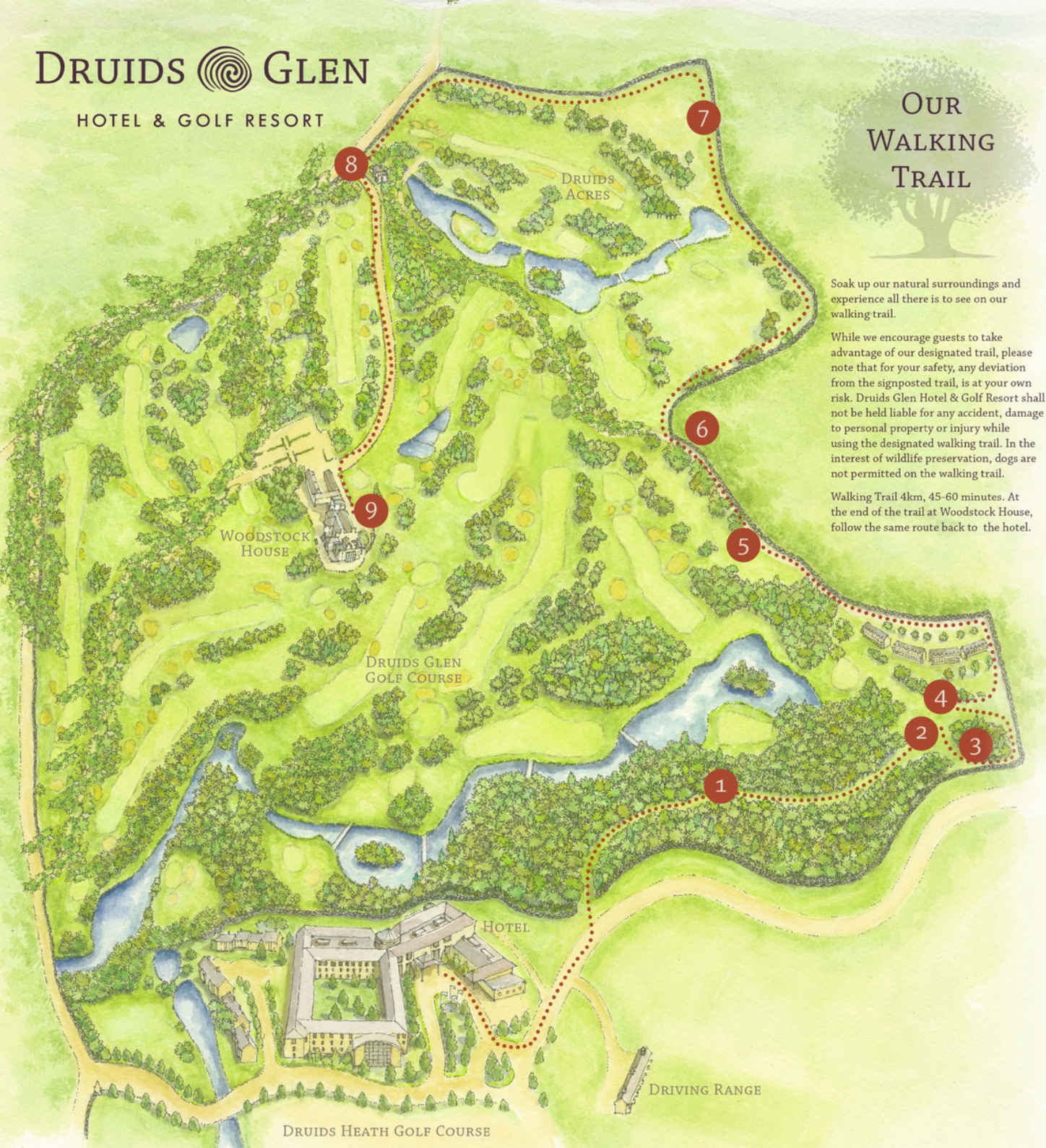


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OUR WALKING TRAIL

Soak up our natural surroundings and experience all there is to see on our walking trail.

While we encourage guests to take advantage of our designated trail, please note that for your safety, any deviation from the signposted trail, is at your own risk. Druids Glen Hotel & Golf Resort shall not be held liable for any accident, damage to personal property or injury while using the designated walking trail. In the interest of wildlife preservation, dogs are not permitted on the walking trail.

