



# Ireland for Solo Travelers

8 days | 10 days with Dublin extension

Imagine you're in a pub, listening to live music, and shouting sláinte (the local lingo for "cheers") with a group of like-minded travelers. Luckily, you don't have to wish on a four-leaf clover for this travel dream to come true. Join this trip to Ireland for solo travelers, where green landscapes and frothy Guinness await.



## Your tour package includes

- 6 nights in a private room at handpicked hotels
- 6 breakfasts
- 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 1 beer tasting
- 4 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

## Included highlights

- St. Patrick's Cathedral
- Guinness Brewery
- Temple Bar district
- Rock of Cashel
- Blarney Castle
- Cliffs of Moher
- The Burren
- Galway Bay

## Tour pace

On this guided tour, you'll walk for at least 1.5 hours daily across moderately uneven terrain, including paved roads and cobblestone streets with some hills and stairs.

## Group size

15-28

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## Overnight Flight → 1 night

### Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Dublin today.

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## County Dublin → 2 nights

### Day 2: Arrival in County Dublin

*Included meals: welcome dinner*

Welcome to Ireland! Settle in to your hotel. Then, gather with your Tour Director and fellow group members at a mixer before enjoying a welcome dinner.

### Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Dublin & Guinness Brewery

*Included meals: breakfast*

Take a comprehensive tour of Ireland's capital city with a local expert leading the way.

- Stop in Phoenix Park, site of the presidential residence, and pass by the Guinness Brewery
- Step inside the soaring St. Patrick's Cathedral, Ireland's largest church
- Pass St Stephen's Green and admire the Georgian architecture of Merrion Square as you go
- See Trinity College and walk past Grafton Street to the Molly Malone statue, ending in the Temple Bar district

This afternoon, take a self-guided tour of the Guinness Brewery.

- Explore the many fun, colorful exhibits that highlight how the Irish brand has evolved since Arthur Guinness crafted the first beer in 1759
  - Learn how to pour a perfect glass of the famous stout
  - Head up to the top floor to sip your beer and soak in 360-degree views of Dublin
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## County Cork → 2 nights

### Day 4: County Cork via Kilkenny & Rock of Cashel

*Included meals: breakfast, dinner*

Explore the Irish countryside en route to County Cork.

- Stop in Kilkenny, Ireland's best-preserved medieval town
- Tour the imposing 12th-century Kilkenny Castle, overlooking the River Nore
- Take a tour of the iconic Rock of Cashel, commanding stone buildings that date back to the 12th and 13th centuries

Later, sit down for an included dinner with your group.

### Day 5: Blarney Castle

*Included meals: breakfast*

Head into the Irish countryside to climb to the top of Blarney Castle and kiss the famed Blarney Stone, which is said to grant the "gift of gab."

Enjoy a free evening in County Cork or add an excursion.

+ An Evening in Kinsale

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## County Galway → 2 nights

### Day 6: County Galway via the Cliffs of Moher & the Burren

*Included meals: breakfast*

Head north to County Galway, taking time to view spectacular scenery en route.

- Walk along the mesmerizing coastline of the Cliffs of Moher
- Pass through the Burren, a unique limestone plateau where fields of rock are dotted with wildflowers

Arrive in Galway and admire some of the city's highlights on a walking orientation with your Tour Director in the lead.

- Stroll past Lynch's Castle, the Druid Theatre Company, and the broad expanse of Eyre Square
- View the city's medieval walls and Spanish Arch
- Peruse authentic Claddagh rings in a local shop

### Day 7: Free day in County Galway

*Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner*

Spend a free day in County Galway or add an excursion.

Tonight, head to a local pub in Galway to listen to traditional Gaelic music and celebrate your trip during a farewell dinner.

+ Kylemore Abbey & Connemara National Park

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## Flight Home

### Day 8: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the Dublin airport for your flight home.

*Please note: some transfers to the airport may leave very early in the morning to accommodate return flights.*

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## + Dublin extension

Rich in history and alive with culture—a trip to Dublin is always a good idea. Extend your trip and experience more of everything the capital of the Republic of Ireland has to offer.

