# NOTRE DAME-NAVY IRISH CLASSIC

August 21-30, 2023

**Highlights:** Cliffs of Moher, Galway, Aran Islands, Westport, Achill Island, Athlone, Dublin, Blarney Stone, Cobh Titanic, Kinsale Foodie Town of Ireland, Dingle Peninsula, Killarney

Visit some of the oldest Pubs in Ireland!

Price per person based on 2 to a room...\$3795.00 Single supplement...\$850.00 Allianz Travel Insurance...\$295.00

### **AUGUST 21– Flights to Shannon.**

Dinner and breakfast served inflight. MEALS D

# AUGUST 22- Arrive Shannon – Cliffs of Moher – Aran Islands -Bunratty Castle Medieval Dinner

Upon arrival we will be met our Certified Irish Driver Guide then on to Doolin. This morning a trip to the Aran Islands, enjoy the best of both Irish land and sea when visiting Inis Oírr. On return, take the ferry to the Cliffs of Moher enjoy the Total Cliffs of Moher Experience with The Doolin Ferry Company and the Cliffs of Moher Visitor Experience, from below on our ferry and above in the world class visitor center. Cliffs & Cruise is truly an amazing way to take in the majesty of these iconic cliffs. Tonight enjoy Bunratty Castle Medieval Banquet and Show.

Overnight Bunratty – Bunratty Manor MEALS B D <a href="https://www.bunrattymanor.ie/">https://www.bunrattymanor.ie/</a>

# **AUGUST 23- Galway & Westport**

Explore the vibrant city of Galway with a local guide during this small-group walking tour. Maximize time in

Galway with an itinerary that includes top landmarks such as Eyre Square, Lynch's Castle, the Spanish Arch, and the

Oscar Wilde statue. Learn about Galway's history, heritage, and culture from a local guide during this walking tour.

Lunch in a local pub included Depart Galway and take in the breathtaking views of Connemara National Park and the Lost Valley which is part of the famous Famine Trail on route to Westport. Unwind with some local craft beers and excellent food in Westport Town.

Overnight - Westport - Castlecourt Hotel MEALS B https://www.castlecourthotel.ie/

#### **AUGUST 24- Achill Island**

Today visit Achill Island, the island is accessible by bridge, with wonderful views along the way. See the Deserted Village, 100 stone cottages abandoned in the famine of the 1840s. Stop in Keel for lunch. Enjoy a drink before taking a guided tour of Westport House, an 18th-century home complete with its original contents including portraits, furniture, silver, and porcelain.

Overnight Westport. MEALS BL

#### AUGUST 25- Athlone – Dublin - Hop on off Dublin City Tour – Guiness Brewery

Enjoy the scenery of central Ireland as you head to Dublin on the east coast. We head to nearby Athlone And visit Sean's Bar for an Irish coffee. The pub has a documented history going right back to 900AD. On to Dublin for our tour, a full day Hop on off Bus Tour of Dublin to see elegant Georgian squares with brightly-painted doors, O'Connell Street and the evocative statues of the Famine Memorial. Visit Trinity College's campus and many other grear stops. We will finish our tour of Dublin at the Guiness Brewery tour and a pint at the Gravity Bar.

#### Overnight - Dublin - CROKE PARK HOTEL -

https://www.doylecollection.com/hotels/the-croke-park-hotel

**MEALS B L** 

#### **AUGUST 26 – Game Day – Notre Dame vs Navy Kickoff**

Transportation to the game and game tickets are included! An exciting day with pep rallies and tailgates all over the city.

#### Overnight Dublin. MEALS B

#### **AUGUST 27 – Wicklow - Glendalough – Blarney Stone**

Depart Dublin this morning and head south by Killiney Bay, around Bray Head and along the beautiful East Coast to Wicklow where we swing west into the Mountains. Visit the famous village of Avoca (Ballykissangel in the hit TV series). Enjoy a typical Irish lunch. Visit the ancient Monastic city of Glendalough (Glen of the two lakes) all in beautiful mountain scenery! Travel to Blarney Castle to kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence" or walk through the gardens. Treat yourself to Irish-made goods at the Blarney Woollen Mills.

Overnight – Cork - The River Lee Hotel or similar. MEALS B

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hotel?utm source=google&utm medium=local&utm campaign=hotel-theriverlee

# **AUGUST 28– Cobh history of Titanic – Kinsale**

This morning we will visit Cobh and trace the fascinating story of RMS Titanic the starting point for its ill-fated maiden voyage. Cobh is a town steeped in maritime history.

Then on to Kinsale originally a medieval fishing port, historic Kinsale (from the Irish, Ceann tSaile – 'Head of the Sea') is one of the most picturesque, popular and historic towns on the south west coast of Ireland. Not only does Kinsale claim to be one of the most picturesque and oldest towns in Ireland, it is also internationally renowned for the number and quality of its <u>restaurants</u>. It has been hailed as 'The Gourmet Capital of Ireland', with no shortage of <u>cafés</u>, <u>pubs and restaurants</u> to suit every taste and budget.

Overnight - Killarney - The Brehon Hotel -

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#### **AUGUST 29– Dingle Peninsula and Slea Head Drive**

Today we tour to the most awesome place on earth, The Dingle Peninsula & Slea Head where we will see some of the most beautiful and unrivalled scenery in Ireland. Our tour will take us to the beautiful town of Dingle via the Conor Pass Mountains. The views here of Dingle town are spectacular and you can even see Tralee on the other side. You will have plenty of time to explore the lovely fishing village that Dingle is and take some lovely photos. You can also take a boat journey to see Fungi the dolphin who has been a resident in Dingle Harbor for over 20 years Onwards to Slea Head to continue the visual feast of scenic Ireland. We will stop at Dunbeg fort which takes us back to the 7 / 8th century with the unusual and intriguing Bee Hive Huts. Slea head has what surely is my favorite beachin the world, Dunquinn. The movie buffs among you will be able to see and learn all about the famous Ryan's Daughter which was filmed onsite right here. No wonder as this place is simply magical. We then visit the Gallarus Oratory one of the first churches in Ireland, before some time in Dingle.

When the day is over, we return to Killarney for the evening.

Farewell dinner this evening. Overnight Killarney – MEALS BD

#### **AUGUST 30 – Flight home. MEALS BL**

# Inclusions in above prices:

- 1. Airfare First Class Hotel Accommodations based on twin share.
- 2. All transfers and transportation are by private air-conditioned vehicles \* any individuals traveling outside of group arrangement must organize own transfers.
- 3. Group tour manager throughout the land tour.
- 4. Tours, sightseeing and admissions as per itinerary.
- 5. All applicable taxes
- 6. Meals as indicated on the itinerary (9 Breakfasts-B-2 Lunches-L-4 Dinners-D)

Not included in the price:
Airline Baggage Fees
Airline Seat assignment charges
Transfers if providing own air.

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