



Emerald Explorer

7-Day Ireland Tour



Small Group & Self-Drive Ireland Tours



Overland's Emerald Explorer is a 7-day Ireland tour packed with incredible sights and activities. That said, Jewel Tours are small group tours designed to move at a smoother, slower pace whilst enjoying light activity — so don't worry that you'll be in too much of a rush.

You'll begin by leaving the busy streets of Dublin for the spectacular Wild Atlantic Way where you will cover over 1,100 km of rugged Irish coastline from Connemara to Kinsale.

Expert local guides and planners will guarantee you have a memorable experience on your Overland Ireland small group tour, exploring everything our country has to offer.

This route takes in some of the breath-taking sights of the Ring of Kerry. (For the full Ring of Kerry, please see our [Ireland to Island Tour](#).) You will see some major highlights of the Ring of Kerry, such as Moll's Gap, Ladies' View and Killarney National park.

If kayaking and adventure activities are more your style, then you may like to check out our [Zest Tours](#), like [The Great Atlantic Adventure](#) or our [Spectacular South and West Tour!](#)



A 7-Day Ireland Tour Packed with Unforgettable Experiences

Visit Ireland's most famous landmark: The Cliffs of Moher. Fall in love with bustling bohemian city of Galway and discover the purest form of Ireland's culture in towns such as the traditional music capital, Doolin or the gorgeous coastal town of Dingle.

Your 7 day tour of Ireland will bring you on an unforgettable journey, encapsulating and exploring Ireland with a diverse range of scenery, castles, adventure, history, heritage, culture and wildlife along the way. Enjoy some light activities, yet feel as though you're gliding through the days at a smooth pace.

Please don't hesitate to [get in touch](#) if you have any questions about this 7-day Emerald Explorer Irish Tour. Come and discover Ireland with Overland and create memories that will last a lifetime!

This tour can be operated in reverse and combined with other tours that follow the same route for the best guest experience.

Due to our tours' off-the-beaten-path locations, the size of our vehicles, and the fact that we can't guarantee that all accommodation partners have ramps etc, unfortunately, our tours are not wheelchair accessible.

Note that the itinerary can change due to weather conditions, traffic, events, etc.



What's Included On Your Ireland Walking Tour?

We are one of the only tour companies to include as much as we can into your tour price. So there are no hidden surprises on your tour, and this takes away the hassle about thinking of unexpected charges.

You will notice the list of what's included is very abundant and covers entrance fees, transport, accommodation, and kayaking to name a few! If due to weather conditions or reasons beyond our control an activity or experience is not going ahead, we do not issue refunds.

Our quest is to bring your price down and your tour experience up... to the max! If you have any special dietary requirements or preferences, please let us know; we can cater this tour to vegans, vegetarians, and pescatarians. All of the fish served to our guests is responsibly sourced and as fresh as it gets!

Included

- 6 nights local guest house accommodation, carefully selected by our team
- Professional qualified Irish tour guide
- Cliffs of Moher
- Great breakfast
- Transport to all locations by air-conditioned mini coach
- Entrance fees to National Parks
- Ferry Crossings
- All taxes
- Clonmacnoise Monastery Visit

- Sheepdog Trials Show
- Entrance to Kylemore Abbey
- Blarney Castle Entrance Fee
- Kinsale Walking Tour

Excluded

- Lunch and dinner
- Food and Drinks
- Gratuities (optional)
- Horse-Riding
- Private Room Upgrade for Solo Travelers
- Castle Stay



Day 1

Clonmacnoise To Galway



Total driving time: 2 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops.

Your Emerald Explorer guided Irish tour will leave Dublin for the beautiful architecture and natural surroundings of the 6th century monastery at Clonmacnoise, located on the banks of the River Shannon. The monastery was a center of excellence for learning and scholars; it created the finest Celtic art and illuminated manuscripts for over 600 years.

With a whetted appetite, your small group tour will cross the country and venture west to Galway City.

Arrive into bohemian and culturally diverse Galway City. Here you will be greeted with a local guide to bring you through a Walkin' - Talkin' - Tastin' tour of the city where you taste traditional Irish cuisine, tour an Irish distillery, and finish off with a local dessert!

After discovering the local favourites you will have time to explore Galway and it's many quaint shops.

Tonight, you spend the night in The City of the Tribes and will certainly enjoy the eclectic nightlife, award winning restaurants and even the odd street performer entertaining you with Irish music and dance.



Day 2

The Full Connemara Experience

Total driving time: 3 hours, excluding stops.

Wake up this morning in Galway City! It's time to explore the dramatic Connemara region! Our journey to the Galway Gaeltacht (Gaelic speaking area) will take us past Ireland's biggest lake Lough Corrib and a memorable stop at Aughnanure Castle.

