Part 1 Cork-Cobh Ireland Port Guide

The Annie Moore statue is a tribute to those who left Ireland during the famine years. She was the first emigrant to be processed at Ellis Island.
The city of Cork and the town of Cobh (pronounced “Cove”) are in County Cork at the southern tip of Ireland. Cork harbor is one of the largest natural harbors in the world. Large cruise ships dock in Cobh or Ringaskiddy. If your ship docks in Ringaskiddy, there is usually a ferry service across the harbor to Cobh. Small, low draft cruise ships can dock in Cork City. Trains connect the cruise ship docks in Cobh and Cork City.

Cork is the largest county in Ireland. It's a scenic wonder with with rolling hills, forests, mountains, lakes, rivers, beaches, a rugged coastline, etc. The cities, towns, and seaside villages are colorful with many shops, historic sites, churches, and castles. Irish pubs serve some of the best beers and whiskeys on planet earth.

Ireland is a beautiful country with wonderful, friendly people. Be sure to visit the bookstores; the Irish are great writers. Take home some Irish music CD's; Christy Moore is my favorite.

Bring a lightweight rain jacket or umbrella. There is frequently a light rain during the day.

GPS Coordinates

Cruise ship ports and terminals are often difficult to find on a map. That's why I use GPS Coordinates for locations. The coordinates can be used with any Google or Microsoft Bing map format such as “road”, “satellite”, “birdseye”, “earth”, and “terrain” to see detailed views of the location at any map scale. The coordinates can also be used in hand-held or vehicle GPS devices. Set your device to input data in the format of Degrees, Minutes, and Seconds shown as N ddd° mm' ss.ss", W ddd° mm' ss.ss"

You can copy and paste GPS coordinates from this guide into Google or Bing maps. You can also type the coordinates into the map. You don't need to type the symbols for degrees, minutes, and seconds. Replace these symbols with “spaces” and type the letters, numbers, comma, and decimal points into the map.

Example: Cobh Town Cruise Ship Dock has GPS = N 51°50'55.0", W 08°17'57.6"

Type n 51 50 55.0, W 08 17 57.6 into the Google Map search box. The map will find the location.

For details, see my map user guide at https://www.tomsportguides.com/map-user-guide.html

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Tom Sheridan

I would like to thank Larry and Sue Lottier and Scott and Robyn Thomas and for their help on this guide.
Cork Harbor is one of the largest natural harbors in the world. The harbor is partially shown in the map above. The distance from Cobh to Cork is 13.1 miles (21 km). The route between Cobh and Cork City is shown on the map above. The train takes 24 minutes and runs twice an hour. It's 8.50 euros round-trip (2015 prices).

When multiple cruise ships are docking in the Cork area, the largest ship will berth at Cobh, the second largest at Ringaskiddy, and the third in Cork City which is only capable of taking smaller vessels.

- The main deep water berth, and the only dedicated cruise ship port in Ireland, is in Cobh Town next to the train station. It's shown on the map above as “Ship #1”. GPS = N 51°50′55.0″, W 08°17′57.6″
- Queen Mary II is the only cruise ship that goes directly to Ringaskiddy. QMII has a very deep draft and Ringaskiddy has deeper water. There is a ferry boat dock at Ringsaskiddy, so cruise ship passengers are normally ferried 1.5 miles across the harbor to Cobh. Ringaskiddy berth is shown as “Ship #2”. GPS = N 51°50′01.8″, W 08°19′43.4″
- The third berth, limited to smaller, lower draft cruise ships is Cork City Horgans Quay next to the Cork (Kent) Train Station. It is shown on the map as “Ship #3”. GPS = N 51°54′01.2″, W 08°27′29.6″

The Cork Airport is directly south of Cork City GPS = N 51°50′55″, W 08°28′33.4″

Cobh is on Great Island. Road traffic is connected to the mainland by a FERRY boat, several bridges, and a tunnel as shown on the map.

- Passage West Ferry crosses River Lee north of Monkstown connecting Great Island to the mainland.
- The Jack Lynch Tunnel under River Lee is on highway N40.

R600 is the main road south to Kinsale, Clonakilty, and the Southwest. It begins just south of Cork Airport.
Unless you're on a small, low draft cruise ship, it is highly unlikely you will dock in Cork City. However, many passengers interested in self-guided touring use the train between Cobh Town and Cork.

**Travel by TRAIN between Cobh and Cork City**

*For travel from/to Cobh Train Station, use this website* [http://www.irishrail.ie/travel-information/cobh](http://www.irishrail.ie/travel-information/cobh)

The two train stations are Cobh and Cork(Kent) on the Cork-Cobh-Midleton Grid. From Cobh, the stops are: Cobh, Rushbrook, Carrigaloe, Fota, Glounthaune, Little Island, Cork(Kent).

