

FESTIVAL & EVENT GUIDE

MARCH

St. Patrick's Day Food Parade

APRIL

Comedy Festival

MAY

Heineken Kinsale '7s by the Sea
Blue Haven Kinsale Vintage Car Club Rally

JUNE

Belgooly Agricultural Show
Kinsale Races
Sea Sunday Mission to Seafarers
Sovereigns Cup

JULY

Kinsale Arts Week

AUGUST

Kinsale Regatta
National Dragon Championships

SEPTEMBER

International Advertising Awards

OCTOBER

Kinsale Gourmet Festival
Kinsale Fringe Jazz Festival

NOVEMBER

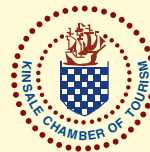
Black & White Charity Ball

DECEMBER

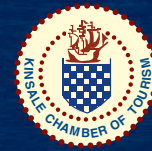
"Christmas in Kinsale"



Map of Kinsale



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101 Things to do in Kinsale

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101 THINGS TO DO IN KINSALE

1. Pick up a free visitor guide from the tourist office and plan your stay
2. Visit Charles Fort - one of the best examples of a star-shaped fort in Europe
3. Visit Desmond Castle & the International Wine Museum
4. Visit the 12th century St. Multose Church
5. Visit Kinsale Museum
6. Visit James Fort

TAKE AN ORGANISED TOUR

7. Take a guided walking tour
8. Enjoy a scenic harbour cruise
9. Join the evening Ghost Tour
10. Explore the narrow winding streets of Kinsale town
11. Explore the sites of the Battle of Kinsale
12. Explore the galleries of Kinsale
13. Explore the many craft shops of Kinsale
14. Explore the pubs of Kinsale - there are over 20!

GOLF

15. Golf at Old Head Golf Links - 15 mins drive
16. Golf at Kinsale Golf Club's Farrangalway Course - 15 mins drive
17. Golf at Ringenane (9 holes) - 10 mins drive

WATER BASED

18. Go deep sea angling
19. Charter a yacht
20. Windsurf at the OEC or Oysterhaven Centre
21. Go kayaking or windsurfing
22. Charter a small fishing boat and explore the inner harbour
23. Arrange a whale and dolphin watching trip
24. Fish the Bandon River (with a permit if necessary!)
25. Swim at The Dock Beach or Sandycove
26. Hire a fishing rod and fish from the bridge

LAND BASED

27. Try your hand at orienteering
28. Test your rock climbing skills
29. Book a clay pigeon shoot
30. Experience falconry
31. Bet you won't go ferret racing!
32. Take aim at archery
33. Challenge your friends to a game of paintball
34. Hire a bike and explore
35. Go pony trekking on inland trails
36. Try horse-riding on the beach
37. Anyone for tennis?
38. Play pitch & putt

WALKING

39. Try the Compass Hill Walk (1 hour)
40. Kinsale to Scilly and on to Charles Fort (90 minutes)
41. Lower Cove to Ballymachus and on to Prehane Point (2 hours)
42. Kinsale to James Fort and The Block House (90 minutes)
43. Walk the high road to Summercove with spectacular views over the town (45 mins)
44. Walk from the Pier to Cammogue to explore the Wildlife Sanctuary (30mins)

BE A SPECTATOR

45. Watch sailing in the harbour
46. See a local hurling, football, camogie, soccer or rugby match
47. Watch the Sandycove Swim
48. Watch the Kinsale & Dock Rowing Club practice
49. Watch Kinsale Set Dancers
50. Watch a local boules match
51. Watch road bowling - usually Sundays
52. Indoor bowls
53. Watch a Kinsale sunset from Charles Fort

JOIN ONE OF OUR MANY FESTIVALS

54. Rugby 7's Festival (May Bank Holiday Weekend)
55. Kinsale Races/ Point to Point (June)
56. Sovereigns Cup Sailing Regatta (Every 2nd Year)
57. Comedy Festival (April)
58. Kinsale Vintage Rally Weekend (May)
59. Kinsale Arts Week (July)
60. Regatta Festival (August Bank Holiday Weekend)
61. Kinsale Gourmet Festival (October)
62. Kinsale Christmas (December)
63. Kinsale Fringe Jazz Festival (October Bank Holiday Weekend)

PAMPER YOURSELF

64. Visit one of the local hairdressers
65. Be pampered at one of the local salons or spas (facials, manicures, pedicures, massage therapy etc)
66. Soak in an outdoor hot tub
67. Have a jacuzzi with a view or try a sauna or steam-room

IN TOWN

68. Window shop for gift ideas
69. Browse the menus of all the restaurants
70. Surf the net at an internet cafe
71. Visit the local Farmers Market - Market Quay (Every Tuesday)
72. Enjoy a concert in St. Multose Church
73. Experience a book reading in one of the local bookshops
74. Take a stroll along the harbour front and examine the day's catch when the boats come in
75. Have a coffee in a local cafe (Fair Trade Coffee available throughout)

76. Eat lunch or dinner in one of the local restaurants
77. Sample some traditional music in one of our local pubs
78. Dance the night away at one of the local night spots
79. Take art lessons
80. Take a pottery class and 'throw your own pot'!
81. Take cooking classes

FOR THE KIDS

82. Play at the local playground
83. Take a picnic to the town park
84. Feed the ducks and swans at the pier
85. Spot the seals
86. Build sandcastles at the Dock Beach - 5 mins
87. Go beach combing on Garrettstown Beach - 15 mins
88. Enroll in a local sailing or activity course
89. Explore the rock pools at low tide (Sandycove, Summercove & The Dock)

TAKE A TRIP

90. Visit the moving statue at Ballinspittle - 15 mins drive
91. Visit the 9/11 Remembrance Garden - 10 mins drive
92. Visit the memorial to the Lusitania - 15 mins drive

FOR BUSINESS

93. Arrange a conference in a hotel or private estate
94. Entertain your clients in a world class restaurant
95. Choose from a wealth of activities for your next team building event
96. Book a staff night out, a summer barbeque or Christmas party
97. Hold a product launch with a difference!

CELEBRATE

98. Book your wedding in Kinsale – civil ceremonies, church weddings, renewal of vows... (3 months notice required)
99. Book your christening party
100. Celebrate an anniversary, family reunion or special occasion

AND FINALLY...

101. Just relax... Enjoy... And plan your next visit to Kinsale!

DAY TRIPS FROM KINSALE

... if you have any time left, take a trip further afield. To one of the many great spots just a stones throw from Kinsale:-

Shop til you drop in Cork city (30mins)
Charter a private plane or helicopter ride at Cork Airport (20mins)
Spot the monkeys at Fota Wildlife Park (45mins)
Visit the Titanic's last port of call in Cobh (50mins)
Get the "gift of the gab" by kissing the Blarney Stone! (45mins)
Explore a Model Railway Village in Clonakilty (50mins)
Take a Whiskey tasting tour at Midleton Distillery (50mins)
Roam the exquisite Japanese gardens in Bantry (2hrs)
Do the famous Ring of Kerry (2½ hrs)

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