CARTON HOUSE
A FAIRMONT HOTEL

ACTIVITIES GUIDE







RESORT *Activities*

Cycle

Explore the woodlands of the Kildare countryside by bike during your stay. There are 9km of scenic cycling trails throughout the 1,100 acre estate at Carton House, Fairmont as well as the new 130km Royal Canal Greenway located right outside the main gate of the estate, ideal for cycling holidays in Ireland or leisurely cycles.

Walking

You cannot visit Carton House, Fairmont without taking some time-out to stroll (or run if you're feeling that way inclined!) our magnificent grounds. There are a number of trails for you to follow on a self-guided walk but make sure to keep an eye out for the Tyrconnell Tower, rare species of birds & wildlife, flora & fauna and The Boat House. Our resort map is available from the Guest Relations desk.

Tennis

Ideally located behind Carton House Spa & Wellness facilities, our 2 outdoor tennis courts are available for residents' use. Don't worry if you didn't bring your rackets - Equipment available from our Spa & Wellness reception.

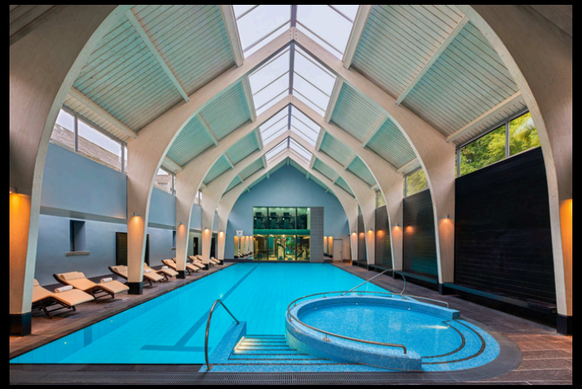
Pickleball

Fast-paced, fun, and easy to learn – Pickleball is the perfect blend of tennis, badminton, and ping-pong! Equipment available from our Spa & Wellness reception. Come give it a try!



Swimming

All guests can enjoy complimentary use of our 18m swimming pool during their stay as well as a kids pool for the little ones to splash around in. The pool area is surrounded by loungers to relax between swims or before using one of our additional wellness facilities.

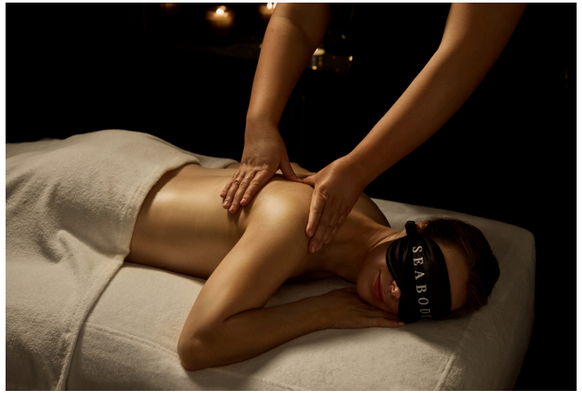


Gym

Cardiovascular gymnasium suite which comprises of two floors, upstairs for cardio and downstairs for resistance; luxurious changing facilities and a dedicated fitness class space.







Carton House Spa & Wellness

Indulge mind, body and spirit with a Carton House Spa experience.

Check out from the chaos of everyday life with a Carton House Spa & Wellness experience. Nestled in the historic heart of a fully walled estate, break free from reality with a premium spa retreat at our unrivalled resort location.

The 18th century mill building, now home to Carton House Spa & Wellness, has been mindfully restored to ensure your complete relaxation and rejuvenation. Surrender your stress and choose from a carefully curated menu of treatments delivered by our highly skilled therapists.

BESPOKE *Activities*



Whiskey Tasting

Our whiskey tasting experience takes place daily in The Whiskey Library at 5.00pm with our resident whiskey expert.

Home to over 120 pot stills, malts, and bourbons from around the globe, an experience at The Whiskey Library is bound to journey you across the world in pursuit of your perfect blend.



