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WILD ATLANTIC WAY



#### Tour LEO9 - The Dubliner 3 Day Tour from London to Dublin Visiting London? Why not add a short tour to The Emerald Isle the Eco-friendly way without having to fly or drive!

Travel to Ireland along the classic route by rail through the heart of England, along the lovely North Wales Coast and take a short sea trip on world's largest cruise ferry to Dublin City Centre - all in one day!

We include two nights 4 star standard City Centre Hotel and a hop-on hopoff city tour so you can explore Dublin's fair city at your leisure. Departs: Daily Mon to Sat - all year



PRICE: €399 per adult (£289 approx) €359 per student (£259 approx) Child discount: €50 - when sharing with two adults. Tour includes:-

- Meet & Greet at London Euston Station.
- Return train to Holyhead, Wales with reserved seats on 09.10hrs Virgin\* train ex London Euston.
- Return sea travel on Irish Ferries Holyhead to Dublin City.
- Taxi transfers from/to Dublin Ferry Port.
- Two nights 4 Star standard City Centre Hotel in Dublin -room only. Extra nights in Dublin available from €59 pps.
- Hop-on Hop-off Dublin City tour (2 day ticket).
- All taxes and service charges.

Please note: Rail/Ship ticket back to London valid for ONE FULL MONTH from first use. Why not consider adding a Railtour from Dublin to complete your Ireland travel experience.

\*Virgin Train First Class Upgrade from London available - enquire for details. One-way Rail/Ship travel from London including Dubliner package also possible.







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**IRISH FERRIES** 



#### Day Tour DH02 - Cork, Blarney Castle & Queenstown/Titanic/Lusitania Story

**Departs:** Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all year **Price:** Adult €109 Student €98

Departure Point: Information Desk - Heuston Station 06.40hrs for 07.00hrs train to Cork. Check-in time: A highly enjoyable trip to Cork City, Ireland's southern capital, visiting the world renowned Blarney Castle and the Queenstown Story at Cobh, the Titanic's last port of call and the rescue harbour for the Lusitania survivors in 1915 (all admissions included).

After a scenic train journey (breakfast car/snack car available) through the ancient Irish landscape dotted with Castles, we transfer by coach to Blarney Castle where we can kiss the famous Blarney Stone, "Stone of Eloquence". Enjoy shopping time and lunch (not included) at Blarney Woolen Mills before returning to Cork for a short City Tour and a visit to the famous English Market. We then visit Cobh - the embarkation point for generations of Irish emigrants to the new world including passengers for the Titanic. Experience the "Queenstown Story" (admission included). This year commemorates the centenary of the sinking of the RMS Lusitania torpedoed in 1915 off the nearby Old Head of Kinsale. Enjoy a scenic rail journey back to Cork City to connect with the InterCity train arriving in Dublin at 20.00hrs. Shorter Tour from Dublin also available - Tour DHO2B.

Features all above excluding "Queenstown Story" Cobh arriving back in Dublin earlier at 16.55hrs. Price:

Adult €99 Student €89

#### Day Tour DH04 - Connemara & The Wild Atlantic Way

Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all year **Departs:** Price: Adult €109 Student €98

Departure Point: Information Desk - Heuston Station **Check-in time:** 07.15hrs for 07.35hrs train to Galway An enchanting day tour to the glorious West of Ireland awaits, where John Ford filmed the "Quiet Man" starring John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara in the summer of 1951.

After crossing Ireland's midlands by train (snack car available) we strike out from Galway City by coach into the glorious lake, coastal and mountain scenery of Connemara. We visit the fishing village of Leenane on Ireland's only fjord - Killary Harbour. Next our lunch (not included) stop at Kylemore Abbey (admission included). See the Twelve Bens and Maamturks mountain ranges. Watch Connemara ponies in their natural habitat. We return to Galway along the northern shores of Galway Bay for our return train arriving in Dublin at 21.45hrs.



#### Day Tour DH05 - The Ring of Kerry

Departs:Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all yearPrice:Adult €109 Student €98Departure Point: Information Desk - Heuston StationCheck-in time:06.40hrs for 07.00hrs InterCity train<br/>to Killarney.

