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## 12 Day Ireland - Castles, Celebrities & Culinary



### CUSTOM ITINERARY – YOUR FLEXIBLE INCLUSIONS DATES – 12 DAY ITINERARY

#### Day 1 Arrival Ireland: US - Dublin – Fitzwilliam Dublin Hotel

**Upon arrival in Dublin**, meet your private Professional Liaison in the arrival hall for a VIP escort through customs and forward to baggage claim where you will meet your private driver who will transfer you to The Fitzwilliam Dublin Hotel.

**Upon arrival at the Hotel**, you will be met by the concierge for a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be handled and when you return it will be waiting for you in your accommodation.

Start your day in the restaurant of the hotel for a beverage with your **Celebrity guide, Pat Liddy, guide to HRH The Queen**. Get acquainted and learn some interesting facts about your morning activities. Then, you're off for a very special VIP walking tour of Dublin City.

Enjoy a 3-hour walking tour of Dublin, and discover the historic city's main sites, such as the bohemian Temple Bar district, and Dublin Castle. Immerse yourself in Irish history, and hear music and stories that make Ireland's capital city so unique.

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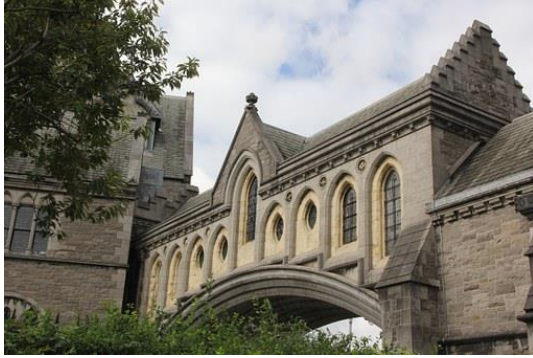
Some of the highlights of your experience today are:

- Stroll along the cobbles of Temple Bar and Trinity College, catching the cadences of Irish accents cascading through the streets
- Stand by the River Liffey and tilt your nose to inhale the hops wafting from the Guinness Brewery
- Marvel at the soft lilt of the Gaelic language
- Learn about some of Ireland's famous writers and freedom fighters
- Walk across the enchanting Ha'penny Bridge
- Later enjoy afternoon tea with historian Turtle Bunbury at Number Ten
- Speaker on Irish Culture - Turtle Bunbury – quite special!



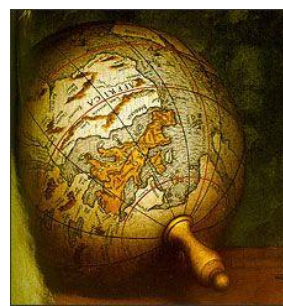
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**Lunch** will be on your own (payment due at time of service) with your guide en-route.

**After Lunch**, you will be met by **The Hon. Turtle Bunbury**, younger son of Lord Rathdonnell, is a best-selling author and historian based in Ireland. His books include the Vanishing Ireland series, Sporting Legends of Ireland, The Irish Pub & Living in Sri Lanka.



He was curator of the first ever History Festival of Ireland in June 2012. He is the presenter on the 'Genealogy Roadshow', an ongoing tv series which first aired on Ireland's RTE1 television channel in 2011. In the 1990s he studied law and modern history at University of Groningen in the Netherlands and Trinity College Dublin, and was then a journalist for several years on the South China Morning Post and in Cambodia.

You will have a very unique and special afternoon, as you hear stories, learn interesting details about the city not everyone gets to hear, and spend the afternoon touring Number 10 with this celebrity.

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**10 is a beautifully restored Georgian House on the Quays in the Centre of Dublin. It's Owner, Mr John Lynch, has a wonderful collection of magnificent antiques, fine art and Modern Irish Art.**

**Enjoy a very special VIP High Tea at Number Ten experience with these celebrities.** This experience includes an escorted tour of the house with John Lynch, silver service afternoon tea and warm scones served with clotted cream and homemade preserves, assorted finger sandwiches, miniature pastries and a selection of cakes, served in the Gallery Picture Room.

You will be treated like royalty and learn interesting details about their lives and Dublin.

After the tour, you will be returned to your hotel, where you will be at leisure until dinner.

