



# Limerick

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Limerick, sitting on the banks of the River Shannon, is Ireland's first ever City of Culture. Best known as the city of Frank McCourt's "Angela's Ashes", the Limerick of today is peppered with galleries amidst elegantly crumbling Georgian architecture. The city of rugby also has a thriving street art scene, a lively festival schedule, and a crossroads tailor-made for foodies in the Milk Market.



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## THE CITY



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Limerick in the midwest of Ireland is a bustling city nestled between areas of outstanding natural beauty from the Burren in Co. Clare in the north to the stunning Ring of Kerry in the south. Its past is etched from Viking and Norman, to Medieval and Georgian, to modern times. It is also the spiritual home of Irish rugby.

A compact city with a colourful past, you won't find much of the Limerick portrayed in Frank McCourt's *Angela's Ashes*, but you can retrace his childhood footsteps. Visit King John's Castle in the heart of Limerick's Medieval Heritage precinct on Kings Island. Other landmarks to spot are Thingmount (a Viking counsel chamber and court of justice), the former Bishop's Lady's Palace, the City Museum, St. Mary's Cathedral, the Treaty Stone, and Thomand bridge.

### Culture:

Fancy seeing an art collection with some Renoir, Picasso, Gauguin, O'Connor and Yeats? Then head for the Hunt Museum, set in the former 18th Century Custom House. Limerick City Gallery of Art is home to an important collection of Irish Paintings, while Limerick Museum is a Gulbenkian award winner filled with much earlier antiquities.

### Time out:

Take a breather in the People's Park or Arthur's Quay Park to recharge your batteries. Walk along the river or take a boat trip down the Shannon Estuary to do a spot of whale watching.

## TOP 5



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It is not simple to whittle Limerick's attractions down to just five, but the list goes to show how many different activities the city can offer. Any of them can be a nice way to kick off a sightseeing tour of the city.

### Excite all your senses at The Milk Market



In an old stone building that was once a corn market, Saturday mornings become the best time to capture the fusion of flavours, music and nice banter. With its grand new canopy, it's a place buzzing with activity that gives the opportunity to savour the best pastries of the city and to buy the local artisan's works.

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Address: Cornmarket Row, Limerick

Phone: +353 61 214782

Internet: [www.milkmarketlimerick.ie](http://www.milkmarketlimerick.ie)

### Enjoy the finest art by the likes of Jack B. Yeats and Seán Keating



Make your way into the Limerick City Gallery to find a superb collection of Irish painting. The selection is quite vast, but among the works that should not be missed are "Chairoplanes", Jack B. Yeats's portrayal of an amusement ride, and Seán Keating's "Simple Folk".

Photo: Gabriela Avram/Flickr (image cropped)  
Address: Rutland Street, Limerick  
Phone: +353 61 312833  
Internet: [www.huntmuseum.com](http://www.huntmuseum.com)

### Sit at the same school desk as Limerick's most famous writer's



Even though he was born in Brooklyn, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Frank McCourt was educated in Limerick and wrote the book "Angela's Ashes", which is about his childhood in both cities. His old school is now a museum, and a classroom from the 1930s is stored inside.

Photo: Gabriela Avram/Flickr (image cropped)  
Address: Hartstonge Street, Limerick  
Phone: +353 87 3735015  
Internet: [www.frankmccourtmuseum.com](http://www.frankmccourtmuseum.com)

### Recite or listen to poetry at the White House



In the White House, the city's oldest pub, The Irish President Michael D. Higgins has recited his poetry. Nowadays everyone can do the same with their own works, while free snacks are served for those who listen.

Photo: Radiokafka/Shutterstock.com  
Address: O'Connell Street, Limerick  
Phone: +353 61 412377  
Internet: [www.whitehousebarlimerick.com](http://www.whitehousebarlimerick.com)

### Discover Thomond Park's place in the world of rugby



A tour of Thomond Park stadium where Munster beat the All Blacks 12-0 in 1978 is a great place to visit if you're either a rugby fan or just want to experience the city's sporting culture. Tours that go through areas that can be seen only by players and a museum are also available.

Photo: William Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)  
Address: Thomond Park, Limerick  
Phone: +353 61 421109  
Internet: [www.thomondpark.ie](http://www.thomondpark.ie)

### DO & SEE



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From the ancient castles that once lorded over the town to thought-provoking museums, Limerick will immerse you in its story and culture. Multiple walking tours are also available, covering a wide array of subjects including historic sport clubs and settings of famous novels.

### Canon Sheehan Loop



A journey through mythic, Hobbit-esque landscapes, the Canon Sheehan Loop is a verdant green trail on the border with Cork.

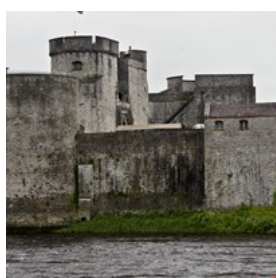
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woodlands in a haze of wildflowers and natural forestry. Stop to admire the "mass rock" - used as an altar for outdoor Catholic masses in the 17th century. The trail is 7.6km and suitable for all skill levels.

Photo: Stephendotcarter/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Glenanaar Forest Car Park, Ballyguyroe North

### King John's Castle



This 13th century Castle is located on King's Island, at the centre of what was once a medieval town. Admire panoramic views of the surrounding

city and take a walk on the battlement to spot excavated pre-Norman houses and fortifications.

Photo: William Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Nicholas Street, Limerick

Opening hours: October-March: Mon-Sun 9.30am-5pm

April-September: Mon-Sun 9.30am-6pm

Phone: +353 61 711222

Internet: [www.kingjohnscastle.com](http://www.kingjohnscastle.com)

Email: [reservations@shannonheritage.com](mailto:reservations@shannonheritage.com)

More Info: Last admission 1 hour before closing time.

