

May 23-30, 2010

**\$1729.00** PER PERSON

(plus \$185.00 US departure tax\*)

## Enjoy Enter The Haggis



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## Tour of Ireland

<p><b>Day 1</b> May 23 Sunday</p>	<p><b>USA-Ireland.</b> Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland. Dinner and in-flight entertainment is served shortly after take-off.</p>
<p><b>Day 2</b> May 24 Monday</p>	<p><b>Dublin.</b> Morning arrival at Dublin Airport where you are greeted by your Driver/Guide. Leaving the airport we travel to a nearby venue where everyone will have an opportunity for their first Full Irish Breakfast (on own expense). We travel into Dublin Town where we enjoy a panoramic tour of this 1000-year old city. We then see statue filled <i>O'Connell Street, The General Post Office scene of the 1916 Easter Uprising, as well as Georgian Square.</i> Our group will then enjoy a visit to the <b>Guinness Brewery.</b> Group will be dropped off on Nassau Street for some free browsing time. We will then check into our hotel. Overnight Dublin at <b>Camden Court Hotel. Dinner is on your own.</b></p>
<p><b>Day 3</b> May 25 Tuesday</p>	<p><b>Dublin-Trim Castle-Dublin.</b> After breakfast we depart Dublin traveling a very short distance to Trim Castle in County Meath (optional tour). Trim Castle is an Anglo Norman Castle constructed over a thirty year period beginning in 1176 AD, making it probably the oldest Castle in Ireland, certainly one of the largest. It was built by Hugh de Lacy and his son Walter. Hugh de Lacy was granted the Liberty of Meath by King Henry II in 1176 in an attempt to curb the expansionist policies of Richard de Clare (Strongbow). Location of the movie Braveheart! We return to Dublin where we have the afternoon on our own. Overnight Dublin at <b>Camden Court Hotel. Dinner is on your own.</b></p>
<p><b>Day 4</b> May 26 Wednesday</p>	<p><b>Dublin-Blarney-Killarney.</b> Morning departure from Dublin has us heading south through Naas home to The Irish National Stud Farm, famous for breeding 90% of the world's thoroughbred horses. Our journey passes by the Rock of Cashel for a visual view of this impressive site where legend has it St. Patrick crowned the High Kings of Ireland in the 5<sup>th</sup> century. We continue to Blarney famous for its 14th century kissing stone and plentiful woolen mills. Our journey takes us east over the Kerry and Cork Mountains to Macroom where we pause for a short visit. This is the main market town for the Gaelic speaking region to the west. Macroom Castle dates from the 13<sup>th</sup> century and was the seat of the McCarthys of Muskerry. Oliver Cromwell granted it to Admiral Sir William Penn whose namesake son spent much of his childhood here and later founded the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We then arrive in Killarney for overnight at <b>The Killarney Avenue Hotel. Dinner this evening at our hotel!</b></p>
<p><b>Day 5</b> May 27 Thursday</p>	<p><b>Dingle.</b> After breakfast we depart Killarney for the Dingle Peninsula. The journey begins with some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Ireland. The little town of Dingle is straight out of a story book. The fishing boats in the harbor and tiny brightly painted pubs portray a time that has continued to stand still. The population of 1500 people and only 52 pubs are ready to welcome you this afternoon. Worth the wait is the native seafood chowder served up at lunch time with freshly baked brown bread. We continue on to Slea Head. Along the way, we will see bee hive style huts, originally inhabited by 12<sup>th</sup> century monks, which overlook the rugged Blasket Islands. The awe inspiring beauty of this particular area is unmatched. There is no other landscape in western Europe with the density and variety of archaeological monuments as found on the Dingle Peninsula. This evening, you will enjoy dinner at a traditional Killarney restaurant suggested by your Guide, after which we suggest you may partake of lively Irish music in one of the many Killarney Pubs. Overnight Killarney at <b>The Killarney Avenue Hotel. Dinner is on your own.</b></p>
<p><b>Day 6</b> May 28 Friday</p>	<p><b>Killarney-Adare-Limerick-Cliffs of Moher-Galway.</b> After a full Irish Breakfast we depart Killarney and travel north first stopping at Adare, once voted "The Prettiest Village" with its thatched roof cottages. We continue through Limerick, Ireland's 3<sup>rd</sup> largest city and home to author Frank McCourt who wrote Angela's Ashes. It is then onto the Majestic Cliffs of Moher. The Cliffs rise 700 feet and stretch out along the Atlantic coastline for Five Miles. We continue through the rugged Burren landscape, a limestone region dotted with caves and rivers and many ancient megalithic tombs. Our group arrives into Galway city. We take some time here to enjoy this youthful bustling town with a walk from Eyre Square down traditional "Shop Street". Overnight <b>Galway at The Imperial Hotel. Dinner is on your own.</b></p>
<p><b>Day 7</b> May 29 Saturday</p>	<p><b>Aran Islands.</b> After a full Irish Breakfast we enjoy an <b>Optional Tour</b> of The Aran Islands. Inis Mór is the largest of the three Aran Islands and is the most developed in terms of tourist facilities. There are about 900 inhabitants on Inis Mór making it by far the most populated of the islands. The main village on the island is Kilonan, which has a quite large harbour that accommodates a vast amount of tourist travel to the island. There are minibuses as well as horse and carts to take people around. Those not taking the tour have a free day to explore Galway city. We return to Galway where we have plenty of time for browsing or shopping before enjoying a farewell dinner and overnight at our hotel. <b>(For those not travelling to Aran Islands you may enjoy the day at leisure in Galway)</b> Overnight <b>Galway at The Imperial Hotel. Farewell Dinner at our hotel.</b></p>

