

Ireland

Shannon and Erne



Cruising Suggestions

1 WEEK - ONE WAY TRIP

1 WEEK - RETURN TRIP

**Carrick-on-Shannon/
Belturbet/Enniskille**
OR VICE VERSA

Shannon - Erne

Cruising to **Leitrim Village**, you'll find a pretty centre with a great reputation in the Tidy Towns competition! Explore **Ballinamore**, nicknamed "The Friendly Town", and enjoy a round of golf at the excellent course. **Lough Scur** and **Garadice** lie along the route and **Lough Erne** is renowned for coarse angling. Enjoy a walk to the famous Slieve Russell Hotel, close to **Ballyconnell**, and play a round of golf on the championship tees.

130 km • 16 locks • 14 hr one way cruising time

**Portumna/
Carrick-on-Shannon**
OR VICE VERSA

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Portumna's impressive castle was one of the first buildings in Ireland to have Renaissance features. Set in beautiful, natural surroundings overlooking **Lough Derg** and Portumna Forest Park, it's great for painters and photographers. Drop in to one of the pubs in **Shannonbridge** for a pint and some traditional music with the locals! Dating back 1,500 years, the ancient monastic site at **Clonmacnoise** provides an important historic stop.

160 km • 5 locks • 20 hr one way cruising time

**Carrick-on-Shannon/
Banagher**

Shannon

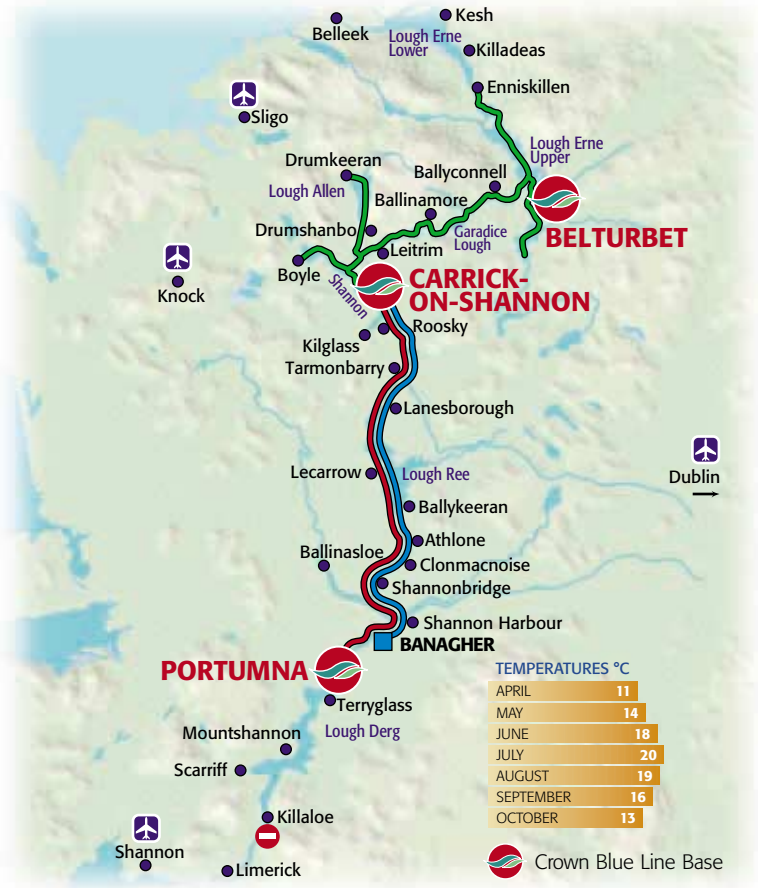
Fish in the waters around **Carrick-on-Shannon**, an angler's paradise. Explore the imposing remains of the 6th century Kilbarry Monastery, situated near **Tarmonbarry**. Cruising to **Lanesborough** and enjoy a spot of coarse fishing. **Glasson Golf Club** is set on a peninsula bordering **Lough Ree** where you can moor at the 17th green and enjoy a meal beside the Club's open fire. **Banagher** inspired Anthony Trollope to write his early novels.

225 km • 8 locks • 30 hr round trip cruising time



The Emerald cruise

Our partnership with Emerald Star enables us to bring you more of Ireland than ever before. Cruising on the Shannon, Ireland's longest river, and the Erne, you can soak up verdant landscapes and infectious hospitality as you are transported to historic towns and welcoming villages. Ireland is a fishing paradise; salmon, pike, bream and roach are abundant in the lakes that spill off the waterways. Onshore, tee off on championship golf courses or follow cycling routes to the heart of the countryside and join welcoming locals for a pint of Guinness in the friendly pubs. It's no wonder that this tiny country is one of the world's biggest attractions!



Flavours of the region

Treat yourself to a pint of creamy, thick, dark stout. Guinness or Murphy's are the most famous brands and are both brewed on the Emerald Isle. Rich and tasty Irish stew with lamb, fresh vegetables and thick gravy is sure to fill any empty stomach. Thick soda bread and pink smoked salmon are also Irish favourites.

A fisherman's dream



Ireland is a paradise for fishermen and if you want to discover the tiny islands dotted across the lakes, we recommend that you hire one of our small rowing boat or dinghys with an outboard motor, towed easily behind your boat. This will also give you a chance to explore small unspoilt tributaries that are not accessible to larger boats.

