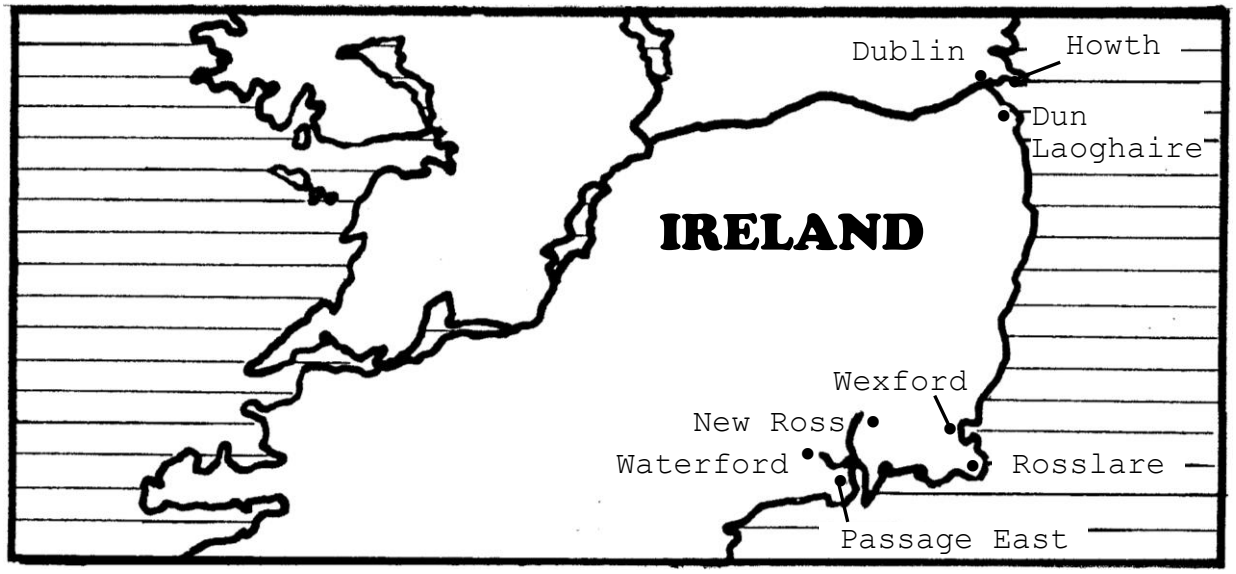
This list is divided into four parts: Dublin and South East (this page), South West (page 3), West Coast, Shannon and Lough Erne (page 6), and North East (page 11).

Telephone numbers in the Republic are marked with a # to distinguish them from British numbers. To call one of these numbers from the United Kingdom, the initial "0" should be replaced by "00353"; for example, to call Dublin Bay Cruises, dial 00353 1 901 1757.

Dublin and South East Ireland



FERRIES

Waterford - Little Island 🚗 Waterford Castle
Passage East - Ballyhack (R Suir) 5 mins 🚗 Passage East F

Brittany Ferries - see 'English Channel and Biscay'

Rosslare - Cherbourg, Bilbao or Santander.

Canal Boat Restaurant, Dublin # (01) 473 1000

CADHLA	2009	55 grt	18.3 m	60 pass e

Dublin (Mespil Road): Dinner cruises on the Grand Canal; charter trips.

DFDS - see 'English Channel and Biscay'

Rosslare - Dunkerque.

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M Doyle (Howth Cliff Cruises) mobile # 086 845 9154

ADAM PATRICIA	1981	15 grt	10.7 m	40 pass
DOLPHIN DISCOVERY	1999	-	12.2 m	43 pass
DÚN AENGUS	1983	-	15.5 m	63 pass
LITTLE FLOWER	1921	-	9.1 m	28 pass
SUAIMHNEAS	2008	-	9.4 m	35 pass

Howth: Cruises to Ireland's Eye and Howth cliffs (45 to 55 mins, all year); excursions to Ireland's Eye (15 mins each way, Easter - Sep).

Dublin Bay Cruises # (01) 901 1757

ST BRIDGET	1976	109 grt	27.7 m	96 pass

Dublin Bay: Cruises between Dun Laoghaire, Dublin and Howth (mid-March - Sep).

Dublin Discovered! # (01) 473 0000

SPIRIT OF DOCKLANDS	2005	-	22.9 m	48 pass

Dublin: Cruises on the Liffey from Custom House Quay (45 mins, March - Oct).

