



# Visit Ireland with Blackthorn

July 15<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
\$3,839\* per person sharing  
Single Supplement \$755



### Your Ireland Vacation Includes:

- ♣ Round-trip air from Detroit through Newark on United\*\*
- ♣ Breakfast Daily (B)
- ♣ 5 Table d'hote dinners (D)
- ♣ 1 Night dinner and entertainment at Medieval Banquet
- ♣ 9 Nights 1<sup>st</sup> class hotels
  - 2 Nights Kilkenny River Court, Kilkenny
  - 2 Nights Trident Hotel, Kinsale
  - 3 Nights The Malton, Killarney
  - 2 Nights Old Ground Hotel, Ennis
- ♣ Fully escorted via deluxe motorcoach and Irish Driver Guide
- ♣ Admissions as highlighted on itinerary
- ♣ Portorage of one suitcase per person

\*\*Price includes airline taxes and fees that are subject to change until group tickets are issued and paid for in full. Special requests must be noted at time of booking. The airline assigns seats, we cannot guarantee seat requests.

### \*Not Included:

- ♣ Single Supplement is \$755
- ♣ Meal where not indicated
- ♣ Travel Protection/Insurance from \$271 per person double occupancy, \$324 per person single occupancy
- ♣ Gratuity to driver/guide (€5.00 per person per day recommended)

### Sightseeing Highlights:

Tea & scones, Kilkenny Castle, Dunbrody, The House of Waterford, Old Jameson Distillery at Midleton, Blarney Castle, Kissane Sheep Farm, Ring of Kerry, Cliffs of Moher, Medieval Banquet

**Payment Schedule:**

A \$500 non-refundable deposit secures your spot on the tour.

Final Payment will be due no later than April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Tour price is based on double occupancy

**Trip insurance is available for additional cost and is strongly recommended. It should be purchased at time of deposit to cover any pre-existing conditions**

*Due to airline restrictions Blackthorn is unable to bring instruments and equipment so there are no scheduled performances, but you never know... It wouldn't be at all surprising if there were an outbreak of music in a pub*

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY YOUR FIRST, MIDDLE, & LAST NAME **EXACTLY** AS ON YOUR PASSPORT

Please submit a copy of the picture page from your passport with payment.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: (            ) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: (            ) \_\_\_\_\_

email: \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sharing Accommodations Desired: Double (1 bed for 2 people): \_\_\_\_\_ Twin Bedded (2 beds for 2 people): \_\_\_\_\_ Single Traveler: \_\_\_\_\_

Accept optional travel insurance: Yes: \_\_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_\_ Does not go into effect until it has been purchased

Any special request or dietary requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

The payment of required deposits or full payment for a reservation constitutes consent to all provisions of the Terms & Conditions contained in our brochure and on our website. I understand that once airfare is added, airline taxes and fees are subject to change until group tickets are issued and paid for in full. Any special requests must be made at time of booking. Airline seats are assigned by the airline and seat preference cannot be guaranteed. Please sign below to accept the above terms and conditions.

X \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_

**Send your deposit to:**

**Isle Inn Tours – 105 Oronoco St., Ste. 111, Alexandria, VA 22314 – Attn: Andrea**

(800) 237-9376 Ext 1005    Direct: (703) 997-6725    email: [andrea@isleinntours.com](mailto:andrea@isleinntours.com)    Blackthorn 0717

### **Saturday, July 15**

Depart on United #3547 at 2:30pm from Detroit to Newark. Connect to United #23 at 7:20pm to Dublin.

### **Sunday, July 16**

*Céad míle fáilte!* Arrive Dublin Airport at 7.05am. Meet Lesley, our Irish driver/guide in the arrivals hall to begin our journey which will be full of Irish culture, history, music and of course the hospitality the Irish are known for. We will stop for **complimentary tea & scones** and an opportunity to stretch our legs a little after our international flight. Arrive to the Medieval City of Kilkenny and check-in to our gorgeous city center hotel. We'll take a guided tour of the 12th century **Kilkenny Castle**, home to the Butler family for centuries and now restored to its original splendor. This evening, a little exploration or a quiet pint in one of Kilkenny's many fine pubs before dinner in our hotel.

