

Guss Hayes Tour of Ireland 2023

Visiting Counties Kerry, Cork & Clare

April 20th to 27th

April 21. Shannon – Killarney

Following early morning arrival at Shannon Airport, you will be met by your driver/guide and escorted to your awaiting motorcoach. This morning you travel southwards to the **picturesque village of Adare** where you will stop for breakfast. You then continue to Killarney for a **two-night stay in the centrally located Killarney Plaza Hotel**. Following hotel check-in, you will have some time to rest. This afternoon you will take a **jaunting car ride through the Killarney National Park and visit Muckross House and Gardens**. **This Victorian Mansion built in 1843 and is one of Ireland's leading stately homes**. This evening you will enjoy a welcome dinner in your hotel. Overnight: The Killarney Plaza. (B, D)



April 22. The Dingle Peninsula

Today you will enjoy the unspoiled beauty of the **Dingle Peninsula**, once cited as the most beautiful place on earth' by the **National Geographic**. You will stop at the **Brian de Staic studio in Dingle** which



specializes in Celtic jewelry, handcrafted and engraved with ancient **Celtic symbols** and the letters of the ogham alphabet, an ancient Irish form of writing. As you continue around **Slea Head**, you will get some breathtaking views of the Atlantic coastline and see some **beehive huts** (early monastic settlements) **dating back over a thousand years**. Your tour will take you to the most westerly point of Ireland where you can view the **Blasket Island** and see the locations for such films as

Ryan's Daughter, Far and Away starring Tom Cruise and Nicole Kidman and the more recently filmed **Star Wars - The Last Jedi**. You will have some free time in Dingle for lunch before returning to Killarney. Overnight: The Killarney Plaza Hotel. (B)

April 23. West Cork – Michael Collins Centre – Kinsale

This morning you bid farewell to Killarney and travel to **Kenmare** before continuing over the **Caha Pass** to **Glengariff**. Travelling through West Cork, festooned with little ports, bays, inlets and harbours you will get some spectacular panoramic views before arriving in Clonakilty where

you will visit the **Michael Collins Centre Museum**. The Museum houses one of the most extensive collections of **artefacts in Ireland associated with the 1916 rebellion, the Irish war of independence and the Irish civil war**. You will enjoy some dramatized illustrated presentations and a guided tour before departing. From here you continue along the coast road to **Kinsale** where you check into the Trident Hotel overlooking Kinsale Harbour. Kinsale is a historic fishing town on the southern coastline of County Cork. It has some old cobble stone streets and many interesting shops and pubs. It is also renowned for its restaurants and is known as the gourmet capital of Ireland. **This evening you will enjoy dinner in the hotel's Pier One waterfront restaurant**. Overnight: **The Trident Hotel. Kinsale. (B, D)**



April 24. Queenstown Story – Jameson Distillery

This morning you travel to **Cobh** one of the main points of emigration during the great famine and was also the last port of call of the **Titanic**. Here you will visit “**The Queenstown Story**” which portrays the hardship of life on board ship as it sailed to the “New World”. **Annie Moore**, the first ever emigrant to be processed on **Ellis Island** when it officially opened on 1st January 1892 also left from Cobh with her two brothers. From here you travel to Middleton where you can visit **The Old Jameson Distillery**. Here you will enjoy a guided tour and learn the history of whiskey making in Ireland and enjoy a **glass of Jameson before departing**. With the taste and aroma of the whiskey still in the air you return to Kinsale where you have the remainder of the evening free to enjoy browsing in Kinsale’s many shops, enjoy its harbour and observe the marina activity. **Overnight: The Trident Hotel. Kinsale. (B)**



April 25. Blarney – Bunratty – Ennistymon

This morning you depart Kinsale and travel to Blarney where you will have an opportunity to visit **Blarney Castle** and kiss the famous **Blarney Stone** said to bestow the gift of eloquence on all those who dare. You will also have some free time to visit **Blarney Woollen Mills** before departing. You continue to **Limerick City** and from here to Bunratty for your next stop, where you will have an opportunity to visit one of Ireland’s oldest pubs - **Durty Nellies** for some refreshments. From here it’s on to **Ennistymon for a two night stay in the Falls Hotel, overlooking the river Cullenagh**. **Overnight: The Falls Hotel. Ennistymon. (B, D)**



April 26. Cliffs of Moher Cruise – The Burren

This morning you travel to **Doolin** where you will take the **Cliffs of Moher Cruise**. This **one hour guided cruise** along an **8km stretch** of the cliff which rises to a height of **600 ft over the Atlantic Ocean** helps you appreciate the scale and uniqueness of this natural phenomenon. This area has been designated as a special area of conservation by the EU and is home to over **30,000 birds - Puffins, Razorbills and Guillemots** to name but a few. Following a lunch stop in **O’ Connors Pub in Doolin** you will travel through the lunar type landscape of the Burren before returning to Ennistymon. **Overnight: The Falls Hotel. Ennistymon. (B, D)**



April 27. Depart Shannon

Today sadly you bid farewell to the Emerald Isle. You travel to Shannon Airport for your flight home. **(B)**

Price Includes.

Airfare: Round trip air on Aer Lingus

Hotels: April 21 & 22 – The Killarney Plaza Hotel. Killarney
April 23 & 24 – The Trident Hotel. Kinsale
April 25 & 26 – The Falls Hotel. Ennistymon

Meals: Full Irish Breakfast each morning including morning of arrival
1 Dinner in the Killarney Plaza Hotel
1 Dinner in the Trident Hotel
1 Dinner in the Falls Hotel

Visits: Muckross House
Michael Collins Center
Queenstown Story
Jameson Distillery
Blarney Castle

Other

Attractions: Jaunting car ride through Killarney National
Cliffs of Moher Cruise
Luxury Motor Coach for 7 days
Porter assistance at all hotels
Service charge on all meals listed on itinerary

Excludes: **Travel Insurance, highly recommended**
Gratuities for Driver/Guide

Price per person sharing a twin/double room: \$2690.00
Single supplement = \$450

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