Irish Ferries - see 'Irish Sea'

Dublin - Holyhead or Cherbourg;
Rosslare - Pembroke.

Irish Nautical Trust, Dublin (01) 668 8113

NO 11	?	-	? m	18 pass

Dublin (North Wall Quay): Cruises in the port.

Isle of Man Steam Packet Co - see 'Irish Sea'

Dublin - Douglas.

Passage East Ferry Co # (051) 382480

FRAZER TINTERN	1971	-	54.8 m	200 pass	C

Passage East - Ballyhack ferry.

La Péniche, Dublin mobile # 087 790 0077

RIASC	1998	-	18.3 m	100 pass

Dublin (Mespil Road): Restaurant cruises on the Grand Canal.

Stena Line

Dublin - Holyhead (see 'Irish Sea');
Rosslare - Fishguard (see 'Irish Sea').

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Three Sisters Cruise Company

BARROW PRINCESS	1996	-	17.4 m	75 pass
CAILIN DEISE	2004	66 grt	18.3 m	143 pass
(previously SPIRIT OF PLYMOUTH)				

New Ross - Waterford: Cruises on the rivers Barrow and Suir between New Ross and Waterford (2 hrs each way); cruises from Waterford (1 hr 30 mins).
Wexford: Cruises to Raven Point seal colony (1 hr 30 mins) in CAILIN DEISE.

Viking Splash Tours, Dublin # (01) 224 3852

FREYA	?	-	9.4 m	28 pass
LOKI	?	-	9.4 m	28 pass
ODIN	?	-	9.4 m	28 pass
TYR	?	-	9.4 m	28 pass

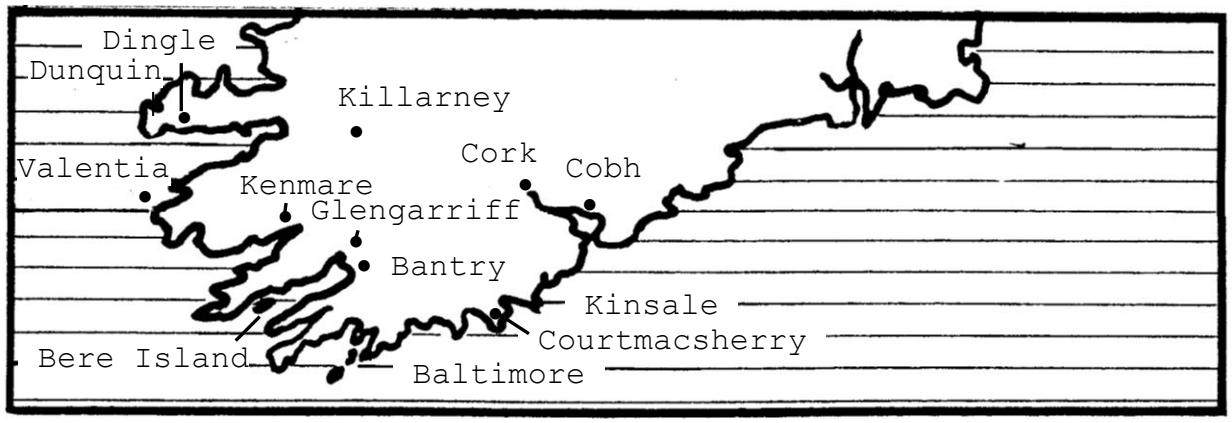
Dublin (St Stephens Green): Sightseeing trips by road and in the Grand Canal Basin in amphibious ex-army DUKWs (all year).

Waterford Castle Hotel # (051) 878203

MARY FITZGERALD	1972	-	43.0 m	cable C

Waterford: Ferry to Little Island.

South West Ireland



FERRIES

Glenbrook - Carrigaloe	5 mins 🚗	Doyle Shipping
Kinsale summer only		?

Atlantic Whale & Wildlife Tours, Courtmac. mobile # 087 638 1003

LADY CATHERINE	2024	-	13.0 m	39 pass

Courtmacsherry: Wildlife cruises (3 to 4 hrs).

Bantry Bay Charters mobile # 083 089 6828

STEREN-AN-MOR	1987	15 grt	10.7 m	40 pass

Bantry Bay: Charter trips from Bantry and Glengarriff.

