



## Apr 27 - May 11, 2024

delights. Join Celebrity host Carson Arthur and Expedia hosts Dale Betts and Dan Wheeler on our exclusive Best of Ireland luxury coach tour. In Northern Ireland experience the brilliance of Belfast, Derry and Giant's Causeway; to the south revel in the natural beauty of Connemara, the Cliffs of Moher and the Ring of Kerry. Feel the wind at your back on a horse-drawn jaunting-car ride through Killarney National Park, explore castles and medieval towns, and discover Dublin's "Fair City". Enjoy the relaxed pace of our tour with two and three night stays in first class hotel including a hearty full Irish breakfast daily, as well as 7 evening meals. Tour 6 beautiful gardens with Carson and have fun on our Mystery Excursion!



# Travel with Carson - 3 Best of Ireland



### **Itinerary-**



Day 1 – April 27 – Welcome to Ireland

Our tour begins in the seaside village of Malahide, outside of Dublin. You may wish to take a stroll on the beach, or visit Malahide Castle and Gardens, which is a short walk from your hotel. Enjoy a welcome cocktail and an introduction to your travelling companions before dinner.

Dinner/ Overnight – Grand Hotel, Malahide

Day 2 – April 28 – St. Patrick's Country

Today we head north through the majestic Mountains of Mourne into Saint Patrick's Country to visit the grave of Ireland's Patron Saint and the center which tells his story. Afterwards, we journey to Belfast via a ferry boat ride across Stranford Lough to beautiful Portaferry.

Dinner/ Overnight – Europa Hotel, Belfast

Day 3 – April 29 – Belfast Botanic Gardens & Titanic

After breakfast, we will enjoy a panoramic tour of Belfast including the political wall murals and the Peace Wall. Next the Titanic Experience where you will take a self-guided tour. Then, on to Belfast's Botanic Gardens; meander through 28-acres of nature, including a beautiful rose garden. After our Mystery Event, the evening is free to explore and dine in the Northern capital on your own.

Overnight—Europa Hotel, Belfast

Day 4 – April 30 – Causeway Coastal Route

We drive north along the Antrim Coast and visit the Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. We then continue to Derry (Londonderry), where a local guide will tell the 'Story of Derry' on a fascinating walking tour of this historic walled city.

Dinner/Overnight—Kee's Hotel, Co. Donegal



Day 5 – May 1 – Florence Court & Yeats' Country

This morning, enjoy a visit to Florence Court, a beautiful manor house and gardens run by the National Trust in County Fermanagh. After, we enter the romantic domain of W. B. Yeats via Drumcliffe where he is buried before arriving in the colourful town of Westport.

Dinner/Overnight—Westport Coast Hotel, Westport

#### Day 6 – May 2 – Connemara and Kylemore Abbey

Connemara remains one of the wildest and most romantic places in Ireland. A drive around Murrisk Peninsula brings us to Delphi and Killary Harbour. Enjoy a visit to Kylemore Abbey on the shores of Kylemore Lough, home to a beautiful walled garden. Enjoy free time this afternoon in Westport.

Overnight—Westport Coast Hotel

#### Day 7 – May 3 – Galway & Cliffs of Moher

There will be some free time in Galway City before driving along the southern shores of Galway Bay, and viewing the mighty Cliffs of Moher. An optional medieval banquet at Knappogue Castle is on offer tonight.

Overnight—Radisson Blu Hotel, Limerick

#### Day 8 – May 4 – Limerick to Killarney

After breakfast we tour Limerick City before travelling to Adare, one of the prettiest villages in Ireland, home to thatched roof cottages, quirky shops, and cute cafes. Then it is on to the beautiful town of Killarney, our home for the next three nights.

Dinner/ Overnight—Dromhall Hotel, Killarney

#### Day 9 – May 5 – Dingle Peninsula

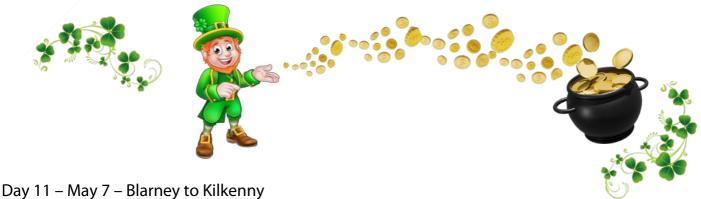
This morning we enjoy a jaunting car ride through Killarney National Park. Next, we journey along the Dingle Peninsula, a breath-taking coastline of steep sea-cliffs and endless sandy beaches. In Dingle you will have free time to stroll the harbour, shop for handcrafts, and enjoy freshly caught seafood in a local fish shack or pub.

Overnight—Dromhall Hotel, Killarney

#### Day 10 – May 6 – Ring of Kerry

We take the short drive to the heritage town of Kenmare this morning. We then travel the Ring of Kerry Road back to Killarney through Moll's Gap where we visit a traditional working sheep farm. This evening you are invited to Quill's Farmhouse for a traditional Irish dinner and entertainment.

