

## Busy dates in Dublin

These events would not affect all hotels, but city-centre hotels would definitely be busier around this time.

3-7 August – Dublin Horse Show

21-25 August – Apimondia Conference – 4000 delegates

2<sup>nd</sup> and last week of September – GAA finals

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## Venue information:

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## Trinity College Dublin – Historical Venue – Tourist Attraction

[www.tcd.ie](http://www.tcd.ie) / [www.tcd.ie/conference](http://www.tcd.ie/conference)

Renowned as an academic institution the College plays many roles in modern Ireland, not least as a leading international conference venue. Ideally located, with a superb range of on-site accommodation, meeting, and banqueting facilities, the College is a perfect centre for conferences, seminars, summer study programmes and group visits.

Trinity College, Dublin, is one of the oldest universities in the British Isles, and the oldest in Ireland. Founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth 1st, the College is in an enviable position in the very heart of Ireland's capital. One of the leading visitor attractions, the Book of Kells is housed on the campus, and Trinity itself is within walking distance of shops, other major visitor attractions, theatres, cinemas, museums and libraries. Standing on a self contained site, the College itself covers some 35 acres of cobbled squares and green spaces surrounded by buildings, which represent the accumulated architectural riches of nearly three centuries.

Some of the most famous people in Irish history were educated at Trinity; writers like Dean Swift and Samuel Beckett; scientists like Rowan Hamilton the mathematician, and E.T.S. Walton, who won the Nobel Prize for his work on the atom. Other graduates include Ireland's first president Douglas Hyde, and, more recently, Mary Robinson, the first female president of the country.



In comparison to other capitals, Dublin is a convivial city with a human scale and an extroverted populace. At the heart of the city lies Trinity College with its magnificent buildings and beautiful campus spanning 35 acres. Trinity College has occupied this location for the past 400 years, and while none of the original buildings remain, the College boasts fine squares and gardens and a collection of magnificent buildings dating from the 17th to the 20th century. In contrast to the serene surroundings of the College landscape, the modern city of Dublin is just outside the main gate of the campus, with shops, theatres, cinemas and museums within walking distance.

Each year during the summer months, Trinity College opens its campus accommodation to conferences, study programmes, groups and individuals. With over 800 serviced rooms on the College campus, many within historical buildings of character, a visit to Trinity College is an ideal way to experience the grandeur of Dublin's past while enjoying the vibrancy of this leading European capital.

### **On Site Facilities and Attractions**

- Wide range of accommodation available
  - Campus restaurants, coffee shops and bar
  - Tea making facilities
  - Banqueting facilities
  - Accommodation Office open daily between 8am and 12 midnight
  - Amenities include a serviced laundry, residents lounge, gift and grocery shops
  - Sports facilities include tennis, squash, track and gym
  - Guided campus tours
  - The Old Library and Colonnades Gallery, Treasury and Long Room
  - The Book of Kells, an 8th Century illuminated manuscript of the Gospels
  - The Dublin Experience, a multi-media show which introduces the history of Ireland's capital
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## Guinness Storehouse

[www.guinness-storehouse.com](http://www.guinness-storehouse.com)



A fermentation plant at St. James's Gate Brewery has been transformed into a place where you can experience one of the world's best known brands in a totally unexpected way. It's the Home, Heart & Soul of Guinness.

From the outside, GUINNESS® STOREHOUSE is the epitome of purposeful, industrial architecture. From the inside, it is a revelation in contemporary design. GUINNESS® STOREHOUSE is a working building, offering the Irish and International business communities an unparalleled range of unique rooms, spaces and facilities to hold seminars, meetings and events from 10 up to 1000 people.

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## The Grand Hotel

[www.thegrand.ie](http://www.thegrand.ie)



### **Grand Hotel, the heart of Malahide**

The Grand Hotel offers a full four star service with extensive accommodation, leisure, conference, banquet facilities; complimented by the Colonnade Restaurant, Palm Court Carvery & Ryan's Bar.

