

# Irish Adventure

Starting at \$2,385\*

### Journey through the very best of Ireland

Make the most of every moment of your Ireland vacation-you'll discover all the can't-miss Irish scenery and history on this fast-paced tour.

## **Trip details**

Tour start <b>Dublin</b>		Tour end <b>Dublin</b>
<b>9 ☆</b>	<b>8</b> )	<b>15 %</b>
Days	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 \$560



#### **Trip Highlights:**

- House of Waterford Crystal
  Cliffs of Moher
- Blarney CastleGiant's CausewayGlendalough
- Titanic Belfast

#### Hotels:

- Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane
- Dooley's Hotel Waterford
- International Hotel Killarney
- Ardilaun Hotel • Everglades Hotel
- The Croke Park Hotel

# 2022 Irish Adventure - 9 Days/8 Nights

# **Trip Itinerary**

#### Day 1 Dublin City Tour | Book of Kells

Your tour begins at 2:00 PM at your Dublin hotel. Set out on a panoramic tour of the city. Highlights include 18th-century Georgian houses with brightly painted doors, tranquil parks, and historic O'Connell Street. Visit Trinity College to view the illuminated manuscript of the Book of Kells. In the evening, enjoy a welcome drink with your group before dinner in your hotel. (D)

#### Day 3 Waterford Crystal | Cobh | Blarney Castle

See skilled artisans create crystal masterpieces at the House of Waterford Crystal, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner. Travel to Cobh for a guided walking tour – this harbor town was the last port of call for the Titanic in 1912 and was also the main point of embarkation for Irish emigrants between 1848 and 1960. Proceed on to Blarney, to visit Blarney Castle and kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence" or explore the tranquil gardens. Journey west through rugged countryside and settle in to your centrally located hotel in Killarney.(Friday departures from May to October stay in Tralee - chat with a representative at CIETours.com for more information.) (B, D)

#### Day 5 Cliffs of Moher | Galway

Head to the Cliffs of Moher, stunning formations that soar 700 feet above the churning Atlantic and extend for 9 miles. On the way, take a ferry across the River Shannon Estuary and travel along the scenic coast of County Clare. Take in the spectacular views as you walk atop the cliffs. Travel on through the austere beauty of the Burren, a distinctive limestone landscape formed by glaciers, to Galway. A local guide will join you for a brief stroll through the medieval streets of this vibrant, artistic city. (B, D)

#### Day 7 Giant's Causeway | Titanic Belfast | Glyde Inn

Explore the northern coastline and the Giant's Causeway, enormous hexagonal columns formed by volcanic activity over 60 million years ago. Visit Titanic Belfast and learn about the ill-fated ship through state-of-the-art displays. See the docks where the famous liner was built just over a century ago. Stop at the Glyde Inn for a farewell dinner with Irish specialties and entertainment featuring traditional Irish music and songs. (B, D)

#### Day 9 Tour Ends in Dublin

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

#### Day 2 Glendalough | Dunbrody Famine Ship | Waterford

Enjoy the delightful scenery of the Wicklow Mountains on the way to Glendalough. Explore the remains of one of the most important monastic sites in Ireland, founded by St. Kevin in the 6th century. Walk through the deep valley to view the picturesque ruins of a round tower, churches, and Celtic crosses. Head southeast to the Dunbrody Famine Ship, an authentic reproduction of an 1840's vessel that brought desperate Irish emigrants fleeing famine to the New World. Continue on to Waterford and take a stroll around the streets of this historic city with a local guide before dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 4 Ring of Kerry | Killarney or Tralee

Discover Ireland's most popular scenic drive, the Ring of Kerry. In the beautiful Gap of Dunloe, stop off at our CIE Tours preferred shopping partner, Moriarty's. Along the way, stop for lunch, take a stroll around Sneem, and stop at Moll's Gap to enjoy its panoramic views. Return to your hotel to enjoy a free evening, with time for dining independently and perhaps a visit to one of the town's many lively pubs. (B, L)

#### Day 6 Sheepdog Demonstration | Donegal | Derry

Immerse yourself in traditional farm life during a visit to an authentic working farm, where you'll watch trained sheepdogs round up mountain sheep. Continue through the rugged mountainous landscape to Donegal town. Visit our CIE Tours preferred shopping partner, Triona Design, and then enjoy some free time. Proceed on to Derry, where a local guide will help you discover this ancient walled city, long known for its tumultuous history but now a thriving artistic hub. (B, D)

#### Day 8 Independent Dublin Sightseeing

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



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