**Dinner is on your own this evening in the hotel.** Reservations have been made. Overnight at The Fitzwilliam Dublin Hotel.

## Day 2 Ireland: Dublin

### Breakfast in your hotel (included)

**After breakfast,** meet your **celebrity professional Art Guide** in the lobby of the hotel for your Museum & Trinity College Tours.



### Dublin's Museums and Galleries

Enjoy a Combined Book of Kells and National Gallery Tour with Cathy Roche (3 hours). Cathy will meet you at the Fitzwilliam.

Visit **National Gallery** and discover its collections. Gallery holds the national collection of European and Irish fine art.

A light, entertaining and interactive tour where you will gain a new insight into art and develop the skills to identify for yourself what you like

and why! Better still, you will leave with the confidence and a framework of knowledge that sets you up to enjoy future art viewing in any gallery in the world.

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This tour is an introduction to the world of art. **Cathy** uses a unique chronological order and style to chart the development of art up to and including modern art - effectively a 'crash course' in the history of art. Paintings from the gallery's extensive collection are used as examples, including Caravaggio's world famous The Taking of Christ, to explain the essence of different art movements. We look at Impressionism, at Cubism and at a selection of classic masterpieces and of course Irish Art.

## Coffee break

You take a well-deserved coffee break to sample some of the delicious pastries in the gallery café before going to Trinity College for your tour of the Book of Kells exhibition.



## Book of Kells

No visit to Dublin would be complete without seeing this world renowned book containing the four Gospels of the New Testament in Latin expertly illustrated.

The Book of Kells is famous for its lavish and beautiful decoration. You will enjoy a full and complete tour of the exhibition, including an explanation of the magical Ogham alphabet, leading to a better understanding as to why this book is so famous.

We also look at the magnificent Long Room in the Old Library and walk through Trinity College and discover some of the history of this fascinating college.

**Lunch is on your own today.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations on dining in Dublin.

Spend afternoon on your own. You may also like to visit Little Museum of Dublin and The Dublin Writer's Museum, where Dublin's literary celebrities from the past three hundred years are brought to life through their books, letters, portraits and personal items.

The building, a restored Georgian mansion on Parnell Square, is a treasure in itself. The sumptuous plasterwork in the first floor Gallery of Writers is worth a visit alone.

Otherwise, you can explore the areas around the Fitzwilliam, or relax in your hotel.

## Day 3 Ireland: Dublin – Kildare – Wicklow - Dublin

**Breakfast in your hotel (included)**

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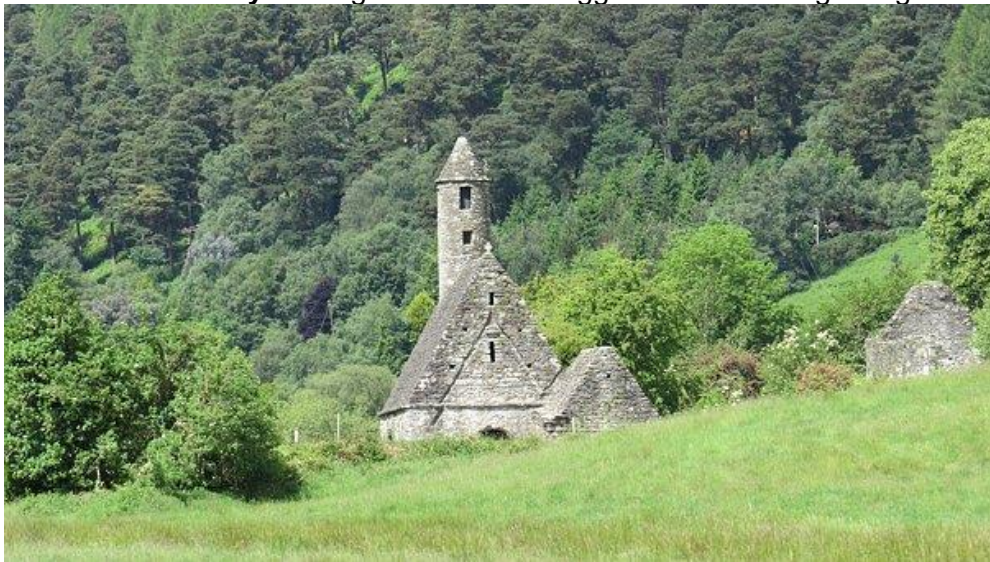
**After breakfast**, meet your private driver & professional local Guide in the lobby of the hotel for “the Grand Tour”.

