



SERA presents your invitation to: **THE BEST OF IRELAND**

Travel Dates: October 15-24, 2021
10 days, 8 nights' accommodation, meals & airfare from IAD

10 Days – 8 Nights

\$2,895

per person in DBL
From EWR



Experience the Best of Ireland, and start an adventure you'll never want to end. With ancient ruins, traditional live music, hidden beaches and exciting walks, Ireland offers everything you need for a holiday. Experience Legends and travel to incredible UNESCO World Heritage Site along Northern Ireland's Causeway Coastal Route. Sample Music, food, dances, art that come in various shapes and sizes and for every taste is catered for, regardless of how eccentric or unusual. Wander around picturesque towns, discover secret beaches or enjoy breath-taking cliff walks. Whether you want outdoor adventures, tasty seafood, quirky shops, historical castles or a magical shoreline – Ireland has it all!

INCLUSIONS

- Round-trip motor coach from your convenient SERA Harrisburg, PA designated departure location TBA for your trip to EWR Newark NJ Intl Airport
- Round-trip air transportation from EWR-DUB (Dublin) via Aer Lingus. Fuel surcharges and air included (valid at time of printing).
- First class hotel accommodations for 8 nights at the Academy Plaza hotel in Dublin; Heights hotel in Killarney (2 nights); the Connacht hotel in Galway (2 nights), the Holiday Inn Express hotel in Derry (1 night) and the Hampton by Hilton hotel in Belfast city (2 nights), or similar hotels.
- Daily breakfasts and 4 dinners (water and one glass wine or beer included).
- Deluxe air-conditioned motor coach transportation for all transfers.
- English speaking guide during visits
- Shannon car – ferry
- Visits, entrance and admission fees to Blarney Castle; Blarney Woollen Mills; Cliffs of Moher; Kylemore Abbey; Giants Causeway; Titanic Belfast
- Baggage handling at the hotels based on one bag per person.
- All VAT city and local Tax and Gratuities.
- Jet Vacations Representative and SERA Representative to accompany your group with minimum 20 paying SERA guest traveling.

EXCLUSIONS

- Personal items
- Airline checked baggage fees.
- Travel Insurance strongly recommended at an additional cost
- Anything not mentioned under INCLUSIONS.

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Day 1 Friday Oct 15,2021 - Fly from Newark, NJ (EWR) to (DUB) Dublin with Aer Lingus. Over night flight to Ireland.

Day 2: Saturday October 16th - Welcome to Ireland. Arrive at Dublin Airport and meet your driver/guide. Travel to central Dublin. Upon arrival, enjoy a panoramic tour of Dublin with local guide. First you will discover the north side of the River Liffey. This area offers great striking monuments such as the GPO (General Post Office) on the city main thoroughfare, O'Connell Street, or the Custom House along the quays, as well as the Phoenix Park, the largest public park in Europe. The south side appears more sophisticated with its vast Georgian squares, such as Merrion Square, where Oscar Wilde's House can still be found (today owned by an American College), its colorful doors, along with Grafton Street and its quality shops. Not so far from St. Stephen's Green, in Kildare St., you will see the house of Bram Stoker, the author of Dracula. This part of the city is also dominated by the students of Trinity College, where the famous Book of Kells is permanently exhibited in its library. The university is facing the medieval district where Dublin Castle and the two Anglican Cathedrals can be found. Check-in to your hotel. Please note check-in might not be available before 15h00. Spend the rest of the day at leisure in Dublin. Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel.

Day 3: Sunday October 17th – Dublin to Kerry. Depart Dublin today and travel to Kerry, with rest stops along the way. Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Kerry or area. (B, D)

Day 4: Monday October 18th – Blarney & Ring of Kerry Highlights. This morning, travel to Cork. Visit Blarney Castle. Also visit Blarney Woollen Mills. After, travel back to Kerry via the Ring of Kerry Highlights. Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Kerry or area. (B)

