\*\$3,130 P. P. Sharing Land, Air, Tax & Fuel Surcharges

**\$506** Single Supplement

(Additional, limited available)

**Optional Travel Insurance:** \$163 P.P. Twin Share / \$190 Single

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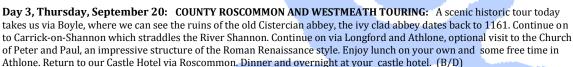
## **Best of Ireland Tour**

September 18-29, 2018

## **Itinerary**

Day 1, Tuesday, September 18: USA-DUBLIN: Depart Hartford's Bradley Airport on your overnight flight to Dublin, Ireland. Dinner followed by in-flight entertainment shortly after take off. (D)

Day 2, Wednesday, September 19: DUBLIN-MOHILL: Early morning arrival into Dublin Airport. After clearing Irish Customs and picking up your luggage, you'll be met in the Arrivals Hall by your driver/guide and escorted to your awaiting motor coach. Depart Dublin, you'll travel the short distance to Balbriggan to enjoy your first full Irish breakfast at the Man of War Pub. Then it's off across the Irish Midlands. Your next stop will be at Belvedere House and Gardens, just outside of Mullingar. Belvedere House Gardens and Park is a magnificent 160 acre lakeside estate with fully restored Georgian Villa, Victorian Walled Garden, naturalistic designed 18th century parkland punctuated with romantic follies including the largest in Ireland, the Jealous Wall. Continue on then to Mohill where you will be checking in for your two (2) night castle stay. Lough Rynn Castle is one of Ireland's most luxurious castle hotels. Set on the shores of Lough Rynn in Leitrim, this historic Irish Castle is surrounded by over 350 acres of breathtaking scenery, lush green pastures, ancient forests and historical points of interest. Lough Rynn Castle Hotel retains all the luxury and splendor that underlines its ancient history with splendid walkways through the magnificent Victorian Walled Gardens. Dinner and overnight. (B/D)





Day 4, Friday, September 21: MOHILL-CLIFDEN: Leaving Mohill after breakfast, we will journey westward into County Mayo. Near Castlebar, we will enjoy a visit to the National Museum of Country Life. With exhibitions spread over four floors, see how the people of rural Ireland lived in the hundred years between the Great Famine and the end of the 1950s. On then via the mall town of Westport, along Croagh Patrick and on to Kylemore Abbey, once home to the Benedictine Nuns. On to Clifden where you will check into your hotel for dinner and overnight at the Alcock & Brown Hotel. (B/D)

Day 5, Saturday, September 22: CLIFDEN: After breakfast, you are free to participate in the Clifden Arts Festival. Enjoy the crafts, music and exhibits. Dinner and overnight at your Clifden hotel. (B/D)

Day 6, Sunday, September 23: CLIFDEN-CONNEMARA-GALWAY: Today, you will travel through the rugged Connemara Region. Broad mountains rise up to meet the sky and pearl-like lakes glisten in the wonderful Connemara light. Time for a visit and demonstration at the Celtic Crystal and Connemara Marble before arriving into Galway City. Enjoy a panoramic tour of the city to acquaint you with Eyre Square, the Spanish Arch and the beautiful Galway Cathedral. Dinner and overnight at the Harbour Hotel in Galway. (B/D)

Day 7, Monday, September 24: ARAN ISLAND EXCURSION: Today you will "travel back in time", as you visit Aran Islands. The ferry departs from Rossaveal and crosses Galway Bay to Inis Mor, the largest of the three islands. Inis Mor has a share of all that is best in Irish scenery, historical artifacts, natural wonders and living elements of Celtic heritage. These islanders are genuinely glad to greet their visitors and share their island with them. Return to Galway in the early evening, tonight you'll enjoy a medieval banquet at Dunguaire Castle. Overnight Galway. (B/D)

Day 8, Tuesday, September 25: GALWAY: Today after breakfast, you are completely free in Galway City. Rest, relax and independently explore this city. Dinner and overnight at your Galway hotel. (B/D)

Day 9, Wednesday, September 26: GALWAY-CLIFFS OF MOHER-KILLARNEY: Travel southerly today to Rathbaun Farm in Ardrahan, here you enjoy tea/coffee and farmhouse scones with your hostess, Frances and then learn the story of farm life with Finton and watch as the dog herds the sheep. On then to the Clare coast and the mighty **Cliffs of Moher**, rising 700 feet above the sea and stretching along the coast for five miles. Further south you take a **ferry** across the Shannon River to County Kerry. On then to the beauty and charm of Killarney town. Dinner and overnight at the Scott's Hotel. (B/D)

Day 10, Thursday, September 27: RING OF KERRY: "Heaven's Reflex" is one of Ireland's loveliest districts. Poets, painters, writers and musicians have all tried to convey its beauty of mountains and lakes. A delightful day includes a drive along the coastline of the broad Iveragh peninsula through the villages and towns of Killorglin, Cahirciveen, Waterville and Sneem. Return to Killarney. Tonight dinner on your own. Overnight. (B)

Day 11, Friday, September 28: BLARNEY AND COBH: After breakfast, we travel across the Derrynasaggart Mountains to the little village of Blarney. Here you'll have the option to climb the steps of the castle and kiss the famed stone or shop and explore the Woollen Mills. Next we'll travel the short distance to Cobh, the last port of call for the Titanic. At the Heritage Center, also see the story of Irish emigration. Return to Killarney for your diner and overnight. (B/D)

Day 12, Saturday, September 29: KILLARNEY-SHANNON-USA: Today, you'll be transferred to Shannon Airport for your return flight to Boston's Logan Airport. Sadly you will bid a fond farewell to your driver/guide and this Emerald Isle. Return home the same day. (B)



## **TOUR INCLUSIONS:**

- ♦ Roundtrip airfare from BDL-DUB, SNN-BOS via Aer Lingus
- Accommodations for ten (10) nights at the listed hotels, rooms with private facilities
- Full Breakfast daily, including day of arrival at the Man of War Pub
- ◆ Eight (8) hotel dinners, plus medieval banquet at Dunguaire Castle
- ♦ Tea/Coffee and farmhouse scones at Rathbaun

- Farm with sheep dog demonstration
- Admissions: Belvedere House & Gardens, Museum of Country Life, Kylemore Abbey, Connemara Marble, Celtic Crystal, Cliffs of Moher, Blarney Woollen Mills and Cobh Heritage Centre
- Aran Isle Excursion to include roundtrip ferry and mini-bus tour of the island
- ♦ Shannon Ferry Crossing
- Touring of County Roscommon, Connemara, Bur-

- ren Region and the Ring of Kerry
- All transportation and sightseeing via deluxe touring motor coach with the services of a professional driver/guide throughout
- ♦ Tips and taxes on items included. NOTE: Tip to driver / guide is not included.
- ♦ Porterage of one suitcase per person
- Celtic Tours flight bag and Portfolio of travel documents

Tour Cost: \* \$3,130 P.P. Sharing

(Land, Air, Fuel Surcharge & Tax Included)
Single Supplement: \$506 (limited available)

Optional Travel Insurance: (must be paid with initial deposit)
\$163 Twin-Share/\$190 Single (Non-refundable, strongly recommended)

Deposit & Payments:

\$250 Deposit (non-refundable) Due immediately ( + Travel Insurance if taking )

2nd Payment: \$850 due by: May 01, 2018 Final Payment due by: July 02, 2018

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