**The Grand Tour** is the quintessential circuit of Kildare and Wicklow, taking in the most spectacular scenery, the most beautiful big houses and gardens and the most intriguing Early Christian heritage sites... in a route as suited to a short visit as a long, leisurely meander.



Historically, the ‘Grand Tour’ was a European sojourn undertaken by young aristocrats, a rite of passage soaking up the continental highlights. Kildare Wicklow recaptures that, offering a complete Irish experience within a short drive of Dublin.

**Lunch will be in route today.** Your guide will offer suggestions for dining along the way.

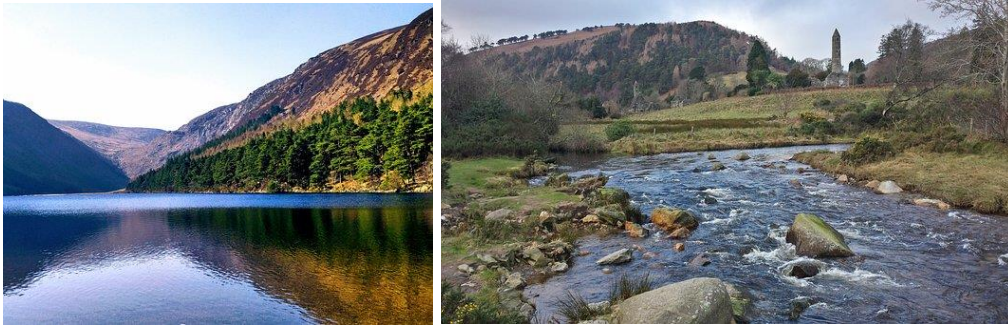


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Roam from St. Kevin's sixth century monastic settlement at Glendalough.

Stop to smell the flowers in ravishing Irish gardens, savour warm village welcomes, or soak up epic scenery ranging from grassy plains, glacial lakes and wild mountain passes to a surprising eastern coastline.



Explore the great mansions like Russborough and Carton House.



Enjoy a private Sheepdog demonstration at Russborough House.



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Along with the hotspots you'll find plenty of hidden gems: a Givenchy dress worn by Princess Grace at the Newbridge Museum of Style Icons; a submerged town land beneath the Blessington Lakes, a fairy bower at Lullymore, at the heart of the Bog of Allen. Get ready for an unforgettable adventure right on Dublin's doorstep.



Once you're back in Dublin, enjoy a private Literary Pub Crawl with **Celebrity Colm Quilligan**.

Colm Quilligan kicks off the Literary Pub Crawl with a song - Waxies Dargle, with cheerful lines such as "When food is scarce and you see the hearse / You'll know you've died of hunger" - then takes us from the Duke pub through the cobbled square of Trinity College and into several pubs in a nearby maze of narrow streets.





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He quotes at ease from Joyce, Behan, Beckett, Yeats and even James Larkin and Flann O'Brien, and although he must have said it all 1,000 times, he is witty, enthusiastic and informative, happy to veer off the mark and into subjects that wouldn't be covered by the city's tourist brochures, such as Eamon de Valera's signing, in 1945, of a condolence book for Adolf Hitler...

**Dinner is on your own this evening.** See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for dining options in Dublin.

Overnight at The Fitzwilliam Dublin Hotel

## Day 4 Ireland: Dublin – Tour to the west – Royal Lunch – Dromoland Castle

### Breakfast in your hotel (included)

**After breakfast, check out of your hotel &** meet your private driver in the lobby of the hotel for your Tour To The West, with a Royal Lunch, and onward to Dromoland Castle.

Travel through the gentle midlands of Ireland, a land of sensuously curving rivers, rolling hills and wide open bogs where grouse and skylark song breaks the windswept silence.

There will be hidden gardens to explore, and historic mansions to visit.

### Arrive at Birr Castle.

Birr Castle Demesne is open to the public every day of the year and attracts an average of over fifty thousand visitors annually. The castle itself however remains a private residence: still the home of the family which originally built it and has lived there ever since for some fourteen generations.

