



*Presents*

*9 Day Private Food and Drink Tour of Ireland*

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# Your Itinerary in Detail

**Day 1: Arrival in Dublin, Céad Míle Fáilte. Private arrival transfer with orientation tour of the city.**



Upon arrival at Dublin airport, you will be met by one of our top-class driver/guides and escorted to a luxury vehicle and privately transferred into Dublin City. Your driver/guide will conduct a short orientation tour of the city including some of the major sights. Subject to traffic conditions and timing you may see O'Connell Street and the General Post Office, the location where the Proclamation was read for the first time on Easter Sunday 1916. You will see the Garden of Remembrance, The Custom

House and get a feel for this great city. You will check into your centrally located hotel. The rest of the day is free for you to rest and relax and enjoy Dublin's Fair City.

**2 nights at The Shelbourne Hotel in a Double Deluxe Room inclusive of breakfast**

## Day 2: Exploring Dublin City

Meet with an expert local guide in your hotel lobby and begin a private walking tour of Dublin city. Your tour will focus on the highlights of the city centre and give an informed and fun perspective of life and history in Ireland's capital. You can see some of the most interesting buildings in the city including Dublin Castle and the Customs House. Your expert local guide will tailor the tour to your interests. The walking tour will end at Trinity College Library where we include entrance fees to see the famous Book of Kells. Your driver/guide will meet you and transfer you to The Guinness Storehouse for a tour and the connoisseur experience. Afterwards you will be transferred to join a small group gourmet food tour of Dublin's Georgian District.



**The Book of Kells** Welcome to the Old Library and the Book of Kells - a "must see" on the itinerary of all visitors to Dublin. Located in the heart of Dublin City, a walk through the cobbled stones of Trinity College Dublin will bring visitors back to the 18th century, when the magnificent Old Library building was constructed. Inside is housed the Book of Kells - a 9th-century gospel manuscript famous throughout the world.



**Guinness Storehouse** Find out exactly what it takes to make beer the Guinness way. From our famous strain of yeast to the passion shared by all our brewers, we go to extraordinary lengths to bring you the world's number-one stout. Where better to savour a perfectly poured pint of the black stuff than sitting high above Dublin's historic rooftops? Broaden your horizons with 360° views across the city's magnificent skyline.

**Small Group Gourmet Food and Drink Tour of Dublin City.** This afternoon you will meet with an expert local guide for a small group 3-hour gourmet food and drink tour of Dublin's Georgian District. You will be taken around the creative quarter of Dublin as it has the most to offer in terms of culture, history and of course delightful food. This beautiful, quaint, historic area of Georgian Dublin was the cultural, gastronomic and commercial hub of the city for well over 200 years and the food is delicious if you know where to go.

Given its very central location, we can show you more than one area, including the famous Powerscourt Townhouse, home to the Viscounts Powerscourt and one of the the finest Georgian buildings standing in Dublin, the ancient Medieval Temple Bar and the bustling lively district of Grafton Street with its street musicians and flower peddlers. During this tour with a local foodie expert your food choices will include: fresh seafood, choice of Irish stew or Dublin coddle, amazing Irish cheeses, artisan ice cream and some secret local food. The tour also includes drinks, sampling of some superb Irish whiskies, delicious tasting of delightful new Irish cream liqueur, a glass of Prosecco infused Fruit Juice and a Guinness beer or Irish coffee to end your experience.



### **Day 3: Dublin to Cork: A Full Day with your Expert Driver / Guide**

After breakfast you will be collected by your driver/guide in a luxury vehicle. You will depart Dublin and travel south west to Cork. There are many options along the way and entrance fees are included to The Rock of Cashel, Cahir Castle and in the afternoon to Blarney Castle, The evening is free for you to relax and explore Kinsale and try any of the fine restaurants that make Kinsale known as the Gourmet Capital of Ireland.



