



Ireland – 2017

With

Men of Worth

Galway & Connemara

‘Galway & Connemara’ Tour, 2017

County Galway, with James Keigher and Donnie Macdonald

10 Nights: Nov 1 – 10 (Dispersing morning of 11th Nov)

<u>The Park Inn at Shannon Airport...Co Clare</u>	1 Night
<u>Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill...Co Galway</u>	4 Nights
<u>Renvyle House Hotel, Connemara...Co Galway</u>	4 Nights
<u>The Park Inn at Shannon Airport...Co Clare</u>	1 Night

\$2,850 Per/Person (Sharing room) (Single: add \$300)

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Mahog Music, PO Box 1256, Talent, OR 97540 USA

Includes: 10 nights Dinner, B&B — Coach — Ferries — Activities/Visits — and Meal-tips.
Excludes: Air Travel — Lunches — Driver-tip — and Insurance.

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Proposed Itinerary: Weather in November can affect slight changes.

Day 1 **Wednesday 1st Nov, 2017**

Activity As tour members arrive independently at Shannon Airport, cross the road to the Park Inn, and check in under **MEN OF WORTH TOUR**.
6.00pm, we gather in the bar for a **Welcome Drink**, prior to **Dinner at 7.00pm**

Evening After **Dinner**, Evening free to relax, and prepare for morning departure.

Hotel **Park Inn, Shannon Airport (D. B)**

Day 2 **Thursday 2nd Nov, 2017**

Activity Depart at 10.00am for the **Cliffs of Moher**, and then on to the **Burren Centre** in **Kilfenora**, Co Clare. Our journey takes us through the limestone feature of the Burren to **Kinvara**, and on to **Salthill**, on the northern shore of **Galway Bay**.
(Independent Lunch, at the Cliffs, or in Kenvara)

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

Hotel **Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill, Co Galway (D. B.)**

Day 3 **Friday 3rd Nov, 2017**

Activity Depart 9.00am for a 10.30am sailing to the **Arran Islands**. We drive along Galway Bay to the town of **Rossaveal** for a 35 min ferry journey to **Inis Mor**. This visit will include a visit to **Dun Aengus Fort**. Return sailing at 5.00pm. We arrive back at our hotel 6.30pm. (Provided Lunch, on the Island)

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

Hotel **Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill, Co Galway (D. B.)**

Day 4 **Saturday 4th Nov, 2017**

Activity Free day in **Galway City**. On Saturdays, in the town centre, you will find an excellent outdoor market of local arts and crafts, local foods and vendors. The pedestrian sections are popular with street musicians, and entertainers.
(Independent Lunch, wherever you are)

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

Hotel **Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill, Co Galway (D. B.)**

Day 5 **Sunday 5th Nov, 2017**

Activity Depart at 10.30am for **Brigit's Garden** in Rosscahill. All 4 Seasons are celebrated at **Ireland's Award-Winning Celtic Gardens & Visitor Centre**. At 3.00pm we embark on a 90 minute **Cruise on Lough Corrib**.

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

Hotel **Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill, Co Galway (D. B.)**

Day 6 Monday 6th Nov, 2017

Activity Depart 10.30am for the north west coastal aspects of the County. En route, we will travel through the ruggedly beautiful **Connemara** landscapes, with a stop for Lunch at **Cashel House**. Our destination is **Renvyle House Hotel**. Located beside a shingle beach, the scent of peat fires typifies the Renvyle Welcome! (Provided Lunch, at Cashel House Hotel)

Evening After **Dinner**, Slide presentation on the local wildlife. We are once again in the fine company of **Connemara Wildlife Ranger, Dermot Breen**.

Hotel **Renvyle House Hotel, Connemara, Co Galway (D.B.)**

Day 7 Tuesday 7th Nov, 2017

Activity Depart 9.00am for a guided coastal walk (approx. 2.5hrs) with **Dermot Breen**, or you can choose to relax in this beautiful hotel and grounds. Depart 12.30pm for shopping time in **Clifden**, the largest town in the area, followed by a coastal drive through **Ballyconnelly** and **Roundstone**. (Independent Lunch, in Clifden)

Evening After **Dinner**, featured guests are a favourite vocal group, '**Vinegar Bill**'.

Hotel **Renvyle House Hotel, Connemara, Co Galway (D.B.)**

Day 8 Wednesday 8th Nov, 2017

Activity Depart 10.00am to meet up with renowned archeologist **Michael Gibbons**, for a guided tour in, or near to, our location. Time with Michael is quality time indeed, as he has a rare talent for clarifying the past and how it relates to the present. Afternoon at leisure. (Independent Lunch)

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

Hotel **Renvyle House Hotel, Connemara, Co Galway (D.B.)**

Day 9 Thursday 9th Nov, 2017

Activity Depart 10:30am for the **Leenane Heritage Centre**. The beautiful village of Leenane, situated at the head of **Killary Harbour**, is often described as the '**Gateway to Connemara**'. The movie *The Field* was partially filmed locally. Later, we visit the picturesque village of **Cong**, famous for scenes from the movie *The Quiet Man*, which starred John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. (Independent Lunch)

Evening After **Dinner**, Evening at leisure.

Hotel **Renvyle House Hotel, Connemara, Co Galway (D.B.)**

Day 10 Friday 10th Nov, 2017

Activity Depart 10.30am for the return drive back to the Park Inn. The Restaurant at Cooile Park and Gardens in Gort (once the home of Lady Gregory) is an interesting stop, and a Lunch opportunity. Prior to our arrival back in Shannon, another stop in the town of Ennis, the largest settlement in Co Clare. Arrive in Shannon at 5.00pm.
(Independent Lunch, in Gort)

Evening After **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 11th Nov, 2017

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 this morning...or make other plans.

For those staying an additional night, or nights, at the Park Inn before or after the tour, we can arrange the tour price of ?? Euros. (The 2017 price is not ready yet)

This arrangement is booked through Donnie. Your credit card would not be required until you reach the hotel desk.

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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.

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

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