





You can have it all on this 10 day tour of Ireland. The Ultimate Ireland Tour covers the length and breadth, North and South, of our magical Emerald Isle.

We have designed this to be the ultimate Ireland tour experience, perfect for anyone eager to try everything our stunning country has to offer, covering more ground and seeing more sights than our other <u>small group tours of Ireland!</u>

After years of testing, this tour is the Ultimate trip to Ireland!

Spoil yourself throughout this 10 day tour of Ireland with unrivaled scenery, a feast of tradition, history, culture, castles, and the great outdoors.

If you're looking for a similarly epic Overland Ireland tour package with a few more active, adventure elements, you might like to check out our Great Atlantic Adventure as well— our Ireland land only tours take you to all the best places, both on and off the beaten path.

Looking for a Belfast tour package? On this Ultimate Ireland Trip, you will cross the border to Northern Ireland and lose yourself at the Giant's Causeway in Antrim's coastline and be blown away at the Titanic Experience in Belfast – the world's most famous ship.

This 10-day Ireland tour package is packed to the brim with authentic Irish experiences.





Start your experience with the very necessary "kiss of the Blarney Stone" where you will receive the treasured "gift of the gab".

You will have an unforgettable vacation on this incredible Overland Ireland tour, exploring everything our stunning little country has to offer. From kayaking to the magnificent sights at the Ring of Kerry (For the full Ring of Kerry tour check out our Ireland to Island Tour!) be prepared to create memories that will last a lifetime.

We have given our guests a night to feel like Kings and Queens in a beautiful castle stay!

Jewel Tours are perfect for going at a smoother pace whilst enjoying light activity.

**Tours 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 cannot guarantee that all accommodation partners have ramps/elevators, unfortunately, our tours are not wheelchair accessible.

What Is Included And Excluded On This Ultimate Ireland Trip?

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 and 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 <u>let us know</u>; we can cater this tour to vegans, vegetarians, and pescatarians. It's also worth noting that all of the fish served to our guests is responsibly sourced and as fresh as it gets!

Included

- 9 nights local guest house and boutique hotel accommodation, carefully selected by our team
- Professional qualified Irish tour guide
- Kayak excursion in Dingle Bay
- · Cliffs of Moher
- Guided Walking Tour of Derry
- Great breakfast
- Transport to all locations by airconditioned mini coach
- Blarney Castle Entrance
- Entrance fees to National Parks
- Ferry Crossings
- All taxes
- Titanic Experience

- Guided Cliffs of Moher Hike
- Sheepdog Trials Show
- Cycling on the Aran Islands
- Newgrange or Hill of Tara
- Carrick-a-rede Rope Bridge
- Giants Causeway Experience
- Slieve League
- Galway Walkin', Talkin', Tasting' Tour

Excluded

- Lunch and dinner
- Food and Drinks
- Gratuities (optional)
- Belfast Black Cab Tour
- Jaunting Cart on the Aran Islands
- Private Room Upgrade for Solo Travelers





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

Leave the bright lights of our capital behind and get ready to experience the REAL Ireland.

Our first stop will bring us to the Rock of Cashel. Here, you will get to visit the medieval round tower, chapel, cathedral, and castle steeped in 1,000 years of history. Be blown away by the beauty of your first castle experience.

We continue our route south to one of Europe's most vibrant cities: Cork. Cork is Ireland's second largest city but people from Cork refer to it as the nation's TRUE capital.

Our visit to County Cork begins with the obligatory kiss of the Blarney Stone where you will be bestowed with the "gift of the gab". You will also have time to explore Blarney castle and the gardens, before enjoying a delicious local lunch.

Our first day ends with a night in West Cork's stunning harbour town of Kinsale. Kinsale is renowned for its award-winning restaurants and dramatic scenery. Seafood lovers will be spoilt for choice.

Have our local friend Barry show you around this town known for its castles, forts, galleries, shops, and arts & crafts.





