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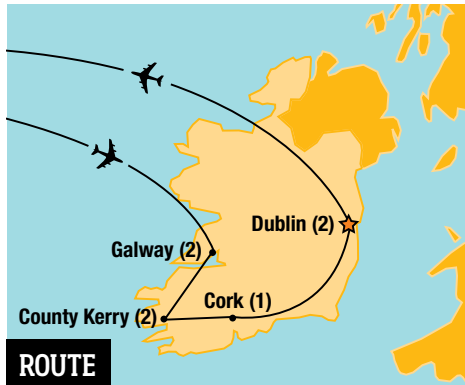
## 9 DAYS

Ireland

### PROGRAM FEE INCLUDES:

- Round-trip airfare
- Hotels
- Travel between cities
- Welcome drink
- Farewell dinner
- Breakfast daily
- Full-time tour guide
- Walking tours
- Sightseeing tours
- Entrances to select attractions

*Itinerary subject to change*



### DAY 1 FLIGHT

#### OVERNIGHT FLIGHT TO IRELAND

### DAY 2 GALWAY

**ARRIVAL IN IRELAND** • Welcome to Ireland! After clearing customs, you'll meet your full-time EFCB Tour Guide and the rest of your group. Then you'll transfer to nearby Galway. Did you know that Galway was once ruled by 14 tribes?

#### SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF GALWAY (EFCB TOUR GUIDE) •

Your tour guide will introduce you to this artsy, laid-back college town. Walk along the banks of the River Corrib, and keep your eyes open for the red-sailed boats out on Galway Bay.

**WELCOME DRINK** • Get to know the other travelers in your group over some welcome drinks. Afterwards, head out on the town, or go back to the hotel to catch up on some sleep.

### DAY 3 ARAN ISLANDS

**EXCURSION TO THE ARAN ISLANDS** • Head out to the rugged islands, where traditions linger. Gaelic is still the main language of the islands, and traces of ancient Gaelic customs can still be found in the shops and cottages that dot the landscape. Visitors come to the islands to step back in time and to soak in the dramatic nature and scenery.

**FREE TIME GALWAY** (night) • Top 5 suggestions:

- 1. Taaffes** • Come here for nightly traditional Irish music and keep your ears open for spoken Gaelic.
- 2. Quay Street** • This area by the river is the most action-packed in the city—pub crawl heaven.
- 3. Tigh Neachtains** • On Quay Street, this spot attracts a cosmopolitan crowd, with its theatrical posters on the walls and frequent live music acts.
- 4. The Living Room** • This is the place to go if you're looking for a lively, modern and trendy scene.
- 5. The GPO** • One of Galway's most popular nightspots, this longest-standing club in Galway attracts a student-heavy crowd with 80's, funk, ska and soul.

(For more ideas and details, see our Galway city guide at [efcollegebreak.com](http://efcollegebreak.com).)

### DAY 4 COUNTY KERRY

#### TRANSFER TO COUNTY KERRY VIA CLIFFS OF MOHER

• Drive through the green Irish countryside to County Kerry, the fifth-largest county in Ireland. Stop at the Cliffs of Moher for an amazing view of Ireland's dramatic coastline. The limestone walls of rock dominate the coast for five miles and rise to staggering heights of 700 feet.



## DAY 5 RING OF KERRY

**SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF THE RING OF KERRY (EFCB TOUR GUIDE)** • Journey the 112 miles around the Iveragh Peninsula, better known as the Ring of Kerry. Catch the amazing views of the Atlantic Ocean, the Lakes of Killarney, and Macgillycuddy's Reeks (the tallest mountains in Ireland).

**BOG VILLAGE** • In Glenbeigh, visit the Bog Village. Wander through a re-creation of an Irish village from the early 1800s, as costumed guides demonstrate the 19th-century rural Irish way of life.

## DAY 6 BLARNEY • CORK

**BLARNEY CASTLE** • En route to Cork, stop for a visit to the famed Blarney Castle. To reach the legendary Blarney Stone and to receive the "gift of the gab," you'll have to climb the steps of the castle, lean backward under the parapet wall and kiss the stone upside-down.

**SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF CORK (EFCB TOUR GUIDE)** • Your tour guide shows you around Cork, Ireland's second-largest city. The name Cork comes from an Irish word meaning "marshy place." Cork has an up-and-coming art, music and restaurant scene, and its scenic highlights include the River Lee flowing through the center and charming 17th-century alleyways.

## DAY 7 DUBLIN

**TRANSFER TO DUBLIN** • Continue on to Dublin, otherwise known as Ireland's Fair City. Did you know that Dublin's St. James Gate brewery produces 4 million pints of Guinness every day?

**GUINNESS STOREHOUSE** • Witness the history and brewing process of the world's most famous beer. The Guinness Brewery was founded in 1759. Check out the Guinness Hopstore, a converted 19th-century building where you can see how the famous stout is made. For many, the real highlight of the visit is the so-called Gravity Bar, a glass-enclosed space about 200 feet up, where you can sample the brew as you enjoy 360-degree views of Dublin.

**FREE TIME DUBLIN (night)** • Top 5 suggestions:

1. **Temple Bar** • This lively area south of the Liffey is Dublin nightlife, according to some.
2. **Ri Ra** • Throngs of students and others come here for the good company and the two floors of great music.



3. **O'Donoghue's** • This crowded pub has traditional Irish music every night of the week.

4. **Mulligans** • A popular after-work spot for young Dubliners, this classic pub boasts one of the finest Guinness pints in the city.

5. **Vicar Street** • Top-notch international acts perform at this crowd-pleasing concert venue.

(For more ideas and details, see our Dublin city guide at [efcollegebreak.com](http://efcollegebreak.com).)

## DAY 8 DUBLIN

**SIGHTSEEING TOUR OF DUBLIN (LOCAL GUIDE)** • A local guide will bring you the best of Dublin. Pass by the Irish President's home as you head through Phoenix Park. Take in the views along the River Liffey and check out an ancient Viking site. Go inside Trinity College, where the likes of Bram Stoker and Samuel Beckett studied hard. In the library you'll see the *Book of Kells*, an illustrated book written by Irish monks that was found buried in the ground in 1007.

**ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL** • Visit the 800-year-old church named after the famous Irish saint. This is Ireland's largest church and the final resting place of Jonathan Swift.

**FREE TIME DUBLIN (day)** • Top 5 suggestions:

1. **Dublin Writers Museum** • This tribute to the many literary giants who called Dublin home includes cool artifacts like James Joyce's typewriter.
2. **Shopping on Grafton Street** • Scope out sweet deals in the hub of Dublin shopping; you can also stop and rest with a cup of tea along the way.
3. **Kilmainham Gaol** • Once a jail for political prisoners, this moving museum is worth a trip.
4. **Phoenix Park** • Relax or play alongside the locals in the city's most expansive park.
5. **Dublin Zoo** • Animal lovers rejoice in this impressive park housing 235 species of animals and birds.

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**FAREWELL DINNER** • Share some last laughs (and maybe shed a few tears) at a farewell dinner with the group.

## DAY 9 DUBLIN

**FLIGHT HOME**

### DON'T WANT TO GO HOME?

Plan beforehand, and you can change your return ticket and explore more of Dublin on your own, or visit another city and fly home from there. Contact us for details.