



The Exhibition comprises one of the foremost facsimile copies of the Book of Kells, gifted to Kells by Trinity College, a number of fine replica artifacts from Monastic times, and the Famous Scriptural Market Cross of Kells, all explained by a short Audio/Visual presentation of Monastic Ireland. An explanatory DVD accompanying the Book of Kells allows visitors to view each page at their leisure. A wonderful scaled model of the Monastic Site as it was in early medieval times completes the Exhibition.



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Opening Hours

May - Sept: Mon - Sat 10:00am - 5:30pm
Sun & Bank Holidays 2:00pm - 6:00pm

Oct - Apr: Mon - Sat 10:00am - 5:00pm
Closed Sundays & Bank Holidays
Last admission 45 mins prior to closing.

Admission Prices

Adult: €4 OAP/Student/Child: €3
Group: 10+ €2.20 each
Family: (2 adults & 4 children u15) €12

- Guided Tours available by prior arrangement
- The Centre is fully accessible to wheelchair users

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HERITAGE CENTRE



Kells Heritage Centre

Kells Heritage Centre is a vibrant visitor attraction located in the Heritage Town of Kells. Housed in the beautifully restored Courthouse are a multi-media exhibition, gift shop, coffee shop and Kells Tourist Information Centre.



Book of Kells

The Book of Kells is the most decorated illuminated manuscript to survive from the early medieval period in Europe. Most scholars agree that it was created by Columban monks on the remote island of Iona off the west coast of Scotland in the monastery founded by St. Columba (or Colum Cille) in the 560's. It is not known exactly when the book was transferred to Kells. The reputation of the Book of Kells rests on the profusion of its decoration, and the complexity with which the decoration is integrated with the text.



kells heritage trail



Spire of Lloyd



St. Colum Cille's House