From Kinsale to Kenmare to Killarney National Park, to Dingle

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Our route out of Kinsale will bring us towards the Ring of Kerry. (For the full Ring of Kerry please see our <u>Ireland to Island Tour</u>) Our first stop is the beautiful heritage town of Kenmare.

Our visit to Killarney National Park includes stops at stunning overlooks like Molls' Gap and Ladies' View before a tour of Ross Castle where you will discover what life was really like behind the stone walls. Let a guide bring these castle stories to life!

The day ends in the celebrated, cozy coastal town of Dingle. The evening is yours to experience the atmosphere in Dingle's famous quirky pubs, fantastic restaurants, and to stumble across unforgettable traditional music sessions.





From Dingle to Slea head

Total driving time: 2 hours, excluding stops.

A special start to the morning as we adventure out on an optional kayaking adventure around Dingle Bay to explore the sea caves. If kayaking is not your thing, we will take you on a walk up to Eask Tower where you will be rewarded with views of the Great Atlantic on either side of the Dingle Peninsula.

And if some retail therapy is what you're after, you can also choose to take some time out and visit the local shops. It's your holiday, do it your way!

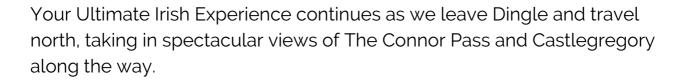
Your expert local guide will take you on a breath-taking trip along the Slea Head Drive — expect amazing scenery, beehive huts, and beautiful harbours for those all-important Instagram photos.

Spend a second evening really getting to know Dingle and find more hotspots for food and entertainment. The best thing is you do not have to repack your bags. Just relax and enjoy!



From Dingle to County Clare

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



Prepare to be awestruck at a traditional sheepdog demonstration. The skill of the farmer and his furry friend will leave you flabbergasted. This is one of our guest's favourite experiences on tour.

Next, we take the short ferry ride to County Clare, home of the world famous Cliffs of Moher and take in the Burren National Park.

From sheep dog demonstrations in Co.Kerry, to the Cliffs of Moher, we are spoiled for natural beauty. The cliffs in their wonder, need to be seen to be appreciated and a guided hike with the roaring Wild Atlantic provides the perfect soundtrack.

Your Overland Ireland guide will take you off the beaten track and point out secret passages that you won't find on the typical tourist route. Your Insta followers will be green with jealousy when you show off your 'unfiltered' photos at this stunning landmark.

Tonight get your dancing shoes on and tap out a few steps in the hometown of traditional Irish music - Doolin. You are in for a treat in the lively bars nestled throughout the most welcoming little village in Ireland.

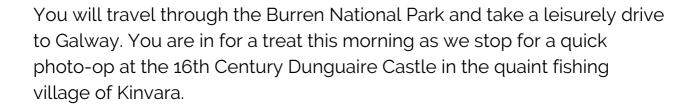


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From Doolin to Galway

Total driving time: 2 hours, excluding stops.



Glide into Galway and meet one of our local friends for a Walkin' Talkin' Tastin' tour of Galway! Have them point out all their favourite spots while trying traditional Irish cuisine, tasting locally distilled gin and learning about the rich history of Galway.

You'll have free time this afternoon to try on Claddagh rings, Galway shawls, and pass through The Spanish Arch to take in the famous Claddagh fishing village.

This city is a destination for both tourists and Irish people, where entertainment is always high on the agenda. Its quirky medieval streets are alive with street entertainers and musicians all day. Its historic buildings are now home to many wonderful shops, bars, and restaurants.





From Galway to the Aran Islands to Westport





We leave Galway and drive west to Rossaveal Pier along the coast road. From Rossaveal, we will sail across Galway Bay to the Aran Islands. Our destination is the rugged Inishmore which is the largest of the three Aran Islands.

We will explore the island by cycling through its meandering roads. You can also choose a jaunting cart (Horse and Buggy) to bring you along the way. This is an optional added cost that we will be happy to arrange for you.

We will no doubt meet many locals and pick up a few words in "Gaelic" along the way. Our tour of the island will bring us to the stone fort of Dún Aengus, which lies 100m over the ocean, before making our way back to the mainland.