### Hunt Museum



Housed in the Palladian Custom House, the Hunt Museum holds the finest collection of bronze age, celtic and medieval treasures outside Dublin.

Ancient Irish metalwork, European works of art,

and a selection of 20th-century European and Irish paintings, including works by Jack B. Yeats, are on view. If you would like to take a break there is a café overlooking the river.

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Address: Rutland Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-5pm Sun 2pm-5pm

Phone: +353 61 312833

Internet: [www.huntmuseum.com](http://www.huntmuseum.com)

Email: [info@huntmuseum.com](mailto:info@huntmuseum.com)

### St. Mary's Cathedral



Founded in the 12th century on a hill on King's Island, this site was originally a palace belonging to one of the kings of Munster, Donal Mor O'Brien. In 1172 he donated it for use as a church. The building contains the original Romanesque doorway and clerestory, as well as several features added in the 15th century.

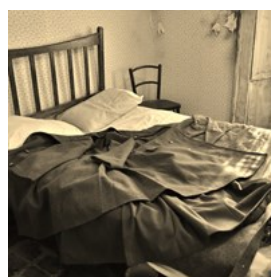
Photo: William Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Bridge Street, Limerick

Phone: +353 61 310293

Internet: [www.cathedral.limerick.anglican.org](http://www.cathedral.limerick.anglican.org)

### Angela's Ashes Walking Tour



This guided tour presents the Limerick City locations described in the Pulitzer Prize-winning book, "Angela's Ashes," by Frank McCourt. Tours

depart from the Limerick Tourist Office in Arthur's Quay.

Photo: Young Shanahan/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Arthur's Quay, Limerick

Phone: +353 61 317522

More Info: Duration: 2 hours.



### The Treaty Stone



The Treaty Stone stands across Thomond Bridge, on the opposite bank of the River Shannon from King John's Castle. It is a commemoration of the signing of the Treaty of Limerick in 1691, which was drafted following two sieges that took place in the city.

Photo: William Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Thomond Bridge, Limerick

Phone: +353 61 317522

### Limerick City Gallery Of Art (ICGA)



ICGA houses a permanent collection of 18th, 19th and 20th century art, including several paintings by Ireland's celebrated artist Jack B. Yeats. It also hosts a range of travelling contemporary art exhibitions, as well as traditional and classical music concerts.

Photo: Denis Kuvaev/Shutterstock.com

Address: Carnegie Building, Pery Square, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 10am-5.30pm, Thu 10am-8pm,

Fri-Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun Noon-5.30pm

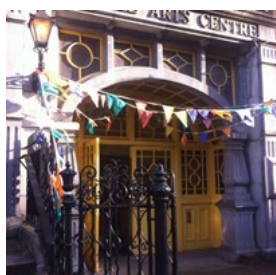
Phone: +353 61 310633

Internet: [www.gallery.limerick.ie](http://www.gallery.limerick.ie)

Email: [artgallery@limerick.ie](mailto:artgallery@limerick.ie)

More Info: Last admission 30 minutes before closing time.

### Belltable Arts Centre



Belltable is the centre of performance and visual arts for the mid-west region. It has a programme filled with theatre, dance, film, music and visual art running throughout the

year. The annual Spring festival of Fringe theatre, Unfringed, brings together all manner of performances.

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Address: 69 O'Connell Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 12pm-5.30pm

Phone: +353 61 953400

Internet: [www.limetreetheatre.ie](http://www.limetreetheatre.ie)

Email: [info@limetreetheatre.ie](mailto:info@limetreetheatre.ie)

### Limerick City Museum



Located beside King John's Castle, this museum houses a wide range of displays: from old photographs to hurling sticks, every object explores an aspect of the rich history of the city.

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Address: Henry Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-1pm 2pm-5pm

Phone: +353 61 557740

Internet: [www.limerick.ie/limerick-museum](http://www.limerick.ie/limerick-museum)

Email: [museum@limerick.ie](mailto:museum@limerick.ie)

More Info: Admission is free.

### Thomond Park Museum



Rugby fans won't want to miss this. Located in Thomond Park, this museum offers tours behind the scenes of the famous rugby stadium.

On match days, visit an interactive museum in which you'll be able to test your skills in games and see more relics from Munster's history.

Photo: William Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Thomond Park, Limerick City

Opening hours: Daily starting from 9.30am

Phone: +353 61 421109  
Internet: [www.thomondpark.ie](http://www.thomondpark.ie)  
Email: [museum@thomondpark.ie](mailto:museum@thomondpark.ie)  
More Info: Pre-booking is advised, but on Saturdays and Sundays, for groups of 6 or more, it is mandatory.

### Foynes Flying Boat & Maritime Museum



Intrepid adventurers will delight in these stories about the brave world of transatlantic air travel. Learn the history of the flying boats in an

authentic 1940's cinema featuring the award winning film 'Atlantic Conquest,' or marvel at the only Boeing B314 replica in the world. The museum also showcases the original terminal building, radio and weather room, compete with transmitters, receivers and Morse code equipment.

Photo: Samantha Faraday/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Foynes, Limerick  
Opening hours: March 15th to mid-November: Daily 9.30am-5.00pm. July to August: Daily 9.30am-6.00pm  
Phone: +353 69 65416  
Internet: [www.flyingboatmuseum.com](http://www.flyingboatmuseum.com)  
Email: [info@flyingboatmuseum.com](mailto:info@flyingboatmuseum.com)  
More Info: The last entry is 1 hour before closing.

