

# Best of Ireland

14 Days - Cliffs, Castles & Culture

Sept 24 - Oct 7, 2024

## Highlights Include:

Guinness Storehouse  
Aran Islands  
Wicklow Mountains tour  
Irish Farm Experience  
Rock of Cashel  
Giant's Causeway  
Titanic Belfast Experience  
Cliffs of Moher  
Powerscourt Garden tour  
Castle tours

Dublin - Kilkenny, Kerry, Galway, Aran Islands,  
Derry, Inishowen Peninsula, Belfast - Dublin

**\$4995\*** CAD

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# BEST OF IRELAND

## Day 1 / Tue, Sep 24: DEPART CANADA

Depart for Ireland

## Day 2 / Wed, Sep 25: ARRIVE DUBLIN

After arrival in Dublin, Ireland, meet with your guide and driver and transfer to Dublin city centre. Free time to explore then continue to your hotel and check in. Relax until your welcome dinner at the hotel. (D)

## Day 3 / Thu, Sep 26: DUBLIN

This morning enjoy a Panoramic Tour of Dublin City Centre. We visit the Guinness Storehouse and Jameson Distillery Bow St. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure for some personal sightseeing or shopping. This evening experience dinner and entertainment at the Abbey Tavern. (B,D)

## Day 4 / Fri, Sep 27: DUBLIN - CARLOW

This morning depart Dublin and journey to Kilkenny. Enjoy a guided tour of the Wicklow Mountains. We will visit the picturesque Powerscourt House & Gardens. Next you will visit one of Ireland's most important monastic settlements, Glendalough. Continue on to your hotel in Carlow where we will have dinner at the hotel. (B,D)

## Day 5 / Sat, Sep 28: KILKENNY - KERRY

After breakfast, we start the day with a visit to Kilkenny Castle. Depart Kilkenny and journey to Kerry. En route visit the most impressive cluster of medieval buildings in Ireland - the Rock of Cashel. Continue on to your hotel in Kerry. (B)

## Day 6 / Sun, Sep 29: DINGLE PENINSULA

Today enjoy a tour of the Dingle Peninsula. Visit the Blasket Island Centre before heading over to Gallarus Oratory. After enjoying a Jaunting Car Ride, return to

your hotel in Kerry. (B)

## Day 7 / Mon, Sep 30: KERRY - GALWAY

This morning journey from Kerry to Galway. Take a trip on the Shannon Car Ferry. En-route visit the Cliffs of Moher. Travel through the Burren Region. Arrive at The Lodge at Ashford Castle. (B)

## Day 8 / Tue, Oct 1: ARAN ISLANDS

Enjoy a full day tour to the Aran Islands. Visit Dún Aengus. Return to the village for lunch on your own. You will return in the late afternoon to Rossaveal and the mainland, which allows free time for exploring the island before returning to the Lodge at Ashford Castle. (B)

## Day 9 / Wed, Oct 2: GALWAY - DERRY

Today depart Galway and journey to Derry. En route visit Drumcliffe Cemetery. Travel to Donegal. Upon arrival enjoy some time at leisure. Arrive in Derry to check into your hotel. (B)

## Day 10 / Thu, Oct 3: INISHOWEN PENINSULA

This morning, travel to the beautiful Inishowen Peninsula. Visit the stone fort of Grianan of Aileach. Return to your hotel in Derry. (B)

## Day 11 / Fri, Oct 4: DERRY TO BELFAST

This morning enjoy a Derry Walls walking tour. Then depart Derry and journey to Belfast. En route visit Dunluce Castle. Next visit the Giants Causeway. Continue onto your hotel in Belfast. Check in and dinner. (B,D)

## Day 12 / Sat, Oct 5: BELFAST

This morning enjoy a panoramic tour of Belfast City. Then visit Tracey's Farmhouse for a foodie experience,



Temple Bar, Dublin



Dunluce Castle

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before continuing on to visit Carrickfergus Castle. In the afternoon, step back in time with a visit to Titanic Belfast, where the ill-fated ship was built. This evening enjoy dinner and entertainment at Cultúrlann before returning to the hotel. (B,D)

### Day 13 / Sun, Oct 6: BELFAST - DUBLIN

This morning depart Belfast and head back to Dublin. En route visit Causey Farm and enjoy lunch before we continue on and visit Bective Abbey. Next, a stop at the Hill of Tara. Check into your hotel before we meet for our farewell dinner. (B,L,D)

