

Spend St. Patrick's Day in Ireland!

Fantastic Voyages presents a special group departure –

TASTE OF **IRELAND**

tour begins March 12th

March 11-18, 2017

7 Days / 6 Nights / 10 Meals Depart U.S. for Dublin overnight March 11th -

LAND ONLY \$1,199 per person based on double occupancy Single room supplement \$325

Roundtrip air available - call for for information **Optional Travel Protection Insurance \$199**

Tour Highlights:

- Dublin's Merry Ploughboy Pub Dinner/Show
- Bunratty Castle Medieval Banquet
- Sheepdog Trials
- Kiss the Blarney Stone
- · Ring of Kerry Tour
- · Cliffs of Moher

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This Fully Inclusive Escorted Coach Tour Features:

- Sightseeing by luxury coach
- Professional driver/guide
- 6 nights in hotels listed
- Full breakfast daily (B) except day 1
- 3 dinners (D) including
 - Merry Ploughboy Pub dinner and traditional show
 - Bunratty Castle Medieval Banquet
 - 1 table d'hote dinner in Killarney
- 1 lunch (L)
- Welcome get-together drink
- Tour of Dublin with a local guide
- Sheepdog trials on Ring of Kerry
- Ferry ride across the River Shannon
- Tour of Galway
- Tea and scones at Connemara Marble Factory
- Dublin open-top bus tour with a visit to Guinness Storehouse or General Post Office Museum
- Visits and admissions to Dublin Castle, Blarney Castle, Blarney Woollen Mills, Skellig Experience and Cliffs of Moher
- · Audio headsets and group photo
- Deluxe carry-on backpack, ticket wallet, luggage tags & strap
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & porterage for one suitcase per person
- Free Wi-Fi on coaches and in hotel lobbies

Superior & First Class Hotels

- Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge Dublin (2 nights)
- Killarney Towers Hotel Killarney (2 nights)
- Bunratty Castle Hotel Bunratty (1 night)
- Academy Plaza Hotel Dublin (1 night)

NOTE: The features, itinerary and hotels shown for this tour are based on 2016 departures, and may be subject to change for 2017 departures

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0 = Overnight Stops

= Start City = End City

7 Day Taste of Ireland Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive Dublin & City Sightseeing

Welcome to Dublin! Today you may use your independent open-top bus tour voucher with a Guinness or General Post Office Museum visit – these features are valid for 48 hours.

Day 2: Dublin & Merry Ploughboy Pub

Enjoy a free morning in Dublin for further independent sightseeing with the included vouchers. Your tour starts at 2:00 pm from the hotel lobby when all participants join a local guide for a tour of ancient and modern Dublin. Drive through the main streets to see historic buildings such as Trinity College, where the Book of Kells is housed; rows of Georgian houses with gaily-painted doorways and the new buildings around the Financial Centre beside the River Liffey. Take a guided tour through parts of Dublin Castle, which was the seat of power and government for many centuries and today plays a leading role in European Union activities. Return to your hotel for a get-together with your tour group and a welcome drink. In the evening head to the Merry Ploughboy Pub for a great dinner of Irish specialties and a lively show with popular Irish songs and intricate step-dancing. (B, D)

Day 3: Blarney Castle & Killarney

Depart Dublin and travel through the midlands of Ireland, which has many mixed farms. Stop for photos of the stately ruins on the Rock of Cashel, rising high above the surrounding plain. Continue your drive south and, just a few miles outside Cork, visit Blarney Castle to kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence." Also visit the Blarney Woollen Mills where you can find quality Irish made goods of all types, conveniently displayed under one roof. Drive through Macroom, built around a fine castle, and into County Kerry where the scenery becomes more mountainous. Arrive in Killarney, picturesquely set beside lakes with Ireland's highest mountains, the Macgillycuddy's Reeks, forming a backdrop. Check in to your hotel and relax before dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Ring of Kerry & Skellig Experience

Today embark on Ireland's most popular scenic drive of 100 miles – the Ring of Kerry. This winding route reveals breathtaking sights of the Macgillycuddy's Reeks as well as coastal views of beaches and cliffs. As you travel along, there will be plenty of stops for photos at the best vantage points. After a casual lunch in a cozy restaurant continue your scenic drive. Cross to Valentia Island by bridge where you'll visit the

Skellig Experience. Learn about the off-shore island of Skellig Michael where early Christian monks lived in austere conditions and how it was used as one of the locations for "Star Wars VII" movie. Pause for a stroll around Sneem, with its brightly-painted houses and again at Moll's Gap for panoramic views of Ireland's highest mountains and deep valleys. Get a taste of farm life with a sheepdog demonstration of herding flocks, a shearing demonstration and see different breeds of sheep. Return to Killarney and enjoy a free evening for independent dining or exploring the many pubs in the town. (B, L)

Day 5: Cliffs of Moher & Bunratty Castle

Leave Killarney and drive north to Tarbert for a 20-minute ferry ride across the wide River Shannon Estuary. Your tour continues along the coast of County Clare to the Cliffs of Moher, a spectacular wall of sandstone that reaches almost 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. Drive past Lahinch Golf Course, one of Ireland's most famous, and through the marketing town of Ennis to Bunratty. Check in to Bunratty Castle Hotel, which is located close to Bunratty Castle and Folk Park. In the evening head to Bunratty Castle for a memorable experience in a wonderful setting with good food and entertainment. Take your place in the Great Hall for a medieval-style feast of excellent dishes and plenty of wine. During and after the meal the lords and ladies will serenade you with song and harp music, evocative of the Middle Ages. (B, D)

Day 6: Dublin Extension via Galway

Drive north to Galway city for a panoramic tour and take some time to look around the city before traveling out along the famous Galway Bay to Spiddal where the locals still speak the Irish language. Then drive across the rugged boglands of Connemara to Moycullen to visit the Connemara Marble Factory. See how locally-quarried marble is made into attractive products and enjoy tea and scones. Travel across the country to Dublin and check in to a different hotel. This evening you are free to spend the final night of your tour exploring the pubs in the lively Temple Bar area or experience one of Dublin's fine restaurants. (B)

Day 7: Depart from Dublin

Your program ends after breakfast today. (B)

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

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For reservations please complete the form below and include your deposit of \$250 per person.

Optional Trip Protection Insurance is additional at \$199 per person and is also due at the time of deposit.

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