

April 27- May 5, 2024
Group Air available November 2023

Land Only \$2199.00 PER
PERSON

Join House of Hamill on Their Tour of Ireland



Day 1 April 27 Saturday	USA to Ireland. Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland.
Day 2 April 28 Sunday	Shannon – Killarney. Morning arrival at Shannon Airport where you are greeted by your driver guide. A predetermined meet-up time will be given based on arrival time of group flight once published in July. We depart Shannon and make our way to Killarney. The town is a vibrant ‘little’ town and the incredibly beautiful surrounding countryside makes Killarney a very special place indeed. Brim, full of history, heritage, activities, and world class hospitality. Killarney is one of the most picturesque towns in all of Ireland. The landscape is nothing short of spectacular and comes with a stunning drive into town. Dinner & Overnight at Killarney International Hotel.
Day 3 April 29 Monday	Dingle. After breakfast our 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 to Sleat Head. Along the way, we will see bee hive style huts, originally inhabited by 12 th century monks, which overlook the rugged Blasket Islands. The awe-inspiring beauty of this 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. Overnight at Killarney International.
Day 4 April 30 Tuesday	Killarney-Limerick- Galway. After a full Irish Breakfast, we depart Killarney. We continue through Limerick, Ireland’s 3 rd largest city and home to author Frank McCourt who wrote Angela’s Ashes. Limerick is an area steeped in history. The origin of Limerick city dates back to the 9th century a site settled by the Vikings. Limerick City is known as "City of the Broken Treaty", due to the treaty which was signed surrendering the city to William. King John’s Castle is a fortified 13th century Castle on ‘King’s Island’ in the heart of medieval Limerick. The castle overlooking the River Shannon opens an exciting window on the lives and stories of the people through political upheaval, war, and famine. Then onto Galway. Arty, bohemian Galway is renowned for its pleasures. Brightly painted pubs heave with live music, while cafes offer front-row seats for observing street performers. Steeped in history, for sure, but the city buzzes with a contemporary and cultured vibe as students make up a quarter of the population. Enjoy some free time this afternoon. Overnight at The Imperial Hotel Galway.
Day 5 May 1 Wednesday	Connemara. After enjoying breakfast, we meet our driver guide in the lobby of the hotel and begin to tour the Connemara National Park. Connemara, white sand beaches, dark bogs and tall jagged mountains make this one of the most scenic and unspoiled areas in the country. Wild and rugged, in some places here, Gaelic remains the only spoken language. We travel first to Clifden, (An Clochan). Founded in the early 19th century by John D’Arcy, it retains much of its Georgian architecture. Placed at the head of a broad Atlantic Bay and nestled below the Twelve Bens, the town is blessed by its beautiful setting. Known as the capital of Connemara, Clifden is a lively location full of shops, pubs, restaurants and cafés. You will have time to enjoy lunch here in Clifton. Next 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. Then we head back to Galway. Overnight at the Imperial Hotel in Galway.

Day 6 May 2 Thursday	Galway. (Aran Island optional tour). This morning after breakfast you may choose to enjoy an optional tour of the Aran Islands. Easily visible from the coast of counties Galway and Clare along the Wild Atlantic Way, the rocky, wind-buffed Aran Islands have a desolate beauty that draws countless day-trippers. Inishmore (Irish: Inis Mór) is the largest island and home to the only town, Kilronan. Inishmaan (Inis Meáin) preserves its age-old traditions and evokes a sense of timelessness. It is Well known internationally with over 50 different monuments of Christian, pre-Christian and Celtic mythological heritage. There isn't far you can go before being somewhere where there's something of historical interest and little reason to question its importance in modern Irish Culture. There are minibuses as well as horses and carts to take people around. For those of you that choose not to do the tour you have the day free to explore Galway on your own. Overnight at the Imperial Hotel Galway
Day 7 May 3 Friday	Galway- Ennis. After breakfast we make our way to the Cliffs of Moher. The cliffs are astonishingly impressive and staggeringly beautiful. The entirely vertical cliffs rise to a height of 700 feet, 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 gobsmacking, 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. We continue to Ennis. Overnight Old Ground Ennis.
Day 8 May 4 Saturday	Ennis. Situated at the heart of the county on a bend in the River Fergus, Ennis is the capital of County Clare. It's an historical town and is certainly one of Clare's most characterful and picturesque centres – with its narrow, winding streets, historical buildings and busy market town atmosphere. At the same time, the town has many modern influences – making Ennis a town that is very much about 'then and now'. Tonight, we will experience a truly unique entertainment and dining event in the iconic setting of the world famous Bunratty Castle. The lifestyle of medieval Ireland is recaptured at the Castles with our medieval banquet nights at the Bunratty Medieval banquet. Overnight at the Old Ground Hotel Farwell dinner at Bunratty Castle
Day 9 May 5 Sunday	Ennis- Shannon. Today we make our way to Shannon Airport for our flight home.

Your Tour Includes:

- **Deluxe motorcoach vehicle throughout your tour, including all transfers (1 group transfer on arrival & departure) and sightseeing**
- **Services of professional Irish Driver and Guide.**
- **Eight (7 Nights) First Class Accommodations as follows or similar:**

Location-Hotel

Killarney- Killarney International Hotel- 2 Nights ** www.killarneyinternational.com (April 28 & 29)**

Galway- Imperial Hotel Galway- 3 Nights * www.imperialhotelgalway.ie (April 30, May 1 & 2)**

Ennis- Old Ground Hotel- 2 Nights ** www.oldgroundennis.com (May 3 & 4)**

- **Full Irish breakfast daily, except the day of arrival, Two Dinners: 1 Killarney, Bunratty Banquet.**
- **Admissions to Cliffs of Moher, Kylemore Abbey, King John's Castle, Bunratty Folk Park**
- **Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary**
- **Porterage of one suitcase per person, Hotel taxes throughout (Except tips to your personal Driver/Guide)**

***Cancellation Penalties:** 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 \$700.00 per person will apply. 50 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies. We strongly recommend Travel Cancellation & Interruption Insurance. This insurance will cover you in the event of death to the said traveler, someone in their immediate family, (mother, father, sister, brother, children etc.) Additionally, any serious illness or other ailments (with a doctor's note) saying that traveler cannot attend trip, would also be covered. Any circumstances of a personal nature other than the is not covered. Please note, Hammond Tours and House of Hamill are not responsible for any loss, damages or injuries that may happen while on the tour.*

Reservation Application

Please reserve _____ seat(s) on your April 27- May 5, 2024, Ireland Tour (**HOH2024**)

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

2nd Deposit of \$350.00 per person due by November 27, 2023

Final payment due: January 27, 2023

Name (as on passport) _____ D.O.B. _____

Companion Name: _____ D.O.B. _____

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**

Aran Island Tour \$65.00 per person _____

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

TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 30 PARTICPANTS

(Make Check Payable to Hammond Tours)

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