A key to this list is on page 14

Blasket Islands Eco Marine Tours mobile # 086 335 3805

AN BLASCAOD MÓR	2007	17 grt	12.2 m	37 pass
BLASKET PRINCESS	?	-	13.1 m	44 pass

Ventry, near Dingle: Cruises around the Blasket islands (3 or 4 hrs, Easter - Oct);
trips to land on Great Blasket Island (Easter - Oct).

Blue Pool Ferry, Glengarriff # (027) 63333

BLUE POOL FERRY I	?	-	? m	38 pass
BLUE POOL FERRY II	?	-	? m	38 pass

Glengarriff (Blue Pool): Service to Garnish Island (15 mins, March - September).

Brittany Ferries - see 'English Channel and Biscay'

Cork - Roscoff.

Cape Clear Ferries # (028) 39159

CARRAIG AONAIR (previously SPIRIT OF DOOLIN)	2001	115 gt	24.0 m	200 pass
CARRAIG MÓR	1989	77 grt	19.8 m	96 pass
DÚN AN ÓIR II	1997	61 grt	18.0 m	94 pass

Baltimore - Cape Clear Island (45 mins, all-year); cruises to Fastnet Rock (June - Aug); service between Schull and Cape Clear (June - Aug).
See also Cork Harbour Cruises.

Cork Harbour Cruises mobile # 087 954 4140

CAILIN OIR	1999	41 grt	15.2 m	100 pass

Cork Harbour: Cruises from Cork (Custom House Quay) (2 hrs); evening cruises; charter trips.
Also runs CARRAIG AONAIR in winter (see Cape Clear Ferries).

Dingle Boat Tours mobile # 087 672 6100

LADY BREDA	2008	-	15.2 m	75 pass
LADY LAURA	1999	41 grt	15.2 m	72 pass

Dingle: Cruises around Blasket Island (2 or 3 hrs) or Dingle Harbour (1 hour); excursions to Great Blasket Island (April - Sep).

Dingle Dolphin Boat Tours # (066) 915 2626

DRAIOCHT	2000	28 grt	15.8 m	48 pass
ISLAND EXPLORER	1999	-	15.0 m	72 pass
LAIRD OF STAFFA	1976	13 grt	11.3 m	47 pass

Dingle: Coastal cruises (1 to 3 hrs, all year).

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Doyle Shipping Group, Cobh # (021) 481 1549

BRYAN J	1999	-	14.0 m	82 pass	
CARRIGALOE	1970	225 grt	49.2 m	200 pass	C
GLENBROOK	1971	225 grt	49.2 m	200 pass	C
KARYCRAFT	1995	66 grt	17.4 m	100 pass	
SPIKE ISLAND	1997	-	19.0 m	126 pass	
new vessel	2027	? grt	? m	? pass	C

Cork Harbour: Glenbrook - Carrigaloe ferry. Services from Cobh to Haulbowline (not open to the general public). Excursions from Cobh to Spike Island (see Spike Island).

Harbour Queen Ferry, Glengarriff # (027) 63116

HARBOUR QUEEN II	1995	-	12.8 m	50 pass
HARBOUR QUEEN III	?	8 grt	? m	54 pass
HARBOUR QUEEN OF GLENGARRIFF	1970	24 grt	11.0 m	45 pass

Glengarriff: Service to Garnish Island (15 mins, April - October); cruises on Glengarriff Harbour.

C Harrington (Bere Island Ferries) # (027) 75009

OILEÁN NA H-ÓIGE	1980	69 grt	18.6 m	75 pass	C
SANCTA MARIA	1983	67 grt	18.6 m	75 pass	C

Castletownbere - Bere Island: Year-round service (🚗).

Heir Island Ferry mobile # 086 809 2447

Cunnamore - Heir Island by THRESHER (12 passengers).

Hibernia Line - see 'English Channel and Biscay'

Cork - Boulogne.

Kenmare Bay Boat Tours mobile # 087 711 0240

DOOLIN DISCOVERY	2009	-	15.2 m	70 pass

Kenmare: Cruises on Kenmare Bay (2 hrs); charter trips.
Times vary with tides.

Killarney Lake Tours # (064) 663 2638

PRIDE OF THE LAKES	?	-	? m	78 pass

Killarney (Ross Castle): Cruises on Lough Leane (1 hour).

Kinsale Harbour Cruises mobile # 086 250 5456

SPIRIT OF KINSALE	1998	29 grt	13.7 m	50 pass

Kinsale: Harbour cruises (1 hour, March - Oct).

