





Known for Guinness, whiskey and the some of the greenest countryside in the world, Dublin is the capital of the Republic of Ireland. It was voted Europe's fourth most popular city and destination behind London, Paris and Rome, and is one the friendliest cities in the world. It is also one of Europe's most beautiful cities, with its elegant Georgian Architecture and medieval buildings, including the 13th-century Dublin Castle, the imposing St. Patrick's Cathedral and Temple Bar. Not to be left out is Grafton Street, the bustling, largely pedestrian-only shopping area famed for its buskers.

Dublin's history takes us back to when it was founded as a Viking settlement, known as the Kingdom of Dublin. It became Ireland's principal city following the Norman invasion. Today, Dublin is still a principal city and is famous for its laid-back charm and cultural heritage. It is the capital of The Craic (pronounced 'crack'), the art of life. With its famous writers, such as Oscar Wilde, James Joyce, and playwright Samuel Beckett, and, of course, the band U2, The Craic have helped shape Dublin into what it is now: a vibrant capital that moves at an easygoing pace.

THREE-NIGHT DUBLIN UNCOVERED (JULY 1-4, 2016)

\$1,269 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR ROOM \$1,369 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR ROOM \$1,369 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR FRONT FACING ROOM \$1,469 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR FRONT FACING ROOM

INCLUDED

- Three nights at The Westbury Hotel, inclusive of a full Irish buffet breakfast
- Hotel check-in is at 3 pm (July 1)
- Walking tour of Dublin City & Trinity College (July 1)*
- Malahide Castle & Howth Head with lunch (July 2)
- Guinness Storehouse & Old Jameson Distillery with lunch (July 3)
- Dinner at the Merry Ploughboy (July 3)
- Dublin Castle and St. Patrick's Cathedral tour with lunch and transfer to port (July 4)
- Hotel dates are July 1 4, with checkout on July 4
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Round-trip hotel luggage porterage
- Olivia staff assistance throughout

*Please arrive at hotel by 2 pm for the 3 pm tour departure

NOT INCLUDED

International air, transfer from Dublin airport (DUB) to hotel, meals where not listed

PLEASE NOTE: You must be able to walk up and down stairs, and stand for extended periods of time for this package.

ONE-NIGHT DUBLIN (JULY 3-4, 2016)

\$599 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR ROOM
\$699 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR ROOM
\$699 PP DOUBLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR FRONT FACING ROOM
\$799 PP SINGLE OCCUPANCY - SUPERIOR FRONT FACING ROOM

INCLUDED

- One night at The Westbury Hotel inclusive of a full Irish buffet breakfast
- Hotel check-in is at 3 pm (July 3)
- Walking tour of Dublin City & Trinity College (July 3)*
- Dinner at the Merry Ploughboy (July 3)
- Dublin Castle and St. Patrick's Cathedral tour with lunch and transfer to port (July 4)
- Hotel dates are July 3-4, with checkout on July 4
- Meals as indicated on the itinerary
- Round-trip hotel luggage porterage
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*Please arrive at hotel by 2 pm for the 3 pm tour departure.

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ABOUT YOUR TOURS



Walking Tour of Dublin City & Trinity College

Today, after checking into the hotel and freshening up, you will go on a walking tour to get oriented with the central part of Dublin; then, you'll make your way to Trinity College where you will celebrate history! You'll first walk around the area close

to the hotel to learn about the history of the area and old historical buildings. It's teeming with shops, restaurants and historical sites!

Your walk will lead you to Trinity College, the oldest university in Ireland. The campus contains a unique collection of buildings dating from the 17th to the 20th century. The College is famed for the great treasures it houses and guards, including the Book of Kells, a 9th-century illuminated manuscript, the books of Durrow and Armagh, and an early Irish harp. The Long Room is the most impressive library in the College, housing over 200,000 of Trinity's oldest books.

After taking in these treasures, you will walk back to the hotel as a group or you can explore on your own.



Malahide Castle & Howth Head with Lunch at the Abbey Tavern (With Three-Night Package Only)

Today, we'll make our way just outside Dublin to Malahide Castle and Howth Head. Malahide Castle, set on 250 acres of park land in the pretty seaside town of Malahide, was both a fortress and a private home for nearly eight hundred years, and is an interesting mix of architectural styles. The Talbot family lived here from 1185 to 1973, when the last Lord Talbot passed away.

The house is furnished with beautiful period furniture together with an extensive collection of Irish portrait paintings, mainly from the National Gallery. The history of the Talbot family is recorded in the Great Hall, with portraits of generations of the family telling their own story of Ireland's stormy history. One of the more poignant legends concerns the morning of the Battle of the Boyne in 1690, when fourteen members of the family breakfasted together in this room, never to return, as all were dead by nightfall.

Many additions and alterations have been made to this romantic and beautiful structure, but the contours of the surrounding parklands have changed little in eight hundred years, retaining a sense of the past. You will also have time to visit the beautiful gardens as you walk around the grounds of this castle steeped in legend and history.