A tour of Kilmore Abbey and Gardens, located on a 1000 acre estate overlooking Kylemore lake and the majestic Connemara National Park awaits.

Leenaun is our next stop for lunch and one of the best photo opportunities on tour at Ireland's only fjord! The sights are breathtaking – INSTAperfection!

Your exciting loop back to Galway City will take you to Cong Village – The film set of the famous 'Quiet Man' movie starring the one and only John Wayne and Maureen O' Hara.

You will have plenty to chat about over dinner and drinks tonight in bustling Galway!



Day 3

Galway To Cliffs Of Moher

Total driving time: 2 Hours 15 minutes, excluding stops.

Goodbye Galway – Hello County Clare!

Today we will take you for a traditional 'Irish Farm Safari' with our friends at the Burren Farm Experience. Bronagh and Cathal will take you on a stroll around the distinctive UNESCO landscape to taste, feel and walk your way through this 500acre farm. It is fascinating to see how farming thrives in this harsh stony landscape. They will share their 200 year family history in the Burren.

Experience the diverse flora and fauna of The Burren National Park enroute to the 'Eighth Wonder of the World – The Cliffs of Moher!' Here we will take a short leisurely hike along the cliffs and discover what all the hype is about! The Cliffs of Moher never disappoint.

The hometown of traditional Irish music, Doolin will embrace you with open arms this evening and entertain you with toe tapping tunes and craic (fun)!



Day 4

Doolin To Dingle

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops.

This morning we will cross the River Shannon to leave the west behind. Onward bound for the Kingdom of Kerry and County Cork.

Bridget, our beloved Kerry Farmer will win your hearts with her incredible sheepdog show in Tralee. You will be truly amazed watching the skills of Bridget and her furry friends round up the sheep! This is one of our guests favorite experiences on tour! A real insight into Irish traditions!

Smile your way all the way to your next destination – Dingle. Finish the perfect day with the Dingle Distillery Tour. Learn all about the history of Irish Whiskey and even have a sneaky taste of the goodies! Sláinte – Cheers!

The evening is yours to absorb the lively atmosphere in Dingle's famous quirky pubs and many award winning restaurants! Why not sit in Foxy John's hardware store, order yourself a drink, and strike up a conversation with a colorful local!



Day 5

Dingle Peninsula

Total driving time: 1 Hour 30 minutes, excluding stops.

At last a bit of free time! Relax this morning in Dingle and explore the wonderful craft, crystal, pottery, art and boutique shops. Grab a coffee and a slice of cake and watch the world go by!

If you feel like stretching the legs your guide will take you out on a stroll to Eask Tower View for beautiful views of the Atlantic Ocean and Dingle Bay.

After lunch, your expert Overland guide will take you on an impressive trip along one of Ireland's most scenic roads – The Sleah Head Drive. If you are lucky enough, you might get to meet and pet a couple of our local fluffy friends...baby lambs!

You are guaranteed awesome views and photo opportunities around every corner of this scenic route.

You will spend another night in the buzzing town of Dingle, so you don't need to repack your suitcase. Just relax and enjoy. Maybe tonight you can grab some fish and chips and eat al-fresco on the pier!



Day 6

Killarney National Park To Kinsale

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes, excluding stops.

Say a fond farewell to Dingle and journey towards Killarney National Park.

Take in the views of Killarney lakes and stretch your legs making your way to Muckross House. This 19th century home is full of Kerry history and a wonderful viewpoint to enjoy the park.

We have taken the liberty of planning an early arrival in the loveliest harbour town in Ireland – Kinsale. We want you to fully enjoy wandering around the colourful streets, popping in and out of their wonderful craft shops and indulging in a meal at their many celebrated restaurants.

The town has a great tradition of poetry, silver, gold and glassware manufacturing which can be seen throughout its local shops and galleries.



Day 7

Kiss The Blarney Stone

Total driving time: 3 hours 30 minutes.

Wake up and meet our local guide Barry who will take you through the streets of Kinsale for a fascinating historical walking tour!

Before leaving Cork – which is often referred to as Ireland's REAL capital – we will bring you to Blarney Castle and Gardens. Nobody should leave Ireland without giving the Blarney stone a big fat kiss!

Kissing the Blarney Stone is said to give the kisser the treasured "gift of the gab". You can let us know if it works!

Our final stop is the Rock of Cashel. The Rock of Cashel is over 1000 years old. You will take in its medieval round tower, chapel, cathedral, and castle. A truly fantastic end to your trip.

Our guides will journey back with you to our bustling capital city, Dublin, where you'll be armed with great recommendations of things to see and do if you have a little time left.

Perhaps this is just the perfect opportunity to sit back and reminisce about the incredible tour of Ireland you've just experienced!



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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