

IRELAND

September 8 – 21, 2024



COMMUNITY EDUCATION TRAVEL

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TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Cliffs of Moher
- ★ Dingle Peninsula
- ★ Ring of Kerry
- ★ Killarney
- ★ Blarney Castle
- ★ Muckross House Jaunting Cart
- ★ Burren National Park
- ★ Galway
- ★ Connemara
- ★ Kylemore Abbey
- ★ Belleek Pottery
- ★ Lough Eske Castle
- ★ Donegal
- ★ Dublin
- ★ Guinness Storehouse
- ★ Merry Ploughboy Pub
- ★ Irish Emigration Museum
- ★ Gallarus Oratory

YOUR ITINERARY

DAY 1 Travel to Dublin, Ireland.

DAY 2 Welcome to the Emerald Isle! Travel from Dublin Airport to Belfast, Northern Ireland. Visit Monasterboice High Crosses. Welcome Cocktail hour in the Observatory Bar located on the 23rd floor of the Grand Central Hotel. Arrive at the Europa Hotel, Belfast City Centre for a 2-night stay Dinner.

DAY 3 Breakfast. Guided tour of Belfast highlighting Queens University, Titanic birthplace, Cathedral and Queen's Quarter and more. Visit the Titanic Experience Belfast Museum to explore the Titanic story from her conception in Belfast in the early 1900s, through her construction and launch, to her infamous maiden voyage, catastrophic demise, discovery of the wreck and present day live undersea exploration center. Return to the hotel for the evening.

DAY 4 Breakfast. Visit Giants Causeway – the only World Heritage site in Northern Ireland — where over 40,000 basalt columns were formed some 60 million years ago. Enjoy a walking tour of the historical walled city of Derry. Travel to Donegal. Arrive at Lough Eske Castle for a 2-night stay in County Donegal. Dinner.

DAY 5 Breakfast. Full day of leisure at the Lough Eske Castle to relax, enjoy the castle, perhaps us the Spa or walk the tranquil lake path. Optional afternoon excursion to Donegal Town.

DAY 6 Breakfast. Explore Belleek Pottery, world famous since 1857. Visit the peaceful churchyard at Drumcliffe in County Sligo to read the epitaph on the grave of Irish poet, William Butler Yeats, who chose this as his final resting place with its stunning location at the foot of Benbulbin Mountain. Arrive at the Park House Hotel in Galway for a 2-night stay. Dinner.

DAY 7 Breakfast. Tour the loop of Connemara and its breathtaking scenery of hills and bogs. Visit Kylemore Abbey & Victorian Walled Garden. Free evening in Galway.





DAY 8 Breakfast. Marvel at the rugged beauty of the towering Cliffs of Moher and stunning vistas over the Atlantic Ocean and the Aran Islands. Scenic travel through the Burren National Park. Stroll the gardens of the Muckross House. Arrive at the Randles Hotel in Killarney for a 3-night stay. Dinner.

DAY 9 Breakfast. Day tour of Dingle Peninsula including Sea Head drive. Visit Gallarus Oratory – a chapel built over a 1000 years ago built entirely from dry stone masonry. Time to explore Dingle. Return to Killarney for a free evening.

DAY 10 Breakfast. Day tour of the Ring of Kerry including scenic towns of Cahersiveen & Waterville, Coomakesta Pass with magnificent views of Derrynane, Killarney National Park, and Lake of Killarney. Step back in time at 19th Century Kerry Bog Village Museum. Lunch at a local pub. Enjoy a jaunting cart ride at Muckross House.

DAY 11 Breakfast. Kiss the famous Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle (1446) with free time at Woolen Mills. Visit Rock of Cashel – the seat of Kings and mediaeval bishops for 900 years and flourished until the early 17th century. Arrive at the Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham in Dublin for a 3-night stay. Dinner.

DAY 12 Breakfast. City tour of Dublin. Highlights include O'Connell Street, Phoenix Park, Leinster House and more. Explore the Irish Emigration Museum to uncover the story of Irish emigrants and how they shaped the world. Tour of the Guinness Storehouse finishing at the Gravity Bar for a pint of Guinness while enjoying panoramic views over Dublin city. Return to the hotel for a free evening.

DAY 13

Breakfast. Enjoy a free day to explore Dublin on your own. Dinner at the Merry Ploughboy Pub followed by the best traditional music show in Dublin featuring Irish music, song and dancing.

DAY 14

Breakfast. Tour Ends.



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TOUR PACKAGE

\$6,498 Double Occupancy per Person

\$7,598 Single Occupancy

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN TOUR PACKAGE:

- ★ 12 night accommodations
- ★ 19 meals: 12 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 6 dinners
- ★ All attractions, tours & admissions, deluxe motorcoach transportation, all tips, taxes & luggage handling, premier local guides, services of your American Classic Tour Director.

TRAVEL INSURANCE:

Add travel insurance to your package at the time of reservation.

DEPOSIT: \$1,500 per Person

FINAL PAYMENT DATE: 5/1/2024

ACTIVITY LEVEL: 1 2 **3** **PASSPORT REQUIRED**

CLASSIC ALL-INCLUSIVE PACKAGE

FEATURING HOME PICK-UP SERVICE

Our Classic All-Inclusive Package features home pick-up & return service, roundtrip airfare, and airport transfers, in addition to your tour package (listed above).

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WHAT'S INCLUDED IN YOUR TOUR?

- ★ Deluxe Motorcoach Transportation
- ★ Deluxe Hotel Accommodations
- ★ Fine-Dining (see pg. 3 for exact meal count)
- ★ All Attractions, Tours, Admissions
- ★ Luggage Handling
- ★ All Tips & Taxes
- ★ Premier Local Guides
- ★ American Classic Tour Director

EASY ADD-ONS

- ★ Home Pickup & Return
- ★ Airfare
- ★ Travel Insurance

ADD-ONS: EASY AS 1-2-3

- 1. HOME PICKUP & RETURN:** Begin your tour with a convenient, professional pickup at your front door. Home pickup and return service is available if you live within 50 miles of a major metro airport. If you live beyond 50 miles, call us to see if service is available in your area.
- 2. AIRFARE:** Airfare can be added to all tour packages upon request. If you prefer to book your own airfare, you will then meet the tour at the destination.
- 3. TRAVEL INSURANCE:** Travel Insurance may be added to all tour packages.

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