From 7 am to 7:30 pm, trains run every half hour. Earlier and later trains run hourly. The ride is 24 minutes.

Adult, round-trip fare is 8.50 euros. (2015 schedule and prices)

**Travel by Taxi between Cobh and Cork City**


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Enter Cork, Co. Cork, Ireland

Enter Cobh – The Queenstown Story, Ireland

This museum is next to the Cobh train station.

Enter Railway Street, Cork, Ireland

This street is next to Cork (Kent) train station.

Press the enter key

Taxi fares are estimated for traffic conditions of “None”, “Light”, and “Heavy”. Ignore the fare for traffic = “None.” Use the fares for “Light” and “Heavy” traffic. The range is from 34 to 52 euros.

You'll probably pay less than the upper end of the range. Most people pay around 40 euros.
Ringaskiddy and Cobh Cruise Ship Berths

Because it has deep water quays, Ringaskiddy is used to dock large cruise ships. However, the port does not have the infrastructure to handle cruise passengers as tourists. There are no trains, car rentals, etc. It's not a tourist area. There aren't any notable tourist sites and there are only a few stores, restaurants, and shops to serve the residents. However, when a ship docks, there will be cabs and tour buses near the ship.

Ringaskiddy is an industrial port and the major import location for cars from Europe to southern Ireland. It's also a passenger ferry port. The ferry from Cork makes regular crossings to Swansea, Wales and Roscoff in the Brittany region of France. The ferry from Cork to Swansea takes ten hours and operates eight times a week. The ferry from Cork to Roscoff takes fourteen hours and makes one crossing per week. See http://www.corkferries.co.uk/ferryfromcork.htm

For ferry schedules between Ringaskiddy and Roscoff UK, See http://www.directferries.co.uk/brittany.htm

Ringaskiddy is the residential community for a high-tech pharmaceutical industrial complex of drug, electronics, and medical equipment suppliers. Manufacturers include world leaders such as Glaxo Smith Kline, Hovione, Novartis, Pfizer, Janssen Biologics, Leo Pharma Wexport, PT Technologies Europe, Gilead Sciences, Cara Partners, Hosetech Limited, GE Healthcare, Calco Agencies, Recordati Ireland, etc.

Most of the world's supply of Viagra is manufactured in Ringaskiddy.
NOTE: You'll encounter stairs or steep streets as you walk up the hills to E) Cobh Museum, K) West View (Deck of Cards, and M) St Coleman’s Cathedral. You can see all the sites and avoid climbing steep streets if you take the Cobh Road Train. The route is shown by (blue dashed lines).

For more guides, see www.TomsPortGuides.com
Cobh Town (formerly known as Queenstown)

Cobh is a lovely town with colorful buildings, shops, museums, historic sites, churches, and more. It’s the “ideal” cruise port with full, convenient services. Just a few steps from the cruise ship dock, you'll find a railway station, car rental, boats for harbor tours, a road train for touring the town, museums, guided walking tours, bus tours to areas throughout Cork County, etc. Cobh town centre is only a short walk from the dock.

Places of Interest in Cobh  See the map on the previous page

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Why GPS Coordinates Are Important

There are many potential uses for GPS coordinates when planning a cruise vacation. Use the coordinates to estimate walking time and distance. Preview your walking tour on your home computer using Google Maps.

Open Google Maps on your computer and open my port guide.

Copy and paste the GPS coordinates for 1) Great Island Car Rental N 51°50′56.8″, W 08°17′55.3″ into the map search box.

OR type n 51 50 56.8, w 08 17 55.3 into the map search box.

Press the ENTER key.

A down-pointing red arrow appears at the GPS location.

Drag the little yellow man icon (shown at right) from the lower right corner of the map on top of the down-pointing arrow. The street-level photo (below) appears.

| 1 | Great Island Motors Car Rental – rent a car in the parking lot next to the cruise ship. It’s very convenient. I wish they did this in all cruise ports. | N 51°50′56.8″, W 08°17′55.3″ |

The street-level photo below illustrates use of Google maps to “preview” the port. You can see the ship beside the Heritage Center. The Cobh Museum is a former church. It’s the building with the spire at the top of the stairs. To visit the museum, climb the stairs up ~ 37 feet above the parking lot.

The location for this photo is shown at the lower left of the screen. Note the little yellow man icon is facing west on the map and is positioned exactly at the red arrow for the GPS location. Place your mouse on top of the black chevron type arrow on the road, click on it, and drag the arrow with your mouse to see 360 degree views. Move this arrow to “walk” down the streets to explore the area.

Parking Lot used by Great Island Rental Car

To see a really slick example of Google street-level photos, use the GPS coordinates for D) the Heritage Center. Google shows photos “inside the Heritage Centre building”. WOW!