### **Airport and Dublin City location**

The Grand Hotel is still just 15 minutes from Dublin International airport and 5 minutes from the M50 motorway. There is also the DART rail and regular bus services to Dublin City, about 25 minutes away.

### **Malahide**

This award winning town bustles with life. Situated by Malahide Estuary, the Grand Hotel is the anchor around which much of the town was built. The main visitor attraction is Malahide Castle with its extensive demesne and art collection from the National Portrait Gallery. The town has a beautiful Marina and boasts a wide variety of restaurants, pubs and shops. There is much to see and do in the area including golf on the Championship course at Portmarnock or any of the other seven nearby courses.

At the heart of the Grand Hotel is our family of staff who want to make your visit to Malahide and Dublin enjoyable and successful. Let us make you feel like part of the family!

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## Lucan Spa Hotel

[www.lucanspahotel.ie](http://www.lucanspahotel.ie)



### For a Meeting of Minds

The meeting rooms and conference venues in the Lucan Spa Hotel are as individual as you are. They come in various sizes and styles to suit a variety of occasions, including the aptly named boardroom, Aughrim room and the Boyne suite to name but a few where tough decisions can be taken and significant views shared in a suitably prestigious atmosphere. Our conference facilities can accommodate up to 600 guests and provide them with the latest equipment for audiovisual presentations.

### Essential Hotel Information

- **Service Quality & Comfort:** As you may be aware finding an off site quality location for business meetings / conferences can be a headache that you could do without. At the Lucan Spa Hotel, we aim to provide an ideal venue for such occasions. Our dedicated conference organisers can assist you with your conferencing requirements.
- **Location:** Our hotel is located less than 15 minutes from Dublin Airport via the M50 and less than 20 minutes from Dublin City centre via the N4 dual carriageway.
- **Access:** Due to its location, accessibility to the hotel is easy. You can avoid the traffic congestion often found in the city centre. The hotel is easily accessible by all of the main route ways via the M50 & N4. Dublin Bus also runs a comprehensive service that stop just at the hotel. In partnership with our local cab companies we can provide a quality taxi service.
- **Technology:** In association with our audiovisual provider, we offer a comprehensive audiovisual hire service, which includes large video projection screens, video conferencing.

- **Accommodation:** At the newly refurbished Lucan Spa Hotel we offer 70 bedrooms which are exceptionally well appointed with en suite facilities, television, direct dial telephone, iron / ironing board and tea / coffee making facilities.
  - **Secure Car Parking:** The car parking facilities at the Lucan Spa Hotel are excellent with ample space for up to 200 vehicles, and monitored by CCTV for added security.
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## Crowne Plaza

[www.crowne-plaza.ie](http://www.crowne-plaza.ie)



The conference room facilities can accommodate all types of events from interviews to large exhibitions, from training courses to executive boardroom meetings.

We provide a total solution wireless network (Virtual Private Network) which ensures high speed internet access at all times. Each conference room has a Cisco IP Telephony phone which enables voicemail, company logo and an extensive directory program.

Delegates attending a conference can relax and unwind in the Conference Breakout area and enjoy a wide variety of refreshments. They may choose from an excellent selection of conference catering from working to executive lunches to an extensive four course meal.

Highly trained and experienced staff with meticulous attention to detail will ensure that your event will be a great success at the Crowne Plaza Dublin-Airport.

To ensure that technical support and facilities are available to the corporate and business client the Business Centre will be open from 7.00 am – 7.00 pm , Monday to Friday.

### **The following services will be provided from the Business Centre**

- PC Machines with internet, email and global news media access and printing facilities
- Typing, photocopying, printing and binding services
- Secretarial support within the business centre and as an outsourced resource
- Translation services
- Faxing, emailing
- Dedicated call answering, virtual office
- File uploading
- Presentation support

- Training Facilitator Support

**The following equipment is available in the Business Centre**

- Desktop, P. C's x 3 / Server as required
  - Flat Panel Monitors
  - Networkable Desktop PC's for Administrator
  - Colour Network Printer
  - Black & White Laser Jet Printer
  - Photocopier capable of double sided printing/sorting
  - Document Binder
  - General Stationery Requirements
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## **The Helix**



Concept to Completion, The Helix provides for Conferences and Events of excellence.