### Lough Gur Visitor Centre



Local folklore, Celtic festivals, and an audiovisual show on the geology, botany, zoology and archaeology of the region combine to

showcase the ancient culture of this place. Also featured are replicas of famous finds in the area, which include Stone Age pottery, the famous Bronze Age Lough Gur Shield and the Countess of Bath's chalice and platen.

Photo: Christian1965/www.wikimedia.org (image cropped)

Address: Lough Gur, Limerick  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 10am-4pm, Sat-Sun Noon-4pm  
Phone: +353 61 385386  
Internet: [www.loughgur.com](http://www.loughgur.com)  
Email: [loughgur@gmail.com](mailto:loughgur@gmail.com)

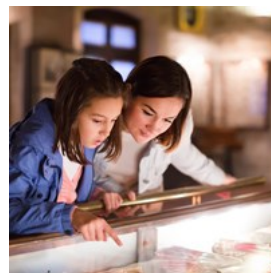
### Desmond Castle Adare



This 13th-century castle was erected with an ancient ring fort by the Earls of Kildare. In the rebellion of 1536, it was forfeited and granted to the Earls of Desmond who gave the castle its present name. The guided tours start from Adare Heritage Centre, where a shuttle bus will take you to the castle.

Photo: Adareman/www.wikimedia.org (image cropped)  
Address: Adare Heritage Centre, Main Street, Adare, Limerick  
Opening hours: June to September: Daily 9am-6pm  
Phone: +353 61 396666  
Internet: [www.adareheritagecentre.ie](http://www.adareheritagecentre.ie)  
Email: [reception@adareheritagecentre.ie](mailto:reception@adareheritagecentre.ie)

### Bishops Palace - Limerick Civic Trust



Adjacent to King's John's Castle, this is the restored home of former Protestant Bishops of Limerick. The Palace has a classical facade and is related to the English Palladian style. The General Tour showcases the military memorabilia and artefacts gathered by the Carol family through the generations.

Photo: Iakov Filimonov/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Kings Island, Limerick  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 9am-4pm  
Phone: +353 61 313399  
Internet: [www.limerickcivictrust.ie](http://www.limerickcivictrust.ie)  
Email: [info@limerickcivictrust.ie](mailto:info@limerickcivictrust.ie)

More Info: Duration: 90 minutes.

## DINING



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Limerick has abundant international dining options: from spicy Thai dishes and rows of French wine bottles, to Italian home-made pasta and grilled delicacies.

### The Buttery



Owned by a brother and sister duo, The Buttery features a menu filled with courses that take inspiration from their travels, including frittatas

and homemade soups for brunch, as well as à la carte offerings for dinner. They also offer catering services for any event.

Photo: Ekaterina Iatcenko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bedford Row, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 8am-4pm, Thu 8am-9pm, Sat-Sun 8am-9.30pm

Phone: +353 61 597668

Internet: [www.thebuttery.ie](http://www.thebuttery.ie)

Email: [hello@thebuttery.ie](mailto:hello@thebuttery.ie)

### Copper And Spice



This restaurant beside the Mulcair River offers Indian and Thai cuisine, as well as rotating monthly specials. A great choice for those

preferring a meat-free meal. Take-away and delivery also available.

Photo: RitaE/www.pixabay.com

Address: 2 Cornmarket Row, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 5pm-10.30pm, Sun 2pm-10pm

Phone: +353 61 313 620

Internet: [www.copperandspice.ie](http://www.copperandspice.ie)

### Freddy's Bistro



Irish and Italian cuisine, with options that include seafood and some vegetarian dishes. The chefs only use local

products and organically grown vegetables. The interiors feature wood floors and furniture, as well as red brick walls.

Photo: Amy Johansson/Shutterstock.com

Address: Lower Glentworth Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Tue-Thu 5.30pm-10pm, Fri-Sat 5.30pm-11pm

Phone: +353 61 418749

Internet: [www.freddysbistro.com](http://www.freddysbistro.com)

### Bella Italia



Located in the heart of Limerick city, Bella Italia's house-made pasta and sauces can be eaten in or taken out. Those with a sweet tooth will

appreciate the Yogorino counter's selection of frozen yogurt, crepes and waffles.

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Address: 43 Thomas Street, Limerick  
Opening hours: Mon-Wed 10am-7.30pm, Thu 10am-9pm,  
Fri-Sat 10am-9.30pm  
Phone: +353 61 418 872  
Internet: [www.bellaitalia.ie](http://www.bellaitalia.ie)  
Email: [info@bellaitalia.ie](mailto:info@bellaitalia.ie)

### French Table



Gaze on to the River Shannon as you enjoy fine French wines served by the glass, carafe or bottle. Lunch and dinner offerings, including take-away options, consist of signature dishes such as soups and seafood that change daily.

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Address: Steamboat Quay, Limerick  
Opening hours: Tue-Fri: Noon-2.30pm 6pm-9.30pm, Sun: 12.30pm-8pm  
Phone: +353 61 609274  
Internet: [www.frenchtable.ie](http://www.frenchtable.ie)  
Email: [info@frenchtable.ie](mailto:info@frenchtable.ie)

### No. 1 Pery Square Hotel & Spa



This hotel shines in summertime: the Georgian terrace opens to BBQs, cocktails parties, and events. For a local flavour, try Limerick's own Treaty City Brewing Selection and cider.

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Address: No. 1 Pery Square Hotel & Spa, Limerick  
Phone: +353 61 402402  
Internet: [www.oneperysquare.com](http://www.oneperysquare.com)  
Email: [info@oneperysquare.com](mailto:info@oneperysquare.com)

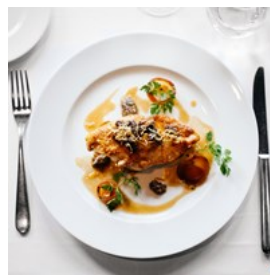
### Hamptons Grill



This New York style restaurant specialises mainly in grilled food: specials include BBQ ribs and chicken curry, as well as seafood options like local scallops. Pasta and rice dishes cater to vegetarians.

