

# Evergreen Ireland South Starting at \$1,295\*

## Visit all the classic sights

This spirited tour offers many of Ireland's must-see highlights, with plenty of time for independent exploration.

## Trip details



\* 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 \$545.



#### **Trip Highlights:**

- The Merry Ploughboy Pub
- Blarney Castle
  Cliffs of Moher
- Kilkenny
- Ring of Kerry Highlights
- The Guinness Storehouse Bunratty Castle Banquet

## Hotels:

- Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge
- Temple Gate Hotel
- Killarney Towers Hotel
- · Dooley's Hotel Waterford

## 2025 Evergreen Ireland South - 7 Days/6 **Nights**

## **Trip Itinerary**

#### Day 1 **Dublin City Tour, Guinness Storehouse & Welcome Drink**

Your tour departs from your hotel at 2:00 PM. Set out with a local guide to see Dublin's many landmarks: the River Liffey, Georgian squares, St Stephen's Green, and Trinity College. Next, visit the Guinness Storehouse, a spectacular seven-story structure exploring the history and making of Ireland's most famous brew, and savor a pint in the top-floor Gravity Bar, with its panoramic view of the city. In the evening, meet your group for a welcome drink, and then you are free to explore Dublin's restaurants and nightlife.

#### Day 3 Sean's Bar, Cliffs of Moher & Medieval Castle Banquet

Head to Athlone for a visit to Sean's Bar - dating back to 900 AD, it's officially the oldest pub in Europe, and possibly the world! Raise your glass as visitors have for centuries and sip a creamy Irish Coffee. Travel westward toward the Atlantic coast to visit the Cliffs of Moher, towering 700 feet above the Atlantic. In the evening, feast in a genuine castle, enjoying a medieval or holiday banquet, depending on departure dates. (B, D)

#### Day 5 **Blarney Castle & Waterford**

Visit Blarney Castle, built nearly 600 years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftains. Climb the winding stairs to kiss the famed Blarney Stone; legend says if you do you'll be given the gift of eloquence. Stroll the castle's extensive gardens, set on 60 acres of parkland. Next, visit historic Waterford - Ireland's oldest city. First settled by Vikings, Waterford reached peak prosperity in the 18th century when it enjoyed a brisk trade with Newfoundland. Explore this beautiful port city before dining with your group in your hotel. (B, D)

#### Day 2 **Dublin Independent Sightseeing**

Take a panoramic tour of Dublin with your tour director in the morning, then visit EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum to discover the stories of the millions of Irish around the world. You might choose to check out the free National Museums to explore Ireland's heritage, browse the bookshops, visit some art galleries, or shop along Grafton Street. Perhaps stop into a pub to enjoy refreshments and chat with the locals. (B)

#### Day 4 **Ring of Kerry Highlights & Killarney**

Spend your day exploring the spectacular beauty of County Kerry and the highlights of Ireland's most famous scenic drive, the Ring of Kerry, Traverse wild mountainous terrain, picturesque rural villages, and the rugged coastline. Along the way, stop at Moriarty's in the Gap of Dunloe, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner specializing in quality, authentic crafts. Enjoy free time in Killarney, a friendly town full of charming shops and lively pubs, cafés, and restaurants. (B)

#### Day 6 Kilkenny & The Merry Ploughboy

You'll have free time to explore Kilkenny, a bustling little city dating back to the Middle Ages. You might walk the Medieval Mile, linking the impressive castle built by the Normans in 1195 with the 13th-century St Canice's Cathedral. Return to Dublin for a lively evening of dinner and traditional Irish entertainment at the Merry Ploughboy Pub. (B, D)

### Day 7 Tour Ends in Dublin

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



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