

April 8-16, 2016

\$1949.00 PER PERSON

(plus \$449.00 US departure tax)

Please Join . . .

Burning Bridget Cleary . . . on their Tour of Ireland!

Day 1 April 8 Friday	USA-Ireland. Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland. Dinner and in-flight entertainment is served shortly after take-off.
Day 2 April 9 Saturday	Dublin-Belfast. Arrive Dublin where after clearing customs we are met by our Professional Irish Driver Guides. Leaving Dublin we begin our adventures by driving north to the bustling town of Drogheda; nearby are the slaughter fields of the Battle of the Boyne(1690), hear how the Irish Jacobite was crushed and William of Orange became the inspiration for Northern Ireland's 'Marching Season'. Cross the border at Newry, viewing the British Military Fortifications in the Celtic Mythology steeped mountains of south Armagh. Then it's on to intriguing and beautiful Belfast, birthplace of the Titanic and once the second richest city in the British Empire. We enjoy a panoramic tour. We view the Stark concrete barrier that is the Peace Wall from both sides. Your driver/guide will stop with you at the world famous murals in both the Protestant/Loyalist Shankill Area and the Catholic/Nationalist Falls Road. After checking into your hotel you are free to explore on your own. You may decide (on own) visit to the new Titanic Museum. Overnight Jury's Belfast.
Day 3 April 10 Sunday	Belfast-Antrim Coast. Morning departure from Belfast takes us north through the majestic Glens of Antrim. We travel along the spectacular coastline and on to the Giants Causeway . The phenomenal wonder of hexagonal columns expanding out to the North Atlantic is said to have been built by legendary Irish Folk Hero, Finn MacCool as "a path way to Scotland" to see his beloved. We then enjoy a tour of Bushmills Distillery for a spot of the wee dram. Overnight Jury's Belfast.
Day 4 April 11 Monday	Belfast-Derry-Donegal (Bundoran). After breakfast, we depart Belfast and make our way to Derry. To really experience Derry's history, we stroll along the parapet walkways as we do the "Walled in City Tour" . The history of this area and the fact that Derry is one of the last fully intact walled in cities left in all of Europe makes this a must for every visitor. We continue to Donegal. Today, Donegal Town is the center of activity for South County Donegal. The town center, known as "The Diamond" is where the Killybegs, Ballyshannon and Ballybofey Roads converge and it is here that you are likely to meet almost anybody; usually with a smile on their face and a few ready words. Overnight Allingham Arms Hotel Bundoran
Day 5 April 12 Tuesday	Donegal-Sligo-Galway. After breakfast we depart Donegal and travel south first stopping at Sligo, home of William Butler Yeats. We then continue to Knock. The Story of Knock began on the 21st August 1879 when Our Lady, St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist appeared at the south gable of Knock Parish Church. The apparition was witnessed by fifteen people, young and old. From this miraculous occurrence Knock has grown to the status of an internationally recognized Marian Shrine. Traveling south we head into Galway City. This youthful bustling town has uniqueness unto itself. Dinner & overnight Galway at the Imperial Hotel.
Day 6 April 13 Wednesday	Galway-Connemara-Galway. After enjoying our breakfast, we depart Galway and begin our journey along the northern edge of Lough Corrib and on to Connemara National Park. Before stopping in Clifton there might be an interest in Dan O'Hara's Farm. The farm models pre-famine Conditions and cleverly reconstructs ancient dwellings and fortifications. The grounds also hold a megalithic tomb and a dolmen. Connemara, (Conmaicnemara – the tribe of Cormac by the sea), white sand beaches, dark bogs and tall jagged mountains make this one of the most scenic and unspoiled areas in the country. Wild and rugged, in some places here, Gaelic remains the only spoken language. We travel first to Clifden, (An Clochan). Founded in the early 19th century by John D'Arcy, it retains much of its Georgian architecture. Placed at the head of a broad Atlantic Bay and nestled below the Twelve Bens, the town is blessed by its beautiful setting. Known as the capital of Connemara, Clifden is a lively location full of shops, pubs, restaurants and cafés. From here travel the Sky Road, an exhilarating circular drive west of Clifden. Leave the town and as you pass the Abbeyglenn Castle Hotel (on your left) turn and look beyond the hotel and back towards Clifden. The 12 Bens provide a wonderful backdrop to the town and along with the two church spires give Clifden its distinctive skyline. Further along the road is a gateway leading to the ruins of the old D'Arcy mansion, Clifden Castle. These ruins overlook the sea and can be reached by going on a ten-minute walk down a farm track. Once a Gothic Mansion, the D'Arcy's lived here until 1850 when the estate was sold to the Eyre Family who lived here at intervals until the castle fell into ruin in the early 20th century. Along the high road you will pass the ruins of the old coastguard station (on your left) and, as the road rises, there are breathtaking views of the islands (Inishturk and Turbot), and the surrounding coastline. At the summit of the Sky Road peninsula there is a car park. As you descend and continue on the road you will eventually, along Streamstown Bay, there is a Connemara Marble quarry. Overnight Imperial Hotel Galway
Day 7 April 14 Thursday	Galway-Dublin. Morning departure from Galway has us traveling through the Irish Midlands and Athlone to Dublin City. Upon arrival in Dublin we have a full panoramic tour of this fascinating port city. You will have the rest of the afternoon free to explore Dublin. Overnight Camden Court Hotel. Dinner is on your own.
Day 8 April 15 Friday	Dublin On Own. We would suggest a Hop On Hop Off Dublin Bus Pass (optional cost). You will be sure to see St. Patrick's Cathedral Where writer Jonathan Swift gave his sermons, The G.P.O. on O'Connell Street scene of the 1916 Easter Uprising where the bullet holes still remain to this day. Drive through famous Phoenix Park where the Pope said Mass in late 70's and finally Trinity College to view the 8 th century manuscripts, The Book of Kells, still preserved as they were when the Monks produced them all those centuries ago. Why not visit Guinness Storehouse for a peek at the makings of this world famous brew. Overnight Dublin at the Camden Court Hotel.
Day 9 April 16 Saturday	Dublin-USA. After breakfast we are transferred to nearby Dublin Airport. In the off chance that you missed shopping opportunities, Dublin has a large Duty-Free Shop that you can visit once you are checked in for your flight. In the traditional Irish way we wish you "Safe Home".

