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## In the FOOTSTEPS of the CELTS

### Inclusions & Highlights

- Round-trip air departing for Dublin, Ireland on Friday, October 9, and returning from Shannon, Ireland on Saturday, October 17, 2026.
- Deluxe accommodations for two nights at the Grand Central Hotel in Belfast.
- Deluxe accommodations for two nights at Dromoland Castle.
- Deluxe accommodations for three nights at the Great Southern Hotel in Killarney.
- Breakfast daily.
- Lunch allowance on most days.
- Dinner daily, including four dine-around evenings, and three group dinners.
- Five memorable group tours, including:
  - Day tour to Giant's Causeway. (Belfast)
  - Evening tour to the Titanic Experience with dinner. (Belfast)
  - Group tour to the Cliffs of Moher. (Dromoland Castle)
  - Group tour of the Gap of Dunloe with lunch. (Killarney)
  - Group tour to Blarney Castle. (Killarney)
- Private transfers and professional guides throughout.
- All required travel taxes and gratuities.



**Special Note for Golfers:** Optional golf opportunities will be available both during your stay at Dromoland Castle and while in Killarney.

### Pre-trip Extension Opportunity

Looking to extend your vacation? We are offering an optional pre-trip extension to **Edinburgh, Scotland**, that includes:

- Accommodations for three nights at the W Hotel in Edinburgh, October 7-10, 2026.
- Guided tour of Edinburgh with a visit to Edinburgh Castle.
- Two dine-around evenings.
- One group dinner on the W-Deck a rooftop venue offering spectacular 360-degree views of the city.
- Ferry transfer from Scotland to Belfast, Northern Ireland.



Edinburgh Castle

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Mysteries, Legends, and Myths of Ireland and Northern Ireland

October 9-17, 2026





The Celts first arrived in Ireland around 500 BC asserting themselves as the dominant ethnic group in Ireland. As the centuries passed, the Celtic presence in Ireland solidified, contributing to the rich tapestry of Irish heritage, shaping the identity of the land and its people. The enduring legacy of the Celts persists, woven into the very fabric of the nation's history and cultural tapestry as found in the intricate stone carving, fine metalwork, and colorful wool textiles, seen as the precursors to the famous Scottish tartan.

Mythology played an important role in ancient Celtic life, and many of those legends can still be found today, having been passed down for generations. And, from giants to leprechauns to stones with magical powers, we will visit many historic sites giving you the opportunity to experience where the tales began.



Belfast, the capital of Northern Ireland, welcomes visitors with a rich cultural heritage, and a vibrant nightlife. Here, your adventure begins with two nights at the 5-star Grand Central Hotel. Standing tall in the heart of the city, the Grand Central's location is ideal for strolls along Belfast's charming cobbled streets in pursuit of the city's many shops, pubs and eateries.

While in Belfast we will take a day trip to Antrim - known for its stunning coastline and beautiful countryside used for many filming locations for the HBO series *Game of Thrones*. In Antrim, we'll visit the famed **Giant's Causeway**, a UNESCO World Heritage site and a must-see natural wonder that has captivated visitors for centuries. Legend has it that the causeway was built by the giant Fionn Mac Cumhaill to serve as a pathway to Scotland in order to confront a Scottish giant named Benandonner, and the 40,000 interlocking hexagonal stones create a truly breathtaking and unique landscape that draws visitors from all over the globe.

Belfast is also the birthplace of the famed Titanic, which was constructed on Queen's Island (now known as the Titanic Quarter). For our last night in Belfast we will visit The **Titanic Experience**, a collection of immersive exhibits that tell the story of Titanic from her majestic beginning to her tragic end. The museum is located on the same shipyard where Titanic was constructed, and where she was launched in 1912.

## The Emerald Isle Awaits

The moment you arrive in Ireland you'll be captivated by its natural beauty. From the mystical landscapes and rock formations of the Burren to the rugged **Cliffs of Moher**, to the lush, rolling hills of the countryside, Ireland's landscapes are awe-inspiring and diverse. The country's ancient castles, abbeys, and archaeological sites bear witness to its storied past, and its warm and welcoming people contribute to the country's unique allure.

Surrounded by the stunning landscapes of Killarney National Park, Killarney is one of Ireland's most beloved destinations, known for its charming streets, lined with colorful buildings, traditional pubs, and a vibrant arts and culture scene - a city that blends modern urbanity and traditional charm. While here we will stay at the Great Southern, an iconic hotel that stands proudly as one of Killarney's Premier Historic Hotels, and the perfect base to explore some of Kerry's best-known attractions.

Your stay in Killarney will be filled with activity, beginning with a tour through the breathtaking **Gap of Dunloe**. The narrow mountain pass was created over 25,000 years ago during Ireland's last Ice Age, and you'll be treated to magnificent views of the mountains, lakes, waterfalls, stone bridges and unique ruins riding aboard a traditional jaunting car.

Then, we'll travel to **Blarney Castle**, a 15th century fortress famous for its imposing tower, beautiful gardens and, of course, its fabled stone. Situated high atop the castle, legend has it that a witch cast a spell on the stone that is said to impart "The Gift of Eloquence" to all who kiss it.

From causeways to castles, Ireland is a magical country that casts a spell on all who have the privilege of visiting its shores, and we at CDC Distributors invite you to join us as we travel in "The Footsteps of the Celts" to learn the mysteries, legends and myths of this ancient civilization.



## DROMOLAND CASTLE

Dromoland Castle has a rich history dating back to the 5th century as the ancestral home of the O'Brien family, direct descendants of Brian Boru, the High King of Ireland. Over the centuries, the castle has undergone various renovations and expansions, and today spans over 400 acres featuring peaceful woodlands, tranquil lakes, manicured gardens, and one of the finest 5-star castle hotels in Ireland. Through the years, the castle has played host to such notable figures as former U.S. Presidents Bill Clinton and George W. Bush; musical icons John Lennon and George Harrison; actors John Travolta and Jack Nicholson; Muhammad Ali; Nelson Mandela; and others.

Visitors will find the level of service at Dromoland Castle is unparalleled, with a dedicated staff that provides impeccable attention to detail and personalized care, ensuring that every guest's needs are met with warmth and efficiency, setting a standard of excellence that epitomizes the essence of true luxury. The rooms at Dromoland Castle reflect the epitome of luxury and elegance, each offering a unique blend of timeless sophistication and modern comforts.

During your stay at Dromoland Castle, you will be able to immerse yourself in a wide range of activities and experiences. For those interested in outdoor pursuits, the estate offers opportunities for archery, falconry, fishing, and horseback riding. Golf enthusiasts can enjoy the world-class 18-hole championship golf course situated on the estate. Moreover, the castle hosts a luxurious spa, providing indulgent treatments and relaxation in a serene setting. Culinary delights abound at Dromoland Castle, with its award-winning restaurants showcasing fine dining experiences and traditional afternoon tea. Guests can also partake in guided historical tours of the castle and its grounds, delving into the rich tapestry of its past while enjoying the comfort and opulence of the present.