

Durgan Travel Service *presents...*
9 DAYS/7 NIGHTS

WESTERN IRELAND

DEPARTURES:

MARCH & NOVEMBER

AT \$TBA*

APRIL & OCTOBER AT \$TBA*

EARLY MAY AT \$TBA*

*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 air taxes, fees, and fuel surcharges (subject to change).

**Valid
Passport
Required**

Must be valid for 6 mos. beyond
return date

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Durgan Travel Service is pleased to offer a wonderful 9-day/7-night tour of the Emerald Isle of Ireland that will include a 3-night stay in Galway followed by 4 nights in Killarney, with a complete sightseeing package of Western Ireland and including expert tour guides, a full Irish breakfast each morning, and sumptuous dinner each evening.

OUR WESTERN IRELAND TOUR ITINERARY:

DAY 1 – BOSTON~IRELAND: Depart Boston's Logan International Airport on our non-stop flight to Ireland, with full meal and beverage service, as well as stereo headsets, available while in flight.

DAY 2 – SHANNON~GALWAY: Upon arrival at Shannon Airport, we will meet our Tour Escort, who will help us transfer. We will travel via Ennis and Liscannor (*birthplace of John Holland, the inventor of the submarine*) to the Cliffs of Moher, rising 700 feet above sea and reaching out along the coast for five miles. We will continue on via Lisdoonvarna to Galway City for a sightseeing tour. After check-in at the Victoria Hotel (or similar), we'll have some leisure time to rest and familiarize ourselves with our surroundings. Dinner and overnight. (D)

DAY 3 – CONNEMARA~KYLEMORE ABBEY: After breakfast at our hotel, we will tour scenic Connemara. This Irish-speaking area will take us back in time with its wild and rugged scenery of majestic mountains and lakes. We will visit Kylemore Abbey (monastic home of the Irish Order of Benedictine Nuns), which was built in 1868 by Mitchell Henry. One of the more interesting aspects of the abbey is the miniature Gothic cathedral. While at Kylemore Abbey, we will also have time to tour the magnificent Victorian Walled Gardens, probably the last garden in Ireland created on such a grand scale. Return to Galway for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 4 – KNOCK~CONG: After breakfast, we travel via Recess and Maam to County Mayo and the town of Knock. Upon reaching the village of Knock, we will pause for lunch (*on our own*) and a visit to the Apparition Shrine. On the return, we will pass stately Ashford Castle and visit the village of Cong (location of the movie, "The Quiet Man," starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara). Return to Galway for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 5 – GALWAY~ADARE~KILLARNEY: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we head south, stopping in the lovely old world village of Adare for some free time to explore on our own. Points of interest in Adare include the Trinitarian Abbey, the Wishing Pools, Dunraven Arms Hotel, Black Abbey, and the picturesque thatched-roofed cottages that dot the town. Then, we continue to the Kingdom of Kerry and check into the Killarney Court Hotel (or similar) in Killarney. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 6 – RING OF KERRY: After breakfast, we depart for the most famous and panoramic route in Ireland – The Ring of Kerry! The astonishing beauty of this large peninsula comes from the great diversity of its scenery. Our tour around The Ring offers spectacular views of mountains, peat bogs, lakes, and the Atlantic Ocean. We first pass through Killorglin, famous for its Puck Fair, then to Glenbeigh, where the cliff road affords panoramic views of the Dingle Peninsula and Dingle Bay. Continuing to Cahirciveen, we will pass the birthplace of the Irish National Hero – Daniel O'Connell – through the vast peat bogs to Waterville, and on to the village of Sneem, known for its brightly colored houses. Our journey then winds through the mountains to Molls Gap and Ladies View, with superb vistas of the famous Lakes of Killarney. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 7 – BLARNEY: After breakfast, we leave for County Cork, where our first stop will be at world-famous Blarney Castle, the ancient stronghold of the Lord of Muskerry, and one of Ireland's oldest and most historic castles. Built in 1446, Blarney Castle is most famous for "the Blarney Stone," which is traditionally believed to bestow the gift of eloquence on all who kiss it. There will also be some free time in Blarney Village to visit the Woolen Mills to purchase traditional Irish handmade goods and Waterford crystal. Dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 8 – DINGLE PENINSULA: After breakfast, we will enjoy delightful day touring through some of the finest coastal scenery to be seen in all of Ireland! The Dingle Peninsula is famous for its pre-Christian Celtic monuments and Christian churches. The town of Dingle is a thriving fishing town that offers ample opportunity for shopping and savoring the atmosphere of a typical Irish town with its array of pubs, quaint narrow streets, and busy harbor life. The spectacular road around the Dingle Peninsula passes through a chain of mountains called Slieve Mish, and along the beaches and dunes made famous in the movie "Ryan's Daughter." From Dingle, we journey around the coast to Sleah Head, by the blustery Baskets Islands, and near the two rocky outcrops of the Skellig Islands. Return to our hotel for dinner and overnight. (B, D)

DAY 9 – KILLARNEY~SHANNON~BOSTON: After breakfast and hotel check-out, we will transfer to the Shannon Airport to board our return flight home, with full meal and beverage service, and stereo headphones available while in flight. (B)

OUR WESTERN IRELAND TOUR INCLUDES ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Round-trip motorcoach transportation to and from Boston's Logan Airport. FREE with a minimum of 35 paying passengers. A slight additional charge with fewer than 35.
- Special meet-and-greet service and assistance at Logan Airport by a Durgan Travel Service Representative.
- Round-trip regularly scheduled flights Boston-Shannon and return, with full meal and beverage service en route.
- Porterage of luggage at the hotels.
- All transfers and daily sightseeing aboard a private, luxury, temperature-controlled motorcoach.
- 7-nights' accommodations at the hotels described in the itinerary, based on twin occupancy. The Single Supplement is an additional \$420 per person. *Limited availability – may be unavailable or subject to surcharge.* Triples are available at the twin rate.
- All room and meal taxes, and gratuities to bellmen.
- Full Irish breakfast (B) each morning and dinner (D) each evening.
- Professional Tour Escort who will accompany our group throughout the tour, and expert guides where required.
- Comprehensive sightseeing package in Western Ireland as described in the itinerary, including entrance fees where applicable.
- Complimentary Durgan Travel Service flight bag.

A \$TBA DEPOSIT IS DUE UPON RECEIPT OF FLYER. THE BALANCE IS DUE 75 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.
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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 to change the air (additional \$100 for land arrangements), must 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. Download form from www.durgantravel.com or contact Durgan Travel at Toll Free 1-800-234-9959 to request a deviation form.

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