Walking Trail 4km, 45-60 minutes. At the end of the trail at Woodstock House, follow the same route back to the hotel.



BIRDLIFE & WATERLIFE



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FAIRY FOREST



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BIRDLIFE & WATERLIFE

Druids Glen Hotel & Golf Resort, nestled between the Wicklow Mountains and the Irish Sea in the 'Garden of Ireland', is the perfect habitat for wildlife to grow and flourish. There are many types of indigenous species on the resort; squirrels, blue tits, woodpigeons, pheasants, otters, water hens, ducks, pine martens, robins and swans to name a few, which you can spot along the walking trail.

The Kingfisher, one of our most colourful birds was given a new home in 2005, near the 12th hole on Druids Glen Golf Course. A cock and hen successfully reared a brood of chicks and they continue to increase the Kingfishers in the area. This was the first man-made Kingfisher nesting bank of its type in Ireland. It demonstrates how the resort's wildlife project can benefit the locality.

We are proud of the valuable safe haven and breeding ground we provide for all types of wildlife.

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Just a year after opening, Druids Glen hosted the Irish Open in 1996, won by Colin Montgomerie. It also hosted the Irish Open in '97, '98 and '99, again won by Colin Montgomerie in 1997 who still holds the course record, shooting a 62 in the final round, followed by David Carter in 1998 and Sergio Garcia in 1999, his first European Tour win at the age of 19.

Druids Glen hosted the prestigious Seve Trophy in 2002, a bi-annual event between the leading tour players of Britain & Ireland and Continental Europe.

Many of the golfing greats have played and been tested here and now you have the chance to experience what it is like to stand in their shoes!



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FAIRY FOREST

All fairies originated in Ireland. Many leave Irish shores to find human homes all over the world but each fairy is born from Nordman's Family Tree in Fairy Valley in Ireland. Fairies are multilingual and can speak every single language in the world.

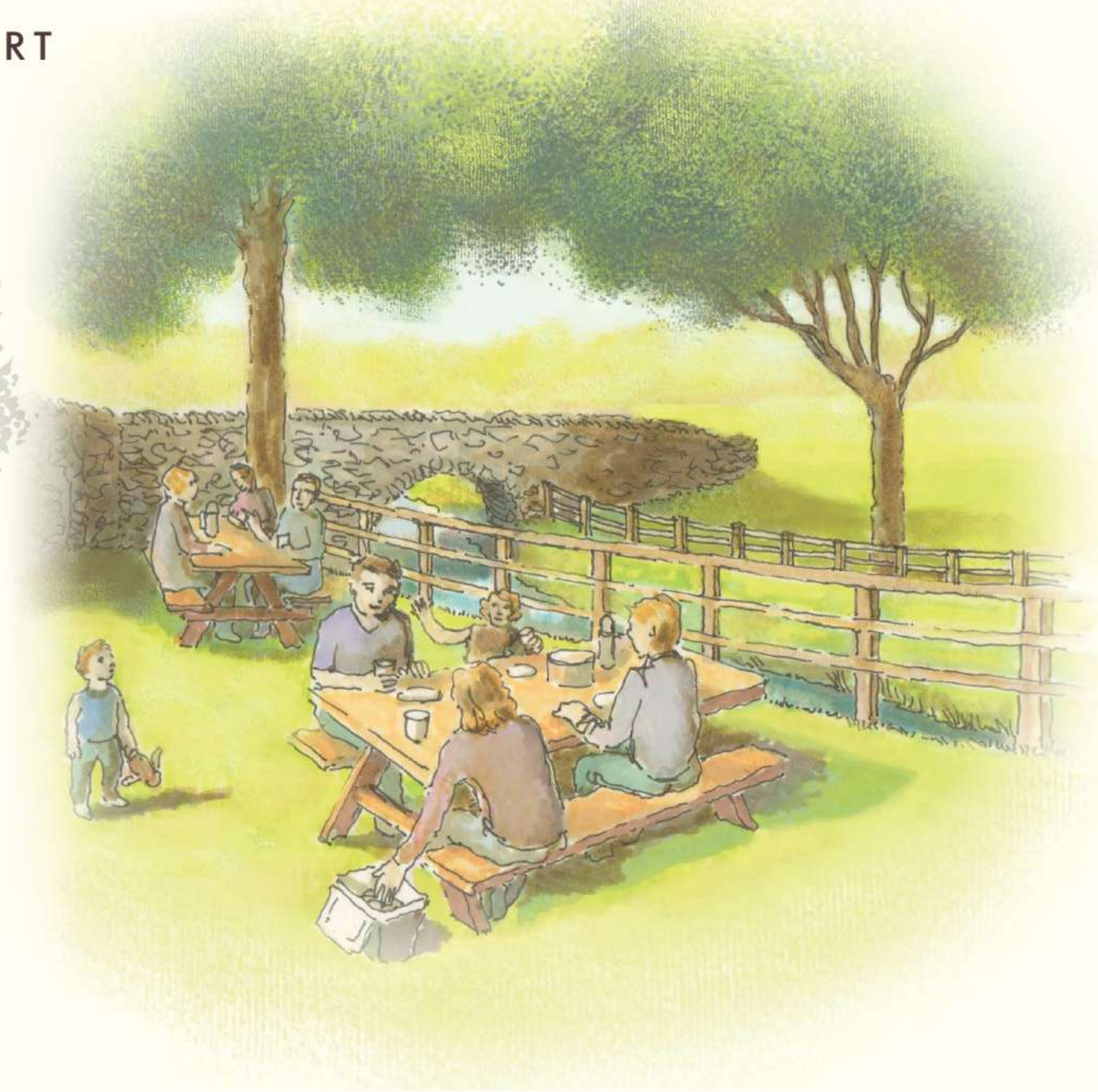
Did you know? A fairy's eye colour will change depending on the weather. When it rains, they will be a beautiful bright blue. When it snows, they become a lovely soft green. When it is sunny, they are a chocolate brown.

