



The Great Atlantic Adventure

7-Day Tour



Small Group & Self-Drive Ireland Tours



Day 1: Sunday

Cork, The Rebel County

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops

Your adventure tour of Ireland begins as we depart Dublin for County Cork, located in the stunning South West of Ireland. As we make our way to our first destination, we will stop en route for a fantastic photo opportunity at the famous medieval round tower, chapel, and cathedral at The Rock of Cashel.

Lonely Planet describes Cork as “at the top of its game, sophisticated, vibrant and diverse” and we completely agree. It is one of Europe’s most vibrant cities and locals would argue that it is the REAL capital of Ireland. Begin your Cork experience with a kiss of the Blarney Stone and may you be granted “the gift of the gab”. Then take the time to explore the gardens, castle, and rock close.

Be guided through your Cork experience with a walking tour in the historic port and fishing town of Kinsale which is one of the most picturesque places on the south west coast of Ireland. The town is known for its castles, forts, galleries and shops, arts & crafts, and the recently launched Kinsale Gourmet Academy. We will stay the night in this stunning harbor town which is also renowned for its award-winning restaurants and dramatic scenery. Kinsale is a place where boredom is an impossibility.



Day 2: Monday

The Ring Of Kerry

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops

We depart Kinsale where our route will take us towards the Ring of Kerry. The trip is filled with many hidden gems as we journey through Moll's Gap, Torc Waterfall, and enjoy an optional two-hour cycle around Killarney National Park. Your cycle through the park is a nature lover's dream and you will have a choice of trails to follow, each offering their own unique splendor.

Tonight we stay in the celebrated, cozy coastal town of Dingle. The evening is yours to absorb the atmosphere in Dingle's famous quirky pubs and fantastic restaurants. Take a moment to get lost and stumble across unforgettable traditional music sessions in a local establishment. Dingle just might be the location for that perfect pint of Guinness.

Day 3: Tuesday

Dingle

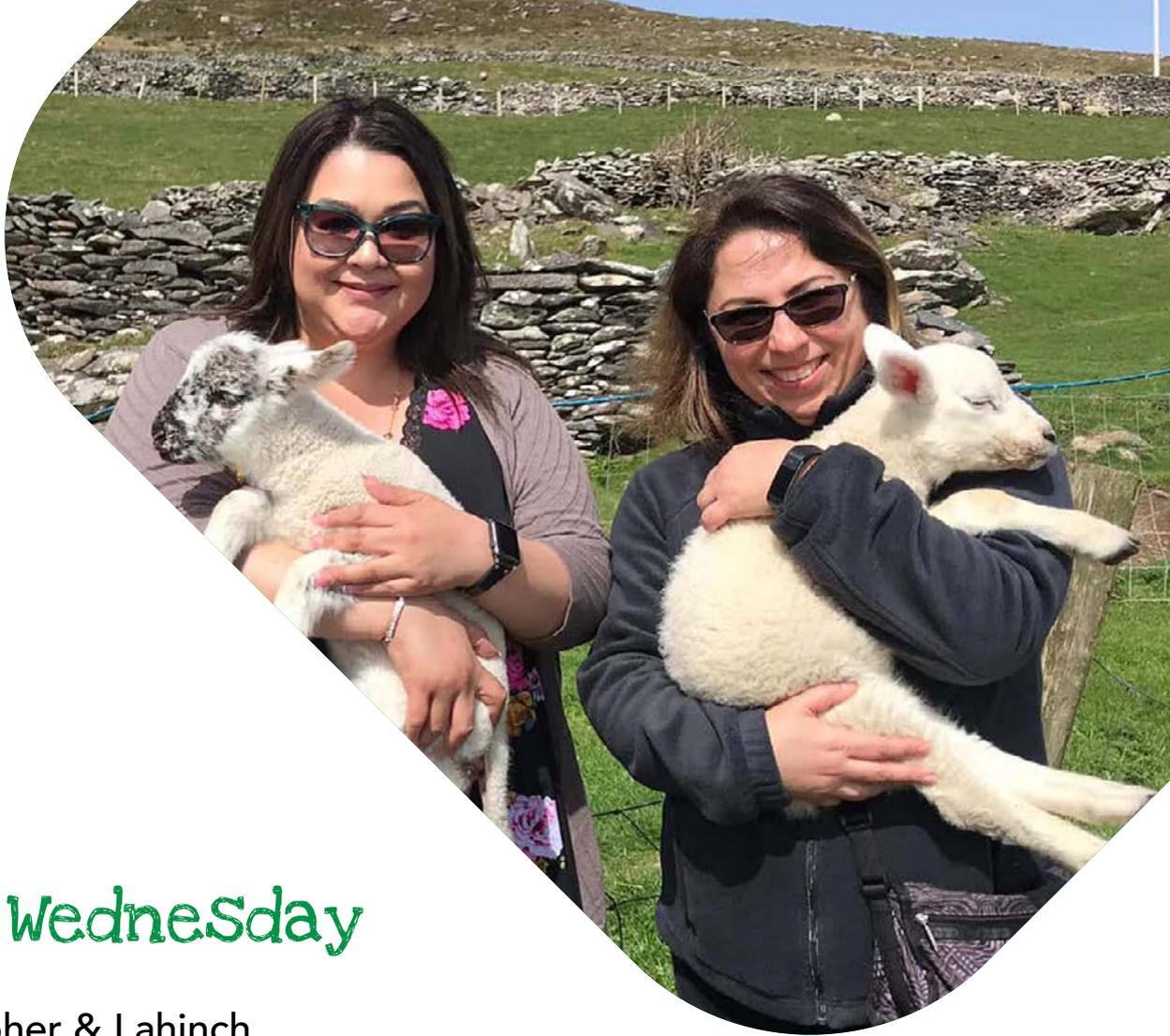
Total driving time: 2 hours, excluding stops

