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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Ireland's dazzling beauty and enticing culture take center stage on this enriching, ten-night journey featuring the Counties of Clare, Kerry and Dublin! Join us as we explore the breathtaking Cliffs of Moher, the windswept grandeur of Inishmore in the Aran Islands, the stunning Ring of Kerry and beyond.

In storied Ennis, clap along to an exclusive performance of traditional Irish music and dance, and learn about old Celtic lore in the company of an acclaimed local storyteller. Journey to Killarney to ride in a traditional horse-drawn carriage and visit the acclaimed Dingle Peninsula. Cap off this special journey in historic Dublin. While there, visit Trinity College, home to the remarkable, hand-illuminated Book of Kells, and enjoy a fun food tour. This well-rounded itinerary also includes a whiskey tasting and a sheepherding demonstration featuring energetic border collies!

Along the way, expert guides and lecturers will share insights and historical context to help you fully appreciate your excursions. You'll also enjoy the ease and camaraderie of traveling with a small group with ample opportunities to explore on your own. Ensure that you're a part of this grand Irish adventure by reserving today! Be sure to make your reservations today by calling AHI (Alumni Holidays) at **800-323-7373**.

Sincerely,

Tricia Essenpreis
Director, Roaming Buffs
CU Boulder Alumni Association

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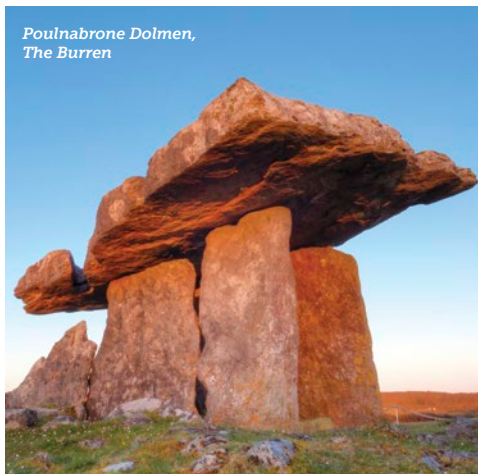
UNESCO

1. Burren & Cliffs of Moher Global Geopark
2. Kerry Biosphere Reserve
3. Dublin, City of Literature

Museum of Literature, Dublin



*Poulnabrone Dolmen,
The Burren*





Discovery begins here



The Emerald Isle's spectacular beauty awaits you on this heartwarming, culture-filled journey. Feast your eyes on the majestic Cliffs of Moher and appreciate the rugged splendor of the island of Inishmore. Cruise across the lovely Lakes of Killarney and take in breathtaking scenery, both coastal and inland, on a portion of the Ring of Kerry. Along the way, share in traditions and authentic cuisine, and relish the warm, welcoming ambience of cozy towns and lively cities!

Top: Cliffs of Moher | Above: Irish music

Cover: Doolin | Mail panel: Traditional shop | Dun Aengus, Inishmore, Aran Islands

Inspiring Moments



- Witness the Wild Atlantic Way's grandeur at the **Cliffs of Moher and the Burren**.
- Travel along the beautiful **Ring of Kerry** and watch talented dogs at work during a **sheepherding demonstration**.
- Tour the unspoiled island of **Inishmore** and get a taste of classic Irish culture.
- Delight in picture-perfect views of the **Dingle Peninsula** and delve into the history of the Blasket Islands.
- Hear Irish lore and tales from **one of Ireland's most famous storytellers**.
- Marvel at the exquisitely illustrated **Book of Kells** at Dublin's Trinity College.
- Ride in a traditional, horse-drawn jaunting car and by boat through splendid **Killarney National Park**.
- Tap your toes to a rousing **Irish music and dance performance**.
- Experience three **UNESCO-designated sites**.



"Market Day," Buyer & Seller Monument, Ennis

Day 1 | In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Shannon, Republic of Ireland. 🌐

Day 2 | Shannon, Republic of Ireland | Ennis

Upon arrival in Shannon, transfer 🚗 to Ennis and check in to the hotel.

Ennis Walking Tour. Set off on a stroll through this charming, 11th-century market town. From tales of banshees to local witches, hear how this area is steeped in legend and folklore.

Tonight, gather for a Welcome Reception and Dinner, followed by a spirited performance by local musicians and dancers.