**The Rock of Cashel** is the site where St Patrick chose to make the head of his church in Ireland. The Rock of Cashel is a spectacular group of medieval buildings set on an outcrop of limestone in the Golden Vale including the 12th century round tower, High Cross and Romanesque Chapel, 13th century Gothic cathedral, 15th century Castle and the restored Hall of the Vicars Choral.



**Blarney Castle** Built nearly six hundred years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftains, Cormac MacCarthy, and has been attracting attention ever since. Over the last few hundred years, millions have flocked to Blarney making it a world-famous landmark and one of Ireland's greatest treasures. Now, that might have something to do with the Blarney Stone, the legendary Stone of Eloquence, found at the top of our tower. Kiss it and you'll never again be lost for words.



## **2 nights at Perryville House in a Double Deluxe Room inclusive of breakfast**

### **Day 4: Exploring Cork**



Today we include a full day with your driver/guide to explore Kinsale, enjoy some time in Cork City and the English market. You will visit Blarney Castle, where you will have the chance to kiss the famous Stone of Eloquence and time to pillage the adjacent woollen mills. We also include a visit to the Queenstown Story in Cobh. In the afternoon, its back to Kinsale where you will join a small group food tour in Kinsale. Later, you may wish to visit the Ringfannon Garden of Remembrance before an evening at leisure.

**The English Market.** A civic space, a meeting place, a thoroughfare, and a bustling social hub of the city. With its variety of products, the pride of place accorded to small traders, the personalised service, the growing emphasis on organic products and reliance on small-scale producers, it is forever popular. A mix of traditional Cork fare and exciting new foods from afar, along with longstanding family-run stalls and newcomers from outside, all contribute to its unique appeal, which is celebrated widely, especially by visitors to the city.

**The Queenstown Story** The story of Cobh's unique origins, its history & legacy are dramatically recalled at Cobh, the Queenstown Story. A stunning multimedia exhibition is located in Cobh's restored Victorian Railway Station. On your visit here you can Explore the conditions on board the early emigrant vessels, including the dreaded "coffin ships". Experience life on board a convict ship leaving Cobh for Australia in 1801. Discover Queenstown's special connections with the ill-fated Titanic which sank on her maiden voyage – Cobh was her last port of call. Witness the tragic story of the Lusitania, which sank off Cork Harbour. Discover your Irish ancestry with our Genealogy Record Finder Service.





**Small Group Food Tour of Kinsale:** This tour departs at 2.30pm and lasts for approximately 2 hours. Running in hail, rain or shine, your tour guides love food too much to miss out! The tour brings you on a gentle stroll which wends its way through this colourful town. You will stop at various eateries in Kinsale and meet some of the local characters and producers. These people are passionate about their culinary creations and you will learn their stories and more of the history of this unique part of Ireland.

### **Day 5: Cork to Killarney: A Full Day with your Expert Driver / Guide**

After breakfast you will meet with your driver/guide and depart Kinsale. First you can make a stop to view the breathtaking scenery at the Old Head of Kinsale located at the very start of Ireland's famous route, The Wild Atlantic Way. Today is all about the very best of Irish scenery, truly breath-taking panoramas that present a new vista with every mile. There will be plenty of photo stops and time for lunch. In the afternoon, you will travel to the popular town of Killarney and check into your hotel.



In the afternoon we include a jaunting car ride in Killarney including craft beer and pizza tasting. The evening is free to enjoy Ireland's most famous tourist town and the great pubs and restaurants.



**Killarney Jaunting Car Tour with Craft Beer and Pizza** Experience the beauty of Killarney National Park on a fully weatherproofed Jaunting Car with your own Jarvey driver/guide. Tour highlights include breath-taking scenes of Killarney's most famous landmarks including St. Mary's Cathedral, Ross Castle and Innisfallen Island. Visit the grounds of 15th century Ross Castle with spectacular views of the Lakes of Killarney. Learn about the unique history and nature of the Killarney National Park. Enjoy a Killarney Craft Beer of your

choice as well as a wood fired oven baked Pizza at the Killarney Brewery. (Soft drinks and wine also available as a substitute.)

