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CLEW BAY

Watersports & Activities

1.Achill Island Scuba Dive Centre, Purteen Harbour, Achill Island. T: 087 2349884
W: www.achilldivecentre.com

2. Achill Outdoor Education Centre, Cashel, Bunnacurry, Achill Island. T: 098 47253
W: www.achilloutdoor.com

3. Achill Surf & Kayak, Achill Island.
T: 087 2371506 W: www.achillsurf.com

4. Allplay Windsurfing, Murrisk, Westport.
T: 086 3070975

5. Atlantic Adventure Centre, Lecanvey, Westport.
T: 098 64806 / 087 9660087
W: www.atlanticadventurecentre.com

6. Blackfield Surf School, Keel, Achill Island.
T: 087 2495175 W: www.blackfield.com

7. Delphi Mountain Resort Adventure Centre, Leenane, Co Galway. T: 095 42208
W: www.delphimountainresort.com

8. Glenans Irish Sailing Centre, Collanmore Island, Rosmoney Pier, Westport. T: 01 6611481
W: www.gisc.ie

9. Horizon Adventure & Education Centre, Westport. T: 098 35844
W: www.horizonireland.com

10. Ireland West Sea Kayaking / Saoirse na Mara, Westport. T: 086 1733610
W: www.irelandwestseakayaking.com

11. Kayaking & Surfing at Mulranny Park Hotel, Mulranny. T: 098 36709
W: www.mulrannyparkhotel.ie/kayaking-mayo

12. Killary Adventure Co., Leenane, Co Galway.
T: 095 43411 W: www.killaryadventure.ie

13. Killary Cruises, Nancy's Point, Leenane, Co Galway. T: 091 566736 W: www.killarycruises.com

14. Pure Magic Kitesurfing, Dugort, Achill Island.
T: 085 1056344

15. Scubadive West, Renvyle, Co Galway. T: 095 43922 W: www.scubadivewest.com

16. Surf Mayo, Carrowniskey Beach, Louisburgh.
T: 087 6212508 W: www.surfmayo.com

17.The Adventure Islands, James Street, Westport.
T: 098 26907 / 086 2518252
W: www.theadventureislands.com

18. Tomás MacLochlainn - Cursaí Amuigh Faoin Spéir (watersports & walking), Achill Sound, Achill Island. T: 098 45085
W: members.achilltourism.com/tomasmaclochlainn

19. The Surf Coach, The Sandybanks, Keel, Achill Island. T: 086 2288566 W: www.achill-surf.com

20. West Coast Adventure Tours & Surf School, Westport / Louisburgh. T: 087 0611557
W: www.westcoastadventuretours.ie

21. Westport Wargames, Wood Lodge Country Estate, Knappagh. T: 098 21886
W: www.westportwargames.com

Equestrian Centres / Riding Centres

22. Calvey's Equestian & Pony Trekking Centre, Keel, Achill Island. T: 087 9881093
E: info@calveys.com W: www.calveys.com

23. Drummindoo Stud & Equitation Centre, Knockranny, Westport. T: 098 25616
E: drummindoo@anu.ie

24. Westport Woods Riding Centre, Bohea, Liscarney, Westport. T: 098 25811 / 087 2605672
E: Michael@westportwoodshotel.com
W: www.westportwoodshotel.com

Golf Courses

25.Achill Golf Club (9-hole), Keel, Achill Island.
T. 098 43456 W: www.achillgolf.com

26. Ballinrobe Golf Club (18-hole), Cloonacastle, Ballinrobe. T: 094 9541118
W: www.ballinrobegolfclub.com

27. Castlebar Golf Club (18-hole). Rocklands, Castlebar. T: 094 9021649
W: www.castlebargolfclub.ie

28. Clew Bay Golf Club (18-hole), Claggan, Kilmeena, Westport. T: 098 41730 / 41739
www.clewbaygolf.com

29. Mulranny Golf Club (9-hole), Mulranny.
T: 098 36262

30. Westport Golf Club (18-hole), Carrowholly, Westport. T: 098 28262 www.westportgolfclub.com

Visitor Centres

31. Ballintubber Abbey, Ballintubber. T: 094 9030934 W: www.ballintubberabbey.ie

32. Ballycroy National Park Visitor Centre, Ballycroy village. T: 098 49888
W: www.ballycroynationalpark.ie

33. Clew Bay Heritage Centre, The Quay, Westport.
T: 098 26852 W: www.westportheritage.com

34. Croagh Patrick & Croagh Patrick Visitor Centre, Murrisk. T: 098 64114 W: www.croagh-patrick.com

35. Foxford Woollen Mills, Foxford. T: 094 9256104
W: www.foxfordwoollenmills.com

36. Granuaile Centre, Louisburgh. T: 098 66341

37. Hennigan's Heritage Centre, Killasser, Swinford. T: 094 9252505
W: www.hennigansheritage.com

38. Kylemore Abbey & Gardens, Kylemore.
T: 095 52000 W: www.kylemoreabbeytourism.ie

39. Leenane Sheep & Wool Centre, Leenane.
T: 095 42323 W: www.sheepandwoolcentre.com

40. Mayo Memorial Peace Park, Castlebar.
E: info@mayomemorialpeacepark.org
W: www.mayomemorialpeacepark.org

41. National Museum of Ireland - Country Life, Turlough, Castlebar. T: 094 9031755
W: www.museum.ie

42. Westport Heritage Centre, Westport Tourist Information Office, James Street, Westport.
T: 098 25711 W: www.discoverireland.ie

