

# Ireland

The Best of the Emerald Isle



with:  
**ROGER STROM**

DUBLIN - BELFAST - TITANIC SHIPYARDS - GIANTS CAUSEWAY - GALWAY - RING OF KERRY - BLARNEY

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Kylemore Abbey, Ireland



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North Coast of Northern Ireland

### Day 1: FLY TO IRELAND

Depart the United States for an overnight flight to Europe and the charm of Ireland.

Included Meals: Light Dinner & Breakfast on Plane

### Day 2: DUBLIN CITY TOUR

Upon arrival in Ireland we are joined by a local guide as we discover Dublin on a panoramic tour of the city's sights, which will include a stop at Trinity College to view the ancient Book of Kells. Believed to have been designed in AD 800, the Book of Kells is a beautifully illustrated collection of the four Gospels of the New Testament. Enjoy free time to explore Dublin which may include a visit to the Guinness Brewery. Tonight, we mingle with fellow travelers during our delicious Welcome Dinner.

Included Meals: Dinner

### Day 3: BELFAST - TITANIC SHIPYARDS

This morning we are off to Northern Ireland and Belfast, birthplace of Titanic. We will see iconic structures of the city including St. Peter's Cathedral and the City Hall. You will have free time to explore Donegall Place and the Cathedral Quarter before a visit to the Titanic Museum and the docks where this

iconic ship was built. Late afternoon we check-in at our hotel in Belfast.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

### Day 4: GIANTS CAUSEWAY & DERRY

We depart Belfast for the northern coast of Ireland and the UNESCO World Heritage site at Giant's Causeway. View the 40,000 interlocking basalt columns set on the dramatic and beautiful coastline of Northern Ireland. This afternoon we visit Old Bushmills Distillery, open since 1784. Later, we arrive in Derry for the night.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



Kilkenny Village

## Day 5: SLIGO & GALWAY

We depart for the south of Ireland through stunning countryside before arriving in the village of Sligo, known for an “authentic Ireland” feel. Our scenic drive continues until we arrive in Galway. We will have free time to explore Galway which is quaintly nestled on Ireland’s west coast. Tonight we over-night in the Galway area.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner



Dublin

## Day 6: CONNEMARA & KYLEMORE ABBEY

Our morning finds us touring the Connemara Region. Connemara is a land of lakes, rivers, bogs and mountains. This is an area of small villages and where Gaelic is still the spoken language. Connemara is one of the wildest and most romantic parts of Ireland. Later we tour Kylemore Abbey, a Benedictine monastery founded in 1920. We continue our drive through the scenic Connemara Region before returning to the hotel near Galway.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## Day 7: CLIFFS OF MOHER

We visit a true Irish highlight, the Cliffs of Moher. The Cliffs tower more than 700 feet above the ocean at their highest point— enjoy panoramic views of Ireland’s Atlantic coast and neighboring islands. We continue our way south towards the village of Killarney. Tonight we stay in the Killarney area.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## Day 8: RING OF KERRY & MUCKROSS HOUSE

After a delicious Irish breakfast, we depart on one of Ireland’s most popular and beautiful drives, the Ring of Kerry. Our drive takes us through spectacu-



Ring of Kerry

lar scenery with wind-swept cliffs, lakes, stunning valleys; making this one of Ireland’s most scenic regions. This afternoon we visit Muckross House and Gardens. This Victorian mansion dates from 1843, an idyllic location on the edge of Killarney National Park. Tonight we return to our hotel near Killarney.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## Day 9: ROCK OF CASHEL & BLARNEY CASTLE

This morning we depart our hotel for Rock of Cashel. Rock of Cashel is one of the most photographed sites in Ireland including a historic visit by St. Patrick in 450. We continue to Blarney Castle where you have an opportunity to kiss the Blarney Stone before getting the ‘gift to gab’. Tonight we make our way to the hotel in Kilkenny.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

## Day 10: KILKENNY CASTLE

This morning we depart our hotel for Kilkenny Castle. Kilkenny is one of the best preserved medieval Irish cities. The town is dominated by the 12th century Kilkenny Castle, built by the Normans on their arrival to this part of Ireland. Later, we make our way to Wicklow Mountains, known as the “Garden of Ireland”. We visit the early Christian site of Glendalough to learn about St. Kevin’s 6th century monastery and see the ancient round tower, church ruins and Celtic crosses. Tonight, we gather for a Farewell Dinner, featuring traditional Irish music and entertainment.

Included Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

## Day 11: DEPART DUBLIN

Today, we head for home with new friends and experiences from Ireland!

Included Meals: Breakfast, Light Meals on Plane



## ROGER STROM

For over 30 years Roger Strom has served the agriculture community through award winning radio and television broadcasting experience throughout the Midwest as well as writing a syndicated weekly newspaper column. He is a well-known and respected representative of farmers and agri-business and as Farm Director at WCCO Radio for over 18 years he has become known as the "Trusted Voice of Minnesota Agriculture". Through his newspaper column, he offers a "down-home" approach to those issues affecting farmers and rural communities with a style that has wide-ranged appeal for both readers and advertisers. In 2017, Roger traveled to Austria & Germany with Defined Destinations and looks forward to traveling with you on the Best of Ireland.