Day 5: Tuesday October 19th – Cliffs of Moher & Galway. Travel to Galway today via Clare. Cross from Kerry to Clare on the Shannon Car Ferry. Enjoy a drive though the Burren. The Burren landscape covers over 150 square kilometers and is one of Ireland's 6 National Parks. The region is visually similar to a moonscape, yet shelters a mixture of flora and archaeological sites which have attracted visitors for centuries. Man came here over 6000 years ago, cleared the forests and set in motion soil erosion. Centuries of weathering has produced a terrain of fissured limestone pavements, disappearing lakes, terraced mountains, and underground cave systems. For millennia man has left his mark, megalithic tombs and cooking sites litter the pavements, while medieval towerhouses and churches guard the valleys. Today man is absent from most of the upland, leaving behind ancient field systems, routeways and place names. Today's visitors to the Burren will find Arctic, Alpine and Mediterranean plants growing together. Visit Cliffs of Moher. Situated on the Atlantic Ocean and bordering the Burren region, the Cliffs of Moher are one of Ireland's most spectacular sights. Standing 230 meters above the ground at their highest point and 8km long, the Cliffs boast one of the most amazing views in Ireland. On a clear day, the Aran Islands are visible in Galway Bay as well as the valleys and hills of Connemara. The cliffs reach their highest point just north of O' Brien's Tower built by Cornelius O' Brien, a descendant of Brian Boru, to entertain his lady friends. A visit of the tower is also possible. Conde Nast Traveler has recently ranked the sweeping view across the Atlantic the best 'cliff-view' on the planet. The respected travel publication has voted the world-famous landmark at the top of a new chart of 'Nine Gorgeous Cliff Views That Rival the Grand Canyon'. Enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening. Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Galway or area. (B, D)

Day 6: Wednesday October 20th– Connemara. Today, explore Connemara. Connemara is a land of lakes and rivers, bogs and mountains. A land of small villages where Gaelic is still the spoken language and where little has changed since the beginning of time. It is without a doubt the wildest and the most romantic part of Ireland. Connemara is a vast peninsula bordered by the arid and rocky coastline of Galway Bay in the south ~ a land characteristic for its stonewalls and thatched cottages. On its northern shore the land is harsher and more secret, with spectacular views of the Ocean and the beautiful fjord of Killary Harbour, as well as the steep mountains overlooking numerous lakes and large bog areas. Connemara is a real paradise for Nature lovers and those in search of strong emotions. In 1951, John Ford's great movie "The Quiet Man" starring John Wayne, Maureen O'Hara and Barry Fitzgerald was made, and filming was centered in the village of Cong on the Mayo-Galway border. Along the way, visit Kylemore Abbey. Kylemore Abbey is stunningly located in the Kylemore Pass in Connemara. Mitchell Henry built the House in 1868, after having spent his honeymoon in the area. The architecture is best described as neo-gothic and the house still displays all the characteristics of that period. One of Kylemore Abbey's most famous features is its miniature cathedral, built in 1870 and known locally as the Gothic church. Today, the abbey is home to the Irish order of Benedictine nuns. They established a private school for young girls, which was the renowned Kylemore Abbey International School. The school eventually closed in 2010. Facilities at Kylemore include a visitor center, an exhibition housed in the main reception rooms of the house and a video, which takes the visitor through the history of the house and its occupants. The Gothic church is available to visit and as a venue for choir groups to sing in. If time allows guests can also visit the Kylemore Abbey Victorian Walled Garden was laid out in 1867 and took three years to complete. A bus service provided from the front door of the Abbey directly to the garden and is the only permitted means of access. Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Galway or area. (B)

Day 7: Thursday October 21st – Galway to Derry. This morning, travel to Derry. Upon arrival, enjoy a walking tour of Derry City Walls with a local guide. Founded in the 6th century by St Columba, Derry is the second largest city and port of Northern Ireland. Columba named it "Doire" or "Oak grove" which was later anglicized as Derry. In 1613, the city was selected as a major plantation project, organized by the London livery companies and as a result it acquired the prefix London. In the same year, the walls of Derry were built to protect the town from the Gaelic chieftains in Donegal. A walk on the walls is a must on any visit to Derry as they are among the best-preserved fortifications in Europe. Rising to a height of 8m, they are 9m wide in some areas. Today these walls separate two communities, the Bogside ~ a Catholic ghetto with its famous murals and the Waterside ~ a Protestant enclave. Derry has a heavy historical past and has suffered a lot through violence. Today Derry enjoys the advantages of the new peaceful atmosphere in Northern Ireland politics and its city center is again lively and pleasant. You will appreciate a walk in the colorful and well looked after historical city, which boast good shopping, pubs and cafes. Enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening. Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Derry or area. (B, D)

