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# Enchanting Ireland

A Tour of the Emerald Isle

September 16-28, 2021

**13 days for \$4,992 total price from Boston, New York**  
(\$4,595 air & land inclusive plus \$397 airline taxes and fees)



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Alumni and Friends of the University of Kansas



**Dear Alumni and Friends,**

Join us on an exclusive journey to Ireland – a land of breathtaking scenery, rich heritage and mystical appeal. From Dublin, traveling through festive Galway, and ending in medieval Kilkenny, our small group of travelers will experience Ireland’s many charms. Stunning landscapes, fascinating history, and cultural expression – the Emerald Isle has it all.

Begin in Dublin with a tour of Ireland’s beautiful capital. Next, head west to Galway and intriguing Inishmore, the largest of the fabled Aran Islands. Travel south along the scenic coastline of County Clare, cross by ferry into County Kerry and explore Killarney. Travel along the Ring of Kerry and visit 15<sup>th</sup>-century Blarney Castle, home of the celebrated Blarney Stone. Finally, tour the cultural capital of Kilkenny before returning to Dublin for a farewell dinner. An optional 4-day/3-night post-tour extension in Northern Ireland is also available.

This exciting tour is limited to 24 guests total, and will fill quickly. Your deposit is fully refundable up until 95 days before departure. Book risk-free today!

Sincerely,

Merideth Warinner, d’16  
Director of Membership

**THE KU RESERVATION FORM: ENCHANTING IRELAND**

Enclosed is my/our deposit for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (\$500 per person) for \_\_\_\_\_ person(s) on **Enchanting Ireland**, departing **September 16, 2021**. I/We understand the final payment is due at least 95 days prior to departure. Payment may be made by American Express, Discover, MasterCard, VISA, or by personal check. **Please make check payable to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., and send, with completed reservation form, to: Odysseys Unlimited, Inc., Attn: Special Interest Groups, One Newton Place, 275 Washington Street, Suite 300, Newton, MA 02458. You may also call the Alumni Association toll-free at 1-800-584-2957. Or you may call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. tollfree at 1-888-370-6765 to make your reservation.**

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Please book my/our air from \_\_\_\_\_ I/We request a Business Class upgrade

I will share a room with \_\_\_\_\_ I request a single room (limited availability)

**Post-Tour “Northern Ireland” Extension:** Please sign me/us up

**Please Note:** The undersigned has read the schedule of activities for **Enchanting Ireland, September 16-28, 2021**, and agrees that their signature below represents their acceptance of the General Terms and Conditions.

Signature(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Final invoicing will be sent by our tour operator, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. The balance of the program price must be paid to Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. Final payment is due by **June 13, 2021**, and is payable by check or credit card.

Tour membership limited to 24 alumni and friends

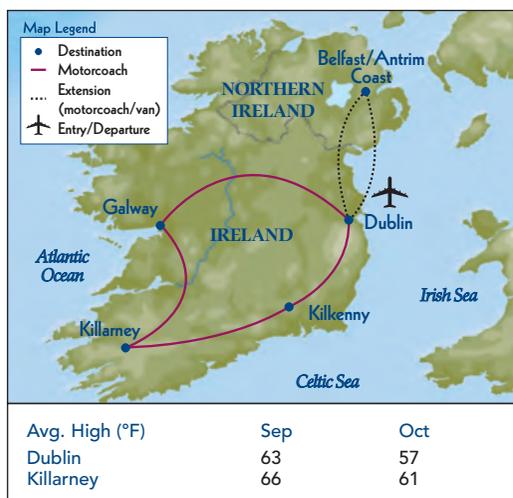
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*It's a beautiful, magical land, where the gentle green landscape dazzles and the people delight; where warmth and hospitality are national traits and poets are national heroes. From Dublin to Galway, Killarney to Kilkenny, this full yet well-paced tour showcases Ireland's many charms – both old and new – to our small band of travelers.*



### Day 1: Depart U.S. for Dublin, Ireland

**Day 2: Arrive Dublin** We arrive in the intimate, and beautiful, Irish capital today and check in at our hotel located right on St. Stephen's Green. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. *D*

