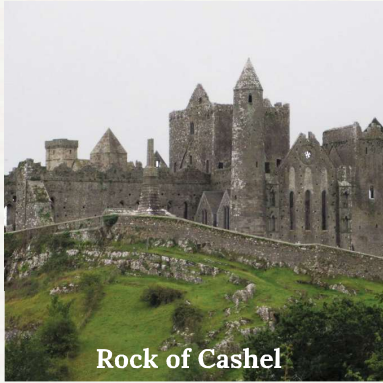


St John Bosco Church

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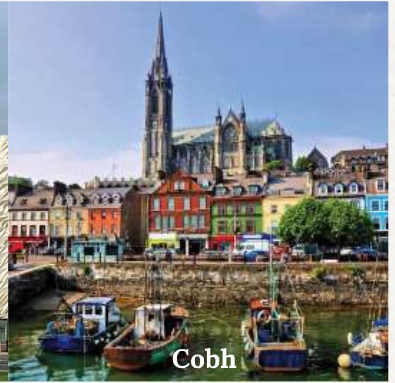
Rock of Cashel



Knock Shrine



Titanic Belfast Museum



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May 18th - May 31st 2025

DAY 1

SUN MAY 18



Take an overnight flight to begin this 14-day pilgrimage and sightseeing tour that offers an enriching blend of religious, cultural, and historical experiences, taking travelers across Ireland, Northern Ireland, and Scotland.

DAY 2

MON MAY 19



Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham

The group arrives at Dublin Airport (DUB). They are warmly greeted by their tour manager, who will accompany them throughout the entire journey. Transfer to the hotel and the remainder of the day is at leisure for you to get settled.

Gather together this evening for a Welcome dinner at the hotel. Overnight in Dublin.

Hotel: [Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham](#) (three nights)

Meals Included: Dinner

DAY 3
TUE MAY 20



Christ Church Cathedral



Trinity College

After a well rested sleep, join your tour manager to embark on a panoramic tour of Dublin, Ireland’s vibrant capital. The tour includes a visit to **Christ Church Cathedral**, a stunning medieval church dating back to the 11th century, known for its impressive architecture and rich history as both a cathedral and a center of Irish religious life. The group will also explore **Trinity College**, Ireland’s oldest university, home to the famous Book of Kells, a beautifully illuminated manuscript dating back to the 9th century that is one of the country’s greatest treasures.

The tour concludes with **Mass at Whitefriar Street Carmelite Church**, where the group can reflect in this peaceful and historic setting, before returning to the hotel. The rest of the day can be enjoyed at leisure. Overnight in Dublin.

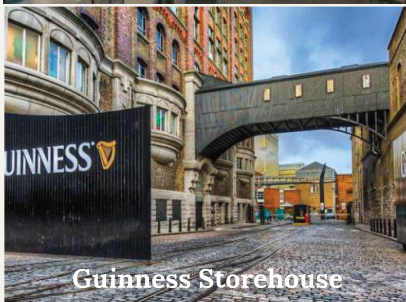
Hotel: [Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 4
WED MAY 21



Kilmainham Gaol Prison



Guinness Storehouse

The day begins with a morning Mass, followed by a visit to the Legion of Mary, an organization deeply rooted in Ireland’s Catholic history, dedicated to the spiritual and charitable work of the Church.

In the afternoon, the group heads to **Kilmainham Gaol**, a former prison that played a pivotal role in Ireland’s struggle for independence. Here, visitors can walk through the hauntingly preserved cells and corridors, where many prominent Irish political figures were once incarcerated.

The next stop is the **Guinness Storehouse**, where the world-famous stout is brewed. This interactive experience explores the history of the Guinness brand and its brewing process, with a chance to enjoy a pint at the Gravity Bar, offering panoramic views of the Dublin skyline. Afterward, the group will enjoy dinner at a local Dublin restaurant and overnight in the city.

Hotel: [Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 5
THU MAY 22



St. Patrick's Cathedral



St. Kevin's Church



Kilkenny Castle

This morning, enjoy a visit to **St. Patrick's Cathedral**, an iconic symbol of Dublin and one of the most magnificent Gothic structures in Ireland. The cathedral is also home to the story of Jonathan Swift, author of Gulliver's Travels, who served as its dean.