Day 3 | Ennis | Cliffs of Moher & Burren

Enrichment: Irish Seanchaí. Eddie Lenihan, a premier folklorist/seanchaí, tells traditional tales of folk heroes, mythology and the supernatural.

The Cliffs of Moher & The Burren. Revel in these natural wonders along the Wild Atlantic Way's dramatic coastline of cliffs, sea caves and inlets. Soak up awe-inspiring, sweeping views at the Cliffs of Moher and then see the iconic portal tomb, Poul nabrone, built between 2500–2000 B.C. After a pub lunch, take an exclusive guided walk across the Burren as expert Tony Kirby shares fascinating insights about this striking, karstic limestone plateau.

Day 4 | Ennis

Free Time: Enjoy a full day in Ennis at leisure! Your Travel Director can assist with planning.

Day 5 | Inishmore | Doolin

Aran Island of Inishmore. Ferry across

Galway Bay to the largest of the Aran Islands. As you travel on a minibus, your local guide will share entertaining stories about life on this stark, arresting island, where Gaelic is the first language. See cliffside Dun Aengus, the most famous of the Aran Islands' Bronze Age forts, and pause for lunch before your return ferry.

🌐 **AHI Connects | Music in Doolin.** Doolin is synonymous with music because of the many musicians who reside here. Be welcomed at a musician's home for a delightful session of traditional songs and a glass of wine.

Free Time: Find a nice spot for dinner in Ennis.

Day 6 | Killarney

Check out of the hotel and depart for Killarney, where you'll pause for lunch in town.

Killarney National Park. Situated on the Ring of Kerry, this tranquil oasis of oak woodlands and shimmering lakes is Ireland's first national park, encompassing more than 25,000 acres. Ramble through the park on a leisurely ride in a traditional, horse-drawn carriage called

Jaunting cars, Killarney





Ross Castle,
Killarney National Park

a jaunting car. Your jarvey, or driver, will share local lore and history as you make your way to see the 15th-century Ross Castle. Next, glide aboard a cruiser across the serene Killarney Lakes, the park's three connected lakes. Check in to the hotel in Killarney.

Day 7 | Ring of Kerry

Ring of Kerry. Set on the Iveragh Peninsula in a pastoral region seemingly untouched by time, the Ring of Kerry is among the most stunning coastal drives. On your route, meet a shepherd who will show how sheep are herded with the help of loyal border collies. In Waterville, relax over lunch with views of the Atlantic Ocean. Then, take a panoramic drive through the villages of Caherdaniel and Sneem to Windy Gap and Ladies View.

Free Time: Set your own agenda in Killarney.

Day 8 | Dingle Peninsula | Dingle | Killarney

Dingle Peninsula. Along this magnificent coastline, visit the Blasket Centre, which honors the people who lived on the remote

Blasket Islands until the mid-1900s and their extraordinary literary legacy.

Free Time: Make lunch plans of your own in lively Dingle and check out the town's pubs, craft galleries and shops.

Whiskey Tasting. Back in Killarney, try local whiskeys served with appetizers, and learn about Irish whiskey production.

Day 9 | Kildare | Dublin

After breakfast today, check out and head toward Dublin through rolling emerald-green hills. After a stop for photos in the picturesque village of Adare, continue to the Irish National Stud & Gardens in Kildare, renowned for its racehorse breeding program and world-class Japanese Gardens. Savor lunch, then admire the graceful horses and gardens on a tour.

Arrive in Dublin and check in to the hotel.

Free Time: Your evening in Dublin is at leisure.

Day 10 | Dublin

Enrichment: Irish Literature. Ireland can claim four Nobel Prize winners in Literature,

Sheep herding demonstration



Blasket Centre



and Dublin boasts a rich literary history. Learn about legendary Irish authors from an expert.

Dublin Walking Tour. Dublin captivates with medieval, Georgian and Victorian architecture and lush green spaces. Tour Trinity College and view the hand-illuminated, ninth-century Book of Kells. Stroll by St. Patrick’s Cathedral, named for the patron saint of Ireland, and the shops and boutiques of Grafton Street.

Free Time: From cafés and art galleries to museums and parks, Dublin offers something for everyone. For a taste of local life, sip a pint of Guinness at a pub and enjoy the “craic,” Irish for “a good time.”