Wine Tasting

Our wine tasting experience takes place daily in The Duke's Rest at 4.00pm with our resident sommelier.

Set in what was once Carton House's Game Hanging Room, The Duke's Rest is an exclusive venue dedicated to wines from around the world. Embark on a journey to the hills of Provence, the sun-beaten stretches of Australia or the vineyards of Italy on a sensory experience.



Picnic on the Resort

Toast a special occasion with an upgrade to include wine or champagne while taking in the stunning views of the estate vistas. Whether it's a family affair or a private romantic moment, our guest relations team are on hand to assist with your picnic arrangements.



TAKEAWAY *Afternoon Tea*

It is said that Anna Russell, 7th Duchess of Bedford, invented Afternoon Tea in 1840. This was to satisfy her peckishness during the long wait between lunch and dinner. Join us in continuing this ritual – with a twist of Carton's creativity – with our legendary traditional Afternoon Tea, for you to take away.

Prepared and served fresh each day, our menu faithfully follows the traditional combination of sweet and savoury.

CHILDREN'S *Activities*



Estate Scavenger Hunt

Are you ready for an adventure?
Take on our Carton House Estate Scavenger Hunt and see how many clues you can solve while exploring the grounds!

Receive your trail map when checking in to the hotel and complete all the questions to claim your prize at reception.

How to Play:
1. Grab your trail map from Reception.
2. Look for the clues around the hotel & gardens.
3. Write down each answer on the back of your map.
4. Once you've answered all the questions correctly, bring your completed map to reception to claim your prize!

Good luck little explorers!



Golf Putting

Let your little ones discover the fun of golf with our exciting Kids' Golf Putting experience.

Whether they're aiming for a hole-in-one or simply enjoying some outdoor fun, Kids' Golf Putting is a fantastic activity for children of all abilities.

- When: Available throughout the week
- Age: Suitable for children aged 6 years and over
- Duration: 20-30 minutes
- Booking: No pre-booking required; subject to availability

Children must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times.

Please visit Golf Services to check availability & to collect your club before heading to the putting green.



GOLF *Tuition*

Golf tuition with one of our PGA team members.

Located within the grounds of Carton House Golf and set around our championship golf courses, PGA teaching professionals are available for private golf lessons, group clinics or on-course golf tuition. A range of custom fitting options are also available in our Pro Shop.
With large grass teeing areas, there is something to offer golfers of all abilities.

To book your lesson today, call directly on +353 1 651 7722 or email cartonhouse.golfshop@fairmont.com

Golf

Home to 2 championship courses, the classic parkland O'Meara which meanders through ancient woodlands and the banks of the river Rye or play on the inland links Montgomerie.

As well as a round of golf, you can book a lesson with one of our professionals, get measured for clubs,
shop in the Pro Shop, hit the putting green or visit the Golf Ireland National Academy.

HISTORY *Tour*

Centuries of history with timeless hospitality

The estate first came into the ownership of the FitzGerald family shortly after Maurice FitzGerald played an active role in the capture of Dublin by the Normans in 1170 and was rewarded by being appointed Lord of Maynooth, an area covering townlands which include what is now our luxury hotel.

Learn about the rich heritage behind this 18th century palladian mansion.

History Tour runs daily at 10:30am.



BEEKEEPING *Experience*

See into the fascinating world of the honey bee.

Join our beekeeper, Thomas Clancy with our beekeeping experience.

You'll find out about the workings of a beehive, how they produce honey, followed by a visit to see inside the Carton House Beehives, with a chance to get hands on! You'll also get a fantastic chance to taste some pure Carton House honey.

This fun, informative glimpse into one of nature's hidden gems will leave you 'buzzing!'

Booking in advance is essential.





Falconry

An unforgettable falconry experience within the magnificent grounds of the estate. Enjoy an up close and personal encounter with birds of prey including Hawks, Owls, Falcons and Golden Eagle.

