

**Hammond Tours Presents:
THE YOUNG DUBLINERS TOUR OF IRELAND
NOVEMBER 6–14, 2026
\$3295.00 PER PERSON SHARING A ROOM**

Hello to all our potential Ireland trippers for 2026. We have been hard at work with the folks at Hammond Tours to make this a spectacular trip, full of first-time destinations for us and a top-of-the-line castle stay you will never forget. This time, we go south and visit some of Ireland's most beautiful locations while also giving you the rock 'n' roll experience of touring with a band. Your days will be filled with scenic drives and stops at many iconic tourist destinations and your nights will include gigs and pub crawls.

Come join us on this eight-night extravaganza to one of the most beautiful places in the world (we may be biased, but once you're there, you will feel it too).



Day 1, November 6, Friday: Dublin Airport - Waterford

The tour begins at Dublin Airport! After clearing customs, travelers arriving from the US, along with anyone coming in early, are met by your Hammond Tours Irish Driver Guides. We begin our travels by making our way to Waterford. As you leave Dublin, you will pass through Bray, a coastal town known for its Victorian promenade and stunning seaside views. Continuing south, we will pass through Kilkenny, a medieval city famous for its well-preserved castle, winding streets, and vibrant arts scene. Along the way, smaller towns such as Carlow and Thomastown

provide opportunities to see local Irish life, with picturesque landscapes. The journey showcases a blend of urban charm and rural beauty, making the trip as enjoyable as the destination itself.

Dinner & Overnight at The Tower Hotel Waterford.

BAND NOTES

Welcome to Ireland! On day one we get the party started right. This is our first night together and a chance to get to know all your fellow travelers and the band. We will have a big dinner with no agenda other than getting to know everyone on the trip and enjoying the first of many creamy pints... We will also give out your passes for free admission into the gigs.

Day 2, November 7, Saturday: Waterford

After a grand breakfast at our hotel, we will take a drive through Waterford Town, which is Ireland's oldest city - rich in history and culture, with a blend of medieval charm and modern vibrancy. Located in the southeast, it sits at the head of Waterford Harbour and is known for its Viking heritage - evident in landmarks like Reginald's Tower. The city has a lively atmosphere with bustling streets, local boutiques, and a thriving arts scene.

Leaving Waterford, we will head to Cashel, a town steeped in history and charm. The town itself has a welcoming atmosphere with traditional pubs, local shops, and cultural sites that reflect its rich heritage. Cashel is situated in the Golden Vale - an area of lush, rolling pastureland, making it a picturesque destination. It is best known for the Rock of Cashel, also known as St. Patrick's Rock - one of Ireland's most iconic historical sites dramatically perched on a limestone outcrop in County Tipperary. This medieval complex was once the seat of the Kings of Munster before being gifted to the church in 1101. The site features an impressive collection of structures including a round tower, a Gothic cathedral, Cormac's Chapel, and the Hall of the Vicars Choral. According to legend, St. Patrick himself visited Cashel and converted King Aenghus to Christianity here. The chapel contains the only surviving Romanesque frescoes in Ireland, adding to its historical significance. Visitors can explore the ruins and immerse themselves in centuries of Irish history.

Overnight at The Tower Hotel Waterford.

BAND NOTES

This will be the first rock show of the trip. After you see the sights, you will head back to the hotel and then be brought to the show. This is always a big night as you mingle with the Irish fans at opening night of the musical portion of the tour. We encourage very loud singing along. Nothing makes us smile more than watching the look of bewilderment on the Irish faces as the Americans nail the lyrics to "Foggy Dew." Make us proud.

Day 3, November 8, Sunday: Waterford - Dingle

Today, after breakfast we will leave Waterford and head to Dingle via Killarney. We head west and make our way into Killarney where we will experience the jaunting carts - a traditional and

charming way to explore the scenic beauty of the area. These horse-drawn carriages, operated by local jarveys (drivers), offer guided tours through Killarney National Park taking visitors past landmarks like Ross Castle, Muckcross House, and the Gap of Dunloe. The experience provides a unique glimpse into Ireland's past as jaunting carts were once a common mode of transport. Today, they are a beloved tourist attraction allowing travelers to enjoy the stunning landscapes while listening to entertaining stories from the jarveys.

