

National Monuments in State Care: Ownership & Guardianship

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NATIONAL MONUMENTS IN STATE CARE

What is a National Monument?

The term 'national monument' as defined in Section 2 of the National Monuments Act (1930) means a monument 'the preservation of which is a matter of national importance by reason of the historical, architectural, traditional, artistic or archaeological interest attaching thereto...'

What is a National Monument in State Care?

National monuments in State care include those which are in the ownership or guardianship of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (DEHLG). Other owners of national monuments are empowered under Section 5 of the National Monuments Act (1930) to appoint the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government as guardian of such monuments. This means in effect that while the property of such a monument remains vested in the owner, its maintenance and upkeep are the responsibility of the State.

Monuments which may be defined as national monuments are also in the ownership or guardianship of Local Authorities which have similar responsibilities under the National Monuments Acts (1930-2004) to DEHLG. These monuments are not included in the data sets presented here.

How many National Monuments are in State Care?

In October 1874 the first group of monuments, those on the Rock of Cashel, Co. Tipperary, was taken into State care. Since then, over 1,000 individual monuments at 760 locations, have been taken into ownership or guardianship. These range from megalithic tombs of the neolithic period to medieval churches and castles, industrial mills and historic buildings of more recent times. One of the core functions of the National Monuments Service is to ensure the preservation of the monuments in its care for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations. To view a list of monuments in state care go to www.archaeology.ie.

Who looks after National Monuments in State Care?

A partnership of the National Monument Services of the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government and the Office of Public Works, looks after the national monuments in State care. The conservation and presentation of these monuments is project-managed by the OPW with responsibility for the archaeological aspects of projects resting with DEHLG. The consent of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government is required for any works at or in proximity to national monuments in State care.

The country is divided into six works districts, each with a team of specialist craftsmen and general operatives reporting to a district works manager, under the general direction of a senior conservation architect. www.opw.ie.

Which National Monuments can I visit?

Not all monuments in State care are open or accessible to the public. To view those which provide visitor facilities go to www.heritageireland.ie.



National Monuments in State Care Database

This list of National Monuments in State care includes those which are in the ownership and guardianship of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government. Over 1,000 individual monuments at 760 locations are represented. In most cases, each entry on the list represents an individual monument however, where a group of monuments form a discreet entity e.g. Lough Crew passage tomb cemetery, Glendalough monastic settlement, these are treated as one entry.

Format of the database

The database contains the following fields:

1. **NAME:** This is the common or popular name of the monument or group of monuments. In the absence of a commonly known name the townland name is used.
2. **DESCRIPTION:** This identifies the type of monument e.g. castle, church, passage tomb cemetery, etc. The terminology used does not strictly follow the classification of the Archaeological Survey of Ireland (ASI) e.g. the term 'ringfort' is used for earthen forts and 'cashel' is used for stone forts.
3. **TOWNLAND:** The townland names used are in accordance with those used by the Ordnance Survey. If a monument extends over more than one townland, all townlands will be listed.
4. **COUNTY:** The county in which the monument is situated.
5. **LEGAL STATUS:** This indicates whether the site is in the ownership or guardianship of the Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government.
6. **RMP NUMBER:** Each monument is entered in the Record of Monuments and Places (RMP) as established under Section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act 1994. A unique identifying number is assigned to each monument and place in the record. The RMP number provides the link to the records of the Archaeological Survey of Ireland (ASI) which contains further information on the monument in question.
7. **NATIONAL MONUMENT NUMBER:** When a monument is taken into State ownership or guardianship its details are added to a National Monuments Register. In the earlier years, when a number of monuments were taken in State care at the same time, they were all given the same register number e.g. the monuments on the Dingle peninsula are all registered under number 221. Similarly, groups of monument such as the passage tombs at Lough Crew will have the same registration number. The register is not entirely up-to-date with the result that some of the more recent acquisitions have yet to be assigned numbers.