Photo: 1187283/www.pixabay.com  
Address: Henry Street, Limerick  
Opening hours: Daily Noon-10.30pm  
Phone: +353 61 609325  
Internet: [www.hamptonsgrill.ie](http://www.hamptonsgrill.ie)  
Email: [table@hamptonsgrill.ie](mailto:table@hamptonsgrill.ie)

### Porters Restaurant



Managed by an award-winning chef, Porters Restaurant offers both à la carte and table d'hôte menus. Main events include the daily Radisson Super Buffet Breakfast, and the 4-course Sunday Buffet Lunch.

Photo: Free-Photos/www.pixabay.com  
Address: Radisson SAS Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick  
Opening hours: Mon-Thu 12.30pm-2.30pm 5.45pm-9.30pm, Fri-Sat 12.30pm-2.30pm 5.45pm-10pm, Sun 1pm-2.30pm 5.45pm-10pm  
Phone: +353 61 456200  
Internet: [www.radlimerick.com/dining/porters-restaurant](http://www.radlimerick.com/dining/porters-restaurant)  
Email: [info.limerick@radissonblu.com](mailto:info.limerick@radissonblu.com)

### The River Bistro



Located at the University of Limerick campus, near the University Concert Hall, The River Bistro offers different menus for breakfast, lunch and dinner. The latter involve also a pre-show offer,



with a fixed price per meal, such as their sirloin steak, to be accompanied with wine, ciders and hot beverages.

Photo: Yulia Grigoryeva / Shutterstock.com  
Address: Millstream Courtyard, University of Limerick, Limerick  
Phone: +353 86 1701242  
Internet: [www.riverbistro.ie](http://www.riverbistro.ie)  
Email: [ul\\_manager@aramark.ie](mailto:ul_manager@aramark.ie)

## CAFES



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Stop to refuel at one of Limerick's many cafés. Many offer homemade food and desserts, as well as fair trade products and locally produced food.

### Delish Cafes



and tarts.

With two locations in Limerick at Castletroy and Raheen, Delish Cafe offers savoury main courses for lunch as well as sweet cakes, brownies

Photo: [monicore/www.pixabay.com](http://monicore/www.pixabay.com)  
Address: No. 6, Courtfields Shopping Centre, Limerick - Unit 1a, Castletroy Park Commerical Campus, Limerick  
Phone: +353 61 300090  
Internet: [www.delish.ie](http://www.delish.ie)  
Email: [info@delish.ie](mailto:info@delish.ie)

### Hook & Ladder



Hook & Ladder is more than your average cafe: it is also a cookery school and a furniture and home accessory shop. Savour delicious coffee, local produce, and original home design. Serving breakfast, snacks and evenings meals - as well as scrumptious baked goods.

Photo: [Free-Photos/www.pixabay.com](http://Free-Photos/www.pixabay.com)  
Address: Unit 4, Castletroy Shopping Centre, Limerick  
Opening hours: Wed-Sun 9am-5pm  
Phone: +353 6133 0035  
Internet: [www.hookandladder.ie](http://www.hookandladder.ie)  
Email: [info@hookandladder.ie](mailto:info@hookandladder.ie)

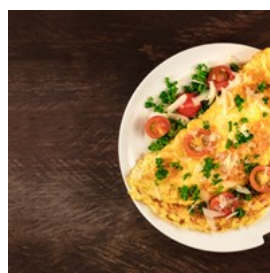
### Green Onion Cafe



With colourful interiors and colourful ingredients, this cafe serves both sweet and savoury delicacies. Coffee is available to go or to enjoy in the uniquely decorated rooms - walls are decorated with palm trees in one room and graffiti in another.

Photo: [MaraZe/Shutterstock.com](http://MaraZe/Shutterstock.com)  
Address: 3 Rutland Street, Limerick  
Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm, Sat 8am-4pm, Sun 9am-4pm  
Phone: +353 61 311889  
Email: [dcorbettny@yahoo.com](mailto:dcorbettny@yahoo.com)

### Petit Paris Cafe



Enjoy breakfast or lunch at this chic cafe. Salads, sandwiches and omelettes can be paired with delicious desserts including crepes and

Belgian chocolate cookies. Saturday brunch is from 9am to 1:30pm.

Photo: Plateresca/Shutterstock.com

Address: 21 Henry Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 8am-4.30pm, Thu-Fri 8am-5pm, Sat 9am-2pm

Phone: +353 61 446821

Email: petitparislimerick@gmail.com

### The Drawing Room at Adare Manor



Indulge in luxury at the Adare Manor Hotel. Enjoy coffee in the gilded Drawing Room, where natural light shines through the wide windows illuminating the luscious gardens. Its two fireplaces are adorned with carvings of Pegasus and decadent oak leaves.

Photo: Dmitry Kalinovsky/Shutterstock.com

Address: Adare, Limerick

Phone: +353 61 605200

Internet: [www.adaremanor.com/dining/the-drawing-room](http://www.adaremanor.com/dining/the-drawing-room)

Email: [info@adaremanor.com](mailto:info@adaremanor.com)

More Info: Children under 16 are welcome at all times.

### The Buttery



Headed by a brother and sister duo, The Buttery's menu takes inspiration from the proprietor's travels - everything from frittatas and homemade soups to à la carte offerings for dinner. Take away is an option, and happy hour is every Friday from 3pm to 5pm.

