



OCTOBER
2-11, 2018

Backroads of IRELAND



\$3,525 PER PERSON
FROM LOUISVILLE



InterTrav Corporation



An InterTrav Corporation Exclusive Travel Program

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Highlights:

- Walk the beautiful Powerscourt Estate & Gardens
- Glendalough
- Borris House
- Carlow Brewing
- Irish folklore with Peadar O'Riada
- Explore Beara Peninsula
- Proper Sunday lunch at Longueville House
- Majestic Cliffs of Moher
- Loop Head Peninsula
- Haunted Leap Castle
- Kilbeggan Distillery
- Trinity College Book of Kells
- Kilmainham Gaol



The Vacation Price Includes:

- Economy-class air transportation by scheduled service of Delta Air Lines
- Transportation by deluxe private motor coach with accompanying Irish Driver Guide
- Accommodations in first-class hotels with private bath or shower
- Breakfast each morning and other meals as shown in the tour itinerary
- Sightseeing as detailed in the tour itinerary
- Luggage handling and portage charges for one suitcase per person
- Taxes for included ground services and airline fuel surcharge and taxes
- Personally escorted by Michael and Siobhan Reidy of the Irish Rover Louisville

The Vacation Price Does Not Include: Items of a personal nature such as passport fees; laundry and cleaning; telephone calls; optional tours and excursions; tips to the Driver Guide and local guides, tips to hotel and breakfast room staff; luggage handling at airports; personal travel protection; meals other than those stated above, and drinks with meals other than breakfast.



TOUR ITINERARY

We begin our journey...

● In flight meals ● Breakfast

● Lunch ● Dinner

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2 • LOUISVILLE/EN ROUTE

We depart Louisville today on our Delta Air Lines flight to Atlanta and change planes for the overnight flight to Dublin, Ireland.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3 • DUBLIN/BORRIS ● LD

After landing at Dublin Airport your Driver/Guide will welcome you to Ireland. Our day begins with a drive along the coastal road through the lovely villages of Dalkey and Killiney on our way to Powerscourt House and Gardens, a magnificent estate boasting 47 acres of gardens, where we'll have lunch, enjoy a walk in the gardens, and have time to visit the Powerscourt shops. Leaving the gardens we'll drive through the wonderful scenery of the Wicklow Mountains on our way to Glendalough. "The glen of the two lakes" is a truly spellbinding place; an ancient monastic settlement and two clear water lakes beneath the sheer cliffs of a deep valley carved out by glaciers during the Ice Age. The monastic settlement has been a center for pilgrims and visitors since its foundation by St. Kevin in the 6th century. Afterward we'll journey to Borris for overnight.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4 • BORRIS ● B

This morning we visit Jerpoint Glass, where we'll get an up-close demonstration (and maybe even take a turn at it ourselves!) and can also visit the adjacent shop and gallery. Then we'll take a break in the picturesque and historic village of St. Mullins on the banks of the River Barrow. After lunch on your own at The Mullicháin Café, a restored 18th century canal storehouse, we'll head back to Borris for a visit to Borris House, the jewel in the crown of Carlow. The ancestral seat of the McMorrough Kavanaghs, is still home to the 16th generation of the family. It is not only one of the most beautiful and historic Irish estates, but also one of very few properties that can trace its history back to the royal ruling families of ancient Ireland. After our tour, we'll travel up the road to Carlow Brewing, a small, family-run operation whose products, O'Hara's Stout and Red, many will recognize from The

Rover. It's a full day, but save some energy for traditional music this evening in O'Shea's pub just down the street from our hotel.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5 • BORRIS/KENMARE ● B

We depart Borris this morning for Kilkenny, one of Ireland's loveliest inland cities. An introduction will take us past the Dominican Black Abbey and St. Canice's hilltop cathedral before reaching Parliament Street, and then travel along High Street to reach The Arcade. From here, you can enter the peaceful grounds of Kilkenny Castle, tour the magnificent Castle, or simply stroll the bustling streets. Just opposite the Castle, be sure to take a peek into the Kilkenny Design Center, a well-curated shop featuring the work of area craftspeople, and other Irish artisans. After lunch on your own, we'll journey to Ballyourney, a tiny village at the heart of the small Gaeltacht (or Irish speaking community) of Cuil Aodha (Coolea). We'll stop for pints at the Mills, an atmospheric old coaching inn, and spend some time with Peadar O'Riada, a renowned musician, writer, and scholar, and the son of Sean O'Riada, Ireland's best known classical composer, who was also a founder of The Chieftains, and the man generally credited with reviving Irish traditional music (and, in case you were wondering, Michael's first cousin). We'll continue our journey southwest to Kenmare, one of the most idyllic places in Ireland, nestled peacefully at the mouth of the Kenmare Bay. This evening, you'll be on your own for dinner at one of Kenmare's many great pubs and restaurants.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6 • KENMARIE ● B