43. Westport House & Pirate Adventure Park
Wesport. The Demesne, Westport.
T: 098 27766 W: www.westporthouse.ie

Bike Hire

Achill Lodge Bicycle Hire, Bunnacurry, Achill Island. T: 086 7930633

Barretts Bicycle Hire, Keel, Achill Island.
T 098 43125

Bicycle Hire at Nevins Newfield Inn, Mulranny,
T: 098 36959

Bicycle hire at Óstán Oileán Acla, Achill Sound.
T: 098 45138

Clew Bay Bike Hire, Westport – depots in Westport, Newport, Mulranny & Achill Island.
T: 085 7030177 W: www.clewbayoutdoors.ie

Electric Escapes, Westport – electric bike hire.
T: 098 56611 / 087 7451155
W: www.electricescapes.ie

Mayo Leisure Cycling, New Antrim Street, Castlebar. T: 094 9025220

Newport Cycle Hire & Repairs, Westport Road, Newport. T: 086 3295277

Sean Sammon Cycle Hire, James Street, Westport.
T: 098 25471 / 086 8143226

Sea Angling Operators

Cuan na Cuime, 34' Carvel full decker 44hp.
Skipper: Tony Burke. Base: Achill. Op. Area: Achill.
Tel/Fax: 098 47257 Mob: 086 3211560
W: www.achilltourism.com/members/cuannacuime/

Lady Clare, 33' Lochin 300hp.
Skipper: John Johnston. Base: Achill. Op. Area: Achill & Clew Bay.
Tel: 098 45743 Mob: 087 2945346
W: www.anu.ie/ladyclare/

Lady Helen, 36' Ocean Tramp 180hp.
Skipper: Reg Roynon. Base: Westport.
Op. Area: Clew Bay, Clare Island & Inishturk.
Tel: 098 26514 Mob: 087 7647789

Restorick II, 38' Bullet 300hp.
Skipper: Aaron O'Grady. Base: Clare Island. Op. Area: Clew Bay.
Tel: 087 6571688

Shamrock I, 33' Aquastar 120hp.
Skipper: Mary Gavin Hughes. Base: Newport. Op. Area: Clew Bay. Sightseeeing trips available.
Tel: 098 41562 Mob: 086 8062282
W: www.clewbayangling.com

White Sea Horse, 36' Bullet 300hp.
Skipper: Vinnie Keogh. Base: Westport.
Op. Area: Clew Bay, Clare Island & Inishturk.
Tel: 098 64865 / 26194 W: www.thehelm.ie

Game Angling Operators

Thomas Bourke, Salmon and trout fishing guide
Tel: 098 27103 / 086 8331586

Burrishoole Fishery Salmon Angling Manager: Pat Hughes.
Tel: 098 42300 W: www.burrishoole.ie

Do I need a licence to fish in Ireland?
When fishing for salmon and sea trout in the Republic of Ireland you are legally required to hold a state licence issued by Inland Fisheries Ireland. This can be purchased online at www.salmonlicences.ie, from many tackle shops and at most good salmon fisheries.
Most fisheries require a local permit in addition to the state licence and these are generally available at the fisheries or in local tackle shops. A local permit is usually required to fish on most of the rivers though this does not apply on many of the Loughs.
Size and bag limits vary from fishery to fishery though we strongly promote the practice of 'catch & release'.

Outdoor Playareas

Playgrounds are located on Achill Island at Keel, in Newport on the Westport Road (N59), in Westport adjacent to Westport Leisure Park & on Lannagh Road in Castlebar. In addition Westport has a basketball court and skate park adjacent to The Railway Walk / Greenway just off the Leenane Road (N59) while in Castlebar there is a basketball court adjacent to the playground on Lannagh Road.