The map on the next page shows the details for walking to the center of the town from the cruise dock.
It's a 3 minute, 270m walk from the 1) Parking Lot at Heritage Center to 2) Meeting Point for Titanic Trail Walk, to 3) Cobh Road Train.
Comments by Larry and Sue Lottier

Cobh has a rich maritime history. We wanted a guided tour to visit the sites and hear the story. The Irish are great story tellers and writers. We had heard good reviews and had read Michael Martins’ book, *The Lusitania, It Wasn’t and It Didn’t*, about the sinking of the ship and rescue efforts by Cobh.

Michael Martins’ company has several different tours. We booked The Titanic Trail Walking Tour online. This tour was offered at 11:00 am and at 2:00 pm when our ship was in port on May 5, 2015.

Cost was 9 euros/person. The tour lasts about an hour. The meeting point is at Commodore Hotel, shown as point 2, on the map on the previous page. You can’t miss the tour guides as they are wearing red jackets with “Titanic Trail” on the back.

**Two significant maritime events in Cobh** were 1) it was the last port of call for the last 123 passengers to board the Titanic, and 2) it was the port where local people worked heroically to rescue 762 passengers from the Lusitania when the ship was torpedoed by a German submarine.

Our very Irish guide had lots of historical and human interest stories about Cobh, the Titanic’s last port of call. Also included are stories about Cobh’s role with the Lusitania, the heroic rescuers and how the passengers were processed and accounted for at the Cunard offices, which is also on the tour route.

**This old dock (photo below-left)** is what is left of the pier the Titanic passengers used to board the tenders taking them to the ship. The Titanic was anchored just beyond Spike Island.

![Photo of old dock](image)

![Cunard Building](image)

The **Cunard Building (photo above-right)** was used by the company to help the survivors of the Lusitania find family members, and to provide food and temporary housing. It was also used to identify and make arrangements for the dead, many of whom are buried in Cobh, in unmarked graves.

On May 7, 1915, the Lusitania was sunk by a German submarine. Only 762 of the 1201 passengers survived. Heroic rescue efforts by Cobh’s local seamen, fishermen, and agencies played a key role in helping passengers survive. **In honor of the heroic rescue efforts and in memory of this tragic event, a huge memorial was placed in town centre.**

![Cunard Building](image)
The Titanic Trail Tour was at a relaxed pace. Walking was not a problem for anyone in our group. We did not have to climb any stairs. The route took a gently sloping road to a pub, not far from St. Coleman's Cathedral. It's a nice Irish touch to end the tour at Doyles Pub with a (free) taste of Beamish local beer. The tour does not include visiting the Cathedral, but since we were near it, we stopped at the Cathedral on our way back down to town centre. The cathedral is a must visit site when you are in Cobh. It dominates the town with it's massive, impressive structure.

Enjoy your walking tour of Cobh,
Larry and Sue Lottier
**N) Titanic Experience** is a “one hour event” in the original White Star Line Ticket Office (photo below) in the centre of Cobh town. This was the departure point for the final 123 passengers who boarded the Titanic. The cinema traces the sequence of events of the Titanic. The building also has some displays for photo opportunities, shops, and the Titanic Bar & Grill, one of the best restaurants in Cobh.


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**Elevation Change, Steep Streets and Stairs As You Walk Inland from the Harbor**

It's easy to walk the area near the harbor because it's relatively flat. However, elevation changes abruptly as you walk further inland. You'll encounter stairs or steep streets if you walk to Cobh Museum, St Coleman's Catholic Cathedral, or further up the hill to West View (Deck of Cards) to see the colorful houses.

**NOTE:**

If you are not mobility challenged or if you like to walk and hike, steep streets will not be a problem. I've included this information for old people like me and for those who have arthritic knees or other issues that impair their mobility.

1) **The Parking Lot next to Heritage Centre** is 50 feet above sea level

E) **The Cobh Museum next to the Heritage Centre** is up the hill, 87 feet above sea level

   It's ~ four flights of stairs from the Parking Lot next to Heritage Centre to the Cobh Museum.

I) **Lusitania Memorial**, in the centre of town, is 49 feet above sea level

M) **St Coleman's Catholic Cathedral** is 112 feet above sea level

   It's a 1500 foot walk from Lusitania Memorial to the Cathedral with an elevation change that's like climbing six flights of stairs. Many people have no problem; but if you are mobility challenged, it can be difficult.

K) **West View (Deck of Cards)** is 172 feet above sea level.

   It's an 820 foot walk from the Lusitania Memorial to West View (Deck of Cards) with an elevation change that's like climbing twelve flights of stairs.
Walking routes from Lusitania Memorial to Cathedral and West View (Deck of Cards)

It's a 1500 foot walk from Lusitania Memorial to St Coleman's Cathedral with an elevation change that's like climbing six flights of stairs. The route is show by yellow dots on the map below.