'Lily of Killarney' # (064) 663 3358

LILY OF KILLARNEY	1994	52 grt	20.7 m	78 pass

Killarney (Ross Castle): Cruises on Lough Leane (1 hour).

Long Island Ferry mobile # 086 172 1254

Colla - Long Island.

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Murphy's Ferry Service, Bere Island mobile # 087 238 6095

IKOM K	1999	-	14.9 m	60 pass	C

Castletownbere - Bere Island: Pontoon Pier near Castletownbere - Lawrence Cove near Rerrin, Bere Island (🚗).

V O'Driscoll, Baltimore mobile # 087 244 7828

AN TOILEANACH GLIC	1997	-	13.1 m	40 pass	
MYSTIC WATERS	1972	100 grt	19.8 m	99 pass	
YOKER SWAN	1984	65 grt	21.9 m	50 pass	C

Baltimore - Sherkin Island (10 mins).

T O'Leary, Whiddy Island mobile # 086 862 6734

LANTERN II	?	-	? m	36 pass

Bantry - Whiddy Island (15 mins).

Spike Island, Cobh # (021) 237 3455

Cobh: Service to Spike Island (daily mid-April - Sep, weekends Feb - Oct) by Doyle Shipping Group.

Star Outdoors, Kenmare # (064) 664 1222

STAR OF KENMARE	?	-	? m	52 pass

Kenmare: Wildlife cruises on Kenmare Bay (1 hour); charter trips.

Valentia Island Ferry # 1800 938 004

GOD MET ONS III	1963	-	54.9 m	95 pass	C

Reenard - Knight's Town, Valentia Island (5 mins, 🚗, April - early-Oct).

West Coast, Shannon and Lough Erne

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Killimer - Tarbert (Shannon)	20 mins 🚗	Shannon Ferry

Aran Island Ferries, Rossaveal # (091) 568903

BANRION NA FARRAIGE	1988	117 grt	27.4 m	188 pass	
CEOL NA FARRAIGE	2001	316 grt	37.4 m	294 pass	
DRAIOCHT NA FARRAIGE	1999	318 grt	37.5 m	294 pass	>
GLÓR NA FARRAIGE	1986	170 grt	33.5 m	244 pass	
SAOIRSE NA FARRAIGE	2020	424 gt	40.0 m	393 pass	

Aran Islands: Rossaveal - Inishmor (40 mins), Inishmaan and Inisheer;
excursions from Galway to Inishmor and cruises to the Cliffs of Moher (mid-April - Sep).
Vessels also available for charter.

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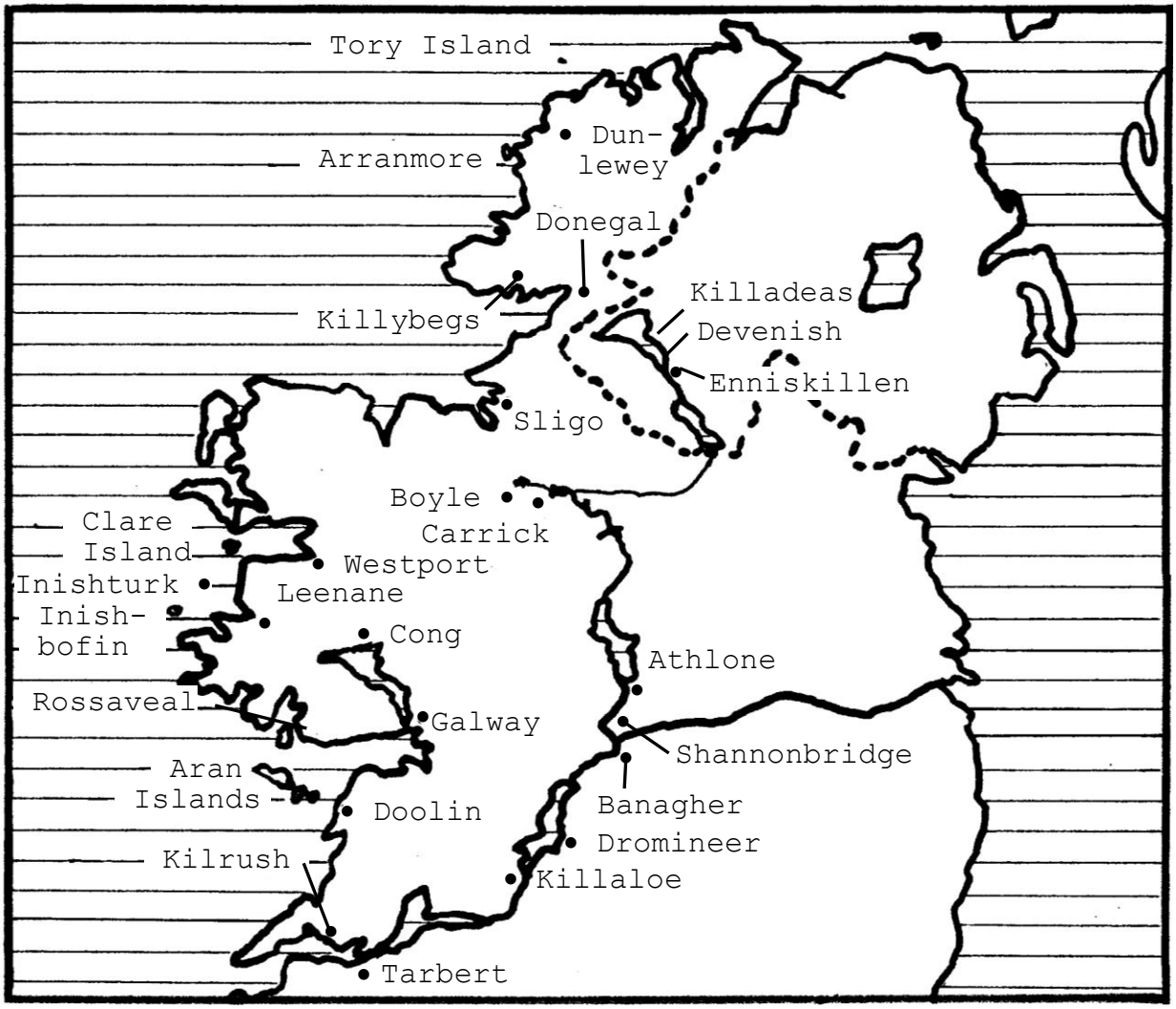

