hotel, Cootehill 049 555 6901

### Museums & Cultural Centres

**Ballyhugh Arts and Cultural Centre**, Ballyhugh, Ballyconnell t: 049 952 6044

Courses and workshops in arts, crafts, Irish music and dance and creative writing. Exhibitions, live shows, ceilís, concerts and lectures all year round. Unique collection of artefacts and local photographs.

Old-time dancing Mon and Wed nights. Everyone welcome.

**Bear Essentials Centre & Showroom**, Tiernawannagh, Bawnboy t: 049 952 3461

Visit Bear Essentials and watch handcrafted teddy bears being made, or take a workshop and make your own bear. The showroom also features local arts, crafts and handmade gifts. Workshops for children and adults. [www.irishbears.com](http://www.irishbears.com)

**Cavan Genealogy & Tourist Office**, Johnston Building, Farnham St, Cavan t: 049 4331942

**Carraig Craft Visitor Centre**, Mountnugent t: 049 854 0179

Craft workshop and basketry museum with traditional baskets on display made of rod, rush and straw.

**Cavan County Museum, Ballyjamesduff** t: 049 854 4070 [www.cavanmuseum.ie](http://www.cavanmuseum.ie)

Housed in a beautiful 19<sup>th</sup> century building, the museum traces the history of Cavan from prehistoric times through to rural life in the 1950s. 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century costume displays, galleries on folk life, the GAA and Camogie Association. Regular art and photography exhibitions.

**Kilmore Cathedral, Crossdoney** Beautiful William Slater cathedral with famous Romanesque doorway dating to 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> century. Tours available by calling t: 049 433 7168

**Maudabawn Cultural Centre, Maudabawn, Cootehill** t: 049 5559504 [www.maudabawn.ie](http://www.maudabawn.ie)

Stone walled thatched cottage offering classes, summer schools, short visits and tours of Ireland's rich history, culture and heritage. Coffee shop, audiovisual and gift shop.

**St. Kilian's Heritage Centre, Mullagh** t: 046 924 2433

Documents the life of the martyr St. Kilian. Coffee shop, audiovisual and tourist info available.

**The Museum of the Master Saddler, Corlough** t: 049 952 3956 [www.robsteinke.com](http://www.robsteinke.com)

Dedicated to the ancient craft of the Saddler and Harness Maker. Exhibits include 1920's side saddle, shire harness, driving collars, coaching coats, whips, muzzles, lamps, poultice boots and driving carriages

### Restaurants

**The Olde Post Inn, Cloverhill** t: 047 55555 *Best Restaurant in Ulster 2007 (RAI)*

**McNean's Bistro, Blacklion** t: 071 985 3022 *Georgina Campbell Restaurant of the Year 2006*

**Opus One, Cavan Crystal Hotel, Cavan** t: 049 436 0600 *AA Rosette*

**Conall Cearnach, Slieve Russell Hotel, Ballyconnell** t: 049 952 6444 *AA Rosette*

**Marquis Dining Room, Park Hotel Virginia** t: 049 854 6100 *AA Rosette*

**Pol O Ds, Main St, Ballyconnell** t: 049 952 6228

**Botanica, Radisson Farnham Estate, Cavan** t: 049 4377700

**Reynards, Errigal Country House Hotel, Cootehill** t: 049 555 6901

### Swimming Pools & Leisure Centres

**Cavan Leisure Centre, Cavan** t: 049 436 2888

**Bailieborough Leisure Centre, Bailieborough** t: 042 966 6644

### Theatre

**Ramor Theatre, Main St, Virginia** t: 049 854 7074 [www.ramortheatre.ie](http://www.ramortheatre.ie)

2007/2008 programme includes jazz, traditional, opera, contemporary, drama and classical.

### Traditional Music Sessions

**Monday:** Crúiscin Lán, Main St, Cavan 9.30pm t: 049 436 5702

**Tuesday:** The Widows, Belturbet 9.30pm t: 049 952 2713

**Wednesday:** The Farnham Arms Hotel, Main St, Cavan 9.30pm t: 049 433 2577

**Thursday:** Boylans, Kilnaleck 10pm t: 049 433 6666; Maggie's Bar, Killeshandra 10pm t: 049 433 4407

The Lavey Inn, Dublin Rd, Cavan 10pm t: 049 433 0577

**Saturday:** The Shamrock Inn, Killeshandra 9.30pm t: 049 433 4139;

The Swan Bar, Swanlinbar 9.30pm t: 049 952 1250; The Welcome Inn, Swanlinbar 9.30pm t: 049 952 1230

**Sunday:** The Widows, Belturbet 9.45pm t: 049 952 2713;

The Royal, Ballyjamesduff (every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun) 8pm – 10pm t: 049 854 4136

### Walks

**Ballyconnell River & Canal Walk** Scenic canal walk (4.5km) looping through Annagh Woods

**Dun a Ri Forest Park** Nr Kingscourt [www.coillte.ie](http://www.coillte.ie)

Covering 565 acres, Dun a Ri is a haven for wildlife. There are four walks with many points of interest including the famous 'Wishing Well' and 'Ice House'.

**Castle Lake Walk & Lough-an-Leagh, Bailieborough** [www.loughanleagh.com](http://www.loughanleagh.com)

A series of walks around the beautiful Castle Lake (10km) outside Bailieborough (on Cootehill Rd).

Drive to summit of Lough-an-Leagh (on Kingscourt Rd). Stunning views, picnic tables & signed walk

**Killeshandra Walk** Begins at the Town Lake looping through forest to finish at the Green Lake (6km)

**Mullagh Walk** Stunning views of Mullagh Lake and the surrounding countryside from the summit of a short walk (1.5km) outside Mullagh opposite Mullagh Lake (Virginia Rd). Picnic tables and viewing area.

**Sean Eamon Ruairi Trail, Blacklion** (6.9km) Trail dedicated to the life of the local poet Sean Eamon

**The Cavan Way** 26km of stunning mountain and lake scenery from Dowra to Blacklion in West Cavan