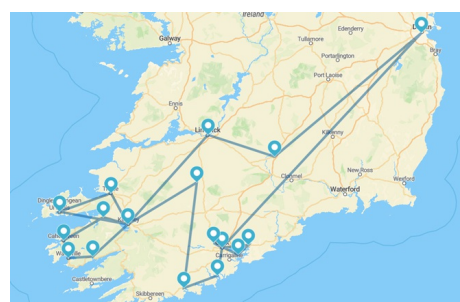




Ireland, 8 Days · Tailor-made by car

Emerald Isle South-western Route II

Ireland is one of those destinations that is a thrill for lovers of driving routes. It certainly doesn't lack for attractions. Get behind the wheel and explore this incredible land defined by its history and legends, deep-rooted traditions, delicious cuisine, megalithic monuments, charming villages and beautiful landscapes sprinkled with majestic castles such as Blarney Castle and the Rock of Cashel and forts including Charles Fort and James Fort, which seem peaceful but which, in the past, were the sites of legendary battles that defined the path of the country's history. The 'Emerald Isle South-western Route (II)' is an invitation to enjoy life's small pleasures. Our route will take in attractive locations like the lively and cosmopolitan Dublin, welcoming and fun-loving Cork, medieval and interesting Limerick and the food-famous Kinsale. There will also be beautiful getaways to intriguing places including Midleton, home of the Jameson Distillery, and the town of Cobh, where you can explore one of the world's largest natural harbours. Throughout the entire journey, you'll enjoy photogenic green meadows stretching towards the intense blue of the sea. Our route will take in gems of European tourism, including the compelling Ring of Kerry, one of the most picturesque and attractive tourist routes that can be done by car, and the Dingle Peninsula, one of the most magical spots in Ireland and named 'The most beautiful spot in the world' by the prestigious publication National Geographic. Get ready. Awaiting you are hundreds of kilometres of road running parallel to the sea between a series of emerald-green fields, cottages, national parks, quaint fishing villages, breathtaking viewpoints over the Atlantic, landscapes scattered with castles, abbeys and monasteries, beautiful beaches and mountains draped in mist. Let's go!



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Departure date: Departures from July 2026 till July 2027

From: London

Travel details

DAY 1 · CITY OF ORIGIN - DUBLIN

Flight departure from the city of origin to Dublin and rental car pick-up. This fascinating road trip through Ireland begins in its lively capital city. Dublin is one of Europe's oldest cities and strikes a perfect balance between a great medieval and Georgian heritage and modern buildings, fine cafes, cutting-edge restaurants and interesting art and design attractions. You'll have the rest of the day free to get a feel for the city; enjoy the local cuisine and try an authentic Irish coffee, walk in the footsteps of important writers such as James Joyce and Oscar Wilde, and discover unique places like Dublin Castle, the legendary Trinity College, the historic Christ Church and St. Patrick Cathedrals and the Bank of Ireland... At Dublin City Hall, the old Royal Exchange, you can take in the 'Story of the Capital' exhibition, a fascinating display which will immerse you in the city's history. In the late afternoon, cross the Ha'penny Bridge and explore the fabled Temple Bar area on the banks of the River Liffey. Check out the nightlife of this universal city by popping into its historic pubs and savouring a dark and bitter Guinness beer. Overnight stay in Dublin.

DAY 2 · DUBLIN - CORK AND SURROUNDING AREA ((THE JAMESON EXPERIENCE IN THE MIDLETON DISTILLERY) - COBH - BLARNEY CASTLE)

Set off in your rental car towards the rich pastures of Cork in the south of Ireland. You may hear talk about the 'People's Republic of Cork' here. Welcome to a place where people are proud of their roots and, with tongue in cheek, display their rivalry with the capital, Dublin. Here you can savour a delicious world of gastronomy. Make the most of your trip by going to its renowned classical concerts and opera and ballet performances, and by visiting the bustling English Market (1788). In the city and surrounding area, including the three islands in Cork Harbour, you'll find an abundance of history, culture and landscapes. If time allows, we recommend two excursions. The first is to the town of Midleton, where you can get The Jameson Experience in the Midleton distillery; and the second is to the town of Cobh, where you can explore one of the world's largest natural harbours. Both locations are within a half-hour drive from Cork. Blarney Castle is another essential visit. According to the locals, kissing the Blarney Stone bestows upon you the gift of eloquence. You'll have to try it for yourself! Overnight stay in Cork.