**Day 3: Dublin** This morning's city tour includes a visit to Trinity College, home of the stunning 8<sup>th</sup>-century *Book of Kells* illuminated manuscript; and to St. Patrick's, the national cathedral of the Church of Ireland. This afternoon we embark on an informal walking tour (led by our tour director), passing some of the haunts and hiding places of Ireland's beloved literary sons. Dinner tonight is on our own in this enchanting city. *B*

**Day 4: Dublin/Galway** We leave Dublin this morning for Galway in the West, the region some consider to be the "most Irish part of Ireland." En route we stop for tea and coffee at Tyrrellspass Castle then continue on to 6<sup>th</sup>-century Clonmacnoise, Ireland's most important early monastic site. After lunch on our own we resume our journey, reaching Galway City this afternoon. We dine at our hotel located in the village of Bearna just outside the city. *B,D*

**Day 5: Galway/Connemara** A day of scenic highlights is in store as we travel through western County Galway in the legendary region known as Connemara, a rugged, silent landscape of mountains, glacial lakes, endless roads, and uninhabited bog lands. Our first stop is at beautiful Kylemore Abbey, built as a private home in 1861 and one of Ireland's most photographed castles. We continue on through this singular landscape, stopping for lunch en route. Tonight we enjoy dinner with traditional Irish entertainment at Padraicins overlooking Galway Bay. *B,D*

**Day 6: Galway/Aran Islands** Today we embark on an excursion to Inishmore, the largest of the fabled Aran Islands, whose unique culture and history have been an inspiration to artists, writers, and filmmakers. Sitting across Galway Bay in the midst of the Atlantic, the islands feature primitive stone forests, early Christian churches, and medieval castles – as well as shops, galleries, and restaurants. An islander guides our tour

### Small Group Tour Highlights

Dublin touring, including Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral • Magnificent natural scenery of counties Galway and Kerry: Cliffs of Moher, the Burren, Connemara • Irish sheepdog demonstration • Beautiful Kylemore Abbey • Dramatic Aran Islands • Ring of Kerry scenic drive • Historic Muckross House • Visit to Blarney Castle • Rock of Cashel • Kilkenny Castle • Outstanding small group accommodations that enhance the Irish experience

Day	Itinerary	Hotel	Rating
1	Depart U.S. for Dublin		
2-3	Dublin	The Shelbourne Dublin	Deluxe
4-6	Galway	The Twelve Hotel	Sup. First Class
7-9	Killarney	Killarney Royal	Sup. First Class
10-11	Kilkenny	Pembroke Hotel	Sup. First Class
12	Dublin (Barberstown)	Barberstown Castle Hotel	Sup. First Class
13	Depart Dublin for U.S.		

*Ratings are based on the Hotel & Travel Index, the travel industry standard reference.*

Cover Photo: On Day 5, in Connemara, we visit beautiful Kylemore Abbey.



The sun shines down on the Cliffs of Moher, as we see on Day 7.

here, imparting local lore along the way. We stop at Dun Aenghus Fortress, the three prehistoric stone walls crowning the tallest cliffs of Inishmore; have lunch in a local pub; and enjoy some free time before returning to the mainland and our hotel late this afternoon. Dinner tonight is at a local restaurant in the village of Bearna. *B,L,D*

**Day 7: Galway/County Clare/Killarney** Another day of breathtaking scenery as we leave Galway for Killarney, traveling south along the fabled coastline of County Clare. We pass through the Burren, the 116-square-mile “rocky place” of craggy gray *karst* (limestone) formations that stretch endlessly in all directions. Then we visit the Cliffs of Moher, the majestic flat-topped “mountains” that rise vertically from the sea for five miles from north to south. After lunch on our own here, we cross by ferry into County Kerry, reaching Killarney in beautiful Killarney National Park late this afternoon. This evening we enjoy dinners in local family-run B&Bs. *B,D*

