

BALLINACURRA HOUSE

KINSALE

'Ireland's Premier Private Estate for Exclusive Hire'



A strong company needs good leadership and a cohesive team to implement its strategies. And a strong team cannot be chosen - it has to be developed over time through communication and trust. And who wants to have members of the public (or your competitors!) watching you go through your team building paces. You need somewhere private – and that is exactly what we offer.

Ballinacurra House offers a whole new experience in the Team Building venue market. And you can be rest assured as to the quality of the venue, food and management as we were voted the Best Exclusive Hire Property in the World in 2007 by the Luxury Travel Awards in Cannes, beating Richard Branson's Necker Island.

We find that our style, size and event management background is perfect for those seeking a 'Destination Team Building' venue and we have organised events for companies from Ireland, the UK, the USA, Middle East, Australia, South Africa and Asia.

And What Do Our Clients Say About Us....

"Your seamless service and constant good humour allowed me to feel completely at ease and host a weekend that was a triumph in event management. The Carphone Warehouse will certainly be back for more and if I have anything to do with it, so will many more clients of mine." George Goldsmith Sporting Agents, Scotland, UK



Inflatable Obstacle Course

Numbers to Remember

- ✓ 22 = Total number of ensuite bedrooms on the whole property
- ✓ 40 = Maximum number of singles (such as for corporates) we are able to sleep in a combination of single, twin and triple occupancy
- ✓ 44 = Maximum number of people if all rooms are doubles or twin occupancy
- ✓ 52 = Maximum number staying if all rooms are occupied to their full capacity
- ✓ 50 = Maximum number who can dine in the Ballroom
- ✓ 96 = Maximum number who can dine in the Garden Room
- ✓ 120+ = Maximum number for casual dining such as barbecues and buffets

On-Site Team Building Activities



Gourmet Challenge



Laser War Games



Themed House Parties

There are many team building opportunities that we can organise for you on-site. Some of these include:

- ✓ **Murder Mystery** - we can bring in the experts to conduct an evening or day-long 'Murder Mystery' for your group.
- ✓ **Treasure Hunt** – If you want to get physical, we have developed a treasure hunt for teams around the area where you need to solve clues to win a prize. This can also be done on bikes.
- ✓ **Kayaking** - We can bring in a professional kayaking instructor to give basic instructions and then you can participate in races or kayak polo on the Ballinacurra Creek.
- ✓ **Gourmet Challenge and Entertainment** - Why not split into groups to prepare your own evening's entertainment. Whilst one group can be working with our chef in the kitchen preparing dinner, another can be working with a musical director preparing the evening's entertainment.
- ✓ **Obstacle Course Challenge** - We can setup many large inflatables and you compete in teams doing a range of activities.
- ✓ **Laser War Games** - We can bring in the experts and you can do your own war games in our forest.
- ✓ **Strictly Come Dancing** - What about putting on your dancing shoes, choose a couple of judges between you, we'll organise some professionals to give you a quick training lesson - and away you go. Nice to see you...to see you...
- ✓ **The Apprentice** - Why not choose your own 'Alan Sugar' and pit your team's talents by solving challenges around Kinsale or Cork city. Who will get 'fired'?
- ✓ **Laser Clay Shooting**
- ✓ **Archery**
- ✓ **Celtic Challenge Games**
- ✓ **Inflatable Challenges**
- ✓ **Da Vinci Code Challenge** - can be organised in Kinsale or Cork City.
- ✓ **Water Sports** (subject to tides, vehicular access etc)
- ✓ **Themed Evening House parties** such as Casino Nights, Blues Brothers, 1960's Groove, Burlesque, Venetian Balls, Narnia and the list goes on.