## Tour Price

### DOUBLE ROOM:

(based on 2 people sharing a room)

**\$4199.00** PER PERSON

Includes airfare & taxes out of MSP airport (other airports may be available)

### SINGLE ROOM:

Add **\$500** to double rate  
Includes airfare out of MSP

### LAND ONLY PRICE:

**\$3499.00** PER PERSON

(does not include airfare).

Based on 2 people sharing a room

### DEPOSIT:

A \$300 deposit per person is required at booking - it is fully refundable until May 23, 2018

After May 23, 2018 deposit is nonrefundable

**Final Payment:  
May 23, 2018**

**18 INCLUDED MEALS:** All breakfasts and dinners are included as well as welcome and farewell dinners

**UNIQUE ITINERARY:** This trip is unique as we feature Northern Ireland which includes some of the most beautiful sights & drives in Ireland

**LOCAL GUIDE:** To add additional insight and detail to your tour - we feature an Irish Tour Director throughout the tour to Ireland

**INCLUDED GRATUITIES:** Hotel, restaurant staff, city guides and luggage handling gratuities are included in the tour price

**NO HIDDEN EXPENSES:** We have included all activities mentioned in the Best of Ireland tour. Meals, excursions, taxes and all city tours are included in the tour price.

## INCLUDED HIGHLIGHTS:

- Dublin, Belfast & Galway City Tours
- Entrance to see the Book of Kells in Dublin
- Entrance to Titanic Museum and Shipyards
- Visit UNESCO Giant's Causeway
- Old Bushmills Whiskey Distillery tour
- Derry, Northern Ireland
- Connemara countryside tour
- Kylemore Abbey & Gardens tour
- Cliffs of Moher
- Ring of Kerry tour
- Muckross House and Gardens
- Killarney Tour
- Rock of Cashel
- Blarney Castle (Kiss the Blarney Stone)
- Kilkenny Castle
- Glendalough & Wicklow Mountains
- Traditional Irish Night with local music

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

By submitting this form online and checking the AGREE button, I acknowledge and accept the terms and conditions listed below for myself and traveling party.

- The information provided on this form is true and correct and agree that neither myself, anyone in my traveling party, or any of my family will hold Defined Destinations LLC, and/or Delta Airlines, and/or any other vendors, employees, subsidiaries, or any other persons responsible for any loss due to misinformation provided.
- A \$300 per person deposit is due at time of booking. If the tour is cancelled due to lack of participation, as stated above, full deposit will be refunded to the original form of payment. (Deposits are non-refundable if you cancel after May 23, 2018).
- Packages are nonrefundable after the final payment date.
- Travel insurance is recommended and offered by Defined Destinations LLC and my acceptance/declination is stated on the form. Travel insurance is optional and is an additional cost. Plans and rates may vary for each person.
- A valid passport good for travel a minimum of 6-months after last date of travel is required for all US citizens and each passenger is responsible to have proper documents. Failure to have proper documents could result in denied boarding and/or entry to another country and no refunds will be made. Please see <http://www.travel.state.gov> for more information
- All travelers are US citizens carrying valid US Passports. I (we) understand that if we are not a US citizen carrying a valid US Passport then it is our sole responsibility to obtain proper travel documentation for travel and Defined Destinations, LLC, United & Delta Airlines, Icelandair, and/or any other vendors, employees, subsidiaries, or any other persons shall not be held responsible for failure to secure proper travel documents and no refunds will be given.
- Space on the packages is limited and confirmed on a first-come/first-serve basis.
- Once deposit is paid, name changes are not allowed and bookings/monies cannot be “transferred” to another person. If the name given is incorrect there will be a name change fee mandated by the airlines. This fee will be responsible by the traveler.

•If Land Only is purchased transfers to/from the airports are not included. The only exception is if the traveler buying land only is on the same flights as the group or if you purchase your own air and can be at the airport at the same time as the group, you may travel with the group at the 1 scheduled arrival and 1 scheduled departure time. If not, you will need to purchase your own transfers at an additional cost. Do not purchase your own airfare until the tour has been confirmed at final payment.

•The package, including airfare, is a special packaged-price and any other discounts will not apply, including but not limited to MERSC, Senior Discounts, AARP, AAA, Online coupons, etc.

•Prices are based on a group minimum for each tour. If the group does not receive the minimum number of participants before June 16, tours will be cancelled and all monies paid to Defined Destinations will be refunded.

•Final payment is non-refundable and due in full by May 23, 2018. By accepting the terms in this contract you authorize Defined Destinations to run Final Payment on May 23, 2018. If you would like to change the form of payment for final payment is your responsibility to provide new information to Defined Destinations prior to May 23, 2018. Failure to provide Defined Destinations with final payment, including declined credit cards, will result in forfeit of deposit and loss of space on the group.

•Packages are subject to change without notice, including but not limited to hotel, transfers, pre-booked tours, and amenity changes.

•If airfare is purchased as part of the package the flights are with one of our airline partners: Flight times are subject to change without notice Flights can have changed connections without notice This is a group block of space in the Main Cabin (coach class seats) and seats cannot be upgraded. If you choose to upgrade to business class you will be charged the ‘land only’ price and then the going rate for business class seats. This is a group block of seats on the airline and although every request for an aisle/window etc. seat will be taken into consideration no seat assignment is guaranteed. Airlines allows each passenger 1 free checked bag under 50 pounds, 1 free carry-on item, and one free personal item. There are additional charges for additional and oversized bags. The selected airline will offer additional details.