



# St. Patrick's Day in Ireland

## March 15 – 23, 2019

Land only: **\$2,340.24** per person, double occupancy (minimum 25 traveling)

Airfare to be determined

Single Room Supplement **\$1238**

Optional Travel Protection Insurance **\$199** per person

*Air departure tax, fuel & surcharges are subject to change until entire group is confirmed and ticketed.*

Optional grandstand tickets to the St. Patrick's Day Parade are available for \$100

\*\*\*You will need to purchase these tickets by July of 2018.

### Tour Includes:

- Exclusive transport by luxury motorcoach with a driver/guide
- Meet and greet service with one group transfer upon arrival and departure at the airport
- Hotel accommodation based on twin bedded rooms with private bath as listed for 7 nights
- If you cannot make the transfers, you will be need to make your own way to the hotel (additional cost)
- Full breakfasts (7)
- Table d'hôte dinners (3)
- Tour of Dublin with a local guide
- Dublin open-top bus tour
- Passage on the Tarbert Ferry
- **Visits and admission fees to:**
  - Guinness Storehouse
  - Teeling Whiskey Distillery
  - Blarney Castle & Woollen Mills
  - Muckross House & Gardens
  - Cliffs of Moher
- Hotel portorage, service charges and government taxes
- Flight bags, ticket wallets, baggage tags and identifying strap
- Receive a special gift of a shamrock key ring from Connemara Marble for booking with our agency

#### Hotels:

Alexander Hotel, Dublin (3 nights)

Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney (3 nights)

Dromoland Castle Hotel, Shannon(1 night)

**For More Information or to Book, Contact:**

*This tour is subject to CIE Tours' booking guidelines and cancellation penalties. Refer to General Conditions on website (cietours.com) or back cover of current brochure.*  
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# St. Patrick's Day in Ireland Itinerary

## Friday, March 15 DEPART THE UNITED STATES

Depart your hometown and take an overnight flight across the Atlantic.

## Saturday, March 16 DUBLIN ARRIVAL

Your CIE Tours driver/guide will welcome you to Ireland and escort you and your luggage to the coach. Next, set off with a local guide who will show you around Dublin. The city has been molded through the centuries with many architectural styles, reflecting the economic, political and artistic influences. Stop to tour Guinness Storehouse to see exhibits on how this world famous stout was first created and why it is so popular today. Finish your visit in the roof-top bar, where you can sample a draft of Guinness. Next, visit Teeling Distillery, Dublin's newest distillery in the heart of the city, and also sample the fine aged whiskey. Drive a short distance to your hotel, check in and settle into your room. In the evening, join your fellow travelers for a traditional Irish dinner at the hotel restaurant.

*Dinner & Overnight:* Alexander Hotel, Dublin

## Sunday, March 17 ST. PATRICK'S DAY (DUBLIN)

Today is a very special day – St. Patrick's Day in Dublin! As it is a national holiday, all businesses and major stores are closed. Head to O'Connell Street and join all the locals to watch the bands perform, and also see decorated floats. The atmosphere will be one of high spirits and great fun. In the evening, you are free to dine on your own.

*Overnight:* Alexander Hotel, Dublin

## Monday, March 18 HOP ON HOP OFF

After a hearty Irish breakfast, enjoy the entire day free to explore Dublin. Use your Hop on Hop off pass to visit a number of places so you can get better acquainted with the city. There are also plenty of museums of Irish interest such as the National Museum, the National Gallery or the Writers Museum. You may also want to shops along Nassau Street, the pedestrianized Grafton Street or Henry Street. In the evening, you are free to choose from the many restaurants and pubs that Dublin has to offer. *Overnight:* Alexander Hotel, Dublin

## Tuesday, March 19 BLARNEY CASTLE

This morning, drive into Blarney, where you can climb the battlements of Blarney Castle and kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence" or take a walk through the stunning grounds, if you do not wish to climb. Also, visit the Blarney Woollen Mills, which has an excellent range of Irish products of all types. You will also have time to browse around the village, charmingly set around a

large village green. Journey along into Killarney, check into your hotel and relax or freshen up before joining your group for dinner at the hotel restaurant.

*Dinner & Overnight:* Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney

## Wednesday, March 20 DINGLE PENINSULA DRIVE

Today, discover the beauties of the Dingle Peninsula, once described by the National Geographic Traveler as "the most beautiful place on earth." Drive along the south shore of the peninsula for plenty of vistas of heathery mountains, sandy stretches of beach, stunning green landscapes and rocky headlands. Pause at strategic locations to admire the views and take photos. Return to Killarney for a free evening.

*Overnight:* Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney

## Thursday, March 21 MUCKROSS HOUSE & GARDENS

After a wholesome Irish breakfast, visit Muckross House, an elegant 19th century mansion set beside the tranquil Muckross Lake. A guided tour will fill you in on some local history and the family ties to the United States. Enjoy the elegant rooms and rich furnishings before strolling through the gardens. Return to Killarney and spend the balance of the day free to sightsee, shop and dine on your own.

*Overnight:* Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney

## Friday, March 22 CLIFFS OF MOHER

Today, drive into Tarbert and take a 20-minute ferry ride across the River Shannon estuary. Drive along the coast of scenic County Clare to visit the Cliffs of Moher, one of Ireland's most beloved, natural landmarks. See magical vistas, overlooking the shimmering Atlantic Ocean along with Ireland's Western coastline. Continue your journey into Shannon and check into Dromoland Castle Hotel, one of Ireland's finest castle hotels. It is one of the few castle hotels that can trace its ownership back through history to Gaelic Irish families of royal heritage. The Castle offers all guests deluxe accommodation and the experience of living as "Landed Gentry," surrounded by incredible scenery, absolute luxury and exceptional service. Spend the balance of the day relaxing in this luxurious setting – use the leisure center, walk around the grounds or play a round of golf. In the evening, join your fellow travelers for a traditional Irish dinner in the castle's fine restaurant.

*Dinner & Overnight:* Dromoland Castle Hotel, Shannon

## Saturday, March 23 RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

Transfer to Shannon Airport to check in for your flight. You may do some last minute shopping at the duty free stores before boarding your aircraft and flying back to the United States.

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Deposit is \$250 per person and due at time of booking.

Optional Trip Protection Insurance is an additional \$199 per person and is also due at the time of deposit.

### Cancellations:

Up to 100 days prior to departure--full refund  
99-65 days prior to departure--\$250.00 per person  
64-21 days prior to departure--25% per person  
20-8 days prior to departure--35% per person  
7-1 day prior to departure--50% per person  
Day of departure--100% per person.

Note: Once air and parade tickets are purchased it is non-refundable.