

**October 20-27, 2018**

**LAND ONLY: \$1469.00**

**\$1799.00** (US Dollars)PER PERSON

(plus \$469.00 departure taxes\*)

## Enjoy The Tartan Terrors



### *On Their Tour of Ireland*

<b>Day 1</b> <b>October 20</b> <b>Saturday</b>	<b>USA-Ireland.</b> Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland. Dinner and in-flight entertainment is served shortly after take-off.
<b>Day 2</b> <b>October 21</b> <b>Sunday</b>	<b>Dublin.</b> Morning arrival at Dublin Airport where you are greeted by your Driver/Guide. 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 panoramic 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. Our group will then visit the Jamison Distillery, nestling in the heart of Old Dublin on the site of the original distillery, with its origins dating back to the year 1780. Group will be dropped off on Nassau Street for some free browsing time. We will then check into our hotel. <b>Overnight Dublin at Camden Court Hotel. Dinner is on your own.</b>
<b>Day 3</b> <b>October 22</b> <b>Monday</b>	<b>Dublin-Blarney-Killarney.</b> Morning departure from Dublin has us heading south through Naas home to The Irish National Stud Farm, famous for breeding thoroughbred horses. Our journey passes by the Rock of Cashel for a visual view of this impressive site where legend has it St. Patrick crowned the High Kings of Ireland in the 5 <sup>th</sup> century. We continue to Blarney, famous for its 14th century kissing stone and plentiful woolen mills. Our journey takes us east over the Kerry and Cork Mountains to Macroom where we pause for a short visit. This is the main market town for the Gaelic speaking region to the west. Macroom Castle dates from the 13 <sup>th</sup> century and was the seat of the McCarthys of Muskerry. Oliver Cromwell granted it to Admiral Sir William Penn whose namesake son spent much of his childhood here and later founded the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. We then arrive in Killarney for <b>dinner &amp; overnight at The Killarney International Hotel. Dinner this evening at our hotel.</b>
<b>Day 4</b> <b>October 23</b> <b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Killarney- Dingle- Killarney.</b> 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 1500 people and only 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 on to Sleat Head. Along the way, we will see bee hive style huts, originally inhabited by 12 <sup>th</sup> century monks, which overlook the rugged Blasket Islands. The awe inspiring beauty of this particular area is unmatched. There is no other landscape in western Europe with the density and variety of archaeological monuments as found on the Dingle Peninsula. <b>Overnight Killarney International Hotel.</b>
<b>Day 5</b> <b>October 24</b> <b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Killarney-Cliffs of Moher-Galway.</b> After a full Irish Breakfast we depart Killarney. Continue on into County Clare bypassing Limerick and gaze at the majestic awe of the breathtaking <b>Cliffs of Moher.</b> O'Brien's Tower is the best location from which to view the Cliffs. From this vantage point one can see the Aran Islands as well as The Twelve Pins and the Maum Turk Mountains to the north in Connemara. We continue into the rugged Burren Ireland's stony place ( <i>Bhoireann</i> ) the Burren, is home to rare alpine plants, delicate wonders that grow in the thin soil and crevices - gentians, orchids and maidenhair ferns amongst others. The survival of both alpine and Mediterranean plants in this unusual habitat continues to arouse and to delight its visitors. The Burren contains dozens of megalithic tombs, Celtic crosses and a ruined Cistercian Abbey dating from the 12th century, Corcomroe. You can find villages abandoned since famine times and green roads on which you can walk for miles without ever seeing a car. We continue through Ireland's rugged Burren Landscape to youthful bustling Galway City. In the 1400's, there began in Galway the rule of the 'Tribes', as the leading fourteen families were called. Their names were <i>Athy, Blake, Bodkin, Browne, Darcy, Deane, Font, French, Joyce, Kirwan, Lynch, Martin, Morris, and Skerritt.</i> <b>Time today to browse "Shop Street" as well as the lively pubs that dot the city. Dinner and overnight at the Imperial Hotel in Galway.</b>
<b>Day 6</b> <b>October 25</b> <b>Thursday</b>	<b>Connemara Peninsula</b> After enjoying breakfast we meet our driver guide in the lobby of the hotel and begin to tour The Connemara National Park. Connemara, (Conmaicnemara – the tribe of Cormac by the sea), white sand beaches, dark bogs and tall jagged mountains make this one of the most scenic and unspoiled areas in the country. Wild and rugged, in some places here, Gaelic remains the only spoken language. We travel first to Clifden, (An Clochan). Founded in the early 19th century by John D'Arcy, it retains much of its Georgian architecture. Placed at the head of a broad Atlantic Bay and nestled below the Twelve Bens, the town is blessed by its beautiful setting. Known as the capital of Connemara, Clifden is a lively location full of shops, pubs, restaurants and cafés.