DAY 3 · CORK - KINSALE - OLD HEAD OF KINSALE - CLONAKILTY - GLENGARRIFF - HEALY - KILLARNEY (COUNTY KERRY)

Head in your rental car for one of the most inhospitable yet beautiful parts of Ireland. A day full of pleasant surprises awaits. Our first stop will be Kinsale, around 30 kilometres from Cork. Known as the Gourmet Capital of Ireland, this small town at the edge of the sea boasts a large, beautiful bay where leisure boaters sway to the sound of the waves. Learn the important role that this town played in the country's historical development by visiting the 7th-century Charles Fort and James Fort. You'll be surrounded by a landscape of green meadows stretching towards the intense blue of the sea. This is the ideal starting point for a journey through County Cork and County Kerry. If time allows, we recommend taking a twenty-kilometre diversion to the mighty rocks of the Old Head of Kinsale headland. It was in these waters that a German submarine sank the Lusitania ocean liner in 1915, killing 1,198 passengers. We'll continue toward Glengarriff and, if you have time, you can take a boat trip to Garnish Island to see its subtropical garden. (Note. There is free parking in the harbour area. The ferry to the island takes approximately 15 minutes. The ferry sails every 30 minutes, from April 1st to October 31st. We recommend you check timetables. The visit usually lasts between 1 and 2 hours). We'll now continue on our journey sprinkled with beautiful towns and villages that look out over the sea. After driving through the Healy Pass in the Caha Mountains (the natural border between County Cork and County Kerry), we'll head for Killarney. Overnight stay in Killarney.

● DAY 4 · RING OF KERRY (KILLARNEY - KILLORGLIN - CAHERSIVEEN - WATERVILLE - DERRYNANE - SNEEM - KILLARNEY)

We'll now go to explore the compelling Ring of Kerry, one of the most picturesque and attractive tourist routes that can be done by car. Awaiting us is a circular route beginning and ending in Killarney and which combines boundless natural beauty with sumptuous cuisine and a sense of immersion in the region's curious heritage. The locals say that these lands enjoy some of the best weather that the country has to offer. Our driving route covers hundreds of kilometres of road running parallel to the sea between a series of emerald-green fields, cottages, national parks, quaint fishing villages, breathtaking viewpoints over the Atlantic, landscapes scattered with castles, abbeys and monasteries, beautiful beaches and mountains draped in mist... Set off and, on the way to Killorglin, contemplate the awe-inspiring MacGillycuddy's Reeks mountain range. The route will take you along the attractive Atlantic coastline and through the charming towns and villages of Cahersiveen, Waterville and Derrynane. Awaiting you will be truly photogenic sights, such as the view of Skellig Michael rising up out of the Atlantic. On the way to Sneem, we recommend stopping at the beautiful Derrynane Beach and Staigue Fort. End this intense day by tucking into the excellent seafood on offer in the region and having a drink in Killarney's traditional pubs. Overnight stay in Killarney.

● DAY 5 · KILLARNEY - DINGLE PENINSULA (DUNQUIN - BLASKET VISITOR'S CENTRE - DINGLE) - TRALEE - KILLARNEY

When we set off again, this time we'll head to Dunquin, the westernmost point of the Dingle Peninsula and one of the most magical spots in Ireland. Dunquin was named 'The most beautiful spot in the world' by the prestigious publication National Geographic. Your rental car will take you through landscapes sprinkled with mountains, beautiful beaches and important archaeological remains. This special land has been crossed by many peoples, from the Vikings to spellbinding Hollywood stars. Our next stop will be the Blasket Centre, where you can learn how life was on the remote Blasket Islands. As you look out towards the islands, it's easy to imagine the splendid Spanish Armada crossing the Blasket strait four centuries ago. (Note. The visit lasts around 1 hour 30 minutes on average. The guided tours last around 1 hour). We'll then continue our journey and head to Dingle, one of the most charming towns on the peninsula and where you'll bask in a unique atmosphere reminiscent of times gone by. The small shops and jewellery stores on Green Street give way to intimate pubs imploring you to come in and enjoy life's small pleasures. In high season, these pubs often hold concerts with traditional music. And if you're lucky, maybe you can see Fungi, Dingle's most famous resident. Fungi is a wild dolphin weighing over 300 kilos who has lived in the bay for more than three decades. On the way back to Killarney, we recommend stopping in the charming town of Tralee. Overnight stay in Killarney.

