

Céad Mile Fáilte

A hundred thousand welcomes to Ireland. A small country with a big reputation, helped along by a breathtaking ancient landscape. History presents itself everywhere, in the streets of Dublin, and throughout the country.

Thanks to our mild climate, clean seas, fertile soil and yes, the rain too. We have some of the best raw ingredients in the world. And, on this small island you'll eat seafood straight off the boat. Dairy products from local pastures. Beef, lamb and pork raised within a few miles. Sea vegetables harvested on nearby strands. Wild food foraged from hedgerows. Greens picked that same day. Lately there has been resurgence in craft beers and whiskeys so lots to taste, but we're told Guinness and Jameson taste even better here so it might be rude not to give them a try.

WHAT IS INCLUDED

Roundtrip Bus Rockford/O'Hare Roundtrip Air Chicago/Dublin 10 nights hotel Full Breakfast daily INSURANCE PRICING Tour Guide

All transportation in Ireland

\$4,995 per person Double Occupancy (Including air) \$6,795 per person Single Room (Including air) INSURANCE

\$385 Double per person \$490 Single per person

Deposit amount \$300 Final Payment Due on June 21, 2024



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DAY 1 (SEPT 14) | DEPART FROM ROCKFORD

Travel from Rockford to Chicago O'Hare Airport via motorcoach.

DAY 2 (SEPT 15) | ARRIVE IN DUBLIN

"Cead Mile Failte," a hundred thousand welcomes! After clearing passport control, please claim your luggage to complete the arrival formalities. You will then exit through the Arrivals Hall, where your guide will meet and escort you to the waiting vehicle. As a city, Dublin is 2,000 years old with stories spanning from the daring arrival of early settlers through to the struggle for independence during the last 100 years. A local guide will take you through the heart of history, exploring Dublin on foot. With an emphasis on visiting areas less travelled, expect expert insight on parts of Dublin which are rarely experienced by the average walking tour.

Hotel: Hyatt Centric (1 night)

DAY 3 (SEPT 16) | DUNBRODY FAMINE SHIP AND HOUSE OF WATERFORD CRYSTAL

Visit the Dunbrody Famine Ship, centred on an authentic reproduction of an 1840's emigrant vessel, it provides a world-class interpretation of the famine emigrant experience.

Visit the House of Waterford Crystal whose wares are coveted by connoisseurs and collectors alike. Browse through the extensive showrooms with a chance to purchase a memento in the Gallery Store.

Hotel: Kingsley Hotel (1 night) Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 4 (SEPT 17) | BLARNEY CASTLE

Visit Blarney Castle, built nearly six hundred years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftains. Legend tells us that the Blarney stone situated on the grounds of Blarney Castle imparts the gift of eloquence to those who kiss it.

Hotel: Great Southern Hotel (2 nights) Included Meal(s): Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 5 (SEPT 18) | RING OF KERRY

Today travel the road that winds around the beautiful Iveragh Peninsula, better known as "The Ring of Kerry." It is undoubtedly one of the most magical places in all Ireland. Here mountains, valleys, lakes and sea blend into a landscape that is often breathtaking beyond words.

Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 6 (SEPT 19) | CLIFFS OF MOHER

A natural masterpiece, the Cliffs of Moher are a must-see for any trip to Ireland. Set against the crashing waves of the Atlantic Ocean, the Cliffs tower a striking distance above the sea. Named a UNESCO Global Geopark, the Cliffs are best experienced on a walk or trek across the clifftop. Watch birds, study plants, and keep an eye on the water for breaks of dolphin pods or sharks. Come to know the myths and magic of the Cliffs of Moher with sights including the Tower viewpoint, the Aran Islands, and the Hags Head.

Hotel: Castlecourt Hotel (2 nights) Included Meal(s): Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 7 (SEPT 20) | CONNEMARA WITH KYLEMORE ABBEY

Today you tour Connernara, a wild land of rocky mountains, sparkling brooks, and rivers. Stop at lakeside Kylemore Abbey, a castellated

neo-Gothic mansion, occupied today by the Irish Benedictine community of nuns who came from Ypres after World War I. Continue on to Clifden, one of the prettiest towns in Connemara. Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 8 (SEPT 21) | DERRY WALKING TOUR WITH A LOCAL SPECIALIST

Take Derry's most famous walking tour and lap up sights including the City Walls, St. Columb's Cathedral, the Guildhall, the Bogside and much more.

Get to know Derry from the point of view of a local and soak up its fascinating history. Discover the secrets of the Maiden City on your tour of this stunning European walled city. St. Columb's Cathedral, built in 1633, is the city's most historic building, while the Bogside, which was at the centre of much of the Troubles, now hosts must-see murals.

Hotel: Portrush Atlantic Hotel (1 night) Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 9 (SEPT 22) | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY VISITOR CENTRE AND TITANIC BELFAST MUSEUM

Both the legendary handiwork of giant Finn McCool and an impressive rock structure forged from fire, the Giant's Causeway is a dramatic basalt structure which has inspired writers and artists the world over. A focal point as a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, learn about the history of the Giant's Causeway in the state-of-the-art visitor centre. Enjoy stories of science and legend in the exhibition.

Take an extraordinary journey into the past with the Titanic Belfast, an ode to one of the most famous tragedies of our time. Set across an iconic six-floor building with nine interactive galleries, you'll experience the Titanic through a miasma of stories, sights, and sounds. Traverse the recently restored SS Nomadic, one of the Titanic's service boats, see artefacts from the ship itself, walk the decks, explore the shipyard, and comb through film director James Cameron's redeveloped galleries of the ship's launch day and maiden, ill-fated voyage in the city where it all began.

Hotel: Maldron Hotel Belfast City (2 nights)

Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 10 (SEPT 23) | BLACK CAB TOUR

Experience a different side of Belfast in this unique glimpse into the conflict in Northern Ireland, told by locals with first-hand knowledge of the unrest. The Black Cab Tour will take you through the world's largest outdoor art gallery of spectacular murals before you hop in a taxicab to hear riveting accounts of the conflict, the murals, and the people behind them. Led by a local guide, you'll hear the living history of the city told with the passion and storytelling nous that the Irish are renowned for.

Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 11 (SEPT 24) | ARRIVE IN DUBLIN

Arrive back in Dublin Hotel: Hyatt Centric (1 night) Included Meal(s): Breakfast

DAY 12 (SEPT 25) | DEPART DUBLIN

Fly to Chicago O'Hare and travel by coach to Rockford Included Meal(s): Breakfast



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