

# Irish Classic

Starting at \$3,445\*

### **Circle around the Emerald Isle's** breathtaking coasts

Skirt along the entire rugged coastline to see the highlights on this Ireland tour.

## **Trip details**

Tour start <b>Dublin</b>		Tour end <b>Dublin</b>
<b>13 🜣</b>	<b>12 》</b>	<b>20 %</b>
<sub>Days</sub>	Nights	Meals

\* Prices listed are in US dollars, and are per-person, double-occupancy. If you would prefer a single room, there is a single-room supplement of \$895



#### **Trip Highlights:**

- Cliffs of Moher
  John B. Keane's Pub
- DerryNine Glens of Antrim
- St. Patricks' Grave
- Giant's Causeway
   Ring of Kerry

#### Hotels:

- Hyatt Centric The Liberties
- Hilton Belfast Hotel
- City Hotel, Derry Hotel Westport
- Bunratty Castle Hotel
- Killarney Plaza Hotel
- Granville Hotel
- The Spencer Hotel

# 2021 Irish Classic - 13 Days/12 Nights

# **Trip Itinerary**

#### Day 1 Dublin Panoramic Tour | Dublin Castle

Tour begins at 2:00 PM at your Dublin hotel. Take a panoramic tour of Dublin, seeing sights such as elegant Georgian townhouses, St. Stephen's Green and the River Liffey. Visit Dublin Castle, the seat of power and government in Ireland for many centuries. Take a guided tour through the castle and see the State Apartments, used today for official functions and presidential inaugurations. Enjoy a welcome drink with your group before dining independently.

#### Day 3 Titanic Belfast | Belfast Walking Tour

Tour central Belfast to see Victorian buildings, the imposing City Hall in Donegall Square, and the shipyards where RMS Titanic was built in 1912. Visit Titanic Belfast to learn about the ill-fated liner, which was built in the city. In the afternoon, join a local guide for a walking tour of Belfast before some free time. (B)

#### Day 5 Slieve League Cliffs | Triona Design | Westport

Travel through the rugged countryside of Donegal, renowned for heathery hills, mountain sheep, and the many tweeds made from their wool. Visit Triona Design in Ardara, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner, and enjoy a demonstration of handweaving. Take a visit to Slieve League, the tallest sea cliffs in Europe. Stop for tea and scones before continuing to Westport in County Mayo, where you'll dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D)

#### Day 7 Galway | Cliffs of Moher | Durty Nelly's

Travel to Galway for some free time to explore the city. Head out to visit the majestic Cliffs of Moher, which soar 700 feet above the Atlantic. In the evening, dine at Durty Nelly's, one of Ireland's landmark pubs. Beloved by locals and visitors alike, it's been welcoming guests for 400 years. (B, D)

#### Day 9 Jaunting Car Ride | Ring of Kerry Highlights | Kenmare | Killarney

Enjoy a scenic, traditional horse-drawn jaunting car ride to Ross Castle and the Kenmare Estate. Visit CIE Tours preferred shopping partner, Moriarty's in the Gap of Dunloe. Travel along part of the Ring of Kerry to see the spectacular mountain scenery at Moll's Gap and at Ladies View. Stop off in Kenmare for lunch and free time. Return to Killarney where the evening is free for independent dining and perhaps a visit to a local pub with live music (B,L)

#### Day 11 House of Waterford Crystal | Dunbrody Famine Ship | Taylors Three Rock

Witness the creation of crystal masterpieces at the House of Waterford Crystal, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner. In New Ross explore Dunbrody Famine Ship which transported people to North America during the 1840's famine. This evening enjoy dinner and a show at Taylors Threenash Rock (B, D)

#### Day 13 Tour Ends in Dublin

Your tour ends after breakfast today. (B) B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner >

#### Day 2 Down Cathedral | St. Patrick's Centre | Crumlin Road Gaol | Belfast

Visit Down Cathedral where St. Patrick's historical burial site is marked by a huge boulder. Immerse yourself in his work, life, and times in the nearby St. Patrick Centre. Explore Crumlin Road Gaol and see what prison life was like through the ages. Head to central Belfast for some time to relax before dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

#### Day 4 Giant's Causeway | Derry Walking Tour | Walled City Brewery

Drive north along the Nine Glens of Antrim for views of mountains, valleys, and coastline. This scenic region is one of the locations for "Game of Thrones." Stop for photos at the ruins of Dunluce Castle. Explore the Giant's Causeway, enormous hexagonal columns formed by volcanic activity 60 million years ago. In Derry join a local guide for a short walking tour around the defensive walls that encircle the compact old city. Then visit the Walled City Brewery, an award-winning CIE Tours Exclusive venue, for dinner and a flight of their craft beers. (B, D)

#### Day 6 Sheepdog Demonstration | Westport Walking Tour

Enjoy views of the pilgrimage mountain of Croagh Patrick and stop in the beautiful town of Leenane. Head to a local farm to watch skilled dogs herd sheep. View Killary Harbour, Ireland's only fjord. Return to Westport for a walking tour of this lively little town, then spend the rest of the afternoon and evening exploring as you wish. (B)

#### Day 8 John B. Keane's Pub | Dingle Peninsula

Travel along the River Shannon into County Kerry. In Listowel, sample tea and scones in the family pub of the late, famed playwright John B Keane. Journey along the Dingle Peninsula to Slea Head for glorious scenic views of hills and coastline. Stop in Dingle for some free time before heading to Killarney and dinner in your hotel (B,D)

#### Day 10 Blarney Castle | Marine Bar | Waterford Walking Tour

Visit Blarney Castle to climb the winding staircase and kiss the famed "Stone of Eloquence" or relax in the lovely gardens. Travel on to Dungarvan to enjoy an Irish coffee and traditional Irish music at the Marine Bar a CIE Tours Exclusive venue. Continue to Waterford where a local guide will lead a stroll around the historic old port city. (B,D)

#### Day 12 Hop On Hop Off Bus Tour in Dublin

Enjoy your day in Dublin independently on the Hop-On, Hop-Off bus tour. Use your voucher to visit your choice of one of Dublin's top attractions: Guinness Storehouse, Teeling's Whiskey Distillery, EPIC THe Irish Emigration Museum or the GPO Museum. In the evening, dine at one of the many restaurants or pubs that Dublin has to offer. (B)



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