Events around the Lough

Carlingford Craft & Food Fair: 1st Sunday every month
Ravensdale Country Market Saturday 11am-12pm
January Brigid of Faughart Festival
February Warrenpoint Pantomime
March Leprechaun Hunt
April Cooley Legenda Half Marathon
May Cór Chairlinne, Dawn Chorus Recital
June The Táin March
July Fiddlers on the Green Festival
August Maiden of the Mournes
September Wee Binnians Walking Festival
October Cooley Fireworks Festival
November Carlingford Christmas Craft Fair
December Choral Festival

Carlingford Lough nestles between the Cooley Mountains and the towering frame of the Mournes. The mouth of the lough is guarded by Haulbowline Lighthouse, it stands 112 feet high and looks down the middle of the lough to Warrenpoint 8 miles away. Take pleasure in the medieval town of Carlingford, the historic village of Whitestown, the purposely constructed Railway Village of Greenore and the village of Omeath. On the edge of Slievenacurran is the outline of the legendary giant Fionn Mac Cumhail. Enjoy a lovely drive to where he threw the famous "Cloch Mór Stone".

Loop the Lough as you take the Carlingford Ferry from Greenore to Greencastle. Another beautiful drive where you’ll find scenery, nature and skyline. The perfect canvas through Rostrevor, Nevery, Warrenpoint, Omeath and Carlingford or get on your bike for the daily passenger ferry serving Omeath and Warrenpoint (seasonal). It sails across the lough taking foot passengers and cyclists.

Visit Kilkeel, the main fishing port on County Down’s coastline which harbours one of the largest fishing fleets in Ireland. The dramatic Mourne landscape was the inspiration for Belfast born writer, C.S. Lewis’ magical Kingdom of Narnia. Take the Narnia Trail in Kilbroney Park, 97 acres of beautiful parkland near Slievenacurran. Enjoy too the tranquility of the Silent Valley Mountain Park in the heart of the Mournes. Follow its trail of beauty discovering its magnificent dams which shape the surrounding landscape “Where the Mountains of Mourne Sweep Down to the Sea”.

Ponder on and wonder at all things old and new, things ancient and modern: tombs, ringforts and field systems; golfing, water sports, walking, cycling, cafes and town houses; trekking, fishing, cooking, therapies, sailing and shopping too! Immerse yourself in our rich history and folklore. Sample our super restaurants, bars and coffee shops. Stay a while in our quality accommodation and promise yourself you’ll come back soon.

This is a whole new playground for you to enjoy!