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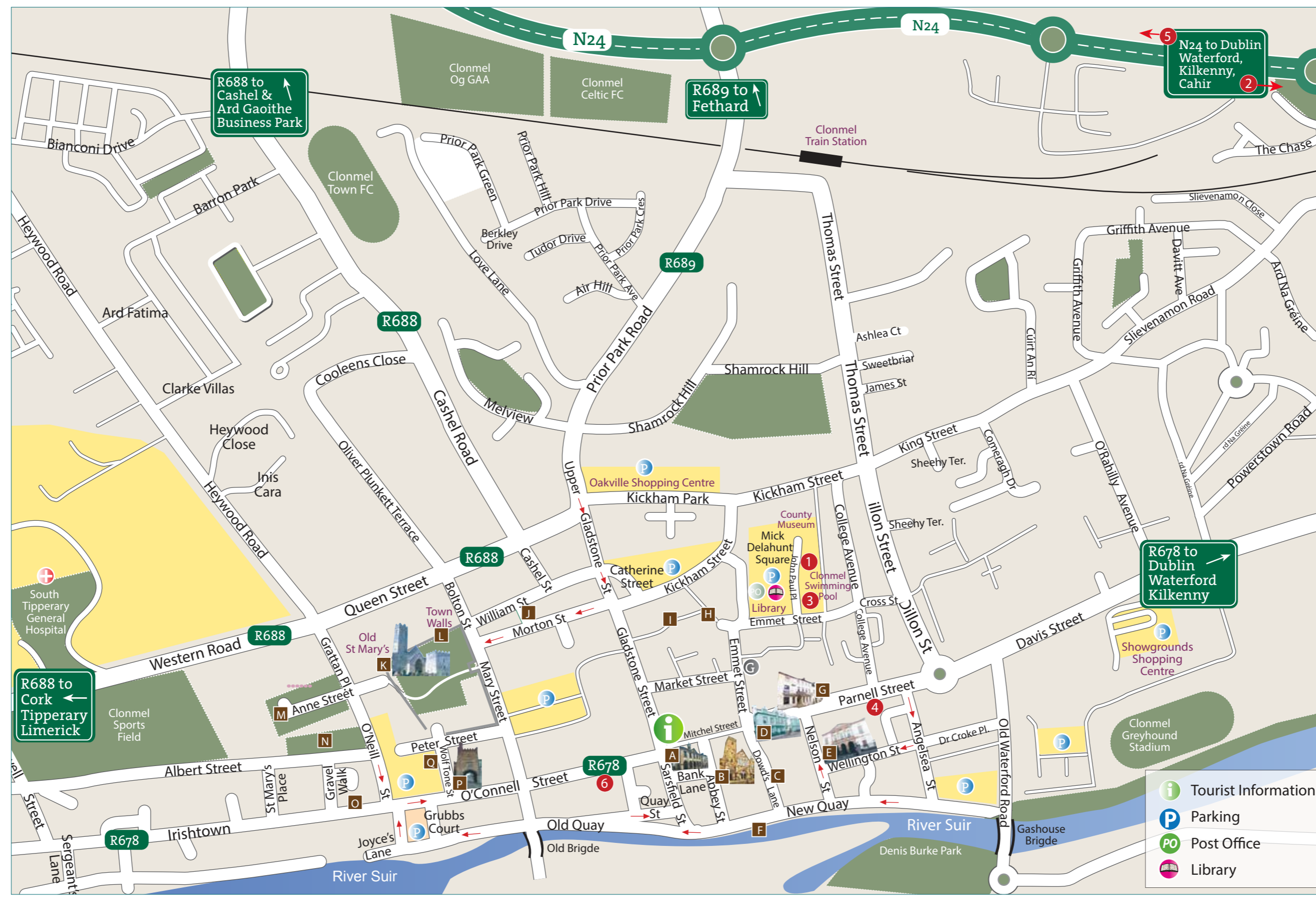
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CLONMEL HERITAGE TRAIL

A. The Main Guard

This elegant 17th century building occupies a prominent position in Clonmel. It was built by James Butler 1st Duke of Ormonde between 1673 and 1684 as a prestigious courthouse for the Palatinate of Co. Tipperary.

It was an assize court from 1716 until 1810, when it was converted to shops. It now houses the tourist office. T: (052) 61 22960

B. The Franciscan Friary

It was founded in 1269 by Otho de Grandison. The original church, built in 1269 has been altered several times, and the tower dating from the 14th century, is the only part of the old building which still survives.

C. Dowd's Lane

In 1935, William Magner founded a cider-making company in Dowd's Lane. In 1937 he amalgamated his business with H.P. Bulmer & Co., but the partnership was dissolved nine years later. Since 1946, the world famous cider bearing the Bulmers label has been produced in Clonmel.

D. Town Hall

The Town Hall was built in the 17th century on the site of a private mansion, Hamerton Hall. Originally an inn, it was rebuilt as the Town Hall in 1881. Outside stands the statue of the '98 Man, erected in 1904 in memory of the men involved in the 1798 rebellion.

