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# The Wild West & North Ireland Tour

Small Group & Self-Drive Ireland Tours

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## We're Overland Ireland...

...and we specialize in creating unforgettable tours on the island of Ireland. From carefully crafted [small-group tours](#) and [self-drive tour packages](#) to [tailor-made tours](#) 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 [Small Group Tours of Ireland](#) or our [Private Guided Tours of Ireland](#), 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!

"Better than I can possibly have imagined. Pat O'Mara was the best tour guide we could've ever had"

**Mary Boshears on Google**

"This tour exceeded our expectations! Our tour guide, Seamus, guided us with his knowledge, his humor, and his love of Ireland! The accommodations were lovely! (I would happily return to any of the places we stayed.) This tour had a little of everything...biking, hiking, walking tours of the towns, and sightseeing! Castles, stunning vistas, seaside cliffs, pubs, and new friends - what more could you ask for on a trip?! Our group all had tears as we departed. ENJOY!!!"

**Mary Boshears on Google**

We truly believe we have all the ingredients to offer a magical experience for anyone visiting Ireland and we can't wait to show you around. We hope this itinerary is the perfect fit for you! Please don't hesitate to [contact us](#) if you have any questions.



## Your Western and Northern Ireland Tour Begins Here!

The Wild West and Northern Ireland Tour is an amazing way to see as much of Western and Northern Ireland as possible within 6 days. It is part of our range of Relaxed Tours, which means it has been designed to allow guests to tour Ireland at a smoother pace whilst enjoying light activity along the way.

On this 6-day tour, you'll experience the absolute best of the West of Ireland and top it off with a sensational Northern tour. This tour is the perfect way to explore so much of Ireland in less than a week.

Are you ready to walk among giants at the Giant's Causeway and fall in love with bustling bohemian Galway City, famous around the world for its art and culture? In fact, Galway was voted the European Capital of Culture in 2020.

Moving from culture to the wilderness of the coast. Do you dare to take a peak over the ledge at Dún Aenghus Ring Fort on the Aran Islands? You will experience the spectacular views of Connemara National Park, the wilds of Donegal, the majestic walls of Derry, the ancient Neolithic Newgrange, and the panoramic views of Ireland's countryside.

# A Northern Ireland Tour Like No Other!

Northern Ireland sometimes doesn't get the love that the Republic of Ireland gets, and the tour guides and trip designers here at Overland Ireland think this has got to change!

Make unforgettable memories at The Giant's Causeway, Game of Thrones' Dark Hedges, and Belfast as you journey through Northern Ireland! Explore a diverse range of scenery, castles, adventure, history, and culture. If you want to, you can enjoy light activities on your tour. Check out our [Ireland travel blog](#) for more tips and inspiration before your big trip!

Please [get in touch](#) if you have any questions about this Western and Northern Ireland tour. Come with us on the authentic Irish experience of 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 cannot guarantee that all accommodation partners have ramps/elevators, unfortunately, our tours are **not wheelchair accessible**.



# What Is Included And Excluded On Your 6-Day Ireland Tour?

At Overland Ireland, we want you to make unforgettable memories throughout your time in Ireland. When you travel with us, you don't have to worry about hidden fees and surprises; you're in safe hands every step of the way.

As one of the only Irish tour companies to pack as much fun and interest into your tour price as possible, you can be sure that you're getting the best value for money. Our aim is the same as it's always been and always will be: to provide an incredible range of experiences at the lowest possible price. Our hope is that people who usually plan their own trips will see the huge amount of value we pack into our tours and decide to try something different. Don't take a chance on a mediocre trip, choose Overland Ireland and guarantee the Ireland trip of a lifetime!

If you have any special dietary requirements or preferences, please let us know as early as possible. **We can cater to vegetarians, pescatarians, and vegans.**

## Price Includes

- 4 nights in boutique hotel accommodations and local guest houses, along with a 1-night stay in a castle
- Professional, qualified Irish tour guide
- Guided walking tour of Derry
- Great breakfast
- Entrance fees to national parks
- Titanic experience
- Newgrange, Knowth, or Hill of Tara
- Giants Causeway experience

- Self-guided Aran Island trip
- Guided walkin' talkin' tastin' tour of Galway
- Transport to all locations by air-conditioned mini-coach
- All taxes

## Price Excludes

- Lunch and dinner
- Dún Aonghasa (Add for €5.00)
- Private room upgrade for solo travelers (Mandatory)
- Gratuities (Optional)



# Welcome To Your Overland Ireland Tour

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

You will meet our guide at your accommodation in Galway and they will direct you and the group to our local friends for a Walkin' Talkin' Tastin' tour of Galway!

Have them point out all their favorite 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 and 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.



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



## Day Two

# From Galway to the Aran Islands to Westport

**Total driving time: 1 hour 45 Minutes, excluding stops**

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, 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.

Our tour of the island will take 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!

# Westport to The Hills of Donegal

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

We love showing off Westport town and its gorgeous little shops bursting with nick-nacks, antiques, and Irish crafts. This could be the perfect opportunity to do some retail therapy on tour.

Up north we go traveling 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 14th Century.



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# 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 Wild North and West 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 around.

Continue your exploration of the gorgeous hills of Donegal 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.



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## Day Five

# 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 of 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 breathtaking, 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 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 peek 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 break 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.

This splendid interactive visitor center covers not only the building and sailing of the infamous ship but also the industrial history of Belfast and those who were integral in the building of the Titanic. 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.



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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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