The Helix can facilitate a variety of events from conferences to product launches; it is a unique venue that will leave a positive impression. Within a 15 minute proximity to the airport and only minutes from the M50 and the city centre, The Helix is the natural choice for national and international conferences.

At The Helix we design your event in partnership with you, tailoring it to ensure that your specific requirements are met. From concept to completion, professional service and excellent standards will guarantee that whatever the event, it will make an impact on your audience and participants.

Three different sized venues ensure that The Helix will provide the flexibility to meet the needs of your event whether large or small. You will be allocated a co-ordinator who will assist you with all aspects of planning your event from technical to catering arrangements.

The Mahony Hall is the magnificent centrepiece of The Helix, arranged over two levels, it is the largest performance space in the building with a capacity for approximately 1,260 persons seated.

As well as a perfect space for opera, dance and drama, The Theatre at The Helix also accommodates conferences, seminars and product launches. With seating for up to 450, a sound and light control room, lighting bridges and a follow spot, your conference will shine.

Our most intimate venue is The Space; fitting 150 people it is a totally adaptable setting with retractable seating on all sides. Here you can entertain clients, hold your workshop, have seminars or training sessions. Once more the technical facilities are second to none with equipment balconies provided along an upper level perimeter together with a control booth.

Read about our excellent facilities here, but we encourage you to arrange a visit with us. This will give you the opportunity to see the splendour of The Helix for yourself.

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## **Red Cow Moran Hotel** [www.moranhotels.com](http://www.moranhotels.com)



### **Our Conference & Banqueting facilities will provide:**

- The prime location with east access
  - 14 Suites for up to 700 delegates
  - Ample free parking
  - Fully air-conditioned suites
  - Natural light \* & black out facilities
  - Wireless Broadband Internet Access \*
  - Vehicular access \*
  - Wheelchair accessible
  - facilities available in hotel only.
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## **O'Callaghan Hotels** [www.ocallaghanhotels.com](http://www.ocallaghanhotels.com)



### **Meeting facilities in the Alexander Hotel**

The Alexander Hotel in the heart of the city centre location, provides an ideal base for conferences, small meetings, gala dinners and private party bookings. The Alexander has 3 main meeting facilities that can accommodate between 10 and 400 delegates. The Aston Suites, The Annesley and The Rooftop. All meeting rooms are air-conditioned and have natural daylight. Internet access is available in all meeting rooms and Wireless Internet access is in operation in all public areas and in the Aston Suites of the Alexander Hotel.

### **Aston Suites**

The Aston Suites, one of Dublin's finest conference venues, seats up to 400 and can be subdivided for smaller events. The Suite contains the latest in audio visual technology including an in built barco back projection unit, computer link up, slideprojector, video, full PA system and overhead camera. Located on the lower ground floor, The Astons enjoy full privacy and natural daylight, making them ideal for conferences, lunches, parties, balls and weddings.

### **Facilities in the Aston Suites**

- Capacity for 400 delegates theatre style
  - Private Dining up to 350 guests
  - Natural Light
  - Full Air Conditioning
  - In built PA, Podium and Microphone
  - Computer Link for Power-point presentation
  - TV, Slide, Video presentation and Overhead Camera
  - Fully Wheelchair Accessible
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## **RDS [www.rds.ie](http://www.rds.ie)**



RDS Irish International Convention and Exhibition Centre is Ireland's premier venue for meetings, conferences, exhibitions, trade and public shows, entertainment and sporting events. Located in the very heart of Dublin, no other exhibition venue offers such proximity to Ireland's capital city.

The RDS can be as versatile and flexible as you require. There are over 20,000 square metres of space from conference and exhibition space to meeting rooms. We can provide clear-span space or stunning neo-georgian rooms filled with art and sculpture treasures.

Parking is available on site for up to 2,000 vehicles. The nearby suburban train line (DART) plus the main bus routes on the doorstep offer excellent public access.