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## Dublin → 2 nights

### Day 8: Dublin via Glendalough

*Included meals: breakfast*

En route to Dublin, pay a visit to Glendalough.

- Enter Wicklow Mountains National Park and make your way to the Glendalough Visitor Centre to learn about the historic site
- Explore the ancient monastery, passing by the Round Tower, stone churches, and decorated crosses

Continue on to Dublin and enjoy a free evening or add an excursion.

+ Traditional Irish Dinner & Show

### Day 9: Free day in Dublin

*Included meals: breakfast*

Enjoy a free day in Dublin or add an excursion.

This evening, enjoy a farewell drink as you celebrate your trip with your fellow group members.

+ Powerscourt Estate & Gardens

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## Flight Home

### Day 10: Departure

*Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)*

Transfer to the airport for your flight home.

# Customize your experience

Customize your tour by adding excursion options. Excursions offered on the same day will occur at different times, so there's no need to choose. Save \$10 when you book your excursion up to three days before your tour departs.\* Excursions requiring advance reservation only list this discounted price. Call or go online to customize your tour: [goaheadtours.com/IR6](https://goaheadtours.com/IR6) | 1-800-597-0350

## Day 5: An Evening in Kinsale

\$105/\$115\* (5 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)

Your evening begins with a visit to the star-shaped Charles Fort, specifically designed to withstand the devastating impact of cannon fire. Uncover the fort's long history with your Tour Director before making your way to the nearby harbor town of Kinsale. A little village with a big past, this quaint community was the site of the 1601 Battle of Kinsale, a major turning point in the Nine Years' War. Take time to explore this historic town's narrow winding streets, artsy shops, and lively bars on your own before rejoining the group for dinner in a traditional Irish restaurant.

## Day 7: Kylemore Abbey & Connemara National Park

\$79/\$89\* (9 hours, departs in the morning)

Make your way to the island village of Cong, situated on the border of counties Galway and Mayo. Here, enjoy free time to stroll through the town's charming streets, catching glimpses of the nearby Ashford Castle. Then, continue on to Kylemore Abbey, a Benedictine convent founded in 1920 on the grounds of Kylemore Castle. Here, you'll have time to explore the abbey's interior and walled Victorian gardens. After free time for lunch on your own, take a scenic drive through the Irish countryside, passing Connemara National Park, one of the country's most beautiful and unspoiled places. Make photo stops in the Inagh Valley and at the Maam Cross before returning to Galway.

## Extension excursion options

### Day 8: Traditional Irish Dinner & Show

\$109/\$119\* (5 hours, departs in the evening with dinner)

Enjoy this special evening of Irish food, music, and live entertainment. Dinner will be served first, giving you a taste of traditional Irish dishes. You'll then be treated to a live show of Irish music and dance. Join in the fun as you enjoy a merry and memorable night. Please note:

The specific venue and day of the week for this excursion may change due to availability. This excursion is seasonal and runs from April through October.

### Day 9: Powerscourt Estate & Gardens

\$55/\$65\* (5 hours, departs in the afternoon)

Named the third most beautiful in the world by National Geographic, the Italianate gardens of Powerscourt Estate rival even the immaculately manicured flowerbeds of Versailles. Spend time wandering through these sprawling grounds and exploring the Palladian-style country house that lies at the heart of the property. Once a 13th-century castle, this opulent home underwent extensive renovations in the 1700s to transform it into the grand hall it is today.

\*Optional excursions may be purchased up to three days prior to departure or while on tour. Pre-purchased optional excursions cannot be canceled within three days prior to departure or while on tour. Select optional excursions require advance booking and cannot be purchased or canceled after the advanced reservation deadline. GAT accepts payment by cash, Visa or MasterCard for optional excursions purchased on tour. Additional fees may apply for optional excursions purchased on tour. Excursions require a minimum number of participants to operate. Details and prices are subject to change. Due to seasonal hours of operation and availability, some excursions may not operate. If this occurs, you will be refunded any payments made for that excursion post-tour. Learn more at [goaheadtours.com/terms](https://goaheadtours.com/terms)