

TRIP START DATES

2023	2024
MAY 01, 06, 08, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29	JAN 15
JUN 03, 05, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24	FEB 12
JUL 01, 03, 10, 15, 22, 31	MAR 13
AUG 07, 12, 19, 21, 26, 28	APR 15, 20, 22, 27, 29
SEP 02, 04, 09, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25	MAY 04, 06, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27
OCT 30	JUN 01, 03, 08, 10, 15, 17, 22, 29
NOV 27	JUL 01, 08, 13, 20, 29
DEC 30	AUG 05, 10, 17, 19, 24, 26, 31
	SEP 02, 07, 09, 14, 16, 21, 23

For full dates and prices, and to choose your group size, visit insightvacations.com/cireland

∧ COUNTRY ROADS
ACTIVITY LEVEL: **BALANCED**

12 DAYS
2 COUNTRIES
16 MEALS
19 INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

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GUEST REVIEW ★★★★★

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®

Killarney: Meet John and Freda, passionate restaurant owners, and learn how their farm-to-table concept operates. Enjoy a delicious meal made from fresh ingredients all sourced within a five-mile radius.

Support local wildlife at the Giant's Causeway.

INSIGHT EXPERIENCES

Killarney: Join a gentle hike with a Local Expert along the lake shore and past the grounds of Ross Castle, admiring the incredible scenery of the Killarney National Park.

Visit Trinity College and Book of Kells in Dublin • The Irish National Stud and Japanese Gardens in Kildare • Londonderry with a Local Expert.

INSIGHT CHOICE

Killarney: Choose a memorable ride on a horse-drawn jaunting car with the local jarveys. Alternatively, join a gentle hike with a Local Expert along the lake shore and past the grounds of Ross Castle, admiring the incredible scenery of the National Park.

AUTHENTIC DINING

Celebration Dinner in Ballygally.

TOP RATED HIGHLIGHTS

Visit Blarney Castle • Cliffs of Moher.

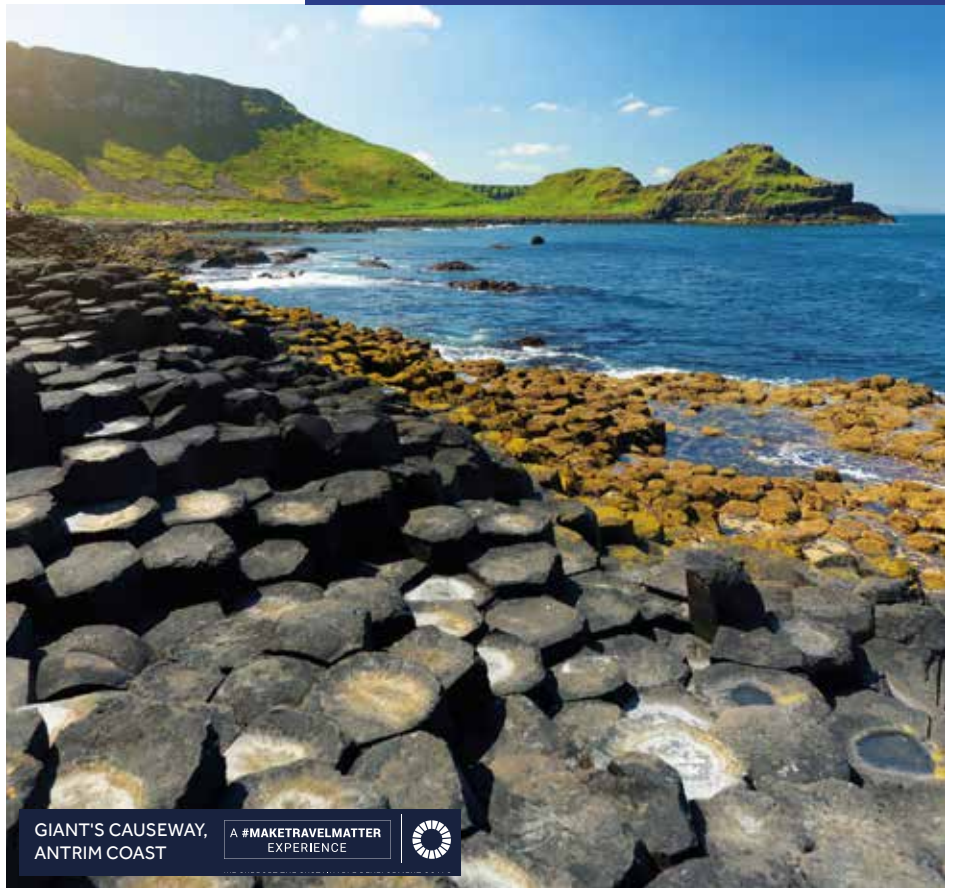
City tour of Belfast with a Local Expert.

See Dublin Castle and St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin • Cahir Castle • City Hall and Opera House in Cork • Killarney • Dingle Peninsula • Lynch Memorial, Church of St. Nicholas and Eyre Square in Galway • Ballygally • Carrickfergus Castle.

