Unforgettable Ireland - Max 29 Passengers 8 days/7 nights

<u>Day I, Tuesday -</u> Arrive at Dublin Airport. Transfer to Dublin City on your own arrangements. You are free to explore the city at your leisure this afternoon. Your hotel will be within walking distance of the city centre. Welcome dinner included at your hotel. Overnight: Dublin (**D**)

<u>Day 2, Wednesday</u> - Today meet with your coach & English speaking driver/guide & depart Ireland's Capital traveling to County Kerry. En route stop in the town of Blarney to visit *Blarney Castle*. Here you will find the legendary Stone of Eloquence. Enjoy some time for shopping at *Blarney Woollen Mills*. It was bought in 1976 by a former worker has been transformed into what is perhaps the largest quality craft shop in Ireland. Tonight enjoy dinner on your own in one of the many restaurants or pubs in Killarney. Overnight: Kerry (B)

<u>Day 3, Thursday -</u> Today you will tour the Iveragh Peninsula, which will give you the opportunity to discover the **Ring of Kerry**. Taking in spectacular scenery - mountains, peat bogs, lakes & magnificent views of the Atlantic Ocean. Leaving Killarney pass through Killorglin, famous for its Puck Fair, then to Glenbeigh where the cliff road affords panoramic views of the Dingle Peninsula &



Dingle Bay. Next arrive in the sea town of Waterville. Continue to Sneem Village, famous for its brightly coloured houses. Along the ring of Kerry top at a local farm for a **sheepdog demonstration**. Your visit starts with an overview of the different breeds of sheep, followed by an introduction to the farmer's most important tools, his border collies. Next you will see a superb demonstration of sheep herding as the farmer with his dogs demonstrate how, by working together, he can take a flock of sheep from the mountain top to the sheep pen close to the farmyard.

OPTIONAL: Jaunting Car Ride in Killarney National Park – Supplement of \$16.00 p.p. Enjoy transportation of a different kind! A pony and trap (also known as a Jaunting Car) helps you discover areas of Killarney National Park that you might not otherwise visit. Relax aboard a jaunting car as your Jarvey [driver] takes you through the magnificent scenery of the National Park. This

evening enjoy dinner on your own in one of the many restaurants or pubs in Killarney town. Overnight: Kerry (B)

<u>Day 4, Friday</u> - Travel northwards to Tarbert & take a short boat ride across the mouth of the river Shannon to land on Clare's shore at Killimer. Travel along the coast to the *Cliffs of Moher*, the most majestic cliffs in Ireland which rise from the Atlantic Ocean. On a clear day, you can admire the Aran Islands & Connemara Mountains. Enjoy a tour of the **Burren Region**. The **Burren** is a high plateau of porous limestone situated in Northern Clare. The limestone is bare with no trees growing here or land covering the stone. But the Burren is not as deserted as we believe: the cracks allow different types of flowers to grow all year round. Dinner this evening is on your own or you may join the optional dinner/entertainment being offered below.

OPTIONAL: Medieval Banquet at Bunratty Castle or similar -Supplement of \$85.00 p.p. Bunratty Castle, built in the 15th century by the Earl of Thomond, stands on the banks of the Raite River in County Clare. The Earl was known for his generosity and his lavish banquets. The entertainment is provided by the superb Bunratty Singers & is a compliment to the lively mead reception, a four-course meal & of course good wine. Guests are invited to enjoy an unforgettable evening & take a true step back in time to Medieval Ireland. Overnight: Limerick (B)

<u>Day 5, Saturday -</u>This morning travel to Galway City & get oriented with this beautiful place which attracts many musicians & artists. Visit *Galway Cathedral*, one of the largest & most impressive buildings in Galway built between 1958 & 1965. Next enjoy a *cruise along the Corrib River* to Lough Corrib including scones & an Irish coffee. This journey on the Corrib Princess takes passengers along the majestic River Corrib and onto the lake. Visitors will see views of historic monuments & natural amenities that make this one of the most spectacular waterways in Ireland. Dinner is included this evening. Overnight: Galway (B, D)

Day 6, Sunday - Today travel through the beautiful **Connemara** Region filled with lakes, rivers, bogs & mountains. Enjoy some time at leisure in **Connemara National Park**. Visit **Kylemore Abbey,** built in 1868 by Mitchell Henry, and see its most famous feature the miniature Cathedral. It has been home to the Irish order of Benedictine nuns since 1920. Next, you will visit **Dan O'Hara s homestead**. The Centre offers a unique insight into the history and heritage of this most beautiful part of Connemara and the West of Ireland. Here you will enjoy tea and scones. Return to Galway. Overnight: Galway **(B)**



Day 7, Monday - Depart Galway for **Dublin** today. On arrival in Dublin, you will first explore the north side of the city which offers striking monuments such as the GPO (General Post Office) on O'Connell Street & Phoenix Park, the largest public park in Europe. The city's south side appears more sophisticated with its vast Georgian squares & is home to Trinity College, Dublin Castle & two Anglican Cathedrals. Visit **EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum**. This is a state- of-the-art interactive experience located in the beautiful vaults of the 1820 Custom House Quarter building in Dublin's Docklands, the original departure point for so many of Ireland's emigrants. It will inspire and guide you on a journey to discover the stories of Irish emigration around the world, from early times to the modern day.



Lunch and Dinner as noted on itinerary

OPTIONAL: Evening Entertainment at Taylor's Three Rock or similar - Supplement of \$85.00 p.p.

Visit this lively pub in Rathfarnham for an excellent night of music and dance. A ballad group will regale visitors with ballads both happy and sad and will (after a few pints) have visitors singing along with them. The music is interrupted for a short while to enjoy the best of Irish Dancing guaranteed to get feet tapping. Visitors will later be sent into the night with fond memories of a memorable night in a Dublin Pub. Overnight – Dublin (B)

Day 8, Tuesday- Transfer to Dublin Airport under your own arrangements for your departure flight home. (B)

Price Includes:

7 nights accommodations in 3^* & 4^* hotels w/porterage Full Irish breakfast at hotel each day and dinner day 2 and 6

Visits and admissions to the following:

Optional Travel Insurance

Blarney Castle	Blarney Woollen Mills	Ring of Kerry
Sheepdog Demonstration	Ferry across Shannon	Cliffs of Moher
Tour of Burren Region	Galway Cathedral	Cruise on Lough Corrib
Connemara National Park	Kylemore Abbey	Dan O'Hara Homestead
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Apr 23, 2024	\$1799	Jul 2, 2024	\$1999	Sep 10, 2024	\$1999
May 7, 2024	\$1999	Jul 16, 202 4	\$1999	Oct 8, 2024	\$1799
May 21, 2024	\$1999	Aug 6, 2024	\$1999	Oct. 15, 2024	\$1799

Single Supplement - \$749	Ask about child rates	Dates & Rates per person for two
		people sharing

Personal Expenses Gratuity for Driver/Guide Transfer to/from airport/hotel

Extend your trip by adding a night or more at the beginning or end of the tour.

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Please note - itinerary is subject to change based on availability. Price based on current taxes and fees. Subject to change if there is a large fluctuation in currency, fuel surcharge or change in taxes and fees.