It's an 820 foot walk from the Lusitania Memorial to West View (Deck of Cards) with an elevation change that's like climbing twelve flights of stairs. The route is shown by blue dots on the map below.
West View (Deck of Cards) - 23 colorful houses, high on the hill on a steeply inclined street to the harbor.

To create this street-level photo, enter N 51°51'09.4", W 08°17'44.3" in the Google Map search box. The location appears as a down-pointing red arrow at the intersection of Park View and West View streets. Drag the little yellow man Icon onto this red arrow and rotate the view to see this photo.

This map was rotated; North is to the left.
Cobh Road Train (9.50 euros) eliminates the need to walk steep streets to St Coleman's Cathedral and West View (Deck of Cards) and it stops for photos at scenic overlooks.  http://www.cobhroadtrain.com/

Cobh Road Train starts in the centre of town across from the Lusitania Memorial. I have not taken this train, but it is obvious to me that this is an excellent way to tour Cobh:

- **Photography:** The train route is along the roads high above the town with stops for photographs at scenic overlooks. It's too far for me to walk to those scenic overlooks from the cruise dock.

- **Mobility Challenged:** The number one MUST VISIT site in Cobh is St Coleman's Cathedral. Many visitors have no difficulty walking the inclined streets to the Cathedral. My wife's arthritic knees prevent her from walking 1500 feet of inclined streets climbing the equivalent of six flights of stairs from the centre of town to the Cathedral. The Cobh Road Train stops at the front door of the Cathedral!

- I would like to see and photograph West View (Deck of Cards) but there is no way I am going to walk up that steeply inclined street equivalent to climbing twelve flights of stairs. The road train goes right by the West View (Deck of Cards).

- Using the Road Train allows you to see all the popular sites without climbing steep streets. The route for the Road Train is shown on the map on page 5 of this guide as blue dashed lines.

On our next visit, I will schedule both the Titanic Trail Walking Tour described by Larry and Sue Lottier, and the Cobh Road Train tour. My plan would be to spend the entire day exploring the lovely town of Cobh.
Cobh's Pubs and Restaurants

You'll find many pubs and restaurants in the centre of town on the streets around the Lusitania Memorial.

Kelly's Pub is judged the best pub in Cobh  [http://www.kellysbarcobh.com/]

The pub has a large inviting terrace, high vaulted ceilings, authentic bar counters and wooden floors. The atmosphere is always buzzing, generated by the friendly staff, excellent beer, good craic and live music in the evenings and a genuinely warm welcome, that is typically Irish. We show all major sports events on numerous big screens and open our doors as early as 11 am. If you like relaxing with an Irish Coffee or other Speciality Coffees with good company or simply enjoy the craic, Kelly's Bar has it all. Free WiFi is available to go online while having a pint or a morning coffee and scones.

Titanic Bar and Grill is judged one of the best restaurant in Cobh  [http://titanicbarandgrill.ie/]

It's located in the former Ticket Office for White Star Line where the last 123 passengers gathered to board the tenders “Ireland” and “America” for the Titanic on the Morning of 11th April 1912. This historic building has been updated to feature a beautiful bar, grill, and a sun deck at the back with great views of the harbor. Relax in this impressive setting and enjoy the best food and drink you can find from a light lunch to a formal dinner.

See the lunch menu at  [http://www.titanicbarandgrill.ie/restaurant-cork/Menus/Lunch-Menu]

Commodore Hotel is judged one of the best restaurants  [http://www.commodorehotel.ie/restaurant.html]

The States Restaurant is formal dining. Informal dining is in the Captains Table Restaurant amid the fine collection of maritime memorabilia, relax in the bar with our resident musicians and friendly locals. It's an impressive hotel and restaurant.
Bus Tours from Cobh

These bus tours are ~ 8 hours long. Prices are lower than the ship's bus shore excursions.

I have not used these bus tour companies. However, they are highly recommended by my friends and Trip Advisor reviewers. Talk to your cruising friends, read reviews on the web, especially Trip Advisor, and check out the tour descriptions, prices, and booking terms on the websites.

ECoach Tours

Highly rated by TripAdvisor, see http://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g211925-d3360293-Reviews-ECoach.html

ECoach is an online booking company associated with Butlers Bus Tours of Ireland. Butlers is a major tour bus company for exploring all of Ireland in buses, vans, etc.