Two hundred years ago, this family, called Parsons, inherited the Earldom of Rosse, and the present head of the family living at Birr Castle is Brendan Parsons, Seventh Earl of Rosse.

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## Lunch at Birr Castle with the Earl & Countess of Ross

You will first be entertained with sherry or sparkling wine in the tapestried hall, which provides the most appropriate setting for a brief history of the castle and of the family.



Lunch is served in the rich red dining room, where the last seven generations, who built up everything from the Telescope to the gardens, look down from their formal portraits on the walls.

Under a massive early ormolu and cut-glass chandelier, the main castle dining table seats over twenty whilst a more intimate one in an alcove overlooking the forecourt seats a further eight or nine.

The tables are set with various family heirlooms, in silver, china or glass, all on family linen tablecloths and if the party is not too large, lunch ends with coffee served in cups specially commissioned to portray the castle nearly 200 years ago.

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The tour continues...

After lunch, the family portraits and furniture in the dining room may be pointed out, as well as the great staircase, which dates from the reign of Charles II and is made entirely of yew wood.

Unless already included in the programme before lunch, Lord Rosse will take the group into the gardens to see the Great Telescope, as well as the galleries of Ireland's Historic Science Centre, which is located at the castle's old stable block. Lord Rosse will also show the group as much of the Demesne's beautiful gardens as the programme may allow for.

Then back on the road to Dromoland Castle.



Dromoland Castle, one of Europe's finest castle hotels, offers Guest's the experience of living like landed gentry, surrounded by luxury, beauty, and service.

The castle, a magnificent Renaissance structure built in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, was once the royal seat of the O'Brien clan.

Refurbished and transformed into a luxury hotel in 1962, it retains priceless reminders of the Castle's historic past. Splendid woodcarvings and stone statuary, hand-carved panelling, fine antique furnishings surround guests.

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On the Castle's 450-acre estate, guests can hunt, fish, ride horseback, play tennis and championship golf or alternatively The Spa at Dromoland Castle is a perfect haven to enjoy the tranquillity of Dromoland Castle.

## *WELCOME TO DROMOLAND CASTLE – We Are Waiting For You*



Upon arrival at the castle, you will be welcomed by the concierge with a VIP check-in experience. Your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation. You will be at leisure for the remainder of the day to relax in the hotel, enjoy the spa, or to explore some of the grounds and the hotel on your own.

Dinner is available in The Earl of Thomond Restaurant from 7pm (9.30 last orders) each evening and we offer casual options for dinner in The Fig Tree Restaurant until 9pm. **Please note** dress code for The Earl of Thomond is for Smart (Jacket required for gentlemen, no denim). Reservations are required (we will set this up prior to your arrival).



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## Day 5 Ireland: Dromoland Castle - Mayo

**Breakfast in your hotel (included)**

**After breakfast**, meet your private driver in the lobby of the hotel for your tour.

transfer to the harbor, you will be picked up at Bundorragha Harbour by a powerboat/rib.



You will boat along visiting mussel and oyster farms along the fjord, with explanations and demonstrations of what is involved, Sampling fresh oysters with a glass of Guinness or white wine.

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Then follows a scenic walk to a traditional farm to watch a demonstration of sheep shearing, working sheep dogs and turf cutting.

On returning to the boat, travel along the fjord to a scenic spot or deserted island (weather permitting) to enjoy a **special Delphi picnic lunch**.

**After lunch**, a visit to a deserted Famine Village, only accessible by boat, where we can begin to understand the complex tragedy of the famine. This includes everything from the dependency on the potato to the culture and politics of the time and the harsh evictions that soon followed and scattered the Irish to the four corners of the world.

A very special and memorable day to treasure forever.



**Dinner is on your own tonight at the Castle.**  
Overnight at Dromoland Castle.

## Day 6 Ireland: Mayo – Cliffs of Mohr – The Burren - Adare

**Breakfast in your hotel (included)**

**After breakfast, check out of your hotel** and meet your private driver & professional Local Guide in the lobby of the hotel for your tour to Adare by way of The Cliffs & The Burren.