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NAME	DESCRIPTION	TOWNLAND	COUNTY	LEG_STATUS	RMP NUMBER	Nat_Mon_No
Annagh	Church	Annagh	Kerry	Ownership	KE038-003001-	56
Ardcannaght	Ogham Stones	Ardcannaght	Kerry	Guardianship	KE047-026001-, KE047-026002-, KE047-026003-	430
Ardfert	Cathedral & 2 Churches	Ardfert	Kerry	Ownership	KE020-046002-, KE020-046001-, KE020-046007-	54
Ardfert Abbey	Friary (Franciscan)	Ardfert	Kerry	Ownership	KE020-047----	358
Arraglen	Ogham Stone	Arraglen (Corkaguiny By.)	Kerry	Ownership	KE025-002----	221
Gallaunmore (Ballineetig)	Standing stone	Ballineetig	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-245----	355
Ballinknockane	Burial ground & possible church	Ballinknockane	Kerry	Ownership	KE034-023----	221
Ballinknockane	Hut sites	Ballinknockane(ED Kilquane)	Kerry	Ownership	KE034-022----	221
Ballinknockane	Hut site & souterrain	Ballinknockane(ED Kilquane)	Kerry	Ownership	KE034-030----	221
Ballinskelligs Abbey	Priory (Augustinian)	Ballinskelligs	Kerry	Ownership	KE097-036----	168
Ballintaggart	Ogham Stones	Ballintaggart	Kerry	Ownership	KE053-033005- to KE053-033013-	64

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Ballybowler North	Ogham Stone	Ballybowler North	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-108----	221
Ballymalis Castle	Castle	Ballymalis	Kerry	Ownership	KE057-076001-	364
Teampull Geal (Ballymorereagh)	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site & ogham stone	Ballymorereagh	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-140----	62
Ballynavenooragh	Stone fort, huts & souterrain	Ballynavenooragh	Kerry	Ownership	KE034-041----	221
Ballynavenooragh	Stone fort & hut	Ballynavenooragh	Kerry	Ownership	KE034-039----	221
Cathair na gCat (Ballywiheen)	Cashel & Ogham Stone	Ballywiheen	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-093----	221
Ballywiheen	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Ballywiheen	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-094----	221
Beenbane	Calluragh, hut sites, cross slab, enclosure, souterrain, cross, standing stones	Beenbane	Kerry	Ownership	KE098-108----, KE098-030----, KE098-034----, KE098-029001-, KE098-029002- to KE098-029006-, KE098-035----	380 & 492
Beginish	Stone-built house	Beginish	Kerry	Guardianship	KE079-027001-	500
Caherconree	Promontory Fort (Inland)	Beheenagh	Kerry	Ownership	KE037-048----	184
Caherdorgan North	Cashel	Caherdorgan North	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-068----	221

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The Chancellor's House (Caherdorgan North)	Building - medieval	Caherdorgan North	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-028----	221
Callanafersy	Ringfort	Callanafersy West	Kerry	Ownership	KE056-001----	238
Carrigafoyle Castle	Castle	Carrigafoyle	Kerry	Ownership	KE002-045----	349
Church Island (Valentia Harbour)	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Church Island (Valentia Harbour)	Kerry	Ownership	KE079-032----	59
Church Island (Lough Currane)	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Church Island Lough Currane	Kerry	Ownership	KE098-039----	60
Cloghanecarhan	Ringfort & Ogham Stone	Cloghanecarhan	Kerry	Ownership	KE089-011----, KE089-011001-	228
Dunloe	Ogham Stones	Coolmagort	Kerry	Guardianship	KE065-041----, KE065-041001-, KE065-041002-, KE065-041003-, KE065-041004-, KE065-041005-, KE065-041006-	385
Darrynane Beg	Ogham Stone	Darrynane Beg	Kerry	Guardianship	KE106-113----	346
Doonmore	Promontory Fort	Doonsheane	Kerry	Ownership	KE053-079001-	221
Emlagh East	Ogham Stone	Emlagh East	Kerry	Ownership	KE053-040----	221
Emlagh East	Cashel	Emlagh East	Kerry	Guardianship	KE042-108----	391