The RDS events team has extensive experience in planning and staging of events and is always on hand to fulfil any need or answer any query. We have established strong relationships with Ireland's top event suppliers from shell scheme contractors to audio visual technicians.

Excellent catering facilities are at your disposal – whether you have 10 guests or 5,000. Our catering partners can provide everything from hot chips to silver service.

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## Jurys Doyle Group

Our range of Dublin hotels includes 4-star, 5-star and more affordable 3-star budget Inns. Our Dublin hotels have wonderful city-centre locations, close to all leisure amenities, key business districts and all the prime shopping areas.

Our three Jurys Inns can be found throughout Dublin and are centrally located, with properties at the IFSC, Temple Bar and Parnell Street.

### Berkeley Court [www.jurysdoyle.com](http://www.jurysdoyle.com)



#### **The Berkeley Court - distinguished by luxury, tradition and charm**

A natural host to international dignitaries, top business people and leisure travellers alike, the hotel features spacious rooms and suites that are equipped for all today's technological needs, while upholding the highest standards of comfort and elegance.

#### **Intimately Yours at the Berkeley Room**



From the National Concert Hall, Jim Doherty, Honor Heffernan and the music of the world's greatest artistes are *Intimately Yours* in the Berkeley Room every Friday night. Candlelight music and a superb five-course dinner are available for only €65 per person (plus 15% service charge).

#### **The Berkeley Court gets wired**



With wired high-speed internet access in all bedrooms, wireless hotspots in the conference centre, four new dedicated boardrooms and a fully equipped client business centre, the Berkeley Court is now well and truly *the* state-of-the-art luxury conference hotel in Dublin. Special introductory offers are available for all new meeting-room clients.

## **Jurys Ballsbridge**



One of Dublin's top international business hotels, Jurys Ballsbridge Hotel is renowned for its genial charm, luxury accommodation, first-class meeting rooms, excellent restaurants and bars, a superb leisure centre and all the charms of the capital close by. However, it is the little things that give a hotel real style: a friendly smile, a thoughtful touch and it is for this extra quality that the hotel is celebrated.

Jurys Ballsbridge Hotel is a perfect base for the business or leisure traveller. Centrally located in one of Dublin's most fashionable districts, it is just a five-minute drive from the heart of bustling, cosmopolitan Dublin and its key business districts. It is just seven miles from Dublin Airport and is within a 10-minute radius of the Irish Financial Services Centre, the famous Leopardstown Racecourse and several excellent golf courses.

## **Burlington**



Situated a mere five minutes' walk from the busy heart of the city, the Burlington is the ideal location for business or leisure. The combination of local Dubliners and guests from abroad gives the hotel its lively, cosmopolitan atmosphere. Coupled with our dedication to service and commitment to excellence, the Burlington is sure to exceed even the highest of expectations.

With an excellent standard of 4-star accommodation, the Burlington Hotel is a genuine Dublin institution, always at the heart of the action and central to the whirl of Dublin life. The Burlington Hotel is Dublin's largest and, indeed, liveliest hotel. Centrally located in the heart of Georgian Dublin, it is just a five-minute stroll to the city centre.

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## Croke Park [www.crokepark.ie](http://www.crokepark.ie)



Croke Park has become one of the most prominent features of Dublin's northside cityscape. In proximity to the airport and the city centre, the stadium's imposing architectural splendour stands proud on 700,000 sq feet of the Irish capital. Inside, the contemporary design and spectacular views offer an exciting location for world-class events.

The modern exterior is mirrored by bright, spacious, contemporarily designed interiors. Smooth marble and merbau hardwood flooring and clean cream and wood panelled wall surfaces combine to offer an airy, elegant ambiance. The concourses and suites are fitted with discrete lighting fixtures and plush leather furnishings.

This interesting new venue offers the flexibility to suit receptions for 10 to 2,500 people, private dining, product launches, seminars, conferences, exhibitions, training courses, meetings, set-design and almost any event imaginable. The venue is highly versatile offering a wide range of large capacity conference rooms, smaller more intimate suites and 85 individual meeting rooms along with large indoor and outdoor concourses.