

# Join your host Robin Averill for a special group departure to Ireland -

IRISH ODYSSEY Sept 7 – 19, 2017 12 Days / 11 Nights / 21 Meals

C\$4,765 TOTAL LAND & AIR per person based on double occupancy

Single room supplement C\$857

**Optional Travel Protection Insurance - call for details** 

Cost of air, tax, fuel & surcharges are subject to change until entire group is confirmed and ticketed.



Robin is originally from County Derry, Northern Ireland. Before coming to Canada from Ireland, Robin had established himself as a top class entertainer and vocalist with Ireland's popular showbands, "The Signs" and "The College Boys". He also toured extensively throughout Ireland, England, and Scotland.

Not long after arriving in Canada, Robin performed from coast to

coast with his band in premium hotel and cabaret circuits. In addition, he made numerous radio and television appearances in both Canada and Ireland. For many years, Robin has given his time and talent to help raise funds for local charities and telethons.

Robin's career highlights include entertaining Canadian Prime Ministers, Governors General, and the President of The United States. He performed at the Expo World Fair in Vancouver, and with the Irish Showband Show at Waterfront Concert Hall in Belfast. Robin entertained the Canadian Armed Forces in Lahr, Germany on Canada Day, and has performed at country fairs, Irish and Scottish festivals, and tour shows in his native Ireland.

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# This Fully Inclusive Escorted Coach Tour Features:

- Sightseeing by luxury coach
- Professional driver/guide
- 11 nights in hotels listed
- Full breakfast daily (B) except on day 1
- 8 dinners (D) including
- Taylor's Three Rock Pub
- Wm Cairnes Gastropub farewell dinner
- 6 table d'hote dinners
- 2 Lunches (L)
- Welcome get-together drink
- Tours of Dublin and Belfast
- Farmhouse visit for tea and scones
- Walking tours of Cork, Galway and Derry with local guides
- Sheepdog trials on Ring of Kerry
- Horse-drawn jaunting car ride in Killarney
- J. B. Keane's Pub in Listowel for tea and scones
- Ferry ride across the River Shannon
- "The Quiet Man" walking tour of Cong
- The Causeway Coast Discovery Centre turf-cutting, tea and scones
- Step dancing display in Cabra Castle Hotel
- Sample local beer at Clarke's Bar in Drogheda
- Dublin open-top bus tour with a visit to Guinness Storehouse or General Post Office Museum

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Overnight Stops
Start City
End City

- Visits and admissions to Kilmainham Gaol, Russborough House, House of Waterford Crystal, Blarney Castle, Blarney Woollen Mills, Blasket Centre, Cliffs of Moher, Kylemore Abbey, Museum of Country Life, Belleek Pottery Factory, Giant's Causeway, Titanic Belfast, Boyne Valley Visitor Centre & Newgrange or Knowth Tomb
- Audio headsets and group photo
- Deluxe carry-on backpack, ticket wallet, luggage tags & strap
- All local taxes, hotel service charges & porterage for one suitcase per person
- Free Wi-Fi on coaches and in hotel lobbies

#### Superior First Class Hotels

- Herbert Park Hotel Dublin (2 nights)
- The River Lee Hotel Cork (1 night)
- Killarney Plaza Hotel Killarney (2 nights)
- Radisson Blu Hotel & Spa Galway (2 nights)
- City Hotel, Derry Derry (2 nights)
- Cabra Castle Hotel Kingscourt (1 night)
- The D Hotel Drogheda (1 night)

NOTE: The features, itinerary and hotels shown may be subject to change for 2017 departures.

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# 12 Day Irish Odyssey Tour Itinerary

# Day 1: Dublin Tour & Kilmainham Gaol

Your Irish trip starts at 2:00 pm when you meet your Dublin City guide at your hotel. Set out on a tour of Dublin's highlights to view Trinity College, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the General Post Office. Visit Kilmainham Gaol where many of Ireland's leaders, including Robert Emmett, Eamon DeValera and Padraig Pearse, were imprisoned during the 19th and early 20th centuries. In the evening meet your tour director and travel companions over a welcome drink.

