



# Festive Celebrations 2024



### The Festive Season is a time for family and friends to come together. This year celebrate the rich traditions of Christmas and New Year with us in the heart of Ballyfin. Bedecked with twinkling lights, open wood fires burning in the reception rooms, a horse-drawn carriage outside and lots of seasonal activities and sumptuous food, wine and music, Ballyfin is perfect for a great Christmas and New Year escape.

### Christmas Celebration Package

Let Ballyfin's dedicated team take on the work so that you can savour an unforgettably relaxing Christmas. Enjoy Christmas as it is meant to be, filled with the traditional pleasures of food, wine, song and fun.

### $Christmas \; Eve \;$ Tuesday 24th December 2024

- Casual lunch in the State Dining Room 1pm-3pm
- Mulled wine and minced pies with Christmas Carols at 4pm
- Evening Wine tasting in the Cellar 5.15pm-6.15pm
- Pre-Dinner Champagne in the Saloon with our resident pianist from 6.30pm
- Dinner in the State Dining Room from 7pm. Seating times to be pre booked
- After dinner music in the saloon



### $Christmas \ Day \ \ {\rm Wednesday} \ {\rm 25th} \ {\rm December} \ {\rm 2024}$

- Christmas Day breakfast in the State Dining Room
- A visit to the local church for Christmas Service can be arranged
- Father Christmas arrives by horse drawn carriage at 11.30am, to deliver gifts for all our guests in the Library
- Pre-lunch Champagne in the Saloon from 1.30pm accompanied by a harpist
- Festive lunch in the State Dining Room from 2pm
- Relax and enjoy the afternoon with games and our Ballyfin jigsaw
- Alternatively have some fun taking part in our treasure hunt around the house
- Christmas Night Relaxed buffet at 8pm

### St. Stephen's Day Thursday 26th December 2024

- Breakfast in the State Dining Room
- Horse-drawn carriage around the lake and gardens, a magical surprise along the way 10am-1pm
- Spend the morning enjoying the traditional country pursuits of archery and clay pigeon shooting 11am-2pm
- Casual lunch in the State Dining Room 1pm-3pm
- Enjoy the skills of a wonderful illustrator who will capture you in the moment and give you a custom painting to take home. Between 2pm to 5.30pm
- Falconry experience with birds of prey from the National Birds of Prey Centre 2.30pm-4.30pm
- Pre-dinner Champagne in the Saloon accompanied by our resident pianist from 6.30pm
- Dinner in the State Dining room from 7pm. Seating times to be pre booked. After dinner enjoy an informal evening of Irish Music



### Christmas Celebration Package

Prices are based on a minimum three night stay and include:

- All meals as detailed
- Soft Drinks
- A glass of champagne pre-lunch or pre-dinner as detailed
- Teas & Coffees, homemade cake & cookies
- Bedroom Mini Bar of Soft Drinks & Snacks
- All activities listed on daily itinerary
- Tax & Gratuity

#### Prices per room per night

Classic	€1,815
Deluxe	€1,960
State Room	€2,330
State Twin Room	€2,330
Junior Suite	€2,505
Duke of Wellington Suite	€2,930
Wellesley Pole Suite	€3,090
Sir Christopher Coote Suite	€3,360
Gardener's Cottage	€3,585

\*No check in / arrival on the 25th December
\*A 25% non-refundable deposit is required on booking.
\*Final balance due by 1st November 2024.
\*Cancellations received within 60 days of arrival
will be charged at 100% of the reservation.
\*Child policy – children over the age of 9 years.
\*Prices per room per night based on two guests.



## New Year's Eve Celebration Package

New Year's Eve is a time for celebration with family and friends. This year celebrate this special time of year in the heart of Ballyfin.

