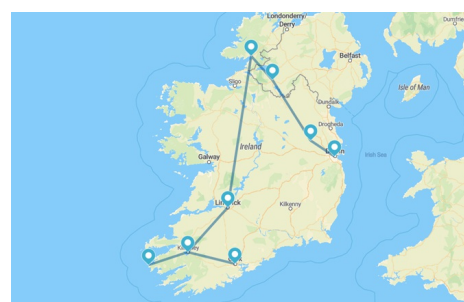




Ireland, 8 Days · Tailor-made by car

Star Wars Route

The Star Wars location experts headed straight to Ireland to recreate their most spectacular scenes. One of the examples is Ahch-To, the remote ocean-covered planet where Rey meets Luke Skywalker. In fact, this location is actually the island of Skellig Michael, declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. It appears both in "The Force Awakens" and "The Last Jedi", the perfect location for filming and which plays a key role in this tour. Gaze in awe at these steep crags that tower over the Millennium Falcon, the fields where laser sword fights took place. In short, places defined as indescribable by Mark Hamill himself. At the end of the shoot, the actors were truly astounded by the picturesque villages and the hospitality of their people, as well as Ireland's photogenic Atlantic coast. You'll then drive through even more locations in the counties of Cork, Kerry and Clare to finish in the northernmost point of the country. Malin Head, featured on the cover of National Geographic in 2017, will be the perfect finishing touch to this intergalactic trail. "May the Force be with you".



NATURE

Departure date: Departures from July 2026 till July 2027

From: London

Travel details

DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - CORK

Flight departure from the city of origin to Cork. Don't forget to pack a power adapter, decent walking boots and a raincoat. Arrival in Cork and pick-up of rental car. Ireland's third largest city, with a great cultural life and student atmosphere, will be perfect for ordering your first Guinness. The city stands on the banks of the River Lee. The neighbourhoods of Huguenot Quarter and Shannon are highly recommended, as is the Cathedral of St. Mary & St. Anne. In the city centre, you'll get to see the three spires of Saint Fin Barre's Cathedral while strolling along the main thoroughfares: Patrick's Street and Grand Parade. We recommend the architecture and the buzzing atmosphere of the English Market. If you're looking for something more authentic, head over to Isaac's Restaurant, where you can savour delicious typical dishes such as crubeens (battered pigs' trotters). If you want to round the evening off with some music, make sure you visit Matt Molloy's pub. Overnight stay in Cork.

● DAY 2 · CORK - BROW HEAD - KILLARNEY

Once up and ready, it's time to retrace the most impressive natural scenery of your favourite film saga. This will be a self-drive tour along one of the most visited and most awe-inspiring coastlines in the whole world. Known as Wild Atlantic Way, it's a route that boasts towering cliffs, epic bays, charismatic villages and hidden beaches... What an experience! Head first towards the southernmost point of the island, Brow Head. A journey of some two hours will take you right up to the ocean. This was the last of the locations where Star Wars was recorded. There are several winding sections and, at its highest part, you'll find some watchtowers and ancient ruins of civilisation surrounded by emerald fields as far as the eye can see. This is where the recording team came across caves and mining wells that turned out to be the perfect setting for several scenes. Brow Head is located east of the Mizen Head peninsula, where an award-winning visitor centre is a perfect place for spotting seals, dolphins and even humpback whales from a bridge. Next stop is Killarney, where you'll spend the next few nights. Anecdotes about the area? During filming, the airspace had to be closed to avoid any spoilers. Overnight stay in Killarney.

● DAY 3 · KILLARNEY - PORTMAGEE - KILLARNEY (OPTIONAL VISITS: SKELLIG MICHAEL ISLAND / VALENTIA ISLAND)

Fill your boots with a delicious and truly hearty Irish breakfast, as ahead lie almost two hours behind the wheel. Once in County Kerry, you'll arrive at the pretty fishing village of Portmagee. This was base camp for a large part of the shooting for both the artistic and technical staff. The locals welcomed the Star Wars team with open arms. Some interviews talk about parties with folk music for the actors and how Luke Skywalker even learned how to pull a pint of Guinness at the Bridge Bar. Maybe you'll want to emulate his feat. From this point, you can take an optional excursion to the island of Skellig Michael. There are different operators that can take you by boat from Portmagee (e.g. <http://www.kerryexperiencetours.ie/ring-of-kerry/star-wars-the-force-awakens/>). We recommend buying tickets in advance (not included in the price), as at some times of the year the demand is extremely high and access is limited for conservation purposes. The crossing lasts about 45 minutes and the visit will take you around three hours. If the sea is choppy, it will be a true adventure to reach the Skellig Michael, named after the saint by the ascetic monks who lived there in the 6th century. Inhabited by a huge diversity of birds, you'll find the austere stone constructions where the last Jedi found a haven of peace. The place was perfect for recreating those scenes. Upon arrival, you'll find the 600-plus stone steps to the upper part of the island and the curious beehive-shaped buildings and the monastery. The walk is somewhat demanding, but it's definitely worth it for the views and for the sensation that comes with feeling immersed in the closing scene of "The Force Awakens". From Portmagee, you can also take a bridge to visit the beautiful island of Valentia. Return trip and overnight stay in Killarney.

