

### VALID PASSPORT REQUIRED

Must be valid for 6 mos. beyond return date



# Durgan Travel Service presents... 11 Days/9 Nights GRAND TOUR OF IRELAND

Featuring: Ring of Kerry, Dingle Peninsula, Dublin, Killarney, Blarney, Galway, Glendalough, Bunratty Folk Park, Giants Causeway, Belfast, & More

# Departures:

March & November <sup>at</sup> STBA\*
April & October <sup>at</sup> STBA\*
Early May <sup>at</sup> STBA\*

\*Rates are for payment by credit card. See back for discount cash and check rates. Rates are per person, twin occupancy, and INCLUDE \$TBA in departure taxes fees

### OUR 11-DAY/9-NIGHT GRAND TOUR OF IRELAND ITINERARY:

**DAY 1 – BOSTON~INTERMEDIATE CITY~SHANNON:** Depart Boston's Logan International Airport aboard our overnight flight to Ireland (*via intermediate city*), with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight.

**DAY 2 –SHANNON~KILLARNEY:** Morning arrival in Shannon Airport. We will be met and greeted by our Tour Escort, who will assist with our transfer. After departing the airport, we will be taken to Bunratty Folk Park, where we will experience some of the local Irish history. From Bunratty, we will travel, via Limerick, to one of Ireland's loveliest towns - Adare! After a sightseeing stop, the trip continues to Killarney. Following check in at *Killarney Court Hotel* (or similar), there will be some free time to rest, relax, or walk around this vibrant town. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.(D)

**DAY 3 – DINGLE PENINSULA:** After breakfast at the hotel, we will board our coach and travel to Blennerville and then down the Dingle Peninsula, for a full-day excursion to one of the most unspoiled areas in Ireland. Returning to our hotel for dinner, we will enjoy an evening of leisure in historic Killarney. There is an abundance of traditional pubs with a lively atmosphere and entertainment -- great places to enjoy the traditional music of County Kerry. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 4 – RING OF KERRY:** After breakfast, we will board our coach this morning for a full-day excursion to the spectacular Ring of Kerry. After a break for lunch *(on our own)* in one of the Ring's pretty little seaside villages, we will return to Killarney. Time permitting, we may want to visit the famed Muckross House *(optional)*. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 5 – KILLARNEY~BLARNEY~MIDLETON:** After breakfast, we travel to Blarney to visit the Woolen Mill stores. We will also get a chance to visit *(on our own)* the Blarney Castle ruins and to kiss the Blarney Stone, which is said to bestow eloquence on all who dare. After a traditional Irish pub lunch in Blarney *(on our own)*, we will continue to one of the highlights of our tour – *The Old Midleton Whiskey Distillery*. We will learn about and taste this world famous Irish whiskey! After this fabulous experience, we travel to Ballycotton for check into the *Bayview Hotel* (or similar). Following dinner, we will have the evening at leisure to explore this traditional Irish coastal town. (B, D)

**DAY 6 – COBH-DUBLIN:** After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will visit the Cobh Heritage Centre, located in the old Victorian Railway station in the small coastal village of Cobh. We will also visit the impressive, French-gothic style St. Colman's Cathedral. Next we board our motorcoach for a trip up to the scenic Wicklow Mountains, including Glendalough. We will stop for lunch *(on our own)* and have a chance to enjoy the beautiful scenery. After lunch, we will continue our drive through the Wicklow Mountains into Dublin. Upon arrival in Dublin, we will check into *The Mespil House* (or similar). Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 7 – DUBLIN:** After breakfast, we will enjoy a half-day panoramic sightseeing tour of Dublin, as well as a visit to Trinity College and the Guinness Storehouse. After the tour, we will have free time to stroll at leisure through the streets of Dublin. Dinner is included at the hotel this evening, but there is also an optional dinner/entertainment package available to see The Merry Ploughboys, at extra cost. Overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 8 – DUBLIN~BELFAST:** After breakfast and hotel check-out, we depart Dublin and travel to Belfast via the Boyne Valley, Ireland's most historical region. We will visit to the Hill of Tara, where St. Patrick himself is said to have visited. We will also stop at Monasterboice, one of the most famous religious sites in the country. Continue to Belfast, capital of Northern Ireland, for a guided orientation tour of the city, including the City Hall — a large Renaissance building dating from the beginning of the century, as well as excellent shopping, cafés, restaurants, and bars. Enjoy some time at leisure in Belfast. Transfer to and check into our hotel *Jury's Inn* (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 9 – GIANT'S CAUSEWAY-ANTRIM: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we travel along the Antrim Coast where a channel only 20 yards wide separates Tor Head from the Scottish Coast. On the northern coast, the Giant's Causeway, a striking rock formation of 40,000 polygonal columns, is truly awe-inspiring! Learn about the Legend of the Causeway and the Legend of Finn MacCumhaill. We will see the famous Carrick-a-Rede, the spectacular rope bridge that connects a small island to the main land. Continue to Letterkenny to check into *Station House Hotel* (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 10 – SLIGO-GALWAY:** After a full Irish breakfast and hotel check-out, we travel south to Galway via County Sligo. The lakes of Sligo are truly spectacular and form a striking contrast to the county's rugged uplands. We will stop in Drumcliff at the Drumcliff Cemetery to visit the famous Irish poet W.B. Yeats' resting place. At Carrowmore, we will see the largest megalithic cemetery in Ireland. We continue to Galway, a seaboard town that has kept its medieval charm, and with its colorful streets and numerous authentic pubs, is frequented by students, locals, and tourists alike! Check into the *Carlton Hotel* (or similar) for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

