



Pre-Tour Program Irish Derby - June 2010

The Irish Derby - usually run on the last Sunday in June, it is an infectious exciting social occasion of great glamour and electric atmosphere. The moment you arrive you know that this day is going to be special. Featuring some of the finest racehorses in the world, owned, trained and ridden by the world's finest trainers and jockeys, let yourself be swept away by the thrill of this world-class racing.

Return airfare (London/Dublin/London)
Airport Taxes
9 nights accommodation
Breakfast daily
'Premier' Seated Tickets to Irish Derby
Private Guided Tours as per itinerary
Private driver throughout
Transportation by private deluxe coach
Airport assistance (arrival + departure)
All portorage, tips, gratuities and taxes

Day 1: Friday 25 June 2010 - Depart London, Arrive Dublin

Upon arrival into Dublin Airport guests are met by our ground partners in the arrival lounge, guided to the coach area and transferred to the hotel. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ O'Callaghan Davenport Hotel, Dublin.

Day 2: Saturday 26 June 2010 - Guided Orientation Tour of Dublin

Guided orientation tour of Dublin. Visit Trinity Library, founded by Elizabeth I in 1592, houses 200,000 of the college's collection, the most priceless manuscript is the Book of Kells which dates from AD 800. Travel down Dame Street, visit St Patrick's Cathedral, one of the finest examples of Gothic Architecture in Dublin. View the Georgian Squares of which Dublin is famous and get a guided panoramic tour of the city. Afternoon and evening at leisure. Overnight @ O'Callaghan Davenport Hotel, Dublin.

Day 3: Sunday 27 June 2010 - The 'Irish Derby' at Curragh

Transfer to Curragh for the 'Irish Derby'. Enjoy 'Premier Seating Tickets' for a day at the races. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ O'Callaghan Davenport Hotel, Dublin.

Day 4: Monday 28 June 2010 - Dublin to Galway

Travel by private motorcoach to Galway. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ Connemara Coast Hotel, Galway.

Day 5: Tuesday 29 June 2010 - Orientation Tour of Galway City

Guided orientation tour of Galway City. Visit Eyre Square, a memorial garden to the late John F Kennedy who visited the city in June 1963. The Collegiate Church of St Nicholas and Spanish Arch, built in 1594. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ Connemara Coast Hotel, Galway.

Day 6: Wednesday 30 June 2010 - Galway to Killarney via Bunratty Village

Travel to Killarney, en-route stop at Bunratty Village and enjoy a tour of Bunratty Folk Park and Castle. Bunratty Castle is the most complete and authentic medieval fortress in Ireland. Built in 1425 it was restored in 1954 to its former medieval splendour. Bunratty Folk Park, lies within the grounds of Bunratty Castle and is where 19th century life is vividly recreated. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney.

Day 7: Thursday 01 July 2010 - 'Ring of Kerry' Tour

Full-day guided tour of the Ring of Kerry, one of the most beautiful stretches of road in Europe. Discover the scenic beauty of the South West of Ireland with Atlantic views, Palm Trees, unpopulated valleys and picturesque villages. When in Kenmare take some time to stroll through the village with its beautiful craft shops and traditional pubs. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney.

Day 8: Friday 02 July 2010 - Killarney to Kilkenny...en-route visit Coolmore Stud + Kilkenny Tour

Travel in the direction of Kilkenny, en-route visit Coolmore Stud. Guided orientation tour of Kilkenny city, offers a unique selection of historic sites and buildings from the 7th century onwards reflecting a tradition of monastic settlement and gracious living. Evening at leisure. Overnight @ Newpark Hotel, Kilkenny.

Day 9: Saturday 03 July 2010 - Kilkenny to Dublin...en-route visit Kildangan Stud + Irish National Stud

Travel to Dublin. En-route we visit Kildangan Stud and the Irish National Stud. After a long day, this evening is at your leisure. Overnight @ O'Callaghan Davenport Hotel, Dublin.

Day 10: Sunday 04 July 2010 - Departure

Transfer from your hotel to Dublin Airport for your return flight to London.



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