**Strangford - Ardglass Loop**

Start Point: Ferry at Strangford Destination: Chapeltown or Ardglass

Major waypoints (please list) or provide GPX file or screenshot of route:

* Kilclief Castle
* Chapeltown
* Ardglass
* Bishop’s Court
* Castleward Road

Attractions en route:

* Strangford Lough
* Kilclief Castle
* Irish Sea

Approximate Length: 30km / 18 miles

Suitable for

* mature children
* fairly confident riders
* experienced riders

Suitable bicycle types: all

Number of steep hills (> 5% *and* longer than 200m): two

Traffic volume (circle): mixed (i.e. depends on time of day)

Cycle Lanes: no

Bike boxes at major intersections: no

Condition & type of road surface (circle/tick all that apply):

* Tarmac: mixed to poor Potholes present: yes
* Gravel: no
* Dirt: no
* Sand: no

Location of coffee stops/public toilets etc: Strangford, Ardglass

Availability of cycle parking at destination (circle): not checked

Points to note: If coming from Bangor, take the ferry to Strangford as a foot passenger. Cost £1 one-way, bikes go free.

From the ferry, follow the A2 and take the first left after the row of shops (Black Causeway Road). Left on Glebe Road. Left on Bishop’s Court Road to Kilclief Castle. There bear left on Shore Road. At the intersection with Kilclief Road head south on Killard Road. 700m south on A2, left onto St Michael Park, to Chapeltown. In Chapeltown head north on Church Street towards Bishop’s Court. Left onto Ballyhornan Rd, Rt on Ballytrustan Rd, rt on Ballyculter Rd to Churchtown. Left onto Churchtown Rd, rt on Castleward Rd, back to Strangford.