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THE IRISH HEART FOUNDATION, 50 RINGSEND ROAD, DUBLIN 4

# Let's Go Walking ...

Here are a few useful tips to enjoy your walk and keep your heart healthy.

- If you're not in the habit of taking regular exercise, start slowly, enjoy being out and about and gradually build up to the recommended 30 minutes a day.
- Drink a glass of water before and after your walk and don't forget, wear good, comfortable shoes.
- Gradually warm up at the beginning and cool down towards the end.
- Loose clothing is more comfortable and in winter choose layers rather than thick, chunky clothes.
- Try to incorporate walking into your daily activities.
   Walk to work, to meetings or the shops. The list is endless.
- If you have a history of heart trouble or other significant medical illness, talk to your doctor before you start. Stop if you experience unusual symptoms such as chest pain, dizziness or breathlessness and consult your doctor.
- Why not invite your friends, family or work colleagues to join you when you go walking.
- Now that you are a regular walker, get fitter and be active for at least 60 minutes a day.



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# Slí na Sláinte

A regular programme of walking...

- Keeps your heart strong
- Improves muscle strength
- Helps to manage your weight
- Makes you feel good

...but above all walking is fun!

# **Physical Activity**

- Reduces risk for several chronic diseases including heart disease, stroke, high blood pressure, osteoporosis, anxiety and depression.
- For health benefits you need to walk for at least 30 minutes 5 days of the week. You can accumulate the 30 minutes or more over 2 or 3 shorter sessions a day for optimum health benefits.

# Help to maintain Slí na Sláinte

Please report any dangerous obstacles or missing/damaged signs to: Kilorglin Tidy Towns, kilorglintidytowns@gmail.com

> The Irish Heart Foundation 50 Ringsend Road, Dublin 4. T. 01 668 5001 F. 01 668 5896 E. info@irishheart.ie

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Killorglin Slí na Sláinte

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## Slí na Sláinte Stealroe

make up the piers, the eight stone arches and the side back to the start. walls of the bridge. From the bridge, the walk heads away from Killorglin along the Tralee Road.

This linear walk starts at the eastern side of Killorglin's Not far from the bridge to the right, beside what used County Bridge, close to the statue of King Puck. The to be The Creamery, can be seen the entrance to the 123 metre long bridge was built in 1885 from local peaceful and interesting Dromavalla Graveyard. The walk limestone, moved by horse and cart from Stealroe continues straight along the main Tralee Road until you Quarries. Stonecutters shaped each stone by hand to reach Stealroe Cottages. From here retrace your steps

## Bog Road Slí na Sláinte

This walk begins at the Blennerhasset Monument in The Fair Field car park (opposite St James' Church). Walk towards the CYMS building and cross Mill Road at the pedestrian lights. Continue to the small roundabout at Library Place. Here is a fine plaza, where you will find Killorglin Library along with the area Council Building, which houses the Bewick Art Collection, open to the public on weekdays. Pass along the plaza and continue on Iveragh Road, known from days gone by as 'the bog road'. Pass Fexco, formerly railway storage buildings (see plague at Fexco entrance). Continue straight on passing St. Michael's Church and the GAA pitch until you reach the turning point at a stream at Laharn.

### The Irish Heart Foundation

The Irish Heart Foundation is the national charity fighting heart disease and stroke. We support, educate and train people to save lives, campaign for patients, promote positive health, support research and provide vital public information. We need your support, through donations, as a volunteer or on our training courses.

### Slí na Sláinte

Slí na Sláinte stands for 'path to health'. Developed by the Irish Heart Foundation — the national heart and stroke charity — it's a sociable way to make walking far more enjoyable. Already, it's capturing the attention of young and old, not only in Ireland but in Europe and other parts of the world too! And no wonder, because it's a fun, healthy way for the average adult to accumulate the recommended minimum of thirty minutes of physical activity 5 days of the week. You'll find Slí na Sláinte walking routes all over Ireland. They are marked by bright colourful signposts which are not numbered and are situated at 1km intervals. Simply follow the km signs, set your pace to suit your enjoyment and you'll quickly feel better and get fitter. You will also experience a great sense of achievement.

THE IRISH HEART FOUNDATION 50 RINGSEND ROAD DUBLIN 4

