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## Wild Atlantic Way

(9 nights/10 days) *Bespoke travel* 

Private guided touring of the Emerald Isles' rugged and striking Wild Atlantic Coast.



### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

Explore Irelands Wild Atlantic way in true 5\* style with your private guide as you uncover the beauty of this untamed, rugged green coastline. Along the way, experience traditional Irish cuisine on Dublin's' cobbled streets, cruise under the dramatic Cliffs of Moher and dine on Oysters in Connemara National Park as you take in the lush green landscapes, rich history and captivating folklore of this ancient Emerald Isle.

### **ITINERARY**

### Day One – Fáilte go hÉirinn!

A warm greeting from your driver on arrival at Dublin airport before your private transfer to your hotel in Dublin for check in. Once settled in, meet your private guide and spend the afternoon on a food tour, eating your way through Dublin's creative quarter. This charming Georgian area was the city's cultural and commercial centre for over 200 years and is a hub of culture, history, and delicious cuisine. You will visit iconic spots like Powerscourt Townhouse, medieval



Temple Bar, and the lively and musical Grafton Street, where you will experience authentic Irish cuisine by dining at local eateries alongside the locals, unwind in historic restaurants, and savour traditional home-cooked Irish dishes. Overnight in Dublin.



### Day Two - The Irish adventure continues...

Today with your private driver-guide you will start your Irish adventure by venturing south, embarking on a journey to Cobh, County Cork via Kilkenny, where the majestic Kilkenny Castle awaits exploration. Savour lunch at a local eatery before visiting St. Canice's Cathedral and Round Tower, offering panoramic vistas of Kilkenny. Delve into the city's charm, exploring its historic streets and the vibrant Kilkenny Design Centre. Following Kilkenny's delights, travel onward to Cobh via Cork City, immersing yourself in its maritime history at the Cobh Heritage Centre and taking a leisurely stroll along the waterfront promenade. Check into your Cobh accommodation to unwind

before indulging in a delightful dinner, perhaps with views of the harbour, and ending the day with a serene evening in this picturesque coastal town. Overnight in Cobh.

### Day Three - The Wild West!

Meet your private driver-guide as you head west on a captivating journey from Cobh to Killarney, immersing yourself in the scenic wonders of Irelands wild west coast. Begin your adventure with a leisurely drive to Glengariff, where lush forests meet the shimmering waters of Bantry Bay. Take a moment to explore the vibrant gardens of Garnish Island before continuing along the picturesque coastal route to Mizen Head, Ireland's southernmost point, where dramatic cliffs and sweeping panoramas await. After soaking in the breathtaking vistas, make your way to the ancient mysteries of Drombeg Stone Circle, a prehistoric marvel steeped in legend and lore. Finally, conclude your voyage



in the enchanting town of Killarney, nestled amidst the rugged beauty of Killarney National Park, where you can unwind and reflect on the day's extraordinary discoveries. Overnight in Killarney.



# Day Four – Step back in time as you ring around the enchanted Kerry...

After breakfast, your private driver-guide will meet you as you set out on a day trip to journey through the enchanting landscapes of Killarney. First off, you will step back in time on a traditional Jaunting Car Ride through Killarney National Park to Ross Castle and its stunning lake views. Discover landmarks like St. Mary's Cathedral as you hear stories full of Irish wit from your Jarvey Guide. Then continue on with a scenic drive along the renowned Ring of Kerry, and be treated to breathtaking views of rugged coastlines, sparkling lakes, and majestic mountains. Pause for a moment of tranquility at the picturesque Muckross Estate,

where historic gardens and grand architecture await your exploration. Delve into the rich history of this Victorian mansion, brimming with tales of the past, before wandering through the vibrant flora of its renowned gardens. After immersing yourself in the beauty of the estate, venture back into the scenic splendor of Killarney, where you will enjoy

a brewery tour & tasting at the Killarney Brewing & Distilling Co. to learn about the brewing process, sample various craft beers, and gain insights into the brewery's history and ethos. Overnight in Killarney.

### Day Five - Coast along the ancient Dingle Peninsula...

Today with your private driver-guide you will continue on your adventure along the Wild Atlantic Way, as you leave Killarney behind and head towards the vibrant city of Shannon, beginning with a scenic drive along the captivating Dingle Peninsula. Take in the breathtaking views of rugged cliffs and sweeping coastlines as you traverse the iconic Slea Head Drive. Stopping to explore ancient archaeological sites, charming villages and even a tour of one of Irelands last remaining crystal master craftsman, to witness the traditional art of hand-cutting crystal. As you continue onto Shannon, marvel at the dramatic landscapes that have inspired poets and artisans for centuries. Overnight in Shannon.



