



Mykidstime Family Guide to Roscommon



Welcome to the Mykidstime Guide to Co.Roscommon. We have put together some suggestions to make your family's visit to Co.Roscommon as enjoyable as possible. As parents ourselves, we are delighted to share with you some of the family friendly spots around Co.Roscommon!

The Mykidstime Team

Top Ten Things to do in Roscommon

1. The Elphin Windmill is a fully restored working 18th century windmill and definitely worth a visit
2. Meet the animals and have fun at Graune Pet Farm and Playcentre.
3. Take an underground tour at Arigna Mining Experience
4. Spend a day at Lough Key Forest Park & Activity Park and try out Boda Borg and Zipit while you're there
5. Visit Cruachan Aí and discover The Rathcroghan Complex, one of Ireland's Celtic Royal Sites.
6. Visit King House, an 18th century museum in Boyle.
7. Explore the Castlerea Railway Museum with a huge collection of trains and railway memorabilia.
8. Strokestown Park House and Famine museum has a new Woodland Walk so you can take a guided heritage tour around the house and get out for a lovely walk after!
9. Go bowling or bring the kids into the playcentre in Roscommon Leisure Zone.
10. Go to Tarmonbarry Harbour Marina to see the boats



Some Indoor Things to Do in Roscommon

- Visit Graune Pet Farm, an ideal place for a family day out with an indoor playcentre, sand shed and mini racing track
- Have fun in the Boda Borg at Lough Key Forest Park
- Go bowling at Rosbowl
- Take an underground tour of Arigna Mining Experience
- Check out the local library for the children's sections. A nice way to pass a few hours (FREE)
- Take in a matinee at The Flix cinema
- Learn some history at King House, Cruachan Aí, Strokestown House, Douglas Hyde Interpretative Centre or Hells Kitchen Railway Museum.



Outdoor Things To Do

- Shannon River Adventure has lots of great adventure activities including canoeing, kayaking, orienteering, raft building, pier jumping, archery and team games
- Take a trip to Loughnaneane Park with a lovely playground and lots of space for the kids to run and play (FREE)
- Go for a walk or picnic at Lough Key Forest Park or take a Lough Key Boat Tour
- Go horseriding – there are lots of equestrian centres around Roscommon
- Playgrounds – see our favourites list below (FREE)
- Go on a family cycle on the Green Heartlands Cycling Route (FREE)
- Visit the Marina at Tarmonbarry Harbour (FREE)



Where to Stay

Please mention Mykidstime when Booking

Abbey Hotel

Galway Road, Roscommon

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Web: www.abbeyhotel.ie

Abbey Hotel is a 4 Star 18th Century manor house castle hotel with a leisure centre and swimming pool.



Where to Eat

Gleeson's Townhouse & Restaurant, Roscommon Town

Situated in the heart of Roscommon Town, you can dine here for breakfast dinner and tea – and it's right beside the tourist office

Phone Tel: 090 662 6954 Web: www.gleesonstownhouse.com

Keenan's of Tarmonbarry

Right on the bank of the Shannon, this popular stop off has great food and views. Take a walk along the river banks after your meal and you're ready for off again!

Phone +353 (0)43 332 6052 Web: www.keenanshotel.ie

Lakeside Café, Lough Key Forest Park

With indoor and outdoor dining, and more stunning views, this is a great place to combine dining with leisure. Buggy friendly, baby changing, high chairs and kids menu.

Phone 071 9673122 web: www.loughkey.ie



Playgrounds

- **Boyle Pleasure Gardens** – Lovely safe enclosed playground
- **Loughnaneane Park**
- **Lough Key Forest Park** – Free Playground on the grounds or you can go into Adventure Kingdom for an admission fee of €5 per child
- **Ballaghderreen Playground**
- **Castlerea Playground**
- **Portrunny Playground**
- **Lough Meelagh Playground** at Keadue