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## Discovering Northern Ireland

(4 nights/5 days)

*Shared travel*

A 5-Day Adventure Through History, Landscapes and Culture!



### KEY HIGHLIGHTS

5 Days of Royalty, Legends, and Local Flavours. From Historic Hillsborough Castle to Belfast's Vibrant Streets. Explore Coastal Wonders and Rich History in Derry. Experience Tranquil Countryside and Scenic Lakes!

### ITINERARY

#### *Day One – Welcome to Belfast!*

Upon your arrival at Belfast Airport, your private driver guide will warmly welcome you. You'll then be driven to the historic Hillsborough Castle, the official residence of the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland and a royal residence. Explore the castle's grand rooms, including the elegant Throne Room, the opulent State Drawing Room, and the impressive Red Room. Stroll through the picturesque gardens, featuring beautifully landscaped grounds, a tranquil lake, and vibrant flower displays. Enjoy a light lunch at the castle's charming café, offering a variety of local delicacies. In the afternoon, continue with the Game of Thrones Studio Tour. Discover the behind-the-scenes magic of the hit series, with exhibits showcasing original costumes, props, and set pieces. Following this, travel to your hotel for check-in. In the evening, take some time to explore the vibrant city of Belfast, visiting landmarks



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such as City Hall and the Cathedral Quarter, and enjoy a delightful dinner at one of its renowned restaurants, known for serving exquisite local and international cuisine.

### *Day Two – Savour Belfast: A Culinary and Cultural Journey!*



After your breakfast, head to the meeting point for a guided food walking tour of Belfast. On this tour, you'll get to enjoy some of the best food Northern Ireland has to offer. The tour begins in front of Belfast City Hall. Along the way, you'll share a freshly prepared breakfast with the locals, relax in historic pubs, and savour traditional home-cooked Northern Irish dishes. You'll also be introduced to Belfast's world-renowned street art. By the end of the tour, you'll have tasted some of Northern Ireland's most delicious dishes and gained a deeper understanding of its local culture and history. In the afternoon, visit Titanic Distillers to learn about Belfast's rich distilling heritage. Discover the distillery's unique process and sample some of their finest spirits.

Afterwards, continue your journey with an immersive experience at the Titanic Belfast Museum, where you can explore interactive exhibits detailing the construction, launch, and tragic sinking of the RMS Titanic. In the evening, unwind with a drink in one of Belfast's famous pub areas, such as the lively Cathedral Quarter, known for its traditional charm, live music, and vibrant atmosphere.

### *Day Three – Scenic Coastal Drive!*

After checking out of your hotel, your private guide will collect you for a scenic drive to Derry along the stunning Coastal Route. En route, stop at the mystical Dark Hedges, a picturesque avenue of beech trees made famous by Game of Thrones. Capture memorable photos at this enchanting location. Next, visit the exhilarating Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge, suspended nearly 30 metres above the sea. Cross the bridge for breathtaking views of the rugged coastline and Rathlin Island. Continue to the iconic Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site renowned for its unique hexagonal basalt columns formed by ancient volcanic activity. Continue your scenic drive to Derry. Upon arrival, check into your hotel and spend the evening exploring this historic city. Stroll along the 17th-century city walls and conclude your day with dinner at a cosy local restaurant offering traditional Irish cuisine.



### *Day Four – Exploring Derry: History, Culture, and Local Flavours!*

Start your day with breakfast before meeting your private guide for the "Bogside History & City Walls Walking Tour."



This tour will give you a deeper understanding of Derry's turbulent history, focusing on the Troubles and the city's role in the civil rights movement. You'll visit important sites like the Bloody Sunday Memorial and the Bogside Artists' murals. Afterwards, head to the Museum of Free Derry to explore the city's past further, with exhibits and personal stories from that era. Take a break with a tea or coffee at the Craft Village Café, a delightful spot set within a reconstructed 19th-century courtyard. Next, tour the Guildhall, a striking neo-Gothic building with beautiful stained glass windows and an exhibition on Derry's history. You'll also visit St Columba's Cathedral and St Eugene's Cathedral, both included in your day pass along with several other attractions. Later in the

afternoon, enjoy lunch at the Walled City Brewery, where you can sample a variety of craft beers brewed on-site. The evening is yours to explore Derry at your own pace and have dinner at a local restaurant.

### Day Five – A Day in the Countryside: Sheepdogs, Lough Neagh, and Farewell!

On your last day, your driver guide will take you to Glenshane Country Farm, where you can experience the tranquillity of the Northern Irish countryside with a sheepdog demonstration. Watch the skilled dogs in action as they herd sheep under the guidance of their handlers. Continue your journey with a visit to Lough Neagh, the largest freshwater lake in the British Isles. Learn about its natural beauty and cultural significance, including its importance to the surrounding wildlife. Take a leisurely walk along the shoreline and enjoy a light meal in one of the restaurants by the lake. After a day of exploration, your guide will drive you to the airport for your departure, ensuring you leave with wonderful memories of your trip.



## INCLUSIONS

- Private airport transfer with driver/guide from Belfast Airport- Hotel after full day tour (Mercedes Car or similar)
- Hillsborough Castle entrance ticket
- Game of Thrones Studio Tour entrance ticket
- Shared Walking food tour in Belfast
- Titanic Distillers Signature tour with tasting
- Titanic Belfast Experience entrance ticket
- Private transfer with driver/guide from the hotel in Belfast –Hotel in Derry after full day tour (Mercedes Car or similar)
- Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge entrance ticket
- Giant’s Causeway entrance ticket
- Visit Derry Visitor Pass – 1 day
- Private transfer with driver/guide from the hotel in Derry –Belfast airport after full day tour (Mercedes Car or similar)
- 2 nights accommodation in Belfast at a centrally located 4\* hotel – Clayton Belfast
- 2 nights accommodation in Derry at a centrally located 4\* hotel – Maldron Derry
- Breakfast daily

## Pricing

Valid for travel till March 2025  
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*14 days cancellation policy applies, thereafter full cancellation charges (100%) will apply.*

from £1,890.00

Prices are nett, per person based on sharing a Twin / Double. Subject to availability.

*This itinerary can be fully customized.*