Do you believe in fairies? If you are quiet enough, you might see them at the door!

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Take time out to enjoy the wonderful surroundings of Druids Glen at our picnic area.

The bridges throughout Druids Glen were created from granite from the 13th fairway which was reshaped and restructured to repair the original bridge and create four new bridges, along with brick work around the 1st tee at Druids Glen and in front of Woodstock House.

Stop by the bridge on your right and see if you can spot the eels and wild brown trout.

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WOOD CHIP MULCHING

Here at Druids Glen we produce our own wood chips with 100% recycled green waste from the 400 acres of the Resort.

The purpose of mulching is to; conserve moisture, improve fertility and health of the soil, reduce weed growth and enhance the visual appeal of the area.

MULCHING PROCESS:

1. All green waste from our trees and shrubs are brought to the composting area where we run it through our own wood chipper and it is stored in a 'fresh green waste pile'. The chips are then left, to allow for natural breaking down and aerobic processes.
2. The chips are rotated to increase oxygen flow and to ensure that the finished mulch will not become anaerobic.
3. After a further two weeks, the mulch is ready to use. The pH of the finished mulch is checked to ensure it is within the correct pH range desired.

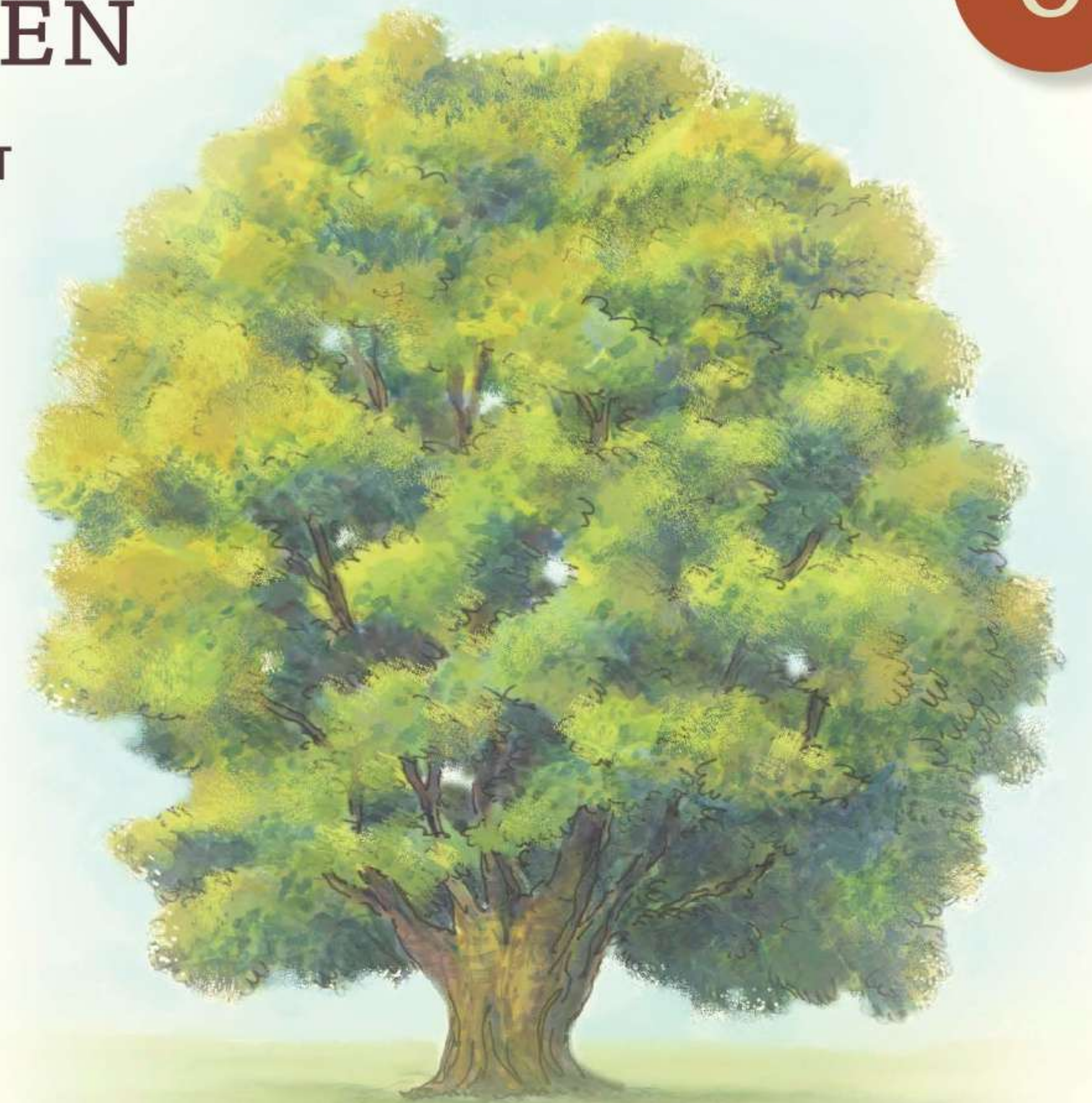
The cycle is complete and what was once a waste product, now gets returned to the flower beds and tree bases from where it originated to help keep our trees and shrubs healthy and strong.

