



Itinerary

Shades of Ireland

Sep 23, 2019 - Oct 2, 2019

Pre Night: Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham Dublin



A landmark on Dublin's main thoroughfare, the Gresham Hotel provides a classic Dublin experience in the heart of its City Center. Enjoy easy access to many of Dublin's main attractions. While at the Gresham Hotel Dublin, enjoy luxurious modern rooms within this historic hotel building. Take in the views of Dublin's city center. Explore Dublin. Enjoy a stay at the beautiful, historic Gresham Hotel Dublin.

Day 1: Overnight Flight



Anticipation mounts as you wind 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: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins



Get a taste of old Dublin. Tonight, you and your fellow travelers revel in a traditional Irish evening, including regional cuisine.

Hotel

Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham Dublin
Dublin

Culinary

Dinner

Weather

High 61°
Low 50°
Rain 2"

Day 3: Dublin



Today, it's your choice! Choose to ride with a local guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, 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 River Liffey. Either way, what follows is an afternoon to discover Dublin's charms on your own.

Hotel

Hotel Riu Plaza The Gresham Dublin
Dublin

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 61°
Low 50°
Rain 2"

Day 4: Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford



Step back in time. 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 glass of wine in the 15th-century Mayor's Wine Vault.

Hotel

Granville Hotel
Waterford

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 63°
Low 50°
Rain 2"

Day 5: Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney



Live the legend. The story goes that those who kiss the Blarney Stone gain the gift of eloquence. This morning, give it a shot at historic Blarney Castle. Cross into County Kerry and continue on to charming Killarney. In Killarney's stunning national park, board a traditional boat* and sail through the breathtaking lakes in the company of an expert boatman. This evening, it's Diner's Choice...tonight's dinner is included, and you'll choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Killarney's great restaurants.

Hotel

Killarney Avenue
Killarney

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 62°
Low 51°
Rain 3"

Day 6: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney



Take in the rugged coastline. 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. See border collies in action during a traditional sheepdog demonstration at a family-run farm. The night is free for reminiscing about the day as you find your own authentic taste of Irish culture.

Hotel

Killarney Avenue
Killarney

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 62°
Low 51°
Rain 3"

Day 7: Killarney - Adare - Limerick



Start your day with a traditional jaunting car ride* through Killarney National Park. Travel to Adare, Ireland's prettiest village, for some time at leisure. 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."

Hotel

Absolute Hotel
Limerick

Culinary

Breakfast

Weather

High 64°
Low 52°
Rain 2"

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



Today brings you to the dramatic, 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for cinematic views of the mighty Atlantic. Pass through the windswept, limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. Continue on to Galway where a brief tour showcases "The City of Tribes" before relaxing over dinner in a local restaurant.

Hotel

Absolute Hotel
Limerick

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 64°
Low 52°
Rain 2"

Day 9: Limerick - Tullamore/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 Tullamore and 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 regal grounds of Cabra Castle where you toast the end of a fabulous trip during your farewell dinner.

Hotel

Cabra Castle
Kingscourt

Culinary

Breakfast & Dinner

Weather

High 55°
Low 46°
Rain 3"

Day 10: Kingscourt - Tour Ends



Your journey ends in Kingscourt.

Post Night: Cabra Castle



Cabra Castle stands on 88 acres of gardens and parkland. This property boasts a proud history dating as far back as 1760. Cabra's long history lends a mature, cultured air to the castle which can be felt by one and all as you stroll along the castle's impressive hallways and stairwells.