

Welcome to Healy Tours & The Kinnfolk Music Tour 2025!

If you're new to Healy Tours or Kinnfolk, welcome! We're glad you're here.

Healy Tours is teaming up with Kinnfolk to make a musical tour of Ireland that is rich in culture, music, and all of the scenery and magic you would expect from a trip to Ireland. We pace our tours so that you can enjoy the places you visit and have time to take in the beauty and culture of Ireland. We don't rush you in the morning, and we build in time to stop and hear the music.

Our guests help to make every experience in Ireland special. It's not just about the stunning scenery and history and music of Ireland that makes it amazing – the people and the camaraderie that we build together on our journey leaves us all a bit richer and bit more connected to our humanity as we travel and then return home again to our lives.

Our goal at Healy Tours is to ensure you have smooth travels and authentic experiences that will make memories that last a lifetime.

Safe travels, and enjoy!



Healy Tours & Kinnfolk Billy Healy, Nichole Healy, Julie Kinn, Josh Kinn



Trip departure date:

September 6, 2025

Trip return date:

September 17, 2025

Group size:

29

Group Size.

Ireland



Location:

Welcome to the Kinnfolk Music of Ireland Tour!

Immerse yourself in the vibrant culture of Ireland throughout this trip with abundant music, sightseeing, and camaraderie. From the Wild Atlantic Way to the Ancient East and Viking Heritage, there is a little something for everyone on this tour!

Travel is not only about seeing new places but also immersing yourself in different cultures. With Healy Tours, you'll have the opportunity to experience Ireland for the hospitable and beautiful place it is. Ireland tours should not be just about "checking the boxes" in the places that you will see but taking the time to fully enjoy the places you are in. This is not your typical big-bus tour. Take your time, immerse in the culture and feel what Ireland is really about.

We invite you to travel with your hosts, <u>KINNFOLK</u>: the husband and wife duo of Josh and Julie Kinn, who weave octave mandolin, bodhrán (Irish drum), and smooth vocal harmonies into their Celtic folk music from the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains in the USA.

From sea shanties and working songs to trad tunes and Old Time favorites, Kinnfolk's fresh take on classics blends seamlessly with their original compositions. They share stories as enduring as tartan, spinning yarns steeped in Appalachian charm, enjoying playful banter with the audience. Their shows feel like a kitchen party, where everyone is family, and there's always room for a dancer.

With Josh and Julie leading you through Ireland, you know there will be plenty of spontaneous song and spirited fun.



Trip Inclusions

The below are all pre-paid and are included in your tour costs.



Land Transportation/Transfers

All land transportation provided



Tours/Entries/Sightseeing

Kylemore Abbey	Muckross House & Gardens
Bunratty Castle	Ross Castle
Durty Nelly's Pub	Celtic Steps Performance
Cliffs of Moher	Ring of Kerry Tour
Celtic Steps Show	Jameson Distillery Tour
Kilkenny Castle	Glendalough



Meals

2 Dinners	
Breakfast Daily	



Hotels/Accommodation

Check In Date	Check Out Date	Hotel Name	Location/Town
9/7/25	9/9/25	Harbour Hotel	Galway
9/9/25	9/11/25	Temple Gate Hotel	Ennis
9/11/25	9/14/25	Killarney Avenue	Killarney
9/14/25	9/16/25	Hotel Kilkenny	Kilkenny
9/16/25	9/17/25	Clontarf Castle	Dublin



Day 0

Date:

Saturday

Sept. 6, 2025

Title Depart the USA for Ireland



Flights from the USA to Ireland are late afternoon/overnight flights.

For those flying in Sept 7 – meet at the large yellow statue at Dublin at 10:15 am

For those arriving in Dublin early, please meet at the Hilton Hotel Charlemont at 10:30 am, and the bus will depart from there to the airport for pickups.



Travel Day:

Day 1

Date:

Sunday Sept. 7,

2025

Title Welcome to Ireland



Welcome to the Emerald Isle!

Today you will land in Dublin and make your way through immigration and baggage claim. Our tour driver will be there to meet you in the airport arrivals and will collect the group once all parties arrive.

We will travel from Dublin to our first stay in Galway. Once we arrive, you will have time to relax or explore this vibrant town. Later this evening, we will have a dinner and music to welcome our group to Ireland.

Welcome Dinner & Overnight: Galway – <u>Harbour Hotel</u> Dinner will be at 6:30 PM



Day 2

Date: Monday

Sept. 8





Today we will wake up in the bustling city of **Galway.** We will take a trip out of town today to visit the stunning **Kylemore Abbey** - a destination not to be missed on a trip to the west of Ireland.

Departing from Hotel at 9:30 AM for 11:30 AM Tour

Some additional sights you may choose to visit in Galway include:

- Galway Cathedral
- Eyre Square
- The Galway City Museum

Overnight: Galway - Harbour Hotel



Travel Day:

Day 3

Date:

Tuesday

Sept. 9

Title Ennis



Leaving Galway behind today we will head to the historic town of **Ennis**. We will stop for a tour of the **Bunratty Castle**, "The most complete and authentic castle in Ireland". Enjoy the countryside of **County Clare** while learning about the Viking settlements and trading hubs that were built on these grounds.

