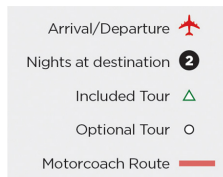


HOT SPRINGS VILLAGE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION PRESENTS

Ireland in Depth

IRELAND: DUBLIN, KILKENNY, CORK, KILLARNEY, GALWAY



16 days from **\$5,585**

Including international airfare from Little Rock (LIT)

MAXIMIZE YOUR DISCOVERIES & VALUE

OPTIONAL EXTENSIONS

Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way: County Mayo & Sligo

6 nights post-trip from \$1,795

IT'S INCLUDED

- Choose to **purchase Grand Circle's airfare**, and your airport transfers, government taxes, fees, and airline fuel surcharges are included. Or, make your own air arrangements
- **Accommodations** for 13 nights in comfortable rooms with private baths
- **25 meals:** 13 breakfasts, 6 lunches, and 6 dinners (including 1 Home-Hosted Lunch)
- **16 included features:** 12 guided tours and 4 exclusive Discovery Series events: Hurling demonstration · Home-Hosted Lunch · Irish history & culture discussion · Sheep farm experience
- Exclusive services of a local **Grand Circle Program Director** (assigned to no more than 42 travelers)
- **Gratuities** on your main trip for local guides and motorcoach drivers
- **Personal headset** for all included and optional tours on your main trip
- Private motorcoach land travel
- Baggage handling for 1 piece of luggage per person, including tips
- **5% Frequent Traveler Credit** toward your next trip

Departure SEPTEMBER 20, 2025

Return OCTOBER 4, 2025

ITINERARY OVERVIEW

Day 1 • Depart U.S.

Day 2-4 • Dublin, Ireland

Included Tours Dublin, Guinness Storehouse
Optional Tour Traditional Irish Night

Day 5-6 • Kilkenny

Included Tours Avoca Handweavers, Glendalough, Kilkenny

Day 12-14 • Galway

Included Tours Cliffs of Moher & the Burren, Galway
Optional Tour Connemara & Kylemore Abbey

Day 7-8 • Cork

Included Tours Waterford Crystal factory, Cahir Castle, Cobh

Day 9-11 • Killarney

Included Tours Blarney Castle, Ring of Kerry
Optional Tours Dingle Experience, National Folk Theatre Performance

Day 15 • Return to U.S.

POST-TRIP EXTENSION:

Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way: County Mayo & Sligo

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WHAT TO EXPECT

Group Size

- A maximum of 42 travelers, led by a local Grand Circle Program Director

Pacing

- 5 locations in 14 days

Physical Requirements

- Walk 2 miles unassisted and participate in 1.5-2.5 hours of physical activities daily, including stairs
- Agility, balance, and stair-climbing are required to kiss the Blarney Stone
- Not accessible for travelers using wheelchairs or scooters

- Travelers using walkers, crutches, or other mobility aids must travel with a companion who can assist them
- We reserve the right for Program Directors to restrict participation, or in some circumstances send travelers home, if their limitations impact the group's experience
- Please use caution when interacting with animals on this trip: Keep a safe distance, stay alert, and respect the animals

Terrain & Transportation

- Uneven walking surfaces, including unpaved paths, hills, stairs, and cobblestones
- Travel by 45-seat motorcoach, ferry, and boat

Climate

- Daytime temperatures range from 48-67°F during touring season
- June-August are the warmest months
- Weather in Ireland can be unpredictable and change quickly
- Rain is common and should be expected

ITINERARY

Day 1 • Depart U.S.

Depart from the U.S. today and travel to Ireland.

Day 2 • Arrive Dublin, Ireland

Land and transfer to your hotel to meet your Program Director and fellow travelers arriving from their optional *Northern Ireland* extension. Enjoy a Welcome Dinner this evening.

D—Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane or similar

Day 3 • Explore Dublin

Begin your discoveries of Dublin on a guided panoramic tour, including a stop at EPIC, the Irish Immigration Museum. Here, you'll discover the stories of Irish emigrations around the world to the modern day.

B,L—Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane or similar

Day 4 • Dublin • Visit Teeling Whiskey Distillery • Optional *Traditional Irish Night*

Visit Teeling Distillery for a behind-the-scenes tour of one of the only operational whiskey distilleries in Dublin. The rest of the day is yours to spend at leisure. This evening, you may join us for an optional *Traditional Irish Night*, featuring live music and dinner.