E. The Court House

The Court House was built around 1800 and replaced the Main Guard as the town's court. Recent renovation has restored the Court House to its former glory.

F. The Quays

The Suir has played an important part in Clonmel's history - as a means of access, defence, commerce, recreation and power for the mills. Between 1775 and 1840, economic development, an agricultural boom and use of the river for cheap transport helped to make Clonmel one of the most important commercial and industrial inland towns in Ireland.

G. Hearn's Hotel

Where Charles Bianconi established his coaching enterprise. In 1815 he started a one horse cart transport system between Clonmel and Cahir. By 1825 his carriages were covering 1870 miles a day and by 1857, 4,244 miles a day in 22 counties. His headquarters were in Hearn's and he lived here himself from 1826 to 184 when he handed the building over to his friend and assistant, Daniel Hearn, who converted the stables and courtyard into a hotel.

H. Jail Gate

Formerly Clonmel had the following jails: O'Connell Street, Gladstone Street and Emmet Street. The Jail in Gladstone Street was built in the 1700's and had 6 dungeons. Fr. Nicholas Sheehy was imprisoned there while awaiting trial in 1766. The Jail at Emmet Street was built at the end of the 18th century and had an average of 340 prisoners at any

one time. Just outside the prison gates there was a pillory, a frame with holes for the unfortunate wrongdoer's head and hands.

I. North East Tower

This is the remains of a circular tower at the junction of Emmet Street and Kickham Street. Similar towers were built into the tower walls as lookouts. This tower is preserved for posterity within the local cinema.

J. Short Street

It is thought that this is the position of the breach of the walls by Cromwell during the siege of Clonmel.

K. Old St. Mary's Church

It is believed to have been built in 1204 by William De Burgo. In the late 14th/early 15th century, a fortified church was built on the site. There were extensive renovations in 1805 and a total rebuilding in 1857. Few traces of the original 13th century building remain. The main features which survive are the base of the bell tower and the east tower house.

L. Town Walls

The town walls were built in the 14th century under Otho de Grandison, the High Sheriff and first Lord of the Manor of Clonmel. The only remaining section of the walls is by Old St. Mary's Church. This section was restored and renovated by the Corporation in 1980 and was railed off from the consecrated ground of the churchyard in 1987 to provide a walkway for the public.

M. Anne Street

Built in 1820. Charles Riall (1774 - 1855) engaged builders and architects Thomas and John Tinsley to carry out the work. The street was probably named after Riall's wife Anne.

N. Friends Burial Grounds

First opened in 1709 on Albert Street to accommodate burials of members of the religious Society of Friends - the Quakers. The community became involved in industry, particularly milling, in the town in the 18th/19th centuries.

O. Irishtown

In medieval and later times, this was the site of the dwellings of the native Irish who were compelled to live outside the walls of the Anglo-Norman town.

P. The West Gate

The present building stands on the site of the original West Gate and formed part of the defences of the town

Q. The White Memorial Theatre

This building was formerly a Wesleyan/Methodist Chapel. It was designed and built in 1843 by William Tinsley. The Theatre commemorates James White, founder of St. Mary's Choral Society.



1 CAHIR TO SWISS COTTAGE

Paddling: Start at Inch Field in Cahir. 2km - approx 40 mins
Walking: From Cahir Castle car park 2km - approx 24mins
Cycling: - 2km - approx 12mins

2 SWISS COTTAGE TO ARDFINNAN

Paddling: Start near Swiss Cottage 7km - approx 2hrs20 mins

3 ARDFINNAN TO NEW CASTLE

Paddling: Start at Ardfinnan Green 7km - approx 2hrs 20mins

4 NEWCASTLE TO SANDYBANKS

Paddling: Start 125m upstream from Newcastle Bridge. 13km - approx 4hrs 20mins

5 SANDYBANKS TO SUIR ISLAND

Paddling: Start at Sandybanks slip or steps at Suir Island weir and white water slalom course. 3km - approx 1hr.

6 SUIR ISLAND TO CAREY'S SLIP

Paddling: Start at 200m from Suir Island car park. 3km - approx 40mins

7 SUIR SIDE TO CAREY'S SLIP

Walking: Start from Suir side car park, Clonmel. 2.5km - approx 30mins
Cycling: approx 15mins

8 CAREY'S SLIP TO KILSHEELAN

Paddling: Start at Carey's slip, Montgarriff by N24. 7km - approx 2hr 20mins.
Walking: Start at Cary's Slip car park, Clonmel. 7km - approx 1hr 24mins
Cycling: approx 42mins

9 KILSHEELAN TO CARRICK-ON-SUIR

Paddling: Start at Kilsheelan Bridge slip.