Cliffs of Moher, a sheer precipice 8 km long and rising to a height of 203m, one of the most impressive stretches of the coast in the West of Ireland, remarkable especially at nesting seasons for the quantity and variety of seabirds there.

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Lisdoonvarna is a spa town with an excellent salmon smoke house. September was, and still is, the peak month of the matchmaking season here and with the harvest safely in bachelor farmers flock to Lisdoonvarna in search of wives.

The Spa Well also continues to attract the crowds. The Doolin Craft Gallery as well as selling treasures from all around Ireland is also worth visiting for its scrumptious food and stunning gardens - a plantsman's paradise.

**Lunch is on your own today en-route.**



**After lunch**, you will visit a very special area of Ireland. The Burren - Words simply cannot do justice to this eerie, peculiar 193-square mile area of ancient seabed that suffered glacial activity during its long history.

The Burren, is a bare lunar like landscape of a limestone plateau dotted with stone age forts and megalithic tombs.

In the narrow crevices that criss-cross this pavement flourish orchids, gentians and other rare flora, an amazing mix of arctic, alpine, temperate, and tropical vegetation growing side by side. Twenty-two varieties of orchids thrive here, nourished by underground rivers and rich soil.

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Today we see treeless meadows of limestone karst that forms natural pavement interspersed with lush flora.

Scholars of history can scour the Burren for tombs, chambers, and dolmens (two stones that support a horizontal slab), traces of Stone Age inhabitants.

To the north the Burren is bounded by Galway Bay with the fishing port of Ballyvaughan, a noted centre for oysters, while to the west the Aran Islands stand out

against the broad expanse of the Atlantic Ocean.



Snuggled in a wooden and lush countryside setting, Adare is widely regarded as being Ireland's prettiest and most picturesque village.

Situated on the river Maigue, a tributary of the Shannon river, Adare (Gaelic name: "Ath Dara" - the "ford of the oak" - from the combination of water and woodland) dates back, at least, to the early 13th century.



The bridge by which you enter the village, in the shadow of the ruined Desmond Castle, was built in 1329.

Two groups of world famous ornate, thatched cottages line part off the village's broad main street, punctuated with beautiful stone buildings, medieval monasteries and ruins.



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**Upon arrival at Adare Manor**, you will be welcomed like Royalty; be greeted by a horse & hound welcome with all of the pomp and circumstance of a Royal Hunt.



**You will receive a private** check-in experience and your luggage will be managed and delivered to your accommodation. You are at leisure for the remainder of the day.

**Dinner is on your own at the Castle this evening**

Overnight at Adare Manor

**Day 7 Ireland:** **Adare – Secret Island - Kerry**

**Breakfast in your hotel (included)**

**After breakfast**, check out of your hotel and meet your private driver & professional Local Guide in the lobby of the hotel for your Secret Ireland Escape.

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**Discover a whole new layer of Irish hospitality with private access to the parts of Ireland many rarely get to see.**

Your luxury mode of transport for the day is The AZUL, Ireland's only skippered motor yacht. Escape, Relax, Enjoy & Indulge.

## **First Stop - Villa with Art Tour with Seafood Platter Lunch .**

Experience a 'new' Ireland as we arrive to a modern villa, designed by world renowned Irish architect. **Meet the owners**, chat with them about life in Ireland and be escorted on a private tour of their private collection of contemporary Irish art & sculpture.

Sit down with them and relish and savor culinary delights from Ireland, as they offer you lunch; only the best of fresh Irish seafood, served as only Irish aristocrats can - a true gastronomic experience. Dessert is served with a range of artisan treats, Nespresso coffees and or Irish Liqueurs.

## **Second Stop - Arrive to 1 of the following;**

- **Hunters Manor** & receive 3 Irish whiskey tastings in private Shebeen - Meet the lady of the Manor as we arrive to your private Shebeen, and receive a trio of Irish whiskey tastings.
- **Private Castle** & receive a full tour to the rooftop terrace and enjoy a Meade tasting nestled on its very own Island, restored to its original condition and used now as a private Summer home

**Final Stop - Arrive to Garrykenny**, one of Ireland's smallest villages & choose any of the following;

- Learn how to pull the perfect Pint of Guinness.
- Enjoy a wide selection of warm artisan tapas.
- Receive a local Craft Beer Tasting of a light beer, The Blonde or, a dark ale The Ruby Red.

