

# ROOTS OF BOURBON – IRELAND TOUR

SAMPLE ITINERARY



## TRIP **OVERVIEW**

Take a tour through Ireland visiting distilleries to learn about the history of Irish whiskey while tasting whiskeys both old and new! **The tour includes**:

- Private Airport Transfers on arrival and departure
- 8 nights of accommodations at Irish-owned, boutique 4-star hotels
- Transportation in a luxury sprinter van each day driven by your Irish driver/guide
- All breakfasts, 4 multicourse dinners
- Private tours and unique tasting experiences at 7 distilleries
- Multiple activities like a guided pub crawl, a lake boat cruise, and entrance to attractions like the Guinness Storehouse and Gravity Bar
- Concierge booking of any desired activities on day 5
- Gratuities for day tour guides at experiences and distilleries





#### **ARRIVAL IN DUBLIN**

- Upon arrival at Dublin airport, you will be met by a top-class driver who will escort you to a luxury vehicle and you will be privately transferred into Dublin City. Enroute to the hotel, your driver/guide will conduct a panoramic city tour pointing out the major sites so you can get a feel for Dublin's Fair City!
- To start your tour, we include a visit to the Guinness Storehouse for a self guided tour and connoisseur tasting experience before arrival at your hotel where you will check in for 2 nights.
- A welcome drink and dinner is included this evening.





#### **EXPLORE IN DUBLIN**

- Start your day with breakfast provided at your hotel.
- After breakfast, meet an expert local guide for a 3-hour private walking tour of Dublin.
- You will have time to grab an optional lunch then we begin the discovery of the roots of Bourbon with a private tour and tasting at Pearse Lyons Distillery.
- Later the remainder of the afternoon and evening are free for you to explore the city.

#### **ARRIVE IN CORK**

- Breakfast again at your hotel in Dublin before checking out.
- After breakfast you will be met by an expert driver/guide and escorted to a luxury vehicle. You will depart Dublin and head west to Kilbeggan and the Kilbeggan Distillery where we include The Distillers Tour and of course a tasting.
- Later travel the short distance to Tullamore to visit Tullamore DEW where we include the distillery experience.
- There will be time for lunch and in the afternoon, you will travel south to Cork, seeing the magnificent Rock of Cashel en route.
- Your driver/guide will conduct a short tour of Cork City and you will check into your hotel with dinner included at the hotel this evening.





#### **ARRIVE IN KILLARNEY**

- Breakfast at your hotel in the morning. After breakfast you will meet with your driver/guide and travel the short distance to Midleton where we include the Jameson Experience followed by a premium tasting.
- Later you will travel north and there will be time to stop for an optional lunch. Make a stop in the town of Kenmare and in the midafternoon travel along the 3 lakes that make up most of Killarney National Park, the most scenic part of the Ring of Kerry.
- You will arrive in the popular town of Killarney. We will include a boat tour on Lough Leane and perhaps a wee toast of a special whiskey to mark your arrival in the Kingdom of Kerry.
- The evening is free to relax and explore and enjoy some of the great pubs, many with traditional Irish music sessions taking place.

#### **EXPLORE AROUND KILLARNEY**

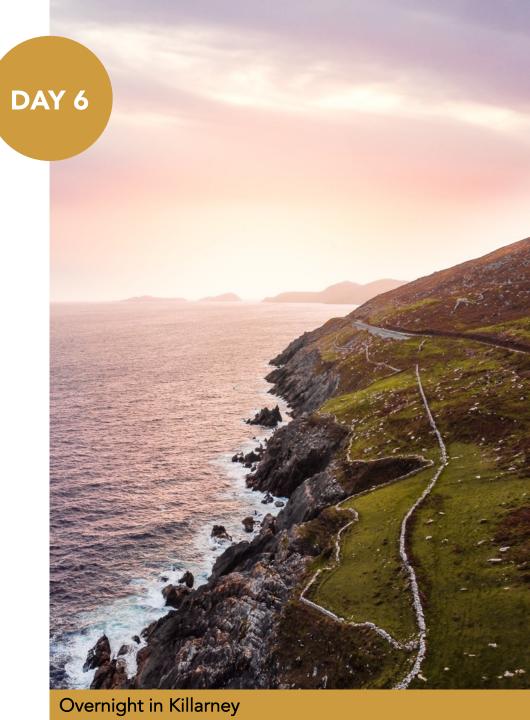
A free day in Killarney today and there are many optional activities for you to choose from:

- Golf
- Fishing
- Hiking
- Bike Rental
- The Gap of Dunloe Tour
- Kayak on Lough Leane
- Tour Muckross House and Gardens
- In the evening we all gather for a VIP whiskey tasting and pub dinner in the Whiskey Bar at the stunning Killarney Park Hotel. After dinner we include round trip transfers and tickets for the stunning show of Irish Music and Dancing - Celtic Steps.



#### **EXPLORE THE DINGLE PENINSULA**

- After breakfast at your hotel today you will meet your driver/guide for a
  tour out to Ireland's most westerly point. The day tour to the Dingle
  Peninsula is a journey that takes in the wild and rugged beauty of the Slea
  head Drive. The peninsula is littered with Archaeological remains and
  secluded sandy beaches. Here you can walk on one of them and feel the
  splendid isolation that the Neolithic settlers must have felt in 4,000 BC
  when they made the area their home.
- Dingle Town is one of Ireland's quickly disappearing Gaeltacht regions
  where Irish is the first language and one can almost sense the difference
  here. An optional seafood lunch can be enjoyed in any of the towns'
  superb restaurants.
- Later you will travel back to Killarney for an afternoon at your leisure.
- This evening meet your driver/guide for a musical pub crawl of Killarney where you can enjoy an optional pub dinner and plenty of craic.





## **ARRIVE IN GALWAY**

- After breakfast again at your hotel, you will meet with your driver/guide and travel north with a short stop in the pretty town of Adare regarded as Ireland's prettiest town.
- We will continue northwest to The Cliffs of Moher where entrance to the Visitor's Centre is included.
- Later travel into the UNESCO protected Burren National Park, take a scenic drive along the coast with stunning views out to the Aran Islands and arrive in the village of Ballyvaughan. Here we include a unique experience at the Burren Distillery.
- In the late afternoon you will travel along Galway Bay to The City of Galway and check into your city center hotel for an overnight stay. The evening is free to relax and explore the city.



#### ARRIVE BACK IN DUBLIN

- Eat breakfast at your hotel and check out to depart Galway.
- Meet your driver/guide this morning and travel the short distance to Micil Distillery for a private tour and tasting.
- Later travel east to Slane and we include our final distillery tour and tasting before arrival in Dublin for your final evening. You will bid farewell to your driver/guide on arrival at your hotel.
- This evening we include a farewell dinner and drink at a city center restaurant and the remainder of the evening is free to relax or do any last-minute sightseeing or souvenir shopping.

#### **DEPART DUBLIN**

- Say your goodbyes to your fellow travelers over breakfast and prepare to part ways.
- After check out, if you are headed home, meet with your driver for a private transfer to Dublin Airport. (Please note that we can also offer a platinum arrival and departure service at Dublin Airport which facilitates the check in or departure in a private lounge with porterage and transport to and from the aircraft. Let us know if you are interested!)



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