Day 8: Friday Oct 22nd – Giant's Causeway. Today, depart Derry for Belfast. En-route, visit Giants Causeway. Encounter Northern Ireland's favorite giant Finn McCool at the new Giants Causeway Visitor center on the North Antrim coast, which opened in the summer of 2012. According to legend Finn McCool created the Giants Causeway by building stepping stones to Scotland to challenge the Scottish giant Benandonner! The new Visitor center explores the major themes of mythology, geology, landscape, ecology, culture and social history based on the UNESCO World Heritage site that consists of 40,000 basalt polygonal columns formed 60 million years ago after a volcanic eruption. There are various interactive exhibits and short video presentations within five designated interpretive exhibition areas and the self-guided visit will culminate with a spectacular two minutes audio-visual projection of a volcanic eruption flowing over the walls and onto the floor. Other services and facilities include a large craft and souvenir shop, Tourist Information and restaurant. To enhance the wider visitor experience around the site, a hand held audio guide is available in a range of languages which will bring the wider World Heritage Site to life and inform visitors of unique features to look out for across this amazing landscape. Guided tours of the site are also available. The walks and trails around the World Heritage Site have been upgraded, with the addition of a new accessible cliff top walk for families and people with disabilities. In 2015, Conde Nast Traveler magazine included hopping the stones of the Giant's Causeway as one of the '50 things to do in Europe before you die'. Overnight, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Belfast or area. (B)

Day 9: Saturday October 23rd – Belfast. This morning, enjoy a Panoramic Belfast City Tour with local guide including Shankill and Falls Roads. A guided city tour is an excellent way to discover Belfast City. The tour will take in the leaning Albert Memorial Clock tower (Irelands answer to the Tower of Pisa) and the Opera House, which is one of Belfast's great landmarks. Your tour will pass by the City Hall, the Opera house, The Crown Bar (dates from 1885), Queens University and the Botanic Gardens. Some tours will take in a visit to the Harland and Wolfe Shipyard, where the Titanic was built and launched in 1912. A visit to the Shankill and Falls road will be of interest, as it will give the visitor an indication of how life was in Belfast during the troubles. After, visit Titanic Belfast. Located in the heart of Belfast, the Titanic Belfast recreates the story of the world's most famous ship in an iconic, six floor building right beside the historic site of the original ship's construction. Opened in April 2012 to coincide with the centenary of its launch, the self-guided journey begins on entering the building's giant atrium, where the visitor is surrounded by the four 'ship's hull' shaped wings which house the Titanic Experience. As you journey through the nine large galleries of the interactive exhibition, you will uncover the true story of the Titanic, from her conception in Belfast in the early 1900s, through her construction and launch, to her famous maiden voyage and subsequent place in history. Enjoy a farewell dinner at your hotel this evening. Overnight, dinner, bed and breakfast at your hotel in Belfast or area. (B, D)

Day 10: Sunday October 24th – Departure day: After breakfast transfer is provided back to the Dublin airport for your nonstop return non-stop flight back home. (DUB-IAD) – (B)

RESERVATION FORM**GROUP NAME: SERA: BEST OF IRELAND****LEAD # 4314*******New Reservations Required on or before July 7, 2021 with Payment in full due by July 15th, 2021. Book now to secure your place, as space is limited.****<https://www.grouppinder.com/internet/resEvt.cfm?cstId=90&evId=388&entType=2&entId=45>****TSA SECURE FLIGHT REQUIREMENT****PLEASE SUBMIT NAMES EXACTLY AS THEY APPEAR ON PASSPORTS:**
Passenger 1: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M / F
First Name Middle Name Last Name
Passport #: _____ **Country of Issue:** _____ **Date issued:** _____ **Expiration date:** _____

