

Bucketeers in Ireland

July 21, 2027. Day 1 Itinerary

To ensure a smooth start to your tour, aim for an arrival time in Dublin Airport before 11:00 am, as clearing immigration and reclaiming baggage typically takes around 1 hour. On arrival in Dublin Airport, reclaim your baggage and enter the Arrivals Hall. Here, you will meet your [tour guide](#) (who is also our driver). There will be three group transfers this morning between 7:00 am and 1200 noon.

Board your luxury coach and transfer to the Dunboyne Castle Hotel.

4:00 PM Check-in time. Hotel reception will store your luggage prior to Check-in.

At 6:00 PM this evening, all participants will gather for dinner in the Dunboyne Castle Hotel restaurant where you will become acquainted with your fellow travelers and the coming days can be discussed at leisure with your tour guide.

Included Today

- Welcome Dinner
- [Dunboyne Castle Hotel](#)

Time	Arrival Transfer details
Between 07:00 and 12 (noon)	Dublin Airport There are 3 group airport transfers this morning, between 7am and 12 noon, from Dublin Airport to Dunboyne Castle Hotel.

July 22, 2027. Day 2 Itinerary

After a hearty full Irish breakfast, we will depart for Galway City. Travelling west, our route today will take us through Ballinasloe & Athlone — in the center of Ireland.

We will visit Clonmacnoise. A medieval monastery on the banks of the River Shannon, founded by St. Ciaran in the 6th century. Clonmacnoise lay at a crossroads of medieval Ireland, linking all parts of the island. Sacked time and again by the Vikings, it nevertheless flourished for over 600 years.

Journey on towards Galway City. It is known as the "City of the Tribes". On arrival in Galway, we will have a panoramic tour of this ancient city, including its famous Eyre Square. Take time for a ramble through Salthill Promenade, a Wild Atlantic Way discovery point, or down Shop Street to Galway's Latin Quarter where stands Lynch's Castle, Galway's grandest 16th century townhouse. Stroll up the bustling Quay Street with its many great pubs.

Tonight we will dine in the Menlo Park Hotel.

Included Today

- Irish Breakfast
- Evening Dinner
- [Clonmacnoise](#)
- [Menlo Park Hotel](#)

July 23, 2027. Day 3 Itinerary

Today we will tour the sights of wild Connemara via the villages of Moycullen, Oughterard, Maam Cross and Recess, before travelling up the spectacular Inagh Valley with the 12 Bens of Connemara on your left and the Maumturks Mountains on your right as we travel to Kylemore.

We will visit Kylemore Abbey. An historic building nestled at the base of Duchruach Mountain, on the northern shore of Lough Pollacappul — in the heart of the Connemara Mountains. It is regarded as one of Ireland's most romantic buildings.

Travel on via the shores of Killary Fjord. This is Ireland's only fjord and is a Wild Atlantic Way signature discovery point, on the Mayo - Galway border, and continuing on to the village of Cong, the film location of "The Quiet Man" for a brief stop.

Return to Galway City via the shores of Lough Corrib, the largest lake in the Republic of Ireland and is considered by many as the best fishing lake in Europe.

Tonight we will dine in the Menlo Park Hotel.

Included Today

- Irish Breakfast
- Evening Dinner
- [Kylemore Abbey](#)
- [Menlo Park Hotel](#)

July 24, 2027. Day 4 Itinerary

This morning, bright and early, we will head down the Atlantic seaboard on the west coast of Clare to Killarney Town. Our route today will be via the famous Galway Bay, Dunguaire Castle and the fishing village of Kinvarra.

We will see The Burren, which is Gaelic for rocky land—an apt name for this vast limestone plateau. In the 1640s, Cromwell's surveyor described it as "a savage land, yielding neither water enough to drown a man, nor tree to hang him, nor soil enough to bury".

On the coast, stand on the Cliffs of Moher to gaze out on the vastness of the Atlantic Ocean.. Braced against the ocean, on the coast of County Clare. The dramatic 702ft high and 9 miles long cliffs is a Wild Atlantic Way signature discovery point.

Further south in County Limerick, take time to stroll the main street of the beautiful, thatched village of Adare before travelling on to Killarney Town.

Tonight we will overnight & dine in Dromhall Hotel.

Included Today

- Irish Breakfast
- Evening Dinner
- [Cliffs of Moher](#)
- [Dromhall Hotel](#)

July 25, 2027. Day 5 Itinerary

This morning after breakfast, we set off on the world-famous Ring Of Kerry, officially known as the Iveragh Peninsula. We will travel through picturesque villages to Caherdaniel where we will have a traditional Irish Pub Lunch in Blind Piper Pub. Locals and visitors alike have been drinking here since 1865. Who is the Blind Piper, you may ask? The Blind Piper is Mici Cumba O'Sullivan, who was born nearby in 1835 and became one of Ireland's most famous pipers.

We will then continue on Ring Of Kerry via the pretty village of Sneem, Moll's Gap, Ladies View and along Killarney Lakes to Killarney Town.

Tonight we will overnight & dine in Dromhall Hotel.

