



South East
Greenway

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South East Greenway is a 24 km off-road walking and cycling trail along an old railway line through Kilkenny which is bookended by the historic urban centres of New Ross and Waterford City.

South East Greenway takes you back to an older place and time in Ireland, where the slow pace of life is set by the milking of cows and saving the hay. Where long hot summer days are spent picking blackberries and enjoying family picnics with flasks of tea and bread and jam.

South East Greenway invites you find the way back to the stories and folklore of Ireland's Ancient East. From the medieval Norman streetscape of New Ross, through unspoiled Kilkenny countryside; to the Viking stronghold that is Waterford, Ireland's oldest city.

THIS IS A SHARED USE GREENWAY

- » Keep to your left
- » Bring litter home
- » Pass others on the right
- » Ring your Bicycle Bell
- » Keep dogs on a short lead
- » Cycle at a safe speed
- » Clean up after your dog
- » Leave no trace



THINGS TO SEE AND DO ALONG THE SOUTH EAST GREENWAY

1 MOUNT ELLIOTT TUNNEL

The atmospheric Mount Elliot Tunnel is the starting point in New Ross for the South East Greenway. The 680 metres long tunnel is a reminder of the rich railway heritage of the South East.

2 RED BRIDGE

This impressive Victorian railway bridge north of New Ross spans the River Barrow, with views of unspoiled countryside on both sides of the bridge.

3 NEW ROSS

A trip on the South East Greenway is the perfect way to explore the medieval town of New Ross. Must visits include the Dunbrody Famine Ship and the famous Ros Tapestry.

4 GREAT RIVERSIDE WALK

The South East Greenway will take you along the Great Riverside Walk of the Barrow river, where you can find the way back to the stories of the shipping industry in New Ross.

5 RIVER BARROW CYCLE & CRUISE

Cruise along beautiful River Barrow between Waterford and New Ross, take some time to explore, and then cycle back to your starting point; now that's a grand day out.

6 CARRICKLOWNEY

In Norman times, ships importing French wine and English pottery passed this scenic point as they navigated their way up the River Barrow towards New Ross.

7 GLENMORE VILLAGE

Picturesque Glenmore gives visitors a chance to experience a traditional Irish rural village. At just 2km off the South East Greenway, it's the perfect place to stop and enjoy a well earned break.

8 VIEW OF THE ROSE FITZGERALD KENNEDY BRIDGE

Take in the views of the longest bridge in Ireland. This impressive bridge over the River Barrow connecting Wexford and Waterford is named after the inspirational Irish American philanthropist and mother of former US President John F. Kennedy.

VISIT KILKENNY

A short spin from the starting points of the South East Greenway

Kilkenny is bookended by the spectacular **Kilkenny Castle** to the south and the magnificent **St. Canice's Cathedral** to the north. For a time during the 17th century it was the unofficial capital of Ireland with its own parliament and remains the medieval capital of Ireland. The Medieval Mile takes you through the centuries, along narrow streetscapes to another era and showcases some of Kilkenny's most popular attractions including the **Medieval Museum**, **Rothe House** and the **Smithwick's Experience**.

Spend time in Ireland's finest medieval city. This cultural heritage hub has a wealth of activities and experiences just waiting for you to explore.

9 BALLINLAW FERRY POINT

Pause at the quayside where the famous Ballinlaw Ferry traversed the River Barrow for over 1,000 years, carrying people and goods between Wexford, Kilkenny and Waterford. The ferry ran regularly until the 1880's.

10 BALLINLAW CASTLE

Close to the River Barrow stands the ghostly ruins of a Norman Towerhouse known as Ballinlaw Castle. Once owned by the Earl of Ormond, it was forfeited to the infamous Oliver Cromwell in 1653.

11 CROSS AT CARRIGANURRA

The cross on the hill at Carriganurra was erected in 1950 to celebrate the Holy Year. This cross recalls a time in Ireland when the Catholic religion was an integral part of daily life for Irish people.

12 DRUMDOWNY WOODS

See how many native Irish trees you can identify as you pass through the scenic Drumdowney Woods, close to the River Barrow.

13 SLIABH RUA

Also known as Slieverue or Red Mountain, this charming rural village is in an area known in ancient times as *Comar Tri nUisce*, which translates from the Irish to the *Meeting of the Three Waters*, the rivers Nore, Barrow and Suir, which also known collectively as *The Three Sisters*. Another good stopping point for refreshments.

14 WATERFORD CITY

Founded by Vikings in 914AD, Waterford is Ireland's oldest city. Find your way back to where Ireland begins with over 1100 years of history in the Viking Triangle; where you can almost hear the echoes of Viking voices. Must visits include the Waterford Treasures Museums, King of the Vikings, and the House of Waterford Crystal.

15 WATERFORD GREENWAY

The Waterford Greenway is a spectacular 46km off-road cycling and walking trail along an old railway which runs from Waterford City all the way to Dungarvan. Enjoy a beautiful journey across three tall viaducts from the river to the sea.

SOUTH EAST GREENWAY STOP, LOOK, LISTEN

As you journey deep into the Irish countryside, take the time to stop and look at what's around you, fill your lungs with fresh country air, listen to blackbirds singing and find your way back to nature.