

DAILY TOUR PROGRAM



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During your visit to the enchanted Emerald Isle your tour director guide will help you experience a variety of Irish culture. Including: History, architecture, scenery, shopping and food. The following is a sample tour program. *All daily tours are optional, pay-as-you-go (Euros and credit cards only) and are subject to change without notice. These exact destinations may or may not be offered. Please be advised tour prices vary depending on tour group size and entrance fees.*

ARRIVAL:

After you check in to the historic Olde Grounde Hotel in Ennis Town Center, a welcome meeting will be held.



ARRIVAL DAY - ENNIS WALKING TOUR:

A representative of Harp & Eagle will take you on a journey back in time through the narrow streets and bow-ways of historic Ennis town. Note the numerous sculptures as you stroll through the town. Learn about the history of County Clare and Ireland with a visit to the Clare Museum. The afternoon is yours to explore Ennis, a perennial "Tidy Town" winner and the ladies boutique capital of Ireland.

CLIFFS OF MOHER AND BURREN:

Today is a day of nature. One region that you will not see 40 shades of green is the geological wonder that is the Burren region. From Ennis you will travel through the picturesque villages of Ennistymon, Lahinch and Liscannor to visit the famous Cliffs of Moher, where you can take in the breathtaking cliff top views of the Atlantic Ocean. With the ocean on one side and the limestone landscape on the other you will follow the Clare coastline to Ballyvaughan. From there you will travel through the heart of the Burren, with a visit to the ancient megalithic portal tomb, Poul nabrone. You will then continue your journey homeward.





BUNRATTY CASTLE AND FOLK PARK:

Today's tour includes a morning visit to the nearby Bunratty Castle and Folk Park. The Castle is the most complete and authentic medieval fortress in Ireland. Built in 1425, the castle was restored to its former glory in 1954 and is furnished with authentic pieces from the 15th and 16th century. The folk park lets you experience life, as it was, in Ireland in the 19th century. From the beautiful country style cottage to the thatched fisherman's cottage, you will be taken back to old Ireland. You will then have the opportunity to lunch in one of Ireland's oldest pubs. Established in 1620, Durty Nelly's charming character is the ideal setting for lunch after your morning of time travel. Your coach will transfer you back to the Old Ground Hotel in the afternoon.

CELTIC CRYSTAL AND GALWAY:

Today's tour will take you to the Connemara Celtic Crystal Factory, Moycullen, Co. Galway. This family run business has been pioneering the incorporation of Celtic Design and Gaelic Motifs on it's exquisitely crafted Irish Crystal for over 35 years. You will then travel through part of Connemara to Spiddle and along the coastline to the city of the tribes, Galway. Based on the river Corrib, this city, with it's Spanish influence and arty vibe, will fill your afternoon. After exploring all that the city has to offer, your coach will take you back to Ennis.



LOOP HEAD PENINSULA AND THE SHANNON FERRY TO FOYNES:

The tour today will take you to the Loophead Peninsula in South West Clare. A place of natural beauty, tranquility and breathtaking coastal scenery. Passing through the quaint picturesque villages of Carrigaholt, Cross and Kilbaha you will see the Bridges of Ross and the Little Ark Church. From here you will take a ferry across the Shannon to the county of Limerick to visit the Foynes Flying Boat Museum. Situated on the banks of the River Shannon estuary, the Flying Boat Museum recalls the nostalgic era when Foynes town became the centre of the aviation world and main terminal for transatlantic flights and stopovers in the 30s & 40s. You can also enjoy an authentic Irish coffee in its original birth-place. From here you will travel back to your home at the hotel.

WEST CLARE TREASURES AND PUB CRAWL:

Visit some of County Clare's hidden gems. The tour includes lunch at Linnane's Pub and a visit to the Burren Centre. Adjacent to the centre is Kilfenora Cathedral with many beautiful Celtic high crosses. Learn about traditional Irish music at the Music Makers Museum in Milltown Malbay, followed by dinner and a pub crawl topped off with a traditional music session.



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AGUS SLÁN ABHAILE

Departure Day
Go n-éirí an t-ádth libh - Good Luck to You
Agus slán abhaile - And Safe Journey Homeward