

# SPRING TIME IN IRELAND

ESCORTED BY NOREEN YOST

AIR & LAND FROM JFK \$1,595 PER PERSON SHARING\*

MARCH 21 - 28, 2012  
GALWAY - DUBLIN - KILKENNY - WATERFORD - ENNISTYMON

\*Based on a minimum of 36 passengers



## TOUR INCLUDES:

- Six (6) Nights First Class and Superior First Class hotels throughout, including 1 night Castle Stay
- Full Irish breakfast daily, except day of arrival.
- Two (2) Hotel dinners.
- All transportation and sightseeing via Deluxe Touring Motor Coach with the services of a professional Irish driver/guide throughout.
- Visits/Admissions: Newgrange, Dunbrody Ship Museum, The Burren, Rathbaun Farm, and Cliffs of Moher.
- Portage of one (1) suitcase per person.
- \$25 Donation to the Sand Lake Library.
- Tips and taxes in Ireland. Gratuities to the driver/guide not included.
- Celtic Tours flight bag and portfolio of travel documents.



## TOUR COST

Air & Land Cost from JFK: \$1,595 per person, sharing room  
\$200 PP Deposit Required to hold your seat, Space is limited  
Air departure taxes additional, currently \*\$130 per person

Optional Travel Insurance is available at \$137 per person – must be purchased with initial deposit (non-refundable)  
\*Note: Departure taxes & fuel surcharges are subject to change until 30 days prior to departure, even if paid in full.

\*\* Must Sign up no later than October 10, 2011

**Day 01 Wed., Mar 21 USA - Ireland:** OPTIONAL: Motor coach transfer from Albany Area to JFK International Airport. Evening departure from JFK on our overnight flight to Dublin, Ireland via Continental Airlines. Dinner will be served shortly after take-off.

**Day 02 Thurs., Mar. 22 Dublin, Ireland:** Morning arrival at Dublin Airport, where you are greeted by your friendly Celtic Tours Irish driver/guide to escort you in your luxury motor coach. Upon arrival, our Irish guide will give you a wonderful panoramic tour of Dublin on the way to your *Clontarf Castle*, your castle hotel. The afternoon brings us the opportunity to have a bit of time to explore the capital city on your own or join the *optional Guinness Storehouse tour*. Dinner is on your own. You may choose to have a quick bite in one of your castle's restaurants. Overnight in Dublin.

*OPTIONAL GUINNESS BREWERY STOREHOUSE TOUR (\$23 p.p. additional, must be prebooked). This afternoon visit the Guinness Brewery Storehouse. Sample a pint of their famous stout in the glass-enclosed Gravity Bar, 197 ft. above the ground, with 360-degree views of Dublin City.*

**Day 03 Fri., Mar. 23 Dublin – Kilkenny:** Travel south to Kilkenny which is Ireland's best preserved medieval town, known as the "marble city", because of the nearby quarries. The sights to see are 13<sup>th</sup>. Century St. Canice's Cathedral built on the site of an earlier 6<sup>th</sup>. Century monastery; Trinity gate, Kilkenny Castle, Rothe House, 1594 and the Kyteler's Inn, home of dame Alice Kyteler, accused of witchcraft in 1324. Check into your hotel, where you are free to independently explore or join the optional Kilkenny Castle visit. Dinner is on your own. Overnight at the *Kilkenny Hibernian Hotel* in Kilkenny.

*OPTIONAL KILKENNY CASTLE VISIT (\$11 p.p. additional, must be prebooked). Afternoon visit of the majestic Kilkenny Castle, a 12<sup>th</sup>. Century fortress and home of the Butler family, whose members were the earls, marquesses, and dukes of Ormonde. See the modern Design Center housed in the former stables of the castle.*

**Day 04 Sat., Mar. 24 Kilkenny – Waterford - New Ross – Kilkenny:** Today, journey southward to the crystal city of Waterford where during your free time you may visit the new Waterford Crystal Factory Showroom. On then to New Ross in County Wexford. Visit the towering masts of the tall ship Dunbrody on the quayside. Enjoy some time to independently explore this town before you return to Kilkenny. Tonight dinner on your own. Overnight at the *Kilkenny Hibernian Hotel*. Tonight experience one of the many pubs, some with entertainment.

