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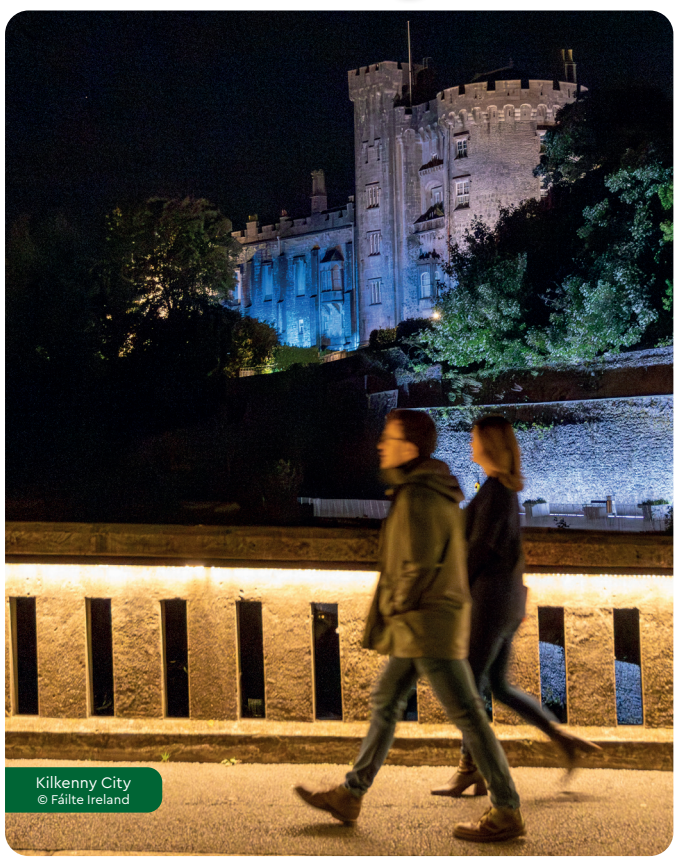
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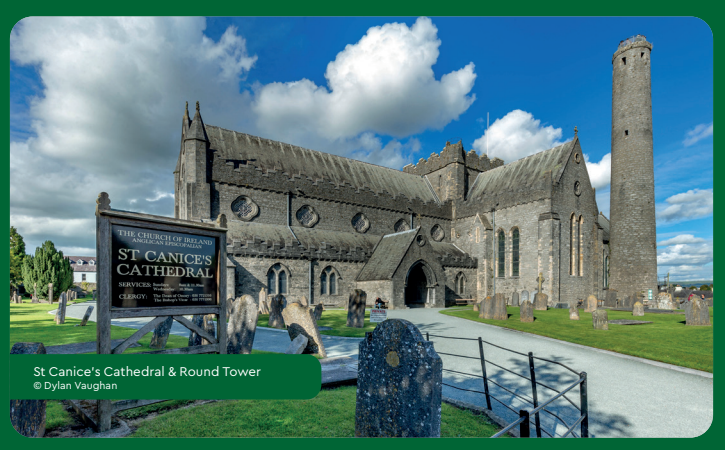
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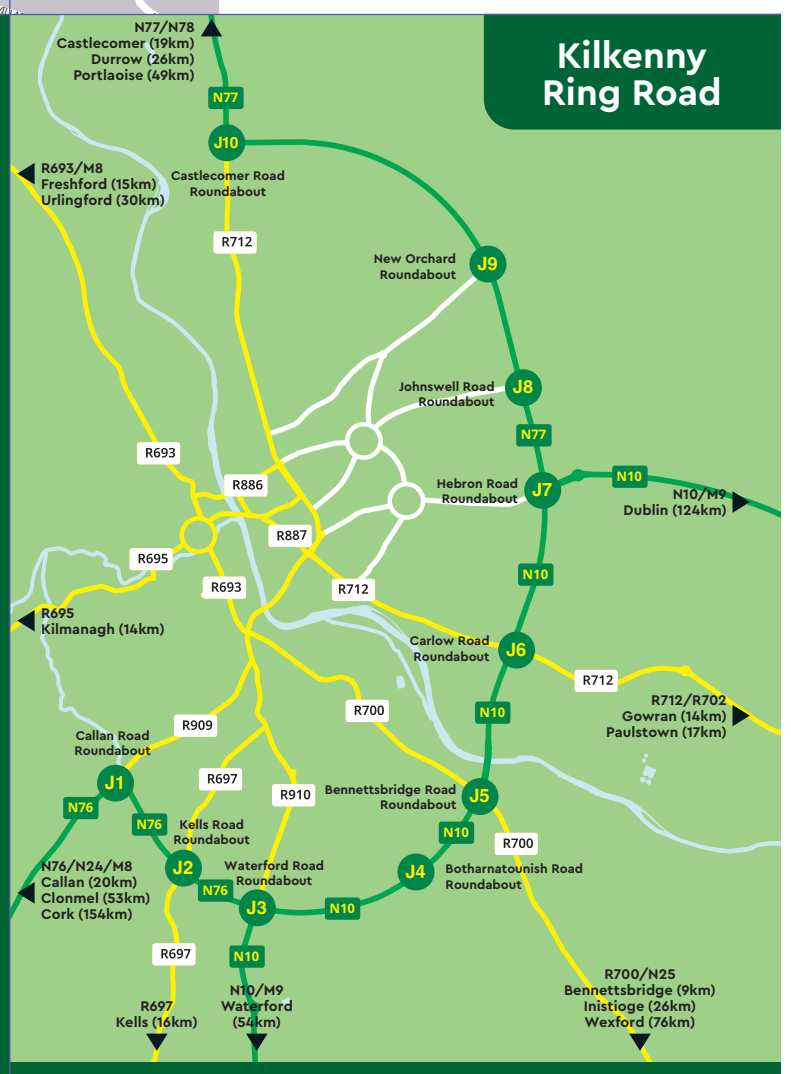


