

The Blasket Islands

'Cork & Killarney' Tour - April 2021

Kenmare, Garnish Island, Bantry Bay, Bantry House & Gardens, Mizen Head Lighthouse, Killarney, Dingle Peninsula, Blasket Islands Interpretive Centre, Killarney National Park, Tralee, Ring of Kerry, Shannon River Cruise...

10 Nights: Wed 7 Apr – Fri 16 Apr (Dispersing morning of 17th April)

The Park Inn at Shannon AirportCo Clare	1 Night
The Maritime HotelCo Cork	3 Nights
The Lake Hotel, KillarneyCo Kerry	5 Nights
The Park Inn at Shannon AirportCo Clare	1 Night

\$2,950 Per/Person (Sharing room, Double or Twin) \$3,450 Per/Person (Single)

Check or money order only, payable to Mahog Music. (No credit card, sorry)

Mahog Music, PO Box 1256, Talent, OR 97540 USA

Includes: 10 nights Dinner, B&B – Coach - Activities/Visits - Meal-tips.

Excludes: Air Travel — Lunches — Driver-tip — Insurance.

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Day 1 Wednesday 7th April, 2021

Activity As tour members arrive independently at Shannon Airport, cross the road to the

Park Inn, and check in under MEN OF WORTH TOUR.

Gather in the bar for a Welcome Drink at 6.00pm, prior to Dinner at 7.00pm.

Evening After dinner, Evening free to relax, and prepare for morning departure.

Hotel Park Inn, Shannon Airport (D. B)

Day 2 Thursday 8th April, 2021

Activity We depart Shannon for West Cork by way of **Kenmare**.

Founded in 1670, **Bórd Fáilte** officially recognized the historical, cultural and environmental significance of Kenmare by bestowing upon it the title of Kerry's

first Heritage Town.

(Independent Lunch in Kenmare)

As we journey on, an afternoon visit to <u>Molly Gallivan's Farm</u> provides an experience of a simple country lifestyle in rural Ireland before the days of

electricity and other modern conveniences.

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with Men of Worth

Hotel The Maritime Hotel, Co Cork (D. B.)

Day 3 Friday 9th April, 2021

Activity After breakfast we take a boat tour in Bantry Bay with a visit to **Garnish Island.**

Garnish is a small island of 15 hectares (37 acres) known to horticulturists and lovers of trees and shrubs all over the world as an island garden of great beauty.

(Independent Lunch)

This afternoon we visit Bantry House & Garden for a guided tour. The Bantry

Demesne has been in the White family since the mid 1700's.

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with Men of Worth

Hotel The Maritime Hotel, Co Cork (D. B.)

Day 4 Saturday 10th April, 2021

Activity Morning departure for Mizen Head, Ireland's most Southwesterly Point,

returning by way of Bantry. The dramatic setting of the Lighthouse at Mizen Head can only be enhanced by the Radio Room where over a century ago

Marconi left his mark!

(Independent Lunch in Mizen Head or Bantry)

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with Men of Worth.

Hotel The Maritime Hotel, Co Cork (D. B.)

Day 5 Sunday 11th April, 2021

Activity After breakfast we depart West Cork for Killarney. We will stop in **Killarney**

town for lunch and shopping. Leave town centre at 3.30pm.

Arrive at hotel 3.45pm

(Independent Lunch in Killarney)

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with Men of Worth.

Hotel Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry (D. B.)

Day 6 Monday 12th April, 2021

Activity After breakfast, we set off for the **Dingle Peninsula**. After a visit to **Dingle**

Town we will visit the **Blasket Island Centre**, on the tip of the Dingle Peninsula,

with a local guide and historian. (Independent Lunch in Dingle)

Late afternoon we head to The South Pole Restaurant & Pub in the village of

Annascaul, for a Provided Dinner at 6.00pm.

Evening Following Dinner, Entertainment with Men of Worth at the restaurant.

At 8.30pm depart for our hotel, arriving at 9.30pm

(Independent Lunch wherever you are)

Hotel Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry (D. B.)

Day 7 Tuesday 13th April, 2021

Activity After breakfast we will be picked-up at the hotel entrance for a jaunting car

experience through the Killarney National Park & <u>Torc Waterfall</u>. This tour features the history, folklore and legends of the area. The afternoon is free to explore <u>Killarney National Park</u> and/or <u>Muckross House & Gardens</u>. Our bus will depart hotel at 1.30pm for Killarney town centre and pick-up at 4.30pm.

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with Men of Worth.

Hotel Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry (D. B.)

Day 8 Wednesday 14th April, 2021

Activity After breakfast we depart for 1hr journey to **Ardfert Cathedral**. Ardfert is a

small village steeped in history with many imposing monuments located just 5 miles north-west of Tralee town. The partially restored 15th century cathedral is on the site of a monastery founded by St Brendan 'The Navigator' in the 6th

century.

We will return by way of **Tralee** for free time and shopping.

(Independent Lunch in Tralee)

Evening After dinner we depart for an 8.30pm concert by traditional musicians from the

Killarnev School of Music.

Hotel Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry (D. B.)

Day 9 Thursday 15th April, 2021

Activity Morning departure for the **Ring of Kerry**; a leisurely drive with stops on this

world famous scenic route. We will have an extended stop at <u>Derrynane House</u>, the ancestral home of Daniel O'Connell. Returning to the hotel late afternoon.

(Independent Lunch)

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with Men of Worth.

Hotel Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry (D. B.

Day 10 Friday 16th April, 2021

Activity We depart Killarney for Shannon. En route we stop for a visit in scenic, **Adare**

Village. After lunch we enjoy an hour-long cruise on the River Shannon and

Lough Derg aboard the **Spirit of Killaloe**.

Arriving back at the Park Inn, Shannon at 5.30pm for our final dinner.

Evening After **Dinner**, Men of Worth host a final concert program with **Special Guests:**

Andrew (accordion) Mark (fiddle) Brendan (Guitar & Vocals)

Hotel Park Inn, Shannon Airport (D. B.)

Day 11 Saturday 17th April, 2021

Activity Breakfast is included, served between 6:30am and 10am. (Not as a group)

This is the morning we all disperse.

This is the Official End of the Tour! Thank You! You could plan to fly out this morning...or make other plans.

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