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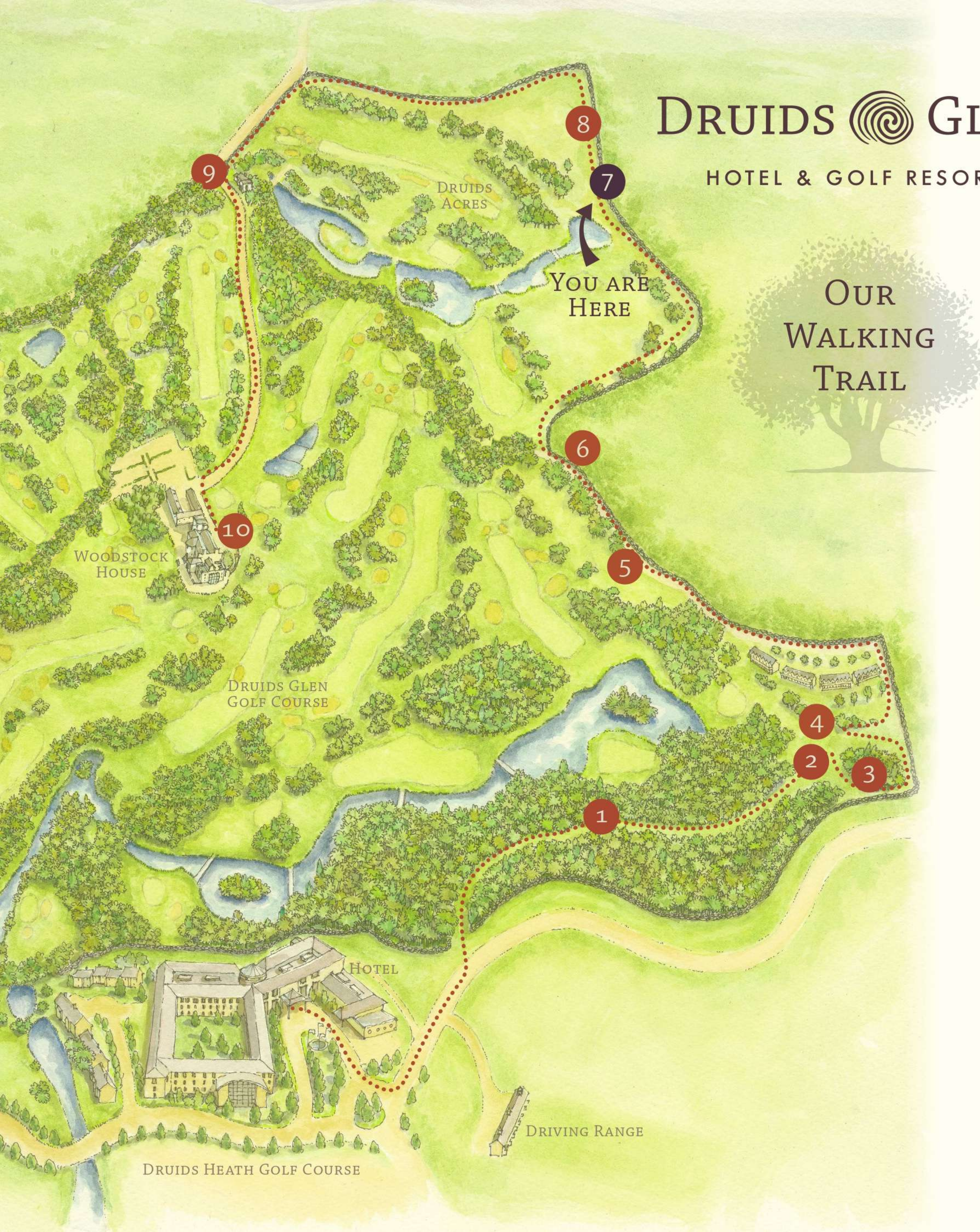
DRUIDS GIANT TREE

One of the finest ancient sycamore maple trees in the country grows at Druids Glen – look to your left to view this fine tree. It is estimated to be up to 300 years old, measuring 24m high and has a girth of 7.39m. We have been informed it is the oldest healthy sycamore maple tree in Ireland.

This magnificent tree is the inspiration behind the Druids Glen Hotel & Golf Resort logo.