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Kilkenny City Kilkenny is a lively, cosmopolitan city with a rich medieval heritage of historic buildings and landmarks. Its streets are filled with restaurants, bars and cafés, and Kilkenny hosts several high-profile festivals throughout the year. Explore the city's Medieval Mile, a discovery trail connecting the city's 12th century Kilkenny Castle to St Canice's Cathedral & Round Tower, a 13th century cathedral which sits on the site of the city's earliest beginnings, where in the 6th century a religious settlement was founded in honour of the city's now patron saint, Canice. Learn about life in medieval Kilkenny at the Medieval Mile Museum or visit the typical home of a wealthy Norman merchant's house at Rothe House & Garden.
Explore the Black Abbey, a Dominican Abbey founded c.1225 home to one of Ireland's largest stained-glass windows and the rosary window. It is a haven of stillness from the hustle and bustle of city life. In the evenings, visit the Hole in the Wall a tiny tavern housed in the oldest surviving Elizabethan townhouse in Ireland, built c.1582. Meet locals and visitors, share stories and more in a truly atmospheric setting. Kilkenny is known for its cultural and artistic prowess. The city's Butler Gallery is a leading contemporary art gallery and heritage attraction with an extensive collection of important Irish art and hosts regular temporary exhibitions. County Kilkenny is home to several established and upcoming craftspeople and artists. Made in Kilkenny is a curated collective and trail of critically acclaimed professional craftspeople who focus on quality and originality, establishing further Kilkenny's reputation as a shopping destination for authentic hand-made craft in Ireland.

County Kilkenny The Nore Valley in the south of the county has long been a place of beauty and the villages here are no exception. Beautiful Bennettsbridge is home to Nicholas Mosse Pottery, housed in an old mill. View the potters at work and check out their excellent quality second's table. The Nore Valley Walk, a 12km riverside walk that connects Bennettsbridge to Kilkenny City starts (or ends) here. Roam the winding streets of Thomastown, stop for a coffee in one of its cafés or walk the 7km Grennan Loop. The notable sites of Jerpoint Abbey and Kells Priory are all nearby. Picturesque Inistioge, has been the apt setting for many Hollywood films. Enjoy a walk along the river or one of the looped walks to and around Woodstock Gardens and Arboretum, adjacent to the village. Graiguenamanagh sits on the eastern border of the county. Explore the intricate monuments and features of Duiske Abbey. View the medieval floor tiles preserved in the modern floor. Stroll along the river on the Barrow Way or along the boardwalk of Silaire Wood. For the more energetic, tackle a vigorous hiking trail up Brandon Hill, or follow the South Leinster Way, a long-distance walking route which passes through the town. The anthracite coal mines near Castlecomer, developed originally by the Wandesforde Family, closed in the 1960s. The former estate is now the Discovery Park, where you can immerse yourself in the compelling stories of the miners from the area or check out craft professionals in some of the old estate buildings.
Get active and challenge yourself on their outdoor activity options, with something for all ages and abilities. Kilkenny boasts several developed walking and cycling trails to suit all levels of fitness. Trail Kilkenny details these routes with downloadable maps and information, along with information on other suggested trails to find local food producers, craftspeople, and outdoor activities for all the family or groups of friends.



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