



Race Details: Irish Life Dublin Half Marathon

Sunday September 22nd at 9am



Come for the race, stay for the adventure!



Friday September 20, 2024 – Departure from CVG

The itinerary and schedules are based on flights departing Cincinnati's CVG Airport Friday arriving in Dublin early Saturday. If you wish to depart from another airport, we are happy to assist you in choosing a flight that matches the group ground transportation schedule.

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Current Suggested Flight Schedules:

American Airlines -

Depart CVG 4:06pm/Arrive DUB 6:15am (Sat. Sept 21st)

Air Canada -

Depart CVG 3:35pm/Arrive DUB 8:15am (Sat. Sept 21st)

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Airport Transfer to Hotel

Private Airport Transfer Included in your travel price and will be coordinated based on your arrival time.





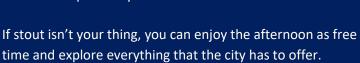
Saturday, September 21, 2024 – Arrival/Dublin

*Breakfast, lunch and dinner on your own

Upon arrival in Dublin, we'll clear customs and transfer from the airport to the hotel. It will be morning, but we can drop baggage at the concierge desk and take a quick moment to get oriented with our surroundings. Check in isn't until 3pm so we will meet shortly following bag check and hit the town for some exploring and brunch. For those running the race, packets will be posted by mail ahead of the race. This leaves the entire day to enjoy Dublin and experience what the capital city has to offer.

Guiness Museum and Exploration 2pm – 4pm

For those interested, an optional tour will be offered at the Guiness Storehouse. Learn all about the history and crafting of arguably one of Irelands most famous exports, and the worlds favorite stout. Learn how to properly pour your own delicious Guiness and for that Insta-perfect snap, make a "Stoutie" to post for your friends and followers!





Dinner 6:30pm

Tonight, we carb-load for the morning race. We'll be making reservations for a group dinner to fuel up for the run and celebrate our first night in Ireland!

Sunday September 22, 2024 – Race Day/Dublin Life

*Breakfast included at hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

It's race day! You must register for your own race at https://eventmaster.ie/event/A9kdfjlllv once you have registered, please forward your confirmation to Julie at Destination Run Travel to arrange for packet mailing.

THE 2024 Irish Life Dublin Half Marathon: 9:00am

We'll meet in the hotel lobby to head out to the race together. Breakfast starts at 7am if you want to grab a bite before we run. If you are not running but plan to come cheer, we'll be sure to coordinate where to be on the course to see and be seen! For those who want to run but prefer less distance, routes will be provided for a 6.2 mile run/walk close by the course, to catch the sites and cheer as you go!



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Post-Race Options:

After cheering each other to the finish there will be plenty of time to rest, freshen up and check out more of Dublin as the rest of the day is free time. We will raise a toast to the race at the Temple Bar Pub around 3pm for those who would like to visit this iconic Dublin Pub!

Optional Tours* for the day will also include:

- Trinity College and The Book of Kells
- Hop on Hop Off Bus Tour
- Dublin at Night Walking Tour

*Optional Tour bookings are charged separately and will be arranged on your behalf after registration. We will reach out with times and options to ensure you are booked for the tours that you want to enjoy!



Monday September 23 – Depart Dublin for Killarney

*Breakfast included at hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

After a couple of days exploring Dublin and with the race behind us, it is time to venture out of the capital to see the rest of what southern Ireland has to offer. Today is a group travel day. Our private coach will arrive at 8:30 and depart from our

hotel promptly at 9am.

From Dublin we will head to Killarney, but first we will enjoy the scenic Irish countryside and several stops including:

- Rock of Cashel
- Mitchelstown Cave Tour

We will enjoy lunch in a charming Irish eatery in Tipperary before heading to our destination to settle in for a couple of fun filled days.



