

Amazing Ireland Tour

August 18-24, 2020
Optional Northern Ireland August 24-27, 2020

Explore the Ireland that you have always heard of, with its green, green grass, beautiful blue seas, and warm friendly people. Now it's your chance to visit the Ireland of your dreams!

Day 1: Depart for Ireland!

Depart on Aer Lingus, the National Airline of Ireland, on a nonstop flight to Dublin! Departure will be at 7:00 PM from Terminal 2 MSP Airport. Meet Jeanie there in front of Aer Lingus check in counter two hours before departure. Complimentary dinner will be served shortly after take-off. **DINNER**

Day 2: Arrival in Ireland & Touring The Irish Countryside

Arrive in Dublin at 8:45 AM. After clearing customs, you will pick up your checked luggage and head for your luxury motor coach. You will then meet your Irish Driver/Guide who will be with you for the entire tour! The group will then depart Dublin and head towards the famous Blarney Castle. Enjoy lunch on your own in the beautiful city of Adare. Afterwards, stop for photos of the 1000 year old stately ruins of the Rock of Cashel, rising high above the surrounding plain. Continue your drive south and arrive in Cork for your overnight stay. The rest of the evening is yours to enjoy on your own. **BREAKFAST**

Day 3: Blarney Castle

This morning, after an included breakfast, depart your hotel for Blarney Castle. Arriving early in the morning will give you the opportunity to kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence" before the hours long lines begin later in the day. Enjoy the beautiful grounds around the castle, with many pretty places to sit. Nearby is the Blarney Woolen Mills where you can find quality Irish made goods of all types, conveniently displayed under one roof. The group will then depart for Killarney. Drive through Macroom, built around a fine castle, and into County Kerry where the scenery becomes more mountainous. Arrive in the Killarney area, picturesquely set beside lakes with Ireland's highest mountains, the Macgillycuddy's Reeks, forming a backdrop. Check in to your area hotel for the next two nights and relax before your included dinner. **BREAKFAST/DINNER**

Day 4: Killarney National Park & The Ring of Kerry

After an included breakfast, depart for downtown Killarney to ride a Jaunting Cart (complete with horse and Jarvey Driver!) into the National Park to visit Ross Castle. After some time to wander the grounds, board the Lily of Killarney boat to cruise the lakes in Killarney National Park. Afterwards, the group will head to Muckross House to enjoy their lovely gardens and have lunch on your own. You will then embark for a lovely scenic drive on the Ring of Kerry. This winding route reveals

PER PERSON RATES:

\$1,998 double/triple occupancy \$2,597 single
Northern Ireland Extension: Add \$698 per person

DEPOSIT: \$500 per person

TRAVEL INSURANCE: \$150 additional per person due at time of deposit with NO Northern Ireland extension (see registration)

FINAL PAYMENT: 60 days before departure date

CANCELLATION POLICY: Full refund until March 1st for cancellations. After that date, refunds based on recoverable expenses. Trip insurance is strongly recommended. Refunds for basic trip insurance based on medical cancellations only. If you wish, you may upgrade to the Cancel For Any Reason Insurance Policy.

breathtaking views of Macgillycuddy's Reeks as well as Moll's Gap, where a stop will be made for panoramic views of Ireland's highest mountains and deep valleys. You will then return to Killarney where you will have the rest of the day free for shopping, independent dining or exploring the many "singing pubs" in the town. **BREAKFAST**

Day 5: Cliffs of Moher & Medieval Castle Banquet

Today, after an included breakfast, leave the Killarney area and drive north along the coast of County Clare to the Cliffs of Moher, a spectacular wall of sandstone that reaches almost 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. After enjoying the magnificent view, drive through the marketing town of Ennis to the Limerick area where you will check into your hotel. In the evening head to Knappogue Castle for a memorable experience in a wonderful historic setting with good food and entertainment. Take your place in the Great Hall for a medieval style feast of excellent dishes and plenty of wine. During and after the meal the lords and ladies will serenade you with song and harp music evocative of the Middle Ages. **BREAKFAST/DINNER**

