

TASTE OF IRELAND

ENGLISH LANGUAGE COACH TOUR 2006

ITINERARY

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

Doyle's Irish Cabaret
Dinner Show

Bunratty Castle
Medieval Banquet

Dublin Castle
& City Highlights

Ring of Kerry Tour

Cliffs of Moher &
Blarney Woollen Mills

No hidden extras!

All visits and meals included
as per itinerary

Day 1: Dublin - Capital of Ireland

This tour starts at Dublin Airport where you should go to the CIE Tours desk in the Arrivals Hall to arrange a group transfer before 12:00 noon. If your flight arrives later than noon, you will transfer to the hotel at your own expense. At 2:00 pm set off on your afternoon tour of Dublin. See historic buildings and memorials to prominent personages as well as bustling shopping streets and colourful Georgian doors. Take a guided tour through **Dublin Castle's** elegant State Apartments, location of many important political events in past centuries and up to the present. This evening enjoy dinner and a lively show with song, storytelling and dance at **Doyle's Irish Cabaret**.

Day 2: Blarney Castle & Killarney

See a variety of scenery today as you depart Dublin and drive through rich farming country of the centre of Ireland. Near Cashel visit a farm for **tea and freshly baked scones** and watch sheepdogs round up a flock of sheep. Just outside Cork visit **Blarney Castle** to kiss the famous "Stone of Eloquence." Also visit the **Blarney Woollen Mills** to shop for quality goods under one roof. Continue towards the mountainous country of Kerry and into Killarney. After dinner, perhaps explore one of Killarney's famous pubs.

Day 3: Muckross House & Ring of Kerry

Drive to the Killarney National Park for a guided tour of the 19th century **Muckross House**. This fully furnished mansion is set beside Muckross Lake surrounded by magnificent gardens. Then embark on Ireland's most popular scenic drive, the Ring of Kerry, by skirting Ireland's highest mountains, the Macgillycuddy's Reeks. Stop near the Gap of Dunloe to see "**Soul of Kerry**," an audio-visual presentation about the region. Your route passes through Glenbeigh, with palm trees and beautiful beaches; remote Waterville; and the colourful village of Sneem. Head back through Moll's Gap to Killarney where the evening is free.

Day 4: Cliffs of Moher & Bunratty Castle

Depart Killarney and travel to Tarbert to take a **short ferry ride across the River Shannon Estuary**. Your tour continues along the Clare coast to the **Cliffs of Moher**, which rise 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. Drive to the Shannonside region to check into your hotel.

This evening a medieval banquet and evocative entertainment in **Bunratty Castle** will take you back in spirit to the middle Ages.

Day 5: Shannon & Dublin

This morning some of you transfer to Shannon Airport for return flights. If you wish to end your tour in Dublin, drive through pleasant scenery of the midland region. The tour concludes at Dublin Airport at about 4:00 pm or in the city centre at 4:30 pm.



