

# October 16-23, 2022

LAND ONLY: \$1939.00

# \$2399.00 PER PERSON

(plus \$499.00 US departure tax\*)

## The Gap of Dreams Tour !



## Altan's Tour of Ireland

*The band will play a session every evening at various pubs along the way with local musicians and visitors on the tour!!*

<b>Day 1</b> <b>October 16</b> <b>Sunday</b>	<b>USA-Dublin</b>
<b>Day 2</b> <b>October 17</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>Dublin-Galway.</b> Morning arrival at Dublin Airport where you are greeted by your Driver/Guide. We begin our journey by traveling west to Athlone in the center of Ireland. In 1120 the Connaught king built the first of six successive wicker or wooden bridges and in 1129 a castle to defend it. Bridge and castle were destroyed on behalf of the Meath kingdom and rebuilt by the Connaught kings' successively over the next forty years. Then we make our way to Galway. Arty, bohemian Galway is one of Ireland's most engaging cities. Brightly painted pubs heave with live music, while restaurants and cafes offer front-row seats for observing buskers and street theatre. Remnants of the medieval town walls lie between shops selling handcrafted Claddagh rings, books and musical instruments, bridges arch over the salmon-stuffed River Corrib, and a long promenade leads to the seaside suburb of Salthill, on Galway Bay, the source of the area's famous oysters. Enjoy some time on your own in Galway this afternoon. <b>Overnight at the Imperial Hotel Galway.</b>
<b>Day 3</b> <b>October 18</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Galway- Westport.</b> This morning after breakfast we leave Galway and travel to the <b>Cliffs of Moher.</b> The cliffs are an astonishing impressive and staggeringly beautiful. The entirely vertical cliffs rise to a height of 203m, their edge falling away abruptly into a ceaselessly churning Atlantic. A progression of vast heads, the dark limestone marches in a rigid formation that's gob-smacking, no matter how many times you look at it. On a clear day you'll channel Barbra Streisand as you can see forever; the Aran Islands stand etched on the waters of Galway Bay, and beyond lie the hills of Connemara. Then onto Westport, few towns in Ireland can match Westport's charisma and continental flavour. Cheerful and multi colored shops fronts jostle for attention with an attractive selection of shops, pubs, cafés and restaurants. Little wonder it has become one of Ireland's most popular and cosmopolitan holiday destinations. Heading north along the coast, Kylemore Abbey may be next. This extraordinary neo-gothic abbey looms at the base of the hill at Kylemore Lake. The highlight is the recently restored Gothic chapel, a cathedral in miniature with a plain, simple cemetery on one side and a lavish Victorian garden on the other. This is another often photographed vista from Ireland. <b>Overnight at the Castlecourt Hotel.</b>
<b>Day 4</b> <b>October 19</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Westport-Achill Island-Sligo.</b> After breakfast we travel to Achill Island. Achill is a large mountainous island connected to the mainland by bridge. The island's magnificent cliff scenery, sandy beaches and hospitality ensure a steady and successful tourist trade. Located on the island's west coast is Doon Kilmore, one of Ireland's most elaborate promontory forts. From there we make our way to Ceide Fields, this otherwise barren site, 8km northwest of Ballycastle, is considered the world's most extensive Stone Age monument. Stone-walled fields, houses and megalithic tombs – about half a million tonnes of stone – have been found so far, the legacy of a 5000-year-old farming community. The <b>visitor centre</b> , in a glass pyramid overlooking the site, gives a fascinating glimpse into these times. We then make our way to Sligo. <b>Overnight Southern Hotel Sligo.</b>
<b>Day 5</b> <b>October 20</b> <b>Thursday</b>	<b>Sligo- Slieve League- Gaoth Dobhair.</b> We depart Sligo and travel via the fishing village of Killybeggs to Slieve League. We visit the <b>Sea Cliffs.</b> Standing at the viewing point on Slieve League in Donegal Ireland an amazing sea vista and landscape open before you. From here we can see across Donegal Bay to counties Letrim, Sligo and Mayo,

