

OUTLINE ITINERARY

Welcome To Our 7 Day Vagabond World Tour Of Ireland!

Strap yourself in for an adventurous week in the southwest of Ireland.

If you have been searching for the best 7 day Ireland tours from Dublin, then stop looking! Our active World Tour is perfect. Because this is a **Vagabond Cultural Adventure**, expect fresh air and physical activity alongside unforgettable history and culture.

This 7 day Ireland tour package is fully-guided. We've included all hotels, breakfasts and essential activities like hikes, the Cliffs of Moher and a guided Irish sheep farm tour. You are then free to choose from incredible options like watersports and horseback-riding. Not forgetting a cruise around the Skellig Islands, ancient ring forts and two nights of live music and traditional pubs in Dingle.

Summary

Tour Style vagabond - active

Tour Vehicle
CHUNKY 4X4 TOUR VEHICLE
13 Seats

Pickup/Drop Off Location GRAND CANAL HOTEL, DUBLIN

Departure Day sunday

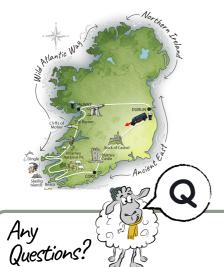
Return Day & Time 5.00-6.00PM SATURDAY

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS



- Explore dramatic coastal scenery along the **Wild Atlantic Way** touring route, not least the majestic **Cliffs of Moher**.
- Flexible adventure options like a guided bike tour, a sea safari, cold water surfing or guided sea kayaking.
- Mix off the beaten track destinations, like **Valentia Island**, with mustsee sites, like the **Blarney Stone**.
- Deep dive into **Irish history** at castle ruins, ring forts, battle sites and mysterious Stone Age stone circles.
- Hop on a boat tour around the spectacular **Skellig Islands**, one of Ireland's UNESCO World Heritage Sites.
- See two of Ireland's most distinctive National Parks; Killarney and The Burren.
- Catch traditional Irish music performances in lively and authentic towns like **Dingle** and **Kenmare**.

WHERE YOU SEE 'OPTIONAL EXTRA', ACTIVITIES AND FEES ARE OPTIONAL. MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THE FINAL PAGE FOR COSTS OF EACH OPTIONAL EXTRA.



My Tour Notes



View Tour in Opposite Direction

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Day 1



GRAND CANAL HOTEL, DUBLIN to GOUGANE BARRA or MACROOM, CORK

Overnight Stay
THE GOUGANE BARRA HOTEL OR
THE CASTLE HOTEL MACROOM

Day of Week

Average Driving
4 HOURS 30 MINUTES

KISS THE BLARNEY STONE & ROCK OF CASHEL

Meet your VagaGuide and fellow Vagabonds at reception of the Grand Canal Hotel, **Dublin** at least 15 minutes before your scheduled departure time of 8.00am. Board your VagaTron 4x4 tour vehicle and hit the road!

Kickstart your Irish odyssey in style with a self-guided tour of the **Rock of Cashel** (Fee Included). You're in good company. Saint Patrick converted the King of Munster here in the 5th century. In the year 978, Brian Boru was crowned High King of Ireland on the same spot.

We'll roll southward through **Tipperary**, moving into the famous green fields and hills of **Cork**.

Then it's time to — hygienically — kiss the famous **Blarney Stone** to gain the gift o' the gab (Fee Included). Afterwards, explore the lush, landscaped gardens of **Blarney Castle**.

We'll trace the valley of the **River Lee**, crossing stone bridges and passing through postcard-pretty countryside.

Day 2



O GOUGANE BARRA or MACROOM, CORK to KENMARE, KERRY

Overnight Stay
THE COACHMAN'S TOWNHOUSE

Day of Week

Average Driving 4 Hours **BEARA WILDERNESS IN WEST CORK**

Vagabonds, meet the Atlantic. Atlantic Ocean, the Vagabonds...

You're about to feel true wilderness. Expect rugged roads, superb scenery and livestock-induced traffic jams on the remote **Beara Peninsula**.

Of the four peninsulas in Ireland's southwestern corner, the Beara receives the least amount of visitors. It's a cliché; but the Beara is truly off the beaten track.

Hike Bullig Bay for views of Bere Island and picnic opportunities near **Dunboy Castle**.

Take a spin over either the **Caha** or **Healy Pass**, both dramatically scenic mountain roads on the Beara Peninsula.

One of our favourite pastimes is dancing around **ancient stone circles**. Astrology? Aliens? Sacrifice? No one truly knows what the circles were for. Let your imagination run wild!

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Day 3



KENMARE, KERRY to PORTMAGEE, KERRY

Overnight Stay
THE MOORINGS PORTMAGEE

Day of Week

Average Driving
3 HOURS 30 MINUTES

BEST OF THE RING OF KERRY

It's a swift morning start for a guided cycling tour of **Killarney National**Park (Optional Extra). Expect a mix of paved road and forest trails. Duration

3 hours approx. Cycling ability is required.

Biking not your thing? You're free to roam this magnificent parkland. Highlights of Killarney National Park for both bikers and hikers may include:

- Sightings of rare red deer herds in native oak forest
- The stately 19th century Muckross House & Gardens
- A short but scenic hike to **Torc Waterfall**
- A magical, centuries-old **yew tree** growing at the centre of a ruined medieval abbey
- Idyllic lakeside and mountain views

If it's a clear night, look up... Kerry is an **International Dark Sky Reserve**. The night sky here offers crystal clear views of the Milky Way.