● DAY 6 · KILLARNEY - KILLARNEY NATIONAL PARK - LIMERICK

Today we'll round off our trip to Killarney with a visit to its famous National Park, a magical place inviting you to get away from it all and let your imagination run free. Tucked away amongst its bucolic landscapes are architectural wonders such as Ross Castle and Muckross House, as well as special vantage points such as Ladies View. The wonderful combination of forests, mountains, waterfalls and lakes defines this, one of the most extraordinary natural areas in the entire country. The highest mountains in Ireland are here! We'll leave this natural oasis to head for the city of Limerick, located in the county of the same name around 110 kilometres away.

Founded by the Vikings in the 9th century, visitors to the city are met with a lively atmosphere and appetising cuisine that they can enjoy both in restaurants and markets, one of which is the Milk Market. Declared Ireland's first National City of Culture in 2014, it boasts a wealth of culture with gems such as the Hunt Museum, the Limerick City Gallery of Art, beautiful Georgian architecture and rugby-loving locals who enjoy the good life. Stroll unhurriedly around King's Island, the city's medieval heart, and visit King John's Castle, one of the best preserved in the country. Eight hundred years old and with unsurpassable views over the River Shannon, this fortress tells tales of history and the dramatic siege of the city in 1690. Once the evening has fallen, enjoy the buzzing nightlife in the many nightclubs and legendary pubs.

Overnight stay in Limerick.

● DAY 7 · LIMERICK - LOUGH GUR - CASHEL/ROCK OF CASHEL - CASTLETOWN HOUSE/COUNTY LAOIS - DUBLIN

Now for the final leg of our journey. This will be your penultimate day in Ireland and the island will still be producing pleasant surprises. We'll leave the city of Limerick and head towards the capital city. Around twenty kilometres down the road we'll come to Lough Gur, one of the most important in the country. Our route will then take us to Cashel, where we can visit the famous and imposing Rock of Cashel, an ancient fort dating back to the 12th or 13th century which was the throne of the Great Irish Kings before the arrival of the Normans. The castle sits majestically on a hill and is one of the finest examples of Celtic and medieval architecture that you will see on your entire trip. We'll now continue on our way. If you have time, we recommend stopping off at the magnificent Castletown House in County Laois. This, Ireland's first and largest Palladian mansion, is a feast for the senses. The magnificent building is surrounded by lovely walks along the banks of the river and through open woodlands. Once in Dublin, we'll immerse ourselves in its compelling culture and its countless bars and traditional pubs, green parks, sweeping shopping streets and dozens of museums. This will undoubtedly be the crowning moment of a trip worthy of a film. 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 Dublin.
- ✓ Selected meal plan in Dublin.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Rent-a-car.
- ✓ Insolvency protection.

Your trip doesn't include

- ✗ Possible toll charges.

Destinations Visited

Dublin



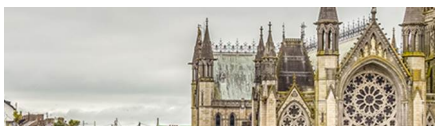
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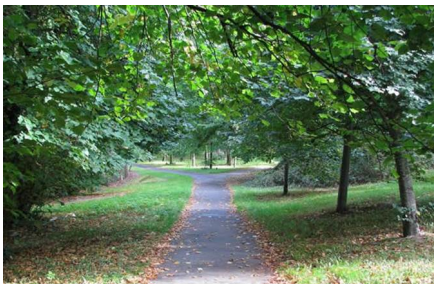
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Limerick



Cashel



Limerick



Cashel

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 the 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.
- This itinerary has been developed in collaboration with the Irish Tourist Office.