



ENGLAND, IRELAND & SCOTLAND 2023

SEPTEMBER 6 - 30

Sample a Guinness beer in Dublin. Be enthralled by the Giants' Causeway. Check out Free Derry. Drive along the Connemara Peninsula. See the breathtaking Cliffs of Moher. See the Scottish Parliament in Edinburgh. Check out Glasgow and Stirling. Take an excursion to the Scottish countryside. Visit the Beatles sights in Liverpool. End with the royal sights of London.

SEPTEMBER 6 ••••

Arrival at Dublin airport. Transfer independently to your hotel in Dublin. Day to rest and recover from jet lag. Stay in Dublin for 3 nights.

SEPTEMBER 7 ••••

Explore Dublin with a deaf local guide, walking along O'Connell Street across the River Liffey down to St. Stephen's Green, Trinity College, and the Book of Kells exhibition. Have a group welcome dinner. Stay in Dublin for 2 nights.

SEPTEMBER 8 ••••

Take a walk around Dublin with a deaf local guide, visiting Dublin Castle, Kilmanhain Gaol, and Guinness Brewhouse along with free time for shopping on Grafton Street.

SEPTEMBER 9 ••••

Depart for Belfast in Northern Ireland. Learn more about the Troubles between Catholics and Protestants with a deaf local native of Belfast who experienced them firsthand. Continue on to Portrush. Stay in Portrush for 2 nights.

SEPTEMBER 10 ••••

Take a pleasant drive along the Antrim Coast to visit the Bushmills Distillery, Giants' Causeway, and Dunluce Castle.

SEPTEMBER 11 ••••

Depart for Londonderry to visit the historic city located on the edge of the Northern Ireland/Ireland border, including the Tower Museum and the Free Derry Museum. In addition, walk around Falls Road to see the powerful murals and learn more about the Troubles. Overnight in Londonderry.

SEPTEMBER 12 ••••

Possible side trip to Glenveagh National Park in the morning. Take a long drive down to the Connemara countryside, passing through the tranquil countryside of Donegal and Sligo. Visit Yeats' grave and Cong Abbey. Stay overnight in Galway.

SEPTEMBER 13 • • •

Drive to the breathtaking Cliffs of Moher for wonderful views. Cross into County Kerry on the Killimer-Tarbert ferry. Stay in Killarney for 3 nights.

SEPTEMBER 14 • • •

Walk the majestic Gap of Dunloe, or take a horse cart ride up to the top. Continue on to Moll's Gap. Visit the Kissane Sheep Farm and Ladies' View. Afternoon in Killarney National Park.

SEPTEMBER 15 • • •

Take a day trip to the cute fishing village of Dingle. Explore the Dingle Peninsula including Dunmore Head, the Blasket Island museum at Dunquin, and Gallarus Oratory. Afternoon free time in Dingle. Return to Killarney after dinner.

SEPTEMBER 16 • • •

Visit either Bantry House or the Blarney Castle & Gardens. Transfer to Cork Airport. Fly from Cork to Edinburgh in the afternoon. Sleep in Edinburgh for 5 nights.

SEPTEMBER 17 • • •

Take a guided walk along the Royal Mile, starting at Edinburgh Castle and continuing down to St. Giles' Cathedral and Greyfriars Kirk. Optional walk up to Arthur's Seat.

SEPTEMBER 18 • • •

Go to Glasgow for the day to tour the city with a local deaf guide. Stop by the historic city of Stirling afterwards.

SEPTEMBER 19 • • •

Take a day trip to the university town and birthplace of golf, St. Andrews and the whiskey village of Pitlochry. Alternatively, travel up to the Highlands for Loch Ness, Glencoe, and Ben Nevis.

SEPTEMBER 20 • • •

Go to Leith to visit the royal yacht HMS Britannia. Follow that with a visit to Holyroodhouse followed by the Scottish Parliament and Edinburgh New Town walk. Optional deaf social gathering in the evening.

SEPTEMBER 21 • • •

Depart for England. Tour Hadrian's Wall and the beautiful Yorkshire region. Stay two nights in York.

SEPTEMBER 22 • • •

Take a tour of the historic city of York all day long, including a visit to its famous National Railway museum and the York Minster.

SEPTEMBER 23 • • •

Drive briefly to Manchester and then continue on to Liverpool to visit the Beatles Story Museum, Royal Albert Dock and the Cavern Pub. Overnight in Liverpool.

SEPTEMBER 24 • • •

Go to Stratford-upon-Avon to see Shakespeare's birthplace and stop by a couple of cute villages in the Cotswolds region. Stay 2 nights near Bath.

SEPTEMBER 25 • • •

Relaxing day to visit the Roman town of Bath and perhaps take a dip in the spa waters.

SEPTEMBER 26 • • •

Visit Stonehenge and Windsor Castle on the way to London. Stay in London for 4 nights.

SEPTEMBER 27 • • •

Get oriented in London by walking through the heart of the city, including Westminster Abbey, Big Ben, Houses of Parliament, and the London Eye.

SEPTEMBER 28 • • •

Visit the Tower of London and Tower Bridge in the morning, then walk through the Southwark/Borough district by the river to see the Borough Market, Tate Modern, and Shakespeare's Globe.

SEPTEMBER 29 • • •

Go to see the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. Afterwards, visit the world famous British Museum. Late afternoon free to shop and prepare for departure.

SEPTEMBER 30 • • •

Transfer to airport for your flights.

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\$500 deposit per person is required to reserve space. The availability of space is based on a first come, first serve basis. 100% of the balance is required 90 days before the first day of the tour.

\$7,500
per person /double occupancy

25 DAYS

SMALL GROUP of 8

TOUR LEADER: Terry Giansanti • terry@handson.travel
TOUR LEADER: Himel Chowdhury • himel@handson.travel

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- 24 nights in 3- and 4-star accommodations.
- 26 meals: Breakfast (24), Dinner (2)
- Services of a deaf Tour Leader on call 24 hours a day.
- Services of local deaf and/or hearing guides.
- All transportation expenses.
- All admission fees for attractions and museums mentioned in the itinerary.
- Informative travel preparation packet.
- Pre-tour and/or post-tour itinerary consultation.
- \$100 discount per person on your next regular tour.

WHAT'S EXCLUDED?

- Domestic and/or international airfares.
- Tips for your tour leader and local tour guides.
- City and tourist taxes.
- All other meals not mentioned in the itinerary and personal expenses.
- Any COVID-19 related tests.
- Travel insurance.

WHAT TO EXPECT?

- Tour begins in Dublin, Ireland and ends in London, England.
- A lot of walking expected during the tour. Appropriate physical fitness is required.
- Please consult the most recent version of the HOT terms and conditions.
<https://handson.travel/resources/terms/>
- Hands on Travel recommends that you purchase a travel insurance plan to help protect you and your travel investment against the unexpected. To learn more, please view the following link:
<https://handson.travel/resources/protection/>
- **Tour itinerary and price are subject to change.**