**Day 05 Sun., Mar. 25 Kilkenny – Cashel – Limerick – Cliffs of Moher - Ennistymon:** Travel westward through the lush green pasturelands of South Tipperary, known as the Golden Vale that boasts Ireland's richest farmland. A photo stop at Cashel to see the mighty Rock of Cashel, which in ancient times was the seat of the Kings of Munster. From here we travel through historic Limerick, the market town of Ennis to the Clare coast. Visit the mighty Cliffs of Moher, rising 700 feet above the Atlantic and stretching along the coast for five miles. Dinner and overnight at the *Falls Hotel* in Ennistymon.

**Day 06 Mon., Mar. 26 Ennistymon – Burren – Galway – Ennistymon:** After breakfast, we skirt the unique Burren region, a limestone desert with its Stone Age structures, underground caves and ancient monuments. Continue through the charming villages of Ballyvaughan and Kinvara along Galway Bay to Galway City. After a panoramic city tour, enjoy free time to shop and explore. Later today, travel to Ardrahan in County Galway with a visit to Rathbaun Farm. Enjoy tea/coffee and farmhouse scones. Enjoy the feeding the baby lambs, sheep shearing and watch as the dog herds the flock. Return to your Ennistymon hotel. Dinner on your own. Overnight at the *Falls Hotel* in Ennistymon.

**Day 07 Tues., Mar. 27 Ennistymon – Boyne Valley – Dublin:** Journey across the midlands to Navan, just north of Dublin through the Boyne Valley. We visit the tombs at Newgrange. These burial mounds along the Boyne are older than Egypt's pyramids! Finish the tour of the Boyne Valley at Drogheda, at the mouth of the ancient river and take the scenic coastal route back to Dublin, via Balbriggan, Skerries and Rush. Enjoy a farewell group dinner and overnight at the *Maldron Hotel Cardiff Lane* in Dublin.

**Day 08 Wed., Mar. 28 Dublin – Dublin Airport – USA:** Early morning departure from your hotel and you will be transferred to Shannon Airport for your return flight home. Arrive home the same day.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

\$200 per person deposit required to reserve seat (*non-refundable*), plus optional travel insurance \$137 p.p. non-refundable

\$750 p.p. 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit due: **October 10, 2011**, (*2<sup>nd</sup> deposit is non-refundable*)

**Final payment is due: November 18, 2011**

\*Note: **Airfare** in all-inclusive cost is based on airline tickets being purchased by October 10, 2011. Air departure taxes and fuel surcharge subject to increase until 30 days prior to departure, even if paid in full. **No name changes are allowed once airline tickets are issued.** Changes in your return date may affect your airfare. Tickets, once purchased are non-refundable with a minimum air penalty of \$716 per ticket. **Once issued tickets cannot be re-issued if names are spelled incorrectly. Deviations are not allowed. Air mileage is not allowed for group space. Seat assignments are given at Check In for group space, there are no exceptions.** Land cancellation: From initial deposit – 119 days prior to departure, penalty is \$50 per person. From 120 – 65 days prior to departure, penalty is: \$200 per person. From 64 – 7 days prior to departure, penalty is: \$550 per person. Within 7 days of departure, there is no refund. Cancellations must be made during Celtic Tours business hours, Monday – Friday, 9am to 5pm EST. On or after day of departure or cancellations made after business hours, there is no refund. Travel Insurance is available and is recommended. **Travel insurance must be purchased with initial reservation/deposit, and is non-refundable.** Celtic Tours & the Sand Lake Library accept no responsibility for losses or expenses due to delay or changes in schedule, flight cancellations due to mechanical problems, sickness, weather, strikes, war, quarantine or other causes. Passenger must bear all such losses or expenses. The Sand Lake Library, its trustees, employees, members, and Noreen Yost (*tour escort*) will not be held responsible for any personal injury, property damage or other loss a passenger incurs on this tour. Celtic Tours & the Sand Lake Library reserve the right to alter the tour due to any unforeseen circumstances beyond its control. Airline tariffs limit liability for passenger baggage. Group organizers/Leaders are not employed as such by Celtic Tours World Vacations or the sponsoring organization. Group organizers/Leaders are independent travel advisors/organizers.

