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Presenting a special group departure to Scotland & Ireland

THE SCOTS IRISH TOUR

15 DAYS | 14 NIGHTS | 26 MEALS*

Price is per person, based on double occupancy

Air departure tax, fuel & surcharges if applicable, are subject to change until entire group is confirmed and ticketed.

— Optional Travel Protection Insurance is available and payment is due at time of deposit. —

NOTE: Depart North America for Edinburgh overnight the day before the tour start date.

Tour Includes:

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- Edinburgh Castle
- **Scotch Whisky Experience***
- Stirling Castle
- Isle of Skye
- Ards Peninsula
- Titanic Belfast

- **Crosskeys Inn**
- Giant's Causeway
- Glenveagh Castle & National Park
- Arigna Mining Experience
- Lough Key Forest Park
- Cliffs of Moher
- Medieval Castle Banquet
- Irish Night in Dublin

MEALS

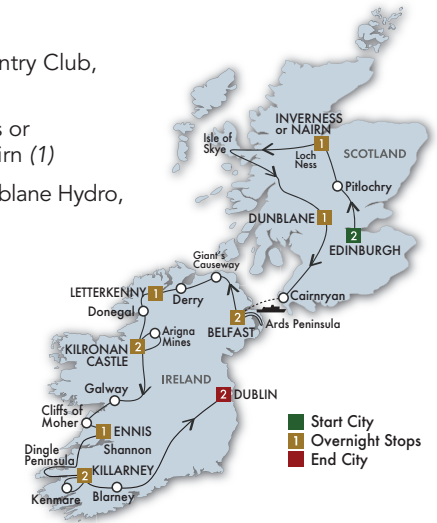
14 hot breakfasts (B), 1 lunch (L), and 11 dinners (D)

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- Sightseeing by luxury coach with a professional tour director
- All on-tour transportation including shuttles and ferries
- Welcome get-together drink with your group
- Free Wi-Fi on coaches so you can stay connected along the way
- Deluxe documents wallet and backpack to keep you organized
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & handling of one suitcase per person

HOTELS

- Dalmahoy Hotel and Country Club, near Edinburgh (2)
- Columba Hotel, Inverness or Muthu Newton Hotel, Nairn (1)
- DoubleTree by Hilton Dunblane Hydro, Dunblane (1)
- Europa Hotel, Belfast (2)
- Station House Hotel, Letterkenny (1)
- Kilonan Castle Hotel, Ballyfarnon (2)
- Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis (1)
- Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney (2)
- Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Dublin (2)



To book or for more information, contact:

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15-Day Itinerary

Day 1: Edinburgh & Scotch Whisky Experience*

Your tour departs from your hotel at 2:00 PM. Head out to The Scotch Whisky Experience on the famed Royal Mile. Learn about the art and aromas of whisky production, taste a dram of single malt or blended whisky, and view the world's largest collection of Scotch whisky. For dinner you'll hear colorful tales of Scottish history and culture while tasting a range of flavorful whiskies paired with local dishes. (August 4 – 20 departures will visit the Scotch Whisky Experience but will dine independently.) (D*)

Day 2: Edinburgh Panoramic Tour, Edinburgh Castle & Independent Sightseeing

See the highlights of central Edinburgh including the bustling Princes Street and the 200-year-old Georgian "New Town." Walk along part of the Royal Mile and visit Edinburgh Castle to see the Scottish Crown Jewels. The remainder of the day is free to relax or explore. Dine independently this evening. (The August 4 – 20 departures attend the spectacular Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo on the Castle Esplanade.) (B)

Day 3: Chocolate Tasting, Blair Castle & Highlands

Travel through the scenic countryside of Perthshire to visit Iain Burnett Highland Chocolatier for a tasting of award-winning chocolates with an expert chocolatier. All the chocolates are made on-site with sustainable ingredients, including local heather honey and berries, and fresh cream from local herds of Scottish Friesians. In Pitlochry, spend free time exploring and have lunch independently. Next, visit Blair Castle; this citadel, with its romantic turrets and towers, dates back to the 13th century. Continue through majestic Highland scenery to Inverness (Sunday departures) or Nairn (Tuesday departures). (B, D)

Day 4: Loch Ness, Isle of Skye & Armadale Castle

Travel alongside Loch Ness, passing the picturesque Eilean Donan Castle. Cross to the Isle of Skye by bridge and visit Armadale Castle, returning by ferry. Take the "Road to the Isles" past lochs, lush woodlands, and heather-covered moors of the majestic Highlands, stopping for photos around scenic Glencoe. Continue through The Trossachs to your hotel in Dunblane. (B, D)