Then we will head to Dingle. The drive from Killarney to Dingle is a breathtaking journey through some of Ireland's most stunning landscapes. The route winds through rugged mountains, coastal views, and charming villages. One of the highlights is the Connor Pass, the highest mountain pass in Ireland, offering panoramic views of the surrounding valleys and coastline. Along the way you'll pass through Inch Beach, a vast stretch of golden sand popular with surfers and walkers. As you approach Dingle, the scenery becomes even more dramatic with rolling green hills meeting the Atlantic Ocean. The drive is not just about reaching the destination - it's an experience in itself, filled with natural beauty and rich Irish heritage.

Overnight at Dingle Skellig Hotel.

BAND NOTES

We picked Dingle as the second stop because it is a wonderful place to see and one we have not been to before on these Ireland trips. We have not determined whether the next show will be on this night or the following one but will keep you posted. If this is not a show night, then we will plan to hang out and see what Dingle has to offer. Non-gig nights have a tendency to turn into pub crawl nights.

Day 4, November 9, Monday: Dingle

Today we will continue to discover more of Dingle, the quaint town that is a delight to explore, with cobblestone streets, cozy pubs, and fresh seafood eateries. Dingle is a captivating blend of natural beauty, cultural charm, and historical intrigue. The scenic Sleat Head Drive offers sweeping views of the Atlantic Ocean, dramatic cliffs, and ancient stone huts, making it one of Ireland's most picturesque coastal routes. In Dingle Town colorful shopfronts, traditional pubs with live music, and artisan boutiques create a warm, welcoming atmosphere. Whether you're walking along windswept trails or savoring fresh seafood by the harbor, Dingle delivers a rich and memorable experience.

Overnight at Dingle Skellig Hotel.

BAND NOTES

Much the same as the night before. If it's a show day, then you will all be brought to the venue after your day of festivities. There is nothing better to do on a non-gig day than head out to the local pubs and find a session or a great cover band and settle in for the night.

Day 5, November 10, Tuesday: Dingle - Dromoland Castle

Today we leave Dingle and head to Dromoland Castle. Our first stop today is in Limerick to visit Saint John's Castle. King John's Castle is a stunning medieval fortress that sits on King's Island, overlooking the River Shannon. Built in the early 13th century on the orders of King John of England, the castle has witnessed centuries of history including Viking settlements, Norman conquests, and multiple sieges. Today, it offers an immersive visitor experience featuring interactive exhibitions, medieval courtyard games, and breathtaking views of Limerick City. You can explore its ancient walls, towers, and fortifications, and even try on historic costumes to step back in time. The castle underwent a major redevelopment adding cutting-edge technology like touch-screen displays and 3D models to bring its dramatic past to life.

From here we head to Dromoland Castle, which is a majestic 500-acre property offering a blend of historic grandeur and modern luxury. Once the ancestral home of the O'Brien family, descendants of Ireland's last High King, the estate is now a world-class five-star resort. The estate features lush woodlands, serene lakes, and manicured gardens creating a picturesque setting for relaxation and adventure. Guests can enjoy falconry, archery, horseback riding, fishing, and golf on the championship course. The castle itself boasts stunning Gothic Revival architecture, elegant interiors, and fine dining at the Michelin-starred restaurant.

Dinner & Overnight at Dromoland Castle.

BAND NOTES

Major highlight. We have listened to all you past travelers and tried to make any improvements we can to provide an even better trip than before. We had to fight hard to get this amazing castle into our itinerary. It is without a doubt one of the most impressive castles in Ireland. It will be a first for us and we are very, very excited to spend TWO WHOLE DAYS here.

On one of the nights, we will perform an acoustic gig just for our American travelers (although we let anyone else staying at the castle come too). It is often the night everyone talks about the most after the holiday. We will enjoy two dinners here, one more formal sit-down and one buffet style on the night of the show. This castle is phenomenal and you are going to love it.

Day 6, November 11, Wednesday: Dromoland Castle

Today our travels will take us to visit the famous Cliffs of Moher. The Cliffs are one of Ireland's most iconic and awe-inspiring natural wonders, rising dramatically along the western coast of County Clare. The cliffs offer breathtaking views of the Atlantic Ocean and the surrounding rugged landscape. They are home to a variety of seabirds, including puffins, razorbills, and guillemots, making them a haven for birdwatchers. On clear days, visitors can see as far as the Aran Islands and the Maumturk Mountains in County Galway. The cliffs are part of the Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark, a UNESCO Global Geopark, and are renowned not only for their natural beauty but also for their cultural significance having appeared in numerous films including *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*. Whether you are admiring the views from the visitor center or walking along the clifftop paths, the Cliffs of Moher leave a lasting impression with their sheer scale and dramatic landscapes. Then we head to Dromoland to enjoy all that

the castle has to offer.