Cork bus tour to Blarney, Cork City, Kinsale and Cobh see http://www.ecoach.ie/blarney_bus_tour.php

Tour Description:

Learn about Cobh's connection to Titanic & Lusitania
Free time in Blarney to Kiss the legendary "Blarney Stone" and Shop 'til you drop in The Blarney Woollen Mills
Tour through Cork City
Take in stunning scenery from Charles Fort
Treat yourself to Lunch & free time in Kinsale "The Gourmet Capital"
Great "Craic" and running commentary from local guides
Modern Air Conditioned Coaches

34.99 Euro/person

On June 15, 2015, the conversion rate from Euros to USD was 1.12, so 34.99 euros = $ 39.33 USD

Paddy Wagon Tours

Highly rated by TripAdvisor, see http://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g186600-d1771644-Reviews-Paddywagon_Day_Tours-Cork_County_Cork.html

Paddy Wagon is a bus tour company for Ireland. Book tours on their website:


Tour Description:

The tour begins with a pick up from the cruise liner terminal in Cobh, Cork Harbour. (Note: if for operational reasons your ship is diverted to the other Cork terminal in Ringaskiddy we will of course meet you there instead)

The tour begins with a drive to Blarney Castle. We include your admission to the Blarney Castle and Gardens so that you are on a voucher system priority passengers and skip all the lines before your fellow shipmates (SAVE 15 EURO)! We take a panoramic drive through Cork City. Your guide will point out the highlights of the southern capital such as St Finbarre's Cathedral, Shandon Bells, English Historic Market and the beautiful River Lee.

In the afternoon we will enjoy a scenic drive to Kinsale. This charming town is famed as Ireland's gourmet capital with enchanting streets, fine restaurants, great pubs, all situated in this beautiful harbor town. We get some spectacular photos and plenty of time to enjoy the ambiance.

On our return to the ship we get a quick overview of Cobh, the last departure point of Titanic and we have time to visit St. Coleman's Cathedral - the finest worshipping point of many Irish immigrants.

$ 66.08/person includes admission to Blarney Castle valued at 15 USD. This also saves you wasted time waiting in line to buy a ticket to enter the castle.
Start Your Tour of Cork City from the Cork Kent Train Station

Small (low draft) cruise ships dock at Horgan's Quay south of the train station. Public buses and the HopOn buses stop in the parking lot north of the train station and on St Patrick's Quay southwest of the train station.

**Hertz Cork-City** is adding a second car rental on Railway Street next to the Kent Train Station. Both Hertz locations on Railway Street are only a short walk from the Train Station or a cruise ship docked at Horgan's Quay. Hertz email is corkcity@hertz.ie


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Most people walk the city. The city is generally flat with little change in elevation. However, there is a significant hill at City Gaol and there are hills at The Butter Museum and Shandon Bells area. See the elevation above sea level data in the table on the previous page.

Some tourist sites are a long walk such as Lifetime Lab and Cork City Gaol. To reduce walking and avoid climbing hills, consider the HopOn Bus.

HopOn Bus stops are shown on the map above. The bus route begins at A) Grand Parade and proceeds northeast to D) Kent Station. Then the bus travels west on Horgan's Quay past the Cruise Ship, stopping at E) St Patrick's Quay proceeding to G) Cork City Gaol, H) the University, and N) City Hall. There are many one-way streets so the bus takes several roads. The bus route takes 90 minutes. Tickets are 15 euros Adult (2015 prices). See http://www.corkcitytour.com/corkcitytours/
Make Your Own Walking Tour Maps using GPS Coordinates from this guide

There is not much to see in the area near Kent Train Station. The popular tourist sites, points of interest, shopping centres, pedestrian streets, etc. are in Centre City. English Market is in the heart of Centre City.

To plot a walking route to English Market, enter GPS coordinates for Kent Train Station, Merchants Quay Shopping Centre, and English Market into “directions” in Microsoft Bing Maps and click on the walking man icon. The walking route map is below.

The walk is along flat land with little change in elevation. Merchants Quay has Marks & Spencer & Debenhams stores. Opera Lane offers the best shopping fashion mix in Cork. It's home to premium fashion stores H&M, Gap, Topshop, Topman, River Island, New Look, Tommy Hilfiger, CC Viyella, Therapie and the exclusive Kuyichi store. This is an upscale area. There are many coffee shops, cafes, restaurants, and pubs in centre city. Two of the best, highest rated pubs in centre city are The Mutton Lane and Elbow Lane Brew & Smokehouse shown on the map above.
The Mutton Lane Pub is at 3 Mutton Lane. GPS = N 51°53’53.3″, W 08°28’26.6″ It is classified as a Cork Heritage Pub. See http://www.corkheritagepubs.com/pubs/the-mutton-lane/

Elbow Lane Brew & Smokehouse is at 4-92 Oliver Plunkett St GPS = N 51°53’54.4″, W 08°28’05.0″ See http://elbowlane.ie/

| English Market | N 51°53’52″, W 08°28’27″ | 30 feet above sea level |

The English Market is a must-visit site. It's a civic space, a meeting place, a thoroughfare, and a bustling social hub of the city. With its variety of products, personalised service, the growing emphasis on organic products and reliance on small-scale producers, it is forever popular. A mix of traditional Cork fare and exciting new foods from afar, along with longstanding family-run stalls and newcomers from outside, contribute to its unique appeal, which is celebrated widely, especially by visitors to the city.