**2 nights at The Killarney Park Hotel in a Double Classic King Room inclusive of breakfast**

## Day 6: The Ring of Kerry - a full day with your Driver / Guide

After breakfast today, meet with your driver/guide for a full day tour of the Ring of Kerry. You will travel from Killarney to Killorglin, via Glenbeigh here you have the option to stop and see a sheepdog demonstration with Brendan Farris. You will continue to see dramatic views over Dingle Bay to



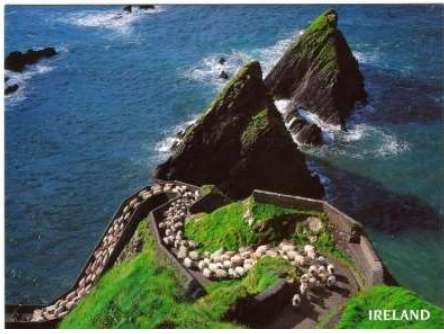
Cahirciveen, the birthplace of Daniel O'Connell – Ireland's Great Liberator. Time permitting, take a detour to see Valentia Island and the Skellig Ring where you can see stunning coastal views out to the Skellig Island (used in the latest Star Wars film, please note it's a longer day to do this). Your food experience today includes stops at local artisan food producers including a cheese maker, local seafood and hand made chocolates. You will continue your journey with some of the most beautiful sights in Ireland, through Sneem

and via Molls Gap, you will see the Gap of Dunlo and travel along ladies' view and along the 3 lakes and the Killarney National Park arriving in Killarney in the mid-afternoon. Perhaps visit Muckross House and Gardens or take a short hike to the Torc Waterfall before returning to your hotel. Tonight, there will be the option to include an evening of Irish music and dancing at the superb Celtic Steps show in Killarney. Please discuss this with your driver/guide who will be happy to arrange and provide round-trip transfers.

**Celtic Steps Show Killarney** The Celtic Steps Show brings together the raw talent of popular Irish dance with the authenticity of traditional Irish music. The show aims to provide a magical evening for its guests, taking them on a journey through the nation's colourful past and history to present day Ireland through the language of music, song and of course, dance.



## Day 7: The Dingle Peninsula - a full day with your Driver / Guide



After breakfast today you will meet your driver/guide for a tour out to Ireland's most westerly point. The day tour to the Dingle Peninsula is a journey that takes in the wild and rugged beauty of the Sleah Head Drive. The peninsula is littered with Archaeological remains and secluded sandy beaches. Here you can walk on one of them and feel the splendid isolation that the Neolithic settlers must have felt in 4,000 BC when they made the area their home. Dingle Town is one of Ireland's quickly disappearing Gaeltacht regions where Irish is the first language

and one can almost sense the difference here. An optional seafood lunch can be enjoyed in any of the towns' superb restaurants. Later you will travel over the Conor's Pass one of Ireland's most dramatic journeys across the peaks to Tralee and then continue via the picturesque village of Adare before arrival at your nearby hotel and checking in. The rest of the evening is at your leisure.

**Scheduled Dingle Food Tasting Tour** The Dingle Tasting Tour is an exciting mix of tasting and sightseeing in Ireland's No. 1 foodie town. Our experienced guides will take you through the beautiful port town of Dingle, visiting some of the town's best food and beverage locations. In these locations you will enjoy a variety of tastings of authentic, local Irish food and drink.



### **Ireland's Prettiest Town, Adare.**

You will stop in Adare at the heritage centre where you can discover the heritage of this beautiful village. In the town there are the remains of a Norman Castle, a Franciscan Friary, and an Abbey. In the centre of Town is Ireland's only Trinitarian Church and across the road are the stunning thatched cottages. There will be time to enjoy a tea or coffee in the Heritage centre.

