



Scotland & Ireland: Stories & Legends

12 days - Limited to 24 guests

Explore Scotland and the Emerald Island on a journey encompassing hilltop Edinburgh and the rugged Scottish Highlands, as well as Dublin, Belfast and scenic Western Ireland.

Itinerary

DAY 1 ARRIVE EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

Arrive in bustling Edinburgh and transfer to your hotel. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner.
The Glasshouse | *Meals: Dinner*

DAY 2 EDINBURGH | CASTLE AND CROWN JEWELS

Drive the Royal Mile, past St. Giles' High Kirk, to Holyrood Palace, Queen Elizabeth's official residence in Scotland (subject to closure for official events). Tour Edinburgh Castle to view the magnificent Scottish Crown Jewels.

The Glasshouse | *Meals: Breakfast*

DAY 3 ST. ANDREWS | BIRTHPLACE OF GOLF

Drive to St. Andrews, where you walk the legendary Old Course. Later, travel to Pitlochry for lunch at leisure and time to explore. Tonight, enjoy a festive dinner set to authentic Scottish dancing and bagpipe music.

Ness Walk | *Meals: Breakfast, Dinner*

DAYS 4-5 INVERNESS | HEART OF THE HIGHLANDS

Travel to the rugged North Sea coast of the Highlands. Explore the richly adorned Dunrobin Castle and witness falconry in its gardens. Visit the Glenmorangie whisky distillery, tasting the spirit and meeting with its makers. The next morning, travel to Culloden Moor, where the Jacobite army was defeated in 1746. Cruise the enigmatic waters of Loch Ness, stopping to explore Urquhart Castle and returning along its pretty southern shore. View the cascading Falls of Foyers before returning for dinner at a local restaurant.

Ness Walk | Meals: Breakfast (Day 4); Breakfast, Dinner (Day 5)

DAYS 6-7 BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND | A TROUBLED HISTORY

This morning, fly to Dublin and then drive north to the rapidly changing city of Belfast. Take an orientation tour to gain insight into the turbulent history of Northern Ireland. Then, spend the evening at leisure. The next day, visit the stunning Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Return to Belfast, driving through the spectacular scenery of the nine green Glens of Antrim, stopping for afternoon tea at Ballygally Castle en route. This evening, enjoy an evening of craic agus ceol — fun and song — with a pub crawl featuring live traditional Irish music and led by local musicians.

Culloden Estate & Spa | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch (Day 6); Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

(Day 7) DAY 8 BELFAST | MEMORIAL TO 'TITANIC'

Take a self-guided tour at the interactive Titanic Museum, which features artifact-laden galleries and an ocean exploration exhibit. Continue to the Armagh Cider Company for a tour and tasting, followed by lunch. Drive to your elegant castle hotel in the Republic of Ireland.

Markree Castle | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 9 WESTPORT, IRELAND | WILD CONNEMARA

Drive to Westport, taking in beautiful landscapes en route. After enjoying lunch on your own, visit a local farm to see working sheep dogs in action. Then, prepare a loaf during an Irish breadmaking demonstration. This evening, enjoy dinner in the nearby town of Sligo.

Markree Castle | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 10 STROKESTOWN | THE FAMINE YEARS

Visit 18th-century Strokestown Park House for a private tour. While there, explore the Irish National Famine Museum for insight into this sad chapter of the nation's history. Visit Ireland's oldest distillery, Kilbeggan, for a tour and tasting before continuing to your hotel in Dublin.

Brooks Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 11 DUBLIN | ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

Explore Dublin this morning, visiting Trinity College to view the eighth-century Book of Kells, one of the most famous illustrated manuscripts in the world. Continue to the fascinating Howth Castle, home to the same family for more than 800 years. Spend an afternoon exploring Dublin at leisure, and then gather for a memorable farewell dinner.

Brooks Hotel | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



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DAY 12 DEPART DUBLIN

Transfer to the airport and board your flight.