# WFSU Public Media presents... Shades of Ireland

with Optional 3-Night Edinburgh Post Tour Extension August 22 – September 2, 2024



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12 Days • 15 Meals: 10 Breakfasts, 5 Dinners

**HIGHLIGHTS...** Dublin, Irish Evening, Choice on Tour: Dublin City Bus or Walking Tour, Kilkenny, Waterford, Choice on Tour: Waterford Crystal Factory or Waterford Medieval Museum and Wine Vault, Blarney Castle, Killarney, Jaunting Car Ride, Ring of Kerry, Limerick, Cliffs of Moher, Sheepdog Demonstration, Galway, Castle Stay

### **ITINERARY AT A GLANCE**

Day 1	Overnight Flight
Days 2 – 5	Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham Dublin, Dublin
Day 6	Granville Hotel, Waterford
Days 7, 8	The Heights Hotel Killarney, Killarney
Days 9, 10	The George Hotel Limerick, Limerick
Day 11	Cabra Castle, Kingscourt
	On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

# Day 1: Thursday, August 22, 2024 Overnight Flight

Anticipation mounts as you make your way toward the Emerald Isle and its many wonders. Rich history, rolling hills and warm smiles lie ahead in Dublin, Waterford, Killarney and Limerick. With tomorrow comes quintessential Ireland.

**Day 2: Friday, August 23, 2024 Arrive Dublin, Ireland** Enjoy time to get to know the place where your journey begins.

**Day 3: Saturday, August 24, 2024 Dublin** Get a taste of old Dublin today. Transportation will be provided to Aviva Stadium. (*B*)

**Day 4: Sunday, August 25, 2024 Dublin** Enjoy a day of leisure. Tonight, you and your fellow travelers revel in a traditional Irish evening, including regional cuisine. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 5: Monday, August 26, 2024 Dublin** Today, **it's your choice!** Choose to ride with a local guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, the National Gallery, and the historic Phoenix Park **-OR-** choose a walking tour of the city's historic center, exploring St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street, and the General Post Office. Either way, what follows is an afternoon to discover Dublin's charms on your own. Later, you may join an optional tour to the Guinness Storehouse, followed by dinner at a contemporary restaurant showcasing Irish cuisine. (*B*)

**Day 6: Tuesday, August 27, 2024 Dublin - Kilkenny -Waterford** Step back in time and begin the day in the medieval splendor of 12th century Kilkenny on the River Nore. Then, in Waterford, embark on a leisurely paced walking tour of Ireland's oldest city. **It's your choice!** Tour the Waterford Crystal factory and learn how exquisite crystal has been made for centuries **-OR-** visit the Medieval Museum for a guided tour and a glass of wine in the 15th-century Mayor's Wine Vault. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 7: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney** The legend goes that those who kiss the Blarney Stone gain the gift of eloquence – give it a try if you wish at historic Blarney Castle. Cross into County Kerry and continue on to charming Killarney. Enjoy a traditional jaunting car ride\* through Killarney National Park before boarding a boat\* and sailing through the breathtaking lakes in the company of an expert boatman. Tonight, **it's** *Diner's Choice...* choose your included dinner from a "menu" of Killarney's great restaurants. (*B*, *D*)

**Day 8: Thursday, August 29, 2024 Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney** Take in the rugged coastline as you loop your way around the picturesque Ring of Kerry, past pristine beaches, quaint villages and majestic landscapes. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for local artisan-made crafts. The night is free for reminiscing about the day as you find your own authentic taste of Irish culture. (*B*)

**Day 9: Friday, August 30, 2024 Killarney - Cliffs of Moher -Limerick** Today brings you to the dramatic, 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for cinematic views of the mighty Atlantic. Continue to Limerick, where a panoramic city tour showcases King John's Castle and the Treaty Stone. Delve into the fascinating history of the "city of the violated treaty." This



## For bookings made after Feb 25, 2024 call for rates.

**Included in Price:** Round Trip Air from Tallahassee Municipal, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers, \$100 donation to WFSU **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$449 per person

\* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from TLH

#### Upgrade your in-flight experience with Elite Airfare

Additional rate of: Business Class \$3,990

† Refer to the reservation form to choose your upgrade option

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evening you may join an optional medieval banquet dinner, hosted in a castle. (B)

#### Day 10: Saturday, August 31, 2024 Limerick - Galway -

**Limerick** Pass through the windswept, limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. See border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration. Continue on to Galway for a brief tour that showcases "The City of Tribes." Return to Limerick to relax over dinner. (B, D)

**Day 11: Sunday, September 1, 2024 Limerick - Kilbeggan -Kingscourt** You don't have to be a connoisseur to appreciate the old-world heritage of Ireland's whiskey territory. Your journey brings you to Kilbeggan in the heart of Ireland, where a superb distillery brings whiskey craftsmanship to life and gives you a taste of the final product. Top your day off with an overnight stay on the stately grounds of Cabra Castle, where you toast the end of a memorable trip during an elegant dinner. (B, D)

**Day 12: Monday, September 2, 2024 Kingscourt - Tour Ends** Your journey ends in Kingscourt. (*B*)

#### Experience It! Ireland's Countryside Castles

Few things evoke quintessential Ireland more than its splendid Castle Hotels. Whether surrounded by verdant green countryside, or situated with peeks of the sea, these historic masterpieces offer the ultimate in relaxation, breathtaking scenery, and old world sophistication blended seamlessly with modern amenities to provide an unparalleled overnight experience. Experience the best of world-renowned Irish Hospitality on your last night with an overnight stay on the grounds of one of these majestic castles, and toast farewell to Ireland during an elegant dinner there.

# **EXTEND YOUR VACATION WITH**

Optional 4 Days 3-Night Edinburgh Post Tour Extension

Per Person Rates: \$1,099.00 USD double, \$1,599.00 USD single, land & air inclusive

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1186183

#### PLEASE NOTE:

#### Book Now rates valid until Feb 25, 2024, valid on air inclusive packages only. IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require that your passport be valid at least 6 months beyond the dates of your travel. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that travelers take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

Days of features are interchangeable.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

\*Jaunting car ride and/or boat cruise are included, weather permitting.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour, covering up to two miles (with included breaks). You can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease. There may be 1 to 2 days on this tour when walking tours can cover 3 to 4 miles over uneven terrain. Expect some full days balanced with free time to recharge or set out on your own adventure. You can handle altitudes up to 6,000 feet. While this level is appropriate for travelers that require mobility assistance devices, there could be times when you may have to sit out on some of the included activities.

Air passengers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport. All transfers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport.

Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel.

For air-inclusive reservations, the name provided at time of booking must match your government-issued ID that will be used during travel. Name changes are subject to penalties.



Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$698 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of February 18, 2024 are based upon availability. Final payment due by June 25, 2024. Deposits are refundable up until February 25, 2024.

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