

**Snooze Apartments** offer stunning, luxury accommodation in a superb location between the Irish sea and the Majestic Mourne Mountains.

The perfect seaside escape... stay in a stylish one or two-bedroomed apartment housed within two beautifully restored sea front Victorian buildings. Enjoy impressive views of Newcastle Bay and the Mournes from the bay or roof windows of our chic accommodation, less than a minute from the beach.

- Wake up to the sounds of the sea and enjoy your morning coffee with an incredible outlook. On a clear day, you can see the Ilse of Man and Cumbria across the Irish Sea. In wilder weather, the waves crashing off Newcastle's iconic Rockpool are simply spectacular.
- A five-minute stroll takes you to the historic harbour with a choice of two charming cafes for brunch. Join the open water swimmers at high tide for a harbour dip all year round... (or just watch).
- A short walk in the other direction, along our pretty promenade takes you into the vibrant town of Newcastle. This seaside town is bustling with shops, pubs and cafes.
- Our handy location means you mightn't need the car, but comfortable walking shoes are a must in Newcastle. You are literally spoilt for choice when it comes to scenic walks and hikes from the doorstep.
- After a day of adventures, relax in your comfortable, modern apartment. Enjoy your coastal surroundings while the lighthouse winks across the bay.
- Check out our guide to the fab choice of pubs and restaurants within walking distance or just be entertained and stay connected indoors.

All 4 star apartments include:

- Smart TV
- wifi
- docking stations
- fluffy towels and much more

Check [accomodation](#) for details.

SOAK Seaweed Baths is located on the ground floor of the Snooze apartment building.

SOAK offers seaweed baths as well as a range of holistic treatments.

Check it out here: [Soak Seaweed baths](#)

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## **NEWCASTLE AND SURROUNDING AREA.**

Newcastle is a small seaside resort in County Down the 'Jewel in Northern Ireland's crown' and the setting of the famous Percy French song:

"Where the Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea".

This coastal town with a wonderful seaside promenade, nestles at the foot of Northern Ireland's highest mountain, Slieve Donard (2796 ft.)

The harbour with its sailing and fishing boats, is a hub of activity in summer with open water swimmers, paddleboarders and daring pier jumpers. The Shimna river, flowing through the town, abounds with salmon and trout.

Enjoy a walk along the magnificent promenade, passing the Percy French memorial fountain (writer of the "Mountains of Mourne" song), and enjoy the smell of the sea and surrounding beauty.

### **Hiker and fell runner's paradise**

Snooze Apartments is a stone's throw from **Donard Park**, right beside the Glen River and gateway to the Mourne Mountains.

This beautiful park features football, hockey pitches and picnic facilities and is a renowned tourist attraction in Northern Ireland.

Other beautiful forest parks nearby, include the enchanting **Tollymore Forest Park**, filming location of the popular "Game of Thrones" series.

Tours available [here](#).

**Tollymore**, less than a mile from **Snooze Apartments** offers stunning walks, mountain biking trails, picnic and play areas.

**Castlewellan Forest Park**, 5 miles from **Snooze Apartments** is worth a visit.

Get lost in the fabulous **Peace Maze**, hike around the lake and try the mountain biking trails.

**The Life Adventure Centre** [here](#) has bike and canoe hire and offers outdoor activities.

There are picnic tables and a play park in **Castlewellan Forest Park**.

No visit to the area is complete without a visit to the glorious **Murlough Beach**. Backed by a 6000-year-old fragile sand dune system and 6 kilometres long, the dunes are sprinkled with wildflowers in spring. **Murlough** is an excellent area for walking and bird watching, due to its spectacular location at the edge of Dundrum Bay and the Mourne Mountains.

### **A round or two...**

Newcastle boasts the famous [Royal County Down Golf Club](#), the most photographed golf course in the world! It is Rory McElroy's all-time favourite! Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods have also played here. Check out [the Mourne Golf Club too](#).

There is an abundance of things to do in Newcastle and surrounding areas, We hope this page will get you started. Check our links for more things to do in the area.

## Family Fun

**Newcastle Beach:** Just across the road from Snooze Apartments. Enjoy some serious rock pooling at this quiet little stretch of sand and rock. The main **Newcastle beach** is just a few minutes away, walk across from here at low tide

**Donard Park** is minutes from Snooze. Explore the paths and trails with the family. The [YMCA](#) offers children's activity weeks here all summer.

**Castle Park**, on Main Street: Enjoy holiday fun at the play area, rent a pedalo on Swan Lake or enjoy a go-cart session. Tickets can be purchased at Newcastle Centre 10-14 Central Promenade.

**Tollymore Forest Park:** Tollymore is less than a mile away. Walk to the hermitage with beautiful bridges and waterfalls along the way with the kids, or choose any of the other routes. The woodland children's playpark is a real treat, and for mountain biking and climbing wall sessions check out [Tollymore Mountain Centre](#).

**Castlewellan Forest Park:** Located 5 miles from Snooze Apartments, Castlewellan forest Parks has not only trails, walks and a play park, but also great mountain biking and canoeing packages for families, and activity weeks for kids in summer.

For details check here: [Life Adventure Centre](#)

**Murlough beach:** Wander along the wooden walkway to the safe sandy beach and have fun exploring the sand dunes.

**Coco's Playground:** This indoor adventure playground is open 7 days a week and has activities for children aged 0-14. Children can enjoy exciting, active playtime and exploration on slides, swings and softplay areas in a safe, secure environment.

**Tropicana:** Enjoy the flumes of this heated outdoor swimming pool. Open July and August. Swimming lessons are can be booked at [Newcastle Centre](#).

**Rock Pool:** Brace yourselves for a dip in our historic, outdoor, seawater pool. Open July and August, it is right across the road from Snooze Apartments. Kids can learn lifesaving skills [here](#)