We then leave Rossaveal for Ireland's favourite town – Westport taking in the breathtaking views of Connemara National Park along our route. It's then time to ease into an unforgettable night in County Mayo. Unwind in Westport with some local craft beers and mouthwatering food. And no trip to Westport is complete without a visit to Matt Molloy's bar where you can enjoy a traditional Irish music session and some good old 'Craic – fun'.

Note: The Aran Islands ferry crossings are weather permitting. If it is unsafe to travel we will provide wonderful alternative plans for the group!



We love showing off Westport town and it's gorgeous little shops bursting with nick nacks, antiques and Irish crafts. This could be the perfect opportunity to do some retail therapy on tour or our friends in Westport will while away the morning with you on a walking tour of the town.

Total driving time: 2 hour 30 Minutes, excluding stops

Up north we go travelling through County Sligo and making a wonderful loop of Mullaghmore, taking in Cassiebawn Castle – owned by Lord Mountbatten when he was tragically killed. Here you will begin your education on Northern Irish history and get a great insight into the contrast between the north and south of Ireland.

You are in for a treat. Before settling into the 5 star Lough Eske Castle Hotel and enjoying this luxury experience we will stretch our legs at Glencar's magnificent waterfall. Donegal's rugged wild landscape will take your breath away as will the charming locals! You'll have to retune your ears to understand their sing song lilt!

Tonight is all about treating yourself on the grounds of the castle and embracing your inner King/Queen at the home of the powerful O'Donnell Clan from the 14 th Century.



Donegal to Derry

Total driving time: 3 hours, excluding stops.



Now it is time to explore the North West: the Hills of Donegal. We continue our Ultimate Tour and embark on a magnificent drive over the Glengesh Pass and the Assaranca Waterfall. Discover remote stunning beaches, hidden caves and amazing views all round.

Continue your exploration of the gorgeous hills of Donegal Hill at the newly established Ardara Distillery. Learn about the tradition of whiskey and even have a taste of what Irish playwright George Bernard Shaw described as "liquid sunshine".

Our next stop is Derry. Northern Ireland's second largest city, which is steeped in rich Irish history. We provide a walking tour of the city, helping visitors to learn about the Troubles. Derry is also here where we will spend the evening. Enjoy the amazing restaurants Derry has on offer.



Day 9

The Giant's Causeway to Belfast

Total driving time: 3 hours, excluding stops.





Today will be both a test of mental strength and a celebration for your soul. The Giant's Causeway is one of the most anticipated experiences in this small group tour of Ireland and it never disappoints.

The Causeway Coastal Route is breath-taking to say the least. If you have the nerve, cross the Carrick-a-Rede Rope bridge and feel the exhilarating air beneath your feet.

The opening of the bridge is weather dependent but we can take in a visit to Dunluce Castle and hear great tales of battles fought won and lost in the middle ages.

Game of Thrones fans will have officially landed in their spiritual home as we take a sneak peak at one of its most famous filming locations: The Dark Hedges.

We will finish the day with an enthralling black cab tour of Belfast. This tour is optional but highly recommended. Alternatively, if you just need to take a breath and relax, you can spend some time exploring the city's coolest pubs, shops, and restaurants.





Belfast to Newgrange to Dublin

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

On this final morning, get ready for the full Titanic experience at Titanic Belfast. Prepare to be moved by the wonderful stories told about the world's most famous ship.

Last but not least, we will visit the magical stone age passage tomb at Newgrange, richly decorated by neolithic art. On some dates Newgrange is swapped for the amazing ancient ceremonial and burial site: the Hill of Tara.

All good things must come to an end! We will say our fond farewells in Dublin City. If you have some time left in Ireland and would like to spend some time in Dublin your expert guide will arm you with great recommendations for things to see and do in the capital.





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 <u>Facebook group</u>, 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 <u>Instagram photos</u> for inspiration and check out our <u>blog posts</u> for lots more insights!

Hope to see you soon,
- Team Overland

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