11.5km - approx 3hr 50mins
Walking: Start at Kilsheelan Village car park. 11.5km - approx 2hrs 18mins
Cycling: 1hr 10mins

10 DEERPARK TO CARRICK-ON-SUIR

Walking: Start at Deerpark car park. Finish at Sean Healy Park near Ormond Castle (number 11 on map). 1km - approx 12mins
Cycling: 6mins

SUIR BLUEWAY MAP

PLEASE NOTE - The river is only suitable for paddle sports. If you are a beginner it is recommended that you contact a qualified guide. For further information check www.tipperary.com. Bring suitable clothing, a fully charged mobile phone, a map and always wear a helmet and buoyancy aid. Explore the many different beautiful sights whether paddling or on foot or cycling. Visit the attractions on route and what we have mentioned on our map. Whether you are interested in culture, crafts, history, castles or you want to dine in a lovely restaurant, there is plenty to see and do around Clonmel and the surrounding areas.

Attractions

Tipperary Museum of Hidden History

Deepen your Tipperary knowledge a little further a 15 minute spin away at the Tipperary Museum of Hidden History, which features two galleries to amble around. With a keen focus on history from prehistoric to modern times, its collection covers everything from military to religious, social history to political, archaeology, geology, townscapes and more.

Clonmel Food Market

Plan your visit strategically if you can, so you can head along to the Clonmel Food Market. The farmers' market, which is held from 10am-2pm each Saturday, is full of locally grown and produced delights, from fresh, organic fruit and veg, to artisan cheeses and plenty of sweet nibbles. The smell of the freshly baked bread is enough to lure you in.

The Apple Farm

Halfway between Clonmel and Cahir, you'll find the Apple Farm. Grown naturally and harvested when perfectly ripe, if you love apples, this is your heaven. Pick your own fruit to snack on during the harvest months from August until November - with over 50 different varieties to choose from, you won't be short on choice. Watch the farm produce its award-winning apple juices in the off-season months and don't leave without nabbing one of their freshly baked apple tarts to enjoy at home.

Clonmel Racecourse,

County Tipperary, is recognised as a demanding National Hunt course blessed with a scenic wooded setting. Also known as Powerstown Park, it has been operating for 160 years and provides excellent views of the racing from all points.

St. Patrick's Well

St. Patrick's Well continues to be a place of pilgrimage as well as a popular tourist attraction. It is one of the largest wells in Ireland and features an early-Christian, Celtic-style cross.

The area also has a small church that dates from the 17th century and houses the altar tomb of the White family.

Carey's Castle

Carey's Castle was formerly occupied by monks and up to recent years, the ruins of the alms house was still in evidence.

There is a small lawn with picnic site close to the car park. A walk of about 500m takes you to Carey's Castle, through mixed woodland and there is a pleasant walking path along the river bank for about 600m.

There are about 2 km of forest walks. Along the riverside walk there is a profusion of birch, oak, beech and ash with some spruce and larch. On the south side of the castle in what was the walled garden is a stand of Japanese larch and one of Old Scots pine. Other flora, woodrush, sorrel, grasses, ferns and sage.

There is an abundance of birds and animals including the red squirrel and fallow deer. The sparrow hawk can sometimes be sighted. The Glenary river flows by the old castle ruins.

Fethard Horse Country Experience.

Learn about the relationship between the Irish people, the land and horses, and how they're all inextricably linked, at this state-of-the-art interactive experience.

Spread across two floors of a 17th century Tholsel building, that was formerly an almshouse, theatre space, marketplace, fire station and library. The first country market in Ireland took place here in 1957 and continues today every Friday morning.

THINGS TO DO

Fishing - The River Suir is a noted trout river with good salmon runs, especially in the lower reaches. Angling Licences - needed for salmon angling - may be secured from The Regional Fisheries Board, Clonmel. Tel: 052 61 23624

Horse Riding - Tipperary, famous for its horses, is a Mecca for the equestrian enthusiast. You haven't really discovered Ireland until you've been racing. With over 30 races throughout the year in Tipperary, check it out for yourself. Clonmel Racecourse: Contact: DJ Histon (052) 61 22611

Birds & Wildlife - Marlfield Lake - Near Clonmel - developed bird sanctuary. Offering sightings of duck & dippers.

Walks - Clonmel and its environs is a wonderful area for walks, for example Marlfield, the Nire Valley and to the Holy Year cross. Maps of these walks and many others are available from Clonmel Tourist Office. Tel: 052 61 22960

Glenbawn Loop contains three popular walks
Fox Covert Loop, Glenbawn Loop & Dun Ui Faolain Loop.

The woods teem with wildlife and diverse plant species and are a haven of solitude in today's frantic world. The loop walks have been developed as part of a regeneration of the wood by a local community group called the Two Bridges Partnership.

Golf - Few counties offer as wide or as varied golfing opportunities as County Tipperary, ranging from the challenging 18 hole course at Clonmel with its spectacular mountain scenery to the parkland pleasures of Thurles (18 hole) with other delightful 18 hole courses at Cahir, Carrick-on-Suir and Tipperary Town and Slievenamon.

Swimming - Clonmel Swimming Pool is located in Mick Delahunty Square, Clonmel and facilities include a Pool, Gym and Sauna.



Tipperary Explorer



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