

Beautiful Views

The Fairy Glen

Rostrevor

This path along the river in Rostrevor is one of my favourite places. It is not a strenuous walk but it is peaceful and relaxing and just so beautiful. If you need a little reset I recommend a walk along here. There are seats for those who want to sit and contemplate and if you want more exercise you can continue on as far as you like.



Cloughmore aka the Big Stone

Rostrevor

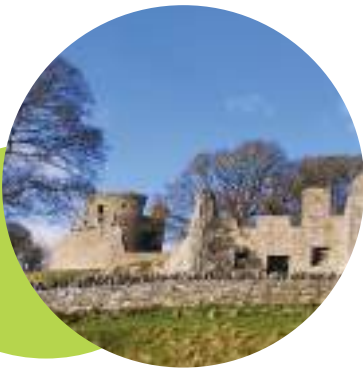
If you are feeling a little more energetic take a walk up to the Big Stone on the side of Slieve Martin. Legend has it the 50 tonne stone was thrown by Finn McCool from over on the Cooley Mountains. The views over Carlingford Lough from the stone are magnificent and well worth the dander up. Once you are up there it is easy to continue on and explore more of the Mournes on foot.



Dundrum Castle

Dundrum

A wonderful castle to explore. You can wander through the ruins, climb the stairs to the lookout platforms on top of the walls and, if you luck out on timing, you may be able to get inside and climb to the very top. Even if that's not possible there are wonderful views of Dundrum bay and the Mournes.



Newcastle Promenade

Newcastle

On a nice day why not be a typical tourist- grab an ice cream and stroll along the Newcastle Promenade? You'll get great ocean views and a good look at Slieve Donard- the highest mountains in the Mournes (not to be confused with the Slieve Donard Hotel which is behind you if you are facing the mountains). There is a nice little playground where the kids can let off some steam.



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Tollymore Forest Park

Newcastle

This magical forest park has loads of different walking trails with varying degrees of difficulty. In recent years it has become known for it's role in Game of Thrones. There is an entrance fee for cars but you can spend many hours losing yourself in the beauty of the park and it is open from 10am every day.

