

November 1-8, 2020
Land Only \$1829.00

2199.00 PER PERSON

(plus \$499.00 US departure tax)

Join The Steel City Rovers on their Tour of Ireland



Day 1 November 1 Friday	USA - Ireland. Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland. Dinner and in-flight entertainment is served shortly after take-off.
Day 2 November 2 Saturday	Dublin. Arrive Dublin Airport from your overnight flight. You are met by your driver guide to begin your tour. Leaving the airport, we travel to a nearby venue where everyone will have an opportunity for their first Full Irish Breakfast (at own expense). We travel into Dublin Town where we enjoy a breathtaking tour of this 1000-year old city. We then see statue-filled O'Connell Street, The General Post Office - scene of the 1916 Easter Uprising, as well as Georgian Square. The group will be dropped off on Nassau Street for some free browsing time, then it's onto the Guinness Storehouse® which is arguably one of Dublin's most iconic attractions and is hugely popular with visitors to the capital. Guinness® is synonymous with Ireland so when you're in Dublin, you can't leave without a trip to Guinness Storehouse®. Learn through the seven-story experience how the world-famous drink is made and then sample it for yourself at the end in the panoramic Gravity Bar. You will have the rest of the afternoon free to explore Dublin. You may want to stop and 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 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. Make sure to visit Dublin's oldest pub this afternoon, The Brazen Head. Overnight in Camden Court Hotel.
Day 3 November 3 Sunday	Dublin – Killarney. We enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast this morning. Traveling south we travel through Kildare, where some of Ireland's best grazing farmland has made County Kildare (Cill Dara) prime agricultural real estate, especially for the horse -racing set: the county is dotted with stud farms where champion racehorses are reared and trained as a matter of course. Our next stop, Blarney Castle is home to the Blarney Stone. If you need proof of the power of a good yarn, then join the queue to get into this 15th-century castle, that is one of Ireland's most popular tourist attractions. They're here, of course, to plant their lips on the Blarney Stone , which supposedly gives one the Gift of the Gab. The Blarney Stone is perched at the top of a steep climb up claustrophobic spiral staircases. On the battlements, you bend backwards over a long, long drop (with safety grill and attendant to prevent tragedy) to kiss the stone. Time to visit and shop the famous woolen mills. This shop will not disappoint, with a particularly wide range of cut crystal, porcelain presents and its trademark woolly things. Then it's onto Cobh, a charming waterfront town on a glittering estuary, dotted with brightly colored houses and overlooked by a splendid cathedral. We can then visit the Cobh Heritage Center . Learn about the Irish Emigration story. Trace your ancestors, hear about the ill-fated Titanic and the Lusitania and immerse yourself in Irish naval and military history. The howl of the storm almost knocks you off-balance and you feel as if you are right on the deck of the Titanic. Housed in the old train station, this beautiful, informative and sometimes emotive Cultural Centre is situated within Cobh's beautifully restored Victorian railway station, a building with its own rich historic story. Following this, we head onward to our next destination of Killarney. Dinner and Overnight in Killarney International Hotel.
Day 4 November 4 Monday	Killarney – Dingle - Killarney. After breakfast, we depart Killarney for the Dingle Peninsula. The journey begins with some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Ireland. The little town of Dingle is straight out of a story book. The fishing boats in the harbor and tiny, brightly-painted pubs portray a time that has continued to stand still. The population of only 1500 people that are served by 52 pubs are ready to welcome you this afternoon. Worth the wait is the native seafood chowder served up at lunch time with freshly-baked brown bread. We continue to Slea Head. Along the way, we will see bee hive-style huts, originally inhabited by 12 th century monks, which overlook the rugged Blasket Islands. The awe-inspiring beauty of this area is unmatched. There is no other landscape in Western Europe with such density and variety of archaeological monuments as the Dingle Peninsula. Overnight in Killarney International Hotel.
Day 5 November 5 Tuesday	Killarney - Galway. Today after breakfast we may take a tour of Ireland's stony place – The Burren. You can find villages abandoned since famine times and green roads on which you can walk for miles without ever seeing a car. This is not the green Ireland of postcards. But there are wildflowers in spring, giving the 560-sq-km Burren brilliant, if ephemeral, color amid its ascetic beauty. Continuing on, the Cliffs of Moher are stupefying, impressive and staggeringly beautiful. The entirely vertical cliffs rise to a height of 203m, their edge falling away abruptly into a ceaselessly churning Atlantic. A progression of vast heads, the dark limestone marches in a rigid formation that's gob-smacking, no matter how many times you look at it. On a clear day you'll channel Barbra Streisand as you can see forever; the Aran Islands stand etched on the waters of Galway Bay, and beyond lie the hills of Connemara. As you leave the cliffs you'll travel through the little village of Liscannor and just across the bay, you'll see the beautiful seaside village and golfers' mecca, Lahinch. Overnight at the Imperial Galway.