# Day 2: Russborough House & Taylor's Three Rock Pub

This morning drive through the delightful scenery of the Wicklow Mountains to Blessington for a guided tour of stately Russborough House, a Palladan mansion filled with interesting treasures of art and photography. The afternoon is free so that you may use your independent open-top bus voucher with a visit to Guinness Storehouse or General Post Office Museum. Head to Taylor's Three Rock Pub for dinner with traditional music, songs and step-dancing. (B, D)

# Day 3: Farmhouse Visit & House of Waterford Crystal

Travel through Kildare to visit a traditional farmhouse to meet the owners and learn about country living while enjoying tea and freshly-baked scones. Drive south to Waterford to tour the House of Waterford Crystal. Watch experienced craftspeople create all the various stages of production, from glass blowing and cutting to the final polishing of pieces to make them sparkle. View magnificent trophies in the showrooms where you may also purchase stemware and other items. Continue along the south coast to Cork for an overnight stay. (B, D)

# Day 4: Blarney Castle & Killarney

Start your day with a local guide on a brief walking tour of the city and the English Market. A few miles outside Cork, visit Blarney Castle and climb to the battlements to kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence." Also visit the Blarney Woollen Mills where you can find quality Irish-made goods of all types. Drive through Counties Cork and Kerry to the colorful town of Kenmare. Stop at Moll's Gap for great views of part of the Ring of Kerry and watch trained dogs herding sheep. Check in to your hotel and relax before dinner. (B, D)

# Day 5: Jaunting Car Ride & Dingle Peninsula

Take a traditional horse-drawn jaunting car ride to Ross Castle to view Lough Leane, largest of Killarney's lakes. Explore the scenic Dingle Peninsula to experience views of heathery mountains, sandy beaches and rocky headlands. Visit the Blasket Centre in Dunquin to learn about the offshore Blasket Islands, inhabited until 1953 by hardy farming and fishing families. Return to the town of Dingle and enjoy a light lunch before returning to Killarney. The evening is free. (B, L)

#### Day 6: Cliffs of Moher & Galway

Sample tea and scones in a pub in Listowel, associated with the writer, J. B. Keane. Travel north and cross the wide River Shannon Estuary by ferry and drive along the coast of County Clare. Here view the famous Cliffs of

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Moher, an impressive wall of rock that rises 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. Walk to O'Brien's Tower to get views of Connemara and the Aran Islands. Continue to Galway for a walking tour and check in to your hotel, which overlooks Galway Bay. (B, D)

#### Day 7: "The Quiet Man" & Connemara

Drive to Cong where "The Quiet Man" movie was made in 1952. A guided walk will show you places featured in the production. Travel through Connemara for sweeping views of misty mountains and shimmering lakes. Stop at Kylemore Abbey for a walk through the elegant mansion, set beside a tranquil lake. Enjoy a casual lunch before returning to Galway, where the rest of the day is free for independent sightseeing and dining. (B, D)

#### Day 8: Country Life Museum & Belleek China

Travel north to Castlebar to the Museum of Country Life which displays articles used in everyday life during the 19th and early 20th centuries. At that time most people were self-sufficient and produced nearly everything they needed on their farms. Travel through County Sligo and around Donegal Bay. Visit the Belleek Pottery Factory where craftspeople shape and decorate clay into delicate pieces and stop in Donegal town. Continue your drive through the majestic Barnesmore Gap to Derry. (B, L)

#### Day 9: Derry Walk & Giant's Causeway

Join a local guide for a walking tour around the ancient city of Derry to see the Guildhall, St. Columb's Cathedral, the Diamond and the 16th century walls. Stop for photos at the ruins of Dunluce Castle and explore the Giant's Causeway, huge hexagonal basalt columns formed over 60 million years ago. The oversized rocks have given rise to many legends. See turf cutting at The Causeway Coast Discovery Centre and return to Derry for free time. (B, D)

#### Day 10: Titanic Belfast & Cabra Castle Stay

Drive to Belfast for a panoramic city tour followed by a visit to Titanic Belfast to learn about this famous liner through state-of-the-art displays. Travel to Kingscourt and your castle hotel, built in 1760. Arrive mid-afternoon so that you can enjoy this lovely property and maybe play the 9-hole golf course. After dinner in the Court Restaurant, enjoy a display of Irish step-dancing. (B, D)

# Day 11: Megalithic Tombs & Historic Drogheda Walk

Visit the Boyne Valley Visitor Centre to learn about the 5,000-year-old burial tombs of Newgrange and Knowth. Tour one of them to see how primitive people managed to align huge boulders precisely. Continue to the historic town of Drogheda for a leisurely stroll with your tour director and sample locally-brewed beer in a traditional pub. In the evening enjoy a farewell dinner with live music at Wm Cairnes Gastropub, located in a former brewery. (B, D)

#### Day 12: Tour Ends in Drogheda

Your program ends after breakfast today. (B)

(B) Breakfast (L) Lunch (D) Dinner

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For reservations please complete the form below and submit with a non-refundable deposit of C\$300 CAD per person. Optional Trip Protection Insurance is available, and is also due at the time of deposit.

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