Day 6: Touring Dublin

After an enjoyable breakfast, depart the Limerick area for Dublin. The group will then arrive at the Guinness Brewery where you will learn the history of this famous beer and enjoy a panoramic view of Dublin at the very top. Enjoy lunch there on your own. You will then depart for a motor coach tour of ancient and modern Dublin. Drive through the main streets to see historic buildings such as Trinity College; rows of Georgian houses with colorfully painted doorways; and The Jeanie Johnston immigrant ship moored on the River Liffey! You will then check in to your Dublin area hotel for some time to

relax . This evening depart for the Temple Bar area to enjoy some real Irish Music and food on your own. **BREAKFAST**

Day 7: Heading Home....Or Are You??

Your tour ends after breakfast today. Unless....you wish to continue onward! The folks going home will be dropped off at the Dublin Airport for a 2:10 PM departure and will arrive home in Minneapolis after a nonstop flight at 5:00 PM **BREAKFAST/LUNCH**

For those of you who wish to continue further.....

Northern Ireland Extension August 24 – 27, 2020

Day 1: A Hotel on the Sea

After an enjoyable included breakfast, depart your hotel for the northwest side of Ireland. Enjoy a stop at the famous Belleek Factory, where you will enjoy a tour of how this lovely china is made. There will be time there to have lunch on your own. Then depart for your hotel right on Donegal Bay, The SandHouse, where you will stay for two nights. Check in and relax and enjoy the ambiance of this lovely place . This evening enjoy an included dinner in the lovely dining room overlooking Rosnowlough Bay. **BREAKFAST/DINNER**

Day 2: Touring Northern Ireland

After breakfast, depart for Northern Ireland and the historic 1000 year old walled city of Derry where you will have some time for shopping, lunch and exploring on your own. Then, enjoy a very special tour of the areas of the city that were impacted by “The Troubles” and some of the stores behind the paintings on the walls of the city. Return to your hotel to enjoy the rest of the evening on your own. **BREAKFAST**

Day 3: Slieve League Cliffs & Castle Hotel Stay

Following breakfast, you will travel to the Slieve League Cliffs for a tour with Paddy! Paddy is quite the character and will tell you the history of this area and it's flora and fauna. Travel along the ocean in small jaunting cars and view the cliffs and sheep that wander to and fro. The tour will be followed by a lite lunch on your own at the Ti` Linn Café. Afterwards, head to a special historic castle hotel for your last night in Ireland. Enjoy an included farewell dinner! Slante!
BREAKFAST/DINNER

Day 4: Heading Home

Following an included breakfast, you will travel the Dublin Airport for your return home. Your nonstop flight departs at 2:00 PM and will arrive into Minneapolis at 5:00 PM the same day. Welcome Home!
BREAKFAST/LUNCH



TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 6 Breakfasts & 3 dinners
- Round trip nonstop airfare from Minneapolis Dublin & back
- Luxury motor coach transportation to all destinations
- Visit Dublin and tour the Guinness Brewery
- Visit Blarney Woolen Mills
- Visit Killarney National Park
- Drive the The Ring of Kerry road through Moll's Gap View MacGillycuddy's Reeks mountains
- 5 Nights Hotels
- View the Cliffs of Moher
- Enjoy a Castle Medieval Banquet with food and drink
- Visit Killarney
- Services of a professional Irish driver/guide throughout
- Services of a professional tour director throughout

Inclusions for Northern Ireland Extension

- 3 Breakfasts, 1 lunch & 2 dinners
- Round trip nonstop airfare from Minneapolis Dublin & back
- Luxury motor coach transportation to all destinations
- Visit Northern Ireland
- Enjoy a Castle Style Hotel Stay
- 3 Nights Hotel
- Drive the The Wild Atlantic Road
- Tour the Slieve League Cliffs with Paddy as your guide
- Visit the Belleek China Factory
- Enjoy a special farewell dinner
- Services of a professional Irish driver/guide throughout
- Services of a professional tour director throughout

NOT INCLUDED

- Optional sightseeing; meals (unless otherwise indicated in the itinerary) • Phone calls • Tips to the Tour Director/Bus Driver or any other items not specifically mentioned as included in the itinerary.

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