Arranmore Fast Ferry (blue ferries) mobile # 087 317 1810

ARRANMORE BLU	2024	? grt	24.0 m	100 pass	C
CANNA	1975	69 grt	25.3 m	96 pass	C
MORVERN	1973	64 grt	26.6 m	73 pass	C

Burtonport - Arranmore (20 mins, 🚗).
See also Tory Ferry.

Arranmore Ferry (red ferries) # (074) 954 2233

COLL	1973	69 grt	28.3 m	96 pass	C
RHUM	1973	69 grt	28.3 m	96 pass	C

Burtonport - Arranmore (20 mins, 🚗);
cruises to Arranmore lighthouse (2 hrs).
See also Lough Swilly Ferry ('North East Ireland').

Atlantic Coastal Cruises, Killybegs mobile # 087 221 4497

SLIABH LIAG ALLURE	1996	66 grt	20.0 m	97 pass

Killybegs: Cruises to Sliabh Liag cliffs (1 hr 45 mins); harbour cruises (1 hr 15 mins) (June - Sep).

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Clare Island Ferry Co # (098) 23737

CLEW BAY QUEEN	1972	64 grt	23.8 m	96 pass	C
EIGG	1975	69 grt	25.3 m	97 pass	C
PIRATE QUEEN	1996	73 grt	20.1 m	72 pass	
SEA SPRINTER	1993	16 grt	11.6 m	25 pass	

Clare Island and Inishturk: Sailings from Roonagh to Clare Island (15 mins, May - Sep) and Inishturk (50 mins, all year); trips between Clare Island and Cloughmore, Achill Island (July - August).

Corrib Cruises, Cong mobile # 087 994 6380

ISLE OF INISFREE	1988	-	13.5 m	80 pass
QUEEN OF CONNEMARA	1997	42 grt	13.7 m	94 pass
(previously DOLPHIN SPIRIT, then INVERNESS SPIRIT)				

Cong (Ashford Castle Hotel and Lisloughrey Pier): Cruises on Lough Corrib (1 hour, all year); trips to Inchagoill island (June - Sep).
Oughterard: Cruises on Lough Corrib to Inchagoill and Cong (late-June - mid-Sep).

Corrib Princess, Galway mobile # 087 806 5366

CORRIB PRINCESS	1991	-	18.3 m	157 pass

Galway (Wood Quay): Cruises on Corrib River and Lough Corrib (1 hr 30 mins, May - Sep); charter trips.

