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TRAVEL CONNECTION

present a Special Group Departure to Ireland

Irish Gold

June 7 – 17, 2019

9 Days / 8 Nights / 14 Meals

Depart U.S. for Dublin overnight
June 7th – tour begins June 9th

LAND & AIR **\$4,019*** per person
based on double occupancy
Single Room Supplement \$800

Air departure tax, fuel & surcharges are subject to change until entire group is confirmed and ticketed.

* Price includes a pre-night hotel room and is subject to change.

Tour Highlights:

- Blarney Castle
- Trinity College Book of Kells
- Cliffs of Moher
- Clonmacnoise Monastic Site
- House of Waterford Crystal
- Ring of Kerry
- Skellig Experience
- Waterford's Medieval Museum

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This Fully Inclusive Guided Vacation Features:

- 8 nights in hotels listed
- 8 daily hot breakfasts (B)
- 2 lunches (L)
- 4 dinners (D) including a traditional Irish Night in Killarney, and O'Connell's Restaurant in Dublin.
- Sip an Irish coffee as you enjoy a traditional music session at the Marine Bar in Dungarvan.
- Local guides will impart historic facts and local lore on walking tours of Dublin's Trinity College, Galway and Waterford.



All CIE Tours Guided Vacations Include:

- Sightseeing by luxury coach
- Professional tour director
- All on-tour transportation including shuttles and ferries
- Welcome get-together drink with your group
- Free Wi-Fi on coaches so you can stay connected along the way
- Deluxe documents wallet and backpack to keep you organized
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & handling of one suitcase per person

Hotels – 8 Nights:

Royal Marine Hotel | Dun Laoghaire, Dublin (1)
Radisson Blu Hotel & Spa | Galway (2)
Great Southern Killarney Hotel | Killarney (2)
Granville Hotel | Waterford (1)
Clayton Hotel Burlington Road | Dublin (2)

NOTE: The features, itinerary and hotels shown for this tour are based on 2018 departures, and may be subject to change for 2019 departures.

This tour is subject to CIE Tours' booking guidelines and cancellation penalties. Refer to General Conditions on website (cietours.com) or back cover of current brochure. CST# 2021285-20.

9 Day Irish Gold Tour Itinerary

Day 1: Dublin Tour & Book of Kells

Tour begins 2:00 PM at your Dublin hotel. Head out for an introductory tour of Dublin including O'Connell Street, St Stephen's Green, the seat of government at Leinster House, and other public buildings. Take a stroll through Trinity College's campus in the center of the city with a student guide and view the priceless 8th century Book of Kells, an illuminated manuscript of the four gospels. Enjoy a welcome drink with your group then enjoy an independent evening at one of Dublin's many restaurants or pubs.

Day 2: Clonmacnoise Monastic Site & Galway City Tour

Journey across the rolling pastures of Ireland's heartland to visit Clonmacnoise. This monastic settlement was founded in 545 AD and is set on the banks of the mighty River Shannon. See elaborate high Celtic crosses decorated with biblical scenes. Head to Galway and enjoy a guided walking tour through the city center. Enjoy free time to explore Galway on your own before dinner. (B, D)

Day 3: Connemara Catamaran Cruise & Kylemore Abbey

Explore scenic Connemara to admire how constantly-changing cloud formations give granite hills, sparkling lakes and peat bogs an added dimension. Head to Kylemore Abbey to see elegant rooms and the charming church, set beside a tranquil lake. Visit the Victorian Walled Gardens and enjoy a casual lunch. Take a short catamaran cruise of Killary Harbour, a 9-mile fjord (Mar 18 – Oct 28 departures). Return to Galway where the evening is free to explore the city. (B, L)

Day 4: Cliffs, Sheepdogs & Traditional Irish Night

Travel south around Galway Bay and through the Burren, a region of rounded limestone hills which has a curious lunar-like appearance. Immerse yourself in farm life and watch trained sheepdogs obey their owner as they direct sheep through various obstacles. View the Cliffs of Moher, which rise almost 700 feet above the pounding Atlantic surf. Embark on a memorable ferry across the River Shannon Estuary and head to Killarney. Head out for an Irish night featuring a lively show with dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Jaunting Car & Ring of Kerry

Take a traditional horse-drawn jaunting car through the Killarney National Park to scenic Ross Castle, set on the shores of Lough

Leane. Head to Muckross House for a guided tour and a stroll through the gardens. Set out on Ireland's most popular scenic drive – the Ring of Kerry – with plenty of stops for photo opportunities. Savor a light lunch and take a break in the colorful village of Sneem. Cross to Valentia Island by bridge and tour the Skellig Experience, which explains the life of early Christian monks on Skellig Michael, a rocky offshore island that was featured in the "Star Wars VII" movie. Return to Killarney for an evening on your own. (B, L)

Day 6: Blarney Castle & Traditional Music Session

Drive through the mountains into richer farming country on the way to Blarney Castle. Kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence" or explore the tranquil gardens. Treat yourself to quality Irish made goods at Blarney Woollen Mills before traveling along the coast to the Marine Bar in Dungarvan for a creamy Irish coffee and traditional music. Continue to Waterford to witness the creation of crystal masterpieces during your visit to the House of Waterford Crystal. (B, D)

Day 7: Waterford Walk & O'Connell's Restaurant

This morning join a local guide for a walking tour through the narrow streets of the old city to discover Waterford's long history and some of its colorful characters. Visit the nearby Medieval Museum, a modern building which incorporates a 13th century Choristers' Hall and the 15th century Mayor's Wine Vault. Stop in Kilkenny for a look around the compact city center and have lunch on your own. Travel to Dublin and in the evening head to the popular O'Connell's Restaurant where a warm welcome and superb cuisine await you. (B, D)

Day 8: Independent Day in Dublin

8-day tour ends after breakfast. Guests on the 9-day tour enjoy an independent Dublin open-top bus tour and a visit to one of Dublin's top attractions – Guinness Storehouse, Teeling Distillery, EPIC Ireland, or the General Post Office Museum. (B)

Day 9: Tour Ends in Dublin

Your tour ends after breakfast. (B)

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

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For reservations, please complete the form below and include your non-refundable deposit of \$250 per person. Optional Trip Protection Insurance is additional at \$199 per person and is also due at the time of deposit.

Full name of passenger (must match passport) _____

Nationality _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____ Gender: M F

Inbound Flight Arrival Details _____ Outbound Departure Details _____

Type of Room: 1 BED 2 BEDS If sharing a TWIN room, provide name of roommate _____ (N/A if no roommate)

Street Address _____ I am enclosing a deposit check for \$ _____

City/State/Zip _____ I am paying via credit card. Please charge \$ _____

Daytime Phone _____ Visa Mastercard American Express Discover

Evening Phone _____ Name on Card _____

Email _____ Card Number _____

Emergency Contact _____ Expiration Date ____/____/____ Security Code _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

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