



LIMERICK TO ASHFORD: Take N21 from Limerick signposted Tralee/ Killarney. Enter Adare. Entering Newcastle West at the first roundabout take 1st exit, at the second roundabout take 2nd exit onto R522 signposted Dromcollogher. After 7km turn right signposted for Broadford. Enter Broadford. Turn right on entering Broadford and go to the end of the village and take the Abbeyfeale road R515. Enter Ashford after 6km.
GPS: 52,360564N -9.059633W

CORK TO ASHFORD: Take N20 from Cork signposted Mallow. Approaching Mallow at roundabout take 1st exit onto N72 signposted Killarney. After 13km turn right onto R576 signposted Kanturk. Enter Kanturk and take R579 road signposted Newcastle West. Continue for 23km and enter Broadford. Turn left on entering Broadford and take the Abbeyfeale road R515. Enter Ashford after 6km. GPS: 52,360564N -9.059633W

LEAVE NO TRACE ON THE TRAILS: Plan Ahead – Be considerate of others – Respect farm animals and wildlife – No dogs allowed except on tarred public roads – Leave what you find – Dispose of waste properly – No fires permitted.



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WALKING TRAILS
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 WAY (return)**

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Fáilte-Welcome

The Broadford Ashford Walking Trails are located in rural West Limerick, nestled into the Mullaghareirk mountain range. The majestic landscape of rolling hills, open farmland and forest paths is ideal walking terrain. Each of the 6 routes varying in distance from 6km to 20km have been carefully selected to provide spectacular views over County Limerick. All walks are fully waymarked and have illustrated storyboards in the picturesque villages of Broadford and Ashford.

Specific map brochures are available locally or to download at www.walkbroadfordashford.com

The perfect mix that you seek from an Irish holiday-people, history, scenery and activity - is to be found in this one small corner of Ireland.



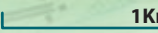
Walk Directions LOUGH GHÉ WAY (return)

A – B From the trailhead in Ashford (outside the Church) with back to the Church turn right walk east for 100m. At the grotto turn right, following the orange arrows. Walk along this passageway until you come to the Y junction. Follow the trail to the right climbing steeply up the 'Cobs Road'. Continue for 1km (leaving the private dwelling on your right) and climb the last section until you reach the main road. Take a rest on the seat and enjoy the view before you turn left and resume your walk.

B – C Following the orange arrows walk along the roadway for 180m. Go left at the entrance to a farm passageway. Walk along this laneway passing the old farm buildings on the right. Cross the stile and continue between the rows of sitka spruce. Cross a second stile and following the orange arrows walk for 800m until you meet a T junction, then turn right and walk between the rows of sitka spruce for 2 km. On reaching the main road walk to the left for 650m where you will find the entrance to Lough Ghé (a wildfowl sanctuary within a National Heritage Area of blanket bog) on your left.

C – A Having visited Lough Ghé return to the roadway, walk right for 650m. Enter the forest roadway again and return to the trailhead in Ashford via the outward route following the orange arrows.



TRAILHEAD: Ashford Village, Co Limerick. OS Map 72.
GPS: 52,360564N -9.059633W
SERVICES: Pub.
DISTANCE/TIME: 14km/3.5 - 4hrs.
WAYMARKING: Orange.
DIFFICULTY: Strenuous (suit experienced walkers).
TERRAIN: Forest tracks, minor roads, steep hills which are slippery when wet.
HIGH POINT/ASCENT: 360m/240m
MAP SCALE: 1:26,000 (40mm = 1km). 

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Hill walking is a risk activity, walkers walk at own risk. In case of emergency ring 999.*