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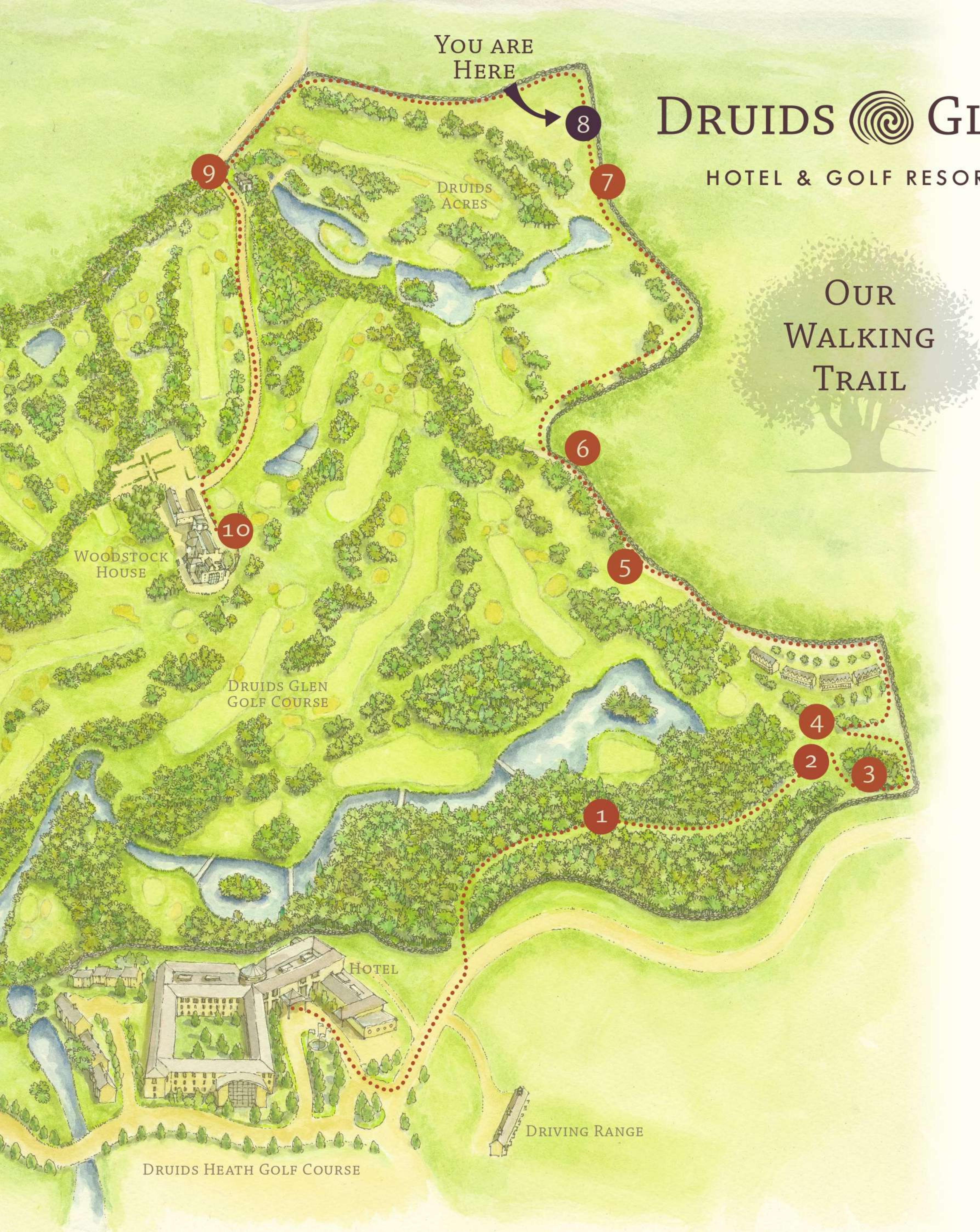


SPORTS

Kilcoole GAA pitches are located to your right, and on your left are our practice greens which the professional golfers used during the Irish Opens. These greens are still used to this day by golfers to practice before or after their round of golf.

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DRUIDS ACRES

Druids Acres offers five acres of teambuilding ground with a log cabin, the ideal location for outdoor pursuits.