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**RESERVATION APPLICATION**

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seat(s) on **Spring Time in Ireland with Sand Lake Library** **March 21-28, 2012**

**\*\*\* A COPY OF YOUR U.S. PASSPORT IS REQUIRED BY OCT 10, 2011\*\*\***

Name (as on passport): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Passport Exp \_\_\_\_\_  
*(A valid US Passport is required-valid for 6 months beyond date of travel.)*  
 American Citizen \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N Gender \_\_\_M\_\_\_F DOB \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (street)  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (city) (state) (zip)  
 Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_  
 (cell): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Passenger sharing with: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Room Type: \_\_\_Twin/Double\_\_\_ Triple  
 \_\_\_Single Supplement \$256 Limited availability  
 Meal Restrictions: YES: \_\_\_ NO: \_\_\_  
 Please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (as on passport): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Passport # \_\_\_\_\_ Passport Exp \_\_\_\_\_  
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 American Citizen \_\_\_Y\_\_\_N Gender \_\_\_M\_\_\_F DOB \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (street)  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (city) (state) (zip)  
 Phone (home): \_\_\_\_\_  
 (cell): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Roommate is sending deposit with separate application \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No  
 Optional Travel Protection Plan: \$137 Additional Per Person  
 \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No **please initial** (*Must be purchased with initial deposit*)  
 Optional Guinness Brewery Tour: Price \$23 PP \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No  
 Optional Kilkenny Castle Visit: Price \$11 PP \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No  
 Optional Local Bus From Albany area to Airport: Price TBA \_\_\_Yes\_\_\_No

<b>Further Inquiries – Please Contact:</b> Susan Sheehan, Celtic Tours 518-862-0042 E: susans@celtictours.com	<b>Please make checks payable and send to:</b> Celtic Tours 1860 Western Ave Albany, NY 12203	Deposit of \$ _____ is enclosed. (non-refundable) <b>2<sup>ND</sup> Payment of \$750 per person is due October 10, 2011 (non-refundable)</b> <b>Final Payment is due November 18, 2011</b>
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**Credit Cards:**  
 You may if you wish, give authorization to Celtic Tours to charge each payment as per the payment schedule above-payments will be processed on the due dates-see below: I have read the terms and conditions per the brochure/flyer and understand that I may incur service charges, penalties and/or cancellation fees in the event of cancellation or change in my itinerary for any reason.

I \_\_\_\_\_ authorize Celtic Tours to charge \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on my Credit Card  
 Credit Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Security code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (street) (city) (state) (zip)  
 By signing here: \_\_\_\_\_ I additionally authorize Celtic Tours to charge my 2<sup>nd</sup> deposit due October 10, 2011 and final due November 18, 2011 to my charge card.

Debit-Pay by check payments-complete here:  
 I (we) hereby authorize Celtic Tours to initiate a debit to my (our) \_\_\_Checking account\_\_\_ Savings account (select one) indicated below and Celtic Tours to debit same to such account.  
 Account Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 ABA Number\* \_\_\_\_\_ (\*Usually the ABA Number is the first 9 digits on the bottom of your check. You may call your financial institution to verify.)  
 Signature of acceptance for Celtic Tours debit to above named account: \_\_\_\_\_