Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way Self-Drive

Starting at **C$2,995***

See Ireland's coastal glory

Drive west to see some of Ireland’s most spectacular Atlantic coastline and enjoy stays in scenic Donegal, charming Westport, pretty Adare, and Tralee. Take in Dublin, Connemara, and the Ring of Kerry. All of our self-drive Classic Itinerary tours include your hotel stays, a hop-on, hop-off bus ticket and a voucher for a Dublin attraction, and an entertainment experience; other attractions mentioned are suggestions.

Trip details

Tour start
Dun Laoghaire

Tour end
Dublin

10	9	13
Days	Nights	Meals

* Prices listed are in Canadian dollars, and are per-person, double-occupancy. If you would prefer a single room, there is a single-room supplement of C$1,745

Trip Highlights:
- Night at the Abbey Tavern
- Dublin Hop-On, Hop-Off Bus Tour
- Dublin Sightseeing

Hotels:
- Royal Marine Hotel
- Mill Park Hotel
- Knockranny House Hotel
- Fitzgeralds Woodlands House Hotel
- The Ashe Hotel
- Radisson Blu Royal Hotel - Dublin

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Trip Itinerary

Day 1 **Dublin**

Pick up your Hertz rental car upon your arrival at Dublin airport. Your self-drive adventure begins at the Royal Marine Hotel, in the suburb of Dún Laoghaire, south of the city. Head out to discover Dublin. Plus, you will have a voucher to admit you to one of Dublin's top attractions: the Guinness Storehouse, a seven-story attraction telling the story of Dublin's iconic beverage, complete with a pint at the Gravity Bar on the top floor; Teeling Whiskey Distillery, the first new whiskey distillery to open in Dublin in 125 years; EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum, telling the story of the people who left Ireland and how they shaped the world; the GPO Museum, innovatively detailing the fascinating story of the 1916 Rising, the pivotal event that led to Ireland's independence; or Jameson Distillery Bow St., the original home of Jameson Irish Whiskey since 1780. Dine independently this evening.

Day 2 **Donegal**

You'll drive to Donegal today. If your route takes you through Roscommon, you might choose to visit Strokestown Park Famine Museum in Strokestown or the Shed Distillery in Drumshambo. Continue your travels north to Donegal, where you will dine in your hotel this evening. With its windswept hills where only sheep can thrive, Donegal is renowned for woolen production and tweeds. (B, D)

Day 3 **Donegal**

Today you might choose to see the Slieve League sea cliffs, the highest in Europe. Take in the incredible ocean views from these spectacular cliffs. Travel through beautiful views of Donegal; you may want to visit Triona Design Donegal Tweed Center in Ardara, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner, where spinners and weavers will demonstrate their crafts. Head back to your hotel in Donegal town, a busy little town that was once a Viking port. Enjoy dinner independently this evening. (B)

Day 4 **Westport**

Continue toward County Mayo. Your hotel is in Westport, a heritage town with riverside walks, tree-lined promenades, and lovely stone bridges; the design for the town was laid out in 1780 in the Georgian architectural style. Among the sights to see is the National Museum of Ireland - Country Life at Turlough Park, Co. Mayo. There are plenty of charming pubs to explore this evening, some with live music. (B)

Day 5 Galway | Adare

Travel to bustling, creative Galway. Check out its medieval streetscape, charming shops, and many cafes and restaurants. You might choose to visit the Cliffs of Moher, soaring 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. Walk along the cliffs to see spectacular visas, including Galway Bay and the Aran Islands, along with miles of cliffside. Continue on south to Adare, County Limerick, known as one of Ireland's prettiest villages; enjoy dinner at your hotel, and explore this little village as you choose. (B, D)

Day 6 Dingle | Tralee

Begin your journey to Kerry. You might take a scenic drive to the rugged mountain landscapes of the Dingle Peninsula and enjoy some time exploring the friendly town of Dingle. Make your way to Tralee, where you will dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D)

Day 7 Ring of Kerry | Tralee

Today is a great day to check out the Ring of Kerry, Ireland's most famous and popular scenic drive. You might choose to stop at Moriarty's in the beautiful Gap of Dunloe, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner. Continuing on the scenic drive, pause for panoramic mountain views at Moll's Gap. You might choose to visit Killarney to explore and dine independently before returning to Tralee. (B)

Day 8 Dublin | Abbey Tavern

You'll travel across the country to Dubin today. Along the way you might choose to visit Blarney Castle, built nearly 600 years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftains. Climb the winding stairs to kiss the famed Blarney Stone; legend says if you do, you'll be given the gift of eloquence. Explore the castle's extensive gardens, set on 60 acres of parkland. Next, head to your hotel in Dublin. Dine in the nearby seaside suburb of Howth at the Abbey Tavern, enjoying Irish cuisine and an evening of lively entertainment. (B, D)

Day 9 Dublin

Enjoy a relaxing day at leisure while enjoying the sights of 18th century Georgian houses with brightly painted doors, tranquil parks, and historic O'Connell Street, or you might choose to explore some of Ireland's charming seaside suburbs, like Dalkey or Malahide. You could even go further afield, by driving into the Wicklow Mountains to see Glendalough - the romantic ruins of a sixth-century monastery established by St Kevin, complete with high stone crosses, a picturesque round tower, and several churches. Or if you haven't yet used your vouchers from the start of your trip, enjoy some city sightseeing. (B)

Day 10 Your Tour Ends in Dublin

Your tour ends after breakfast. Return your rental at the airport. (B) B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner>

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