**Then you're off to the Kingdom of Kerry.**

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## Day 8 Ireland: Kerry – Dingle Peninsula

### Breakfast in your hotel (included)

**After breakfast**, meet your private driver & professional Local Guide in the lobby of the hotel for your Gap of Dunloe Day Tour - Once in Killarney **tour to the world renowned, Kate Kearney's cottage.**



Here you take a 7 mile jaunt on a pony and trap through the Gap of Dunloe where you can view a spectacular glaciated valley.

The Gap is a narrow mountain pass between Mac Gillycuddy Reeks (to the west) and the Purple Mountain (to the east) and five lakes all connected by the river Loe.

This area is often described as one of the most spectacular glaciated valleys in Western Europe. This part of the journey just takes under 2 hours.



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Your pony and trap ride ends at **Lord Brandon's Cottage** where you can enjoy a light snack (not included).

**Lunch is on your own en-route.**

**This afternoon explore the Dingle Peninsula.**



Set off along the shore of Dingle Bay to explore this lovely peninsula. You pass Inch Strand where ancient red cliffs lead down to a sandy spit going far out into the sea. This was one of the entrances to Tir na Oge, the land of eternal youth of the legend of Niamh and Ossian.

It was also used in the film *Ryan's Daughter*, which you should see on DVD before travelling. Here also is Annascul, where John Crean lived, an Antarctic explorer with Shackleton.



Coming on towards Dingle the road winds along the coast, past the ruins of Minard Castle.

The Dingle Peninsula has been inhabited for almost 6,000 years. The first settlers on the peninsula were nomadic hunters and gatherers who foraged on the coast for their food.

Later Stone Age man and Bronze Age man were to build their tombs, erect their standing stones, and toil the land for the first time.

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The Celtic population arrived in the couple of hundred years before the birth of Christ and brought their ancestral goddess "Duibhne", after which the Dingle Peninsula has been named in Gaelic: Corca Dhuibhne, the tribe of Duibhne.

In the centuries that followed, the peninsula was to be visited by Vikings, Normans and English.

Overnight at Muckross Park Hotel

## Day 9 Ireland: Kerry – Cork - Kinsale

**Breakfast in your hotel (included)**

**After breakfast**, check out of your hotel and meet your private driver & professional Local Guide in the lobby of the hotel for your Tour to Cork.



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## Explore Kinsale - Gourmet Capital of Ireland



Kinsale town's fame was established years ago as a quaint seaside town with delicious restaurants and carefully preserved 18th-century buildings.

In the 1960's Heidi McNeice, the wife of the poet, opened the first restaurant here and it rapidly became a magnet for the world's glitterati.

In the last decade it has become unquestionably the gourmet capital of Ireland; with music and cinema

stars bidding up local real estate values, it is also one of the most expensive.

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Kinsale is a National Tidy Towns Winner too-but for all that it's still a very agreeable place. Once, it was an important naval port.

In 1601 the Irish joined forces with Spain against the English, and the Spanish fleet anchored here before the disastrous battle of Kinsale, which led to the 'Flight of the Earls' and put an end to the rebellion against Elizabeth I and her reconquest of Ireland.



St Multose Church is the oldest building in town, parts of it dating from the 13th century. Inside are the old town stocks. The churchyard has several interesting 16th-century gravestones which in spring are covered in whitebells and bluebells, and in summer red valerian grows out of crevices in every wall.



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Desmond Castle, a tower house from the 1500s, was once used as a custom house, and later as a prison for captured American sailors in the War of Independence; it now houses an 'International Museum of Wine'.

There is also an interesting museum in the old courthouse and market building, with material associated with the life of the town and port through the centuries.

**Upon arrival at your hotel,** you will receive a VIP Check-in experience. Sit down with one of the concierge and offered a really great coffee or other beverage of your choosing. A relaxing experience where you will learn about the hotel and everything you need for your time at this beautiful hotel.

Overnight Hayfield Manor



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## Day 10 Ireland: Cork - Kinsale

**Breakfast in your hotel (included)**

**After breakfast**, meet your private driver in the lobby of the hotel for your Whisky, Whisky, Whisky Experience, like you've never experienced before...

