

Carmel Tours presents...

Heart & Soul of Ireland

November 10-19, 2015 10 days/8 nights

Tour Conducted by: Dave Yeates Ireland Tours

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Join Carmel Tours to experience the heart and soul of Ireland!
Plus Christmas shopping for unique Irish gifts!

Day 1, Tuesday - November 10: BOSTON-DUBLIN: Depart Boston's Logan International Airport on your overnight Aer Lingus flight to Dublin, Ireland. Dinner followed by in-flight entertainment shortly after take-off.

Day 2, Wednesday - November 11: DUBLIN-GLENDALOUGH-KILKENNY: Arrive Dublin, Ireland. After clearing Irish Customs, you'll meet your driver/guide in the Arrivals Hall and be escorted to your awaiting motor coach. Depart Dublin and travel south to visit Glendalough, where St. Kevin founded his 6th Century monastic settlement. Continue driving to the village of Avoca, famous for the setting of the TV series, "Ballykissangel". You'll have some time to explore the town and enjoy lunch on your own. Continue to the medieval city of Kilkenny, full of graceful old buildings and narrow winding streets with names like Pennyfeather Lane and Horseleap Slip. Sites to see are 13th. Century St. Canice's Cathedral, Trinity gate, and majestic Kilkenny Castle. Check into your hotel for dinner & overnight.

Day 3, Thursday - November 12: KILKENNY-JERPOINT-KILKENNY: After breakfast travel south to Thomastown, a quaint town in a special area of conservation of flora and fauna. Continue to Jerpoint with a guided heritage tour of the footprints of a deserted 12th Century Medieval town - be immersed in the importance of this once thriving town called Newtown Jerpoint (situated near Jerpoint Abbey). You'll be fascinated by a sheep dog demonstration with sheep, or geese, and conclude your visit with tea/coffee and fresh scones. Return to Kilkenny for a short walking tour of this historic town with Mike Hogan. Visit the 13th-century Black Abbey with the largest rosary window of its kind in Ireland. The balance of the day is at leisure. Dinner is on your own. Overnight Kilkenny.

Day 4, Friday - November 13: KILKENNY-CASHEL-COBH-KINSALE: Departing Kilkenny travel via Cashel for a visit to the Rock of Cashel, where the ancient High Kings of Munster sat in days gone by. Continue via Ireland's Golden Vale, the richest farmland in the country, to Cobh. Enjoy a visit to the Heritage Centre and learn the story of Irish emigration and the ill-fated Titanic. Continue south to picturesque seaport of Kinsale, which over the years has gained a wide reputation as a gourmet's paradise, boasting some of the best seafood restaurants in Ireland, offering the freshest of local catches. Check into your hotel for dinner & overnight.

Day 5, Saturday - November 14: KINSALE: After a leisurely breakfast, you'll stroll and sit with Don Herlihy and Barry Moloney to enjoy a colorful story of Kinsale down the ages from Medieval walled town to the sinking of the Lusitania (approx. a 90 minute tour). The remainder of your day is free to explore this charming town that has a strong Spanish flavor. Its narrow winding streets have been compared to those of Toledo, Spain. On your own tonight to dine at one of the many restaurants Kinsale has to offer. Overnight Kinsale.



Day 6, Sunday - November 15: KINSALE-KENMARE-KILLARNEY: Leaving Kinsale you'll travel through the coastal towns of Clonakilty, Rosscarbery, Skibbereen and Bantry. Here the wide bay, famous in rhyme and song, stretches out to meet the sky. On then through the lovely village of Glengarriff. Do not be surprised to see palm trees! This area enjoys a sub-tropical climate where the waters are warmed by the Gulf Stream. Continuing, drive over the mountain passes to the lovely town of Kenmare. On to Moll's Gap and down the twisty road where every turn unfolds a new and fresh spectacular view of Killarney's lakes. Check into your hotel in the late afternoon. Dinner & overnight.

Day 7, Monday - November 16: KILLARNEY-DINGLE PENINSULA: A delightful day includes a drive along the Kerry coast to the Dingle Peninsula, which offers magnificent coastal scenery. Beyond Sleah Head, you'll see the Blasket Islands, the last outposts of Europe. A visit to the Blasket Centre tells the story of island life, subsistence fishing and farming, traditional life including modes of work and transport, home life, housing and entertainment. Return to Killarney in the late afternoon. Dinner & overnight.



Day 8, Tuesday - November 17: KILLARNEY-CLIFFS OF MOHER-GALWAY: Leaving the charm and beauty of Killarney behind, travel through Listowel to Tarbert to board a ferry for the short ride across the Shannon River Estuary to County Clare. From here its north to the awesome Cliffs of Moher, rising 700 feet above the Atlantic and stretching along the coast for five miles. Pause for a visit to enjoy tea & scones at Rathbaun Farm in Ardrahan. You'll become enchanted by its thatched cottage home, turf fire, stone walls and an array of animals. A wonderful setting for a wonderful experience! On to Galway, City of the Tribes. Check into your hotel for dinner & overnight.

Day 9, Wednesday - November 18: CONNEMARA-GALWAY CITY: This morning travel into Connemara and admire the sweeping views of bog lands and misty mountains. In the quaint village of Spiddal, which retains the Irish language and many traditional lifestyles, do some last minute shopping at Standun's. If time permits, visit the Connemara Marble Factory. Enjoy a panoramic tour of the principal sights of Galway City, including Galway Cathedral. The balance of the day is at your leisure to explore the city. Dinner & overnight.