From here, the group heads south to Glendalough, a breathtaking valley in County Wicklow that was the site of an ancient monastic settlement founded by St. Kevin in the 6th century. You will attend **Mass at St. Kevin's Church**, nestled in the heart of this tranquil landscape.

Afterward, you will explore the **Glendalough Monastic Site**, where visitors can wander among ancient ruins, including a round tower, several churches, and St. Kevin's Cell, before visiting the Visitor Centre to learn more about the site's rich history.

In the evening, the group travels to Kilkenny to visit **Kilkenny Castle**, a magnificent Norman castle dating back to the 12th century. The castle is known for its stunning gardens and impressive interiors, which showcase Ireland's aristocratic history. The group will check into their hotel and stay overnight in Kilkenny.

Hotel: [Kilkenny Hotel](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast

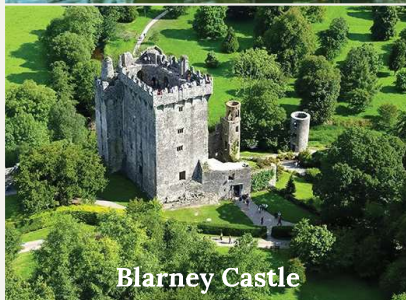
DAY 6
FRI MAY 23



Rock of Cashel



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Blarney Castle

Today, head out for a guided tour of the **Rock of Cashel**, an awe-inspiring complex of medieval ruins perched on a limestone hill. The site includes a cathedral, round tower, and Cormac's Chapel, and offers spectacular views of the surrounding countryside.

Afterward, the group heads to **Cobh**, a picturesque town with a strong maritime heritage. You will attend **Mass at St. Colman's Cathedral**, a striking Gothic cathedral with a soaring spire that overlooks the harbor. After Mass, the group will visit the Cobh Heritage Centre, where they will learn about the town's role as a major departure point for Irish emigrants, as well as its connection to the Titanic disaster.

The group will then travel to Blarney, home to the world-famous **Blarney Castle**. Here, they can climb to the top of the castle to kiss the legendary Blarney Stone, said to grant the gift of eloquence. The group will also have free time to visit Blarney Woollen Mills, a large store offering a wide range of Irish-made woolen goods and souvenirs.

In the evening, the group will travel to Killarney to check into the hotel.

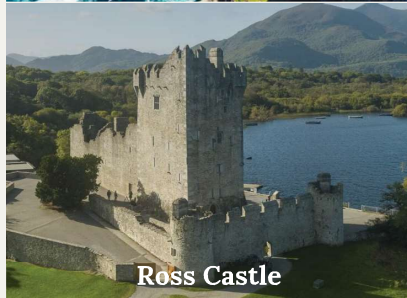
Hotel: [The International Hotel Killarney](#) (two nights)

Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 7
SAT MAY 24



The day begins with morning Mass, followed by a spectacular day exploring the **Ring of Kerry**, one of Ireland's most scenic drives. The Ring takes visitors through lush green landscapes, charming villages, and along the rugged coastline, with several key stops, including the colorful town of Sneem, known for its brightly painted houses, and Molls Gap, which offers stunning views of the surrounding mountains. A highlight of the day is a traditional jaunting car tour, a horse-drawn carriage ride through the scenic Killarney National Park to **Ross Castle**, a 15th-century fortress located on the edge of Lough Leane. Afterward, the group will return to Killarney for dinner at a local restaurant and overnight in the town.

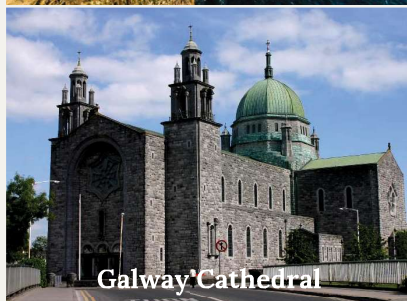


Hotel: [The International Hotel Killarney](#)
Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 8
SUN MAY 25