Passenger 2: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M / F
First Name Middle Name Last Name
Passport #: _____ **Country of Issue:** _____ **Date issued:** _____ **Expiration date:** _____

Street Address: Passenger 1 and Passenger 2: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **Country:** _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone #:** _____ **Cell Phone#:** _____

 Please reserve me in a double room at US\$2,895 per person. Single supplement: Add \$425 for single room - limited availability)

I am rooming with: _____ **I am traveling with:** _____

Notes (Airline upgrades, Diet, optional tours etc.): _____

NEW RESERVATIONS due on or before July 7, 2020 to reserve the space. Full payment amount to Jet Vacations is due by **August 3, 2002**, and I authorize Jet Vacations LLC to charge my credit card on the final payment day. Reservations and room availability are based on a first come, first served basis. I have read the schedule of activities and accept and abide to the general terms & conditions as outlined below.

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I want Trip Cancellation & Interruption Insurance Yes No. \$247 per person from 2,501 to 3,000; \$279 per person from \$3,001 to \$3,500; -Insurance premium has to be purchased within 5 days of booking to include per-existing conditions. ***Note insurance must be calculated based on Main/Extension program plus single supplement if applicable. Insurance premium is non-refundable once purchased.

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Air arrangements: Fares and schedules are based on regular scheduled carrier be received within this time limit, the group stay shall be deemed to be canceled by Minimum participants to Operate: Group needs a minimum of 20 participants to service. All applicable airline rules apply and schedules are subject to change. Basic the Customer. In the event of full cancellation of the agreement by the Customer, operate. Optional tours need a minimum of 15 participants to operate. Airfares include fuel surcharges, airport departure taxes, passenger facility charges which is not justified by Jet Vacations LLC's failure to meet its obligations, cancellation Tour Cancellation: We reserve the right to cancel the entire trip (or any component of the trip) for any reason and/or time. In this event, our liability, if any, shall be limited to and liquidated by refunding to each prospective participant the payments made. **Hotel selection:** It is the responsibility of client to ensure that the hotels and venues that are suggested and selected in this proposal are adequate for their clientele. Jet Vacations LLC cannot and will not be responsible for room sizes, air condition, airline tickets will be processed once the original paper tickets (if applicable) are ** Deposit to hold the space and First deposit is non-refundable. If a passenger amenities, service which vary and differs throughout the world, countries, cultures and returned to us via a traceable method of mailing, E-tickets do not need to be returned. cancellation creates a change in the price schedule, the tour price will be revised hotels. We strongly advise client to peruse hotel rating web sites such as Lost paper tickets have no refund value. based on the remaining number of participants. A passenger becoming a single as a Tripadvisor.com to get an approximate "feel" and "judgment" on each suggested and selected properties, to ensure that selected hotels rooms will be adequate to the airlines are valid at time of contract and are included in the price of your tour. As fuel NOTE: The following non-refundable fees will be added to the penalty charges listed client's group travelers. Client understand that no refund nor legal claims regarding continues to fluctuate, if the fuel surcharges change prior to your departure date, you on the cancellation (full or partial) schedule above: Travel protection premiums. Airline the selected hotels, venues, rooms and/or services will be possible once this contract will be assessed this additional amount. tickets - airline penalties, which may be up to 100% of the ticket value. Refundable has been signed and agreed upon.

IMPORTANT NOTE ON FUEL SURCHARGES: Fuel surcharges imposed by the result of a partner's cancellation must pay the single supplement. selected properties, to ensure that selected hotels rooms will be adequate to the airlines are valid at time of contract and are included in the price of your tour. As fuel NOTE: The following non-refundable fees will be added to the penalty charges listed client's group travelers. Client understand that no refund nor legal claims regarding continues to fluctuate, if the fuel surcharges change prior to your departure date, you on the cancellation (full or partial) schedule above: Travel protection premiums. Airline the selected hotels, venues, rooms and/or services will be possible once this contract will be assessed this additional amount. tickets - airline penalties, which may be up to 100% of the ticket value. Refundable has been signed and agreed upon.

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