

SOUTHERN INTIMATE IRELAND 2027

A Small Coach Escorted Tour · Limited to 14 Passengers

DAY 1 SHANNON – LIMERICK

Arrive at Shannon Airport and make your own way via taxi to the nearby Strand Hotel in Limerick. The rest of the day is free to explore the area. **Overnight Strand Hotel, Limerick.**

DAY 2 LIMERICK – KILLARNEY

After breakfast we head to Killarney, one of Ireland's leading tourist destinations because of the abundant lake and mountain scenery in Killarney National Park. Upon arrival we enjoy a Jaunting Car ride through the park. **Dinner and overnight Killarney Royal Townhouse.**

DAY 3 DINGLE

After breakfast we depart Killarney for the Dingle Peninsula. The journey begins with some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Ireland. The little town of Dingle is straight out of a storybook. The fishing boats in the harbor and tiny, brightly painted pubs portray a time that has continued to stand still. The population of 1,500 people and only 52 pubs are ready to welcome you this afternoon. Worth the wait is the native seafood chowder served up at lunchtime with freshly baked brown bread. We continue on to Sleat Head. Along the way, we will see beehive-style huts, originally inhabited by 12th-century monks, which overlook the rugged Blasket Islands. The awe-inspiring beauty of this particular area is unmatched. There is no other landscape in western Europe with the density and variety of archaeological monuments found on the Dingle Peninsula. We return to Killarney this evening. **Overnight Killarney Royal Townhouse.**

DAY 4 KILLARNEY – GLENGARRIFF – BANTRY – SKIBBEREEN – CLONAKILTY – CORK

After breakfast we depart Killarney and head to Glengarriff, whose sheltered position nurtures luxuriant Mediterranean flowers such as fuchsia and arbutus. Bantry sits at the head of one of Ireland's most beautiful bays, with a harbor that reaches right into the town center. Skibbereen is rightly known as the capital of West Cork. It is the "hub" from which the many "sparkling jewels" of the area can be reached; eight miles to the southwest lies the little fishing village of Baltimore. We continue through Clonakilty, a lively market town, and travel on to Cork City, stopping at the English Market, an indoor food market offering a Victorian wonderland of exotic imported goods and delicious local produce. **Dinner and overnight Hayfield Manor, Cork.**

DAY 5

CORK – COBH – KINSALE –
BLARNEY – CORK

After breakfast we travel to the Cobh Heritage Centre. Over three million Irish people emigrated from this port. Learn about the story of Irish emigration, trace your ancestors, hear about the ill-fated Titanic and the Lusitania, and immerse yourself in Irish naval and military history. Then we travel on to Kinsale for lunch. The picturesque yachting harbor of Kinsale is one of many colorful gems strung along the coastline of County Cork, with narrow, winding streets lined with galleries and gift shops, lively bars and superb restaurants. After Kinsale we travel on to Blarney, stopping at the woolen mills, one of the best-known Irish shops in the country. The actual mills are located here, within sight of the famous castle. This stop shouldn't disappoint, with a particularly wide range of cut crystal, porcelain gifts and its trademark woolly things. While here you can visit Blarney Castle to plant your lips on the Blarney Stone, which supposedly gives one the gift of gab. **Overnight Hayfield Manor, Cork.**

DAY 6

CORK – DUBLIN

Depart Cork this morning with your Driver Guide and travel northeast toward Dublin. En route, stop in Cashel to visit the spectacular Rock of Cashel, an ancient seat of the Kings of Munster and one of Ireland's most iconic historic sites. After exploring its medieval ruins and panoramic views, continue to Kilkenny for a brief visit, where you may enjoy a stroll through the medieval city center, with time to view its castle grounds or charming craft shops. Following your visit, continue to Dublin, arriving by late afternoon. **Overnight Westbury Hotel, Dublin.** *(Upon arrival at the hotel, we bid farewell to our Driver Guide, who has become like a member of the family.)*

DAY 7

DUBLIN

Included is a Hop On Hop Off Dublin Bus Pass. You will be sure to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, where writer Jonathan Swift gave his sermons; the G.P.O. on O'Connell Street, scene of the 1916 Easter Rising, where the bullet holes still remain to this day; famous Phoenix Park, where the Pope said Mass in 1979; and Trinity College, where you can view the 8th-century Book of Kells, still preserved as it was when the monks produced it all those centuries ago. Why not visit the Guinness Storehouse for a peek at the making of this world-famous brew? **Overnight Westbury Hotel, Dublin.**

DAY 8

DUBLIN – DUBLIN AIRPORT

This morning we make our way to Dublin Airport via taxi for our flight onwards. In the true Irish tradition, we wish you a "Safe Home."

YOUR DISTINGUISHED SMALL GROUP TOUR INCLUDES

DRIVER GUIDE

- Professional, certified Irish Driver Guide with vehicle from Day 2 (Limerick) until arrival in Dublin on Day 6

ACCOMMODATIONS

- 7 nights as follows, or similar:
- **Limerick – Strand Hotel** – 1 night, 4-star strandhotellimerick.ie
- **Killarney – The Killarney Royal Townhouse** – 2 nights, 4-star killarneyroyal.ie
- **Cork – Hayfield Manor** – 2 nights, 5-star hayfieldmanor.ie
- **Dublin – The Westbury Hotel** – 2 nights, 5-star doylecollection.com

MEALS

- Full Irish breakfast daily (except day of arrival)
- 2 dinners: Killarney Royal Townhouse (Day 2) and Hayfield Manor (Day 4)

ADMISSIONS	• Killarney Jaunting Car ride • Blarney Castle • Cobh Heritage Centre • Rock of Cashel • Hop On Hop Off Dublin Bus Pass
ALSO INCLUDED	• Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary • All Driver's expenses (except tip to the driver) • Hotel taxes
NOT INCLUDED	• Tip to your Driver Guide • Any items of a personal nature • Dinners and suggested optional sightseeing that are not mentioned as included in the itinerary

TOUR DATES & RATES

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DATES	RATES PER PERSON SHARING	SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
March 27–April 3, 2027	\$4,155.00	\$1,785.00
April 17–24, 2027	\$4,585.00	\$1,995.00
May 22–29, 2027	\$4,845.00	\$2,095.00
June 19–26, 2027	\$4,845.00	\$2,095.00
July 11–18, 2027	\$4,845.00	\$2,095.00
August 14–21, 2027	\$4,845.00	\$2,095.00
September 12–19, 2027	\$4,845.00	\$2,095.00
October 18–25, 2027	\$4,585.00	\$1,995.00
November 13–20, 2027	\$4,155.00	\$1,785.00

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