



A Week in Ireland: Dublin to Belfast

9 days | 11 days with Dublin extension

Home to dramatic cliffs and grand cathedrals, sprawling parks and cozy pubs, Ireland delights at every turn. On this tour, you'll get a taste of vastly different regions, from the rugged, windswept beauty of the Cliffs of Moher to the grand architecture of Dublin to the bustling streets of Belfast—the capital, and cultural heart, of Northern Ireland. Cap off your visit to the Emerald Isle by staying overnight in a lavish, 18th-century castle.



Your tour package includes

- 7 nights in handpicked hotels
- 7 breakfasts
- 3 dinners with beer or wine
- 1 food tasting
- 5 sightseeing tours
- Expert Tour Director & local guides
- Private deluxe motor coach

Included highlights

- St. Patrick's Cathedral
- Temple Bar District
- Kilkenny
- Rock of Cashel
- Causey Farm visit
- Titanic Belfast museum
- Overnight in an Irish Castle

Tour pace

You will 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

15–35

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Overnight Flight → 1 night

Day 1: Travel day

Board your overnight flight to Dublin today.

Dublin → 2 nights

Day 2: Arrival in Dublin

Included meals: welcome dinner

Welcome to Ireland! Settle in to your hotel. Then, meet your Tour Director and fellow travelers at tonight's welcome dinner.

Day 3: Sightseeing tour of Dublin

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

Enjoy a free afternoon in Dublin or add an excursion.

+ Glendalough

County Limerick → 2 nights

Day 4: County Limerick via Kilkenny Castle & Rock of Cashel

Included meals: breakfast, dinner

Explore the Irish countryside en route to County Limerick.

- Stop in Kilkenny, Ireland's best-preserved medieval town
- Pass by the Gothic St. Canice's Cathedral, built in the 13th century
- Enter the imposing 12th-century Kilkenny Castle, overlooking the River Nore
- Tour the iconic Rock of Cashel, whose commanding stone buildings date back to the 12th and 13th centuries

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

Day 5: Free day in County Limerick

Included meals: breakfast

Spend a free day exploring County Limerick or add excursions.

+ Bunratty Castle Banquet Dinner
+ Cliffs of Moher, Pub Lunch & the Burren

Belfast → 2 nights

Day 6: Belfast via County Meath

Included meals: breakfast, tasting

Journey to Belfast, stopping to visit to Causey Farm in County Meath.

- Learn about daily life on a working Irish farm
- See how Irish brown bread is made and enjoy a taste of this traditional food
- Watch a demonstration of traditional games and dance, such as hurling and céilí

Then, continue on to Belfast.

Please note: On some departures, the visit to Causey Farm may be replaced with a different farm experience.

Day 7: Sightseeing tour of Belfast

Included meals: breakfast

Get to know Belfast, the cultural heart of Northern Ireland, from a local's perspective on a guided tour.

- Marvel at copper-domed Belfast City Hall and the recently restored Grand Opera House
- Learn all about Belfast's long history, from its origins in the Bronze Age and rise as an international seaport to its role in the conflict known as The Troubles
- Head inside the Titanic Belfast museum for a look at the vessel's infamous history

Enjoy a free afternoon in Belfast or add an excursion.

+ Giant's Causeway

County Cavan → 1 night

Day 8: Transfer to Cabra Castle

Included meals: breakfast, farewell dinner

Leave Northern Ireland behind and make your way to County Cavan for a special evening in a historic Irish castle.

- Transfer to Cabra Castle, an 18th-century castle-turned-hotel
- Enjoy free time to explore the castle's manicured gardens and to walk along trails through Dún a Rí Forest Park

Celebrate your trip with your fellow travelers at tonight's farewell dinner.

Flight Home

Day 9: Departure

Included meals: breakfast (excluding early morning departures)

Transfer to the Dublin airport for your flight home or extend your stay to explore more of the city.

+ 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, including a visit to The EPIC Irish Emigration Museum, with your Tour Director by your side.

Dublin → 2 nights

Day 9: Transfer to Dublin & The EPIC Museum

Included meals: breakfast

Travel back east to Dublin, then visit the city's EPIC Irish Emigration Museum.

- Take a guided tour of the award-winning museum and explore the interactive, digital exhibits that highlight the emigrant experience
- Learn why Irish emigrants left their home country, where they went, and how they shaped the world

Spend a free evening in Dublin or add an excursion.

+ Traditional Irish Dinner & Show

Day 10: 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

Flight Home

Day 11: 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.ca/IRD | 1-800-754-5066

Day 3: Glendalough

\$69CAD/\$79CAD* (5 hours, departure time varies)

County Wicklow has some of the wildest and most spectacular mountain scenery in Ireland, as well as many of the country's most important historic sites. Journey through Wicklow's captivating landscapes to Glendalough, which became famous throughout Europe as a center of Christian learning. Saint Laurence O'Toole became the Abbot of Glendalough in 1154 and worked to bring the Irish Church closer to the Roman Church. You'll learn more about O'Toole, who went on to become the Archbishop of Dublin, and his work in Glendalough as you visit St. Kevin's Cross, the remains of the sixth-century cathedral, and the remarkable Round Tower. Your Tour Director will lead you on a tour of the site, and then you'll enjoy free time.

Day 5: Bunratty Castle Banquet Dinner

\$149CAD/\$159CAD* (4 hours, departs in the evening, dinner included)

Enjoy a feast fit for a king inside medieval Bunratty Castle. Sip mead from a goblet and learn about the castle's history. Then, proceed to the Great Hall, where you'll enjoy a sumptuous, four-course dinner and an evening of live entertainment, including songs and stories.

Day 5: Cliffs of Moher, Pub Lunch & the Burren

\$115CAD/\$125CAD* (8 hours, departs in the morning, lunch included)

Journey along the coast to the famous Cliffs of Moher. Whether you admire the towering cliffs from a distance or from a paved pathway near their edge, their rugged, natural beauty—and the vast expanse of the Atlantic Ocean beyond them—will amaze you. Afterwards, visit the charming town of Doolin for an included lunch at a local pub. Continue on to the Burren, an austere and otherworldly landscape known for its slate-grey rock fields dotted by rare wildflowers. Please note: This excursion is weather-dependent, and your views may be impacted by fog.

Day 7: Giant's Causeway

\$129CAD/\$139CAD* (6 hours, departure time varies)

Pay a visit to the rugged Giant's Causeway, a series of naturally formed basalt columns. The hexagonal columns, which you can walk on, are 60 million years old and originated as volcanic lava. A colorful local legend says that mythical giant Finn McCool built the walkway so that he could cross the sea to Scotland.

Please note: Raingear is recommended for this excursion.

Enjoy this special evening of Irish food, music, and live entertainment. Dinner will be served first, giving you a taste of the country's traditional 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 10: Powerscourt Estate & Gardens

\$85CAD/\$95CAD* (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 flower beds 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.

Extension excursion options

Day 9: Traditional Irish Dinner & Show

\$159CAD/\$169CAD* (5 hours, departs in the evening with dinner)

*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.ca/terms