

Your Private Castle Tour of Ireland 2022

Day 1	<p>Shannon - Newmarket-on-Fergus Arrive at Shannon Airport where after clearing customs, move on to ground transportation. Make your way too nearby Dromoland via Taxi Today's tour highlights include the Irish Cliffs of Moher, Lahinch, Bunratty Castle & Folk Park and Durty Nellie's Pub. Then on to Dromoland Castle one of Europe's most desired 5* star hotel and bed and breakfast destinations. This Ireland castle was constructed in the 16th century and is the ancestral seat of the O'Briens who are one of the few native Gaelic families of royal blood. There will be plenty of time to soak in this Five Star Deluxe property in all its Irish splendor. Activities at Dromoland Castle include cycling, horseback riding, fishing, and leisure walks through the romantic gardens. This evening enjoy a gourmet meal in the main dining room overlooking Lough Dromoland (optional). Spend the night you are in one of the 75 deluxe guest castle guest rooms at Dromoland Castle.</p>
Day 2	<p>Dromoland - Galway - Connemara – Dromoland After breakfast at this spectacular Ireland castle, it's time to enjoy the magnificent views of Ireland's Connemara region. <i>Meet your personal Driver Tour Guide in the lobby.</i> On to Galway Town for a brief visit before continuing on to take in the magnificent views of Ireland's Connemara region, to enjoy Ireland's wild, natural beauty. Travelling due west from Galway City to Rossaveal, through Salthill and Bearna into the heart of the West's Gaeltacht, where Gaelic is spoken as the first language by Ireland citizens. Continue on to Cashel, Ballynahinch and then Clifden, perched high above Clifden Bay with spectacular views of Ireland's Twelve Ben Mountains. This is a good place to stop for some shopping and lunch and then continue on to Kylemore Abbey and Garden dating back to the 1600's and the Ireland monastic home of the Benedictine Nuns. Return to Ireland's beautiful County Clare for another luxurious overnight stay at Dromoland Castle.</p>
Day 3	<p>Dromoland – Adare After enjoying another gourmet breakfast at Dromoland Castle, the Ireland Castle tour continues to Adare. <i>Meet your personal Driver Tour Guide in the lobby.</i> Today you explore the city of Limerick, home of Pulitzer Prize winning author, Frank McCourt. See King John's Castle, the Bishop's Palace, and the Hunt Museum or take the Angela's Ashes walking tour of this bustling Irish town. This Ireland town offers art galleries, museums, and restaurants. Take time to enjoy all that Limerick has to offer today before arriving at your final destination, the majestic Adare Manor for another overnight stay amidst luxurious castle accommodations.</p>
Day 4	<p>The Dingle Peninsula. After breakfast, experience the true beauty of Ireland on this full day tour to the breathtaking Dingle Peninsula. Traveling via Tralee and The Slieve Mish Mountains we will stop in the sleeping fishing village of Dingle before heading out to see Sleah Head and the ominous views of The Blasket Islands With its 12th century Beehive Huts, its ominous views of the Blasket Island originally home to Irish Monks, we have been told by many travelers that the awe-inspiring beauty of this particular area has left them with a truly spiritual feeling. Suggested lunch stop in Dingle is Maria DeBraae, right on the main street, Dingle. We depart Dingle and travel via Tralee where every August the famous Rose of Tralee Festival is held. Tonight, enjoy many of the local restaurants Killarney has to offer. Overnight Adare Manor</p>
Day 5	<p>Adare. After enjoying a breakfast fit for a king or queen at the Adare Manor, this 6th day of your Ireland Castle Tour is spent exploring the little Irish town of Adare with its thatched roof cottages which offer quite a contrast to the grand castles of Ireland you have enjoyed on this tour. Marvel at the River Maigue and explore the ruins in town as well as on the property of the Manor. A "must see" is the Augustinian Abbey or the Franciscan Friary, both just steps from the Manor. Take the afternoon to enjoy the amenities of this deluxe property. Perhaps you will play golf at Adare Manor, home of the 2008 Irish Open. Overnight at Adare Manor.</p>
Day 6	<p>Adare - Shannon Airport. Morning departure on own for Shannon Airport where upon arrival we return your rental car (if self-drive) before boarding your flight home.</p>

Your Distinguished Tour Includes:

- **Professional Blue Badged Certified Irish Driver Guide with Luxury Vehicle with leather seating from Day 3 until end of Day 5**
- **Accommodations for 5 Nights as follows or similar**
*Newmarket-Dromoland Castle-2 Nights ***** www.dromoland.ie*
*Adare-Adare Manor-3 Nights ***** www.adaremanor.com*
- **Full Irish Breakfast Daily**
- **Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary**
- **All Driver's Expenses**
- **Hotel taxes**

Not Included:

- **Any items of a personal nature.**
- **Dinners and suggested optional sightseeing that are not mentioned as included in itinerary**

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