

IRISH HERITAGE & DROMOLAND CASTLE

August 6 - 15, 2016



TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- » Medieval Castle Banquet
- » Cliffs of Moher
- » Ring of Kerry
- » Gourmet Killeen House Restaurant
- » Sheepdog Trials
- » Blarney Castle
- » Merry Ploughboy Dinner & Show
- » Irish National Stud Farm & Gardens
- » Dromoland Castle Hotel Stay

INCLUDED FEATURES

- » Free parking with roundtrip transfers to Philadelphia International Airport
- » Roundtrip airfare – Philadelphia, PA to Shannon, Ireland
- » Roundtrip transfers – airport/hotel
- » Eight nights hotel accommodations
- » Sightseeing as stated in itinerary by luxury coach
- » Services of Professional CIE driver/guide
- » Meals: 8 Breakfasts and 6 Dinners
- » Welcome reception
- » All local taxes, hotel service charges & portorage for one suitcase per person
- » AAA Group Leader

PRICE PER PERSON

OCCUPANCY	AAA MEMBER	NON MEMBER
Double	\$4,039	\$4,084
Single	\$4,739	\$4,784

Rates are subject to availability at time of booking and include taxes, fees and fuel surcharges which are subject to change. All pricing and included features are based on a minimum of 25 full-fare passengers.

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TOUR ITINERARY

Saturday, August 6: Depart for Ireland

Motorcoach from Central PA to Philadelphia International Airport for overnight flight to Shannon.

Sunday, August 7: Welcome to Ireland!

Enjoy a day at leisure in this charming town. Hotel: *Limerick Strand Hotel*, Limerick

Monday, August 8: Limerick & Medieval Castle Banquet

Meet your Tour Director at your hotel and then depart this afternoon for a short drive around Limerick and visit the huge King John's Castle, built in the 13th century on the banks of the River Shannon to safeguard the city. Join your Tour Director for a welcome drink before heading to Knappogue or Bunratty Castle for a medieval-style banquet. (Breakfast, Dinner)

Tuesday, August 9: Cliffs of Moher & Jaunting Car Ride

Drive through Ennis to see the Cliffs of Moher, which rise almost 700 feet above the pounding Atlantic surf. Cross the wide River Shannon Estuary by ferry and travel along the river shore to Foynes. Visit the Flying Boat Museum, which recalls the early days of air travel, during the 1930's and early 1940's. Learn how to make a perfect Irish coffee as this was where the drink was first created and sip a warming sample. Drive to Killarney, a small town situated in one of the loveliest locations in Ireland. Drive through the Killarney National Park by traditional jaunting car to view Ross Castle set on the shores of Lough Leane with mountains forming a backdrop. Check in to your hotel and enjoy free time to relax or go shopping before dinner. Hotel: *The Brehon Hotel*, Killarney (Breakfast, Dinner)

Wednesday, August 10: Ring of Kerry Tour & Sheepdog Trials

Embark on Ireland's most popular scenic drive, the Ring of Kerry, for great views of mountains, open Atlantic Ocean, beaches and cliffs. Enjoy plenty of breaks to admire the natural beauty and take photos. Cross to Valentia Island by bridge to visit the Skellig Experience and learn about early Christian monks who lived on the isolated islands and about the prolific bird life today. Pass through Waterville and the attractive village of Sneem and stop at Moll's Gap for great mountain vistas. See more spectacular views at a nearby sheep farm as well as demonstrations of shearing and trained dogs herding sheep. Return to Killarney and in the evening head to the award-winning Killeen House Restaurant for a warm welcome and superb cuisine. (Breakfast, Dinner)



Ring of Kerry



Thursday, August 11: Blarney Castle & Cobh Heritage Centre

Depart Killarney and drive to Blarney. Visit the famous Blarney Castle and either climb to the top to kiss the “Stone of Eloquence” or walk through the lovely parklands and gardens. Browse through the Blarney Woollen Mills for quality Irish-made goods. Visit the town of Cobh, last port of call for RMS Titanic, to tour the Cobh Heritage Centre to learn about travel conditions for the many emigrants on early sailing ships and steam vessels. Follow the coastal route to Waterford and check in to your hotel. In the evening take a gentle walk with a local historian who will reveal Waterford’s Viking and medieval past. Hotel: *Granville Hotel*, Waterford (Breakfast, Dinner)