### Day 14 / Mon, Oct 7: RETURN TO CANADA

Transfer to Dublin Airport for your return flight home. (B)

## INCLUDED

- Accommodation in comfortable 4 star hotels
- Airport transfers (when flights are booked with Bee Travel)
- Hotel portage for one piece of luggage per person
- Meals as per itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
  - 12 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 6 dinners
- Modern motor-coach transportation
- Ferries as per itinerary
- Jaunting Car Ride
- Guide with the tour throughout
- Comprehensive sightseeing including guides and admission fees as per itinerary



Tracey's Farmhouse - Breadmaking Experience

## TOUR COSTS in CAD\*

\*based on a group size of 20+ travellers

<b>Per person, twin-share</b>	<b>\$4,995*</b>
<b>Single supplement</b>	<b>\$1,675*</b>

(approximate cost, depending on final group size)

## NOT INCLUDED

- International flights between Canada – Ireland
- Travel insurance (please contact our office for a quote)
- Drinks with meals
- Gratuities for drivers and guides
- Items of a personal nature

## FLIGHTS & TRAVEL INSURANCE

- Please contact our office for a quote.
- Flights booked with Bee Travel include airport transfers
- Our licensed insurance agents can help you with the coverage that will suit your needs

## TOUR PACE and FITNESS TO PARTICIPATE

This itinerary includes some walking through historic city centres and to/from sites – easily accomplished if you are comfortable walking a few kilometres at a standard pace.

Travellers with restricted mobility are welcome but may be unable to enjoy all of the walking tour portions or may require taxis.



Titanic Belfast © Chris Hill Tourism Ireland

## FACTS YOU SHOULD KNOW

### RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENT:

- » \$600 per person deposit due at time of booking
- » 2nd installment of \$2,000 pp due by May 31, 2024
- » Balance due by July 26, 2024

Tour documents will be sent to you approximately 14 days prior to your trip departure, provided full payment has been received.

### TOUR PRICES:

All tour prices for land arrangements are based on rates effective at the time of printing and are expected to be in effect at the time of departure. Should these rates change, it may be necessary to surcharge the price of your vacation. Should the tour price increase by more than 10%, the passenger shall have the right to cancel within seven days of notification without penalty.

### CANCELLATION AND REFUNDS:

Notice of cancellation must be made in writing. The effective cancellation date is the date when written notification is received by Special Travel International (hereafter called STI). **Deposits are non-refundable.** The following scale of charges will apply per person when cancellation is received prior to departure:

Until May 30, 2024	\$600
May 31 – July 25, 2024	\$2,600
From July 26, 2024	100% non refundable

*NB: different payment/cancellation policies apply to airline tickets; you will be advised at time of booking.*

### TRAVEL INSURANCE:

STI strongly recommends that each tour participant has health, cancellation, interruption, accident and baggage insurance for the duration of his/her travels.

### RESPONSIBILITY AND LIABILITY:

STI acts only as an agent in securing all services related to the tours described in this brochure, including transportation, sightseeing and accommodation. STI shall not be responsible or liable for any loss, cost, damage, injury, delay or expense arising from the use of any conveyance, accommodation or service or from acts of God, strikes, weather, quarantine, accidents, sickness, government regulations, insufficient documents and any loss expense resulting from the above contingencies shall be borne by the tour member. In the event it becomes necessary or advisable for the comfort of the passenger, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made without penalty to the operators. Additional expense, if any, shall be borne by the passenger. The right is reserved to withdraw any or all tours should conditions warrant, and also to decline to accept or retain any passenger as a member of the tour. In such instances, full or equitable amounts will be refunded.

### TRAVEL DOCUMENTS, VISAS AND VACCINES:

It is entirely the passenger's responsibility to possess whatever documents, visas and vaccines are required by the law of the countries visited on the tour.

### AIRLINE RESPONSIBILITY:

Any air carrier providing transportation in connection with these tours is not to be held responsible for any act, omission or event during the time the passenger is not on board its planes. The passenger contract in use by the airlines concerned, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airline and the purchase of these tours and/or passenger. Similar responsibility as noted applies to all types of carriers, including car rental companies.

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