**Overnight: Kilkenny River Court, Kilkenny (D)**

### **Monday, July 17**

After our first full Irish breakfast perhaps take a leisurely stroll of Kilkenny to explore the lanes, streets and stories of this remarkable place. Then we journey south to New Ross to visit the **Dunbrody Emigrant Ship** which provides a unique insight into a period of history which shaped modern day Ireland and the U.S., the Great Famine, and the reasons so many people emigrated to America in the mid 19th century. Next we'll visit **The House of Waterford** to learn how the famous crystal is made. Return to Kilkenny with the remainder of the day free.

**Overnight: Kilkenny River Court, Kilkenny (B)**

### **Tuesday, July 18**

After breakfast we'll visit the **Rock of Cashel**, traditional seat of the kings of Munster dating from the 12th and 13th centuries. After an audio/visual presentation there will be time to stroll the grounds on our own and take some photographs of this stunning location. This afternoon we'll visit the **Jameson Experience in Midleton**. The old distillery is a unique experience with some of the buildings dating back to 1795. Next we will journey to the picturesque and historic medieval fishing port of Kinsale.

**Overnight: The Trident Hotel, Kinsale (B, D)**

### **Wednesday, July 19**

This morning we will take a unique stroll through the past, with a **guided walking tour** and learn the history of Kinsale and Ireland in an enjoyable and informative way. The remainder of the day we will be free to explore the town. Kinsale has been hailed as the "Gourmet Capital of Ireland", with no shortage of cafes, pubs and restaurants to suit every taste and budget, though we recommend "Fishy, Fishy."

**Overnight: The Trident Hotel, Kinsale (B)**

### **Thursday, July 20**

A delicious breakfast, then off to the world famous **Blarney Castle**, home of the legendary Blarney Stone; kiss it and you'll never again be lost for words. There will be time also for a short visit to the adjacent Blarney Woolen Mills, a favorite of shoppers. Next we will visit Kissane Sheep Farm, run by John Kissane and his son Sean - a traditional, working sheep farm with approximately 1,000 mountain sheep and hundreds of lambs. Here we will watch a **sheep dog demonstration** as the border collies round up the lads in the band and stray American tourists, before continuing on to Killarney.

**Overnight: The Malton, Killarney (B, D)**

### **Friday, July 21**

Today enjoy a free day in Killarney! Sleep in, explore the town, visit the spa, do some shopping, or perhaps play a round of golf. Meet back at the hotel this evening for dinner with the group.

**Overnight: The Malton, Killarney (B, D)**

### **Saturday, July 22**

Today we will tour the famous **Ring of Kerry**. This circular tour will reveal constantly changing vistas of mountains; open Atlantic Ocean, beaches and cliffs. We move onward through the remote towns of Cahirciveen and Waterville. A stop at Moll's Gap to view the three lakes with the mountains and town in the background is a photographic necessity. Return to Killarney with the remainder of the day free to explore the town.

**Overnight: The Malton, Killarney (B)**

### **Sunday, July 23**

After a leisurely breakfast we depart Killarney. On our way to our hotel in Ennis we will stop in the pretty town of Adare with some time to walk around. We'll continue on our way through the city of Limerick, where we will tour **King John's Castle**. This 12th Century castle was built by King John of England and stands as a testament to 800 years of history. Arrive early evening with time to freshen up before dinner.

**Overnight: Old Ground Hotel, Ennis (B, D)**

### **Monday, July 24**

Today we will travel through the Burren, an impressive region with a limestone landscape that cultivates unique flora and megalithic tombs and monuments older than Egypt's pyramids. Stop to visit the magnificent **Cliffs of Moher** which rise 700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean. Time to walk to the cliff edge and breathe in the fresh Irish air. Tonight we will enjoy a **special night out with dinner and entertainment**. Party pieces after dinner!

**Overnight: Old Ground Hotel, Ennis (B, D)**

### **Tuesday, July 25**

After an early breakfast we will drive to Shannon Airport to board United #67 departing at 9:05am to Chicago. We will connect to United #4568 at 1:25pm, arriving Detroit at 3:52pm **(B)**

*Circumstances beyond our control may require us to change the schedule. This tour is subject to the terms and conditions listed on [www.isleinntours.com](http://www.isleinntours.com)*