How better to start a morning than a kayaking trip in Dingle Bay. Here, we will explore the local sea caves at our own pace. Alternatively, if kayaking is not your thing you can hit the surf at Inch Beach and catch some Wild Atlantic waves!

Let our expert guides take you on a breathtaking trip along the Sleah Head Drive. This world-famous ring road offers many of the most amazing views Ireland has to offer.

We spend another night in the buzzing town of Dingle, so you don't need to repack your suitcases. Just relax and enjoy.





Day 4: Wednesday

Cliffs Of Moher & Lahinch

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops

Our adventure continues as we leave Dingle and travel North, taking in spectacular views of Castlegregory along the way. We then cross the River Shannon by ferry to leave the South West behind.

The ferry brings us to County Clare which is home to the spectacular Cliffs of Moher.

Today we will explore the cliffs by foot on a two-and-half-hour hike while the fresh air and dramatic coastline embraces us! We take you off the beaten track and our local guide will show you all the secret passages that truly outshine the main tourist hot spots. Capture this experience with envy-inducing photos. The views are steeped in myth and wonder, and hear the roar of the Wild Atlantic Ocean echo your name on the waves of bliss.

Spend the evening in the most welcoming and colorful village of Doolin, the home-town of traditional Irish music.

Day 5: Thursday

Galway, The City Of The Tribes

Total driving time: 2 hours, excluding stops

We leave Doolin via the Burren National Park en-route to Galway. Our route takes in a visit to the portal tomb, Poul nabrone Dolmen. You are in for a treat this morning. Our local farmer at Caherconnell will amaze you with a sheepdog show! Watching the border collies work with the farmer is fascinating and a true taste of Irish heritage. As we travel to Galway, we will have a quick photo-op at the 16th Century castle, Dunguaire Castle which is located in the quaint fishing village of Kinvara.

Galway is known globally as a city of festivals and culture. In 2020 the city will be the official European Capital of Culture, a celebration of all that Galway is famous for. This medieval city is true living history as many buildings date back hundreds of years and now serve as shops, restaurants and bars. Brightly-painted pubs heave with live music, while cafés offer front-row seats for observing street performers, musicians, and local characters.