**Day 8: Killarney** Our exploration of this attractive town, founded as a resort in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, begins with a jaunting cart ride from the center of town to 15<sup>th</sup>-century Ross Castle, the last stronghold to fall to Oliver Cromwell’s forces in 1652. Then we travel by boat to Muckross House, a 19<sup>th</sup>-century Elizabethan-style manor housing the Kerry Folklife Centre, which showcases the art and craft of bookbinding, pottery, and weaving. We tour the elegantly furnished rooms, as well as the informal garden. Lunch is on our own here before we return to Killarney mid-afternoon. *B*

**Day 9: Killarney/Ring of Kerry** Today we experience one of Ireland’s most popular attractions, the stunning mountain and coastal scenery of the Ring of Kerry, a 110-mile route connecting Dingle, Iveragh, and Beara

peninsulas. This is the Ireland of postcards and pictures, with tiny villages dotting the breathtaking landscape; we stop in one of them for an Irish sheep dog demonstration and in another for lunch. We return to Killarney late this afternoon then dine tonight at our hotel. *B,L,D*

**Day 10: Blarney/Cashel/Kilkenny** On our way to Kilkenny this morning we stop in the small town of Blarney to visit the ruins of the 15<sup>th</sup>-century castle, with its celebrated Blarney Stone believed to bestow

### Post-Tour Extension

September 28-October 1, 2021

## Northern Ireland

4 days/3 nights for \$1,295 total price

Single Supplement: \$295

*Savor the dramatic beauty of the Antrim Coast, one of the most scenic in all of Ireland and the British Isles, and encounter the lively capital city of Belfast.*

### Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip private motorcoach or van transportation Dublin/Belfast
- 3 nights’ accommodations: 2 nights in Belfast at Fitzwilliam Hotel (Deluxe); 1 night in Dublin at Carlton Hotel Dublin Airport (Superior First Class)
- 7 meals: 3 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 3 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing including Belfast, Antrim Coast (Giant’s Causeway UNESCO site, Bushmills Distillery, Carrick-a-rede Bridge), new Titanic Museum in Belfast
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited representative
- Gratuities for dining room servers and airport and hotel porters



BELIEVE THAT  
A FURTHER SHORE IS  
REACHABLE FROM HERE.”

– SEAMUS HEANEY

the “gift of gab” on those who kiss it. We also visit the Blarney Woolen Mills, housing an excellent selection of Irish crafts as well as knits and woolsens of all kinds. After lunch on our own in Blarney, we continue on to the Rock of Cashel, the celebrated – and beloved – archaeological complex (c. 432 CE) of medieval ruins atop a limestone outcropping that presides over the surrounding plain. Late this afternoon we return to Kilkenny and our hotel, where we dine tonight. *B,D*



*Titanic Museum, optional extension*

buildings of “black” or Kilkenny marble, quarried locally. After lunch together at a local pub, the remainder of the day is at leisure. *B,L*

**Day 12: Kilkenny/Dublin (Barberstown)** We leave Kilkenny this morning for a final visit to Dublin, where we tour fascinating EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum depicting 1,500 years of Irish history in an interactive environment. Mid-afternoon we reach our hotel outside Dublin; tonight we celebrate our adventure over a farewell dinner. *B,D*

**Day 13: Depart for U.S.** We leave this morning for the Dublin airport and our return flights to the United States. *B*

## Your Tour Price Includes

- Round-trip air transportation from listed cities
- 11 nights’ accommodations in Deluxe and Superior First Class hotels
- 22 meals: 11 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 8 dinners
- Extensive sightseeing as described, including all entrance fees
- Services of an Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director
- Private motorcoach transportation throughout your trip
- Luggage handling for one bag per person
- Gratuities for local guides, dining room servers, airport and hotel porters, and all drivers

**Day 11: Kilkenny**  
Today is devoted to Kilkenny, a well-preserved medieval city known as Ireland’s cultural capital – and the country’s smallest city. We tour 12<sup>th</sup>-century Kilkenny Castle, considered one of the country’s most beautiful, then embark on an informal walking tour of Kilkenny itself, noting the many



*Stone walls wind through the Aran Islands.*

## Tour Departs: September 16, 2021

Prices include int’l airfare and all taxes, surcharges, and fees.