**DAY 11 – GALWAY~SHANNON~BOSTON:** After breakfast and hotel check-out, transfer to Shannon Airport for our return flight to the U.S. (*via intermediate stop*). There will be plenty of time to visit Europe's best duty-free shops. Depart Ireland, with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, while in flight. (B)

## **OUR GRAND TOUR OF IRELAND INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:**

- Round-trip motorcoach transportation to and from Boston's Logan International Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 paying passengers. Additional charge with fewer than 35.
- Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Service Representative
- All transfers and touring aboard a private, deluxe, temperature-controlled motorcoach. Porterage of luggage at the hotels.
- \* Round-trip regularly scheduled flights Boston-Intermediate City-Shannon and return with full meal and beverage service while aloft.
- 9-nights hotel accommodations: 3-nights in Killarney, 1-night in Ballycotton, 2-nights in Dublin, 1-night in Belfast, 1-night in Letterkenny, and 1-night in Galway. Based on twin occupancy. The Single Supplement is an additional \$420 per single. Limited availability may be unavailable or subject to surcharge. Triples are available at the twin rate.
- Full Irish breakfast (B) each morning and dinner nightly (D) with an optional Irish Cabaret Night (at an extra cost) in Dublin on Day 7.
- All room and meal taxes (for included meals), as well as gratuities to bellmen.
- A Comprehensive sightseeing package as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees where applicable.
- \* Full services of a professional Tour Escort who will accompany our group throughout the tour.
- Expert tour guides where required.
- Complimentary Durgan Travel Service flight bag.

# A \$450 DEPOSIT IS DUE UPON RECEIPT OF FLYER. THE BALANCE IS DUE 75 DAYS BEFORE DEPARTURE.

**TRAVEL PROTECTION INSURANCE:** All persons traveling with Durgan Travel Service are offered Travel Protection Insurance through Trip Mate (1-800-888-7292), and are required to accept or decline said offer on their reservation form. Please call Trip Mate if you have questions about your insurance or your eligibility. The plan covers trip cancellation or pre- or post-trip interruption, and tour operator/cruise line/airline bankruptcy up to the cost of the trip and travel delay up to \$750 (max. \$150 per day). Emergency evacuation is covered up to \$50,000. Accident or Sickness Medical Expense is covered up to \$25,000. Lost or stolen baggage/personal effects are covered up to \$2500. Baggage delay (24-hours or more) up to \$250 reimbursement, and death or dismemberment benefit \$25,000 max.. This plan is underwritten by: The United States Fire Insurance Company. This policy is administered by: Trip Mate, Inc. (In CA, dba Trip Mate Insurance Agency), 9225 Ward Parkway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64114, 1-800-888-7292.

**TRIP DEVIATIONS:** Any request for tour deviation will be subject to availability at the time of booking. The *maximum* extension permitted is 10 - 14 days, depending on the airline. A deviation form, along with the surcharge fee of \$150, should be submitted at the time of initial payment, but will be accepted up to 120-days prior to departure. After processing, the request, any additional deviation expenses (car rental, train, hotel, etc.) must be paid, in full, to the Retail Department of Durgan Travel Service at the time of reservation. Contact Durgan Travel at Toll Free 1-800-234-9959 to request a deviation form.

RESPONSIBILITY: Durgan Travel Service and their agents, in accepting bookings for this tour, clearly stipulate that they are not liable for faults or defaults of other companies and persons that may be used in the carrying-out of the tour services, also for accidents, baggage losses, delays, or cancellations, strikes, political unrest, riots, and acts of God and war, and changes in schedules. In the event it becomes necessary or advisable, for the comfort or well-being of the passengers, or for any reason whatsoever, to alter the itinerary or arrangements, such alterations may be made without penalty to the operator. Additional expenses, if any, shall be borne by the passengers. The right is reserved to withdraw the tour due to insufficient participation or for any reason whatsoever; also to decline to accept or to retain any person as members of the tour. The airlines and bus lines concerned are not to be held responsible for any acts, omissions, or events during the time the passengers are not onboard. The pass contract in use by the airlines or bus companies concerned constitutes the sole contract between the company and purchase of this tour and/or passengers. The issuance and acceptance of receipt tickets and/or tour membership coupons, along with making the initial deposit, shall be deemed to be consent to and acceptance of the foregoing terms and conditions.

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