Photo: Ekaterina Iatcenko/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bedford Row, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 8am-4pm, Thu 8am-9pm, Sat-Sun 8am-9.30pm

Phone: +353 61 597668

Internet: [www.thebuttery.ie](http://www.thebuttery.ie)

Email: [hello@thebuttery.ie](mailto:hello@thebuttery.ie)

### BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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No visit to Limerick City would be complete without a trip to one of its many watering holes. Being a student town, Limerick enjoys a vibrant nightlife, catering to the young as well as the young at heart.

### Nancy Blakes



Lunch is served Monday to Friday, with a late bar 5 nights a week. Musical offerings includes traditional Irish music on Sunday, and enjoy live music on Wednesday and Thursday at "The Outback", a beer garden surrounded by a canopy.

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Address: 19 Upper Denmark Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Wed-Mon 10.15am-2pm, Sun 10.15am-12.45pm

Phone: +353 61 416443

Email: [info@nancyblakes.com](mailto:info@nancyblakes.com)



### The Glen Tavern



Run by the Callanan family for generations, this tavern's menu features specials like The Glen Ploughman's Lunch and Traditional Irish

Stew. Watch sport events like rugby and soccer, enjoy weekly live music by local artists, and make good use of the pool table.

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Address: 1-2 Lower Glentworth Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 9.30am-23.30pm, Fri 9.30am-00.30am, Sat 10.30-00.30am, Sun 12.30-23pm

Phone: +353 61 411380

Internet: [www.glentavern.ie](http://www.glentavern.ie)

Email: [glentavern1@gmail.com](mailto:glentavern1@gmail.com)

### Dolan's Pub and Restaurant



This live music venue hosts events with national and international musicians, as well as comedy acts.

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Address: 4 St. Alphonsus Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Fri noon-late, Sat-Sun 10am-late

Phone: +353 61 314 483

Internet: [www.dolans.ie](http://www.dolans.ie)

Email: [info@dolans.ie](mailto:info@dolans.ie)

### The Locke Bar



This award-winning pub at the point of confluence between the Abbey River and River Shannon is one of Limerick's oldest, dating back to 1724.

Featuring an outdoor area, the Locke is known for its Ocean Fresh Seafood Menu and daily specials. Traditional Irish Music & Dance event

daily from 9pm to 11pm.

Photo: wavebreakmedia/Shutterstock.com

Address: 3 George's Quay, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Thu 9am-11.30pm, Fri 9am-12.30pm,

Sat 10am-12.30pm, Sun 10am-11pm

Phone: +353 61 413733

Internet: [www.lockebar.com](http://www.lockebar.com)

Email: [enquiries@lockebar.com](mailto:enquiries@lockebar.com)

### Bobby Byrnes



A much-loved city centre bar since 1953, Bobby Byrnes offers food at the warmth of an open fireplace. Special events include the Twenty

Thursday: order a meal for two for €20 between midday and 3pm, and Bobby's Summer Lunch: €18.95 for two courses, every Sunday from noon to 4pm.

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Address: 3 O'Connell Avenue, Limerick City

Opening hours: Mon-Fri 8.30-9pm, Sat 9am-9pm, Sun Noon-9pm

Phone: +353 61 316949

Internet: [www.bobbybyrnesbar.com](http://www.bobbybyrnesbar.com)

Email: [info@bobbybyrnes.ie](mailto:info@bobbybyrnes.ie)

### Michael Flannery's Pub



Since 1898, Flannery's has shared its love of Irish whiskey with visitors from near and far. Staff will suggest a drink from their "Whiskey Bible". Bar

open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, with breakfast and lunch served until 3pm from Monday to Saturday.

Photo: Tana888/Shutterstock.com

Address: 17 Upper Denmark Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 10am-Midnight, Thu-Sat

10am-2.30am, Sun 1pm-Midnight

Phone: +353 61 436677

Internet: [www.flannerysbar.ie](http://www.flannerysbar.ie)

Email: [info@flannerysbar.ie](mailto:info@flannerysbar.ie)

### O'Dwyers Bar



Since 1912, O'Dwyer's has teemed with atmosphere. With live music performances every Friday from 9pm onward, customers can savour snacks like hot chicken rolls dipped in garlic sauce.

Photo: [Vershinin89/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: 88 Wolfetone Street, Limerick City

Opening hours: Daily 10am-1am

Phone: +353 61 315072

Internet: [www.odwyersbar.com](http://www.odwyersbar.com)

Email: [deirdre@odwyersbar.com](mailto:deirdre@odwyersbar.com)

## SHOPPING



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Limerick City is home to major department stores and high street chains as well as small retail outlets specialising in fashion, jewellery, books and crafts. The area around O'Connell Street is the main shopping district of the city. For Ireland's most upmarket department store, visit the nearby Brown Thomas, which sells an array of clothing, Waterford Crystal and Donegal tweeds.

### Irish Handcrafts



The oldest retail business on Patrick Street, Irish Handcrafts offers handmade gifts for all ages, budgets and tastes.

Photo: [DarZel / Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Arthur's Quay Shopping Centre, 26 Patrick St, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 10am-6pm

Phone: +353 61 415504

Internet: [www.irishhandcraft.com](http://www.irishhandcraft.com)

### Arthur's Quay Shopping Centre



Overlooking Arthur's Quay Park and the River Shannon, this centre is home to over three dozen shops and services, from literature by Quay Books to local garments by Irish Handcrafts. It includes three restaurants and a food court, as well as ample space for parking.

Photo: [William Murphy/Flickr \(image cropped\)](#)

Address: Patrick St, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 8am-10pm, Sun 10am-8pm

Phone: +353 61 412 462

Internet: [www.arthursquay.ie](http://www.arthursquay.ie)

Email: [info@tiernanproperties.ie](mailto:info@tiernanproperties.ie)

### Cruise's Street Shopping Centre



An attractive old-world village-style mall developed from an original city street, this centre houses a large number of retail outlets offering clothing and homewares.