COUNTRY ROADS OF IRELAND

"Everyone loves to meet James, our Kilkenny hurler, on this trip. He introduces you to one of our national games with a hands-on experience." – Clodagh, Travel Director

ROOM UPGRADE IN GALWAY BAY: NOW WITH SEA VIEW ROOMS



GIANT'S CAUSEWAY,
ANTRIM COAST

A #MAKETRAVELMATTER
EXPERIENCE



TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN



HA'PENNY BRIDGE, DUBLIN



DAY 1 WELCOME TO DUBLIN

On arrival at Dublin airport, transfers leave for your hotel at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

Join your Travel Director at 18:00 for a warm and friendly Welcome Dinner, with the opportunity to mingle and get to know each other over a meal with wine. (DW)

DAY 2 IN DUBLIN'S FAIR CITY

Relaxed Start. Become acquainted with Dublin's elegant squares during an orientation of the city. Discover Custom House, Christchurch Cathedral and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Enjoy entrance to the 9th century Book of Kells and a walk through the cobbled courtyards of Trinity College. (B)

Clayton Hotel Burlington Road, Dublin.

DAY 3 A JOURNEY FROM DUBLIN TO CORK

Visit one of the country's main racehorse breeding centres and meet an equine professional. Visit the 100-year-old Japanese Gardens. Travel to the medieval city of Kilkenny to visit the majestic Kilkenny Castle. With a Local Expert, learn how the castle was built in 1195 after the Norman Conquest of Ireland and admire its beautifully restored Victorian era rooms. Continue through Cahir and see its 13th century castle.

In Cork, your Travel Director shows you around the university city, with its vibrant waterfront and grand Georgian parades. (B)

Maldron Hotel South Mall Cork City.

DAY 4 ACROSS THE MOUNTAINS TO KILLARNEY

Relaxed Start. Travel to Blarney Castle and kiss the stone to ensure a lifetime of eloquence. Travel across the majestic Derrynasaggart Mountains to the lively town of Killarney.

Join John and Freda, your hosts at the 19th Green Guesthouse, and savour the delicious flavours of fresh local cuisine on this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Gather together at a Farm-to-Table dinner, using responsibly sourced ingredients from the local community, and gain personal insight into classic Irish recipes that are loved throughout the world. (B) (DW)

Killarney Plaza Hotel and Spa.

DAY 5 RING OF KERRY EXPERIENCE

Relaxed Start. Explore Killarney with Insight Choice. Choose a memorable ride on a horse-drawn jaunting car with the local jarveys. Alternatively, join a gentle hike with a Local Expert along the lake shore through the National Park. Explore around the magnificent Ring of Kerry. Here, mountains, valleys, lakes and sea blend into a landscape that is breathtaking beyond words. Journey past lush lakelands and around towering cliffs as you appreciate sweeping sea views. (B)

DAY 6 AROUND THE DINGLE PENINSULA

Relaxed Start. Continue driving with views of wide skies, peaceful towns and coastal scenery of the Dingle Peninsula - the setting for the film Ryan's Daughter. Drive to dramatic Slea Head at the peninsula's far end, before reaching your hotel on the shores of Dingle harbour. With the evening at leisure, why not treat yourself to a relaxing experience at the hotel's spa? (B)

Skellig Hotel, Dingle.

DAY 7 THE CLIFFS OF MOHER AND GALWAY

Journey to the Visitor Centre at the 700-foot Cliffs of Moher for breathtaking views. Enjoy a delightful drive through the strange, rocky landscape of the Burren to Galway Bay. See the Lynch Memorial, Spanish Arch, Eyre Square and Church of St. Nicholas. (B) (DW)

Connemara Coast Hotel (Sea View Rooms), Galway.

DAY 8 FREE DAY GALWAY OR ARAN ISLANDS

Relaxed Start. Spend a day at leisure to relax and enjoy Galway. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to the Aran Islands? A genuine highlight of the Wild Atlantic Way. (B)

DAY 9 LONDONDERRY

Cross into Northern Ireland, bound for the ancient walled city of 'Derry.'

On arrival, one of Northern Ireland's best storytellers, Ronan, will fascinate you as he takes you inside the city walls. (B) (DW)

Maldron Hotel Derry, Londonderry.

DAY 10 WALK IN THE GIANT'S STEPS

Relaxed Start. Journey to the iconic Giant's Causeway for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Learn how the National Trust is enabling farming and biodiversity to work together, supporting both wildlife and quality food production.

Continue to your hotel overlooking Ballygally Bay.

Join us for a finale Celebration Dinner, where old-fashioned hospitality blends with good food and wine. (B) (DW)

Ballygally Castle Hotel, Co. Antrim.

DAY 11 THE ANTRIM COAST TO BELFAST

Relaxed Start. Follow the Antrim Coast, past the huge Norman castle at Carrickfergus, to arrive in Belfast.

Meet Hilda, your Local Expert, for a passionate city tour including views of the City Hall, Queen's University, the Parliament Building at Stormont and murals in different locations indicating political sentiments of local residents. (B)

Europa Hotel, Belfast.


DAY 12 DEPART BELFAST OR DUBLIN


Departure transfers arrive at Belfast George Best City Airport at 08:00 and Belfast International Airport at 08:45. An additional transfer will arrive at Dublin airport at 08:00. (B)

KEY

 Join/Leave Options

 UNESCO Heritage Site

 Central Hotels + Nights

 Scenic Hotels + Nights

 Place Visited

 Optional Place Visited

 Trip Options

**CHOOSE YOUR GROUP SIZE**

This trip operates both classic and small group departures. You can also book your own private group with as few as 12 travellers.

**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE**

Visit the geological masterpiece of Giant's Causeway. (Photo by @Chancstanley, Day 10, County Antrim)



Use the camera on your smart phone to view the full details of this trip on our website.