### Tuesday 31st December 2024

- Lunch in the State Dining Room from 1–3pm
- Afternoon to relax or explore and have some fun taking part in our treasure hunt around the house
- Guided tour of Ballyfin House, covering the history, art and antique collections.
- Ladies and Gentlemen meet in the Saloon at 6.45pm for a Champagne reception with music from our resident pianist
- New Year's Eve Gala Dinner at 7.30pm, seated at a long celebratory table with other guests, served with fine wines in the State Dining Room (black tie optional)
- At midnight ring in the New Year with a Champagne toast and a spectacular fireworks display
- Continue the celebrations with Irish music



# Wednesday 1st January 2025

- Pastries with tea and coffee available for any early risers 8.30am–9.30am
- Ballyfin Brunch in the State Dining Room 9.30am–12pm
- Enjoy a selection of activities clay pigeon shooting, air rifle target shooting, archery, bicycles and golf buggies to explore the demesne. From 11.30am-3.30pm
- Join a Ballyfin Hike wrap up well for some brisk walks as you explore deep into the demesne 12.30pm
- Horse drawn carriage around the lake and woods, stop for a magical surprise along the way. From 12.30pm-2.30pm
- Afternoon tea accompanied by a harpist, from 3pm
- Enjoy the skills of a wonderful illustrator who will capture you in the moment and give you a custom painting to take home. Between 2pm to 5.30pm
- Pre-dinner Champagne in the Saloon with music from our resident pianist from 6.30pm
- Dinner in the State Dining Room from 6.45pm. Seating times to be pre booked
- After dinner, enjoy music and singing in the Saloon from 9.30pm

### New Year's Eve Celebration Package

Prices are based on a minimum stay of two nights and include:

- All meals as detailed
- Soft drinks
- Teas & Coffees, homemade cake & cookies
- Bedroom minibar of soft drinks & snacks
- Selected wine with New Year's Eve Gala Dinner
- A taste of Clay Pigeon Shooting and Air Rifle target shooting on one day
- Pony & Carriage Tour on one day
- Ballyfin Demesne hike on 1st January
- A glass of Champagne pre-dinner as detailed

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\*A 25% non-refundable deposit is required at time of booking.

\*Cancellations received within 60 days of arrival

- will be charged 100% of the reservation.
- \*Child policy children over the age of 9 years.
- \*Prices per room per night based on two guests.



Extend your stay after Christmas or arrive a few days in advance of the New Year celebrations.

### December 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th

#### Prices per room per night full board

€1,195
€1,350
€1,695
€1,695
€1,895
€2,235
€2,320
€2,720
€2,795

#### **Deposit & Cancellations**

A 25% non-refundable booking deposit is required of the booking arrangement. This may be paid by credit card or by bank transfer, bank details are available on request.

Due to our intimate size any cancellations affect us significantly. Consequently, we adhere to a strict cancellation policy. Cancellations received within 60 days of arrival will be charged 100% of the booking arrangement. The same cancellation policy will also be applied in case the stay will be shortened. We recommend the purchase of Travel Insurance.

#### Arrival & Departure

Our bedroom check-in time is 3pm, however you are very welcome to arrive from 12 noon onwards to enjoy and explore the house and demesne. On your day of departure, we kindly request that you vacate your room no later than 12 noon and the Demesne by 3pm.

#### Children

We welcome children of all ages when the house is reserved by one group for exclusive use. For individual reservations we welcome children over the age of 9 years.

#### **Dining & Dietary Requirements**

An emphasis is placed on the finest ingredients and wherever possible sourced locally from artisan suppliers and grown in our walled gardens. Ballyfin is in a rural location and should you require specific foods or have any specific dietary requirements or allergies please advise us in advance of your stay.

#### Non-Smoking

Ballyfin House and all bedrooms are non-smoking.

#### Activities

Ballyfin Demesne offers an array of activities for you to enjoy. Please note some activities must be pre-booked in advance of your arrival. Please see our attached activities brochure.

#### Treatments

Our treatment rooms provide an ideal place to unwind, restore and to invigorate the body, mind & spirit. Our highly trained therapists can personalize your treatments to your needs and will ensure you leave feeling revitalized and refreshed. (*Treatments must be booked in advance of arrival to ensure the availability of a therapist*).

#### Location & Accessibility

If you require assistance with transfers to and from Ballyfin Demesne we are happy to make the necessary arrangements on your behalf. Contact us for directions or visit our website.





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