# Experience the world renowned Ring of Kerry with its overwhelming mountains and seascapes.

Enjoy the train ride through the heart of Ireland (breakfast car/snack car available) to Killarney the gateway to The Ring of Kerry. We continue by coach around the 100 mile long Ring of Kerry where every bend reveals some of the most spectacular scenery in Ireland set between the Mountains of Kerry and the Wild Atlantic coastline. View the world famous Lakes of Killarney from Lady's View with the majestic Macguillicuddy Reeks in the background.

In season we include the Brendan Ferris famous mountainside sheep dog demonstration. Lunch (not included) will be at a traditional Irish Pub on this scenic journey. We return to Killarney to connect with the train back to Dublin arriving 21.00hrs.

# **OPTIONAL EXTRA**

WHY NOT SPEND THE NIGHT AT YOUR DESTINATION, CORK, KILLARNEY, GALWAY OR BELFAST. YOUR RETURN TRAIN TICKET IS VALID FOR UP TO A MONTH



#### Day Tour DC10 - The Giant's Causeway, Glens of Antrim & Wild Atlantic Coast

**Departs:** Price: Check-in time:

Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all year Adult €109 Student €98 Departure Point: Information Desk - Connolly Station 07.15hrs for 07.35hrs Enterprise train to Belfast.

#### A fascinating day out to the famed Antrim Coastline with its spectacular seascapes taking in Giant's Causeway a UNESCO World Heritage Site and Carrick-a-rede rope bridge.

After a scenic cross-border train journey (breakfast car/snack car available) of just over 2 hours we head north from Belfast by coach along the famous Antrim Coast Road through Ballycastle en-route to Carrick-a-rede Rope Bridge (admission included). The famous Bushmills Visitor Centre is our lunch stop (not included). We continue along the Causeway Coast, one of the most magical drives in Europe, to the stunning Giant's Causeway. Spend some time climbing over the ancient stones and enjoying the myths and legends associated with this famous attraction. Next we enjoy a photo stop at Dunluce Castle, then back to Belfast for a short tour before returning back to Dublin arriving at 22.15hrs.

#### Day Tour DC10T - Titanic Belfast

Departs: Price: Check-in time:

Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all year Adult €99 Student €89 Departure Point: Information Desk - Connolly Station 07.15hrs for 07.35hrs Enterprise train to Belfast.

Return to Dublin: Choose from departures at 16.05, 18.05 or 21.00 trains from Belfast.

Enjoy a relaxing 2hr10min train ride (breakfast car/snack car available) along Ireland's East Coast. On arrival in Belfast your Tour Host provides you with tickets for the hop-on hopoff City Tour. You are then free to explore this fascinating city at your leisure. See close up the world famous political murals depicting "The Troubles" or visit Crumlin Road Gaol. Write your thoughts on the Peace Wall alongside those of Bill Clinton and the Dalai Lama. Visit the Titanic Visitors Centre (admission included) and experience the Titanic Story of 1912. Moored very close to the Titanic Visitors Centre is the

original verv last White Star Line ship the SS Nomadic now open to the public. A small fee is payable to visit this historic exhibit. maritime Return to Dublin by any train listed above.



#### TOUR DC10G - Game of Thrones 2 Day Belfast City & Giants Causeway 4\* hotel

Departs Dublin:Every Tue, Fri & Sat all yearPrice:Adult €269 Student €242Departure Point:Information Desk Connolly StationCheck-in time:07.15hrs for 07.35hrs

Enterprise train to Belfast.

#### This tour covers the highlights of Belfast City, stunning scenery featured in award winning Game of Thrones and Giant's Causeway in two exciting days.

**Day 1.** Enjoy a relaxing train ride (breakfast car/snack car available) along the east coast of Ireland. On arriving at Belfast your Railtours host provides you with a City Tour - hop-on hop-off ticket and voucher to Titanic Visitor Centre. You are free to explore this fascinating city at your leisure. See close-up the world famous political murals depicting "The Troubles" or visit Crumlin Road Gaol. Sign your name on the Peace Wall leaving your thoughts alongside those of Bill Clinton and the Dalai Lama. Visit The Titanic Visitors Centre (admission included) where you can stroll through a reconstruction of some of its most famous rooms including the State Rooms, Promenade, Boiler Room and a First-Class Parlour Suite. You can also see the last remaining White Star Line ship "The Normadic" (reduced admission). Overnight: 4\* Hotel in downtown Belfast including full Irish breakfast.

