

**7 Nights Ireland
Grand Literary & Scenic History Tour**



Tour Overview

This seven night's themed tour of Ireland focuses on the highlights of this diverse and majestic country. From the capital city of Dublin, home of many famous libraries and writers, to the countryside of the Southwest, this is Ireland at its most intriguing and fascinating. History, world famous writers, music, and epic scenery will be taken in each day to delight and wonder the visitor to this ancient and wildly beautiful country.

Tour Inclusions

- 2 Nights in Dublin at 4 star hotel in city centre
- 2 Nights in Cork at 4 star hotel in city centre
- 2 Nights in Killarney at 4 star hotel in town centre
- 1 Night at Bunratty Castle Hotel
- Evening Meals at Hotel on three nights
- Traditional Irish Pub lunch on three days
- Final Night Medieval Irish Banquet Dinner
- Dublin Literary City Walk
- Tour of Wicklow Mountains & James Joyce's Tower
- Tour of the Rock of Cashel
- Tour of Dingle Peninsula & Blasket Islands Heritage Centre
- Boat trip to the Blasket Islands
- Tour & history of the Old English Market in Cork
- Jameson Distillery Tour in Midleton
- Limerick city history & Angelas Ashes Walking Tour
- Kerry's Writers Museum Tour

Price: \$2,250 USD Per Person Sharing (Single supplement \$500 USD pp & Pre night \$150)

May 10th:

Morning - Arrive into Dublin

Irish Tea & scones on arrival at hotel. Private guided walking tour of Dublin with literary theme

Afternoon - Tour of the famous Trinity College & the Book of Kells. Afterwards, a tour of the Guinness Storehouse. The 360 degree view of Dublin from the Gravity Bar, located at the top of the Storehouse, is one not to miss.

Evening - Group dinner at Hotel

Overnight at Dublin city centre 4 star Hotel



May 11th:

Morning - Tour of the Wicklow Mountains by coach where many famous movies were filmed such as Braveheart & PS I Love. Traditional Irish Pub lunch in the Wicklow Mountains.

Afternoon - Tour of the James Joyce Tour which was featured in his book *Ulysses*.

Evening - At leisure in Dublin City

Overnight at Dublin city centre 4 star Hotel



May 12th:

Morning - Culture and history tour of Kilkenny City known as “the marble city.” The city’s “Medieval Mile” of narrowed lanes is the hub of arts and crafts.

Afternoon - A stop in the village of Inistoge, the setting of Meave Binchy’s novel *Circle of Friends*. A tour of the Rock of Cashel before heading to Cork to see where the High Kings of Munster once sat.

Evening - Group dinner at hotel

Overnight at Cork city centre 4 star Hotel



May 13th:

Morning - History tour of the English Market in Cork City. Lunch at the English Market.

Afternoon - History tour through the town of Cobh, a harbour village that became the most important port of emigration in Ireland. Enjoy a Whiskey Tour at the Jameson Distillery in Midleton.

Evening - At leisure in Cork City

Overnight at Cork city centre 4 star Hotel



May 14th:

Morning - Explore the Blarney Castle and Gardens, a famous site for visitors to try to find the gift of gab. The Blarney Woolen Mills is popular with visitors to buy Irish handcrafts.

Afternoon - Muckross House and Traditional Gardens Tour will take you back in time to what life was like in rural Ireland during the 18th century.

Evening - Group dinner at hotel

Overnight at Killarney town centre 4 star Hotel



May 15th:

Morning - Tour of the Dingle Peninsula by coach and the history of writers on the peninsula. Lunch in Dingle.

Afternoon - Boat trip to the Blasket Islands. The Blasket Islands Heritage Centre highlights the literary achievements from those writers who lived on the Island before their evacuation in 1953.

Evening - At leisure in Killarney

Overnight at Killarney town centre 4 star hotel



May 16th:

Morning - Tour of the Kerry's Writers Museum in the heritage town of Listowel. The museum showcases great Kerry writers and how their works were influenced by their environment.

Afternoon - Limerick City history and walking tour of Frank McCourt's famous book *Angela's Ashes*.

Evening - Irish Medieval Banquet Dinner

Overnight at Bunratty Castle Hotel



May 17th:

Morning - Transfers to Shannon Airport