



Local Area Guide

Around Boglands, Co. Offaly

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Boglands is a private, rustic hideaway near Daingean, Co. Offaly, beside the Grand Canal Greenway in the heart of Ireland. Here are a few ideas for your time with us, and for exploring the area.

Getting here

Boglands is a private site: prior bookings only, no casual visitors. Coming by bus? A 34-seater is the largest bus that can reach the site, so please don't book a 52-seat coach.

The Grand Canal Greenway

- The Grand Canal runs from Dublin to the River Shannon, and about 71 km of it is in Offaly. The Greenway is a flat, off-road walking and cycling route along the old towpath, through Edenderry, Daingean and Tullamore towards Shannon Harbour, with locks, lock houses and wildlife along the way.
- Daingean to Tullamore is about 14 km along the canal. A link at Ballycommon heads north to Kilbeggan, and bikes can be hired at Ballycommon and at Lough Boora Discovery Park.
- **Be safe** – Take care: the canal water is open and deep, it is a shared route with cyclists and walkers, and there are farm vehicles and a few on-road sections, especially through Tullamore.

Nearby towns

- **Daingean** – our nearest town, on the canal.
- **Tullamore** – the county town of Offaly, with pubs, restaurants, shopping and canal walks, and home of Tullamore D.E.W. About 25 minutes away by bus.

A night out

- The Blackthorn is about 6 minutes away by bus. It is free to get in and has great music. We can organise a return bus to a local pub (from €10–€12.50 per person, depending on numbers and location, paid to the driver in cash) or to Tullamore (from €17 per person return). Please ask us in advance.

Places to visit in Offaly

- **Tullamore D.E.W.** – the whiskey visitor experience beside the Grand Canal in Tullamore.
- **Charleville Castle** – a Gothic Revival castle with woodland at Charleville Forest, near Tullamore.
- **Lough Boora Discovery Park** – outdoor sculptures on the Sculpture Loop walk, a Fairy Trail, bog walks and bike hire.
- **Clonmacnoise** – one of Ireland's most famous early monastic sites, on the River Shannon, with round towers, churches and high crosses.
- **Birr Castle Demesne** – gardens, walks and the Great Telescope of 1845, in the heritage town of Birr.

Please check opening times, prices and booking with each attraction before you travel. Sources: visitoffaly.ie, discoverireland.ie, waterwaysireland.org, greenwayhub.ie (Oct 2026).

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