

Our "Northern Elegance" Tour 2020 combines luxurious properties in magnificent settings, customized sightseeing and the secret ingredient, the Irish People being themselves! Each property is selected for its amenities and ambiance. Sightseeing tours are designed to give you the quaint and the extraordinary. At the end of this tour, you will be inspired to return to see all the other wonders the Emerald Isle has to offer! Each tour has no more than 14 passengers which assures you of an intimate setting. You will receive the lap of luxury touring Ireland in our Mercedes Midi coach that can travel to the places not accessible to the large coaches.

Northern Elegance 2020

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Day 1 Saturday	USA-Ireland. Depart from USA for overnight flight to Ireland. (flight not included)			
Day 2 Sunday	Dublin. Morning arrival at Dublin Airport. After clearing customs, we transfer on own (10-minute taxi ride- taxi stand outside of baggage claim) to our five-star city centered hotel. Spend the rest of the day enjoying the sites of this 1000+ year old city. Overnight Dublin. Hammond will select the five-star hotels from the following: Westbury Shelbourne, Fitzwilliam, Intercontinental or Westin Hotel.			
Day 3 Monday	Dublin- After a hearty Irish breakfast we meet out driver guide in the lobby. We take a half day panoramic view of Dublin. We enjoy a visit to Guinness Storehouse. Your driver will drop you off at Grafton Street in the heart of Dublin where you can enjoy lunch in one of the many pubs or restaurants. As you walk along, you're bound to find yourself mesmerized by the dozen or so street performers and musicians hoping to entertain you. You may want to venture to Temple Bar; the neighborhood is Dublin's famous party hub for a Guinness. Overnight Dublin. Hammond will select the five-star hotels from the following: Westbury, Shelbourne, Fitzwilliam, Intercontinental or Westin Hotel			
Day 4 Tuesday	Dublin-Monasterboice-Belfast . After a hearty breakfast we meet our Driver Guide in the lobby of the hotel. We travel north via Drogheda to Monasterboice. This former monastic settlement dates to 923AD and is the home of the largest collection of carved stone high crosses in all of Europe. We then travel through Dundalk and on to Belfast. We take time to tour the new Titanic Museum . This is truly one of the best museum experiences you will ever have. We then enjoy a panoramic tour of Belfast. Then onto our home for the next 2 nights, the magnificent hasting's Culloden Hotel. These 5 stars 19 th century "Scottish baronial Estate" which offers al modern amenities, including an indoor pool, leisure center and beauty salon. Overnight at The Culloden Hotel.			
Day 5 Tuesday	Belfast-Glens of Antrim-Giant's Causeway-Belfast. Today we travel The Coast Road, which takes us through the Nine Glens of Antrim; this journey is considered one of the most beautiful views in all of Ireland, which offers wonderful views of mountains, valleys and the coastline. On a clear day you can see Scotland. Our first stop is the oldest licensed distillery in the world, Bushmills, where we savor a sample of this renowned amber liquid. We then travel the coast to visit the Giant's Causeway. This impressive area of hexagonal columns was formed over 60 million years ago by cooling lava. We then return to Belfast via Ballymena. Overnight at The Culloden Hotel.			
Day 6 Wednesday	Belfast-Armagh-Enniskillen-Donegal. After a hearty Irish breakfast, we depart for Armagh, the ecclesiastical capital of Ireland. It Is here that St. Patrick founded a church and the town has remained a religious center. We continue our journey west through Enniskillen, the capital of County Fermanagh, where the town center sits on an island between the upper and lower Lough Erne. Next, on to the famous Belleek Pottery, this has been in existence since 1857. Belleek produces Irish Fine Parian china, sold worldwide for generations. An Irish tradition is to give a newlywed couple a piece of this china, so they will be blessed with lasting happiness. Dinner and Overnight at Solis Lough Eske Hotel. The Hotel is located on a secluded lakeside estate dating back to the 1400's.			
Day 7 Thursday	Donegal-Sligo-Cong. After breakfast today, we visit Drumcliffe, the burial site of William Butler Yeats. Our journey continues through the northern end of Lough Corrib to the tiny town of Cong, where much of the John Houston classic The Quiet Man was filmed. We arrive at Ashford Castle, a five-star hotel and one of the Leading Hotels of the World. This 13th-century fairy-tale castle overlooks a picturesque lake and is one of the most luxurious castle hotels in all of Ireland. Once on the grounds of the estate, you will feel transported back in time. Ashford was once home to the world-famous Guinness family, renowned for their brewing expertise. Perhaps you will choose to walk among the 3 million species of shrubs, trees and flowers that the spectacular gardens have to offer. Ashford Castle also offers an equestrian center, a spa and a 9-hole golf course. Tonight, we enjoy a gourmet dinner in the George V dining room. Sleep like a king or queen this evening. Dinner and Overnight at Ashford Castle.			

Day 8	Cong-Connemara-Galway-Cliffs of Moher-Limerick. After enjoying a gourmet breakfast, we depart from Ashford Castle and begin		
Friday	our journey on the northern edge of Lough Corrib and on to the Connemara region, one of the most scenic and unspoiled areas in the		
	country. Next a pit stop in Galway. We continue our drive to the Cliffs of Moher. This majestic site climbs some 700 feet above the		
	unforgiving Atlantic Coastline. We then continue to Limerick where we enjoy a panoramic tour. We then continue to Limerick where		
	we enjoy a panoramic tour. Dinner and Overnight at a Five Star Property Hammond will select the five-star hotels from the		
	following: Dromoland Castle, Adare Manor, Savoy Limerick		
Day 9	Shannon Airport. Transfer on own via taxi to Shannon Airport		
Saturday			

Your Luxury Tour Includes:

- Sightseeing via deluxe new Luxury vehicle throughout your tour from Day 3 depart Dublin till Day 8 arrive Limerick
- Deluxe room accommodations in luxury castles, country homes, hotels and manors for Seven (7) nights.
- "Breath of Elegance" Tour:

Dublin- Westbury, Shelbourne, Fitzwilliam, Intercontinental or Westin – 2nights – *****

Belfast- Culloden Hotel Belfast -2 nights -*****

Donegal - Solis Lough Eske Hotel - 1 night - *****

Cong - Ashford Castle - 1 night - *****

County Limerick- Adare Manor, Dromoland Castle, Limerick Savoy – 1 Night *****

- Full Irish breakfast daily
- 1 Dinner Solis Lough Eske, 1 Dinner Ashford Castle, 1 Dinner County Limerick
- Admissions to the following are INCLUDED in this tour: Titanic Museum, Giant's Causeway, Bushmills, Belleek Pottery, Cliffs of Moher
- Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary
- Hotel Taxes
- Deluxe portfolio of travel documents professionally executed by Hammond Tours Not Included:
- Tip to Driver Guide
- Any items of a personal nature.
- Dinners and suggested optional sightseeing that are not mentioned as included in itinerary.

The Northern Elegance Land Tour Dates & Rates

"The Northern Elegance" is a 7-night tour originating in Dublin and ending in Shannon. DEPARTURE DATE FROM USA IS FIRST DATE (Airfare Additional)

DATES	Rates Per Person Sharing	Single Supplement
February 8-16, 2020	\$3379	\$1599
March 7-15, 2020	\$3379	\$1599
April 4-12, 2020	\$3689	\$1799
May 2-10, 2020	\$4375	\$2099
June 13-21, 2020	\$4375	\$2099
July 4-12, 2020	\$4375	\$2099
August 8-16,2020	\$4375	\$2099
September 5-13,2020	\$4375	\$2099
October 10-18,2020	\$3689	\$1799