Dinner/Overnight—Dromhall Hotel, Killarney



Day 11 - May 7 - Biarriey to Kirkering

Today we travel east to Blarney Castle and Gardens where you will have time to explore the gardens or climb the 127 steps of the castle to kiss the 'stone of eloquence (admission for a kiss paid locally). Next, we travel not such a long way to Tipperary to visit Cahir Castle and Gardens, and the town of Cashel, before arriving in medieval Kilkenny.

Dinner/Overnight—Ormonde Hotel, Kilkenny

#### Day 12 - May 8 - Mount Congreve & Waterford

This morning, we visit Mount Congreve, regarded as one of the great gardens of the world. Located in Ireland's Ancient East, it is home to one of the largest collection of plants in Europe. Afterwards, enjoy Waterford city for some free time to explore its medieval streets. You may wish to visit the Viking Museum or the famous Crystal factory (optional).

Dinner/Overnight—Ormonde Hotel, Kilkenny

#### Day 13 – May 9 – Japanese Gardens & Dublin

This morning we travel through the Curragh of Kildare for a guided tour of the Irish National Stud and the Japanese Gardens. The gardens were laid out in the early 1900's, with the aim of depicting the 'Life of Man' through rocks, plants, flowers, lawns, trees, and water. Arrive Dublin mid-afternoon and visit Pearse Lyons Distillery for a tour and tasting. The evening is free to experience the electric atmosphere of Dublin.

Overnight—Gresham Hotel, Dublin

#### Day 14 - May 10 - Dublin's Fair City

The day is yours to explore Dublin's "Fair City" with a Hop On/ Hop Off pass. Check out the famous streets, squares, magnificent buildings, beautiful parks, and great shopping. Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner with lively Irish entertainment.

Dinner/Overnight—Gresham Hotel, Dublin

Day 15 – May 11 – Tour Ends Your tour ends after a final hearty Irish breakfast in your Dublin hotel.











**TOUR COST**: \$4799.00 per person (based on twin share)

## Early Booking Rate - book by 30 Jun 2023!

Book by June 30, 2023 to receive early booking rate as noted. After June 30, 2023 prices are subject to change.

#### **TOUR INCLUSIONS:**

- · Garden admissions: Belfast Botanic Gardens, Florence Court, Kylemore Abbey, Blarney Castle, Mount Congreve, Japanese Gardens at the National Stud
- · Transportation throughout by modern touring coach
- · Services of an experienced driver & local touring guide
- · 14 nights' accommodation in first class hotels, full Irish breakfast daily, 7 evening meals in hotels
- · Dinner and entertainment at Quill's farmhouse, Muckross Park & Farewell dinner, Dublin
- · Walking tour of Derry City
- · Jaunting car ride through Killarney
- · Admissions to: Saint Patrick Visitor Centre, Titanic Belfast, Giant's Causeway, Walking Tour of Derry City, Florence Court, Kylemore Abbey, Cliffs of Moher, Cahir Castle, Kissane Sheep Farm, Irish National Stud, Pearse Distillery, 24-hour Hop On/ Hop Off pass, Dublin
- Baggage handling charges
- . Celebrity host Carson Arthur & Expedia Cruises hosts Dale Betts and Dan Wheeler

NOT INCLUDED: Gratuities, Airfare, Travel Insurance, Items of a personal nature, Meals not already listed in itinerary, Optional purchases.





## Travel with Carson Best of Ireland

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT-

Complete our online information/registration form and your Expedia Cruises consultant will contact you right away.

Registration Form Link - https://bit.ly/3WrEwhf





Deposit: Non-refundable \$500 per person is due at time of booking.

Interim Payment: Non-refundable \$500 per person is due 15 Sep 2023

Final Payment: Non-refundable balance is due 01 Feb 24

NOTE: if paying by credit card a 3% surcharge will apply. We accept Mastercard & Visa only.

#### **TERMS & CONDITIONS:**

Space is capacity controlled, in Canadian dollars, per guest based on double occupancy. Government taxes & fees are included. Tour price and inclusions based on 40 passengers. For full terms and conditions please see Royal Irish Tours website -

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**Outdoor Design & Lifestyle Expert** 

Over the last 25 years, Carson has taught homeowners how to raise the value of their homes through outdoor renovations while maintaining a focus on environmentally friendly choices. He is a tv mainstay as part of the North American Cityline team as a landscape designer and outdoor expert. He has also been the host/expert on several tv shows that can be seen all around the world. He writes for several publications about outdoor design and appears regularly in a variety of magazines with guest articles and hosts his own radio show right here in Canada

Carson is the author of the sold-out book Garden Designs for Outdoor Living and has a new book called Vegetables, Chickens and Bees where he teaches new gardeners how to grow food and become more sustainable in their own outdoor spaces. In 2019, Carson opened his namesake market in Prince Edward County. With a focus on growing food, organic principals, and products that make gardening accessible to everyone, Carson's Garden + Market has quickly become a destination for discerning gardeners.

His credits include; the host of HGTV's Green Force and Critical Listing; the Gemini nominated Room to Grow on Global, ION and the Discovery network; Better Homes and Garden's Home, First Home on the Hallmark Channel in the U.S.; and as the gardening expert on HGTV's blockbusters; Home to Win Season 1 through 4. Watch for him in the 2023 release of HGTV's Resort Renovation!



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