Day 11 | Dublin

Dublin Food Tour. Taste quintessential Irish flavors and sample local finger foods on a gastronomic walking tour.

Free Time: Venture off to see more of this vibrant, very walkable city this afternoon.

At tonight’s Farewell Reception and Dinner, toast “Sláinte” with your fellow travelers!

Day 12 | In Transit

After breakfast, transfer ➡ to the airport for the return flight ✈ to your gateway city.

Note: Itinerary may change due to local conditions.
✈ Flights and ➡ transfers included for AHI FlexAir participants.

Activity Level

We have designated activity levels for all excursions on this program. For more details, please call or visit our website.

Excursions on this itinerary require:

- walking on cobblestones, unpaved paths and/or uneven surfaces
- getting on/off motor coaches and boats

Included Features



- Accommodations** (with baggage handling)
- **4 nights** in Ennis, County Clare, Republic of Ireland, at the first-class Old Ground Hotel.
 - **3 nights** in Killarney, County Kerry, at the deluxe Aghadoe Heights Hotel & Spa.
 - **3 nights** in Dublin, County Dublin, at the first-class Iveagh Garden Hotel.

- Transfers** (with baggage handling)
- Deluxe motor coach transfers during the Land Program.

- Extensive Meal Program**
- 10 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 4 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.

- Your One-of-a-Kind Journey**
- **Small group:** Sized just right at 28 guests.
 - **Enrichment by expert speakers** enhances your insight into the region.
 - **Engaging excursions** showcase the local culture, heritage and history.
 - **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
 - Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
 - A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
 - Tipping of guides and drivers.
 - Complimentary travel mementos.
 - **AHI Sustainability Promise:** We strive to make a positive impact wherever we travel.

Thatched-roof cottages, Adare





Trinity College Library, Dublin



Grafton Street, Dublin



Above: Sleat Head Drive, Ring of Kerry | Below: Viewing platform, Blasket Centre



2027 | Departure Details

Program Dates

Travel dates ✈ **May 23 – June 3, 2027**

✈ Travel dates include any overnights required for international travel. These dates may vary depending on air schedules.

Tour dates* **May 24 – June 3, 2027**

* Tour dates begin on the scheduled arrival date at your destination and end on the scheduled departure date from your destination.

Land Program

Full Price **\$6,545**

Special Savings **\$750**

Special Savings Price* **\$5,795**

***This Special Savings Price includes our \$250 Early Booking and \$500 Pay-in-Full discounts and is valid if you book by the date on the address panel and pay in full at booking.**

Deposit amount is \$1,000 per person.

Final Payment is due at least 150 days prior to departure.

Price includes applicable program taxes (such as VAT and port charges).

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Special offers, promotions and discounts cannot be combined.

Single accommodations are an additional \$1,295 (limited availability).

Please note: Program-specific terms and conditions are available at <https://colora.ahitravel.com/destinations/2037A?schoold=36>.

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Let us arrange your flights

Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:

- **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase
- arrival and departure **transfers** on group dates
- **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservation before departure on most flights (Fees may apply.)
- **assistance** in the event of schedule changes or delays

AHI Travel Expertise

Travel Consultants guide you through the reservation process.

Travel & Air Coordinators offer assistance with flights, electives and special requests.

Travel Information provides pre-departure details and enrichment about your destination.

Your Travel Director, a seasoned, multilingual professional, manages daily logistics so you enjoy a seamless experience.

Handpicked Expert Guides and Knowledgeable Lecturers deepen your appreciation for the region and its history, culture and current events.



Accommodations

Our travel experts have meticulously selected these elegant properties for their ideal locations, outstanding hospitality and thoughtful amenities. Throughout your time in Ireland, look forward to exceptional stays complemented by personalized, attentive service and luxurious comforts.



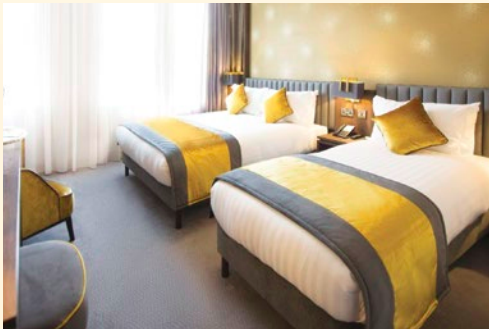
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