Indoor Play Centres

Funster Play Centre, Breaffy Road Business Park.
T: 094 9038939

Mayo Leisure Point, Moneen, Castlebar.
T: 094 9025473 W: www.mayoleisurepoint.ie

Pikapotandpaint, Barrack Yard, off James Street, Westport. T: 098 29509
W: www.pikapotandpaint.com

The Pirate's Den @ Westport House,
The Demesne, Westport. T: 098 27766
W: info@westporthouse.ie W: www.westporthouse.ie

Cinemas

SGC Cinema, Castlebar.
W: www.mayomovieworld.ie

Westport Cineplex, James Street, Westport.
T: 098 24242 E: W: www.westportcineplex.ie

Swimming Pools & Leisure Centres

Westport Leisure Park, James Street, Westport.
T: 098 29160 W: www.westportleisure.com

Castlebar Swimming Pool, T: 094 9021357

Many hotels in the area have swimming pools, leisure centre, spas and kids clubs which are complimentary to residents.

Farmers / Country Markets

Achill Country Market, Ted Lavelle's, Cashel - every Friday from 11.00 to 13.00

Louisburgh Farmers Market - every Friday from 09.00 to 15.00.

Westport Food & Craft Market, The Mall, Westport – March to December, every Saturday 09.00 to 17.00

Westport Country Markets, James Street Carpark, Westport – every Thursday from 08.30 to 13.00

Ferries to Offshore Islands

Clare Island Ferry Co Ltd, Clare Island.
T: 098 23737

O'Malley Ferries, Clare Island. T: 086 8870814

Leneghan Ferries to Inishbiggle T: 098 45513 / 087 1269618

Inishbofin Island Discovery Ltd T: 095 45819 / 45894 W: www.inishbofinIslanddiscovery.com

Walking Guides

Tourism Pure Walking Holidays, Castlebar.
T: 094 9027797 W: www.tourismpurewalking.com

Croagh Patrick Walking Tours, Belclare, Westport
T: 098 26090 / 087 2333295
W: www.walkingguideireland.com

Cycle Routes

Achill Cycle Hub - 3 looped routes on Achill Island

Great Western Greenway
The world class Great Western Greenway from Westport to Achill Island is a 42km traffic-free linear cycling and walking route which primarily follows the line of the famous Westport / Achill Railway which closed in 1937. This route offers gentle gradients in some of the most idyllic scenery in the west of Ireland and is the longest off-road cycling experience in Ireland. Bike hire is available in Westport, Newport, Mulranny and on Achill Island and as this is a linear route there is a drop-off and collection service available details of which are available at the local Tourist Information Office.

Louisburgh Cycle Hub - 3 looped routes from Louisburgh village

National Coastal Route – linear route from Westport town to Murrisk Abbey

Westport Cycle Hub - 3 looped routes from Westport town centre

The Granuaile Cycle Trail
Grace O'Malley (Granuaile) was a famous pirate, seafarer, trader and chieftain. Born in Mayo in 1530 this daughter of sea captain Owen O'Malley developed a reputation as a fearless leader through her efforts in battle. Follow in her footsteps on the Granuaile Trail encircling Clew Bay. This route links her castles in Kildavnet on Achill Island though Mulranny to her castle at Rockfleet (Carraigahowley) near Newport and on to Westport House - the current house is built on the site of one of her Castles. From here travel onward to Louisburgh and Roonagh Pier taking the ferry to her castle on Clare Island and onward again by ferry to Achill to complete the trail. Be sure to check ferry sailings with the ferry companies listed or the local Tourist Information Office.

Walking Routes

Ballytoughey Loom, Clare Island
Bothy Loop, Newport
Bull's Mouth Loop, Inisbiggle
Bunnahowna Loop, Mulranny
Dooagh Loop, Achill Island
Enniscoe House Loop, Crossmolina?
Fawnglass Loop, Clare Island
Great Western Greenway – linear route from Westport Quay to Achill Sound
Gubnadoogha Loop, Inisbiggle
Keenagh Loop, Newport
Knocknaveen Loop, Clare Island
Letterkeen Loop, Newport
Lettermaghera Loop, Newport
Lookout Hill Loop, Mulranny
Lough Aroher Loop, Newport
Mountain Common Loop, Inishturk
National Coastal Route – linear route from Westport town to Murrisk Abbey
The Western Way (Mayo)

For more information on all walking and cycling routes and in the interest of safety we recommend that you always carry a detailed route map. These are available from the local Tourist Information Office or can be downloaded and printed from www.discoverireland.ie.

IRELAND leave no trace

The Leave No Trace programme is designed to help outdoor enthusiasts value the natural environment, to understand the impact of their activities, and to enable them to make decisions to minimise that impact while still enjoying their activities with freedom.

The Seven Principles of Leave No Trace are:

1. Plan ahead and prepare
2. Be considerate of others
3. Respect farm animals and wildlife
4. Travel and camp on durable ground
5. Leave what you find
6. Dispose of waste properly
7. Minimise the effects of fire

Practising a Leave No Trace ethic is very simple: Make it hard for others to see or hear you and LEAVE NO TRACE of your visit.

For more information on the activities listed contact Westport Tourist Information Office, James Street, Westport. T: 098 25711
W: www.discoverireland.ie/Westport

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