Day 5: Stirling Castle & Ferry to Belfast

Tour Stirling Castle, perched on volcanic rock above the town, and explore the richness of this 16th-century palace that was once home to Mary Queen of Scots. Drive on through southwestern Scotland to Cairnryan and board the ferry to Belfast, where you'll dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D)

Day 6: Ards Peninsula, Titanic Belfast & Crosskeys Inn

Discover the Ulster-Scots history and heritage of the scenic Ards Peninsula on a drive with a local guide. This area was where Scottish colonizers landed in the 1600s; some of their descendants would move to America and become known as the "Scots-Irish". Then visit Titanic Belfast to delve into the history of the doomed ocean liner. Spend time exploring Belfast as you wish in the afternoon. Visit Crosskeys Inn for dinner and entertainment in a CIE Tours Exclusive. (B, D)

Day 7: Nine Glens of Antrim, Giant's Causeway & Derry Walking Tour

Enjoy ocean and mountain scenery as you travel the Nine Glens of Antrim. Discover the Giant's Causeway, enormous hexagonal columns rising out of the sea, and pause for photos at the Dunluce Castle ruins. Head to Derry for a walking tour with a local guide to see how this city, with its painful history, has been transformed into a thriving cultural hub. Proceed on to your hotel in Letterkenny. (B, D)

Day 8: Glenveagh National Park, Donegal, Belleek Pottery & Kilonan Castle

Visit Glenveagh National Park where Captain Adair built Glenveagh Castle in 1870. Enjoy a guided tour and stroll the extensive gardens. Continue to Donegal town for a visit to CIE Tours preferred shopping partner Triona Design and free time to explore. Next, watch skilled craftspeople create delicate ceramic pieces at Belleek Pottery. Travel to luxurious Kilonan Castle with time to relax before dinner in the castle's fine restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: Arigna Mining & Lough Key Forest

Visit the Arigna Mining Experience to discover local history and life as a coal miner in the Arigna Valley. Visit Lough Key Forest Park to explore how humans have shaped the landscape on this old estate over thousands of years. Walk through tunnels used by servants in the 19th century, see the sunken garden, and then walk along with the Tree Canopy Bridge for panoramic views of nature and the shimmering lake. Return to the charming village of Ballyfarnon and relax in your castle hotel before dinner. (B, D)

Day 10: Galway Walking Tour, Cliffs of Moher & Medieval Castle Banquet

In Galway, a local guide will take you on a walking tour through the narrow streets to see the medieval city walls and Lynch's Castle. Travel through the Burren and see its limestone hills, often blooming with a vast array of wildflowers. Visit the Cliffs of Moher, soaring high above the Atlantic. This evening, enjoy a medieval-style banquet at a castle. (B, D)

Day 11: South Pole Inn, Dingle Peninsula, Sleah Head & Killarney

Take a ferry across the River Shannon Estuary to discover the Dingle Peninsula. See the spectacular views from Sleah Head and explore charming Dingle. Visit the South Pole Inn for an Irish coffee, then head to the friendly lakeside town of Killarney, in the shadow of Ireland's highest mountains. (B, D)

Day 12: Jaunting Car Ride, Ring of Kerry Highlights & Sheepdog Demonstration

Enjoy a horse-drawn jaunting car ride to Ross Castle for views of Lough Leane, Killarney's largest lake. Visit Moriarty's, a CIE Tours preferred shopping partner, in the beautiful Gap of Dunloe. Next, take a scenic drive to see the highlights of Ring of Kerry, with breathtaking vistas of mountains, cliffs, and beaches; then on to Kenmare for lunch. Visit a traditional farm and see dogs herding sheep. Return to Killarney for a free evening. (B, L)

Day 13: Blarney Castle & Abbey Tavern

Visit Blarney Castle to kiss the famous stone or stroll through the gardens. Travel through the rich dairy country of Cork and Tipperary, past the gentle slopes of the Galtee Mountains. Proceed on to Dublin, where you'll enjoy dinner and traditional entertainment at the Abbey Tavern in the seaside suburb of Howth. (B, D)

Day 14: Hop-On, Hop-Off Bus Tour in Dublin

Explore Dublin at your own pace with an independent Dublin open-top bus tour and a visit to one of Dublin's top attractions – Guinness Storehouse, Teeling Distillery, EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum, or the GPO Museum. (B)

Day 15: Tour Ends in Dublin

Tour ends after breakfast. (B)

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

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