

Private Driver - Irish Legends Starting at \$4,982*

Ireland Private Driver Prebooked Vacations

Circle the southern half of Ireland with stays in Waterford, Killarney, Galway and Dublin.

Trip details





Trip Highlights:

- Cobh Heritage Center
- Aran Islands Excursion
 Irish National Stud
- Dunbrody Famine Ship
- Clonmacnoise Monastic Site
- Sean's Bar

Hotels:

- Dunboyne Castle Hotel
- Newpark Hotel
- Killarney Towers Hotel
 Salthill Hotel
- North Star Hotel

2020 Private Driver Irish Legends - 10 Days/9 Nights

Trip Itinerary

Day 1 Dublin | Malahide Castle

Your driver will meet you at Dublin Airport. Head out to visit Malahide Castle, first built in 1185 and filled with medieval artifacts. Check into your hotel for the evening.

Day 3 Waterford

After breakfast, head further south to Waterford and witness the creation of crystal masterpieces during your visit to the House of Waterford Crystal. Then explore the rest of this old Viking settlement and learn about Waterford's long history and some of its colorful characters. Later, head to New Ross to explore the Dunbrody Famine Ship, a replica of the vessel used during the 1840s Famine to transport emigrants to North America. Return to Kilkenny for the evening. (B)

Day 5 Aran Islands | Prehistoric Dun Aengus Fort

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Day 9 Dublin Sightseeing

Enjoy a day of sightseeing in the heart of Dublin. Use your included voucher for a visit to one of Dublin's top attractions -- Guinness Storehouse, Teeling Distillery, EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum or the General Post Office Museum. (B)

Day 2 National Stud | Kilkenny Walk

Visit the home of equine royalty, the Irish National Stud, where you'll see immaculately bred stallions alongside protective mares, frolicking foals and athletic yearlings. Take a walk around the grounds to see St. Fiachra's Garden and the miniature Japanese Gardens. Later, visit Kilkenny and explore its Medieval Mile, the main thoroughfare to see historic streets and buildings. (B)

Day 4 Kilkenny | Killarney

Travel south to Cobh, the last port of call of the Titanic and where many places associated with the liner still exist. Visit the Cobh Heritage Centre, which traces the history of emigration over a number of centuries from Ireland to North America. Head to Blarney Castle to kiss the famous stone or stroll through the spacious parklands to view Blarney House. Stop in and treat yourself to quality Irish goods at Blarney Woollen Mills before heading to Killarney. (B)

Day 6 Killarney | Galway

Depart Killarney and head north toward Galway. Embark on an optional ferry ride across the wide River Shannon Estuary. View the Cliffs of Moher, soaring 700 feet above the churning Atlantic swells. Walk along the top of the cliffs where on a clear day you can see great views of Galway Bay and the Aran Islands. Explore Galway and its Latin Quarter, or stroll down Quay Street and stop in at one the many local pubs. (B)

Day 8 Galway | Dublin

Visit Clonmacnoise, a monastic settlement founded in 545 AD and set on the banks of the River Shannon. Marvel at elaborate High Celtic crosses decorated with biblical scenes, walk around the many church ruins and two round towers. Head to nearby Athlone and stop at Sean's Bar. This pub has a documented history going right back to 900 AD. During renovations in 1970, ancient walls and old coins dating back centuries were discovered. Overnight in Dublin. (B)

Day 10 Tour Ends in Dublin

Your program ends after breakfast with a transfer to Dublin Airport. (B)



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