Your Tour Includes:

- Round Trip Airfare from NYC to Ireland (Flight schedule announced 90-120 days prior to departure)
- Deluxe motorcoach vehicle throughout your tour, including all transfers and sightseeing
- Services of professional Irish Driver and Guide.
- Seven (7) Nights Accommodations as follows or similar:
- Location Property
- Belfast Jury's Hotel-2 Night *** www.jurysinns.com
- Bundoran Allingham Arms-1 Nights **** www.allinghamarmshotel.ie
- Galway Imperial Hotel- 2 Night *** www.imperialhotelgalway.ie
- Dublin Camden Court Hotel-2 Nights **** www.camdencourthotel.com
- Full Irish Breakfast Daily
- Two Dinners: Donegal & Galway
- Admission to Giants Causeway, Bushmills Distillery & Walled in Derry Walking Tour
- Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary
- Portage of one suitcases per person, Hotel tips and taxes throughout (Except tips to your personal Driver/Guide)

Cancellation Penalties: *Cancellation Penalties: (LAND) If written cancellation is received by Hammond Tour more than 120 days prior to departure, a processing fee of \$250.00 per person will apply. From June 119 to 90 days prior to departure, a cancellation penalty of \$750.00 per person will apply. 89 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies.*

Reservation Application

Please reserve _____ seat(s) on your April 8-16, 2016 Tour of Ireland (BBC0408)

I enclose a deposit of \$ _____ (\$250.00 per person) Deposit Due: **ASAP to hold seats**

2nd Deposit of \$450.00 DUE: October 1, 2015 FINAL PAYMENT DUE: FEBRUARY 07, 2016

Name (as on passport) _____ D.O.B _____

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Address: _____

Tel: (home): _____ (work): _____ EMAIL: _____

Other passengers traveling with me: _____

Room Type: Twin/Double: _____ Single: _____ **YOU MUST PAY SINGLE RATE IF NOT**

TRAVELING WITH A COMPANION. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU NEED A ROOMMATE.

Cancellation Insurance: Please call for details, now aged based

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$529.00 (LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE)

TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 40 PARTICPANTS

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