Arrival Killarney

Killarney, a popular destination for both international and Irish travelers, sits on the northeastern shore of the Lough Leane, just at the top edge of Killarney National Park. There is plenty to do and see in the Town and many pubs and venues to enjoy pints and live music. Our accommodation should be ready for check-in by the time we arrive in Killarney. Once we are settled in we can hit the town and spend the evening shopping, pub hopping or relaxing.



Tuesday September 24, 2024 - Ring of Kerry

*Breakfast included at hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

Following a day of recovery from the race, site seeing and enjoying the town of Killarney, we will head out to take in some more of Ireland's most breathtaking scenery on a tour of the Ring of Kerry. Breakfast will be served at the hotel and the morning will be a leisurely start. It's a great day for a shakeout run around the picturesque park, to take a stroll by St. Mary's Cathedral, or spend a few extra minutes getting some rest. Our guide will meet us at the hotel at 10am.



Ring Of Kerry - Departure time 10:00 am

The Ring of Kerry is known to be one of the most scenic drives in the country. Our coach will take us around the Iveragh Peninsula where we will take in the surrounding costal landscapes through rural villages, stopping along the way to enjoy the views and interactions with the locals. We will have plenty of time to pause and appreciate historic spots like Ross Castle, Kells and Tarc Waterfall, just to name a few. We will wind our way along the coast, enjoy lunch along the way and spend time at all the most picturesque spots the Ring has to offer.







Return to Killarney – Free Evening

We return to Killarney after a full day of sightseeing. This will be free time to wonder the streets, shop, and discover all that Killarney has to offer. This is our last night in this vivacious town, so be sure to drink in the culture but make time to pack up and prepare for departure to our final hub city.

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Wednesday September 25, 2024 - Galway Bound

*Breakfast included at hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

Today we say goodbye to Killarney to travel up the coast to Galway. Breakfast is at 7am so you can get an early start if you like, but you may also spend some time enjoying a later start in our host hotel of Killarney before we bid our second host city adieu or take a moment to visit any last sites in town you would like. We will head out at 10am again, so be sure to be packed and in the lobby by 9:45 for a prompt departure.

Limerick

We will pass through the charming village of Adare and admire its colroful thatched roof cottages as we make our way to a lunch stop. Our first official stop for today will be the city of Limerick. It will be time to stretch our legs and visit the medieval St. Mary's Cathedral, check out some of the city's unique street art and enjoy some classic Irish fare, and maybe a pint of stout, at a local pub.

Cliffs of Moher and Doolin Village



We'll see many noteworthy sites along the way, but the pièce de resistance will be the Cliff of Moher. A natural landmark, the Cliffs located at the southwestern edge of the Burren region of the County Clarie in Ireland, are world renowned for the breathtaking coastal views, bird watching and ecological history. The area has also served as a location for shooting popular films such as Harry Potter, the Princess Bride and Leap Year.



This marvel is widely described as an additional world wonder and a must see for world travelers. This photo is your trip coordinator and host, enjoying stunning views of the cliffs for the first time in 2014.

Arrival in Galway

Our day ends in our next host city, Galway which is a harbor city known for being playing host to over 120 festivals and events each year. The city offers history, art, music and much more and we will do our best to see it all. By the time we reach Galway, we should be able to check in to our accommodation, get comfortable and hit the town for dinner before a night of free time.



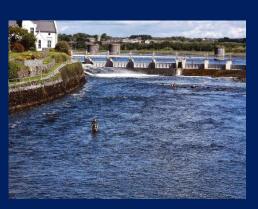
Thursday September 26, 2024 – Exploring Galway and Group Celebration Dinner

*Breakfast included at hotel. Group dinner included. Lunch on your own.

Today is a mix of free time and group activities. Breakfast will be at the hotel, followed by free time and then an afternoon and evening packed with interesting sites, a beautiful drive through the countryside and a celebratory dinner together. You might want to pack a small day bag for the afternoon as we will not return to the hotel between our tour and our group dinner.