### **2 nights at Dromoland Castle in a Double Deluxe inclusive of breakfast**

## **Day 8: Private Food Experiences in the Unesco Burren National Park Includes the Cliffs of Moher**

Meet with your driver/guide this morning and travel west to Lahinch where we have included a very special private foraging and cookery experience. Later travel the short distance to the Cliffs of Moher where entrance fees are included. In the afternoon there will be some time to explore part of the Burren National Park. We include a visit to Lisdoonvarna and a stop at the world famous Burren Smokehouse. In the late afternoon we include a final stop at the wonderful St Tolas Goats Cheese. Return to your hotel and the final evening is at your leisure to relax and reflect on your food and drink experiences in Ireland.



**Private Foraging, Cookery Class and Food Tasting in County Clare.**

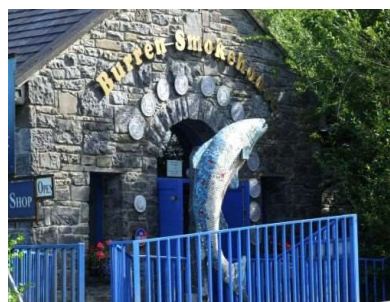


This morning your driver/guide will collect you and take you to Join Oonagh for a special provate food experince on the edge of a continent. a unique food experience, based in Lahinch. Co.Clare. Your private tour starts with a guided Wild Food Walk on land and seashore. You will discover and identify delicious, edible, wild plants. Stroll along the shoreline and search for Seaweed, like the Truffle of the Sea, Dilisk and Sea Spirulina. Enjoy all that the land and sea has to offer, from the vast variety of plants like Watercress, Pignuts,

Samphire and Ramsons and Umami. Your journey of discovery today includes the harvesting this free food and then an interactive demonstration on how to prepare and enjoy the flavours of the land and the ocean.

A Wild Food Walk is a delight, an engagement with nature, but it is also a journey into a secret world where and you will learn about the exceptional nutritional value and unique taste of wild plants, how to identify them, what not to eat or touch, what's in season, tasting as we go, all the while taking in the beautiful scenery of Co.Clare, The Burren and the Wild Atlantic Way.

**The Cliffs of Moher** is a sheer precipice that stretches for 5 miles along another part of the Wild Atlantic Way. The Cliffs of Moher rise to a height of 668 feet above the Atlantic and is one of the most impressive coastlines in Ireland. In nesting season, the cliffs are home to a variety of seabirds. Entrances to the Cliffs of Moher Visitors Centre is included. In the afternoon, there will be time to see the Burren Region a remarkable landscape of Limestone and littered with Neolithic sites dating back 6,000 years.



**The Burren Smokehouse** Immerse yourself in the Salmon Experience! The Burren Smokehouse Visitor Centre, Sample the silky, smoky texture of the Burren Smoked Irish Organic Salmon. Discover the mystery of salmon smoking and the secret of how smoked salmon is handcrafted (a 7 minute video in English, French, G erman, Italian, Swedish and Spanish). Enjoy mosaics that are telling the story of the "Salmon of Knowledge". Marvel at the nostalgic atmosphere in their visitor centre and smell the oak smoke

as soon as you come through the door. Feel the rumble of the production facilities under your feet as you explore the retired kiln and smokebox that is on display.

**St Tolas Goats Cheese Private Tour** Your private tour takes approx 1 hour to 1.5 hrs and includes a full tour of our working farm. There is a chance to pet our beautiful goats, see them during feeding time and get a better understanding of sustainable farming. A cheese making demonstration is included and also a tasting of our gourmet cheeses. At the end of the tour, visitors can visit our Économusée museum and buy cheese in our farm shop.



### **Day 9: Private Departure Transfer from Dromoland Castle to Shannon Airport**

After check-out today you will meet your driver for a private transfer to Shannon Airport for your return flight to the U.S.A.