Enjoy a historical walking tour and taste modern Irish cuisine paired with Irish craft beer. After discovering Galway's hidden gems you are free to enjoy an evening of entertainment, great food and craic in this much celebrated city. Watch Irish dancing and feel yourself toe tapping to the pulse of pure Celtic music and dance.



Day 6: Friday

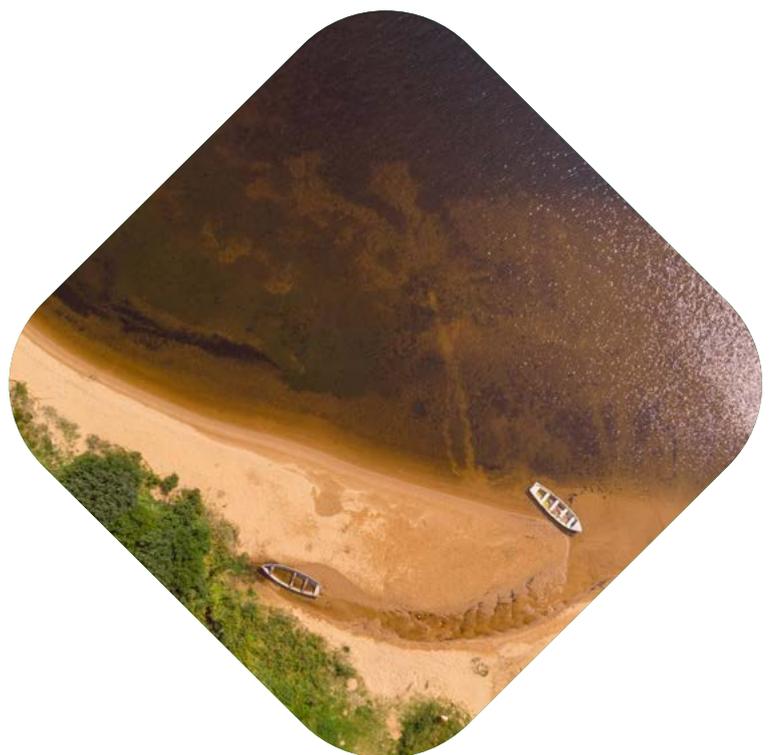
The Aran Islands

Total driving time: 2 hours, excluding stops

After a short drive to Rossaveal pier, we will sail across Galway Bay to the Aran Islands. Arrive on rugged Inishmore, the largest of the Aran Islands. Explore the island, meet the locals, and pick up a few words in "Gaelic". We will cycle around the coastline of the island and to the stone fort Dún Aonghasa, which lies 100m over the ocean before making our way back to the mainland.

We depart Rossaveal Pier and drive to the stunning town of Westport, which is located in County Mayo. You will take in the breathtaking views of Connemara National Park and the Lost Valley which is part of the famous Famine Trail on your route to Westport.

The evening is spent unwinding with some local craft beers and excellent food in Westport Town. And a visit to Westport would not be complete without a bit of "craic" at a traditional Irish music session in Matt Molloy's bar.





Day 7: Saturday

Westport

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops

Wake up fresh in Westport where your guide will challenge you to climb Ireland's holiest mountain: Croagh Patrick, which stands 764 meters high. It is a rewarding hike for the experienced hiker and novice alike. Learn about the man responsible for St. Patrick's Day. At its peak, you will be rewarded with a breathtaking, panoramic view of the 365 islands of Clew Bay. What a way to finish your Zest tour!

Our expert guides will send you back to our bustling capital city, Dublin, armed with recommendations of things to see and do if you have a little time left in Ireland. Return to Dublin by bus, train or taxi (this cost is included in your tour) with plenty of wonderful memories of your Great Atlantic Adventure.

Getting in the Mood for your Trip

Any other questions?

Now it's time to get yourself in the mood and really excited for your trip!

Come join the chat in our fun [Facebook group](#), where you can ask questions, share your own tips, or just generally share your love for all things Ireland.

Also take a look through our [Instagram photos](#) for inspiration and check out our [blog posts](#) for lots more insights!

Hope to see you soon,
- Team Overland

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