

Top Things To Do in Sligo in Springtime

Crisp, pale-blue skies, bright sunlight and the promise of longer days... what's not to love about Sligo in spring? Springtime in Sligo is beautiful. Lambing season is in full swing, forests teem with bluebells. It's a stunning feast for the eyes. And great material for your Insta account!

Here are our **Top Things to do in Sligo this Springtime**.

1. Get lost in bluebell-laden forests

In springtime, you can visit any number of our stunning woodlands to see bluebells, intermingled with wild garlic, carpeting the woods with blue and white.

The forest floors are covered in a layer of bright bluebells, old stone walls become home to wildflowers and weeds, and the gardens of Ireland's grand manors explode in blooms.

Remember with all wildflowers not to pick them but leave them to flourish and for others to enjoy. Keep an eye on our social and we will let you know when the bluebells are in full bloom.

Our top tips for Bluebell spotting:

- Lissadell Estate
- Hazelwood
- Union Wood
- Slish Wood

2. Spring into Lambing Season in Sligo

- For animal lovers Spring is the best time to visit because it's lambing season; the fields will be full of bouncing fluffy white bundles.
- Visitors to Sligo can see lambing season in action from the second week in March through April with a few stragglers making an entrance in early May.
- To see lots of beautiful lambs and a full Sheepdog experience visit Atlantic Sheepdogs in Streedagh.
- > [facebook.com/pg/atlanticsheepdogs/](https://www.facebook.com/pg/atlanticsheepdogs/)

3. Live it up on St Patrick's Day

Sligo's St Patrick's Day Parade is jam-packed with free family-friendly events. 2020 celebrates 50 years of Parades in Sligo Town. This year's parade starts at 12 noon on Mail Coach Road and finishes at Our Lady Of Mercy Primary School.

>> [Sligo St Patrick's Day Parade](#)

Other St Patrick's Day parades taking place around County Sligo include:

- Enniscrone St Patrick's Day Parade (1pm)

- Grange St Patrick's Day Parade (2pm)
- Ballymote St Patrick's Day Parade (3.30pm)
- Dromoe West St Patrick's Day Parade (4pm)
- Aclare Patrick's Day Parade (4.30pm)

Get your boots on for the Sligo Walking festival

- The 2020 Sligo Walking Festival takes place from March 20-22. Local award-winning adventure providers Northwest Adventure Tours are collaborating with a number of activity providers and the Riverside Hotel to put together an enticing package that is attractive for both visitors coming to Sligo for the first time and for locals looking for a new perspective of their home town
- A few quirky twists of the weekend are the Saturday night Sligo Town Tour where you visit some of Sligo Town's historic sights, Sundays Knocknarea Hike which ends with ice cream treats at the famous Mammy Johnstons and the Friday Night Hike designed to launch the festival will see participants guided to the ancient burial grounds of Carrowkeel where our guides entertain with the history of the site followed by an Astrophotography demonstration by a local photographer.

5. May The Road Rise To Meet You

- St. Patrick's Day, with a difference in South Sligo as athletes will once again take to the roads for the Tubbercurry St. Patrick's Day 10K Road Race.
- The first-ever Tubbercurry 10K road race was planned for St. Stephen's Day but was postponed due to snow and ice. It was rescheduled for St. Patrick's Day 1973 and ever since it has become an annual fixture in the running calendar.
- Register today for the 47th St Patricks Day 10k and 5K Road Race

Art For all the Family at the Model

- *'The Sea Around Us' Family Day*
- Families of all ages are welcome to The Model for a colourful and action-packed day in response to its new exhibition, The Sea Around Us. Composer and artist Karen Power will lead composition and improvisation workshops for Early Years through her ongoing acclaimed programme Natural Creators, while local artist Sinéad O'Hanlon gets creative in response to the Sligo shoreline (suitable for under 12s).
- The day starts with the launch of My Model interactive children's guide and ends with a sea-themed film for all the family.

Be Part of Art' Supper Club

- Culture Vultures will love this one: join a four-course art-inspired supper club.
- Popular Sligo café Baker Boys has teamed up with Irish artist Lorna Watkins to curate a special four-course supper club menu inspired by her artwork.
- Known for her loose and experimental style, Lorna will be unveiling her solo exhibition in Baker Boys on Friday, March 20th. Her work is characterised by layers upon layers of bright vivacious colours and marks, making it fresh and full of energy.

- Taking place on March 20th, the supper club will kick off at 7:30 pm. Tickets cost €55 and are available through Eventbrite.
- >> ['Be Part of Art Supper Club](#)

SpringFEST 2020 at Dromore West

- Don't miss your chance to shop at an Eco Market with sustainable living goods (zero waste goods), local food, craft and producers. Workshops for all the family. Clothing repairs, beekeeping [Ballina Beekeepers Mayo](#), wood turning, [Leave No Trace Ireland](#). [Inland Fisheries Ireland](#). [La Piazzetta Pizzeria](#). [Galway Atlantaquaria](#) [Cooga Crafts](#) [Trish's Refill Station](#) Preloved clothing market [Templeboy Turnings](#) [The Creator Van](#) Suitable for all the family. Sun 05 April, 12-6pm. Free Entry. >> facebook.com/events/202246500948920/