Dinner & Overnight at Dromoland Castle.

BAND NOTES

Same as above, just pure craic.

Day 7, November 12, Thursday: Newmarket - Dublin

Traveling from Dromoland Castle to Dublin takes you through some of Ireland's most scenic and diverse landscapes, offering a great snapshot of the country's charm and beauty. You'll pass through the rolling hills and lush countryside with views of green fields dotted with traditional Irish cottages. Heading east, you'll enter County Offaly where you can glimpse the gentle rolling terrain and vast farmlands that define the heart of Ireland. We may drive past historic towns like Athlone, located on the banks of the Shannon River. As you approach Dublin, the landscape gradually becomes more urban with the outskirts of the city coming into view.

Overnight at The Camden Court Hotel.

BAND NOTES

The big homecoming show in Dublin!! Always a highlight for the band as this is the biggest gig of the trip. Venues will be announced in the coming months but, rest assured, this will be a night to remember in the heart of Keith's hometown.

Day 8, November 13, Friday: Dublin

Today you will enjoy the Dublin Hop-on Hop-off Bus Pass. The bus is a lively and flexible way to explore Ireland's capital, especially if you want to soak in the sights without the stress of navigating. These open-top double-decker buses loop around the city's most iconic landmarks, letting you hop off at any stop that catches your eye - and hop back on when you're ready to roll again. You'll pass by must-sees like the Guinness Storehouse, Trinity College, Dublin Castle, and Temple Bar, with stops conveniently located near each attraction. The tours are narrated by charismatic local guides -true Dubliners with the "gift of the gab"—who mix history, humor, and a bit of song into the ride.

Overnight at The Camden Court Hotel.

BAND NOTES

The last day and night. Sadness but also a happy exhaustion. You made it. You saw Ireland with a rock band and you survived! On this final night we will enjoy hanging out for pictures and more delicious creamy pints at the Bleeding Horse bar next door to the hotel as we reminisce on the tremendous adventure we've been on and look forward to returning home for a well-needed rest. We will also distribute signed photos of the band and the rest of your souvenir package that is included in your trip cost. We will make sure to get all your tee shirt sizes and addresses so we can send you the commemorative shirt once you are back home. Slán abhaile, safe travels home and we will see you soon Stateside.

Day 9, November 14, Saturday: Dublin Airport

Today you will have an early morning transport to Dublin Airport for your flight home. Still time to do duty-free shopping.



Your Tour Includes:

- Deluxe motorcoach vehicle throughout your tour (1 group transfer on arrival & departure) and sightseeing. *Air not included.*
- Services of professional Irish Driver Guide.
- Eight (8) Nights First Class Accommodations as follows or similar:

Location	Hotel	Link	Dates
Waterford	Tower Hotel	https://www.towerhotelwaterford.com/	Nov 6 & 7
Dingle	Dingle Skellig	https://www.dingleskellig.com/	Nov 8 & 9
Newmarket on Fergus	Dromoland Castle	https://www.dromoland.ie/	Nov 10 & 11

Dublin

Camden Court
Hotel

www.camdencourthotel.com

Nov 12 & 13

- Full Irish breakfast daily, except the day of arrival
- Three dinners: 1 in Waterford, 2 in Dromoland
- Admissions to Rock of Cashel, Killarney Jaunting Cart Ride, King John's Castle, Cliffs of Moher, Hop-on Hop-off Bus pass Dublin
- Young Dubliners Tour Welcome Package
- Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary
- Porterage of one suitcase per person
- Hotel taxes throughout

Not Included:

- Any sightseeing charges not mentioned as included
- Any items of a personal nature
- Tip to your driver guide

Go to www.hammondtraveltours.com to complete your reservation application.

The non-refundable deposit is \$250.00 per person and is required to place a reservation.

If you want a single room, there is an additional single supplement charge of \$1299.00.

Your second payment of \$550.00 per person is due 06/06/2026 and your final payment is due 09/06/2026. Reminders will be sent.

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