Today we get set to explore the unparalleled beauty that is the Beara Peninsula, one of Ireland's best kept secrets, with dark folded mountains, colorful painted villages, and tranquil, unspoiled, breathtaking vistas. The Beara Peninsula straddles the border of Cork and Kerry in South-West Ireland, and, unlike the Ring of Kerry – its better known neighbor to the north – it is rarely visited by

tour buses, making for a stunning, but much more peaceful and relaxed drive over the Healy Pass and along the rugged Atlantic coastline. And, of course, we know the perfect place to stop for pints with a view!

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 • KENMARE/ENNIS

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This morning we depart Kenmare and travel toward Killarney and Muckross House, a nineteenth century Victorian mansion set against the stunning beauty of Killarney National Park. The house stands close to the shores of Muckross Lake, one of Killarney's three lakes, famed world-wide for their gorgeous vistas. Afterward we'll journey to Longueville House, a stately listed Georgian property set in a 500-acre estate near Mallow, County Cork. Now operated by the third generation of the O'Callaghan family, this grand but relaxed country house hotel has open log fires, family antiques, and fresh flowers from the gardens. We'll enjoy a proper Sunday lunch (including vegetables from the kitchen garden and cider produced on the estate). Then we'll continue north to Ennis, one of Ireland's most picturesque towns, known for its painted storefronts and traditional music festivals.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 8 • ENNIS

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An amazing day is in store as we travel to the coast to view the majestic Cliffs of Moher, a rocky wall that rises 700 feet above the foaming Atlantic Ocean. Following our visit, we'll enjoy lunch at Tubridy's, a small, family run pub in the pretty village of Doonbeg. We'll then travel down the coast to Loop Head Peninsula, a slender finger of land pointing out to sea from the most westerly point of County Clare. Loop Head epitomizes what the Wild Atlantic Way is about: panoramic cliff views, abundant quiet beauty spots, and fascinating historic sites, including The Bridges of Ross, The Church of the Little Ark, and The Graves of the Yellowmen. This evening, we'll travel to Tulla where you can sample a quick jar in one of the village's traditional pubs followed by dinner at Patricia McInerney's restaurant Flappers. Some of the favorite dishes on Rover menus have been courtesy of Patricia, a longtime friend of Michael and Siobhan, so get set to enjoy!



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9 • ENNIS/DUBLIN

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This morning we depart Ennis for the journey to Dublin, travelling first into the heart of Ireland and stopping at Leap Castle, reportedly the most haunted property in this country full of ghosts. One of the longest continually inhabited Castles in Ireland, Leap Castle has a rich and fascinating history, beginning even before the early 1500's when it was thought to have been built by the O'Bannon clan. The present owner, musician Sean Ryan, will tell us tales of the past and recount his own experiences in the ongoing restoration of the incredible building which is also his home. Leaving the castle we'll continue to Kilbeggan Distillery, established in 1757, and the oldest licensed distillery in the world. We will see how the whiskey is produced using modern equipment in the old buildings and enjoy a sample of the finished product. Then we'll continue across the pastures of Ireland and into the capital city of Dublin and our city-centre hotel. Be sure to stick with Michael tonight as he visits some of his favorite hidden spots for traditional music and pints.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10 • DUBLIN

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This morning our local guide will show us historic buildings of the city, molded through the centuries with many architectural styles. We'll pass the Bank of Ireland built in 1729 and formerly the Irish Parliament, the National Museum, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the Four Courts built in the 18th century and now housing the High Courts of Justice. We'll visit Trinity College to view the 8th century Book of Kells, the most richly decorated of Ireland's medieval illuminated manuscripts. Then we'll travel to Kilmainham Gaol. Kilmainham is most famous for the executions of the leaders of the Easter 1916 uprising, but it also housed thousands of men, women, and children on charges ranging from petty offenses to serious crimes. Tonight we'll enjoy a farewell dinner in style at Fade Street Social, one of Ireland's hottest spots, where the "celebrity" chef, Dylan McGrath will join us for a chat if he's in town.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11 • DUBLIN/LOUISVILLE

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This morning we end our Backroads of Ireland Tour and travel to Dublin Airport for our return journey to Louisville. No better time to reflect on memories to last a lifetime and new friendships made along the way!

