













Coast to Coast

Driving Tour of Ireland







We're Overland Ireland...

...and we specialize in creating unforgettable tours on the island of Ireland. From carefully crafted <u>small-group tours</u> and <u>self-drive tour packages</u> to <u>tailor-made tours</u> designed around any needs and interests, we love showing people around this incredible, beautiful country.

But our experiences couldn't be more different from your typical bus tour. Team Overland believes that big things come in small packages. That's why our small-group tours concentrate on offering big experiences to all our guests.

We know individual attention and care are key to making every customer's holiday unique, exciting, and memorable. And when you combine that with our love of the great outdoors, Irish culture, history, and music, and the world-famous craic (fun) of the friendly locals – all of which feature in our tours – you have a truly authentic, unfiltered Irish experience.

Our own adventures to every part of this captivating island have inspired us to share it with the rest of the world. Because we love getting off the beaten track, we've found some fantastic hidden gems, the best of which feature alongside the amazing not-so-hidden gems on this itinerary.







Explore Ireland with Complete Peace of Mind

When You Book With Overland, You Book With Confidence

Are you ready to take that bucket list vacation to Ireland you've always dreamt of? At Overland Ireland, we know how much trips to the Emerald Isle mean to people, so we go above and beyond to ensure our tours live up to expectations!

Whatever it is that brings you to Ireland, our friendly, local team is here to guide you through an unforgettable experience. Whether you opt for our <u>Small Group Tours of Ireland</u> or our <u>Private Guided Tours of Ireland</u>, we have your happiness and interests in mind from the moment you arrive.

We have designed every aspect of our Ireland vacations to ensure maximum enjoyment on the road. You can confidently book a trip with us knowing that you will have a trip of a lifetime.



Award Winning Company



Guaranteed Departures



Small Group Sizes



Irish Tour Guides



The Great Outdoors



Local Knowledge



Superb Accommodation



Customer Support



Self-Drive Tours



Comfortable Transport



Experienced Providers & Suppliers



Private Tour Options

But don't just take our word for it...

...our reviews speak for themselves!

Steph T. on TripAdvisor

"We worked with Liz at Overland Ireland for a custom, self-guided 9 Day Tour and we could not be more happy with our experience! Liz was a pure JOY to work with, answering all of my questions and helping to create THE best tour that was exactly everything we wanted! I cannot recommend Overland Ireland enough - they know all the best spots, and make the experience so easy! We would never have had such an amazing trip without their help!!"

"My adult daughter and I did the ultimate 10-day self-driving tour in the summer of 2022 - I meant to write my review then and didn't get to it. Having the entire trip put together with the convenience of the app while enjoying the personal experience of being on your own was the ideal balance for us. We were able to see and learn about Ireland as though we were with a local guide. All of the accommodations were outstanding and the team went out of their way to help us with questions and anything we needed. I highly recommend this trip and tour company. If the idea of driving a car is stopping you, don't let it. The narrow roads and, for me, driving on the other side, was intimidating when I was first looking into this, and it ended up being something I really enjoyed about the trip. My daughter wasn't yet 25, so she couldn't drive and I had to do all of the driving and none of it was difficult. We saw things you couldn't see from a larger tour vehicle and I really enjoyed that. Ireland is so beautiful to see. The tours and excursions were incredible experiences. So many memories. My photos don't cover it all, but I hope you get something from them. The baby lamb was an experience we just found along the way. There was roadbowling in action, I don't have a photo of this because I was driving, but it's something rare to see and we just happened to be there...don't hesitate to do this if you can.!!!"

Barbara August on Google











Your Coastal Ireland Road Trip - 5 Days of Magic!

If you want the perfect mix of culture and adventure, look no further. Our Coast to Coast 5-day Driving Tour of Ireland takes you from Dublin, the Viking capital of Ireland, all the way across to the incredible Wild Atlantic Way!

Visit some of the most stunning sights of the Ring of Kerry, go kayaking in Dingle Bay, and cycle through the lakes and mountains of Killarney National Park. You can even go off the beaten path on the Dingle Peninsula and kiss the Blarney Stone!

Towards the end of your journey, walk along the iconic Cliffs of Moher, right on the edge of the Atlantic Ocean. Then, immerse yourself in Irish culture, in the bustling bohemian city of Galway.

This is an action-packed 5-day driving tour of Ireland, bursting at the seams with rich scenery, heritage, history, culture, castles, and experiences.

What to Expect on Your 5-Day Self-Driving Tour of Ireland?

Our self-driving tours in Ireland offer you the independence of road-tripping without all the hassle. We create expertly designed itineraries that you can simply follow, complemented by our support concierge service and Overland Ireland Virtual Travel Companion. Don't worry about insurance – that's included too!

If you would like more say in your itinerary, we can also design <u>Tailor-Made Tours of Ireland</u> to suit your needs. This is also an excellent option for people who require wheelchair-accessible self-drive tours.

Keep reading below for the full itinerary of this 5-day Ireland road trip. And if 5 days aren't enough, why not have a look at our <u>Wild Atlantic Wanderer</u> 6-Day Self-Driving Tour Of Ireland for extended time on the coast?

If you want to skip the driving entirely, then check out our <u>Small Group</u> <u>Tours of Ireland</u>, where all of our adventures started.