Normal open hours to the public are Monday – Saturday 8am to 6 pm

See http://www.englishmarket.ie/ For the video, see http://www.englishmarket.ie/historygallery/

For more guides, see www.TomsPortGuides.com
NOTE: When planning your visit to Cork, be sure to consult the Cork City Tourist Website at http://cork.ie/corkcity/ It has excellent, comprehensive coverage of every aspect of visiting this area.

Crawford Art Gallery

Crawford Art Gallery, a National Cultural Institution, is dedicated to visual arts, both historic and contemporary. It's located beside the Opera House http://www.crawfordartgallery.ie/index.html

The permanent collection comprises over 2000 works, ranging from eighteenth century Irish and European painting and sculpture to contemporary video installations. The collection includes Greek and Roman sculpture casts brought to Cork in 1818 from the Vatican Museum in Rome. The gallery has many works of Irish art of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Admission to the Gallery and exhibitions is free.

Consider a Walking Tour of Cork

The Irish are great story tellers and can provide highly interesting and informative walking tours. There are many possible guided tours for hire. See www.corkheritage.ie www.eimearobrienpr.ie www.tourguides.ie

Self guided walking tours are popular. Most walks start at Daunt's Square at the intersection of St Patrick's Street and Grand Parade. You can download free pdf files describing the walk with a detailed map. There are numbered information panels along the walk with with color coded signs of a walking man icon to help find the route. There are several walks with different color signs; namely, Shandon (red), City Centre Island (orange), and South Parish (blue).

The Cork Civic Trust 20th Century Architecture Guided Walk helps you to explore the architecture of Cork. You can download the audio guide and listen to John Creedon's narration, or you can download the printed version.

The University Walk is a new self-guided walking tour of the university area. It traces development of the City from its medieval roots to its expansion as a hub of industry. The walk is 2.6 miles (4.2 km) and takes about one and a half hours to complete.

Whether or not you are planning to do an entire walk, I highly recommend downloading walking tours for the areas you plan to visit in the city. The self-guided tours are free pdf files which you can print or carry with you on your tablet. The guides contain excellent descriptions and maps. Using the walking tour brochures and reading the descriptive panels along the route will help you understand and appreciate the sights. You're going to walk to many of these sites anyway, so why not download the brochure description and map of the area?

Download the walking tours from http://www.discoverireland.ie/Places-To-Go/Cork/Features/Cork-City-Walks

You can also pick up copies of the walking tour brochures at the Tourist Information Office.

I recommend downloading the University Walk and have included the map from it on the next page.
University Walk (map below) begins at St Patrick's Street & Grand Parade and ends a short distance away at Grattan & Peter's Streets. You'll walk through the University, cross a footbridge over River Lee, and walk along the banks of the river to another footbridge. The walk is 2.6 miles (4.2 km) and takes 1.5 hours. There are panels along the route describing the area. **Download the map and a 6-page detailed step-by-step description** of the walk from [http://www.discoverireland.ie/DI/media/DiscoverIreland/Places%20to%20Go/Cork/PDFs/UniversityWalk_Eng_2013_final.pdf](http://www.discoverireland.ie/DI/media/DiscoverIreland/Places%20to%20Go/Cork/PDFs/UniversityWalk_Eng_2013_final.pdf)
Triskel Christchurch

Triskel Christchurch is a cutting edge contemporary and performing arts venue. Known also as the Holy Trinity, it sits discreetly in the background of Bishop Lucey Park on Grand Parade in the heart of the city. The entrance to Christchurch is located on South Main Street, once the main street of medieval Cork. Christchurch ceased to function as a place of worship in 1978 before the building was acquired by Cork City Council in 1979.

Check the website for schedules of events including tours of the church, art exhibitions, theatre, concerts, cinema, and a unique traditional Irish music show called ‘Pulses of Tradition’, which can only be seen in Cork and is something not to be missed. See www.triskelartscentre.ie

Elizabeth Fort

Elizabeth Fort is judged to be one of the finest examples of a 17th century star-shaped fort. Originally built in 1601 during the reign of Elizabeth I, it was replaced in 1624 by a stronger fort which had the same basic outline as that which survives today.

In 1719, Elizabeth Fort became a British military barracks and housed approximately seven hundred men. In 1806, a ‘New Barrack’s’ was built on the north side of the city (now called Collin’s Barracks), and Elizabeth fort was converted to a Female Convict Prison.