The experience lasts approximately 2 hours and includes an informational talk, flying display which includes a hawk walk with birds flying to and from your gloved fists, lots of interaction with the birds and photo opportunities.

Booking in advance is essential.



Archery

Calling all budding Merida's and Robin Hood's to try their hand at the ancient sport of archery.
With expert tuition on hand and professional adult recurve bows, this activity makes for an unforgettable archery experience.

Minimum Booking: 2 people (minimum age 10+)
Duration: 45 mins - 1 hour
What to Bring: Abbeyfield will provide you with all the professional equipment. All you need is clothing suitable to the day's weather!

Booking in advance is essential.

Fishing

Guests may enjoy guided boat fishing on the estate lake and the River Rye, as well as professionally guided excursions to renowned local waters known for their trout and northern pike fishing. Fly fishing lessons are also available and can be tailored to individuals or groups.

Guided Fishing Experiences

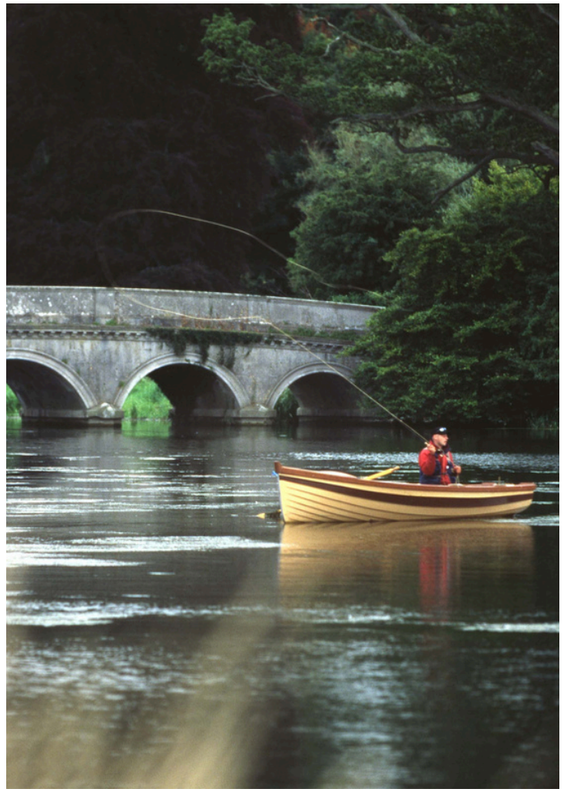
- Half-day guided fishing on the Carton House estate lake
- Full-day guided fishing on nearby lakes and rivers

Learn to Fly Fish

- Introductory fly fishing lesson
- Half-day fly fishing course

Available Monday - Sunday
Suitable for participants aged 12+

Booking in advance is essential.



Horse Riding

Located just 15 minutes from the resort.

Explore the beautiful Kildare countryside by horseback with a horse riding lesson or horse or pony trek during your stay. Carton House have partnered with a local activity centre who cater for individuals, groups and families. The perfect outdoor activity for experienced or novice riders with a team of expert guides. Lessons and treks last for one hour. Hats and safety equipment are provided on site.

Booking in advance is essential.





Clay Pigeon Shooting

Located just 15 minutes from the resort.

Carton House has partnered with a local state of the art shooting range. This thrilling activity is suited for both first time and seasoned shooters and is strictly supervised by a team of experts. Individuals, groups and families are welcome and a full competition format is designed for all standards with your safety being of utmost importance. Choose from a 25, 40, or 50 bird shoot.

Booking in advance is essential.



Royal Canal Boat Tours

Embark on a memorable journey along the historic Royal Canal, where heritage and natural beauty meet. These guided boat tours offer a unique perspective of the Irish countryside, gliding past lush green landscapes, quaint villages, and centuries-old stone bridges.

Learn about the fascinating history of the canal, its role in Ireland's industrial past, and spot local wildlife along the way. This relaxing and scenic experience is a wonderful way to soak in the peaceful charm of the region.

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