Dolphin Discovery, Kilrush mobile # 085 250 5512

Kilrush (Marina): Cruises in the Shannon Estuary to view bottlenose dolphins (2 hrs to 2 hrs 30 mins) by AN BREANDAN (see Scattery Island Tours).

Donegal Bay Waterbus # (074) 972 3666

DUN NA NGALL	2006	133 grt	22.5 m	165 pass

Donegal: Cruises in Donegal Bay (1 hr 15 mins, March - Dec), times vary with tides.

Doolin Ferry Co (O'Brien Line) # (065) 707 5555

ARAN ISLANDS EXPRESS	2013	131 gt	26.0 m	250 pass
CLIFFS OF MOHER EXPRESS	2025	259 gt	31.0 m	300 pass
DOOLIN EXPRESS	2010	161 grt	25.0 m	190 pass
*INIS OÍRR EXPRESS	2026	259 gt	31.0 m	300 pass
STAR OF DOOLIN	2018	121 gt	26.0 m	194 pass
TRANQUILITY	1988	68 grt	21.9 m	100 pass
new vessel	2026	259 gt	31.0 m	300 pass

Doolin: Service to Inisheer, Inishmaan and Inishmor, Aran Islands; cruises to the Cliffs of Moher (1 hour) (March - early-Nov).
*Not yet in service.

Dunlewey Centre # (074) 953 1699

GRÁINNE ROSE	?	-	? m	50 pass

Dunlewey: Cruises on the lake (25 mins, May - Sep).

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Erne Tours, Enniskillen 028 6632 2882

KESTREL	1976	-	15.2 m	48 pass

Enniskillen (Brook Park): Cruises on Lough Erne, calling at Devenish Island (1 hr 45 mins, Easter - Sep, daily June - Aug); Saturday evening cruise with music (2 hrs).

Galway Girl Cruises mobile # 089 446 2427

GALWAY GIRL	1967	99 grt	24.1 m	200 pass

Galway Bay: Cruises from Galway (1 hr 30 mins, May - early-Oct); excursions from Rossaveal to Inishmor.

Inishbofin Ferry # (095) 37228

ISLAND ADVENTURE	1994	130 gt	27.1 m	250 pass
ISLAND DISCOVERY	1991	107 gt	25.0 m	99 pass
ISLAND VOYAGER	2011	173 gt	29.0 m	280 pass
(previously JOLY FRANCE I in France)				

Inishbofin: Year-round service to Cleggan (30 mins).

Killary Fjord Boat Tours, Leenane mobile # 087 235 9136

CONNEMARA LADY	1999	173 gt	21.9 m	155 pass m

Leenane (Nancy's Point): Cruises on Killary Harbour (1 hr 30 mins, April - Oct); evening dinner cruises; charter trips.

Ku-Ee-Tu, Dromineer mobile # 087 214 2363

KU-EE-TU	1968	22 grt	12.2 m	53 pass

Dromineer: Cruises on the Shannon and Lough Derg (May - Sep).

Lough Key Boat Tours mobile # 086 084 6849

TRINITY	?	-	? m	40 pass

Boyle (Lough Key Forest Park): Cruises on Lough Key (May - Sep).

Lusty Beg Island 028 6863 3300

Boa Island - Lusty Beg Island (🚗).

Manor House Country Hotel, Killadeas 028 6862 2200

LADY OF THE LAKE	2000	-	20.4 m	56 pass

Killadeas: Charter cruises on Lough Erne; dinner cruises.

'Moon River', Carrick-on-Shannon # (071) 962 1777

MOON RIVER	1995	66 grt	22.3 m	110 pass
RIVER RUN	?	-	? m	60 pass

Carrick-on-Shannon: Cruises on the Shannon (March - Oct).

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O'Malley Ferries, Clare Island # (098) 25045

NAOMH CIARÁN II	1982	35 grt	17.7 m	97 pass
TORMORE	1992	67 grt	17.7 m	96 pass
TRUE LIGHT	2002	19 grt	12.8 m	38 pass

Clare Island: Sailings from Roonagh to Clare Island (15 mins);
Clare Island - Kildownet, Achill Island (July - Aug).

River Shannon Explorer, Shannonbridge mobile # 087 338 2027

SHANNON EXPLOER (previously TUBARÃO DO MAR in Portugal)	2016	-	15.6 m	55 pass	m

Shannonbridge: cruises on the Shannon to Clonmacnois.