B—Clayton Hotel Cardiff Lane or similar

Day 5 • Dublin • Visit Glendalough • Avoca Handweavers • Kilkenny

Depart for Kilkenny, stopping along the way at the rustic monastic site of Glendalough. You'll also visit the river town of Avoca, made famous by the Avoca Handweavers, the oldest clothing manufacturer in all of Ireland.

B,L,D—Kilkenny Ormonde Hotel or similar

Day 6 • Explore Kilkenny

Discover Kilkenny on an included walking tour. You'll wander the compact city's narrow lanes, and visit the immaculately manicured, sprawling gardens of Kilkenny Castle. After an included lunch, the rest of the day is yours.

B,L—Kilkenny Ormonde Hotel or similar

Day 7 • Kilkenny • Visit Waterford Crystal factory • Cahir Castle • Cork

Travel from Kilkenny to Cork today, stopping en route to visit the renowned Waterford Crystal factory and Cahir Castle, one of Ireland's best-preserved castles.

B,D—Maldron Hotel South Mall or similar

Day 8 • Cork • Explore Cobh • Home-Hosted Lunch

Enjoy an included tour of seaside Cobh, which served as a major emigration point for families leaving Ireland during the Great Potato Famine. The city was also the last port of call for two famously doomed ships: the RMS *Titanic* and the RMS *Lusitania*. This afternoon, enjoy a **Home-Hosted Lunch** with a local family.

B,L—Maldron Hotel South Mall or similar

Day 9 • Cork • Visit Blarney Castle • Killarney

Transfer to Killarney, with a visit to Blarney Castle to witness the legendary Blarney Stone. Experience a sheep farm's magic with border collies, and later, delve into rural Irish life through a conversation with a local resident during an **Exclusive Discovery Series** event.

B,D—Killarney Towers or similar

Day 10 • Killarney • Optional *Dingle Experience* tour

Join our optional *Dingle Experience* excursion, which includes a stop at the Kerry County Museum, as well as a visit to the rugged Dingle Peninsula.

B—Killarney Towers or similar



Ring of Kerry, County Kerry, Ireland

Day 11 • Killarney • Explore Ring of Kerry • Optional Evening at Kate Kearny's Cottage tour

Discover the Ring of Kerry on a scenic drive, enjoying breathtaking views of Ireland's majestic mountains and rugged coastline and making photo stops along the way. Later, join us for an optional evening at Kate Kearny's Cottage, a cozy pub and performance venue where you'll enjoy a three-course dinner and traditional entertainment.

B,L—Killarney Towers or similar

Day 12 • Killarney • Visit Cliffs of Moher & the Burren • Galway

Set off for Galway, stopping along the way to discover the majestic Cliffs of Moher. Next, travel to the Burren, a surreal moonscape full of huge limestone crags, massive dolmens, and ancient stone forts known as *cahers*.

B,D—Galway Bay Hotel or similar

Day 13 • Galway • Optional Connemara & Kylemore Abbey tour

Explore Galway at your own pace. Or, join our optional Connemara & Kylemore Abbey tour. You'll explore the former Mitchell Henry mansion before enjoying lunch onboard *The Connemara Lady* cruise boat navigating Ireland's only fjord. Then travel through the Inagh Valley to the coast, made famous by the beloved 1952 film *The Quiet Man*, starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara.

B—Galway Bay Hotel or similar

Day 14 • Explore Galway

Enjoy a walking tour of Galway, a burgeoning center for the technology industry and a lively bohemian mecca. Celebrate your discoveries over a Farewell Dinner tonight.

B,L,D—Galway Bay Hotel or similar

Day 15 • Return to U.S.

After breakfast, transfer to the airport for your flight home. Or join our optional post-trip extension in *Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way: County Mayo & Sligo*.

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Cliffs of Moher, County Clare, Ireland

2025 DEPARTURES LAND TOUR PRICES

Land Tour only	\$3,895
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DEPART FROM:

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Return OCT 4, 2025

Little Rock (LIT)	\$1,690
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Deposit: \$500 per person.

Single Supplement: FREE. Single accommodations are limited. If single rooms are full, ask about our Roommate Matching Service.

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