	Heading north along the coast, Kylemore Abbey may be next. This extraordinary neo-gothic abbey looms at the base of the hill at Kylemore Lake. The highlight is the recently restored Gothic chapel, a cathedral in miniature with a plain, simple cemetery on one side and a lavish Victorian garden on the other. This is another often photographed vista from Ireland. <b>We then make our way back to Galway for our overnight. Overnight Imperial Hotel Galway.</b>
<b>Day 7 October 26 Friday</b>	<b>Galway-Dublin.</b> Morning departure has us traveling through the Irish Midlands and Athlone to Dublin City. Upon arrival in Dublin we have a full panoramic tour of this fascinating port city. We see where writer Jonathan Swift (Gulliver's Travels) gave his famous sermons at St. Patrick's Cathedral. After the tour the rest of the day is yours, to explore this infinitely varied thousand-year old city as you will; possibilities range from St. Michan's church to the Brazen Head, from St. Stephen's Green to Guinness Brewery and Jameson Whiskey Factory. <b>Overnight Camden Court Hotel.</b>
<b>Day 8 October 27 Saturday</b>	<b>Dublin-USA.</b> After breakfast we are transferred to nearby Dublin Airport. In the off chance that you missed shopping opportunities, Dublin has a large Duty-Free Shop that you can visit once you are checked in for your flight. In the traditional Irish way we wish you "Safe Home".

**Your Tour Includes:**

- Round Trip Airfare from NYC to Ireland (schedule announced 90 days in advance)
  - Deluxe motorcoach vehicle throughout your tour, including all transfers and sightseeing
  - Services of professional Irish Driver and Guide.
  - Seven (6 Nights) First Class Accommodations as follows or similar:
- | Location  | Hotel   |
|-----------|---|
| Dublin    | Camden Court Hotel- 1 Night *** <a href="http://www.camdencourthotel.com">www.camdencourthotel.com</a>                                  |
| Killarney | Killarney International Hotel-2 Nights *** <a href="http://www.killarneyinternationalhotel.com">www.killarneyinternationalhotel.com</a> |
| Galway    | The Imperial Hotel- 2 Nights *** <a href="http://www.imperialhotelgalway.ie">www.imperialhotelgalway.ie</a>                             |
| Dublin    | Camden Court Hotel- 1 Night *** <a href="http://www.camdencourthotel.com">www.camdencourthotel.com</a>                                  |
- Breakfast daily, Two Dinners: 1 Killarney, 1 Galway
  - Admission Guinness Brewery & Cliffs of Moher
  - Fully escorted sightseeing as per itinerary
  - Portorage of one suitcase per person, Hotel tips and taxes throughout (Except tips to your personal Driver/Guide)
  - Deluxe portfolio of travel documents professionally executed

**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 of \$600.00 per person will apply. 60 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies.

**Reservation Application**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on your October 20- 27, 2018 (TT102018)

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

**2<sup>nd</sup> Deposit of \$350.00 due by June 20, 2018.**

**FINAL PAYMENT DUE: August 20, 2018**

Name (as on passport) \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: (home): \_\_\_\_\_ (work): \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Other passengers traveling with me \_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Room Type: Twin(2 Beds)/Double(1 Bed): \_\_\_\_\_ Single: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU MUST PAY SINGLE RATE IF NOT TRAVELING WITH A COMPANION. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU NEED A ROOMMATE**

**Cancellation Insurance: Please call for details, now aged based (must be paid with deposit) (Medical & Death Reasons only)**

**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$459.00 (LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE) \_\_\_\_\_ YES**

**We Accept Visa, Mastercard, American Express and Discover Card.**

**\*Government Departure Tax is Always Subject to Change**

**TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 30 PARTICIPANTS**

**AIRFARE IS NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL PACKAGE IS PAID IN FULL**

*(Make Check Payable to Hammond Tours)*

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