'Rose of Innisfree', Sligo # (071) 916 4266

ROSE OF INNISFREE	?	-	? m	72 pass

Sligo: Cruises on Lough Gill from Doorly Park and Parke's Castle (1 hour, Easter - Sep).

Scattery Island Tours, Kilrush mobile # 085 250 5512

AN BREANDAN	2008	-	11.9 m	70 pass	m

Kilrush (Marina) - Scattery Island (May - Sep).
Schedules vary with tides.
See also Dolphin Discovery.

Shannon Ferry # (065) 905 3124

SHANNON BREEZE	2000	611 grt	80.8 m	350 pass	C
SHANNON DOLPHIN	1995	501 grt	72.0 m	350 pass	C

Killimer - Tarbert ferry.

Silverline Tours, Banagher # (057) 915 1112

RIVER QUEEN	1971	18 grt	11.9 m	50 pass

Banagher: Cruises on the Shannon (2 hrs, July - Aug); charter trips.

Tory Ferry mobile # 087 199 3710

QUEEN OF ARAN	1976	113 grt	20.0 m	100 pass

Tory Island: Service from Magheroarty (45 mins).

Viking Tours, Athlone mobile # 086 262 1136

THE VIKING I	1923	-	21.0 m	71 pass

Athlone: Cruises on the Shannon to Lough Ree (1 hr 15 mins) or to land at Clonmacnois (1 hr 30 mins each way) (Easter - Oct).

Westport Cruises # (098) 39192

SPIORAD NAOMH PHADRAIG	?	-	13.4 m	50 pass

Westport: Cruises on Clew Bay (1 hr 30 mins, April - Oct), times vary with tides.

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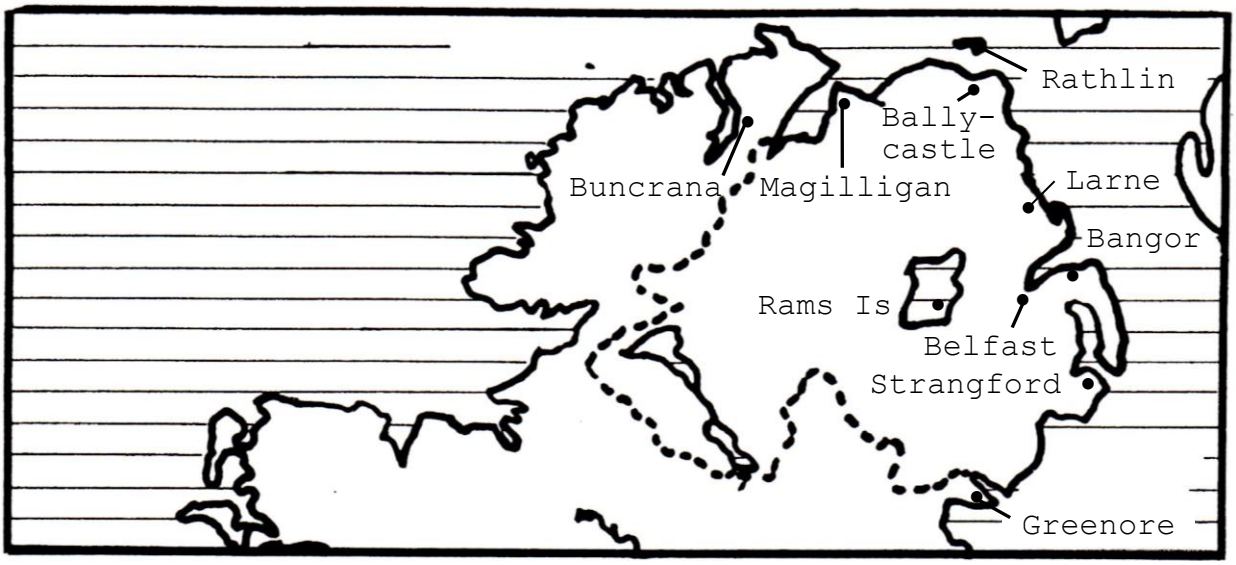
Whelans Boat Tours, Killaloe mobile # 086 814 0559

SPIRIT OF KILLALOE	2000	-	21.9 m	80 pass

Killaloe: Cruises on the Shannon and Lough Derg (1 hour, daily April - mid-Sep, weekends Feb - Oct).

