



# British & Irish Grandeur

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## Set off on an epic adventure

See the best of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales in one grand tour. CIE Tours brings these countries—and their rich histories—to life with the very best highlights and unique experiences.

## Trip details

Tour start  
**London**



Tour end  
**London**

**14** ☀️  
Days

**13** 🌙  
Nights

**21** 🍴  
Meals

\* Prices listed are per-person, double-occupancy. If you would prefer a single room, there is a single-room supplement of \$1410.



### Trip Highlights:

- Hampton Court Palace
- Stonehenge
- Book of Kells at Trinity College
- Jameson Whiskey Experience
- Edinburgh Military Tattoo
- Cardiff Castle
- Giant's Causeway

### Hotels:

- Novotel London Tower Bridge
- Novotel York Centre
- Courtyard Edinburgh West
- Grand Central Hotel Belfast
- Gresham Hotel
- Killarney Plaza Hotel
- Granville Hotel
- Clayton Hotel Cardiff

# 2020 British & Irish Grandeur - 14 Days/13 Nights

## Trip Itinerary

### Day 1 Arrival | London Tour

Tour begins at 2:00 PM at your London hotel. Take a panoramic tour of central London to see famous landmarks including Piccadilly Circus, Trafalgar Square, Westminster Abbey, Big Ben, and the Houses of Parliament. Enjoy a welcome drink with your group.

### Day 2 Hampton Court Palace | Free Time in London

Discover magnificent Hampton Court Palace, Henry VIII's royal residence. The afternoon and evening are free; you may use your included Oyster card to explore London by public transport. (B)

### Day 3 Cambridge | York | York Minster

Stroll around Cambridge to view some of the famous university colleges and the Mathematical Bridge over the River Cam. Travel to the historic city of York to visit stately York Minster, one of the grandest cathedrals in Europe, noted for its colorful stained glass windows. Take a guided walk through the narrow streets and medieval houses, before enjoying free time on your own. (B)

### Day 4 Alnwick Castle | Scottish Evening

Tour the second largest inhabited castle in England, Alnwick Castle, with its collections of centuries-old porcelain, furniture, and artwork, including pieces by Renaissance masters like Titian and Palma il Vecchio. (Pop culture fans will recognize that it served as Hogwarts in the first two Harry Potter movies, and Brancaster Castle in Downton Abbey.) Travel through Northumberland and the Scottish Borders to your hotel near Edinburgh for a night of traditional Scottish feasting and fun—including a performance by bagpipers. (B, D)

### Day 5 Edinburgh Castle | Edinburgh Tour

Explore the best of Edinburgh, from its 200-year-old "New Town" with grand Georgian architecture to the medieval buildings in its famous Royal Mile. See the Crown Jewels of Scotland and the Stone of Destiny during your tour of Edinburgh Castle. Explore Edinburgh on your own for the rest of the day—except on tour departures from August 9-23, when you'll attend the spectacular Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo on the Castle Esplanade. (B)

### Day 6 Ferry to Belfast | Crumlin Road Gaol

Take a short ferry ride from Cairnryan to Belfast for a tour of the city, including its gorgeous Victorian architecture, grand City Hall, and the shipyards where the RMS Titanic was built. Step back in time the Crumlin Gaol, which is the only Victorian-era prison in Northern Ireland, before you enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

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**Day 7      Glens of Antrim | Giant's Causeway | Dublin**

Travel through the lush Glens of Antrim, forests that were featured in Game of Thrones. See the Giant's Causeway, hexagonal basalt columns formed by volcanoes more than 60 million years ago. Head to Dublin, where you'll enjoy some free time to explore and dine on your own. (B)

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**Day 9      Blarney Castle | Killarney**

Visit the iconic Blarney Castle to kiss the "Stone of Eloquence" and earn the gift of gab, or stroll through its gorgeous gardens. Then travel on to the scenic town of Killarney. (B, D)

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**Day 11      Jameson Whiskey | Waterford Crystal | Waterford Tour**

Tour the Jameson Experience, where you'll discover how they craft Irish whiskey—and enjoy a sample dram. At House of Waterford Crystal, see how sparkling masterpieces are crafted by blowing and cutting glass. Finally, get a glimpse of the rich history of the old port city of Waterford on a walking tour with a local guide. (B, D)

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**Day 13      Roman Baths | Stonehenge**

Arrive in Bath to explore the mineral-rich hot springs, which have drawn visitors to the area since the Roman Empire. Explore the iconic prehistoric monoliths of Stonehenge on Salisbury Plain, before continuing on to London for a farewell dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

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**Day 8      Dublin Tour | Book of Kells | Taylors Three Rock Pub**

Tour the stately Georgian squares and streets and landmark buildings of Dublin, before embarking on a walking tour of Trinity College and the Book of Kells. Spend the afternoon sightseeing on your own. Enjoy dinner, music and dancing at Taylors Three Rock Pub. (B, D)

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**Day 10      Ring of Kerry | Sheepdog Demo**

Travel along one of the world's best scenic drives, the Ring of Kerry, with stops at Moll's Gap and Ladies View to take in the scenery. Stop in Kenmare to browse around and have lunch. Immerse yourself in farm life as you watch sheepdogs tend to their flocks, before heading back to Killarney to explore the city on your own. (B, L)

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**Day 12      South Wales | Cardiff Castle | Welsh Banquet**

Take the ferry from Rosslare to Pembroke Dock in Wales, followed by a panoramic tour of the heart of Cardiff. In the evening, head to Cardiff Castle to tour its grand Gothic-style residence, then enjoy Welsh music and entertainment over dinner. (B, D)

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**Day 14      Tour Ends In London**

Your tour ends today after breakfast. (B)

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