● DAY 4 · KILLARNEY - SYBIL HEAD - KILLARNEY

Start the new day with an hour and a half of fun driving along the winding roads. Shooting here focussed on a spectacular headland known as Ceann Sibéal, in Ballyferriter, which belongs to the Dingle peninsula. It's a landscape instantly recognisable thanks to its thatched cottages and its immense meadows. This is where the iconic semi-spherical cabins of the planet Ahch-To were recreated. Don't miss Beal Ban beach, next to the fascinating Three Sisters cliffs. This is an area of great archaeological-historical wealth, with samples of medieval ruins, the Iron-Age Dunbeg fort and the seventh-century Riasc Monastic Settlement. From the westernmost point of Ireland, you'll get to marvel at an unforgettable sunset (weather permitting!). Return trip and overnight stay in Killarney.

● DAY 5 · KILLARNEY - LOOP HEAD - LIMERICK (OPTIONAL VISIT TO THE CLIFFS OF MOHER)

Although the next stretch only involves driving some 140 kilometres, the estimated journey time is about 3½ hours. Make sure you drive carefully but also enjoy the scenery. Loop Head is the tip of a fantastic headland flanked by immense granite walls. You can visit hidden caves and snake down to isolated beaches until you reach the iconic lighthouse with views of the mouth of the River Shannon and the immensity of the Atlantic Ocean. Part of "The Last Jedi" was shot in this otherworldly location, with the lighthouse closed to the public while filming lasted. Another major attraction here is the whale-watching and the maritime life. And this did not go unnoticed by the great Jacques Cousteau, who called it one of the best diving sites in Europe. Weather and time permitting, the Cliffs of Moher are just fifty kilometres away. They're well worth the trip, with movies such as "The Princess Bride" or "Harry Potter" having been filmed here. At sunset, head towards Limerick, where you'll be spending the night. Overnight stay in Limerick.

● DAY 6 · LIMERICK - DONEGAL - MALIN HEAD - DONEGAL

You'll need about three hours to get to Donegal. From there, we recommend a visit to Malin Head, the northernmost point of Ireland.

Here you'll witness the force of nature on the Inishowen Peninsula and the sheer might of the waves crashing against the stones of Hell's Hole, where filming of the movie focussed.

Unfortunately, the difficult access makes it impossible for the public to visit. However, there's a three-hour trail over which the Millennium Falcon hovers and where scenes of the planet Ahch-To were filmed. There are several operators covering this route, such as <http://donegalclimbing.ie/starwarsmoviewalking-tours/>. The guide will be able to provide you with priceless information, as this place boasts oodles of history and is a privileged place for studying the migratory movements of all kinds of birds. Don't forget to book this tour in advance. This winding path is a must-see mixture between harmony and wilderness.

To round the day off, head over to Farren's Bar, which has a Yoda mural on its walls painted in honour of the cast, who spent several months filming less than a mile away.

Thousands of fans visit the area that was for a time a faraway galaxy.

Return and overnight stay in Donegal.

● DAY 7 · DONEGAL - MARBLE ARCH CAVES - FLORENCE COURT - ENNISKILLEN/ENNISKILLEN CASTLE - TRIM/TRIM CASTLE - DUBLIN

First thing in the morning, you can set out to explore one of the least visited, but no less interesting, areas of Ireland. This is the start of your journey back to Dublin. On the way, you'll take in the Marble Arch Caves in County Fermanagh, some of the most beautiful caves in Europe and a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and Florence Court, an 18th-century country house at the foot of the stunning Cuilcagh Mountains... After lunch in Enniskillen, you can visit magnificent castles such as Enniskillen Castle on the banks of the River Erne and Trim Castle in the town of Trim (County Meath), the largest Anglo-Norman building on the Emerald Isle. Once you're back in Dublin, you can soak up the liveliness of a city where visitors are entertained by interesting art, cuisine and leisure activities.

Bid farewell to this tour by savouring a pint in the mythical Temple Bar.

Overnight stay in Dublin.

● DAY 8 · DUBLIN - CITY OF ORIGIN

Arrival at the airport with enough time to drop off your rental car and flight back to the city of origin.

Arrival. End of the trip and our services.

Your trip includes

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| ✓ Return flight. | ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Cork. | ✓ Selected meal plan in Cork. | |
| ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Killarney. | | ✓ Selected meal plan in Killarney. | |
| ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Limerick. | | ✓ Selected meal plan in Limerick. | |
| ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Donegal. | ✓ Selected meal plan in Donegal. | | ✓ Stay in selected hotel in Dublin. |
| ✓ Selected meal plan in Dublin. | ✓ Rent-a-car. | ✓ Insolvency protection. | |
| ✓ Amount of the supplement for collection and return of the vehicle in a different office. | | | |

Your trip doesn't include

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✕ Possible toll charges.

Destinations Visited

Cork



Killarney



Portmagee



Limerick



Donegal



Enniskillen



Trim



Dublin



Important remarks

- Triple rooms in Europe are generally rooms with twin beds or a double, in which a folding bed is installed to accommodate the third person. Due to the inconvenience this causes, we advise against using this option as far as possible.
- Check-in time at the hotel on the day of arrival depends on each establishment, but in no case will it be before 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise indicated.
- The proposed excursions and tours for each day are purely suggestions, as you can tailor the trip to suit your times, tastes and needs.
- A credit card is considered a guarantee, so sometimes you will need one for check-in at hotels.
- Hotels usually have cots available. Otherwise, babies will have to share a bed with an adult.
- To pick up your rental car, you'll need a credit (not debit) card in the name of the person who made the booking, who must also be the named driver of the vehicle.
- Consult the necessary documentation to enter the destinations visited and for transit in the countries where air stopovers are made.