Boston, New York	\$4,992
Baltimore, Chicago, Miami, Orlando, Philadelphia, Tampa, Washington, DC	\$5,292
Atlanta, Charlotte, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Kansas City, Minneapolis	\$5,392
Dallas, Denver, Houston, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Portland (OR), San Francisco, Seattle	\$5,592
Land Only (transfers not included)	\$4,395

Please call if your city is not listed. Prices are per person based on double occupancy and include airline taxes, surcharges, and fees of \$397, which are subject to change until final payment is made.

Single travelers please add \$1,495. Your \$500 deposit is fully refundable up to 95 days prior to departure. All tour prices above (excluding airline taxes, surcharges, and fees) are guaranteed.

Business Class upgrade on round-trip Trans-Atlantic flight: \$3,595 per person from Newark, Washington, DC, in addition to the above costs (upgrade is subject to availability and pricing is subject to change).

**For reservations and information, please call the KU Alumni Association toll-free:**

**1-800-584-2957**

**Or call Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. toll-free:**

**1-888-370-6765**

**Monday–Friday, 9:00 AM–7:00 PM, Eastern Time**

## GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Please read this information carefully, as payment of a \$500 deposit per person represents your acceptance of the following Terms and Conditions.

**Not Included in Tour Price:** Airfare when purchasing a Land Only package; costs of passports and visas; personal expenses such as beverages, laundry, room service, and meals not specified; airport transfers when purchasing a Land Only package; communication charges; gratuities to your Odysseys Unlimited Tour Director, which are at your discretion (suggested gratuities: \$10-\$15 per traveler, per day); optional sightseeing; and travel protection insurance. Additional baggage fees may apply and are subject to change at any time. You should confirm directly with your airline(s) prior to departure.

**Cancellations, Refunds, and Changes:** If you must cancel your trip, the effective date of cancellation will be upon Odysseys Unlimited, Inc.'s receipt of your notification. Refunds for cancellations are subject to the following per person charges: **cancel 95 days or more before departure: full refund; cancel 94-65 days before departure: 25% of tour price; cancel 64-45 days before departure: 50% of tour price; cancel 44-30 days before departure: 75% of tour price; cancel 29-0 days before departure: no refund.** If you make any changes to your reservation from 94 to 30 days prior to departure, Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. will apply a \$100 per person administrative fee, in addition to any fees or penalties imposed by third parties. Changes are subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed. If your reservation changes from double occupancy to single occupancy for any reason, you will be charged the single supplement. **No changes are allowed within 30 days of departure. Upon reservation, you must provide your full legal name as it appears on your passport, as well as your date of birth and gender. In the event an airline ticket is issued with incorrect information you have provided, you will be responsible for charges associated with the ticket's reissue.**

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**Health and Medical Issues:** We request that you be in good health to participate in this tour. There is a considerable amount of walking, and **you must be able to get on and off motorcoaches and boats on your own.** We regret that we cannot offer individual assistance; in such cases you must be accompanied by a companion who will assist you. Please note that many of our tour itineraries, for reasons beyond our control, do not accommodate wheelchairs. Please call or e-mail us to inquire and we will do our best to answer any questions you may have. We reserve the right to remove anyone whose physical or mental condition, in our opinion, compromises the operation of the tour or detracts from the enjoyment or safety of the other passengers. In that event, KUAA and Odysseys Unlimited, Inc. assume no financial responsibility for any unused portion of the tour.

**COVID-19 Health and Safety Protocols:** *The well-being of our guests and staff members on tour will continue to be our highest priorities. To maintain a healthy environment for travel, we will be establishing and adhering to a detailed set of health and safety protocols for all facets of your tour. We are committed to following the guidelines of the State Department, CDC, WHO, and authorities of respective countries regarding travel to a particular destination. Detailed protocols for this tour, based on conditions at the time, will be provided approximately 90 days prior to departure.*



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