



Taste of Scotland & Ireland

Starting at **\$3355.00***

The perfect combo

See the most-beloved attractions of two countries at a lively pace. Feast in a medieval castle, cruise Loch Ness, take a jaunting car ride, watch sheepdogs on a farm.

Trip details

Tour start **Glasgow** Tour end **Shannon**

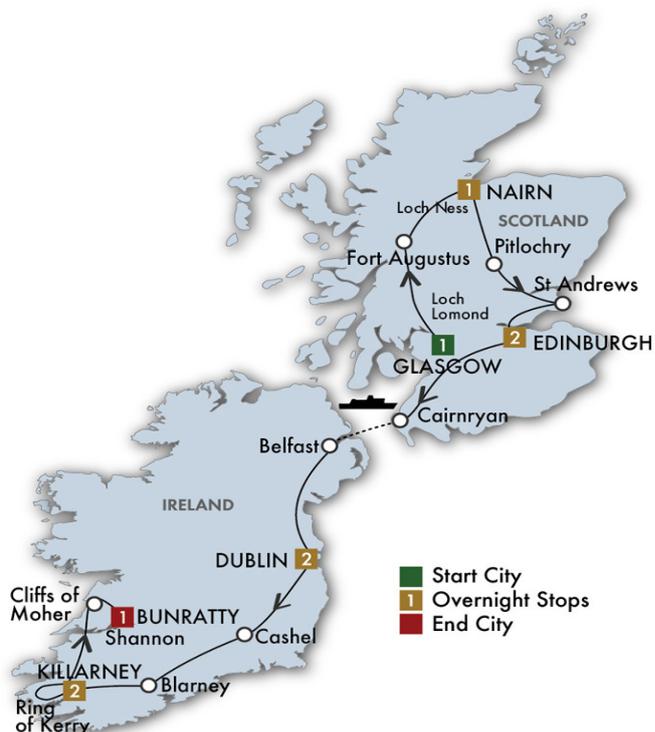
10 Days **9** Nights **16** Meals

Trip Highlights:

- Sheepdog Demonstration
- Loch Ness Cruise
- Blair Athol Distillery
- Cliffs of Moher
- Edinburgh Castle
- Titanic Belfast
- Blarney Castle

Hotels:

- DoubleTree by Hilton Glasgow Central
- Muthu Newton Hotel
- Dalmahoy Hotel and Country Club
- Hyatt Centric The Liberties
- Killarney Avenue Hotel
- Bunratty Castle Hotel



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Trip Itinerary

Day 1 Glasgow Tour | Provand's Lordship

Your tour begins at 2:30 PM at your Glasgow hotel. Set out on a panoramic tour of central Glasgow - a city that flourished in Victorian times due to the shipbuilding industry and international trade. Drive around George Square with its ornate City Chambers, and visit Provand's Lordship, Glasgow's oldest house, built in 1471. Enjoy a welcome drink with your group before dinner. (D)

Day 3 Whisky Tasting | St Andrews | Scottish Evening*

Visit Blair Athol Distillery to see how whisky is distilled and enjoy a sample. Travel to St Andrews, best known as the "Home of Golf." Take a panoramic drive around, then spend some time exploring independently. Continue on to your gracious manor house hotel outside Edinburgh, set on 1,000 acres with two golf courses. Enjoy a Scottish evening with traditional food and entertainment. August 3 - 24 departures enjoy time to explore and dine independently. (B, D*)

Day 5 Ferry to Ireland | Titanic Belfast

Depart Edinburgh and travel through Ayrshire and along the coast. Embark on a ferry ride to Belfast. Take a panoramic drive through Belfast, seeing the highlights of this fascinating city, where Titanic was built in the once-bustling shipyards. Visit Titanic Belfast to explore the fascinating story of the doomed ship. Then travel to Dublin, where you will enjoy some free time for dinner on your own. (B)

Day 7 Farmhouse Tea with Sheepdog Demonstration | Blarney Castle

Travel through the midlands of Ireland on your way to a traditional farm. Immerse yourself in farm life with tea and scones at a farmhouse visit and watch skilled dogs herd sheep. Head to Blarney Castle and kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence." Head to Killarney, picturesquely set beside lakes and mountains. (B, D)

Day 9 Cliffs of Moher | Medieval Castle Banquet

After crossing the Shannon estuary by ferry, take in the enormity of the Cliffs of Moher, a spectacular wall of sandstone that reaches 700 feet above the Atlantic. Walk along the cliffs for stunning views. In Bunratty check into your hotel, where you can take some time to relax independently or have a drink in the nearby Durty Nelly's Pub, an Irish landmark. In the evening, enjoy a memorable medieval-style feast where the lords and ladies will serenade you with song and harp music evocative of the Middle Ages. (B, D)

Day 2 Loch Lomond | Loch Ness Cruise

Travel alongside the famous Loch Lomond, renowned for its beauty. Drive across the haunting Rannoch Moor and through Glencoe, admiring the wild and spectacular scenery. Continue through Fort William and on to Fort Augustus and stop at a woolen mill to shop for quality Scottish goods. Embark on a short cruise on Loch Ness before heading to Nairn. (B, D)

Day 4 Edinburgh Castle | City Tour

Explore the principal sights of central Edinburgh from the bustling Princes Street and through the gracious, wide streets of the 200-year-old Georgian "New Town." Walk along part of the Royal Mile where compact medieval houses reach several stories tall. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched high above the city on volcanic rock home to the Scottish Crown Jewels and the Stone of Scone. The rest of the day is free. The August 3 - 24 departures attend the spectacular Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo on the Castle Esplanade. (B)

Day 6 Dublin Sightseeing | Christ Church Cathedral | Canal Dinner Cruise

Discover central Dublin on a panoramic tour with a local guide. See the shopping areas around Grafton and Nassau Streets, view elegant Georgian squares, and the General Post Office, where the 1916 rebellion, would lead to Irish independence, started. Visit Christ Church Cathedral, founded in 1028. In the evening, board a former Guinness barge for a canal dinner cruise complete with traditional Irish music. (B, D)

Day 8 Jaunting Car Ride | Ring of Kerry | Skellig Experience

Step back in time as a jaunting car drives you past Ross Castle on Lough Leane. Head to scenic Gap of Dunloe to visit Moriarty's, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner. Embark on the Ring of Kerry drive, a winding route with breath-taking sights of mountains and coastal views. Cross the bridge to Valentia Island to visit the Skellig Experience, which explains the life of early Christian hermits on Skellig Michael, a rocky offshore island featured in the film "Star Wars VII". Enjoy a casual lunch before a pause at Moll's Gap for panoramic mountain views. Return to Killarney where the evening is free. (B, L)

Day 10 Tour Ends In Shannon

Your program ends after breakfast today. (B) B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner All components of this tour (hotels, visits and attractions) for 2020 itineraries are subject to change until finalized in September 2019. >



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