Photo: [William Murphy/Flickr \(image cropped\)](#)

Address: Cruise's Street, Limerick



### Milk Market



Old-world magic is abundant at this traditional market. From local arts, crafts and speciality food to unique health and beauty products, The

Milk Market has it all. Taste freshly-baked cakes while visiting the farmer's market on Saturday, or listening to live music every Friday from 12.30pm to 2pm.

Photo: William Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)

Address: Market House, Mungret Street, Limerick

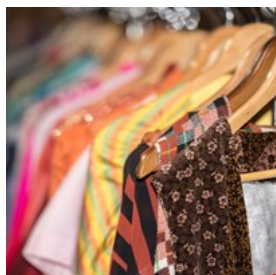
Opening hours: Fri 10am-3pm, Sat 8am-3pm, Sun 11am-3pm

Phone: +353 61 214782

Internet: [www.milkmarketlimerick.ie](http://www.milkmarketlimerick.ie)

Email: [info@milkmarketlimerick.ie](mailto:info@milkmarketlimerick.ie)

### Lucky Lane



Described as a "covered courtyard", the Lucky Lane warehouse stocks anything you can imagine: from second-hand clothing and

furniture, to books, art, and Celtic themed jewellery. This is surely the perfect place to find a unique and lasting souvenir or gift.

Photo: Andrea Izzotti/Shutterstock.com

Address: 9¼ Catherine Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Tue-Sat 10am-5pm

Phone: +353 89 4378240

Internet: [luckylane.info](http://luckylane.info)

Email: [cowboys@luckylane.info](mailto:cowboys@luckylane.info)

### Limerick Animal Welfare Shop



Dogs are welcome in this thrift store. Products range from bedroom sets and sofas to musical instruments and jewellery. All the

proceeds go towards maintaining a local animal sanctuary.

Photo: marina shin/Shutterstock.com

Address: 59/59a Parnell Street, Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Sat 9.30am-4.30pm

Phone: +353 61 419801

### Brown Thomas



The Brown Thomas store at O'Connell street stocks iconic brands for men, women, and children, as well as classy homewares. Stop for

lunch at the chic Brown Thomas Restaurant.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com

Address: 14-16 O'Connell Street Limerick

Opening hours: Mon-Wed 9.30am-6pm, Thu-Fri

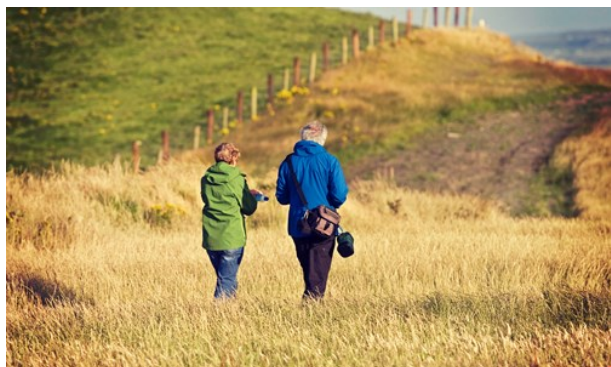
9.30am-6pm, Sat 9am-6.30pm, Sun Noon-6pm

Phone: +353 61 417222

Internet: [www.brownthomas.com/store/?StoreID=limerick](http://www.brownthomas.com/store/?StoreID=limerick)

Email: [btcustserv@brownthomas.ie](mailto:btcustserv@brownthomas.ie)

## TOURIST INFORMATION



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### Shannon Airport



Shannon Airport is located approximately 15 miles north of Limerick City. There are direct year round services to and from many

destinations in the UK and Europe. There are also regular international flights from the USA and other worldwide destinations.

There is a regular bus service from the airport to the bus station in Limerick city centre. Buses from the airport start at 6:45am and run approximately every half hour. The first bus from the bus station to the airport leaves at 5:20am. A detailed timetable is available from the Bus Eireann ([www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie)).

Taxis are available at the 24-hour taxi desk in the arrivals hall and cost approximately €30 to Limerick city centre.

Vehicle Hire is readily available but advance reservation is recommended particularly during main holiday periods. If you are intending to hire a vehicle please ensure you have a current driving licence.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: Shannon Airport, Limerick

Phone: +353 61 471538

Internet: [www.shannonairport.com](http://www.shannonairport.com)

More Info: Airport Information: +353 61 712000

### Best Time to Visit



The busiest time of year for Limerick's tourism is during the months of July and August, in which the weather is warm and appropriate for a bath.

Always expect some rain however, as Limerick's weather is quick to change.

Otherwise, the least expensive and crowded seasons for visiting are fall and winter, which are also characterised by a higher chance of rain and humidity, as well as lower temperatures.

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Internet: [www.met.ie](http://www.met.ie)

### Emergency Services



In Ireland the general Emergency Telephone number is 999 or 112 - no coins required in telephone coin boxes.

These numbers will alert the appropriate service - Fire, Gardaí (Police), Lifeboat, Coastal, Mountain and Cave Rescue Services

Photo: Gemma Garner



## Health and Medical Treatment



EU Citizens are entitled to free hospital treatment in a public ward and should obtain a European Health Insurance Card (which replaced the old

E111 form) prior to departure. For further details see [www.ehic.ie](http://www.ehic.ie).

Private medical insurance is advised for Visitors from non-EU countries.

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## Passport / Visa



Citizens of the European Union, the European Economic Area (Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein) and Switzerland can enter Ireland without a

visa. Citizens of a further 56 countries, including many in the Americas, Australia, New Zealand, Japan, and more are also visa-exempt.

