

Swords 3 day itinerary

Day 1

Swords Castle



Located in the centre of the ancient town, Swords Castle is a former residence of the Medieval Archbishop of Dublin. Constructed in a piecemeal fashion over a period of 400 years, Swords castle became one of the eight manorial estates belonging to the medieval Archbishops of Dublin. Parliaments are even said to have been held in the great hall of the Castle. Swords Castle is the only fortified residence of the Archbishop of Dublin to survive in a reasonable state of preservation. Swords Castle contains over 800 years of history.

The Castle is open to visitors: October to March:

Tuesday – Sunday from 9.30am to 4pm, last entry at

3.30pm

Closed Monday

March to October:

Tuesday – Sunday from 9.30am to 5pm.

Closed Monday

Tours are provided subject to demand.

After your visit to the castle, time permitting why not indulge yourself with something to eat and drink in the many restaurants and bars in Swords centre. A diverse culinary menu is available, reflecting the evolving influences affecting the county town.

Day 2

Shopping



A leisurely stroll around the many shops and attractions in Swords is the perfect way to start day two. Swords is home to a wide variety of shops, featuring clothes, food and bric a brac. Finish off your morning shopping with lunch in one of the many restaurants and bars that serve a wide range of meals from simple sandwiches to gourmet fare.

Take a longer walk in the afternoon. There are a few options: River Valley park or along the shores of Broadmeadow estuary. Both choices offer a mixture of green parkland and waterside locations. Broadmeadow is home to a bird sanctuary so you could spend some time watching the many species of fowl and wild birds that make the estuary their home. After the shopping and exercise of the day finish off with a meal, the huge range on offer is sure to provide many options to cater for all tastes.

Day 3

Go further



Day three is the ideal time to venture further afield. A short hop on bus will open up some of Fingal's other treasures to the visitor. Malahide Heritage village with its castle, gardens beach and many shops is a great place to spend a day, with food and entertainment a plenty. The visitor seeking a more tranquil final day might take public transport to Rush or Skerries, both seaside villages have wonderful seaside walks along the Fingal coast. When the sea air has managed to

work on your appetite both Rush and Skerries have ample choice in restaurants and bar food, with seafood an obvious choice. A relaxing meal, and refreshment before taking the short journey back might be the perfect finish to three days in Swords.