



Ireland Adventure with Mossie and Rosemary Coughlin July 10-18, 2025

Thursday July 10: Depart USA

Tonight, you will board your transatlantic flight to Ireland

Friday July 11: Arrive Shannon - Westport

This morning you will arrive at **Shannon International Airport**. After you have gone through passport control and have collected your luggage you will board your private coach and begin your journey north to **Westport, Ireland**. Our first stop will be at the **Cliffs of Moher**. Standing over 700 feet high with views out to the Aran Islands and even as far south as the Dingle Peninsula. The Cliffs are one of Irelands most popular destination. After we will continue north with another stop in **Galway City. Galway** is a fabulous city filled with bustling streets and lively pubs. Here you will have some time to explore, and grab lunch before we continue to **Westport**. Once we have checked into our hotel in **Westport** refresh, before having a *welcome reception* followed by group dinner at our hotel.

Overnight: Westport- dinner at hotel

Saturday July 12: Westport to Achill Island



This morning after breakfast, we set off to *Achill Island*, an area among the most remote and scenic areas in Ireland. Some of the roads that follow the coastline of Achill boast some of the most spectacular views of the area known as '*The Atlantic Drive*'. We will also see the *Deserted Village* – a reminder of the 1840s Famine, consisting of 80-100 stone cottages located along a mile stretch of road on the southern slopes of *Slievemore Mountain*. We will also visit the *Achill Island Distillery* for a wee taste of



Ireland's *Wild Atlantic Way.* After, we will journey back to Westport. Once we arrive at our hotel the night will be free for you.

Overnight: Westport- dinner on own

Sunday July 13: Westport to Donegal

After a hearty Irish breakfast, we will bid farewell to Westport as we continue north to *Donegal*. On our way, we will stop at the *Atlantic Sheepdogs*, a world-renowned demonstration. The border collies will captivate you with their display of teamwork as they herd sheep along the *Wild Atlantic*. After our demonstration, we will head to the coastal seaport town of *Sligo*. Here you will have time to explore, and grab lunch before we continue to *Donegal*. Once we arrive in *Donegal town*, there will be time to relax before we have dinner as a group at our hotel.



Overnight: Donegal- dinner at hotel

Monday July 14: Donegal and Slieve League Cliffs



This morning after breakfast, we will board our private coach to our first stop, the picturesque seaside village of **Killybegs**. Straight away you will experience the individual landscape of **Donegal Bay**, as **Killybegs Harbour** uniquely has two lighthouses. Here we will board a ferry that will take us on a scenic ride to **Slieve League**, one of the highest sea cliffs in Europe – **Slieve League**. From the highest point on the cliffs it's a staggering 1,998 feet drop to the Atlantic Ocean below, which is higher than the *Cliffs of Moher!* After our informative ferry ride, we will journey back to **Killybegs**.

Afterwards there will be time to get lunch in the fishing village before we board our private coach and continue to *Ardara*. When we arrive, we will see a demonstration of spinning, weaving and knitting at *Triona Design*. Afterwards, we will journey back to our hotel in Donegal Town. The rest of the night will be free for you.

Overnight: Donegal- dinner on own

Tuesday July 15: Donegal to Belfast

This morning, we will depart Donegal and head northwest to Belfast. Our first stop in Northern Ireland will be the city of *Derry*, a splendid city crammed full of history, heritage, and vibrant cultural scene. This is the only remaining completely walled city in Ireland and one of the finest examples of Walled Cities in Europe. Here we will have time to explore at your leisure, and grab lunch before we continue to the *Giants Causeway*. The *Giant's Causeway*, an amazing geologic formation of approx. 40,000 basalt





stone – some as tall as 130 feet, and mostly hexagonal in shape. As Northern Ireland's Premiere landmark, and a *UNESCO World Heritage Site*. Afterwards, we will continue to Belfast, once we have checked into our hotel, there will be time to get settled before a group dinner.

Overnight: Dublin- dinner at hotel

Wednesday July 16: Belfast - Dublin



This morning after a hearty Irish breakfast, we will have a panoramic tour this fantastic city. We'll drive through West Belfast's Protestant neighborhood of Shankill Road and the Catholic neighborhood of Falls Road, where large vivid murals painted on the sides of buildings express the feelings that still run deep on both sides. Though the names of these areas were much in the news during 'The Troubles' the gate in the Peace Wall between them now stands open. We end our tour with a visit to the Titanic Museum Belfast, a state-of-the-art interactive museum provides an unforgettable visitor experience. It tells the

story of RMS Titanic, from her conception and launch into the River Lagan in 1911, to the tragic end of her maiden voyage a year later. It was here at Titanic Quarter (the former Queen's Island) in *Belfast Harbor*, where the ship was built. Enjoy the exhibits at your own pace. Afterwards, we will depart the city of Belfast and journey south to Dublin where we will enjoy our last teo nights.

Overnight: Dublin- Dinner on own

Thursday July 17: Dublin & Farewell Irish Evening

After breakfast this morning, there will be a *panoramic tour* of the city. As we drive through the main thoroughfare, we see historic buildings like the GPO (General Post Office) on O'Connell Street and Trinity College. We will stop here for the *immersive and interactive new Book of Kells Experience*. Afterwards, there will be time to freshen up before our farewell dinner and entertainment at *Taylors Three Rock*, the best way to end a wonderful trip with friends.

Overnight: Dublin- Farewell dinner – Taylors Three Rock



Friday July 18: Dublin International to USA

This morning you will bid farewell to Ireland. We will be brought to Dublin International Airport for you to board your transatlantic back to the USA.