Day 8  
May 30  
Sunday

**Galway-Shannon-USA.** After breakfast we are transferred to Shannon Airport. In the off chance that you missed shopping opportunities, Shannon has a large Duty-Free Shop that you can visit once you are checked in for your flight. In the traditional Irish way we wish you "Safe Home".

**Your Tour Includes:**

- Round Trip Airfare from NYC to Ireland
- Deluxe motorcoach vehicle throughout your tour, including all transfers and sightseeing
- Services of professional Irish Driver and Guide.
- SIX (6 Nights) First Class Accommodations as follows or similar:

Location	Hotel
Dublin	Camden Court Hotel-2 Nights *** <a href="http://www.camdencourthotel.com">www.camdencourthotel.com</a>
Killarney	Killarney International Hotel-2 Nights *** <a href="http://www.killarneyinternational.com">www.killarneyinternational.com</a>
Galway	The Imperial Hotel-2 Nights *** <a href="http://www.imperialhotelgalway.ie">www.imperialhotelgalway.ie</a>
- Full Irish breakfast daily
- Two Dinners: 1 Killarney, 1 Galway
- Admission to Guinness Storehouse
- Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary
- Porterage of one suitcases per person
- Hotel tips and taxes throughout (Except tips to your personal Driver/Guide)
- Deluxe portfolio of travel documents professionally executed

**Cancellation Penalties:** (LAND) If written cancellation is received by Hammond Tour more than 120 days prior to departure, a processing fee of \$250.00 per person will apply. From 119 days to 60 days prior to departure, a cancellation penalty of \$600.00 per person will apply. 60 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies.

**Reservation Application**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on your MARCH 23-30, 2010 (ETH 052310)

I enclose a deposit of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$250.00 per person) Deposit Due: **ASAP to hold seats**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Deposit of \$350.00 due by December 10, 2009**

**FINAL PAYMENT DUE: March 5, 2010**

Name (as on passport) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: (home): \_\_\_\_\_ (work): \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Other passengers traveling with me \_\_\_\_\_

Room Type: Twin(2 Beds)/Double(1 Bed): \_\_\_\_\_ Single: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU MUST PAY SINGLE RATE IF NOT TRAVELING WITH A COMPANION. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU NEED A ROOMMATE**

**Cancellation Insurance Per Person:** Double (\$164.00) Single (\$200.00): Yes: \_\_\_ No: \_\_\_ (must be paid with deposit)

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$529.00 (LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE) \_\_\_\_\_ YES**

**OPTIONAL ARAN ISLANDS TOUR \$69.00 \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO**

**We Accept Visa, Mastercard & American Express. There is a 3% Charge for this service. No service charges on initial \$250.00 deposit \*Government Departure Tax is Always Subject to Change**

**TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 30 PARTICPANTS**

**AIRFARE IS NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL PACKAGE IS PAID IN FULL**

*(Make Check Payable to Hammond Tours)*

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