

Croghan Mountain, Windfarm and Walks

18 min Drive from Hotel limited parking at wood entrance

There are three different walking routes ranging from 3km to 7km.

This is an ideal family destination where the trails lead up to the wind turbines and offer stunning views over the Wicklow Mountains and the Irish Sea.

Being the scene of a 1795 gold rush, a stand-off in the 1798 rebellion and evictions in 1887.

In 1795 nuggets of gold were found in the local river – the Gold Mines River – and once word got out there was a rush of people to the area. More than 3,000 ounces of gold was found through panning. In 1935 there was a smaller gold rush to this area. Hopes of an El Dorado never quite fade.

The starting point is Raheenleagh Wood (grid reference 153714), beside the 1798 monument at White Heaps, where insurgents camped following their defeat at Vinegar Hill. Enter through the forest barrier and continue along the main track through larch and Sitka spruce trees. This walk has been improved through 2016 with the development of the Raheenalagh Wind Farm.

Enjoy the stunning scenery from the top of Croghan Mountain whilst experiencing the true height of a Wind Turbine.

Sponsored by Coillte and ESB, this route has new paths and trails all located in a traditional woodland area, just look out for the Deer!