Friday, August 12: Waterford Crystal & Russborough House

This morning tour the House of Waterford Crystal to learn about glass blowing and view one-of-a-kind masterpieces being created. Drive through the delightful scenery of the Wicklow Mountains on the way to Blessington. Take a guided tour around the stately Russborough House, a Palladian mansion filled with interesting treasures as well as noted works of art and early photographic collections. Continue to your next hotel, an elegant Victorian mansion, which overlooks Dublin Bay and Dun Laoghaire Harbour. Dine on Irish specialties at the Merry Ploughboy Pub, followed by a lively show of traditional Irish songs and intricate step-dancing. Hotel: *Royal Marine Hotel*, Dun Laoghaire, Dublin (Breakfast, Dinner)

Saturday, August 13: Dublin Sightseeing Tour & Glasnevin Museum

Take a morning guided tour of Dublin, originally founded by Vikings over 1,000 years ago. See elegant Georgian townhouses with brightly-painted doors and cross the River Liffey to view the wide thoroughfare of O’Connell Street and the gaunt figures at the Famine Memorial. Tour Glasnevin Museum, Ireland’s national necropolis, which is a who’s who of modern Irish history. It is the final resting place of Daniel O’Connell, Michael Collins, Charles Stewart Parnell, Brendan Behan and other prominent people. The afternoon is free so that you may use your independent open-top bus tour voucher with a visit to Guinness Storehouse or General Post Office. Dine on your own this evening. (Breakfast)

Sunday, August 14: Dromoland Castle Hotel

Leave Dublin and drive to the Irish National Stud to see some of Ireland’s finest horses and learn about breeding techniques. Take a walk around the St. Fiachra’s Gardens and miniature Japanese Gardens. Travel to imposing and deluxe Dromoland Castle Hotel. Relax in the elegant surroundings of this wonderful fairytale resort. Then savor a delicious farewell dinner in the oak-paneled dining room – a fitting way to spend the last evening of your Irish tour. Hotel: *Dromoland Castle Hotel*, Newmarket-on-Fergus (Breakfast, Dinner)

Monday, August 15: Depart for USA

After breakfast, transfer to Shannon Airport for your flight home and transportation to Central PA. (Breakfast)

Hotels and itinerary are subject to change at any time without notification and/or compensation.



GENERAL INFORMATION

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Original, signed passport valid for 6 months beyond stay, and with at least one blank visa page for visa stamp(s).

PAYMENT

A deposit of \$350 per person will confirm your reservation. Final payment is due to AAA by May 20, 2016.

CANCELLATION/PENALTIES

Deposit date to day of departure	\$25 per person, plus...
From April 29 – June 7, 2016	\$350 per person, plus additional suppliers fees
From June 8 – July 6, 2016	25% per person, plus additional suppliers fees
From July 7 – 29, 2016	35% per person, plus additional suppliers fees
From July 30 – August 5, 2016	50% per person, plus additional suppliers fees
After August 5, 2016	NON REFUNDABLE

***Airfare is non-refundable after final payment.**

INSURANCE

For your protection AAA recommends travel insurance. Pre-existing medical conditions may be waived with proper coverage if travel insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial deposit only. Other conditions may apply; ask your travel agent. AAA recommends Allianz.

FLIGHT

Air arrangements are handled by the tour operator. Seat assignments cannot be confirmed until the tour operator releases names to the airline 30 days prior to departure. Specific seat requests cannot be guaranteed. Some flights schedules may contain code share agreements.

CLOTHING/CLIMATE

Temperatures for Ireland in August average in the 60s with cooler evenings. Pack for a variety of temperatures. Casual clothes that can be layered work best. Comfortable walking shoes and a small umbrella are recommended.

BAGGAGE

One suitcase per person will be allowed. You may also bring a carry-on bag small enough to fit under your seat. Baggage fees and other charges may be directly assessed by airlines or airport.

TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

For personal comfort, group participants who need assistance are required to have a traveling companion who is capable of and totally responsible for providing the needed assistance.

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