**Day 2.** At 09.00hrs we depart Belfast and travel north along the scenic Causeway Route on our Game of Thrones tour where we visit seven iconic sites from Series 1 to 4. We visit the Caves where Melisandre of Asshai gave birth to her "shadow baby" and Ballycastle the native home of Lady Catelyn Stark and Varys. A real wow is The Kings Road locally known as The Dark Hedges, where Arya Stark escaped from Kings Landing dressed as a boy. We break for Lunch (not included) at the cosy Fullerton Arms in Ballintoy/Pyke Harbour where several major scenes were filmed. You might even hear a story or two from the staff who have played host to some of the biggest stars in the show!

The last stop is at the renowned Giant's Causeway a UNESCO

World Heritage Site and then back to Belfast for a short tour before returning back to Dublin arriving at 22.15hrs.

CHECK-IN POINT DUBLIN RAIL STATION Our Tour Hosts, in Bright Yellow jackets are always on hand to welcome you and to oversee the smooth running of all tour arrangements.





#### Day Tour DH06 - The Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle, The Burren & Galway Bay

Departs: Price: Departure Point: Check-in time:

Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all yearAdult €109Student €98Information Desk - Heuston Station06.40hrs for 07.00hrsInterCity train to Limerick.

#### This tour, regarded as one of Europe's top ten coastal drives, takes you to the stunning Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle, The Village of Doolin, The Burren and Galway Bay. The tour visits three out of Ireland's four provinces. All Admissions included.

Sit back and relax as your train glides through the heart of Ireland (breakfast car/snack car available), an ancient landscape littered with Castles. We join our coach at Limerick and visit Bunratty Castle & Folk Park Village en-route to our lunch stop (not included) in Gus O'Connor's famous seafood pub in Doolin. Then, the spectacular Cliffs of Moher, the highest sea cliffs in Europe. Enjoy a short hike along the cliff path rising 215 metres above the pounding Atlantic ocean. We continue along the Wild Atlantic Way through the lunar landscape of the Burren region, a UNESCO Geo-Park famous for its fauna and flora. We then head along the shores of Galway Bay for a flavour of Galway City where we join our train (bar/snackcar available onboard) to Dublin at 19.20hrs arriving at 21.45hrs.





#### Day Tour DH11 - Aran Islands & Scenic flight over Galway Bay

Departs:Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all yearPrice:Adult €139Student €125Departure Point:Information Desk - Heuston StationCheck-in time:07.15hrs for 07.35hrs train to Galway

This tour offers a unique opportunity to visit Inis Mór, the largest of the three Aran Islands and one of the most popular tourist destinations in Ireland. Set on the west coast of Ireland in the mouth of Galway Bay, Inis Mór is a bastion of traditional Irish language, culture and music, unique in its geology, archaeology and history.

After crossing Ireland by train to Galway City (snack car available) we take a short transfer to Connemara Airport for our 10 minute\* return flight to Inis Mór (meaning big island). We enjoy a tour of the island including a visit to the fortress of Dún Aengus, the most magnificently and dramatically situated Celtic Stone fort in Western Europe standing precariously on the edge of a 100 meter high cliff overlooking the Atlantic Ocean. (venue for Red Bull Cliff Diving).

We arrive back at the village of Kilronan with time to lunch (not included) or visit the Aran Sweater Market and Museum to learn the origins and history of the world famous Aran Sweater. We return to Galway with some time to explore the city centre before catching our train arriving in Dublin at 21.45hrs.

\* should weather conditions be such as to curtail flights you will be taken on an alternative tour to Connemara and refunded the difference. No further refund available should you decide not to go to Connemara for any reason.