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Middleton Distillery, and enjoy a private tour and tasting.



Set on 15 acres and beautifully restored, this is where the true heart of Irish whiskey beats. The old distillery is a unique experience with some of the buildings dating back to 1795.

Take a journey through history and see the old kilns, mills and malting, water wheel and old warehouses.

You will be lead through the extraordinary story of Jameson Irish Whiskey. A short film sets the scene before your guide walks you through the old distillery.

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After the tour enjoy a tutored whiskey tasting to become a certified Irish Whiskey Taster!

**Lunch:** The Jameson restaurant, the Malt House, is a great place to enjoy a delicious lunch before hitting the road. Don't forget to pick up your personalized bottle of Jameson, with your choice of engraving.

**After Lunch, you will enjoy a rare Celebrity experience** when you meet the three Jameson sisters, Kristin, Andrea and Tara- ninth generation direct descendants of John Jameson, whose name is synonymous with Irish whiskey.

**You will sit down to a traditional High Tea** with these lovely ladies, who will share stories and tell you about their family history as you taste delicious delicacies. Tea will be followed by a glass of Jameson - poured by a Jameson! What an

extraordinary Treat!

After the Jameson touring day, you will be returned to your hotel, where you will be at leisure for the remainder of the day.

**Dinner is on your own this evening** in the Hotel or venture out to one of the great restaurants in Cork. See Celebration Escapes' Restaurant Collection for recommendations for dining in Cork. Overnight Hayfield Manor



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## Day 11 Ireland: Cork - Ballyfin

### Breakfast in your hotel (included)

**After breakfast**, check out of your hotel and meet your private driver in the lobby of the hotel for your transfer to Ballyfin Demense.



Ballyfin is a small village and parish in County Laois, Ireland. Located in the Slieve Bloom Mountains, the village is in the midlands of Ireland. It is located on the R423 regional road midway between the towns of Mountrath and Mountmellick.



You will arrive at Ballyfin Demense in time for lunch, as the stay includes Irish breakfast, lunch, tea, coffee & homemade cookies & cake, soft drinks, a pre-dinner drinks reception, gourmet dinner, bedroom minibar of soft drinks and snacks, laundry and pressing facilities and use of most on-site recreational facilities (equipment supplied).

Staying at the 5 star Ballyfin is like staying in a private home. We want you to have the travel experience of your life and you will feel like the entire property is yours as you enjoy the atmosphere of a period Irish house with all the facilities of a five star resort.

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Activities on the property include boating and fishing on the lake, biking riding, picnics, exploring the 600 acre estate, swimming pool and fitness center, spa treatments, wine and whiskey tasting, and feasting on Chef Cordonniers fine food.

**Among the outdoor activities offered at Ballyfin are coarse fishing on the lake, which has a large stock of roach and pike, croquet, clay pigeon shooting, tennis, archery and falconry.**  
**Activities at Ballyfin**

Within the demesne there are several miles of hard surfaced paths as well as miles of mown grass paths offering a gentle stroll or the exhilaration of mountain biking.

The gardens and park lands are a delight to explore and picnics are offered to enjoy in the grounds.

Ballyfin Demesne is full of wildlife, so much to look out for while exploring the demesne. Wild birds to name a few that can be seen are Kestrels, Sparrow hawks, Hen Harriers, Buzzards, long eared Owl, Cuckoo, Pheasants, Kingfishers, Swans, Cootes and Moorhens.

Catch a glimpse of a Fox, Deer, Red Squirrel, Mink and Pine Marten.  
Enjoy a leisurely afternoon fishing on the lake, Pike, Roach, Tench and Eel (catch and return).

**Some of the activities available:** \* EXTRA CHARGE APPLIES

- BOATING ON THE LAKE
- COARSE FISHING ON THE LAKE
- BALLYFIN PICNIC EXPERIENCE
- HORSE RIDING\*
- PONY & CARRIAGE\*
- CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING\*
- AIR RIFLE TARGET SHOOTING\*
- ARCHERY\*
- FALCONRY\*

Overnight Ballyfin Demesne

**Breakfast Lunch and Dinner** are included in your package.

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