You will then board the coaches to make your way out to Howth Head. Howth is a popular beauty and health resort, nine miles from the center of Dublin City. The village is a pleasant resort of steep winding streets. It is dominated by a Martello Tower and the interesting ruins of 11th-century Howth Abbey.

After having time for pictures of the spectacular views, you will make your way to the Abbey Tavern for lunch. Nestling against the ancient ruins of Howth Abbey, with the lovely fishing harbor and jewel-like islands of Lambay and Ireland's Eye below, the Abbey Tavern is the ideal spot for a lunch in the genuine atmosphere of Old Ireland.

As you enter the Tavern, you will be struck by its old-world charm, authenticity and simplicity, blazing turf fires, original flagged floors, and gas lights.



Guinness Storehouse & Old Jameson Distillery with Lunch (With Three-Night Package Only)

Today, our first stop will be at the Guinness Storehouse for a tour, tasting and lunch. You will have an extraordinary experience learning how Guinness is made - it really is all about the water! Here you will discover what goes into making a pint - the ingredients, the processes, and the effort. You will also meet Arthur Guinness, and find out how the drink that carries his name has travelled around the world and has been advertised over the years, at home and abroad. The journey ends on the roof high above Dublin, in the Gravity Bar, with a pint of Guinness and the best view in the city...really!

After your stomach and taste buds have been treated to delicious food and pint, you will board the coaches once again for the famed Old Jameson Distillery where you will tour and taste whiskey.

The Old Jameson Distillery is a Museum/Heritage center which is dedicated to the history of distilling in Ireland. The tour starts with a 14-minute audio-visual presentation, The Water of Life, where you will learn the full story of Irish whiskey. You'll then go to the Ball 'O Malt Bar, the highlight of the tour, where you will have the opportunity to taste the various Irish whiskeys. You'll also have the opportunity to become certified as a qualified Irish Whiskey Taster.

Following the tasting, you may wander, glass in hand, around the museum and souvenir shop before heading back to the coach for the drive back to the hotel.

Dinner at the Merry Ploughboy (With One- & Three-Night Packages)

This evening we will experience a true Irish dinner with traditional music and a dance show at the Merry Ploughboy Pub. From start to finish, this is a show based on interaction between the performers and the audience. The entertainment commences with Ireland's leading traditional Irish music group, The Merry Ploughboys, who have been performing to audiences in Dublin since 1989. This makes the Merry Ploughboys show the longest running show in Ireland hosted by the same performers over an impressive 26 years. Midway through, All-Ireland and world champion Irish dancers from Dublin and beyond will perform. A night of authentically Irish entertainment is guaranteed. Be prepared to participate in this electric performance.

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Dublin City Tour: Dublin Castle, St. Patrick's Cathedral & with Lunch and transfer to the Wind Surf (With One- & Three-Night Packages)

After enjoying your breakfast at the Westbury Hotel, you will check out of the hotel and head off on your next adventure. You will be met by our tour guides to board your coach for a half-day tour to the 13th-century Dublin Castle and imposing St. Patrick's Cathedral, as well as lunch at the award-winning Fire Restaurant.

Our first stop today is Dublin Castle, which was the center of British rule in Ireland for over 750 years. Built under orders of King John in 1204, the Round Tower is the only feature of the original Norman castle which remains today. The castle was used as the official residence of the viceroys and later Chief Secretaries (British representatives in Ireland) until the Viceregal Lodge was built. Today, the castle is used mostly for state functions.

No visit to Dublin is complete without a visit to St. Patrick's Cathedral which stands on the oldest Christian site in Dublin. St. Patrick is said to have baptized converts to the Christian faith in a well, which once existed north of the tower in the present park. Because of its sacred association with St. Patrick, a church had stood here since the 5th century. In 1191 A.D., the Normans built another church in stone on this site and this was rebuilt in the first half of the 13th century - the building that stands there today. The first university in Ireland was founded in St. Patrick's in 1320 and continued for nearly 200 years.

The famous Jonathan Swift, who was Dean of St. Patrick's (1713 - 1745), is buried in the Cathedral. Swift's pulpit, table, and chair, as well as the scroll he received when he was honored as a Freeman of the City of Dublin, are here.

Our last stop today before heading to the ship will be at the award-winning Fire Restaurant for lunch. Fire Restaurant is a symbol of the city in its own right. A mix of styles and symbolism, the current structure was built in 1891 as the Lord Mayor's Supper Room. In the 20th Century, it was used as a cultural center, and later, it returned to its original purpose of serving supper when it became a restaurant.

ABOUT YOUR HOTEL



THE WESTBURY HOTEL

Centrally located, The Westbury Hotel is a short walk from the bustling Grafton Street lined with shops, restaurants, Trinity College and the National Museum. This 5-star hotel is itself high on the list of city attractions, especially its famous Gallery, with an extensive art collection and traditional afternoon tea. All guest rooms have custom-designed furniture, Frette bed linens, and Acqua Di Parma bath products. On-site amenities include the fine-dining restaurant Wilde, which uses local ingredients to create an international menu, and Café Novo, a trendy brasserie. Complimentary Wi-Fi and fitness center are also included.

READY TO BOOK?