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#### **EXCLUSIVE FIVE STAR 8 DAY PRIVATE RAIL** LAND CRUISE AND CASTLE TOUR

Only one departure September 27, 2015 (limited to 50 guests)

This exclusive tour is limited to 50 guests and will include -Dublin, Waterford, Cork, Cobh, Killarney, The Ring of Kerry, **Cliffs of Moher, Dunguaire** Castle Medieval Banquet, Connemara and Galway Bay

Only one departure on Sunday September 27th 2015



Day 1 Sunday	Gathering Day. Individual Transfers from Dublin
	Airport to your hotel. Welcome/Get to Know You
	reception on arrival. Overnight in the 5 star Shelbourne
	Hotel, Dublin.
Day 2 Monday	Transfer from hotel to your private heritage train at
	Connolly Station Dublin, then rail down Ireland's scenic
	east coast through Wicklow, Wexford and on to Waterford
	City where we have private visit to Waterford Crystal.
	Overnight in Waterford Castle.
Day 3 Tuesday	By rail through the Suir Valley, Co. Tipperary to Cork
	and a visit to Blarney Castle, Cork City's English Market.
	Overnight in 5 star Fota Island Resort.
Day 4 Wednesday	Visit Cobh, Titanic's last port of call and then rail to
	Killarney for a tour of The Ring of Kerry. Overnight in 5
	star Killarney Park Hotel in the centre of Killarney.
Day 5 Thursday	By rail from Killarney to Limerick and the Wild Atlantic
	coast where we visit the spectacular Cliffs of Moher.
	Overnight in 5 star Adare Manor Hotel.
Day 6 Friday	By rail from Limerick to Galway Bay. Explore Galway
	City, Medieval Banquet in Dunguaire Castle and
	overnight in 5 star G Hotel Galway City.
Day 7 Saturday	Tour of Connemara, lunching at Ballyinahinch Castle
	and on to Westport on the shores of Clew Bay and rail
	across Ireland back to Dublin with dinner on board.
	Overnight in Dublin's Shelbourne Hotel.
Day 8 Sunday	Scattering Day. Individual transfers from your hotel to
	Dublin Airport (extra nights available in Dublin).
Price:	€3,999 per person sharing
	(single room supplement €899)

#### Includes:

Personal Meet & Greet off your flight at Dublin Airport

- Private transfers to/from the airport to your city centre Hotel and Rail Station Welcome reception at Dublin's Shelbourne Hotel on arrival
- 7 nights five star Hotel accommodation with Dinner and Full Irish Breakfast
- Morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea each day and all drinks on board train All rail travel aboard private heritage train throughout
- Private exclusive Medieval Banquet in Dunguaire Castle on the shores of
- **Galway Bay**

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- All tours, transfers and admissions including private tour of Waterford Crystal Services of Railtours Ireland First Class/ hosts throughout
- All taxes and service charges







#### Day Tour DH01 - Waterford Crystal & Kilkenny City **Departs:**

Price: Check-in time:

Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all year Adult €109 Student €98 Departure Point: Information Desk - Heuston Station 07.05hrs for 07.25hrs train to Kilkenny

Enjoy a day out to Ireland's "sunny south east" We visit the ancient city of Kilkenny or as it is known "The Marble City". We continue on to explore the historic Viking City of Waterford where we visit The Waterford Crystal Visitors Centre. With an option to explore more!.

arrive at 09.00 We (9.00am) after a scenic rail journey and we take a guided tour of Kilkenny City known as "The Marble City", after the tour you will have



plenty of time to explore and perhaps visit Kilkenny Castle overlooking the River Nore (admission not included) and the nearby Kilkenny Design Centre. We depart Kilkenny at 11.40 and arrive in Waterford Crystal on the banks of the River Suir in the heart of Waterford City at 12.20. On arrival we have time for lunch (not included) followed by a tour of the Waterford Crystal Visitors Centre (included). The tour departs Waterford by train at 16.25(4.25pm)arriving in Dublin Heuston at 20.00 (8.00p.m) (snacks available). Our return journey by train is via the scenic Suir Valley through the heart of County Tipperary, we change trains at Limerick Junction to join our express back to Dublin.

Overnight option (4\*standard hotel) available in Waterford please ask for details.





# Half Day Tour DC08 - The Wicklow Mountaineer (includes Ballykissangel and Glendalough)

Departs: Price: Departure Point: Check-in time: Daily - Mon to Sat incl. all year Adult €49 Student €39 Information Desk - Connolly Station 09.20hrs for 09.40hrs InterCity train to Arklow.