The group starts the day with Mass in Killarney, before traveling to Galway on the western coast of Ireland. En route, stop at the **Cliffs of Moher**, one of Ireland's most iconic natural wonders, offering dramatic views of the Atlantic Ocean from towering cliffs that rise 700 feet above the sea. The journey continues through the Burren, a unique and barren limestone landscape that is home to rare plants and ancient archaeological sites. Upon arrival in Galway, the group will enjoy a panoramic tour of this lively city, famous for its arts scene, colorful streets, and vibrant atmosphere. If time allows, you may visit **Galway Cathedral**, one of the most impressive modern cathedrals in Ireland, and will provide a moment of quiet reflection. Afterward, the group will travel through the scenic Connemara region, known for its rugged beauty and expansive lakes, before reaching Knock. Dinner will be included this evening, and the group will stay overnight in Knock.



Hotel: [Knock House Hotel](#) (two nights)
Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 9
MON MAY 26



Today will be a spiritually enriching full-day experience at Knock Shrine. **The day begins with morning Mass at the Apparition Chapel**, followed by a guided walking tour of the Knock Shrine Grounds, offering a deeper connection to the history and significance of this pilgrimage destination. Afterward, the group will enjoy a guided tour of the Knock Museum, which provides further insights into the shrine's rich history. At 2:00 pm, pilgrims will gather for the **Stations of the Cross and the Rosary**, with the prayers being broadcast across the grounds and into the churches, creating a powerful atmosphere of communal devotion.

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DAY 10
TUE MAY 27



At 3:00 pm, the highlight of the day will be the **Mass at Knock Basilica**, which will include the **Blessing of the Sick ceremony**, an opportunity for participants to seek spiritual healing and blessings. For those seeking reconciliation, Confessions will be offered from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm at the Chapel of Reconciliation. Throughout the day, the Blessed Sacrament Chapel will also be open for Adoration, offering a quiet space for prayer and reflection. This day at Knock Shrine will be a meaningful experience of faith, reflection, and renewal.

Hotel: [Knock House Hotel](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast

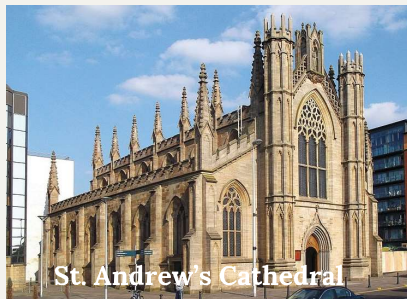
This morning, enjoy Mass at the Knock Shrine, one of the most important Marian pilgrimage sites in Ireland, where an apparition of the Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, and St. John the Evangelist was reported in 1879.

The group then departs for Belfast, the capital of Northern Ireland, where they will visit the **Titanic Belfast Museum**. This state-of-the-art museum chronicles the story of the Titanic, from its construction in the city's shipyards to its tragic sinking. The group will then check into your hotel and stay overnight in Belfast.

Hotel: [Europa Hotel](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 11
WED MAY 28



After checking out in the morning, transfer to the ferry port for a scenic crossing from Cairnryan in Scotland, an essential part of the journey that offers a unique opportunity to experience the beauty of the Irish Sea. The ferry route is renowned for its stunning views, as it glides across the water between two beautiful coastal regions.

Upon arrival, the group will travel to Glasgow, Scotland's largest city, where you will enjoy an orientation tour to see its highlights, including the grand architecture of George Square and the renowned Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum. **The group will attend Mass at St. Andrew's Cathedral**, a beautiful example of Gothic Revival architecture. Afterward, enjoy an included lunch at a local restaurant. From there the group will continue to Edinburgh, Scotland's capital, where they will take a tour along the **Royal Mile**, a historic street that stretches from **Edinburgh Castle** to the **Palace of Holyroodhouse**.

Hotel: [Yotel Edinburgh](#) (three nights)

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 12
THU MAY 29



Stirling Castle

Your first morning in Scotland begins with Mass, followed by a visit to **Stirling Castle**, one of Scotland's most important and historically rich castles, associated with figures like William Wallace and Mary, Queen of Scots. After a guided tour of the castle, the group will have some free time to explore the cobbled streets of Stirling.

In the afternoon, the group will return to Edinburgh for a unique **whisky tasting experience**, where they will sample up to four different Scotch whiskies, learning about the history and process of whisky-making in Scotland. The group will overnight in Edinburgh.

