

Northern Ireland & Scotland

Presented by
Madison County Senior Center
September 8-18, 2026 ...11 days



HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDED

County Donegal ~ Belleek Pottery ~ Ardara ~ Triona Design Center ~ Blue Stack Mountains
Derry City & Peace Bridge ~ Antrim Coast Road Drive ~ Giant's Causeway ~ Belfast City
Titanic Belfast ~ North Atlantic Ferry to Scotland ~ Alloway ~ Glasgow City ~ Fort William
Glasgow Cathedral ~ Ben Nevis Distillery ~ Isle of Skye ~ Armadale Castle ~ Loch Ness
Inverness ~ Culloden Visitor Centre ~ St. Andrew's ~ Edinburgh City ~ Edinburgh Castle
Palace of Holyrood House ~ Spirit of Scotland Show ~ Sheep Dog Demonstration

JOURNEY INCLUDES

- Round trip air transportation
- Deluxe motorcoach transportation
- 16 meals – 9B & 7D
- Nine nights lodging
- All sightseeing & admissions
- Baggage handling
- Professional Tour Manager

Projected TOUR FARE

\$6,799.00 per person double

\$8,599.00 per person single



Payment Policy: A \$500.00 per person deposit is due to secure your reservation with the balance due by June 1, 2026. Make checks payable to Madison County Senior Center and send to 280 West High Street, London, OH 43140. Phone number 740-852-3001.

Refund Policy: Full refund on cancellations made by June 1. Optional travel insurance is available through USI Affinity Travel Insurance Services. Please call 1-855-874-0156 and provide the customer service representative with account number 50096.



DAY 1 - Depart USA for Dublin, Ireland: Travel aboard a scheduled airline to Dublin, Ireland.

DAY 2 – Arrive Dublin – Donegal: Following arrival at Dublin Airport, you will be met by your tour director and escorted to your awaiting motorcoach. Sit back, relax and enjoy the green rolling countryside as you travel to County Donegal in the northwest of Ireland. You will travel along the banks of the River Erne to Belleek, most famous for the fine Parian China produced here at Belleek Pottery facility, the oldest pottery in Ireland. The china is valued by collectors from all over the world. Following a guided tour, you continue to Donegal town for a two-night stay. Later you will regroup with your fellow travelers and enjoy dinner in your hotel. (D)

DAY 3 – County Donegal: Today you will tour County Donegal, the most north-westerly county in Ireland. You will stop in Ardara - centre of the Donegal homespun and knitting industry - where you will experience a hand weaving demonstration in the Triona Design Center. You will have some free time for shopping and enjoy a complimentary Irish Coffee before departing. Your tour then winds its way around the Blue Stack Mountain range before stopping for lunch in Leo's Tavern - family home of Ireland's international singing star Enya. Poets, painters and writers have never fully succeeded in conveying the varied beauty of this wonderland of mountains, lakes and coastline. You continue through the scenic Finn Valley before returning to your hotel. (B)

DAY 4 – Derry – Giant's Causeway - Belfast: This morning you travel to Derry City on the banks of the River Foyle. Derry City was founded in 546AD and still retains its 17C walls. You will see the new Derry Peace Bridge over the River Foyle. This 235-metre-long pedestrian bridge opened in 2011 and bridges a 400-year-old physical and political gap between two sides of a once divided community. You continue to Limavady where you begin the Antrim Coast Road Drive. Of course, no visit to Northern Ireland would be complete without a visit to the Giant's Causeway – a remarkable basaltic formation made of approximately 37,000 columns and ranked as one of the natural wonders of the world. Your tour continues along the Antrim Coast Road with spectacular views of the northern coastline before arriving in Belfast City for a two-night stay. This evening enjoy dinner in your hotel. (B, D)

