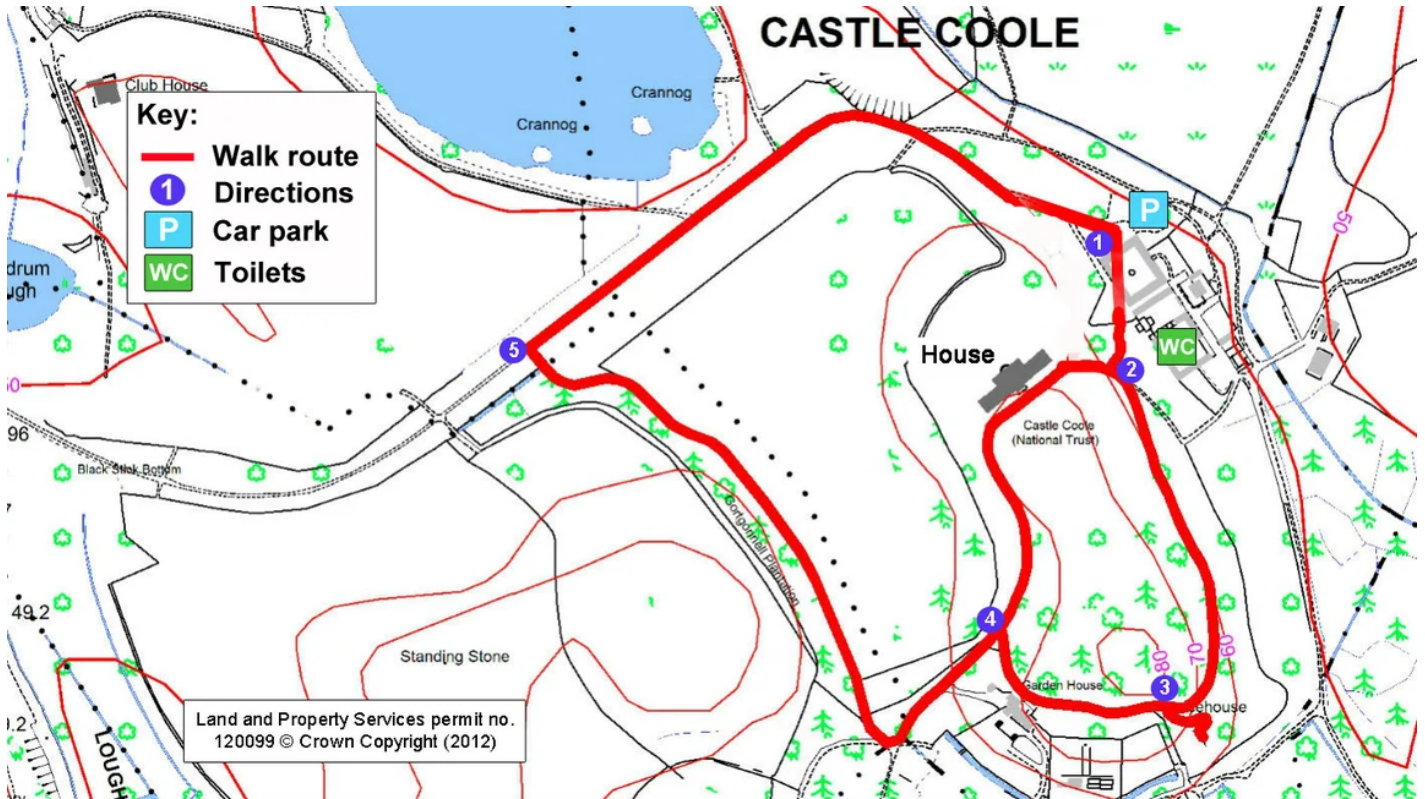


NORTHERN IRELAND

Castle Coole Beech Trail

A tranquil walk on paths through the Beech Wood at Castle Coole where you'll discover some of the oldest trees on the estate. Look out for the 18th-century Ice House and enjoy views of the ancient trees lining Oak Avenue if you choose the longer route.



Information

Address: Castle Coole, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh, BT74 6JY

OS map: NI Discoverer Series Sheet 18

Activity: Walking

Easy: Even path with some inclines.

Dog friendly: Keep dogs under close control. Please keep dogs on leads on the main avenue.

Full trail: Miles: 1.2 (km: 1.92)

Short trail: Miles: 0.5 (km: 0.8)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 30 mins - 1 hour

Terrain

Even path with some inclines. Steps at the beginning of the trail.

Total steps: 5

Start point: Visitor car park

1. Begin from the car park at Castle Coole. Head through the archway into the Grand Yard, passing the second-hand bookshop and into the Tunnel Yard.
2. Cross the yard and take the steps. Turn left at the top onto the Beech walk. Continue along the path, keeping to the left.
3. After a few hundred metres, a detour to the left will take you to the 18th-century Ice House. Once you've taken a look, return back up the hill and join the path once again.
4. Continue on the path through the trees until you reach a junction. At this point you can follow the Gortgonnell path on the left and add another 30 minutes to your walk, or you can turn right to pass by the house and return to the yard to finish your walk.
5. If you've chosen to continue to the Gortgonnell path, you'll reach the main drive at Castle Coole. Turn right here to continue on round to the car park, passing the south front of the house and the Pump House on the left.

End point: Visitor car park