

Things to do at the Carlton Hotel Kinsale

1. Pick up our free visitor guide from the Tourist Office or Reception 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 12th Century St. Multose Church
5. Visit Kinsale Museum
6. Visit James Fort

Take an Organised Tour

1. Take the Guided Historic Walking Tour (1 1/4 hours)
2. Enjoy a Scenic Harbour Cruise
3. Join the Evening Ghost Tour
4. Sample the Kinsale Brewery Tour

Make your own Tour

1. Explore the narrow winding streets of Kinsale town
2. Tour the Sites of the Battle of Kinsale
3. Tour the Galleries of Kinsale
4. Tour all the many Craft Shops of Kinsale
5. Tour the pubs of Kinsale - there are over 20!

Golf

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

Water Based

1. Go Deep Sea Angling
2. Charter a Yacht
3. Windsurfing at the OEC or Oysterhaven Centre
4. Go Kayaking or Windsurfing
5. Charter a small fishing boat and explore the inner harbour
6. Go Whale & Dolphin Watching
7. Fish the Bandon River (with a permit if necessary!)
8. Swim at The Dock Beach, Sandycove or Garretstown
9. Hire a Fishing Rod and fish from one of the piers or the bridge

Land Based

1. Try your hand at Orienteering
2. Test your Rock Climbing Skills
3. Book a Clay Pigeon Shoot
4. Experience Falconry
5. Bet you won't go Ferret Racing!
6. Take Aim at Archery
7. Challenge your friends to a game of Paintball
8. Hire a bike and explore
9. Go Pony trekking on inland trails
10. Try Horse-riding on the beach
11. Anyone for Tennis?
12. Pitch & Putt

Walking

1. Compass Hill Walk (1 hour)
2. Kinsale to Scilly and onto Charles Fort (1 1/2 hours)
3. Lower Cove to Ballymachus and on to Prehane Point (2 hours)
4. Kinsale to James Fort & The Block House (1 1/2 hours)
5. Walk the high road to Summercove - spectacular views of the town

Be a Spectator

1. Watch sailing in the harbour.
2. See a local Hurling, Football, Camogie, Soccer or Rugby match.
3. Watch the Sandycove Swim (September)
4. Watch the Kinsale & Dock Rowing Club practice
5. Watch Kinsale Set Dancers (Weekly at the Temperence Hall)
6. Watch a local Boules Match (Tuesday nights)
7. Watch road bowling - usually Sundays
8. Indoor bowls (Monday & Wednesday nights - Temperence Hall)
9. Watch a Kinsale Sunset from Charles Fort

Join one of our many Festivals

1. St. Patrick's Day Food Parade
2. Rugby 7's Festival (May Bank Holiday Weekend)
3. Point-to-Point Festival (June Bank Holiday Weekend)
4. Blues Festival (June Bank Holiday Weekend)
5. Sovereigns Cup Sailing Regatta
6. Comedy Festival
7. Kinsale Karnival(September) - Fun for all the Family
8. Kinsale Vintage Rally Weekend
9. Arts Festival (July)
10. Regatta Festival (August Bank Holiday Weekend)
11. Kinsale Gourmet Festival (October)
12. Kinsale Fringe Jazz Festival (October Bank Holiday Weekend)

Pamper Yourself

1. Visit one of the local Hairdressers
2. Relax and have a treatment at the Carlton Elemis C Spa.
3. Use the leisure facilities (Soak in a Jacuzzi with a view, try a Sauna or Steam-room in The Carlton)

In Town

1. Window Shop for gift ideas
2. Browse the menus of all the restaurants
3. Surf the Net
4. Visit the local Farmers Market - Market Quay, Tuesdays 11-1pm
5. Catch a concert in St. Multose Church
6. Catch a book reading in one of the local bookshops
7. Take a stroll along the harbour front & examine the days catch when the boats come in
8. Have a coffee in a local cafe (Fair Trade Coffee available throughout)
9. Eat Lunch or Dinner in one of the local Restaurants
10. Sample a some traditional music in one of our local pubs
11. Dance the night away at one of the local night spots
12. Take Art Lessons
13. Take a Pottery class and 'throw your own pot'!

For Your Kids

1. Visit the local playground
2. Have a picnic in the town park
3. Feed the Ducks and Swans at the Pier
4. Spot the seals
5. Build sandcastles at the Dock Beach - 5 mins
6. Go Beach combing on Garrettstown Beach - 15 mins
7. Enroll in a local sailing or activity course
8. Explore the rock pools at low tide (Sandycove, Summercove, The Dock)

Take a Trip

1. Visit the moving statue at Ballinspittle - 15 mins drive
2. Visit the 9/11 Rememberence Garden - 10 mins drive
3. Visit the Memorial of the Lusitania - 15 mins drive



For Business

1. Book a meeting or conference at The Carlton.
2. Entertain your clients
3. Hold a team building event
4. Book a staff night out, a summer Barbeque or Christmas Party
5. Launch a product

Celebrate

1. Get Married
2. Have a Christening
3. Celebrate an Anniversary, Reunion or Special Occasion