A short-stay visa waiver programme allows visitors of certain nationalities to enter Ireland visa-free if they are in possession of a UK type "C" visa, and have gone through initial immigration clearance in the UK.

Holders of a Residence Card of a family member of a Union citizen, or of a red United Nations laissez-passer also enjoy a visa exemption.

For those who do need a visa, one should be applied for in advance via an Irish embassy or consulate closest to them. Some nationalities also require a transit visa, even if they do not plan to leave the airport en route to their final

destination. Check whether you need a visa, and what prerequisites and fees may apply:

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Internet: [www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/check-irish-visa](http://www.inis.gov.ie/en/INIS/Pages/check-irish-visa)

## Smoking



Smoking is not permitted anywhere indoors in Ireland, except in hotel rooms and private accommodation.

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## Currency, Bank Hours and Credit Cards



The unit of currency in the Republic of Ireland is the Euro. One euro consists of 100 cents. notes are €5, €10, €20, €50, €100, €200, €500.

Coins are 1c, 2c, 5c, 10c, 20c, 50c, €1 and €2.

Banks are generally open from Monday to Friday from 10am - 4pm. Each bank has one later opening day per week. Bureau de Change facilities as well as ATM machines are available at most banks. Money transfers can be organised through Western Union Money Transfer.

MasterCard, Visa and American Express credit cards are widely accepted in Ireland.

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## Driving



If you intend to rent a car when you're in Ireland, make sure to familiarise yourself with the Irish road rules. In particular pay attention to the speed limits: 120km on motorways; 100km on national roads; 80km on regional and local roads; 50km in a built-up area.

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## Public Transport



Buses are convenient and affordable to use in Limerick. For information on bus times, tickets and prices go to [www.buseireann.ie](http://www.buseireann.ie) For information on rail services go to [www.irishrail.ie](http://www.irishrail.ie).

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Phone: +353 61 313333

More Info: Enquiries: 1850 366 222

## Taxi



Taxis and Hackney Cabs are available in Limerick. Taxis can be hailed down in the street, but Hackney Cabs must be booked from offices. Costs are measured by distance, taxis have a metre.

If you have to be somewhere at a particular time, it is wise to book in advance as offices can be quite busy. All hotels will have a local taxi number.

Photo: ArrivalGuides

## Post



An Post is Ireland's national postal service provider. Generally, Post Offices are open from 9am to 5.30pm, Monday-Friday, and 9am to 1pm on Saturday.

In larger towns, the Saturday opening may be extended.

For more information visit [www.anpost.ie](http://www.anpost.ie)

Photo: Andy Fuchs

Internet: [www.anpost.ie](http://www.anpost.ie)

## Telephone



Country Code: 353 Area Code: 61

Photo: Jardson Almeida

## Electricity



The standard voltage in the Republic of Ireland is 220 volts. Plugs are 3-pin flat, therefore adapters are required for 2-pin appliances. En-suite bathroom shaving points normally have 110 and 240 volt outlets.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

194,899

## Currency

1 Euro = 100 cents



#### Opening hours

Offices: 9am–5pm

Shops: 10am–6pm

#### Newspapers

Several local newspapers are published in the city, including:

The Limerick Post, published every Thursday.

The Echo, published Monday to Saturday.

The Limerick Leader.

Leaflets are also available in cafes and art venues.