North East Ireland



FERRIES

Greenore - Greencastle	15 mins	Carlingford F.
Strangford - Portaferry	10 mins (A2)	Dept Reg. Dev.
Larne - Islandmagee		J McLoughlin
Greencastle - Magilligan	10 mins	
	Easter, late-May - mid-Sep	Lough Foyle Ferry
Buncrana - Rathmullan	June - early-Sep	Lough Swilly F.

Ahoy Belfast 028 9045 7723

JOYCE TOO	1973	12 grt	11.3 m	58 pass	

Belfast (Lagan Weir): Charter cruises on the river Lagan.

Carlingford Ferry (IE) 1800 938 004, (GB) 0800 471 4665

FRAZER AISLING						
GABRIELLE (IE)	1978	360 grt	47.9 m	250 pass	C	

Greenore - Greencastle ferry (no service in 2026).

Dept for Infrastructure (NI), Strangford 0300 200 7898

PORTAFERRY II	2001	312 grt	38.2 m	260 pass	C
STRANGFORD II	2016	405 gt	63.5 m	260 pass	C

Strangford - Portaferry ferry.

Isle of Man Steam Packet Co - see 'Irish Sea'

Larne - Douglas.

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Kintra Boat Tours, Ballycastle mobile 07848 473652

KINTRA II	2022	-	14.0 m	82 pass	m
SELKIE	2025	-	15.0 m	110 pass	m

Ballycastle: Cruises to Carrick A Rede (1 hr 30 mins); cruises round Rathlin Island (3 hrs).
See also Rathlin Ferry.

Lough Foyle Ferry

FRAZER MARINER	(IE)	1984	-	43.0 m	200 pass	C
FRAZER STRANGFORD	(IE)	1969	186 grt	32.9 m	260 pass	C

Greencastle - Magilligan ferry.

Lough Swilly Ferry mobile # 087 211 2331

SPIRIT OF LOUGH SWILLY	(IE)	1959	-	32.0 m	130 pass	C

Buncrana - Rathmullan ferry.
Owned by Arranmore Ferry (see 'West Coast, Shannon and Lough Erne').

John McLoughlin & Son (Shipping), Larne 028 2827 3785

Larne - Islandmagee ferry (12 passenger boats).

B J Meharg (Bangor Boat Trips) mobile 07510 006000

OCEAN CREST	?	-	11.0 m	35 pass

Bangor: Short sea cruises; bird watching cruises; angling trips; charter trips.

P&O Ferries - see 'Irish Sea'

Larne - Cairnryan.

Rams Island Heritage Project mobile 07715 368050

Lough Neagh: Trips from Crumlin (Sandy Bay Marina) to Rams Island.

Rathlin Ferry 028 2076 9299

SPIRIT OF RATHLIN	2016	105 gt	27.3 m	141 pass	C

Ballycastle - Rathlin Island (40 mins, 🚗, or 30 mins by KINTRA II OF Kintra Boat Tours).

Stena Line - see 'Irish Sea'

Belfast - Cairnryan or Birkenhead.

Waterways Belfast

LADY OF THE LAGAN (previously INISHCRUISER)	1998	-	18.3 m	57 pass

Belfast (Donegall Quay): Cruises on Belfast Harbour to Titanic Slipway (1 hr 30 mins, all year); charter trips.

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Waverley Excursions - see 'Scotland - W. Coast' 0141 243 2224

Warrenpoint: Occasional paddle steamer cruises (late-June).

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Title - This is the name by which the firm is usually identified and is not necessarily the full legal name or the registered owner of a vessel.

Name of vessel - If the vessel's name has changed since the 2022 'Trip Out' guide, the previous name is given; other former names are not listed.

Nationality of vessel - All vessels listed are of British or Irish registry.

Particulars of vessel - Year of completion, "gt" or gross tonnage, overall length in metres, and maximum passenger capacity.

Type of vessel - the following codes are used:
C - car ferry,
m - catamaran or trimaran,
> - high speed craft,
e - electrically powered
(all other vessels have diesel engines).

Catering - Facilities are indicated by symbols:

- Tea, coffee, soft drinks, biscuits, etc.
- Licensed bar serving beer, spirits, etc; tea, coffee and light snacks are usually available as well.
- Full meals; a bar is always available as well.

The facility indicated may not be available on all of an operator's vessels at all times. The appearance of a symbol does not imply any recommendation of quality.

Services- Dates are inclusive: thus, "May - Aug" means from the beginning of May to the end of August.
Unless stated otherwise, cruises and excursions run in summer only, but charter trips are available all year.