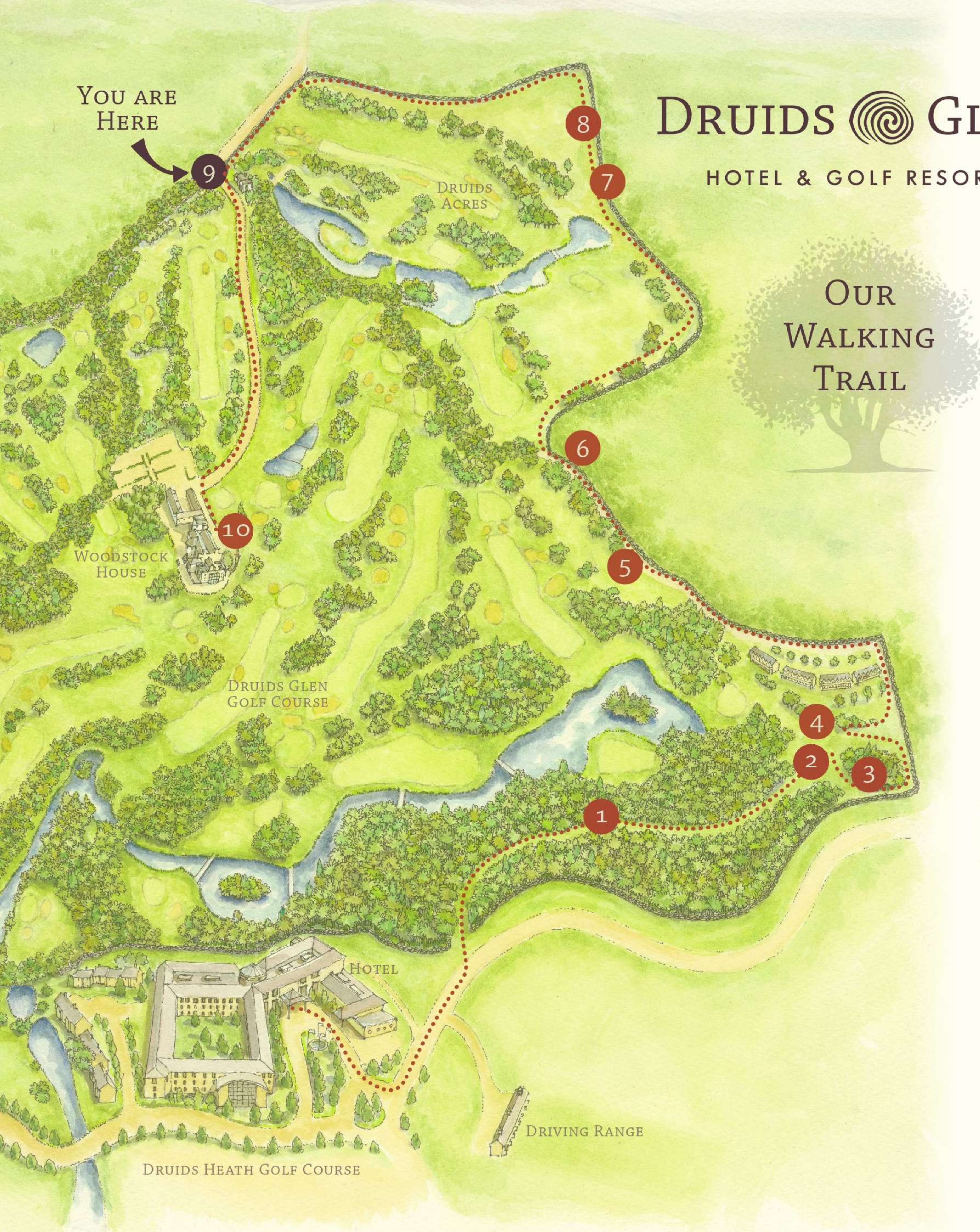
When Druids Glen hosted the Irish Open, Druids Acres was used as a practice area for the Irish Open players.

On the final day of the 1999 Open, 770 volunteer stewards directed 50,000 spectators, a record attendance for an Irish Open.

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GATEKEEPERS LODGE

A well-preserved lodge, built c.1850 this was a former Gatekeepers Lodge to Woodstock House.

The 17th hole to the left of the Gatekeepers Lodge is one of the first holes in Ireland to be completely surrounded by water.

You may finish your trail here and turn back the way you came, or if you wish to continue up the avenue to Woodstock House, you can enjoy the bar and restaurant facilities.

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WOODSTOCK HOUSE

Records for the land on which Druids Glen Resort is built date back to 1600 with Woodstock House constructed in the 1700s. Woodstock House was magnificently restored and refurbished in 1995 and now serves as the Druids Glen Golf Clubhouse.

The 18th, 19th and 20th centuries saw the estate change hands from an Earl to a High Sheriff, from the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland to a Member of Parliament. Ownership passed through several hands until 1990 when three Irish families purchased the estate and employed Pat Ruddy and the late Tom Craddock to design a world class golf course.

During the years, areas of the property were used as a writing and recording base for many well-known musicians. Mike Oldfield recorded Tubular Bells II at Woodstock House. Other artists including Rod Stewart, Steve Winwood, Jim Capaldi and The Thompson Twins, developed their music and completed recordings in "The Bishops Ballroom", which now serves as the clubhouse restaurant. The 1980s saw Woodstock House on Irish television when it was featured in the RTÉ series "Glenroe".

Many interesting facts were uncovered with the restoration of Woodstock House. An underground tunnel was found which led from the back of the house to the main road. It was documented that this tunnel was used for staff and suppliers to enter the house in the 1700s and 1800s as it was considered unsightly for the residents to see staff and suppliers on their grounds.

Over 385,000 shrubs were planted during the development of the Resort. The Magnolia Tree closest to the golf shop is over 200 years old and failed to blossom in the nineties. The rot was burnt out and filled with concrete. Two years later it bloomed and has done every year since.

Roam through this remarkable building and immerse yourself in its long and illustrious history.