DAY 5 – Belfast City Tour: Today you will enjoy a tour of Belfast City on the banks of the river Lagan. You will see the City Hall – one of the finest Classical Renaissance buildings in Europe, the Linen Hall Library which has been lending books for over 200 years, and the Grand Opera House often described as the most beautiful Victorian theatre in the world. You will drive by the many murals that Belfast has become famous for. They depict the history and political views of both traditions and are a way of marking territory. You will also visit Titanic Belfast, a new state of the art visitor center which will take you through nine galleries, telling the story of RMS Titanic, from her conception in Belfast to her famous maiden voyage and tragic end. The remainder of the evening is free to enjoy Belfast City, for shopping check out the Castle Court on Royal Avenue with more than 70 independent stores and the Victoria Centre or visit one of Belfast's oldest hostelrys – the Crown Bar for some refreshments. (B)

DAY 6 – Ferry to Scotland – Alloway - Glasgow: This morning you travel to the port of Belfast where you will board a ferry for a 2½ hour sailing across the North Atlantic to Cairnryan in Scotland. On arrival in Scotland, you will travel along the coast road to Alloway - the birthplace of Robert Burns, regarded as the national poet of Scotland and is celebrated worldwide. Following a stop at Burns Cottage, you continue to Glasgow for an overnight stay. This evening you will enjoy dinner in your hotel. (B, D)

DAY 7 – Glasgow City – Ben Nevis Distillery – Fort William: Today you will enjoy a tour of Glasgow City, often described as Britain's finest Victorian City. In 1999, its architecture won the accolade of 'UK City of Architecture and Design'. Your tour will also include a visit to Glasgow Cathedral, one of the most ancient and historic sites in the city. On departing Glasgow, you will travel north along the bank of Loch Lomond, one of Scotland's most beautiful lakes, into the Scottish Highlands. Surrounded by spectacular scenery you continue through the historic glen of Glen Coe to Fort William. Before checking into your hotel, you will visit the Ben Nevis Distillery. Nestled at the foot of Britain's highest mountain, the distillery which was established in 1825 is one of the oldest licensed distilleries in Scotland. Following your guided tour, you will enjoy a wee dram before departing for Fort William for the night. (B, D)

DAY 8 – Isle of Skye – Inverness: This morning you depart Fort William and travel to Mallaig where you board the ferry to the Isle of Skye recently voted the 4th best island in the world by National Geographic. You will visit the Clan Donald Centre at Armadale Castle and discover the history of the Scottish Highlands and Islands through the story of Clan Donald, one of the most powerful Scottish clans, at this award-winning Museum of the Isles. You will enjoy some breathtaking scenery as your tour winds its way through the island before returning to the mainland via the Skye Bridge, which opened in 1995. Next you will see the Eilean Donan Castle, one of Scotland's most iconic sights. You continue along the banks of Loch Ness, keeping your camera ready for a view of the monster, to Inverness - the capital of the highlands, for an overnight stay. (B, D)

DAY 9 – Culloden – Pitlochry – St. Andrew's – Edinburgh: Today you depart Inverness and travel a short distance to Culloden for your first stop. The last major battle in Britain was fought here on April 16th, 1746. This morning you can relive the drama with a visit to Culloden Visitor Centre. You then continue south through the scenic Grampian Mountains, passing by Blair Castle, the ancient seat of the Dukes of Atholl and the only person in Britain allowed to keep a private army. You continue to Dundee before crossing the Tay Bridge to St. Andrew's. Not only is St. Andrew's famed as the home of golf, it is also an ancient ecclesiastical capital and Scotland's oldest university. You continue south travelling over the Forth Road Bridge to Edinburgh City for a two-night stay. This evening you will enjoy dinner in your hotel. (B, D)

DAY 10 – Edinburgh City Tour: This morning a tour of Edinburgh City awaits you. You will travel down Princess Street and the historic Royal Mile before visiting the Palace of Holyrood House - the official Scottish residence of her Majesty the Queen. Hear the tales of some truly intriguing characters - the Body snatchers, Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde and Greyfriars Bobby. You will visit the majestic Edinburgh Castle and enjoy breathtaking views of the city from the castle ramparts. This evening you will enjoy the Spirit of Scotland Show at the Jam House, a traditional Scottish evening of song and dance accompanied by a great selection of quality Scottish food. (B, D)

DAY 11 – Depart Scotland for home: Today you travel to Edinburgh airport and bid farewell to Bonny Scotland.

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