	out to the west is the Atlantic Ocean as far as the eye can see. North west is Rathlin O' Byrne island and Glencolmcille and here beside you of course are the magnificent cliffs of Slieve League. Rising almost 2000 feet from the Atlantic, one of the highest sea cliffs in Europe and twice as high as the Cliffs of Moher. We continue to the An Chuir Gweedore Court. <b>Dinner &amp; Overnight An Chuir Gweedore Court Hotel.</b>
<b>Day 6 October 21 Friday</b>	<b>Gaoth Dobhair- Enniskillen.</b> After breakfast we depart and travel south. We make our way to Enniskillen. This pretty spot has got to be one of the nicest towns in Northern Ireland. Its location is set on the shores of Lough Erne. Enniskillen is full of history. The Watergate dates back to the 1600's. We will also pass by Foothill Park and Coles Monument. Coles Monument is to Cole who was one of Wellingtons Generals at Waterloo. He is Standing looking out towards Florencecourt, his home, and some 10 miles away. The Inniskilling's Dragoons and Fusiliers fought along-side one another at Waterloo. It was in 1790's that the Fermanagh Militia was established, to defend against a French Invasion of Ireland. At this time the town grew outside the Island, on what is now known as Old Henry Street. <b>Overnight at Lough Erne Resort.</b>
<b>Day 7 October 22 Saturday</b>	<b>Enniskillen – Dublin.</b> Today after breakfast we start out for Dublin. Along the way we will travel through Cavan. Cavan is a remote paradise for boaters, anglers, walkers and cyclists. Known as the 'Lake Country', there's supposedly a lake for every day of the year (including leap years). Between them is a gentle landscape of meandering streams, bogs and drumlins, enjoy the views that appear unexpectedly around each bend. Continuing on to Dublin. Enjoy some time this afternoon walking the streets are a busy fusion of both past and present – a 1,000-year-old mix that has inspired writers, visitors and political firebrands alike. From the city's Viking roots by the banks of the river Liffey, to its atmospheric medieval churches along gracious Georgian streets, walk these streets and you'll be taking a journey through history. <b>Overnight Camden Court Hotel.</b>
<b>Day 8 October 23 Sunday</b>	<b>Dublin- Dublin Airport.</b> Today we are privately transferred to Dublin Airport for our flight home.

**Your Tour Includes:**

- **Round Trip Airfare from NYC Area (Flight Schedule announced 90 days prior to departure)**
- **Deluxe motor coach 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:**
  - Galway- Imperial Hotel Galway- 1 Night \*\*\* [www.imperialhotelgalway.ie](http://www.imperialhotelgalway.ie) (October 17)**
  - Westport- Castlecourt Hotel- 1 Night \*\*\*\* [www.castlecuorthotel.com](http://www.castlecuorthotel.com) (October 18)**
  - Sligo- Sligo Southern Hotel- 1 Night \*\*\*\* [www.sligosouthernhotel.ie](http://www.sligosouthernhotel.ie) (October 19)**
  - Gaoth Dabhair- An Chuir Gweedore Court Hotel- 1 Night \*\*\*\* [www.gweedorecourthotel.com](http://www.gweedorecourthotel.com) (October 20)**
  - Enniskillen- Lough Erne Resort- 1 Night \*\*\*\*\* [www.loughernereresort.com](http://www.loughernereresort.com) (October 21)**
  - Dublin- Camden Court Hotel- 1 Night \*\*\*\* [www.camdencourthotel.com](http://www.camdencourthotel.com) (October 22)**
- **Full Irish Breakfast daily**
- **Two Dinners: 1 in Gaoth Dabhair, 1 in Westport**
- **Admission to Cliff of Moher, Slieve League & Ceide Fields**
- **Porterage of one suitcase per person**
- **Hotel tips and taxes throughout (Except tips to your personal Driver/Guide)**
  
- ***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 90 days prior to departure, a cancellation penalty of \$600.00 per person will apply. 90 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies.***

## Reservation Application

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on your October 16- 23, 2022 Ireland Tour (ALT2022)

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

*2<sup>nd</sup> Deposit of \$550.00 due May 16, 2022*

*FINAL PAYMENT DUE: July 16, 2022*

Name (as on passport) \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Companion Name: \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

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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 is available through Travel Guard ([www.travelguard.com](http://www.travelguard.com)) or Allianz ([www.allianztravelinsurance.com](http://www.allianztravelinsurance.com))

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$499.00 (*LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE*) \_\_\_\_\_ *YES*

LAND ONLY: \_\_\_\_\_ *YES*

**\*\*\*\*There are no deviations on group flights, if deviating dates please select Land Only and you can purchase your own airfare direct from airline. We also cannot select seats on group air blocks. If you require a special seat or have to sit next to a specific person on the flights, please select land only\*\*\*\***

*We Accept Visa, MasterCard & American Express.*

**\*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**

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