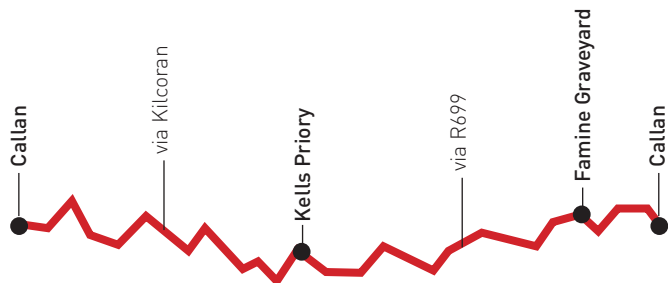


Welcome to one of Ireland's most scenically beautiful, historically rich and culturally vibrant counties. There's no better or healthier way to really get to know the Marble County than by cycling its quiet backroads and taking in its many wonders, ancient and modern, at your own pace and in your own sweet time. To savour the sights and sounds of the real Kilkenny, and truly feel its magic, saddle up and push away today.



Kilamery Churchyard



Callan Kells Priory Loop

Kilcoran, Kells Loop Walk, Kells Priory, Callan Famine Graveyard
23.7 km. 77 mins cycling. Rise and fall: 115m

This route brings you past the ancient Kells Priory on the banks of the King's River, one Ireland's largest and most impressive medieval settlements with its stunning series of tower houses. You can also visit Callan's Cherryfield Famine Graveyard, named for the many cherry trees that blossom so beautifully and poignantly over this final resting place for the hundreds of inmates of the nearby Callan workhouse who died during the Great Hunger.



Callan Famine Graveyard



Callan Killamery Loop

Callan Famine Graveyard, Kilamery High Cross, Mullinahone (Killaghy Castle) and Bowers Wood.
29.8 km. 96 mins cycling. Rise and fall: 119m

Stop at Killamery Graveyard to view the spectacular 9th Century Killamery Cross, with its ornate carvings of marigolds, snakes, dragons and Biblical figures and its inscribed dedication to Máel Sechnaill, High King of Ireland from 846-862. You'll also pass through historic Mullinahone, nestling beneath the mythic peak of Slievenamon, and its magnificently restored Killaghy Castle, an original Norman motte-and-bailey augmented with tower and long houses during Tudor times. And you'll glide through the magnificent tranquility of one of Ireland's Millennium Forests.

