

Irwindale Chamber of Commerce Presents... Shades of Ireland



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

Departure: October 13, 2009

Chamber Member: \$2,849 pp double occupancy with air

Non-Chamber Member: \$2,949 pp double occupancy with air

Includes: land tour, round-trip airfare, air taxes and fees, fuel surcharges (subject to change until paid in full)

10 Days • 13 Meals: 8 Breakfasts • 5 Dinners

COLLETTE EXPERIENCES

- ★ Join in the festivities as a guest at a traditional Irish House Party.
- ★ Travel the Ring of Kerry, one of the world's most beautiful coastal routes.
- ★ Meet an Irish family during a visit to a working Irish farm. Have coffee and scones while they explain their everyday life.
- ★ Behold the spectacular beauty of the Cliffs of Moher.
- ★ Overnight on the grounds of a castle and delight in the pleasures of royalty.

Day 1: Overnight Flight

The Emerald Isle is a land of green hills, warm people, stately castles and rollicking fun. Visit Dublin, Waterford, Killarney and Limerick as this comprehensive tour introduces Ireland's natural beauty, turbulent history and hospitable culture.

Day 2: Dublin - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in Dublin. ★ **Tonight, meet your fellow travelers at a fun-filled Irish House Party where everyone has the opportunity to join in the song and dance.** ★ *Today dinner will be included.*

Day 3: 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 trademark - 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. You may wish to tour Dublin's fabled Kilmainham Jail or lighten your spirits with a visit to the Guinness Storehouse. *Today breakfast will be included.*

Day 4: Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford

This morning you travel to Kilkenny for the chance to explore this medieval city. ★ **Later today you will visit the world-famous Waterford Crystal Factory.** ★ Take a tour of the facility to learn how these exquisite treasures are crafted and marvel at the impressive collection of crystal in their glittering showroom. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 5: Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney

Today, 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 the beautiful Muckross House and Gardens offers a glimpse into the elegant lifestyle of the Victorian gentry. *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 6: 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 will be included.*

Day 7: 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 will be included.*

Day 8: Limerick - Cliffs of Moher - Galway - Limerick

A most interesting day is ahead of you. ★ **Journey to the stunning, 700-foot-high 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 will be included.*

Day 9: Limerick - Tullamore - Kingscourt

Today begins with a visit to the fascinating monastic site of Clonmacnoise where you will see ancient cathedral ruins, high crosses and the largest collection of early Christian graveslabs in Western Europe. Next, visit Tullamore Dew Heritage Centre where you will learn how Irish Whiskey is made and enjoy a tasting. ★ **Your day is then topped off with an overnight stay on the grounds of a castle and dinner in the castle.** ★ *Today breakfast and dinner will be included.*

Day 10: Kingscourt - Tour Ends

Your tour ends today in Kingscourt. *Today breakfast will be 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.

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day	1	Overnight Flight
Day	2, 3	Dublin Skylon Hotel, Dublin
Day	4	Dooley's Hotel, Waterford or Granville Hotel, Waterford
Day	5, 6	O'Donoghue Ring Hotels, Killarney
Day	7, 8	Castletroy Park Hotel, Limerick or Radisson SAS Limerick, Limerick
Day	9	Cabra Castle or similar, Kingscourt

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Please Note:

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.

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