

# Anchor Point MOTORHOMES Guide to KILKENNY

Kilkenny is a vibrant city with a town like feel, warm in character with its medieval past still visible among the ruins, chapels, high crosses and cobble lined streets. Home of the Cat Laughs Comedy festival, usually hosted during the June bank holiday, this is one of Ireland's social highlights of the year. If it's simply a weekend destination or part of a longer staycation break, Kilkenny has something for every one.



## Cat Laughs Festival

This world class comedy festival has been attracting the highest caliber of international and Irish comedians since 1995! Live acts are not recorded which allows performers to be at their most daring and creative, making for an unforgettable experience. The beauty of owning your own motorhome means you don't have to miss out due to accommodation shortages and premium rates. Tree Grove campsite is only 2.4kms from the centre, but book well in advance. [See link to website](#)

## Kilkenny Castle

Nestled only a stones throw from the main street, this magnificent 800 year old castle was visited by the biggest names in royalty over the centuries. Daytime motorhome parking is available at Dunnes Stores car park- just opposite.

[Kilkenny Castle](#)



## Family Fun

**The National Reptile Zoo** is a fantastic family attraction and very accessible where you can get up close with alligators and enjoy personal encounters with snakes, lizards & iguanas (if you dare). There is also the [Kilkenny Activity Centre](#) only 2.5km from the centre with paintballing bubble soccer, splat ball, body bowling and foot darts among it list of activities, with more fun to be had at Ireland's longest Zip line in [Castlecomer Discovery Park](#) with wonderful tree top trails, mountain biking, paddle boats, axe throwing and archery. Entry is free with each activity paid for separately.



[National Reptile Zoo](#)



## Kilkenny City

There is more of a town like feel to Kilkenny, a richly historic city with an almost tangible warmth and charm. Walk along its famous medieval mile



[Kilkenny Arts Festival](#) takes place each August

which dates back to the 13th Century from Kilkenny Castle to St Canice's Cathedral. From here you can take in the views from its round tower which is remarkably intact and open to the public. Kilkenny



is well known as a crafts hub with quaint boutique shops dotted along its winding

lanes selling jewellery, textiles, pottery, clothes, art and other handmade crafts.



Visit [Made in Kilkenny](#) to find out more on local crafts including millinery, candle making, ceramics and glass blowing. Once you've walked the legs off yourself, there is an abundance of traditional gastro pubs with traditional music, local brew and some delicious food where you can relax and unwind.

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Killamery Brooch at the National Museum

## Kilkenny's Ecclesiastical Past

Kells Augustinian priory is one of highlights and best preserved defense monasteries in Ireland ([find on google maps](#)) it also has a lovely carpark and picnic area with [Kilree Cross](#) just



down the road, dating back to the 9th Century. A 20km drive will take you back to the 7th century Killamery monastery which also features its own ornate high cross. (52 28' 30.03"N...7 26' 43.677"W)

## Knockroe Passage Tombs

Dating back to around 4000BC, this significant burial chamber features intricate carvings and aligns with the winter solstice. [Read more here.](#)

[Find on google maps](#)



## Outdoor Activities

Head for the picturesque town of Graiguenamanagh and book a [hidden trails](#) adventure, explore the weir, go canoeing, bike ride along the beautiful landscape and wooded valleys or go [supping on the river barrow](#). If you fancy getting up close with the falcons, flexing your archery skills, a spot of fishing or a simple round of golf head for [Mount Juliet Estate](#)



[Supping at Graiguenamanagh](#)



Have fun outdoors at [Kilkenny Activity Centre](#)

## Other attractions



Kilkenny Town Centre



[Impressive Gerpoint Abbey](#)



[Visit Nicholas Mosse Pottery Bennetsbridge](#)



[Falconry at Mt. Juliet Estate](#)



[Explore Dunmore Caves](#)



Kells Augustinian Priory

## Motorhome Parking

### [Camping Ireland](#)

Faite Ireland Approved and Registered Campsites throughout Ireland. Pick up your free book when you visit Anchor Point.

### [Safenights Ireland](#)

Reduced rate safe overnight parking for Motorhome users with membership card. Annual paid members get access to website with up to date listings.

### [Motorhome Parking Ireland](#)

App which lists campsites, Motorhome Parking (aires), free overnight parking spots, bars & restaurants that welcome motorhomes.

## Useful Links

[Visit Kilkenny Website](#)

[Discover Graiguenamanagh](#)

[Kells Augustian Priory](#)

[Off Street Parking](#)

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