

# Ireland - 2019

## Cork & Killarney Tour

Blasket Islands

with Men of Worth

Kenmare, Blasket Islands Interpretive Centre, Garnish Island, Bantry Bay, Bantry House & Gardens, Mizen Head Lighthouse, Killarney, Dingle Peninsula, Ring of Kerry, Shannon River Cruise...

## ‘Cork & Killarney’ Tour, 2019

10 Nights: 3 Apr – 12 Apr (Dispersing morning of 13<sup>th</sup> April)

<a href="#">The Park Inn at Shannon Airport</a> ...Co Clare	1 Night
<a href="#">The Maritime Hotel</a> ...Co Cork	3 Nights
<a href="#">The Lake Hotel</a> , Killarney...Co Kerry	5 Nights
The Park Inn at Shannon Airport...Co Clare	1 Night

\$2,850 Per/Person (Sharing room, Double or Twin)

\$3,150 Per/Person (Single)

**(Note: Limited Single space. Please check availability)**

Check or money order only, payable to Mahog Music. (No credit card, sorry)  
Mahog Music, PO Box 1256, Talent, OR 97540 USA

**Includes:** 10 nights Dinner, B&B, Coach, Activities/Visits, Meal-tips.

**Excludes:** Air Travel, Lunches, Driver-tip and Insurance.

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**Proposed Itinerary:** Weather in April can affect slight changes.

## **Day 1**      **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity**      As tour members arrive independently at Shannon Airport, cross the road to the Park Inn, and check in under **MEN OF WORTH TOUR**.

**Evening**      **6pm**, we gather in the bar area for a **Welcome Drink**,  
**7pm Dinner**; after dinner, Evening free to relax, and prepare for morning departure.

**Hotel**      [Park Inn, Shannon Airport \(D. B\)](#)

## **Day 2**      **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity**      We depart Shannon for West Cork by way of [Kenmare](#).  
Founded in 1670, [Bórd Fáilte](#) officially recognized the historical, cultural and environmental significance of Kenmare by bestowing upon it the title of Kerry's first Heritage Town.

(Independent Lunch in Kenmare)

As we journey on, an afternoon visit to [Molly Gullivan's Farm](#) provides an experience of simple country lifestyle in rural Ireland before the days of electricity and other modern conveniences.

**Evening**      **After Dinner:** Entertainment with **Men of Worth**

**Hotel**      [The Maritime Hotel, Co Cork \(D. B.\)](#)

## **Day 3**      **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity**      After breakfast we take a boat tour in Bantry Bay with a visit to [Garnish Island](#).  
Due to the gentle currents of the Gulf Stream this is an area that rarely meets the harsh winter of other Irish coastal regions. Garnish is a small island of 15 hectares (37 acres) known to horticulturists and lovers of trees and shrubs all over the world as an island garden of great beauty.

(Independent Lunch)

This afternoon we visit [Bantry House & Garden](#) for a guided tour. The **Bantry Demesne** has been in the White family since the mid 1700's.

**Evening**      **After Dinner:** Entertainment with **Men of Worth**

**Hotel**      [The Maritime Hotel, Co Cork \(D. B.\)](#)

## **Day 4**      **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity**      After breakfast we set off for [Mizen Head](#), Ireland's most Southwesterly Point, returning by way of Bantry. The dramatic setting of the **Lighthouse at Mizen Head** can only be enhanced by the **Radio Room** where over a century ago **Marconi** left his mark!

(Independent Lunch in Mizen Head or Bantry)

**Evening**      **After Dinner:** Entertainment with **Men of Worth**.

**Hotel**      [The Maritime Hotel, Co Cork \(D. B.\)](#)

## Day 5 Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

**Activity** After breakfast we depart West Cork for Killarney. We will stop in [Killarney](#) town for lunch and shopping. Leave town centre at 3.30pm.  
Arrive at hotel 3.45pm  
(Independent Lunch in Killarney)

**Evening Hotel** **After Dinner:** Entertainment with **Men of Worth.**  
[Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry \(D. B.\)](#)

## Day 6 Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

**Activity** After breakfast we will be picked-up at the hotel entrance for a jaunting car experience through the Killarney National Park & [Torc Waterfall](#). This tour features the history, folklore and legends of the area. The afternoon is free to explore [Killarney National Park](#) and/or [Muckross House & Gardens](#). Our bus will depart hotel at 1.30pm for Killarney town centre, drop-off and pick-up at 4.30pm.  
(Independent Lunch wherever you are)

**Evening Hotel** After dinner we depart for concert by traditional musicians from the [Killarney School of Music](#).  
[Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry \(D. B.\)](#)

## Day 7 Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

**Activity** After breakfast, we set off for the **Dingle Peninsula**. After a visit to [Dingle Town](#) we will visit the [Blasket Island Centre](#), on the tip of the Dingle Peninsula, with a local guide and historian.  
(Independent Lunch in Dingle)  
Late afternoon we head to [The South Pole Restaurant & Pub](#) in the village of **Annascaul**, for a **Provided Dinner at 6.00pm**.  
Following Dinner, Entertainment with **Men of Worth** at the restaurant.  
At 8.30pm depart for our hotel, arriving at 9.30pm

**Hotel** [Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry \(D. B.\)](#)

## Day 8 Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2019

**Activity** **After breakfast** we depart for 1hr journey to [Ardfert Cathedral](#). Ardfert is a small village steeped in history with many imposing monuments located just 5 miles north-west of Tralee town. The partially restored 15th century cathedral is on the site of a monastery founded by St Brendan 'The Navigator' in the 6<sup>th</sup> century.  
We will return by way of [Tralee](#) for free time and shopping.  
(Independent Lunch in Tralee)

**Evening Hotel** **After Dinner:** Entertainment with **Men of Worth.**  
[Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry \(D. B.\)](#)

## **Day 9 Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity** After breakfast we depart for the [Ring of Kerry](#); a leisurely drive with stops on this world famous scenic route. Returning to the hotel late afternoon.  
(Independent Lunch)

**Evening** **After Dinner:** Entertainment with **Men of Worth**.

**Hotel** [Lake Hotel, Killarney, Co Kerry \(D. B.\)](#)

## **Day 10 Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity** We depart Killarney for Shannon. En route we stop for a visit in scenic, [Adare Village](#) then on to [Flanagan's on the Lake](#) for a **provided lunch**. After lunch we enjoy an hour-long cruise on the River Shannon and Lough Derg aboard the [Spirit of Killaloe](#).

Arriving back at the Park Inn, Shannon at 5.30pm for our final dinner.

**Evening** **7pm** Dinner, Men of Worth host a final concert program with Special Guests Andrew (accordion) Mark (fiddle) Brendan (Guitar & Vocals)

**Hotel** [Park Inn, Shannon Airport \(D. B.\)](#)

## **Day 11 Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2019**

**Activity** Breakfast is included, served between 6:30am and 10am. (Not as a group)

This is the Official End of the Tour! Thank You!

You could plan to fly out of Shannon this morning...or make other plans.

For those staying an additional night, or nights, at the Park Inn before or after the tour, Donnie will ask you in good time if extra nights are required, and he will process and pass these requests on to James, who will make the reservations on your behalf. You don't need to contact the Park Inn; just show up with your Credit Card.

**Note:** For purely logistical reasons it is a good idea to talk with Donnie prior to the booking of flights, or additional time in Ireland.

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You can google many of the aspects of this tour for more detailed information.