

Challenge Walks 2025

Up for a challenge? Grab your hiking boots and join staff from the Belfast Hills Partnership as they guide you around the Belfast Hills. We hope you will not only improve your fitness and have great craic but also discover new places to explore and enjoy while learning more about local wildlife.

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL AS PLACES LIMITED

10am – 11.30pm Sat 24th May 2025

Exploring Slievenacloy

On this 'intermediate level' hike you will get the opportunity to explore Slievenacloy Nature Reserve. This walk is mostly easy terrain, but expect a couple of short slopes. Some of the trails are through meadows and grassland terrain, so might be muddy.

Meeting: Ballycolin Road, the Ulster Wildlife car park will be open for our use.

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Google Link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/JRR2HtZU7gvfqBig7>

10am – 1.00pm Sat 14th June 2025

Cave Hill (McArts Fort) Hike

This is a challenging 6km circular route beginning at Belfast Castle. We will walk through the Estate woodlands, round the Devil's Punchbowl and past the caves. We will then climb to the summit (Napoleon's Nose) where we'll enjoy stunning views of Belfast. We plan to stop for lunch along the way, so please pack your lunch box! We will return to the Castle car park via the Limestone Quarry path.

Meeting: Belfast Castle at the front of the building.

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Google link: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/RaTdq96ocCb4A3Rf9>

For all events please wear hiking boots or similar sturdy outdoor footwear, bring a drink and snack, along with extra layers including waterproofs.