Included Today

- Irish Breakfast

- [Blind Piper Pub](#) Lunch
- Evening Dinner
- [Dromhall Hotel](#)

July 26, 2027. Day 6 Itinerary

After a hearty Irish breakfast this morning, we will depart for Cork City. Founded on the banks of the River Lee. The rebel city is home of Murphy's Original Irish Stout, and is considered by many Corkonians to be the real capital of Ireland!

Journey west through the "county bounds" via the wild Derrynasaggart Mountains, sometimes referred to as the Cork/Kerry Mountains and made famous in the ballad - "Whiskey in the Jar".

Travel on to the village of Blarney via the valley of the River Lee. Here we will visit Blarney Castle. Built on this site in 1446 by Dermot McCarthy. You will have the chance to kiss the legendary Blarney Stone. You will also have an opportunity to shop at Blarney Woollen Mills, boasting a huge selection of Irish arts, crafts and produce.

Continue onto Midleton Town and visit the Visit Midleton Distillery Experience. Here you will find the world's largest pot still, with a capacity of over 30,000 gallons. Continue onto Cork City.

Dine & Overnight at the Maldron Hotel South Mall.

Included today:

- Irish Breakfast
- Evening Dinner
- [Blarney Castle](#)
- [Midleton Distillery Experience](#)
- [Maldron Hotel South Mall](#)

July 27, 2027. Day 7 Itinerary

After breakfast this morning, you'll have free time to wander through some of the small streets of Cork City.

Later this morning, we will travel to Charles Fort. This star-shaped fort was built in the 1670s by the English to protect Kinsale harbor against foreign naval forces.

Take time this afternoon to explore the beautiful town of Kinsale. The Gourmet Capital of Ireland. Originally a medieval fishing port, historic Kinsale is one of the most picturesque towns on the southwest coast of Ireland. Boland's Craft Shop is just one of the many unique stores that are well worth a visit.

Dine & Overnight at the Maldron Hotel South Mall.

Included today:

- Irish Breakfast
- Evening Dinner
- [Charles Fort](#)
- [Maldron Hotel South Mall](#)

July 28, 2027. Day 8 Itinerary

This morning after breakfast, we will depart for Dublin — Ireland's capital city. First stop will be The Rock of Cashel. Rising dramatically from the grassy plains of county Tipperary. This was the seat of kings and medieval bishops for 900 years and flourished until the early 17th century. Brian Ború was crowned King of Munster here in 977, before becoming High King of Ireland in 1002.

Then we will enjoy a unique home-cooked lunch at a Traditional Farm Lunch. This will be on a [Family Farm outside Kilkenny](#). Chat with your hosts and hear about their life and times farming in this rural part of Ireland.

After a hearty lunch, you will visit the Irish National Stud. This is a state-run bloodstock farm, which was founded in 1900 by an eccentric Anglo-Irish man by the name of Colonel William Walker. On finishing the tour of the stud farm, take a walk through the Japanese Gardens—laid out in 1906 to represent the "Life of Man".

This afternoon you will once again be back in Dublin City.

Overnight & dine at the Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge.

Included today:

- Irish Breakfast
- [Bungalow Farmhouse Kilkenny Lunch](#)
- Evening Dinner
- [The Rock of Cashel](#)
- [Irish National Stud](#)
- [Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge](#)

July 29, 2027. Day 9 Itinerary

After breakfast, our exploration through Dublin City will begin with EPIC: The Irish Emigration Museum. Voted, recently, as "Europe's Leading Tourist Attraction", this museum tour tells the story behind the millions of people who fled, or were forced from, Ireland over the past three centuries. Located in Dublin's Docklands.

From here we will travel to Christ Church Cathedral. Founded by the Viking King Sitric almost 1000 years ago in 1034. The cathedral crypt is one of the largest in the UK and Ireland, dating back to the 12th Century. Here, in the crypt, you can see the mummified remains of the Cat and the Rat which were found in the cathedral organ, and a rare 14th century copy of the Magna Carta.

Visit Guinness Storehouse. With an address at the world-famous St. James's Gate, the world-renowned brewery tour and enjoy a perfect complimentary pint of Guinness in the Gravity Bar — located at the top of a glass tower that commands spectacular views of Dublin City, will complete our tour.

Our farewell dinner and evening entertainment will take the form of a Traditional Music Night at The Merry Ploughboy Pub—one of Dublin's iconic trad music venues.

Overnight at the Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge.

Included today:

- Irish Breakfast
- [Merry Ploughboy Dinner and Show](#)
- [EPIC: The Irish Emigration Museum](#)
- [Christ Church Cathedral](#)

- [The Guinness Storehouse](#)
- [Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge](#)

July 30, 2027. Day 10: Departure Day

Today marks the end of our Ireland tour.

After a final great Irish breakfast this morning, there will be 3 group airport transfers between 0500 and 1100 to get you to Dublin Airport for your return flight home or your flight over to Southampton if you are continuing on the Bucket Baltic Cruise on the Celebrity APEX. The confirmed transfer times will be advised 10 days prior to the tour start date. *Turas sàbhailte dhuibh* (safe journey).

Time	Departure Transfer details
<p>Between 05:00 and 11:00</p>	<p>Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge There are 3 group airport transfers this morning, between 5am and 11am, from Clayton Hotel Ballsbridge to Dublin Airport.</p>



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