The fort is partially open to the public and offers great views over the city.

Open: Tuesday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm and on Sundays from 12 noon to 5pm Admission is free

St Fin Barre's Cathedral

Legend has it that St. Fin Barre was the son of Amergin, whose tribe was descended from Eochaidh Muidmheadoin, brother of the king of Munster. Amergin settled in the territory of Muskerry, in the county of Cork, where he obtained an inheritance and land at a place called Achaidh Durbcchon, near the spot afterwards known as Gougane Barra, at the sources of the river Lee.

He was chief smith to Tighernach, king of the Hy Eachach of Munster, and he married a young woman of the king’s household. As this was in defiance of the king's wishes, the couple was summoned before him and he sentenced them to be burned alive. A storm of thunder and lightning, with heavy rain, prevented the decree from being carried out. This was regarded as a divine interposition and they were set free.

A child was born from this union and they returned to Gougane Barra, where the boy was baptised Luan, or Lochan. When he was seven years old three clerics of Munster, returning from a pilgrimage to Leinster, happened to stop at the house of Amergin. They admired the boy for the grace of the Holy Spirit that seemed to them to shine in his face, and were allowed by his parents to take him away to be educated. He studied at a place called Sliabh Muinchill, where, as was usual at the time, he was tonsured and had his name changed. The cleric who cut his hair is said to have observed, “Fair (finn) is the hair (barra) of Luan.” “Let this be his name,” said another, “Barr Finn, or Finn Barr.”

Saint Fin Barre eventually came to the marshes of Cork in 606AD where he founded a monastery with what became a renowned monastic school on the site of the present Cathedral. See http://corkcathedral.webs.com/

Adult admission is 5 euros to help pay for the high maintenance costs for this majestic structure.

Microsoft Bing “Birdseye View Maps” are often the best aerial photos available. It's useful to examine tourist areas with aerial views. The map on the next page was created in Microsoft Bing by entering the GPS coordinates for Elizabeth Fort and St Fin Barre's Cathedral into “Directions” and clicking on the walking man icon. This view shows the majesty and grandeur of the cathedral. It is one of the best cathedrals in Ireland.
The Glucksman's artistic mission is to explore all aspects of visual culture and present a range of innovative and intellectually stimulating displays. The exhibitions and displays programme provided by the Glucksman has two core objectives:

1. In conjunction with the gallery’s education programme, foster scholarship in the gallery environment placing particular emphasis on the unique role of visual media in communicating knowledge. Central to this is the creation of discursive relationships between academic disciplines and art practice. This is reflected in a wide range of exhibitions that span various media and historical periods.

2. Increase awareness and understanding of the University Art Collection. This includes creating displays of the collection throughout the college campus, providing opportunities for the collection to be displayed in the gallery and encouraging a higher regional and national profile for the collection through loans and touring displays.

See [http://www.glucksman.org/](http://www.glucksman.org/) Admission is free; suggested donation is 5 euros.

Opening Hours  Tuesday – Saturday 10am – 5pm  Sunday 2 – 5pm  Closed Mondays
Summer Opening Hours : July and August  10 - 5pm Tuesday to Saturday 12 - 5pm Sunday  Closed Monday

The public museum is in Fitzgerald Park with 18 acres of landscaped gardens. It's between the university and riverside gardens of Sunday’s Well. The Riverview Café at the museum has commanding views of the river Lee and provides the visitor with a tranquil haven to enjoy a coffee and snack.

Collections of Cork Public Museum are as rich and diverse as the history of the city itself. We are particularly proud of our archaeological collection that features some of the most important archaeological finds from this region. Among them is Ireland’s oldest Pick and Shovel, discovered in a Bronze Age copper mine in Mount Gabriel, the Iron Age Cork Helmet Horns and the Garryduff Gold Bird, a triumph of Early Medieval skill and craftsmanship. Our ethnography collection contains some of the finer examples of workmanship from areas as
far away as Australia, New Zealand and the South Seas Islands.

The importance of Cork as a thriving medieval town is explored in an exhibition that contains objects excavated from recent digs around the medieval town wall. This exhibition also serves to remind us that archeology is a constantly evolving area where new discoveries are being made everyday.

Cork Public Museum places a particular emphasis on the trades and crafts of Cork and this is reflected in the magnificent collection of Cork silver on permanent display in the museum with pieces dating as far back as the late 18th century. The wealth of Cork’s lace making tradition is beautifully represented in our collection of Yougal Lace.

