

TOP 10 THINGS

TO DO IN KINSALE THIS AUTUMN / WINTER!

1 HAVE FUN ON LAND

Just a short stroll away from the town centre is the picturesque Scilly Harbour Walk. This is a peaceful pedestrianised walk along the water's edge. Don't forget your camera! This is one of Kinsale's many beautiful walks.

Horse-riding and pony trekking.

Enjoy the best of trekking over rolling farmland and beautiful Kinsale countryside.

Pottery making and art classes.

Try your hand at pottery, glass fusing and stained glass, jewellery and mosaic making – suitable for all ages.

2 EXPLORE KINSALE'S SHOPS, BOUTIQUES AND NARROW WINDING STREETS

Stroll around Kinsale and experience local creativity in our variety of independently owned shops and boutiques and meet the local makers. Explore Kinsale's many unique Bars, Cafes and Restaurants, within a stone's throw of your Blue Haven or Old Bank House base.

3 EXPLORE KINSALE'S TREASURE TROVE OF HISTORIC SPOTS

- Charles Fort - Europe's best example of a star shaped fort (17th century).
- James Fort - James Fort holds a commanding position directly across the harbour mouth from Charles Fort. Together, these forts guarded the narrow harbour entrance.
- Visit the Lusitania Memorial and Signal Tower at The Old Head of Kinsale.
- Kinsale Heritage Walks and Don & Barry's Historic Stroll provide the ideal way to explore this unique town.
- View the oldest standing Fish Market wall dating back to 1784 outside The Blue Haven Hotel.
- The Garden of Remembrance - dedicated to the 343 firefighters who died heroically in New York 9/11.
- Visit St Multose Church, one of Ireland's oldest Churches dating back to 1190.
- View the Almshouses. The Almshouses were built by Sir Robert Southwell (1635-1702).
- Battle of Kinsale 1601- Visit the area where the Battle of Kinsale took place.
- The Courthouse & Regional Museum - This interesting building was built circa 1600.

4 IMPROVE YOUR GOLF SKILLS SURROUNDED BY BEAUTIFUL SCENERY

Put on your warm gear and enjoy a round of golf at Kinsale Golf Club or for the more adventurous, try out the new alternative – some Foot Golf! Enjoy your 19th hole in one of Kinsale's warm hostelries.

5 FAMILY FUN AND ACTIVITIES

- Put on your ear-muffs and take the children to Garretstown beach for a sand castle competition. Pop into The Old Bank House afterwards for a warming hot chocolate and some tasty cakes for our bakery.
- Excellent kids pottery classes available locally for a totally new experience.
- Visit the family book section in one of Kinsale's unique book stores.
- Visit the nearby Dock beach and stroll along the adjoining headland passing the impressive James Fort enroute – an excellent spot to view some friendly seals in the harbour below.
- Stroll on down to Kinsale's playground in the town centre, overlooking the town's beautiful marina.
- Experience the Monster & Dragons Trail for the kids at Charles Fort – Lots of fun to be had!

6 IMPROVE YOUR CULINARY SKILLS

Kinsale Gourmet Academy- learn to cook in Ballinacurra House, just outside Kinsale. Options include hands-on practical classes, traditional demos and dining experiences with experienced chefs.

7 HAVE FUN IN THE WATER

- Go surfing at Garretstown beach and test out the exhilarating waves in one of the best surfing spots on the Wild Atlantic Way's Haven Coast.
- Brave a winter swim around Sandycove Island.
- Try some stand up paddle boarding or the Kinsale Harbour Cruise (up to end of October).

8 CORPORATE KINSALE

Ideal for meetings and team-building events

Meeting room for up to 80 people available at the Blue Haven Hotel.

Where better to do team-building than memorable Kinsale!

Options include the following:

Murder Mystery / Pottery Making
Coastering / Foot Golf / Horse riding.

9 SAMPLE CRAFT BEERS OR SOME LOCALLY PRODUCED CULINARY DELIGHTS

- Explore Kinsale's local Craft Brewery, Black's Brewery, well known for its Kinsale Pale Ale.
- Take a meadery tour and tasting at Kinsale Mead, Irelands first new Meadery in nearly 200 years.
- Enjoy some gourmet food with Kinsale Food Tours - a culinary odyssey.
- Finish by popping into Hamlets Bar or The Blue Haven for a craft beer or whiskey tasting, paired with some locally produced artisan chocolate.
- For the more traditional connoisseur enjoy Afternoon Tea @ The Newport Lounge @ The Blue Haven.

10 UNWIND WITH SOME LIVE MUSIC BY THE FIRE AT THE INTIMATE BLUE HAVEN HOTEL

- Enjoy The Blue Haven Hotel's superb central location and award winning food. Relax by the fire with an Irish Craft Beer or a Hot Apple Cider and some locally produced comfort food. Chat with the locals and hear some interesting tales. Listen to some of Kinsale's best musicians in the relaxed atmosphere of The Blue Haven Bar.
- Keep cosy in one of our comfortable rooms with home baked cookies on arrival, Nespresso machines in all rooms and a hot water bottle.
- Wake up to a Wild Boar gourmet breakfast. Take a morning stroll along the seafront and experience your Wild Atlantic wake-up call.

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alive