A lovely fully guided tour into the Wicklow Mountains to visit Ireland's most famous village, Avoca, otherwise known as "Ballykissangel", situated in the beautiful Vale of Avoca and also the magnificent



ancient monastic city of Glendalough (valley of the two lakes).

A fantastic tour during which you will enjoy a spectacular train journey south by Killiney Bay, around Bray Head and along the beautiful East Coast to Wicklow where we swing west into the Mountains. Visit the famous village of Avoca (Ballykissangel in the hit TV series). See hand weaving at the Woollen Mills - great shopping & time for lunch - or maybe a pint at Fitzgeralds famous pub. Visit the ancient Monastic city of Glendalough (valley of the two lakes) all in beautiful mountain scenery. We return to Dublin by train arriving 16.45 (4.45pm).

#### Ideal for cruise passengers.

Scenic rail journey as seen on BBC TV Great Rail Journeys - Spring 2013 with Michael Portillo

# WHY NOT CONSIDER ONE OF OUR LONGER RAILTOURS.

We offer a wide range from 2-day to 9-day tours. Here are examples of our more popular extended tours. Book Today - Travel Tomorrow!

Tour DH03 - Two day tour to the South and South WestDay 1- Blarney Castle, Cork City, Cobh, including one nightKillarney 4\* hotel with full Irish Breakfast.Day 2- Tour of Ring of Kerry.Price: (pps )Adult: €259Student: €233

Tour DH07 - Experience "The Best of the West" in just two days including 3/4\* hotel Galway City with full Irish Breakfast.
Day 1 - Cliffs of Moher, Bunratty Castle & Galway City.
Day 2 - Connemara, Kylemore Abbey and the Wild Atlantic Way.

Price: (pps)

Student: €251

Tour DH36 - Three day tour with many highlights of the Wild Atlantic Way including two nights 4\* hotel Killarney with full Irish Breakfast.

Day 1 - Kiss the Blarney Stone & visit Cork City,

Adult: €279

Day 2 - Tour of Ring of Kerry.

Day 3Cliffs of Moher & Bunratty Castle/Folk Park.Price: (pps)Adult: €459Student: €413

For full details on these and our wider range of tour options visit www.railtoursireland.com or call +353 1 856 0045.

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#### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS:**

Overnight Tours staying at Town/City Centre Hotels.

- Why not take an afternoon train to your destination, Cork, Killarney, Galway or Belfast, spend the night at a 3 or 4 star standard hotel and join our tour the following morning when the train arrives.
  - Or stay on for the night at your destination and return by train the following day. Also two day to nine day tours available see railtoursireland.com for details.

#### WE CAN MAKE THE ARRANGEMENTS

#### Why Tour With Us?

- Trains are the most spacious and comfortable way to travel. Simply sit back, relax and enjoy the panorama as your train glides through an ever-changing landscape littered with castles, or walk around and mingle with other guests.
- Light meals, snacks, bar and Free WiFi on all trains.
- **Stress Free-Care Free**

All our tours are escorted by a professional Tour Host who oversees the smooth running of all arrangements. They offer an authentic Irish experience and are passionate about the tours they lead. Leisurely Pace

Each of our tours is at a leisurely pace and includes a balance between sightseeing and time for you to spend at leisure - perhaps relaxing at a local café or follow the advice of our Tour Host for an "Ad Hoc" visit somewhere memorable.

Award Winning Service Our guests continually recommend our tours to family and friends and we are the proud recipient of the coveted Trip Advisor Certificate of Excellence for 2015 and Viator Travel Awards - Best Local Operator 2014.

- All prices quoted are in Euro-Visa, Mastercard & Visa Debit Cards, Debit accepted.
- All travel by rail & coach from appropriate Dublin Station.
- Dublin check-in time is 20 minutes before train departure.
- Qualified Driver/Guide on coaches Information pack including itinerary provided.
- Prices do not include meals and admission fees included where stated.
- Children under 16 years half adult price
- On any tour to Belfast and the Giant's Causeway please remember you are leaving the Republic of Ireland and entering the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Please ensure that your Visa requirements are in order. It is also essential that you carry a valid passport

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