Day 10, Thursday - November 19: GALWAY-SHANNON-USA: After breakfast you'll be transferred to Shannon Airport. Ample time for last minute duty-free shopping before boarding your homebound flight. Arrive home the same day.

TOUR INCLUDES

- Roundtrip airfare from Boston to Ireland via Aer Lingus
- Accommodations for eight (8) nights at the following or similar:
- Full Breakfast daily, except day of arrival.
- Six (6) Hotel dinners
- Tea/Coffee and Irish farmhouse scones at Rathbaun Farm
- Visits/Admissions: Glendalough, Jerpoint Park, Rock of Cashel, Blasket Centre, Cobh Heritage Centre, Cliffs of Moher, Rathbaun Farm
- Walking Tour of Kinsale
- Shannon Ferry Crossing
- Touring of County Wicklow, West Cork, Dingle Peninsula, Burren and Connemara regions
- All transportation and sightseeing via deluxe touring motor coach with the services of a professional driver/guide (Mike Hogan) throughout
- Tips and taxes on items included.

NOTE: Tip to driver / guide is not included @ \$90 per person (\$10 x 9 days)

- Portage of one suitcase per person
- Portfolio of travel documents



HOTELS:

- KILKENNY:** Rivercourt Hotel
KINSALE: Trident Hotel
KILLARNEY: Killarney Plaza Hotel
GALWAY: Galway Bay Hotel

*AIR, LAND, TAXES & FUEL: \$2,599 per person sharing

LAND ONLY: \$1,885 Per Person Sharing - \$400 Single Supplement (additional, limited available)

OPTIONAL TRAVEL INSURANCE: \$171 (Additional, per person, non-refundable, must be paid with initial deposit)

**DEPOSIT & PAYMENT INFO: AIR, LAND, TAXES & FUEL: *\$2,599 Per Person Sharing
 LAND ONLY COST: \$1,885 P.P. Sharing - \$400 Single Supp. Additional & limited available
 \$250 Per Person Deposit to secure a seat + Travel Insurance, due with reservation
 2nd PAYMENT of \$750 p.p. due by July 2, 2015 (Non-refundable) FINAL PAYMENT (balance) Due by: September 1, 2015**

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RESERVATION APPLICATION

Please reserve _____ seat (s) on CARMEL TOURS's - Heart & Soul of Ireland - November 10 - 19, 2015

*****A COPY OF YOUR U.S. PASSPORT IS REQUIRED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE*****

*** PLEASE NOTE:** Air taxes and fuel surcharges are included, based on time group air was originally reserved. Air taxes & fuel surcharges are subject to change until group air is ticketed. All groups are ticketed at the same time, and early ticketing is not permitted.
A signature is required acknowledging you have read this to make a reservation.

Please sign here: _____ Date: _____

Name (as on passport): _____
 Passport # _____ Exp. Date: _____
 (A valid US Passport is required-valid for 6 months beyond date of travel.)
 American Citizen Y N Gender M F
 Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____
 (Street)
 (city) (State) (Zip)
 Phone (Home): _____
 (Cell): _____
 Email: _____
 Passenger Sharing with: _____
 Room Type: Twin (2 Beds) Double (1 Bed)
 Single Supplement \$400 Limited Availability
 Meal Restrictions YES: NO:
 Please Describe: _____

Name (as on passport): _____
 Passport # _____ Exp. Date: _____
 (A valid US Passport is required-valid for 6 months beyond date of travel.)
 American Citizen Y N Gender M F
 Date of Birth: _____
 Address: _____
 (Street)
 (city) (State) (Zip)
 Phone (Home): _____
 (Cell): _____
 Email: _____
 Roommate (s) is sending deposit with separate application: Y N

OPTIONAL TRAVEL INSURANCE: \$171
(Per person, non-refundable, to be paid with initial deposit):
 YES NO Please Initial _____ (Additional Per Person)
Travel Insurance must be purchased with initial deposit. NON-REFUNDABLE

Services provided by: Celtic Tours (Tour Operator)

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Please make payments payable to:

CARMEL TOURS

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 Peabody, MA 01961-4371

Payment Schedule:

INITIAL DEPOSIT: \$250 Per Person
 to secure a seat (Plus Travel Insurance if taking)
2nd Payment of \$750 p.p. Due: July 2, 2015
FINAL PAYMENT DUE: (remaining balance)
September 1, 2015

Credit Cards: You may if you wish, give authorization to CELTIC TOURS to charge each payment as per the payment schedule above- payments will be processed on the due dates-see below: I have read the terms and conditions per the brochure/flyer and understand that I may incur service charges, penalties and/or cancellation fees in the event of cancellation or change in my itinerary for any reason.

I _____ authorize CELTIC TOURS to charge \$ _____ on my Credit Card

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Security Code: **(Call CELTIC TOURS (800) 833-4373 to finalize this transaction)**

Signature: _____

Address: _____
 (street) (city) (state) (zip)

By signing here: _____ I Additionally authorize CELTIC TOURS to charge my 2nd deposit of \$750 per person due July 2, 2015 and final payment due September 1, 2015 to my charge card.

Debit-Pay by check payments - Complete here:

I (we) hereby authorize CELTIC TOURS to initiate a debit to my (our) Checking Savings account (select one) indicated below and CELTIC TOURS to debit the same to such account:

Account Number: _____

ABA Number* _____

(*Usually the ABA Number is the first 9 digits on the bottom of your check. You may call your financial institution to verify.)

Signature of acceptance for CELTIC TOURS to debit to above named account: _____