

Siúlóidí Lúibe Clara Esker Clara Esker Looped Walks

Tosaíonn an dá shiúlóid i gcarrchlós an Mhuilinnín ag cuid de Esker Riada. Tá cuid de na hEiscigh is suntasaí san Éoraip sa cheantar seo. Is iad Rod Aron na cineálacha plandaí atá le fáil san Esker (Great Mullein). 200m tar éis duit an carrchlós a fhágáil suas an cnoc tá pointe amhairc ag Cnoc an Choinín áit ar féidir leat na radhairc áille a ghlacadh.

Pointe Breathnaithe Choinín

Ó bharr Chnoc an Choinín is féidir leat Cnoc Croghan a fheiceáil soir agus fanacht go deiseal agus ar dheis ó Chnoc Croghan is féidir leat spuaic Eaglais Chaitliceach na Tulaí Móire a fheiceáil ar lá glan. Ar dheis an Tulach Mhór is féidir leat Caisleán Chareville a fheiceáil agus coinneáil ar dheis agus is féidir leat Sléibhte Sliabh Bloom a fheiceáil. Lean na saigheada gorma agus dearga ag dul faoi Dhroichead an Iarnróid an scoilt gorm agus

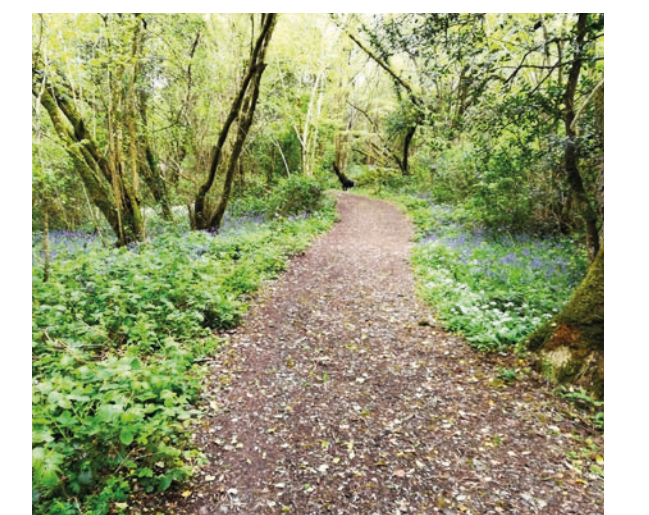
siúlóid dhearg. Casann an gorm ar chlé tríd an adhmaid tóg ar chlé nuair a shroicheann tú an bóthar ar ais go dtí an Carrchlós. Tógann an siúlóid dhearg leat trí choillearnach agus ar aghaidh go dtí Clárphort phortaigh Chlára tar éis duit an portach a fhágáil, tabharfaidh tú cuairt ar iarsmaí na dTuachán Réamh-Ghorta Mhóir agus áit suí. Tá tú anois i gCoill Doory seo limistéar de choillearnach shaibhir faoi cheannbhrat crann. Is éard atá sa choillearnach ná sean agus sceach gheal sceach gheal. Tá roinnt crann darach agus fuinseoige an-mhór. Meastar go bhfuil an crann darach is sine idir 400 agus 500 bliain d'aois. San earrach agus i dtús an tsamhraidh tá urláir fhiáine álainn ar urlár na adhmaid seo. Lean na saigheada dearga tríd an bplandáil chuig an mbóthar ag casadh ar chlé ag limistéar suí agus ar ais go dtí an Carrchlós. Tá teabhrán ar fáil ar Phortach Clara agus ar Eiscir. Is as gailearaí grianghraif Maureen Gaffey na grianghraif.

Both walks start in Mulligans carpark at a section of Esker Riada. This area has some of the most spectacular Eskers in Europe. The types of plants found in the Esker are Aron's Rod (Great Mullein). 200mts after you leave the carpark uphill there is a viewing point at Rabbit Hill where you can take in the beautiful views

Rabbit Hill Viewing Point

From the top of Rabbit Hill you can see Croghan Hill due east and stay clockwise and to the right of Croghan Hill you can see the spire of Tullamore Catholic Church on a clear day. To the right of Tullamore you can see Chareville Castle and keep to the right and you can see the Slieve Bloom Mountains. Follow the blue and red arrows going under the Railway Bridge the blue and red walk divide. The blue turns left through the wood, take a left when you reach the road and back to the Carpark. The red walk takes you

through woodland and on to the Clara bog Boardwalk after you leave the bog you will pay a visit to the remains of the Pre-Famine Ruins and a seating area. You are now in Doory Woods, this is an area of rich woodland beneath a canopy of trees. The woodland consists of hazel hawthorn elder and blackthorn. There are some very large oak and ash trees. The oldest oak tree is estimated to be 400- 500years old. The types of plants found in the wood are Bluebells, Bugle, Dog Violet and Wild Garlic. In spring and early summer the floor of this wood is carpeted with beautiful wild garlic. Follow the red arrows through the plantation to the road turning left at a seating area and back to the Carpark. There is a booklet available on Clara Bog and Eskers. The photos are from Maureen Gaffey photo gallery.



Esker Forest Loop Walk

Conaire Tosaithe:
Carrchlós Mhuileann na gCailleach

Seirbhísí: Clóirtheach

Fad: 2km

Am: 30 nóiméad

Ascent: 30 m

Trailhead: Mulligans Carpark

Services: Clara

Distance: 2km

Time: 30 minutes

Ascent: 30 m



Ballinough Doorey Loop Walk

Conaire Tosaithe:
Carrchlós Mhuileann na gCailleach

Seirbhísí: Clóirtheach

Fad: 4.5km

Am: 1.5 uair an chloig

Ascent: 30 m

Trailhead: Mulligans Carpark

Services: Clara

Distance: 4.5km

Time: 1.5 hours

Ascent: 30 m

Gradú na gConairí

Conairí Éasca

Is conairí leibhéalta atá i gceist leo seo, tríd is tríd, agus beidh droimníní nó arda beaga romhat anseo is ansiúd. D'fhéadfadh an dromchla a bheith beagán garbh in áiteanna (fréamhacha, clocha, srl.) agus fána réasúnta géar a bheith romhat anseo is ansiúd. Is iondúil gur stráicí gearra a bhíonn i gceist ansin.

Trail Grading

Easy Trails

Generally flat trails with some undulations. Surfaces may be a little rough in places (roots, stones, etc) with short steeper sections. Usually of short duration.



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