

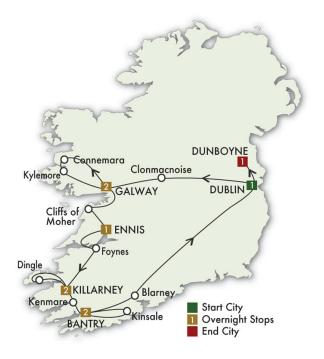
# Elegant Ireland

Starting at **\$2,569**\*

## **Explore Ireland's seaside beauty**

Elegant Ireland offers a deeper dive into Ireland's gorgeous western coast, including West Cork, and its charming seaside towns. Enjoy four- and five-star accommodations—including a castle stay—as part of this luxury tour.

## **Trip details** Tour start Tour end **Dublin Dublin** 10☆ 9) 18 6 Nights Meals Days \* Prices listed are per-person, double-occupancy. If you would prefer a single room, there is a single-room supplement of \$740



## Trip Highlights:

- Trinity College & the Book of Kells Kinsale
- Dingle Peninsula
- Clonmacnoise Monastic Site
- · Lough Corrib Cruise
- · Cliffs of Moher
- Kylemore Abbey

- Radisson Blu St Helen's Hotel Dublin
- Salthill Hotel
- Old Ground Hotel
- Aghadoe Heights Hotel
- Maritime Hotel
- Dunboyne Castle Hotel

## 2020 Elegant Ireland - 10 Days/9 Nights

## **Trip Itinerary**

#### Day 1 Dublin Arrival | Book of Kells | Merry Ploughboy Pub

Tour begins 2:00 PM at your Dublin hotel. Then join your group for a guided walking tour of Trinity College, where you'll view the Book of Kells, one of Ireland's most important cultural treasures—a beautiful illuminated manuscript of the Gospels created by monks in the ninth century. Enjoy a welcome drink before heading to the Merry Ploughboy Pub for dinner and a lively show. (D)

#### Day 3 Lough Corrib Cruise | Kylemore Abbey | Connemara

Embark for a cruise on Lough Corrib to enjoy the scenery and savor an Irish coffee while enjoying an Irish dancing demonstration. Drive through the scenic Connemara. At Kylemore Abbey, visit elegant rooms and the charming lakeside church. Enjoy lunch and more views of Connemara before returning to Galway where the evening is free to explore and dine on your own. (B, L)

## Day 5 Foynes Flying Boat & Maritime Museum | Listowel | Killarney

Cross the River Shannon on a short ferry ride and drive along the shore to visit the Foynes Flying Boat & Maritime Museum. Stop in Listowel, the charming "literary capital of Ireland," to explore and have lunch independently before heading to picturesque Killarney. Dine at the award-winning Rozzers Restaurant in Killeen House. (B, D)

## Day 7 Killarney's Jaunting Car | Ross Castle | Kenmare | Cork

Take a traditional horse-drawn jaunting car ride through scenic Killarney National Park and along the shores of Lough Leane. Stop at Ross Castle and Kenmare Estate to admire the unspoiled scenery. Drive to Kenmare to have lunch and explore on your own. Continue along the scenic West Cork coast before arriving in Bantry. (B, D)

## Day 9 Blarney Stone | Farewell Dinner | Dunboyne Castle

Visit Blarney Castle to kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence" or enjoy a stroll through the grounds. Enjoy a farewell dinner in Dublin's trendy Beef and Lobster Restaurant before continuing north to your hotel in nearby Co. Meath. (B, D)

#### Day 2 Clonmacnoise Monastic Site | Galway | Claddagh

Journey across the rolling pastures to visit Clonmacnoise, a monastic settlement founded in 544 AD and set on the banks of the River Shannon. Journey on to Galway, and enjoy a walking tour of this ancient port town with a local guide. Walk the medieval streetscape and see the Claddagh, once a fishing village, where the famous ring originated. (B, D)

#### Day 4 Sheepdog Demonstration | Burren | Cliffs of Moher | Ennis

Visit a traditional farm to watch sheepdogs show off their talents at herding sheep and enjoy tea and homemade scones. Travel through the rugged beauty of the Burren to visit the majestic Cliffs of Moher, which tower 700 feet above the swirling Atlantic below. Take a walking tour of Ennis with a local guide; this town of narrow streets, dating back to the 11th century, is known for its lively traditional music scene. (B, D)

#### Day 6 Dingle Peninsula | Gallarus Oratory

Explore the scenic Dingle Peninsula for views of heathery mountains, sandy beaches and rocky headlands. Visit the Gallarus Oratory, a stone chapel that was also a shelter for pilgrims. Stop in Dingle to explore and have lunch on your own. Return to your hotel in Killarney for dinner. (B, D)

## Day 8 Timoleague Franciscan Friary | Charles Fort | Historic

Travel along the West Cork coast to visit Timoleague Franciscan Friary, founded in 1240, with its picturesque ruins of the church and living quarters. Head to Kinsale, renowned since medieval times for its seafaring trade, and now a picturesque town beloved by foodies and art lovers. Join a local guide at the star-shaped Charles Fort before taking a gentle stroll through town. (B, D)

### Day 10 Tour Ends at Dunboyne Castle

Your program ends after breakfast. (B) B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner

