

Treasures of Ireland

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As rated by Past Guests

6 Days | 1 Country | 8 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Apr - Sep

Blaze a trail and tick off the Treasures of Ireland on this quick jaunt around the Emerald Isle, including stops in Dublin and Cork. Learn all about Viking history, kiss the Blarney Stone and watch in wonder as the Dingle Peninsula unfolds.



DAY 1 Welcome to Ireland Put a little Irish spring in your step and stroll through the lyrical capital of Dublin – your springboard to an unforgettable jaunt through the treasures of Ireland. Join a **Local Specialist** this afternoon to explore the city and learn about the bountiful nicknames bestowed upon its iconic sights. Hear about history and life on the Liffey, then wander the cobbled courtyard of Trinity College. See the Book of Kells before enjoying a friendly dinner to get to know your fellow travellers and Travel Director. **(D) Hotel: Sandymount**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 14:00.

DAY 2 Journey to Waterford and Cork

This morning, we journey to the peaceful monastic ruins at Glendalough, which survived repeated Viking attacks over the centuries. We'll Dive into Culture, watching the master crafters of the House of Waterford Crystal as they create delicate works of art. Marvel at the detail of this traditional craft before continuing to the final stop today in the 'rebel' city of Cork. Enjoy a free evening to enjoy a little Irish craic and soak up the lively atmosphere of this university city. Tonight, join an Optional Experience to a local pub for an evening of Irish entertainment with local musicians, including a good hearty Pub Supper. **(B)**

Hotel: The Dean

DAY 3 See the Sights of Blarney and Killarney National Park

Embark on a scenic drive to Blarney Castle, where you have the opportunity to kiss its famous stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Continue to Killarney and stop at the beautiful café in the gate lodge of Killarney National Park for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. Enjoy a traditional pony and trap ride on an Optional Experience through the beautiful Bourn-Vincent National Park. During this optional journey, your **Local Specialist** will share fascinating anecdotes about the area and Ireland. End the day with a **Be My Guest experience** at Muckross Traditional Farms discovering what Irish rural life was like in the 1930s. **(B, D) Hotel: Manor West Tralee**

Be My Guest

Visit the working farms of Muckross, taking you back to a time of traditional farming. Learn how to churn butter and dine in the Quilles Farmhouse, set against the scenic backdrop of the lakes of Killarney.



Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**

Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience

Enjoy freshly baked goods in Ireland's most charming tea room. Deenagh Lodge, located at the entrance of Killarney National Park, provides training and employment opportunities to over 30 adults with Down Syndrome. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 10: Reduced Inequalities.



DAY 4 A Day on the Dingle Peninsula

Admire the wide skies, peaceful towns and coastal scenery of the Dingle Peninsula as you drive to dramatic Sleat Head at the peninsula's far end. **(B, D)**

DAY 5 Admire the Cliffs of Moher and on to Limerick

Delve into the era of the first transatlantic flights during a visit to the Flying Boat Museum in Foynes. At one time, it was the refuelling point for Pan Am's Flying Boat, the Yankee Clipper. Picture life as a passenger onboard a replica Boeing 314 as we Dive into Culture and experience the aircraft first hand. You will walk away knowing how Irish Coffee was invented. Here you can imagine yourself a weary passenger, delayed due to bad weather whilst you sip your own cup of 'Foynes Original,' used to treat nervous passengers years ago. This afternoon, travel to the Cliffs of Moher Visitor Centre. This wonderfully engaging experience brings one of Ireland's most treasured natural phenomena to life. Enjoy the IMAX-type multimedia which gives visitors a bird's eye view of the cliffs or dive virtually beneath the surface of the Atlantic. Continue to your hotel in Limerick where we spend the night, and perhaps join an Optional Experience to enjoy a banquet and medieval entertainment in the great hall of an Irish Castle. **(B) Hotel: Greenhills**

DAY 6 Onwards to Shannon Our epic journey through the treasures of Ireland has come to an end. For now, it's time to wish your fellow travellers slán abhaile as our memorable holiday comes to an end. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at the airport at 07:00 and 09:00.

Included highlights and must-sees

Explore with Local Specialists
Dublin

Discover on City Orientations
Waterford, Cork and Killarney

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Trinity College in Dublin, Glendalough, the Waterford Crystal Showroom, Blarney Castle, Foynes Flying Boat Museum in Foynes and the Cliffs of Moher

View Must-see Landmarks
St. Kevin's Cross in Glendalough and the Shannon Estuary

Travel by Scenic Journeys
Drive of the Dingle Peninsula

One-of-a-kind Experiences
See day 3 for your unique local encounter

Travel Responsibly
See day 3 for how you'll make a positive impact

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This picture was right after we kissed the Blarney Stone. It was terrifying but we lived to tell about the experience!

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