PORTMAGEE, KERRY to KENMARE, KERRY

Overnight Stay
DINGLE SKELLIG HOTEL

Day of Week

Average Driving 2 HOURS

SKELLIG ISLANDS TRIP OR ISLAND HIKE

Today is your chance to experience Ireland's island treasures; the **Skelligs**.

Option 1: Take a **guided boat trip** around both **Skellig Islands** to experience seabirds and amazing history (Optional Extra). This cruise lasts 2 hour 30 minutes.

This is an ocean crossing. Departures are seasonal (mid-May to mid-September). The 12 person capacity boats are small. The cabin conditions are rough and wet; sea legs are required. Your departure is weather dependent and, as such, occasionally subject to late cancellation.

Option 2: Landlubbers can still experience the Skelligs. Hike to the historic signal tower on Bray Head for amazing views of the islands (1 hour 30 minutes). The trail combines well-worn farm track and open hillside.

Dingle awaits... Revel in a wealth of dinner and entertainment options in this bustling little town. There's a pub for every 40 residents!



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Day 5



DINGLE, KERRY to SLEA HEAD, KERRY (and return)

Overnight Stay
DINGLE SKELLIG HOTEL

Day of Week

Average Driving
1 HOURS 30 MINUTES

FREE TIME TO EXPLORE DINGLE

Today is yours to design. Soak up the charms of **Dingle**, with quality downtime or a choice between the following activities.

Experience **Slea Head**, one of the most beautiful drives in Ireland. Rugged beauty and knife edge cliffs are guaranteed. Look out for the **Blasket Islands** and the holy **Mount Brandon** among the patchwork fields and picture-perfect cottages.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (Choose A, B, C, D, E or F):

- A. Go horseback-riding on a beach or up a mountain.
- **B**. Take a gentle **boat trip** around spectacular Dingle Bay.
- C. Guided sea kayaking on Dingle Bay.
- **D**. Guided **rowing experience** in a traditional Naomhóg boat.
- E. Guided sea safari around the Dingle Peninsula in a high speed rib. Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes.
- **F**. Golfers will enjoy Dingle's excellent links course. This is an all day activity.

Day 6



O DINGLE, KERRY to SPANISH POINT, CLARE

Overnight Stay
THE ARMADA HOTEL

Day of Week

Average Driving 4 Hours

GUIDED FARM TOUR & HIKE OR SURFING

Start the day overlooking 'The Kingdom' of Kerry from Ireland's highest road - the **Connor Pass**.

Another option is to climb the steep, glaciated valley of **Annascaul**. Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes. Expect rough terrain and stunning views.

Refresh yourself with an ice cold pint at the **South Pole Inn**. Relive its extraordinary landlord, Antarctic explorer, Tom Crean.

Visit a working Irish sheep farm with charming old-style cottages for a live **sheepdog demo** and **guided farm tour** (Fee Included). On some departures, this activity may happen on Day 8.

Look out for low-flying dolphins as we take a ferry across the mouth of the **Shannon** - the longest river in Ireland - to arrive in 'The Banner' of Clare (Fee Included).

Surf's up! Take a **surf lesson** (Optional Extra). Or simply absorb the serenity at one of Ireland's most gorgeous beaches.

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Day 7



SPANISH POINT, CLARE to GRAND CANAL,

Day of Week saturday

Average Driving
4 HOURS 30 MINUTES

CLIFFS OF MOHER, GALWAY & THE BURREN

Hold onto your hat! It's the **Cliffs of Moher** (Fee Included). You'll be dazzled by these majestic 700ft high sea cliffs.

Next is the bewitching beauty of **The Burren**. This region boasts a limestone lunar landscape and uniquely rich flora

Spot red-sailed traditional boats and picturesque **Dunguaire Castle** in the village of Kinvara, on Galway Bay.

We're steering for **Galway** this morning. The City of the Tribes nestles on the Atlantic Ocean and makes for an atmospheric urban experience.

You'll disembark your VagaTron 4x4 tour vehicle back at the Grand Canal Hotel in **Dublin** between 5-6pm. Farewell elbow bumps all round for your new travel compadres.





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TOUR PRICING

Oct Departures: €1,867.50 Per Person Sharing Single Room Supplement: €295.00

May to Sep Departures: €2,075.00 Per Person Sharing Single Room Supplement: €300.00

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WHAT'S INCLUDED

- An off the beaten track adventure in 4x4 VagaTron tour vehicle
- The services of a highly-trained and professional VagaGuide tour guide
- 7 full days on tour
- 6 nights' accommodation
- 6 delicious and filling hot Irish breakfasts
- Most daily activities and visits (see Optional Extras)
- Entrance into the magnificent Blarney Castle and Gardens
- Entrance into the epic Rock of Cashel
- A working sheep farm experience
- Shannon ferry tickets

TOUR OPTIONS

Activities marked **OPTIONAL EXTRA** on the day-by-day descriptions carry an additional cost, but are optional.

Guided Bike Tour in Killarney** -

€40.00 Skellig Islands Cruise - €50.00

Horseback Riding in Dingle** -

€50.00

Boat Trip in Dingle Bay - €10.00

Sea Kayaking Dingle - €60.00

Traditional Rowing** - €35.00

Dingle Sea Safari - €65.00

Golf in Dingle - Variable

Surf Lesson in Spanish Point** -

€35.00

^{**} Cash is required for this activity. No card payment available.



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