Day 6 November 6 Wednesday	Galway - Aran Island (optional). After a full Irish Breakfast, we enjoy a tour of The Aran Islands. Inis Mór is the largest of the three Aran Islands and is the most developed in terms of tourist facilities. There are about 900 inhabitants on Inis Mór, making it by far the most populated of the islands. The main village on the island is Kilronan, which has a quite large harbor that accommodates a vast amount of tourist-travel to the island. There are minibuses as well as horse-and-carts to take people around. We then return to Galway. Those not taking the Aran Islands tour will have a free day to explore Galway. Dinner and Overnight at the Imperial Galway.
Day 7 November 7 Thursday	Galway - Dublin. After a hearty Irish breakfast, we leave Galway and make our way to Dublin, stopping along the way at Clonmacnoise. With a nearby ruined castle for company, the setting is quite sublime at Clonmacnoise – one of Ireland's holiest and most significant monastic sites. Alongside the River Shannon, an enticing air of sacred mystery pervades the remains, with its wealth of early church architecture. Some of Ireland's finest high crosses and most ancient round towers are all arrayed closely together within the confines of a walled field. We continue to Dublin where, in the evening, you may make your way to Dublin's most famous street, the pedestrianized Grafton St. located in the bustling heart of the city centre. Visit the biggest range of pubs, shops and restaurants in the region, the busy hive that surrounds it and a warren of side streets and alleys that is almost always full of people. Many of the city's most important sights and museums are here, as is Dublin's beloved city park, St Stephen's Green. Overnight in Camden Court Hotel.
Day 8 November 8 Friday	Dublin Airport. Today we are transported to Dublin Airport for our flight 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.
- Six (6 Nights) Accommodations as follows or similar:

Location	Hotel
Dublin – Camden Court Hotel	1 Night **** www.camdencourthotel.com
Killarney – International Hotel	2 Nights **** www.killarnevinternational.com
Galway – Imperial Hotel	2 Nights *** www.imperialhotelgalway.ie
Dublin – Camden Court Hotel	1 Night **** www.camdencourthotel.com
- Full Irish breakfast daily except the day of arrival, Two Dinners: 1 in Killarney, 1 in Galway
- Admissions to Guinness Storehouse®, Cobh Heritage Center, Cliffs of Moher
- Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary
- Porterage of one suitcase per person, Hotel taxes throughout (Except tips to your personal Driver/Guide)

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 119 days to 60 days prior to departure - a cancellation penalty fee of \$650.00 per person will apply. 60 Days or less prior to departure - a 100% cancellation penalty fee per person will apply.

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Reservation Application

Please reserve _____ seat(s) on your November 1-8, 2020 Tour of Ireland (SCR2020)

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

2nd Deposit of \$550.00 DUE: May 1, 2020 FINAL PAYMENT DUE: July 1, 2020

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.

OPTIONAL ARAN ISLAND TOUR- \$65.00 per person which you would pay when in Ireland.

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$499.00 (LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE)

TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 40 PARTICPANTS

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