WELCOME HOME!



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Please reserve _____ places for me/us on the **BACKROADS OF IRELAND** Tour

Enclosed is my/our check in the amount of \$_____ (\$300 deposit per person)

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TOUR CONDITIONS

TOUR DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT: Payment is accepted by personal or bank checks. For credit card payments, please add a 3.5% service fee to all transactions. **YOU WILL BE INVOICED FOR THE BALANCE OF PAYMENT DUE ON OR BEFORE FRIDAY, JULY 20, 2018.**

ARRANGEMENTS: The tour price is based on a minimum participation of 30 persons and includes planning, handling and operational charges and is quoted on the current rate of exchange, tariff rates and airfares in effect as of March 1, 2018. In the event of a marked increase or decrease in foreign currency or in tariff rates, the cost is subject to revision.

TOUR PRICING: This is a package tour in which land tour costs and special group airfares have been combined in the most advantageous way. Should you wish to take the land tour only or deviate from the package tour by changing your departure and/or return dates of travel, this will eliminate the advantages of the package tour price and special group airfares. There will be a service charge of \$100 per person for altering the airline itinerary, plus any additional charges assessed by the airlines.

TRAVEL PROTECTION: You have been given the option of purchasing Travel Protection at the time you sign-up for the tour. Plans help protect you and your travel investment and help provide coverage for unexpected circumstances. The premium for the plan is non-refundable after the 14-day free look period and rates are based on trip cost. Group plans require a minimum participation of 10 travelers. For a complete description of coverage and to see all the covered reasons for cancellation, please call 1-800-624-8338 or e-mail Mary at mary@intertravcorp.com

CANCELLATION: If after making your initial deposit you find it necessary to cancel from the tour for any reason, there will be a charge of \$100 per person up to 90 days prior to departure. For cancellation between 89 and 60 days prior to departure, there will be a cancellation charge of \$300 per person. For cancellation within 59 days of departure, in addition to the \$300 per person charge, there may be additional cancellation charges from the airline, hotel(s) or ground service companies up to the full value of your tour cost.

IMPORTANT: Cancellations will not be accepted by telephone and must be sent in writing to: InterTrav Corporation, 203 State Avenue, St. Charles, Illinois 60174, faxed to: 630/584-1573, or emailed to: mary@intertravcorp.com

PASSPORTS AND VISAS: Your tour requires a valid passport. If you do not have your passport or it will expire before the return date of your tour, you will need to apply for a new passport. No visas are required for your tour. However, if you are a citizen of a country other than the United States, additional travel documentation may be required.

AIRLINE TICKETING/SEATING: If a ticket requires a name change because of incorrect information supplied to our office, the traveler is responsible for any applicable charges. Group air reservations are handled differently than individual reservations, and each airline has their own guidelines and restrictions on seat assignments and upgrades. If you wish to have a specific seat pre-assigned, or would like to upgrade, you must e-mail your request to mary@intertravcorp.com. The cost for specific pre-assigned and/or upgraded seats varies, as does the time frame we are able to make the request with the airline. Every effort is made to ensure requests are honored, however the responsibility is with the airline and beyond the control of InterTrav Corporation.

SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING PRICING: The tour price as quoted is based on tariffs in effect for estimated 2018 prices as of March 1, 2018. Tour prices do increase every year, and it is therefore possible that increases could occur after the printing of this brochure in advance of your tour's departure. InterTrav Corporation will do everything possible to avoid an increase in the tour cost. However, should increases occur in airfares, hotel prices, and/or coach transportation costs, they will be added to the tour cost and passengers will be notified accordingly. Should an increase in price occur, notifications will be sent to tour members in writing no later than 30 days prior to departure.

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