

# WATERFORD

Where Ireland Begins

## SPEND 6 HOURS IN IRELAND'S OLDEST CITY

### ➔ REGINALD'S TOWER



The oldest civic building in Ireland. It was once described by the famous Irish patriot Thomas Francis Meagher in 1843 as being "a massive hinge of stone connecting the two great outspread wings, the Quay and the Mall within which lay the body of the city", Reginald's Tower is one of the finest surviving examples of medieval urban defence in Ireland.

Built by the Vikings in around in the 10th Century the tower has been in continuous use for over 800 years and forms the apex of the triangular settlement, an area still known to this day as the Viking Triangle. Reginald's Tower has been used over the years as a fortress, an arsenal, a prison, a mint and now houses a fascinating exhibition on Viking Waterford.

### ➔ HOUSE OF WATERFORD



Located in the heart of Waterford City, the House of Waterford Crystal allows visitors to witness the creation of crystal stemware, giftware and masterpieces right before their very eyes. The factory tour is a unique and captivating experience that is sure to enthrall visitors of all ages, both national and international.

Go behind the scenes for over an hour and see exactly how Waterford Crystal pieces are made - witness every stage of production, from the initial design stage right up to the final engraving of the piece. Each year, the House of Waterford Crystal melts down over 750 tonnes of crystal!

### ➔ COFFEE AT CARTERS



Carters Chocolate Café first opened as a chocolate shop in Waterford in 2010. Offering premium chocolate, coffee, lemonade and pastries using locally sourced produce, they are famed for their hot chocolates. It is a must visit spot when strolling through Waterford City. During the summer their homemade lemonade is a delicious alternative.

### ➔ THE ITALIAN BAKERY

Whether you are looking for a tasty pastry, a mouthwatering sandwich or some delicious freshly made bread to take with you on your journey, the Italian Bakery has it all. With fresh bread, cakes and sandwiches made daily, a visit here will make your day!



## THE EPIC WALKING TOUR

A must-do when visiting Waterford is the Epic Walking Tour of The Viking Triangle. The tour brings you through a thousand years of history in a thousand paces. This guided walking tour allows you to discover the secrets and stories behind Ireland's oldest city and provides you with a greater understanding of how the landscape and industries changed and developed into the city we have today. This tour will give insight into the people and stories behind many of the artefacts you will later see at The Treasures Museums.

### ➔ DINNER AT THE BIACONI RESTAURANT

Enjoy a delicious dinner at the Bianconi restaurant located in the Granville Hotel, they offer a wide range of culinary options for everyone. The delicious dinner menu options are created using local produce including South East Coast seafood and Granville Hotel Pate and lamb from the Comeragh mountains. If you happen to visit on a Sunday the traditional Sunday lunch at The Granville is a must-have. The 4-course lunch is very popular with locals and tourists alike.

