

# **Rural traditions,** crafted by hand...

National Museum of Ireland - Country Life

Turlough Park Castlebar, Co. Mayo F23 HY31

**ADMISSION FREE** 

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**Opening Hours:** 

10am-5pm, Tuesday-Saturday; 1pm-5pm, Sunday-Mondays

#### **Arrival & orientation**

Arrive to the spectacular grounds of the National Museum of Ireland on a historic 30-acre estate at Turlough Park, Castlebar, Co Mayo. You will be welcomed at Museum Reception with an option to watch a short introductory film in our AV Theatre.

## Step back in time

Discover Ireland's National Folklife Collection, across four floors of award-winning exhibition galleries. Step back in time and marvel at the ingenuity, skill and endurance of our rural ancestors through customs, traditions, life in the home, textiles, clothing, and farming practices.

## Victorian Gothic house

Visit the ancestral home of the Fitzgerald family to gain an insight into the lifestyle of landowners in Ireland in the 19th century. There are two restored formal rooms open to the public.

# **Biodiverse gardens**

Turlough Park is a Green Heritage Site and the award-winning gardens are some of the loveliest in the region. There are lots of interesting features to explore, including the glasshouse, the Richard Turner vinery, woodland walks and lakeside trails.

#### **Crafts and more**

Browse a wide-range of unique Irish crafts, gifts and books in the Museum Shop. Find the perfect souvenir to remember your trip or a speciality book to learn more about Irish customs and traditions from knitting and nature to architecture, design and craft.

## Café in the Courtyard

Complete your visit with lunch, a relaxing coffee and freshly baked sweet treat in our Courtyard Café. Visit the Courtyard Gallery next door to see a changing programme of art exhibitions.

















# **Bookings and Information**

Admission is free for self-guided visits. No booking is required for general admission. For formal group bookings, please visit our website at www.museum.ie to complete an online booking enquiry form.

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### **Café Reservations**

Group dining options are available in Synge & Byrne Café in the Courtyard. We can also accommodate group and family celebrations. Please visit our website for further information or contact the café on the details below.

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