Hotel: [Yotel Edinburgh](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast

DAY 13
FRI MAY 30



Palace of Holyroodhouse

Today starts with Mass and a visit to the Shrine of Venerable Margaret Sinclair, a Catholic laywoman from Edinburgh who is a candidate for beatification.

In the afternoon, the group will visit the **Palace of Holyroodhouse**, the official residence of the British monarch in Scotland, with its elegant architecture and beautiful gardens. The group will also explore **Edinburgh Castle**, a historic fortress that dominates the skyline of the city, housing the Crown Jewels of Scotland and offering panoramic views of the surrounding area.

A farewell dinner at a local restaurant will conclude the day, and the group will stay overnight in Edinburgh.

Hotel: [Yotel Edinburgh](#)

Meals Included: Breakfast, Dinner



Edinburgh Castle

DAY 14
SAT MAY 31



After breakfast, the group will transfer to Edinburgh Airport (EDI) for departure, bringing an end to an enriching and memorable journey through Ireland, Northern Ireland, and Scotland.

Meals Included: Breakfast

We are pleased to quote you the following proposed air and land rates. All air & land arrangements are on a request basis only and are subject to availability at the time of booking.

Land Only Package Rates in CAD		
35 passengers	per/person	\$6,753.23
Single Room Supplement	add	\$2,665.00
Airfare in CAD - Valid for May 2025 Departure		
		Flight #
Edmonton YEG - Toronto YYZ	3:15pm - 9:03pm (May 18th)	WS0434
Toronto YYZ - Dublin DUB	10:05pm - 9:55am (May 19th)	WS0034
Edinburgh EDI - Toronto YYZ	11:30am - 2:06pm (May 31st)	WS0017
Toronto YYZ - Edmonton YEG	3:30pm - 5:48pm (May 31st)	WS0431
Estimated Total:	per/person	\$1,872.14
Number of Seats		37
Combined Total for Land & Air in CAD		
35 passengers	per/person	\$8,625.37
Single Room Supplement	add	\$2,665.00

Inclusions in above prices:

Accommodation

- Dublin – three nights (Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham or similar)
- Kilkenny – one night (Kilkenny Hotel or similar)
- Killarney – two nights (The International Hotel Killarney or similar)
- Knock – two nights (Knock House Hotel or similar)
- Belfast – one night (Europa Hotel or similar)
- Edinburgh – three nights (Yotel Edinburgh or similar)

Meals

- Breakfasts – twelve included
- Lunch – one included
- Dinners – four included

Transport

- One Group transfer meeting one flight only on arrival and departure is included.
- Dublin – local coach – days 2-4
- Dublin – touring coach – days 5-10
- Belfast – local coach – day 11
- Belfast – ferry to Cairnryan, one-way – day 11
- Cairnryan – local coach – day 11
- Edinburgh – local coach – days 12-14

Guides / Assistants

- Dublin – tour manager – days 2-13

Mass (to be confirmed)

- Whitefriar Street Carmelite Church
- Saint Mary's Pro Cathedral
- Saint Kevin's Church
- Killarney Cathedral
- Shrine of Our Lady
- St Andrews Cathedral
- Church in Edinburgh (TBD)
- St Patrick's Church

Entrances/Tours

- Dublin – Book of Kells at Trinity College – day 3
- Dublin - Kilmainham Gaol – day 4
- Dublin – Guinness Storehouse – day 4
- Dublin – St Patrick's Cathedral – day 5
- Glendalough – Glendalough Monastic Site and Visitor Centre – day 5
- Kilkenny – Kilkenny Castle Guided Tour – day 5
- Cashel – Rock of Cashel Guided Tour – day 6
- Cobh – Cobh Heritage Centre – day 6
- Blarney – Blarney Castle & Gardens – day 6
- Killarney – Jaunting Car Tour to Ross Castle - max 10 per carriage – day 7
- Clare – Cliffs of Moher visitor centre – day 8
- Belfast – Titanic Museum – day 10
- Stirling – Stirling Castle – day 12
- Edinburgh – Scottish Whisky Experience with tasting – day 12
- Edinburgh – Palace of Holyroodhouse – day 13
- Edinburgh – Edinburgh Castle – day 13

