



# **West Coast Explorer**

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**Visit:** The Burren - The Cliffs of Moher - Galway City - Kylemore Abbey - Connemara National Park - Clonmacnoise - Locke's Distillery

## **Detailed Itinerary**

### Day 01: Day 1 Dunguaire Castle - Burren - Cliffs Of Moher - Village of Kinvara

Departing Dublin, you travel west through the counties of Kildare and Offaly. The first stop is the attractive village of Kinvara, where you get a chance to take some superb photos of Dunguaire Castle and discover its remarkable historical legacy. From here you head to the Burren. This is one of Ireland's true national treasures: a land of limestone pavements, rare flora and ancient stone monuments. The Burren was also home to one of the earliest Christian settlements in Ireland. From there, you head to the incredible Cliffs of Moher. Here, you can walk the stunning cliff trails and watch rare seabirds swooping through the air. You can also delve into the excellent and award winning environmental exhibition nearby. After exploring the area thoroughly, you head to Galway City, where you'll be staying for the next two nights. On the way, you pass



through the famous Galway Bay. Picturesque views, excellent food and cosy pubs await you within this lively student town. Stare at the stunning Dunguaire Castle, perched on an isolated, rocky outcrop on the shores of Galway Bay, Discover the Burren, a land of ancient spirituality and natural beauty, ripe for exploration. The Cliffs of Moher, where cliff top trails boast gorgeous views over the rugged Atlantic waves

# Day 02: Day 2 The Quiet Man - Kylemore Abbey - Diamond Hill - Legendary Twelve Bens

Travel inland through the Maam Valley to the village of Cong, the setting for the film classic, "The Quiet man". You're free here to visit the local museum devoted to the movie, or discover the magnificently restored 12th century Cong Abbey. You continue through the heart of Connemara and the beautiful house and grounds at Kylemore Abbey, where grand buildings and magnificent man-made gardens are a treat for the eyes and soul. Your journey continues to Connemara National Park, where abundant wildlife resides amidst the ancient tombs and wood paths. Here you'll see the magnificent Diamond Hill, a 500m peak that rivals any summit in Europe. And then we travel to Clifden, famous for being the location of the first transatlantic flight landing. In the National Park, you'll also enjoy the majesty of the Sky Road, as well as the sharp peaks of the Twelve Bens of Connemara. You then travel back for the night to your cosy residence in Galway City.

## Day 03: Day 3 Clonmacnoise - Peat Bog Scenery - Locke's Distillery

We wave goodbye to Galway and take some of the quaint back roads through central Ireland. Clonmacnoise is the first major highlight of the day. It's the site of an early Christian settlement and boasts a famed collection of churches, fabulous stone crosses and round towers. After lunch in a local village, the tour continues through the peatiest Irish bogs you'll ever see. The flora and fauna will take your breath away, as a local guide shows you the incredible biodiversity of the bogs. Then you make your way to your final stop before Dublin: Locke's Distillery, the oldest licensed distillery on the planet. Here you can relax with a glass of their famed whisky; and after a drink (or two?), you'll head back east to Dublin.

### Inclusion

All road tolls and the Killimer to Tarbet ferry
Transport in a 16 seat Mercedes mini-coach
Air conditioning as standard
The stories and services of an English-speaking driver-guide
All rates are inclusive of Breakfast unless stated otherwise.

#### **Exclusion**

International Airfares
Optional activities
Other meals, drinks, tips and other personal expenses or services not specified on the program
Personal equipment
Travel insurance



Gratuities
Voluntary tips for guides or drivers
Travel and medical insurance
Any items not mentioned as included

#### **Note**

All Tours departing from Dublin from Nassau Street (opposite the Kilkenny Shop) Dublin.

Pack your waterproof clothing and walking shoes

Child supplement is available on request.

All Tours are operated on mini and midi-coaches and with very experienced driver-guides.

All rates are inclusive of Breakfast unless stated otherwise.

Please note that the child supplement applies only to up to 01 child aged 5-15 years old, sharing the same room with 02 adults. No children under 5 years old are permitted.

Luggage - You're restricted to 14kg (31lbs) of luggage per person on our tours. This should be one piece of luggage similar to an airline carry-on bag (approximately 55cm x 45cm x 25cm / 22in x 17in x 10in) plus a small bag for onboard personal items.

Important information Pack your waterproof clothing and walking shoes

## **Tour Dates & Pricing**