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Dunbeg	Promontory Fort	Fahan	Kerry	Guardianship	KE052-270----	177
Gallarus	Castle	Gallarus	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-064----	65
Gallarus Oratory	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Gallarus	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-071001-, KE042-071002-, KE042-071003-, KE042-071004-	66
Garfinny	Cemetery	Garfinny	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-228----	64
Garfinny	Bridge	Garfinny & Flemingstown	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-230----	612
Cathair Sayer	Clochán	Glanfahan	Kerry	Ownership	KE052-186----	156
Cathair Martin	Cashel	Glanfahan	Kerry	Ownership	KE052-249----	156
Cathair Murphy	Cashel	Glanfahan	Kerry	Ownership	KE052-188----	156
Cathair Síleoid	Clochán	Glanfahan	Kerry	Ownership	KE052-086----	156
Cathair Conor	Cashel	Glanfahan	Kerry	Ownership	KE052-183----	156
Glin North	Clochán & stone fort	Glin North	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-024----	221

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Glin North	Cashel	Glin North	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-024----	221
Rínn an Chaisleáin	Church site	Great Blasket Island	Kerry	Ownership	KE051-002002-	63
Skellig Michael	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Great Skellig	Kerry	Ownership	KE104A001----	61
Illauntannig	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Illauntannig (Maharee Islands)	Kerry	Ownership	KE019-002----	67
Inishtooskert	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Inishtooskert	Kerry	Ownership	KE051-006----	63
Inishvickillane	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Inishvickillane	Kerry	Ownership	KE061-001----	63
Innisfallen	Church, Oratory & Abbey (Benedictine)	Innisfallen	Kerry	Ownership	KE066-0720002-, KE066-072007-, KE066-072008-, KE066-072016-	183
Kilcoolaght East	Ogham Stones	Kilcoolaght East	Kerry	Guardianship	KE065-003002-, KE065-003005-, KE065-003006-, KE065-003007-, KE065-003008-, KE065-003009-, KE065-003010-	329
Killelton	Church	Killelton	Kerry	Guardianship	KE037-025002-	593
Kilmalkedar	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Kilmalkedar	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-026----	65
Keelers' Stone (Kilmalkedar)	Bullaun Stone	Kilmalkedar	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-026----	221

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St. Brendan's Oratory (Kilmalkedar)	Church	Kilmalkedar	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-020----	221
Cahergall	Cashel	Kimego West	Kerry	Ownership	KE079-024----	227
Leacanabuaile	Cashel	Kimego West	Kerry	Guardianship	KE079-016----	414
Lislaughtin Abbey	Friary (Franciscan)	Lislaughtin	Kerry	Ownership	KE003-016----	258
Listowel Castle	Castle	Listowel	Kerry	Ownership	KE010-059----	260
Loher	Cashel	Loher	Kerry	Ownership	KE106-015----	611
Maumanorig (Kilcolman)	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Maumanorig	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-141----	221
Muckross Abbey	Friary (Franciscan)	Muckross	Kerry	Guardianship	KE066-081001-	311
Aghadoe	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Parkavonear	Kerry	Ownership	KE066-016001-, KE066-016006-	53
Parkavonear Castle	Castle	Parkavonear	Kerry	Ownership	KE066-017001-	236
Illeaunloughan	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Portmagee	Kerry	Ownership	KE087-036----	

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Rahinnane	Castle, Ringfort and Souterrain	Rahinnane	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-135----	221
Ratass	Church & Ogham Stone	Ratass	Kerry	Ownership	KE029-157001-, KE029-157002-	57
Rattoo	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Rattoo	Kerry	Ownership	KE009-056003-, KE009-056004-, KE009-056001-	55
Reask	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Reask	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-060----	519
Reenconnell	Early Medieval Ecclesiastical Site	Reenconnell	Kerry	Ownership	KE043-013----	221
Ross Castle	Castle	Ross Island	Kerry	Ownership	KE066-074001-	534
Dún an Óir	Promontory Fort	Smerwick	Kerry	Ownership	KE042-002----	221
Staigue	Cashel	Staigue	Kerry	Guardianship	KE099-013001-	143
Tonaknock (Kilahan)	Cross	Tonaknock	Kerry	Ownership	KE015-108002-	303
Tullygarran	Two Ogham Stones	Tullygarran	Kerry	Guardianship	KE029-132----, KE029-241----	295