Paddy - The Pocket Pilot

Every self-driving tour of Ireland booked with Overland Ireland comes with exceptional service, a guided itinerary, and extras, such as our **Paddy the Pocket Pilot App**. If you're looking for an independent way to see Ireland with all the benefits and surprises of a guided tour, you're in good hands. But don't just take our word for it, check out <u>our tour group reviews here</u>.





What Is Included And Excluded In Your 5-Day Ireland Road Trip?

Overland Ireland is all about keeping costs down and experiences up! We include as much as we can in your tour price, with all of the inclusions and exclusions listed below.

We've searched far and wide to get the best deals up and down the country for you, so the only thing you need to focus on is having the adventure of a lifetime. And if you have any dietary requirements, we can cater this tour to vegans, vegetarians, and pescatarians.

Price Includes

- Paddy the Pocket Pilot App
- Top-class accommodation in carefully chosen locally run questhouses. We also have options Price Excludes for hotels and castle experiences
- 4 hearty breakfasts to set you up for the day
- Detailed and easy-to-follow daily itineraries
- Simple maps and instructions on how to navigate your way around our beautiful country
- All entrance fees to all national parks on your itinerary
- Tour support throughout your journey. We are always available for a chat should you need us
- Daily hidden gem locations revealed by our expert guides
- Daily food and entertainment recommendations
- Blarney castle entrance

- Dingle Kayaking
- Sheepdog Demonstration
- Galway walking tour

- Parking and motorway toll fees
- Fuel for your car & of course your body! Petrol, lunch, & dinner are on your own!
- Jaunting (Horse & Cart)
- Lunch & dinner (Optional)
- Rock of Cashel
- Shannon ferry
- Killarney bike hire
- A driver guide
- The self-control to leave stunning locations!
- Some suggested activities & experiences
- Airfare to Ireland
- Private room upgrade for solo travelers (Mandatory)
- Gratuities (Optional)

Cork – The Rebel County

Total driving distance & time: 300 km - 4 hours 30 minutes

It's time to fire up your Paddy the Pocket Pilot App and leave Dublin to start your adventure of a lifetime. You will make your way to the rebel, County Cork located in the stunning southwest.

Make a stop en route for a fantastic tour at the famous medieval round tower, chapel and cathedral of The Rock of Cashel.

Lonely Planet describes Cork as "at the top of its game, sophisticated, vibrant and diverse" and we completely agree. Locals would argue that it is the REAL capital of Ireland. Begin your Cork experience with a kiss of the Blarney Stone. Then take the time to explore the stunning gardens, castle and rock close.

One of our favourite locations is the historic port and fishing town of Kinsale. The town is known for its castles, forts, galleries and shops, arts & crafts, and the recently launched Kinsale Gourmet Academy. You will spend the first night of your Irish Tour in this stunning harbour town, which is also renowned for its award-winning restaurants and dramatic scenery. Ask Paddy for some recommendations and reservations this evening.



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







Day Two

Sites Along The Ring Of Kerry

Total driving distance & time: 150 km - 2 hours 30 minutes

Today you will drive into the Kingdom of Kerry. The Ring of Kerry awaits you with hidden gems as you journey through Moll's Gap and Torc Waterfall before enjoying a two-hour cycle in Killarney National Park. This bike ride is a dream for nature lovers! There are various trails to choose from, so which one you follow is up to you! Each has its own unique splendor and charm. You can also go jaunting (horse and cart) through the park.

Tonight, you will stay in Dingle, the renowned cozy coastal town full of character. The evening is yours to soak up the atmosphere in its quirky pubs and famous restaurants. There's a good chance you will stumble into an unforgettable traditional music session too!

If you're looking for that all-important perfect pint of Guinness, Dingle might just be the place for it!

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Dingle

Total driving distance & time: 2 hours 30 minutes

No Overland tour could be complete without a morning kayaking trip in Dingle Bay! Get a completely new perspective of the stunning coastline as you paddle on the open sea. Alternatively, if kayaking is not your thing, you can take an exhilarating hike up Mount Brandon with 360-degree views of Dingle Bay and Castlegregory!

We will then send you on a breathtaking trip along the Slea Head Drive. There's no need to repack your suitcases as you will spend a second night in the bustling town of Dingle. Simply relax and enjoy your carefully handpicked accommodation.







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The Cliffs Of Moher – Doolin

Total driving distance & time: 3 hours 30 minutes

Your self-drive adventure continues as you say farewell to Dingle & travel north over the Conor Pass, taking in incredible views of Castlegregory Beach. Cross the River Shannon by ferry & leave southwest Ireland behind.

The ferry brings you to County Clare, home to the spectacular Cliffs of Moher. Today, you will explore the cliffs by foot on a captivating wander. Feel the fresh, invigorating air and dramatic coastline embrace you!

We send you off the beaten path & guide you to all the hidden passages that truly outshine the main tourist hot spots. The views here are aweinspiring and steeped in myth and wonder. Listen to the wild roar of the vast Atlantic Ocean as it crashes into the cliffs below.

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







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Day Five

Galway - The City Of The Tribes

Total driving distance & time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Say goodbye to Doolin via the Burren National Park en route to Galway. Your route takes a visit to the portal tomb, Poulnabrone 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 you travel to Galway you 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 was awarded the European capital of culture in 2020. This medieval city is a 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 cuisines paired with Irish craft beer. After discovering Galway's hidden gems, 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.



















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 <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

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

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