Off-Site Team Building Activities

Off-site but within a short drive of Ballinacurra House, there are many activities available. You can also check out www.kinsale.ie for more ideas. Some of these are:



Kinsale Pottery School



Horseriding in the Bandon River



Sailing at Oysterhaven

- ✓ **Art and Pottery** - Right next door to Ballinacurra House is the Kinsale Pottery and Art School. They can put together various corporate programmes to discover the creative side to all executives. www.kinsaleceramics.com
- ✓ **Kinsale Cookery School** – Based in Kinsale, this is a fun alternative way to spend a couple of hours with Colm – a witty local chef. Numbers limited.
- ✓ **Oysterhaven Outdoor Activity Centre** - This professionally run multi-activity center develops team building events which can include windsurfing, kayaking, sailing, adventure trails and team challenges. www.oysterhaven.com
- ✓ **Kinsale Outdoor Education Centre** - The Centre is based in the town and offers corporate team building days including sailing, canoeing, board sailing, rock climbing, body boarding, orienteering, team challenges and archery. www.kinsaleoutdoors.com
- ✓ **Sailing** - We work closely with a number of professional sailing instructors which can give basic tuition and then take the teams on a race in Kinsale Harbour. www.sovereignsailing.com
- ✓ **Paint Ball** - This gives you the chance to work together to 'shoot' the boss and ambush your colleagues in friendly fire. This group based activity involves teams playing on 70 acres of mature woodland whereby you have to 'capture' the flag, village, etc. www.actionpak.ie
- ✓ **Fishing** – All types of fishing are available within an hour of Kinsale – Deep sea, river (salmon, trout etc), lake. www.solcon.nl/kinsale; www.kinsale-angling.com; www.anglingkinsale.com
- ✓ **Horse Riding** - either indoor arena, beach riding, trekking, jumping, dressage or cross country rides – as well as horse team challenges for novices. www.kinsale-equestrian.com
- ✓ **Sea Kayaking** - They provide the equipment and tuition that will enable even the novice to enjoy this experience along the stunning West Cork coastline. www.h2oseakayaking.net
- ✓ **Archery/Clay Shooting/Ferret Racing/Falconry** - Set in spectacular surroundings at Nohoval Cove, it has been set up to take either beginners or those more experienced through their paces of these various activities. www.claybird.ie
- ✓ **Golf** – either for the novice at local courses www.kinsalegolf.com or those wanting more of a challenge at one of the most spectacular golf courses in the world www.oldhead.com or there are other courses within a one hour drive (Fota Golf Club and Cork Golf Club for example).

Tours In and Around Kinsale



Fishing Boats in Kinsale

As an alternative to the rigours of your team building activities, why not include some tours of the area.

There are a number of tours available in Kinsale:

- ✓ Kinsale Brewery Tour
- ✓ Ghost Tour of Kinsale (evening)
- ✓ Historical Walking Tour of Kinsale
- ✓ Wine Museum
- ✓ Walking Tours around Kinsale
- ✓ Harbour Cruise
- ✓ Whale Watching (seasonal)



Kinsale Harbour Cruise

There are a number of places worth visiting within 2 hours of Kinsale - we can organise a bus with a tour guide for you, or you can drive there yourselves. All times below are estimated one-way travel:

- ✓ Visit to the Old Head Golf Links - one of the world's most spectacular golf courses and site of the sinking of the Lusitania (20 minutes)
 - ✓ Visit to the famous Blarney Castle (50 minutes)
 - ✓ Visit to Cobh and the Queenstown Museum and Titanic Museum (1 hour)
 - ✓ Visit to Middleton Distillery (45 minutes)
 - ✓ Visit and have lunch at Ballymaloe House – one of Ireland's premier country house hotels, cookery school and gardens (1 hour)
 - ✓ Visit to Clonakilty - one of Ireland's premier tourist areas and capital of the West Cork region (40 minutes)
 - ✓ Visit to Garnish Island and Glengarriff - a beautiful sub-tropical island with Italian gardens, garden pavilions, walled gardens, etc. (1 1/2 hours)
 - ✓ Visit Killarney and its famous lakes - one of Ireland's most famous tourist towns (1 3/4 hours)
 - ✓ Visit Kenmare and the start of the Ring of Kerry (2 hours to get there, but full day needed)
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