Departing from Hotel at 9:30 AM for 11:00 AM Tour

A trip to Bunratty Castle would not be complete without visiting the iconic **Durty Nelly's Pub** for some pints, food, and music.

Overnight: Ennis – <u>Temple Gate Hotel</u>



Day 4

Date:

Wednesday

Sept. 10





Travel together today to take in the awe-inspiring sites of the <u>Cliffs of Moher</u> and the **Innis Oir Islands**. These iconic sites are must-see stops in Ireland, so make sure to bring your cameras and enjoy the views!

*Note: Innis Oir ferry departures are weather-dependent.

Departing from Hotel at 8:30 AM

When you return to town, there are many small and authentic Irish pubs in the town of Ennis that you can explore and enjoy. The town of Ennis is not a big tourist town, so pull up a stool in a local pub with a couple of pints and take in the atmosphere!

Overnight: Ennis - Temple Gate Hotel



Travel Day:

Day 5

Date:

Thursday Sept.

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Title Killarney



Departing from your hotel in Ennis this morning, your three-night stay in **Killarney** begins tonight. Relax and take a break from moving hotels in the lush landscape of Killarney, which is nestled at the base of the highest mountain range in Ireland, the **MicGillicuddy's Reeks**. Lakes, mountains, and scenery galore will take your breath away. Visit the **National Park** and the site of **Muckross Gardens**, a paradise of mature Victorian gardens.

Depart Hotel at 9:30 AM

Once these tours have concluded, the night is yours to spend in the town center. Killarney is a bustling town, with an abundance of wonderful pubs and live music, as well as great nightlife. The music pours out onto the streets in Killarney and you will surely have a night to remember. Stay out late and enjoy - you can sleep in tomorrow!

Overnight: Killarney Avenue Hotel



Day 6

Date: F

Friday Sept. 12

Title Killarney National Park



Take things at a relaxing pace today with a local visit to **Killarney National Park** - the group will be escorted through the park in traditional jaunting carts.

Departing from Hotel at 9:00 AM

11:00 am The drivers of your horse carts will act as your guides through the park and tell you the colorful history. At the end of your ride, you will be dropped off at **Ross Castle**, where you can walk the grounds and take in the picturesque mountains and lakes of Killarney. Meet at Great Southern Hotel

This evening you will be treated to a night of amazing Irish music and culture with a show in Killarney at <u>The Celtic Steps</u> performance. A great foray into the instruments, customs, and energy of the Irish spirit will leave you inspired and awed.

Departing from Hotel at 7:30 PM for the 8:30 PM show.

Overnight: Killarney Avenue Hotel



Travel Day:

Day 7

Date:

Saturday Sept.

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Title The Ring of Kerry



Today your coach driver will take you into the mountains and guide you through a driven tour of the breathtaking **Ring of Kerry**. There will be many opportunities for photos and stops along the way to explore the small inlets and history around this wind-swept peninsula, so have those cameras ready! We will take a leisurely pace and have plenty of time to enjoy the scenery and villages throughout.

Departing from Hotel at 9:00 AM

Overnight: Killarney Avenue Hotel



Day 8

Date: Su

Sunday Sept. 14





Take a step further back into history today as we journey to Ireland's Ancient East and the medieval town of **Kilkenny**. En route to Kilkenny, we will stop at the <u>Midleton Jameson</u> <u>Experience</u> for a guided tour of the Jameson distillery. Learn about the long history of Irish whiskey, and have a taste - not sure if you like Irish Whiskey? You probably will after this visit!

Depart from Hotel at 9:30 AM; Jameson Tour Check-In at 1:20 PM

Tonight, we will have a traditional Irish session in a local venue with Kinnfolk.

Overnight: Hotel Kilkenny



Travel Day:

Day 9

Date:

Monday Sept.

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Title Kilkenny

The Viking city of Kilkenny awaits you today!

Today you can begin by enjoying some of the many activities available to do in town, before gathering in the center of town for your tour of the impressive **Kilkenny Castle at 3:00 PM.**

Meet up at 3:00 PM for the 3:30 PM Tour

After the tour, continue exploring or sit down in one of the many lively pubs for a session. Kilkenny is another great music town, with pubs and music everywhere.

Overnight: <u>Hotel Kilkenny</u>



Day 10

Date:

Thursday Sept.

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Title Onward to Dublin through the Wicklow Mountains



Departure from Hotel at 9:00 AM

As you head back to Dublin today, you will travel through the stunning and remote **Wicklow Mountains**, with a stop to visit the monastic site of **Glendalough**, a quiet hamlet built over 900 years ago.

Once you arrive to your Dublin hotel, you will have time to freshen up before the predeparture group dinner at **6:30 PM**.

Overnight - Clontarf Castle



Travel Day:

Day 11

Date:

Wednesday

Sept. 17

Title Return Flights to the USA



Today you will fly home with memories for a lifetime!

Exchange numbers and contacts with the many friends you made.