### Day Six - Cruise the otherworldly Cliffs of Moher...

Meet your private driver-guide as you embark on a breathtaking journey from Shannon to Cong, County Mayo via the UNESCO recognised Burren and Cliffs of Moher Geopark. Firstly stopping at the Cliffs of Moher, where you will enjoy a scenic private boat ride and witness the dramatic coastal cliffs towering above the Atlantic Ocean. After absorbing the natural splendour, continue onwards to explore the otherworldly landscape of the Burren, with its unique karst limestone formations and diverse flora. Then, you will journey to Galway for a panoramic view of the city, famed for its cobbled streets, rich in culture, history and live street

performances. Finally, conclude your day as you arrive into Cong, a charming village nestled between lakes and forests, offering tranquillity and a glimpse into Ireland's rural beauty. Overnight in Cong.

## Day Seven – Rugged Connemara and dining with Oysters on the edges of the Atlantic!

Today you will meet with your private driver guide and head out on a day trip from Cong to explore the captivating Connemara National Park, beginning with a journey through its rugged landscapes and shimmering lakes. Discover the majestic beauty of Kylemore Abbey, an architectural gem nestled amidst the rugged surroundings of the Twelve Bens mountain range, where you can wander through its lush Victorian walled gardens and delve into the abbey's rich history. Then, indulge in a private tour of DK Connemara Oysters, where you'll uncover the secrets of oyster cultivation while sampling these exquisite delicacies



straight from the pristine waters of the Atlantic, along with nice bottle of bubbly. Immerse yourself in the local culture and flavours of Connemara, savouring each moment of this unforgettable experience amidst the breathtaking scenery of Ireland's west coast. Overnight in Cong.



### Day Eight - Burrow into Ireland's Prehistoric Past...

Meet with your private driver-guide and say goodbye to the wild west coast and head back east with an enriching journey from Cong to Dublin via the Boyne Valley. Set amidst lush landscapes and charming villages, the valley invites exploration, blending history and natural beauty. Here you will visit the ancient wonders of Brú Na Bóinne, including Newgrange, Knowth and Dowth. Immerse yourself in the mystical atmosphere as you delve into Ireland's prehistoric past as you explore these UNESCO World Heritage Sites, marvelling at the remarkable Neolithic burial mounds and intricate stone carvings that date back over 5,000 years. After of the Boyne Valley,

continue your voyage to Dublin, back to where the adventure started. Overnight in Dublin.

### Day Nine - Dublin again for one last 'Craic'!

Spend your penultimate day of your Irish adventure with a morning in Dublin at leisure. Perhaps, start with a leisurely stroll through picturesque St. Stephen's Green park, before doing a spot of souvenir shopping on lively Grafton Street whilst being entertained by street musicians. Alternatively, why not visit Trinity College to see the Book of Kells, explore the historic grounds of Dublin Castle or stroll along the banks of the River Liffey, admiring iconic landmarks such as the Ha'penny Bridge and the Custom House. After lunch, discover the art of silver jewellery making with a 2hr workshop in Dublin. Here you will learn the craft from skilled artisans as you



create your own unique pieces, from intricate designs to personalised creations. Immerse yourself in the creative process and take home your handcrafted masterpiece as a cherished souvenir of your time in Dublin. Overnight in Dublin

### Day Ten - Slán a nÉirinn!

Enjoy a final 'craic' in Irelands capital, before saying a fond farewell to the Emerald Isle. Your private transfer will be ready when you are to take you to Dublin airport for your return flight home.

### **INCLUSIONS**

- o Private Return Airport Transfer DUB Hotel DUB (Mercedes Viano or similar)
- Half Day Private Walking Food Tour in Dublin
- Seven days private touring with driver-guide & vehicle (Mercedes Viano or similar) with overnight stays in Cobh, Killarney, Shannon & Cong, from the morning of Day 2, ending in Dublin on Day 8.
- Dingle Crystal Tour & Workshop Demonstration tickets
- Private Jaunting Car tour through Killarney National Park
- Shared Killarney Brewery Tour
- Private Cliffs of Moher Cruise
- Entrance to Kylemore Abbey & Gardens
- Private Tour & Tasting at an Oyster Farm in Connemara
- Entrance to Neolithic Brú na Bóinne & Newgrange Chamber
- Dublin Silver Jewelry Workshop
- 1 night accommodation in a Dublin hotel 5\* Dylan Hotel or similar
- 1 night accommodation in a Cobh hotel 5\* Fota Island Resort or similar
- 2 nights' accommodation in a Killarney hotel 5\* Europe Hotel & Resort or similar
- o 1 night accommodation in a Shannon hotel 5\* Dromoland Castle or similar
- o 2 nights' accommodation in a Cong hotel 5\* Ashford Castle or similar
- o 2 nights' accommodation in a Dublin hotel 5\* Westbury Hotel or similar
- Irish Breakfast Daily

## **Pricing**

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