

Manors, Music, Myths and Food Folly Fun

Authentic 9 Day/8 Night Irish Tour

Your unforgettable Celtic journey is made up of all the things that Irish dreams are made of!

From expansive ocean views off the Cliffs of Moher to the quaint town of colorful Dingle - you will find breathtaking landscapes of mystical mountains, rolling green hills, and a quintessential countryside where village residents still wave at unknown visitors passing by.

You may not only fall in love with this country's beauty but fall in love with some of the most kind-hearted people in the world!

Along with spectacular ruins, historical castle views, and mouthwatering cuisine from some of Ireland's best restaurants, you'll also enjoy a taste of the bustling city life in Dublin. These incredible experiences will be complemented by magical walks through enchanted woodlands that will fill your spiritual cup with the essence of a place that nurtures your soul.



B: Breakfast; L: Lunch; D: Dinner FT: Food Tasting

Day 1 (Arrival Day – fly into Shannon)

Location: Bunratty

Accommodation: Bunratty Manor Hotel

Dinner Included: Durty Nellies – Bunratty

Activities: Bunratty Castle & Folk Park

Your Authentic Ireland experience will begin with a uniquely nostalgic step back in time as you walk through Bunratty's 19th Century Folk Park and experience a reconstruction of the homes & environment of Ireland of over a century ago. In the evening enjoy a welcome dinner at the famous Durty Nellies Pub & Restaurant to start your food folly experience in true Irish style. **(D)**



Day 2

Location: Cliffs of Moher, The Burren, Doolin, Corofin

Accommodation: Bunratty Manor Hotel

Dinner Included: Bunratty Medieval Banquet

Activities: Cliffs, Farm Visit with Workshop & Lunch, Medieval Castle Dinner Show

Today we will set out on a short journey to the Atlantic seaside and revel in beauty of The Burren and the Cliffs of Moher. Stunning in all its glory, one can only imagine the thousands of myths that may have been told over the centuries at the edge of this amazing iconic Irish site ... or how many romantic gestures had been offered. A site to behold, rain or shine.

Before arriving at the Cliffs, we will stop for a rare opportunity to experience Irish farm life where we will enjoy a one-of-a-kind workshop and light lunch with freshly baked breads, artisan cheese boards and hand-crafted jams and jellies. The Farm provides a unique insight into Irish country life past and present.

In the evening we will return to Bunratty where you will enjoy a Medieval Banquet dinner at Bunratty Castle. You will enjoy great food, an evening of storytelling, myths and magical music. **(B, L, D, FT)**



Day 3

Location: Dingle, Adare, Slea Head, Ancient Dingle

Accommodation: Emlagh House Hotel

Dinner Included: Ashes Bar & Restaurant

Activities: Dingle Distillery, Murphy's Ice Cream (replacement option below)

We are off to Dingle but will stop this morning in the quaint and beautiful town of Adare ... known to Ireland as the “prettiest little village”! You can enjoy a bit of shopping here or just take in the delightful surroundings with a cup of tea or coffee before we head back on the road to Dingle. On our drive we will venture through the Dingle Peninsula and what the local's call Ancient Dingle ... a remote location where there is a remarkable preservation of over 2,000 monuments. An impressive archaeological heritage! When one combines each site's folklore and mythology, which have been passed orally from generation to generation through the Irish language, one can begin to understand how unique, and complex the history of this peninsula is.

Once we arrive in the town of Dingle you will have an opportunity to tour Dingle's own Distillery, taste one of Ireland's famous ice creams ... and have free time to explore this brightly colored charming village on your own. We will enjoy dinner together in the evening at one of Dingle's highest rated restaurants to ensure we continue indulging in all of the creative cuisine offered in this region of the world.

(B, D)



Day 4

Location: Killarney

Accommodation: Cahernane House Hotel

Dinner Included: 5-Course Dinner at Herbert Restaurant

Activities: Muckross House and Gardens, Ross Castle, Killarney National Park

A short hop over to Killarney is where we are off to today where we will spend the next two days enjoying some of the most glorious scenery that nature provides. We'll tour gardens, castles, and the spectacular Killarney National Park! You will have time on your own to explore the city of Killarney and we will meet in the evening where we will dine together and be treated to a 5 Course spectacular meal. (B, D)



Day 5

Location: Killarney, Gap of Dunloe

Accommodation: Cahernane House Hotel

Dinner Included: Danny Mann Pub

Activities: Gap of Dunloe Adventure Tour, Danny Mann Dinner Show

Embark on an incredible Irish adventure with a unique tour through County Kerry. Set out by open boat from Killarney National Park's 15th-century Ross Castle, passing islands and beneath old stone bridges along the Lakes of Killarney. Then continue via pony-drawn carriage through the remote Black Valley and the narrow and winding Gap of Dunloe. Meander through this stunning mountain pass, marveling at a handful of scenic lakes and crossing the Wishing Bridge en-route to the family-run Kate Kearney's Cottage, where you'll catch a bus back to Killarney.

Upon returning back to Killarney, we will gather for a fun evening of music and a delectable dinner activity. (B, D)



Day 6

Location: Rock of Cashel, Kilkenny

Accommodation: Butler House

Dinner Included: Petronela or Zuni

Activities: Rock of Cashel, Kilkenny Castle, Medieval Mile Museum/St Canices, Smithwick's

Today's journey will take us to the stunning Rock of Cashel on our way to charming Kilkenny - a medieval town in southeast Ireland. Its grand Kilkenny Castle was built in 1195 by Norman occupiers. The town has deep religious roots and many well-preserved churches and monasteries, including imposing St. Canice's Cathedral and the Black Abbey Dominican priory, both from the 13th century. It's also a crafts hub, with shops along its winding lanes selling pottery, paintings, and jewelry.

When we arrive in Kilkenny, you will have the opportunity to tour the Medieval Mile where you can explore Kilkenny Castle, Saint Canices, and a enjoy the immense history packed amidst the corners of this special iconic town. After, we will visit Smithwick's for a tasting and tour of their brewery. The Smithwick's story starts long before a Smithwick ever set foot in Kilkenny. In the 13th century, monks settled at St. Francis Abbey. For more than 300 years the Abbey grew in size. However, the arrival of Henry VIII and the Reformation in 1537 meant that the Abbey was forced to close its doors. Intrigued? You will have to take to the tour to find out more!

We'll meet for dinner at one of Kilkenny's well-known eateries.

(B, D)



Day 7

Location: Wicklow, Dublin

Accommodation: Clontarf Castle

Dinner Included: City Centre Cookery Experience – Cooks Academy/ Gourmet Dinner

Activities: City Centre Cookery Experience

Making our way to Dublin for our last two days together, we will travel through Wicklow National Park before landing in this unique and bustling city. We will not only delight in a castle stay on our ending adventures together but will learn how to cook some of the various Irish dishes we have tasted along our journey.

You will have free time to explore the city before we roll up our collective sleeves in the kitchen ... so why not take in some of the iconic sights and tasting rooms like The Guinness Storehouse, Jameson Distillery, Teeling Distillery and all that Dublin has to offer.

(B, D)



Day 8

Location: Dublin

Accommodation: Clontarf Castle

Dinner Included: Merry Ploughboy

Activities: Merry Ploughboy Show

Free Day to explore Dublin. We will play together for one last night and celebrate our new friendships at the joyous, award-winning Merry Ploughboy Show! Dinner included ... of course!

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Day 9

Departure Day (Fly from Dublin Airport)

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