## WHERE YOU ARE STAYING

### HOTEL SELECTIONS

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#### [THE SHELBOURNE HOTEL](#) - DUBLIN

Experience the elegance and luxury of The Shelbourne Dublin, A Renaissance Hotel. This exceptional five-star hotel, set in a hundred-year-old majestic building, is the premier city centre hotel in Dublin.

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#### [PERRYVILLE HOUSE](#) - KINSALE

Perryville House is a luxury guesthouse situated in the heart of Kinsale. Stunningly decorated by your hosts, the Corcoran family, this is the ideal location to enjoy this wonderful fishing harbour town, known as the gourmet capital of Ireland.

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#### [KILLARNEY PARK HOTEL](#) - KILLARNEY

The Killarney Park Hotel is one of the finest 5-star luxury hotels Ireland has to offer. Perfectly located in the heart of Killarney town centre.

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#### [DROMOLAND CASTLE](#) - NEWMARKET ON FERGUS

Ireland's most magical address, Dromoland Castle, has been welcoming guests since the 16th century. The 5-star ancestral home of the O'Brien's of Dromoland, whose lineage dates back 1,000 years to Brian Boru, one of the last High Kings of Ireland.

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# What's Included?

Please see below for complete list of included services. Accommodation is included for 12 nights at the following hotels including breakfast.

Date	Nts	City	Hotel	Accommodation
DAY 1	2	Dublin	The Shelbourne Hotel	Double Deluxe Room
DAY 3	2	Kinsale	Perryville House	Double Deluxe Room
DAY 5	2	Killarney	Killarney Park Hotel	Double Classic King Room
DAY 7	2	Newmarket on Fergus	Dromoland Castle	Double Deluxe Room

## Transport

Date	City	Service	
DAY 1	Dublin	Arrival transfer with orientation tour	Luxury Car Private Service
DAY 3	Dublin	Dublin to Cork	Luxury Car with Driver/Guide
DAY 4	Cork	Exploring Cork	Luxury Car with Driver/Guide
DAY 5	Kinsale	Cork to Killarney	Luxury Car with Driver/Guide
DAY 6	Killarney	The Ring of Kerry	Luxury Car with Driver/Guide
DAY 7	Killarney	The Dingle Peninsula	Luxury Car with Driver/Guide
DAY 8	Newmarket on Fergus	Private Food Experiences including the Cliffs of Moher	Luxury Car with Driver/Guide
DAY 9	Newmarket on Fergus	Transfer Dromoland to Shannon	Luxury Car Private Service

## Services

Date	Service	
DAY 2	A Private 3 Hour Walking Tour of Dublin City	Sightseeing Private Service
DAY 2	The Book of Kells	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 2	Small Group Gourmet Food and Drink Tour Dublin	Sightseeing Private Service
DAY 2	Guinness Storehouse	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 3	The Rock of Cashel	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 3	Blarney Castle	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 4	The Queenstown Story	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 4	Small Group Food Tour of Kinsale	Sightseeing Private Service
DAY 5	Killarney Jaunting Car Tour with Craft Beer and Pizza	Sightseeing Private Service
DAY 6	Celtic Steps Show Killarney	Activity Ticket
DAY 7	Scheduled Dingle Food Tasting Tour	Tasting Shared Service
DAY 8	Private Foraging, Cookery Class and Food Tasting	Sightseeing Private Service
DAY 8	The Cliffs of Moher	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 8	The Burren Smokehouse	Entrance Fee Ticket
DAY 8	St Tolas Goats Cheese Private Tour	Tasting Private Service

**All communications costs, hotels taxes and fees are also included and the services of our professional travel experts on the ground are available to you 24/7 days a week throughout your trip**

### WHATS NOT INCLUDED:

Flights from the USA or Europe, tips to your driver/guide and guides and anything not mentioned above

**BOOKING:** The proposal is subject to availability. To book we require a 30% deposit which is non-refundable as required to pre-book all services. We accept payments by credit card or by bank transfer.



The balance of your trip would be due by 60 days prior to travel. We suggest taking out travel insurance with your local broker or online provider.