

SHADES OF IRELAND

Presented by Maryanke Tour & Travel



September 11 - September 20, 2012

Highlights...

Dublin • Irish Evening • Kilkenny • Waterford
Crystal • Blarney Castle • Jaunting Car Ride*
• Ring of Kerry • Killarney • Farm Visit •
Limerick • Cliffs of Moher • Galway • Castle
Stay

**10 Days • 13 Meals:
8 Breakfasts • 5 Dinners**

**Per Person Rates*:
Double \$3249
Single \$3699
Triple \$3219**

*Included in Price: Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges of \$100 (subject to increase until paid in full), Hotel Transfers, Round Trip Air from Gerald R. Ford International Airport and round-trip transfers from mid-Michigan.

* Not Included in Price: Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$200 per person. **Book by 3/11/12 and save \$100 per person!**

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YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

DAY 1

Overnight Flight

DAY 2-3

Trinity Capital Hotel, Dublin

DAY 4

Tower Hotel, Waterford or
Granville Hotel, Waterford

DAY 5-6

O'Donoghue Ring Hotels,
Killarney

DAY 7-8

Limerick Strand Hotel, Limerick
or Clarion Hotel, Limerick or
Radisson Blu, Limerick

DAY 9

Cabra Castle or similar,
Kingscourt

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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Day 1: Tuesday, September 11, 2012

Overnight Flight

The Emerald Isle, a land renowned for its “forty shades of green” is filled with rolling hills, warm people, stately castles and rollicking fun. Visit Dublin, Waterford, Killarney and Limerick as this comprehensive tour introduces Ireland’s natural beauty, rich history and hospitable culture.

Day 2: Wednesday, September 12, 2012

Dublin - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in Dublin. Tonight, meet your fellow travelers at a fun-filled Irish evening complete with traditional entertainment.

Today Dinner is included.

Day 3: Thursday, September 13, 2012

Dublin

Today, enjoy a sightseeing tour of Dublin, the “Fair City.” Visit St. Patrick’s Cathedral, O’Connell Street, Grafton Street, Phoenix Park and see the city’s magnificent rows of stately Georgian town homes. The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax or explore the cultural offerings of delightful Dublin on your own.

Today Breakfast is included.

Day 4: Friday, September 14, 2012

Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford

This morning you travel to Kilkenny, one of Ireland’s most colorful cities, for the chance to explore this medieval gem. **Arrive in the historic city of Waterford and visit the new House of Waterford Crystal factory tour with a fascinating visitors center and retail store housing the largest collection of Waterford Crystal in the world.** Later, enjoy a leisurely-paced walking tour of this unique city.

Today Breakfast and Dinner are included.

Day 5: Saturday, September 15, 2012

Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney

Journey to historic Blarney Castle where you can take the opportunity to kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with the gift of eloquence. In Killarney you will be treated to a time-honored Irish jaunting car ride*. A tour of Muckross House and Gardens offers a glimpse into the elegant lifestyle of the Victorian gentry. Explore some of the perfectly restored rooms of this magnificent mansion or stroll in one of the many gardens, spectacularly adorned with blooms.

Today Breakfast and Dinner are included.

Day 6: Sunday, September 16, 2012

Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney

Travel along one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world, the Ring of Kerry.

At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for traditional Irish goods handcrafted by local artisans. Enjoy spectacular ocean scenery as you pass through picturesque villages. Continue on through rugged mountain passes into “Ladies View” where you will see breathtaking views of the Lakes of Killarney. Tonight, use your leisure time to sample a true taste of Irish culture.

Today Breakfast is included.

Day 7: Monday, September 17, 2012

Killarney - Limerick

Today, experience the customs and daily life of a traditional Irish family during a memorable visit to the Molanna Dairy Farm.

Continue to Limerick where you will enjoy a city tour showcasing King John’s Castle and the Treaty Stone while learning about the fascinating history of the “city of the violated treaty.”

Today Breakfast is included.

Day 8: Tuesday, September 18, 2012

Limerick - Cliffs of Moher - Galway - Limerick

A most interesting day is ahead of you.

Journey to the stunning, 700-foot-high

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Cliffs of Moher for awe-inspiring views of the mighty Atlantic and the Aran Islands.

Then, travel through the vast limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. Continue past scenic countryside into Galway, where a brief city tour introduces “The City of Tribes.”
Today Breakfast and Dinner are included.

Day 9: Wednesday, September 19, 2012

Limerick - Tullamore - Kingscourt

Today, travel across country on your journey to Tullamore where you will visit the Tullamore Dew Heritage Centre to learn how Irish whiskey is made and enjoy a tasting.

Your day is then topped off with an overnight stay on the magnificent grounds of Cabra Castle, where you toast the end of a fabulous trip during your farewell dinner.

Today Breakfast and Dinner are included.

Day 10: Thursday, September 20, 2012

Kingscourt - Tour Ends

Your tour ends in Kingscourt.

Today Breakfast is included.

Experience it!

Cabra Castle

Cabra Castle stands on 100 acres of gardens and parkland, with delightful views over the Cavan countryside, famous for its beautiful lakes. Formerly known as Cormey Castle, the history of the castle dates back to the pre-Cromwellian times of the 16th century. The property was bought in the early 19th century by Colonel Joseph Pratt who rebuilt it, renaming it as Cabra Castle. Its long legacy lends a mature, cultured air to the castle which can be felt by strolling through the castle’s magnificent hallways and stairwells. Experience this history when you enjoy an overnight stay on the castle grounds. The rooms are outfitted to the highest standards

with every comfort and modern facilities. The bar and restaurant offer views of the countryside famous for its lakes and fishing, as well as Dun a Ri Forest Park.

Please Note:

Passport is required.

- To complete your vacation, we include roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your own air, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.
- *Jaunting car ride is included, weather permitting. Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Collette air passengers will arrive and depart from Dublin airport. All Collette transfers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport.
- On day 10, due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. Return flights should not be booked prior to 9:00 AM. This itinerary includes activities where moderate to heavy walking, possibly on uneven terrain, is required. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict motorcoaches, especially in historic areas. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes.
- Days of features are interchangeable.
- This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven grounds and cobblestone streets.