

# Irish Classic

Starting at **\$3,795**\*

## Circle around the Emerald Isle's breathtaking coasts

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





#### **Trip Highlights:**

- Dublin SightseeingDublin Bus Tour
- Irish Night at Taylors Three Rock
- Cliffs of Moher
- Iohn B. Keane's Pub
- Derry
- Nine Glens of Antrim
- St. Patrick's Grace
- Giants Causeway
- Ring of Kerry
- Blarney Castle
- Down Cathedral
- Westport House
- Dunbrody Famine ShipMarine Bar- CIE Tours Exclusive
- Titanic Belfast

#### **Hotels:**

- Hyatt Centric The Liberties
- Hilton Belfast Hotel
- Ebrington Hotel
- Wyatt Hotel
- · Limerick Strand Hotel
- Killarney Plaza Hotel
- Granville Hotel
- · Aloft Dublin City Hotel

## 2025 Irish Classic - 12 Days/11 Nights

## **Trip Itinerary**

#### Day 1 Dublin City Tour & Pearse Lyons Distillery

Depart from your hotel at 2:00 PM for a panoramic tour of Dublin, seeing such sights as elegant Georgian townhouses, St Stephen's Green and the River Liffey. Visit the Pearse Lyons Distillery, Dublin's only independent, family-owned distillery, in the former St James's Church in the Liberties. Taste the whiskey and hear tales dating back to the 12th century as you tour this lovingly restored church. 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, then join a local guide for a walking tour of Belfast before spending time on your own. (B)

#### Day 5 Westport & Westport Walking Tour

Travel through the rugged countryside of Donegal, renowned for heathery hills, 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. In County Mayo, take a walking tour of historic Westport and visit a pub with a local guide. Dine at your hotel this evening. (B, D)

#### Day 7 Galway, Cliffs of Moher & Medieval Castle Banquet

Enjoy free time to explore Galway, then travel on to the majestic Cliffs of Moher, which soar 700 feet above the Atlantic. Enjoy an evening at a medieval-style banquet in an authentic Irish castle. (B, D)

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

Travel along part of the Ring of Kerry to see spectacular mountain scenery at Moll's Gap and Ladies' View on your way to Kenmare, where you'll have lunch and free time to explore. Visit CIE Tours preferred shopping partner Moriarty's in the Gap of Dunloe. Take a scenic, traditional horse-drawn jaunting car to Ross Castle and the Kenmare Estate. Return to Killarney where your evening is free for independent dining and perhaps a visit to a local pub. (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 the Dunbrody Famine Ship, which transported people to North America during the 1840's famine. This evening enjoy dinner and a show at Taylors Three Rock. (B, D)

### Day 2 Down Cathedral, St Patrick Centre, Ulster Folk Museum &

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 open-air exhibits and see craft demonstrations at the Ulster Folk Museum, which showcases traditional heritage. Continue on to central Belfast for 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 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 House

Enjoy views of the pilgrimage mountain of Croagh Patrick and a visit to the beautiful town of Leenane. Watch skilled dogs herd sheep at a local farm. View Killary Harbour, Ireland's only fjord. Back in Westport, take a guided tour of Westport House, an 18th-century home complete with its original contents including portraits, furniture, silver, and porcelain. Later, enjoy the lively town of Westport at your leisure and dine as you please. (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 famed playwright John B. Keane. Journey along the Dingle Peninsula to Slea Head for glorious views of hills and coastline. After free time in Dingle, travel on to Killarney. (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 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 Tour Ends in Dublin

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



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