Galway Sightseeing - Free Morning

There is so much to do and see in Galway, you'll want to get an early start. The morning is free for you to spend as you wish but a few suggestions for include the Medieval Spanish Arch, Salthill Promenade, and Galway Cathedral. You may also want to visit Eyre Square where American President, JFK, famously delivered a speech to over 100,000 people in 1963. Although it is sure you will have plenty to do, be sure to return to the hotel by 11am for pick up to depart for our afternoon.





Kylemore Abbey – Afternoon full access

We set out this afternoon to visit the Kylemore Abby. You might wish to grab a light bite before we hit the road, but lunch can be enjoyed at the Abby Tea House or Kitchen as well. Your ticket will give you access to the estate for as long as you wish to explore. Entry includes access to the Victorian Walled Garden, Neo-Gothic Church and Mausoleum, Kylemore Woodlands Trails & Tales and the multi-media Abbey room tour experience.

Group Celebration Dinner – Dunguaire or Ashford Castel (or similar)

Tonight, we come together to toast the trip of a lifetime! We aren't finished with our adventure yet, but as we draw nearer to the end of our journey, we will take some time to thank our guide and share our favorite stories from the trip and say goodbye to our host city. We'll dine in a castle and the festivities are sure to be entertaining. Dinner is included in your travel package. Following dinner together we will return to our hotel to pack for our final journey tomorrow.

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Friday September 27, 2024 – Departure for Dublin

*Breakfast included at hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

Meet the group in the lobby for a 10am departure time. After a fun-filled week we have one more day to spend with our gracious guide as we make our way from Galway to Dublin to prepare for Saturday morning flights. Not to worry though, we will make the absolute most of this 220km road trip by stopping at several festive Irish must see attractions during this day.

Kilbeggan Distillery

We cannot leave Ireland without visiting a traditional Irish distillery. Following a few stops and lunch, this afternoon we will have the privilege of enjoying a tour and tasting at the world's oldest distillery, Old Kilbeggan's Distilleary. Established in 1757, this treasure is situated on the River Brosna in Kilbeggan County. We will enjoy a fully immersive tour of the distillery finishing with a '4 Whiskey Master Class' and a choice of cocktail taster in a souvenir wee dram glass.



Arrival Dublin

Tonight, we bid farewell to our driver and guide upon our arrival back in Dublin where it all began. The evening is free to spend as you wish, picking up last-minute souvenirs, toasting a pint with your fellow travelers or organizing for an early morning airport shuttle.

Saturday September 28, 2024 – Return Travel

*Breakfast included at hotel. Lunch and dinner on your own.

This morning there will be just enough time to have some breakfast, provided at the hotel, before we must go to arrive at the airport with the time recommended ahead of our flights. We will follow TSA guidelines for arrival 3 hours prior to our flight departure. If you book the suggested flights, plan to join your fellow travelers en route to the Dublin International.

Airport Transfer

Airport shuttle will be provided by the hotel. For those traveling an alternative travel schedule, please be sure to arrange your departure shuttle with the hotel desk if needed.



Return Travel

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Current Suggested Flight Schedules:

American Airlines –
Depart DUB 11:45am/Arrive CVG 5:38pm

Air Canada - Depart DUB 9:50am/Arrive CVG 3:41pm

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Pricing:

*All prices are subject to change due to availability and exchange rates until time of final booking

7 Day/7 Night - Land/Tour Package for Double Occupancy \$2,285

7 Day/7 Night - Land/Tour Package Single Occupancy \$3,115.

Registration Opens March 1, 2024* Space is limited – Registration is first come first serve.

Initial Deposit - \$750 (non-refundable after July 1, 2024) Second Instalment \$1,000 Due July 1, 2024 Final Payments Due August 1, 2024

*All payments are subject to cancelation fees and charges non-refundable bookings.

For additional details, or to register please contact your trip coordinator and host at:

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