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., 2.15 p.m. – 5 p.m. Saturday: 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., 2.15 p.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday: 3 p.m. – 5 p.m. (April to September). Admission is free

University College Cork | N 51°53′31.9″, W 08°29′34.4″ | 79 feet above sea level

UCC’s campus is full of many interesting buildings and features. From the Lewis Glucksman Gallery in the Lower Grounds to the Stone Corridor of the Main Quadrangle to the Crawford Observatory, UCC is a great place to spend a few hours.

- Lewis Glucksman Gallery
- President’s Garden
- Stone Corridor
- Crawford Observatory

University College Cork’s Visitors’ Centre acts as a central point of information for the many visitors to the University. The centre is located along the Stone Corridor in the North Wing, at the cultural and historical heart of campus. UCC is already a popular tourist destination and new audio tours taking in the history and culture of the University are available from the Visitors’ Centre for purchase - call into centre for more details.

Opening Hours: Mon. - Fri.: 9am-5pm, Sat.: 12pm-5pm
Contact Visitors’ Centre: T:+353 (0)21 4901876 | E: visitorscentre@ucc.ie | Addr: North Wing, Main Quad, University College, Cork, Ireland |

Download information about the university, how to get there, maps etc. from http://www.ucc.ie/en/

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Lifetime Lab

Lifetime Lab is a unique interactive facility where children learn about history, the environment, their surroundings and so much more in a way that is novel and fun. So much fun in fact that even parents leave with a smile and new found knowledge.

Located on the banks of the River Lee, it's a wonderful attraction for visitors of all ages with its modern interactive exhibition, themed playground, beautifully restored buildings and equipment and scenic views over the river. It is located only 5 minutes drive from the city centre. See [www.lifetimelab.ie](http://www.lifetimelab.ie)

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Cork City Gaol

One of the most memorable Cork Tourist Attractions see [http://corkcitygaol.com/](http://corkcitygaol.com/)

Cork is a city with rich historical and archaeological heritage. Part of this heritage is Cork City Gaol. This magnificent, castle-like building is a major, unique visitor attraction. It once housed 19th century prisoners.

Visitors get a fascinating insight into day to day prison life at a time when the high walls ensured no escape and denied law abiding citizens the opportunity to see one of the finest examples of Ireland’s architectural heritage.

The site is used for corporate events, weddings, and guided tours during the day and evening “to walk with ghosts”. Open 7 days a Week All Year Round  Oct – Mar  10.00am – 4pm  Apr – Sep  9.30am – 5pm  Adult 8 euros

The massive structure as shown in the Microsoft Bing Birdseye map below. It's located 2 km northwest from from St Patrick’s Street.

Note the Gaol is 170 feet above sea level. It's on a hill.
St Anne’s has been described as “the most important ecclesiastical structure of any period, within the city of Cork and its immediate environs. It is also one of the most important early 18th century churches in Ireland and one of a small number which still retains their original 18th century bells” - (2001 Architectural & Archaeological Appraisal – Colin Rynne for Southgate & Assoc.).

On your self-guided tour. You can
1) ring the world famous Shandon Bells from the first floor
2) see the internal workings of the clocks, the ‘Four Faced Liar’ and see the 18th Century bells, and
3) climb the tower for spectacular 360° views of Cork City and beyond

Note: Climbing to the balcony for views of the city requires that you climb 120 feet (40 m) ~ 12 flights of stairs. In places, the stairway is only 1.5 feet (0.5 m) wide. The photo at right shows a section of this steep, poor condition stairway.

Open hours:
- **June July August September** Monday – Saturday 10.00am-5.00pm. Sunday 11.30am-4.30pm
- **March April May October** Monday – Saturday 10.00am-4.00pm. Sunday 11.30am-3.30pm
- **November December January February** Monday – Saturday 11.00am-3.00pm. Sunday 11.30am-3.00pm

Admission 5 euros Adult  See [http://www.shandonbells.ie/](http://www.shandonbells.ie/)

In the 18th century, Cork was the biggest butter producer in the world. Described in the Financial Times as a ‘Do not miss’, the museum has various exhibits and an interesting audio visual presentation detailing the history of butter in the region and its importance to Cork over the centuries. See [www.corkbutter.museum](http://www.corkbutter.museum)

**November to February:** Sat & Sun, 11:00am – 3:00pm.  **March to October:** Daily, 10:00am – 5:00pm.
**July & August:** 10:00am – 6:00pm  Adult admission 4 euros

In the historic heart of Cork City, visitors will find the Cathedral of St Mary & St Anne, which is the mother church of the dioceses of Cork and Ross. It is located on the site of a former church built in the 1730s.

Dedicated in 1808, the 200-year-old house of worship has an early neo-Gothic revivalist style and was constructed primarily from sandstone. Much of the cathedral was destroyed in a fire in 1820 and subsequently rebuilt under the direction of George R. Pain

There is no admission fee, but donations are gratefully accepted.

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