Tips / Gratuities

- Tips included for tour manager and touring coach driver.
- Please see end of document for further guidance on tipping

Exclusions in above prices:

- Flight seat selection
- Additional charges will apply for extra transfers if anyone in the group is arriving or departing on different flights.
- Porterage services
- Personal items
- Optional Tours
- Meals unless listed in itinerary
- Tips & Gratuities unless specified above
- Early check-in & late check out of rooms (standard check-in time is 2pm and check out 10am)
- Travel Insurance
- Changes in Government/local taxes
- Any future fuel surcharges on land arrangements or additional costs due to COVID rules
- Visa/passport handling fees

IMPORTANT

Due to record number of travellers to Europe many attractions have restricted access, restrictions of volume of visitors, and the late release of tickets. Please be advised that some entrance tickets cannot be guaranteed until the group is finalized and are subject to availability at late release dates. For some visits, an earlier payment to that of our final payment date may be required for tickets. We will try our utmost to secure all tickets for your group, but please note this situation is beyond our control.

Tour Luggage Allowance - Land Arrangements

One piece of standard size luggage per person is included on tour coaches. If your group is travelling with more than one piece each, then you must advise us prior to final payment of the group. Additional arrangements may be required (cost not included). Failure to do so could impact the smooth running of your tour and incur costs locally.

Tipping

The usual minimum amounts recommended (provided the group wish to and the services have been provided in a pleasant and well-meaning way) are detailed below; this is only a guideline; it is not compulsory to give tips.

- Local coach transfer or half day – EUR 20.00 / GBP 20.00 per service
- Local coach full day – EUR 30.00 / GBP 30.00 per service
- Local assistant or guide transfer or half day – EUR 20.00 / GBP 20.00 per service
- Local guide full day – EUR 35.00 / GBP 35.00 per service
- It is not mandatory (but always appreciated) to tip in restaurants used for groups – even GBP/EUR 1.00-2.00 per person would be appreciated

Meals as indicated on itinerary

Any Group meals included will typically be a set menu which is the same for all guests. Please advise any dietary restrictions as soon as possible so we can request accommodations. If dietary restrictions are not communicated in advance, there is no guarantee that restaurants will have the ingredients on hand to make last minute changes.

Additional Transfers

Any individuals travelling outside the group arrangements will require additional transfers, cost not included, or must organize own transportation. (One Group transfer meeting one flight only on arrival and departure is included.)

Pricing Shown

Prices are subject to availability at the time of booking. If the suggested accommodation does not have availability at the time of booking, a comparable alternative will be offered.

No space is currently on hold.

Room Occupancy

Single supplements are often payable for sole occupancy of a room. A single room does not guarantee the provision of a double or twin room, and in some instances may be smaller. A double bed often consist of two single beds pushed together, using double bed base linen (although it is not unusual for single duvets to be provided in many hotels for doubles).

Important Air Fare Details

- Taxes and fuel surcharges are subject to change and are not guaranteed until tickets are issued and will be re-quoted at time of final invoicing.
- All international and domestic fares are subject to change with confirmation of flights
- Seat deposits and airfare guarantees will be applicable (see terms & conditions for more details)

Note that name corrections are NOT permitted once the e-ticket has been issued. Where the name has been misspelled, and an airline allows a name change, a fee will apply. If no name changes are allowed, the reservation must be cancelled and a new booking made in the correct name at same or higher fare for the same dates/itinerary and a new ticket issued.

IMPORTANT SEAT SELECTION & OTHER GROUP AIR INFORMATION

SEATS:

Group Bookings are treated differently for seating than non-group bookings. Each airline is different, and group seat rules can change at any time prior to travel. The following is for information purposes only and please ask as to what the current rules are for the airline you are travelling with.

- Seat selection may not be offered on group bookings
- Seats may be a block under airline control, where individual seat assignment requests are not allowed

OTHER:

- Online check-in may not be allowed
- Online and/or other upgrade options may not be available
- Frequent flyer point accumulation may not be allowed
- Lounge access may not be applicable

Terms & Conditions

We will send you the complete terms and conditions that would apply to this trip in a separate emailed document.



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