#### Emergency numbers

112 or 999

#### Tourist information

Limerick City Tourist Office

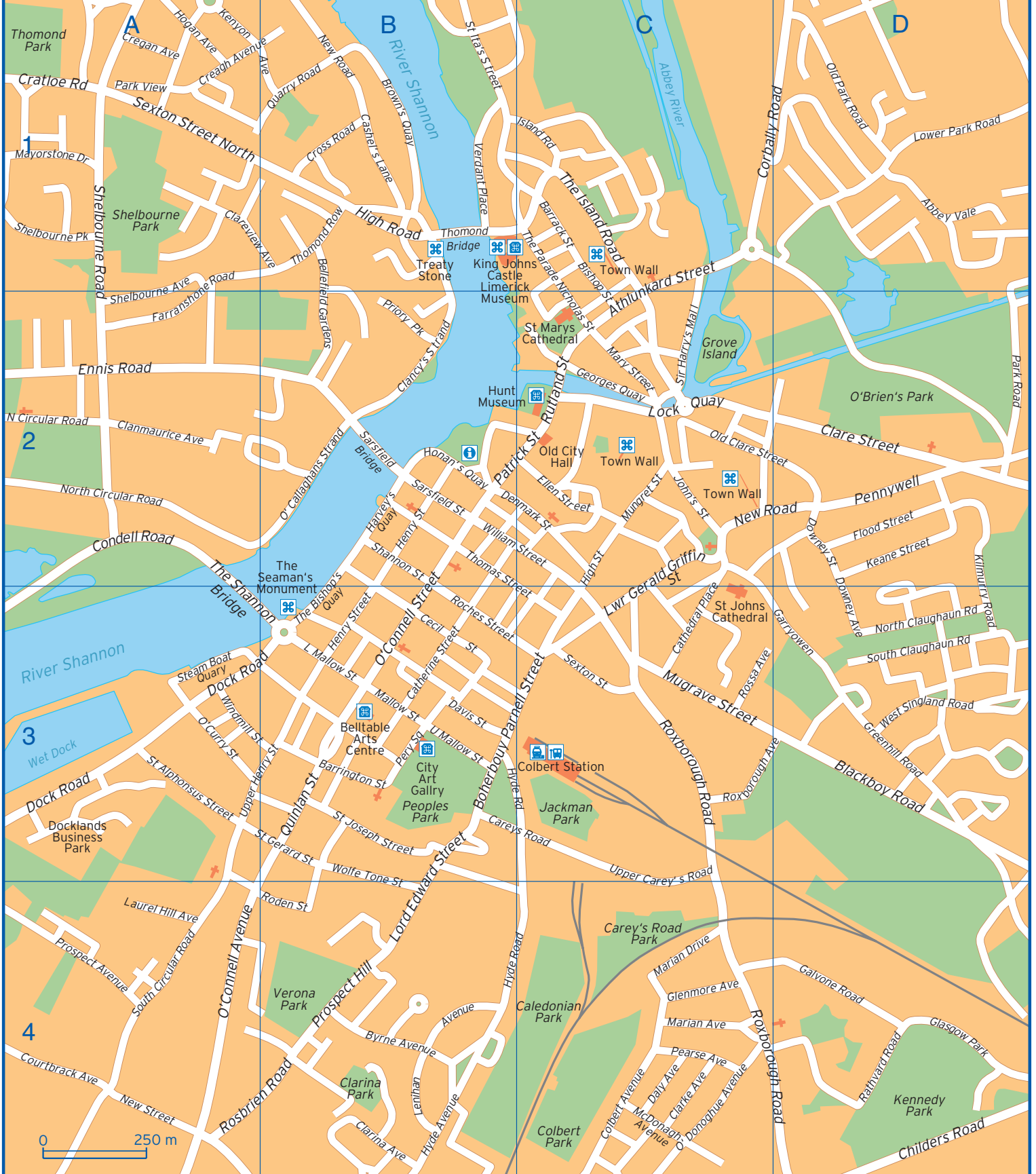
Address: 20 O'Connell Street, Limerick

Opening Hours: Mon–Sat 9am–5pm

Phone: +353 61 317522

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Abbey Vale	D1	Glasgow Park	D4	Pennywell	D2
Athlunkard Street	C1 C2	Glenmore Avenue	C4	Pery Square	B3
Barrack Street	C1	Greenhill Road	D3	Priory	Pk
Barrington Street	B3	Harvey's Quay	B2	Prospect Avenue	A4
Bellefield Gardens	B1 B2	Henry Street	B2 B3	Prospect Hill	B4
Bishop Street	C1 C2	High Road	B1	Quarry Road	B1
Blackboy Road	D3	High Street	C2 C3	Quinlan Street	B3
Boherbouy Parnell Street	B3 C3	Hogan Avenue	A1	Rathvard Road	D4
Brown's Quay	B1	Honan's Quay	B2	Roches Street	B3
Byrne Avenue	B4	Hyde Avenue	B4	Roden Street	B4
Careys Road	B3 C3	Hyde Road	B3 B4 C4	Rosbrien Road	A4 B4
Cashel's Lane	B1	Island Road	B1 C1	Rossa Avenue	C3
Cathedral Place	C2 C3	John's Street	C2	Roxborough Avenue	C3
Catherine Street	B3	Keane Street	D2	Roxborough Road	C3 C4 D4
Cecil Street	B3	Kenyon Avenue	A1	Rutland Street	C2
Childers Road	D4	Kilmurry Road	D2 D3	Sarsfield Street	B2
Clancy's Strand	B2	Laurel Hill Avenue	A4	Sarsfield Street	B2
Clanmaurice Avenue	A2	Lenihan Avenue	B4	Sexton Street	C3
Clare Street	D2	Lock Quay	C2	Sexton Street North	A1
Clareview Avenue	A1 B1	Lord Edward Street	B3 B4	Shannon Street	B2
Clarina Avenue	B4	Lower Gerald Griffin Street	C2 C3	Shelbourne Avenue	A1 A2
Clarke Avenue	C4	Lower Mallow Street	B3	Shelbourne Park	A1
Colbert Avenue	C4	Lower Park Road	D1	Shelbourne Road	A1 A2
Condell Road	A2	Mallow Street	B3	Sir Harry's Mall	C2
Corbally Road	C1 D1	Marian Avenue	C4	South Circular Road	A4
Courtbrack Avenue	A4	Marian Drive	C4	South Cloughaun Road	D3
Cratloe Road	A1	Mary Street	C2	St Alphonsus Street	A3
Creagh Avenue	A1 B1	Mayorstone Drive	A1	St Gerard Street	A3 B3
Cregan Avenue	A1	McDonagh Avenue	C4	St Ita's Street	B1
Cross Road	B1	Mugrave Street	C3	St Joseph Street	B3
Daly Avenue	C4	Mungret Street	C2	Steam Boat Quay	A3
Davis Street	B3	New Road	B1 C2 D2	The Bishop's Quay	B2 B3
Denmark Street	B2 C2	New Street	A4	The Island Road	C1
Dock Road	A3 B3	North Circular Road	A2	The Parade Nicholas Street	C1 C2
Downey Avenue	D2 D3	North Cloughaun Road	D3	The Shannon Bridge	A2 B3
Downey Street	D2	Old Clare Street	C2 D2	Thomas Street	B2 C3
Ellen Street	C2	Old Park Road	D1	Thomond Bridge	B1
Ennis Road	A2	O'Callaghans Strand	B2	Thomond Row	B1
Farranshone Road	A1 A2	O'Connell Avenue	A4	Upper Carey's Road	C3
Flood Street	D2	O'Connell Street	B2 B3	Upper Henry Street	A3 B3
Galvone Road	D4	O'Curry Street	A3	Upper Mallow Street	B3
Garryowen	A1 B1	O'Donoghue Avenue	C4	Verdant Place	B1
Garryowen	B1	Park Road	D2	West Singland Road	D3
Garryowen	B2	Park View	A1	William Street	B2 C2
Garryowen	D3	Patrick Street	B2 C2	Windmill Street	A3
Georges Quay	C2	Pearse Avenue	C4	Wolfe Tone Street	B3 B4