

New Grange, Co. Meath

Boyne Valley, Newgrange, Slane Castle, Hill of Tara, Carlingford Lough, Marble Arch Caves, Belleek Pottery, Cruise on the River Shannon...

'The Boyne Valley & Sligo' Tour, 2026

10 Nights: Wed 22 April - Friday May 1 (Dispersing morning of 2 May)

Park Inn at Shannon AirportCo Clare	1 Night
Ballymascanlon Hotel and Golf ResortCo Louth	4 Nights
Radisson BluCo Sligo	4 Nights
Park Inn at Shannon AirportCo Clare	1 Night

\$3,400 Per/Person (Sharing room, Double or Twin))
\$4,100 Per/Person (Single)

(Note: Limited Single space. Please check availability)

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

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"Working Itinerary"

Day 1 Wednesday 22nd April, 2026

Activity As tour members arrive independently at Shannon Airport, cross the road to the **Park Inn** which is at the far end of the parking lot. Check in under **MAHOG MUSIC TOURS**. We gather as a group in the Bar Area for a

Welcome Drink at 6.00pm, prior to Dinner at 7:00 pm

- **Evening** After **Dinner**, Evening free to relax, and prepare for morning departure.
- Hotel Park Inn, Shannon Airport, Co Clare (D, B)

Day 2 Thursday 23rd April, 2026

Activity We depart Shannon at 9am for our drive northeast to <u>Slane Castle</u> situated in the stunningly beautiful Boyne valley overlooking the River Boyne. We will have a guided tour of the castle then lunch, finishing the visit with a <u>Slane Irish Whiskey Distillery</u> tour where you can sample their award-winning Slane Irish Whiskey blend alongside their Extra Sherry Wood release. (Provided lunch at Slane Castle)

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with James and special guests.

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Day 3 Friday 24th April, 2026

Activity Today we further explore the Boyne Vally with a visit to <u>The Hill of Tara</u>. Tradition identifies the hill as the inauguration place and seat of the High Kings of Ireland: it also appears in Irish mythology. We then visit the heritage town of <u>Trim</u> to visit the largest Anglo-Norman Castle ruin in Ireland for a guided tour.

(Independent Lunch at The Hill of Tara)

- **Evening** After Dinner: Entertainment with James and special guests.
- Hotel Ballymascanlon Hotel and Golf Resort...Co Louth

Day 4 Saturday 25th April, 2026

ActivityMorning free. Activities may include Leisure Centre; swimming pool; gym: golf;
tennis...possible visit to the local Strandfield Market.
Afternoon visit to Carlingford Lough.
(Independent Lunch)EveningAfter Dinner: Evening Free
Ballymascanlon Hotel and Golf Resort...Co Louth

Day 5 Sunday 26th April, 2026

Activity After breakfast we depart for <u>Newgrange</u>; a 5,200-year-old passage tomb located in the Boyne Valley. We will have a guided tour of both Newgrange and Knowth sites; this will be a full day and our only stop.

(Independent Lunch at Newgrange)

Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with James and special guests.

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Day 6 Monday 27th April, 2026

 Activity Depart Ballymascanlon for Sligo, en route, a stop in Boyle for a guided tour of the <u>Cistercian</u> <u>Abbey</u>, established in 1161. With time enough for lunch & facilities. Then on to Sligo. (Independent Lunch in Boyle)
 Evening After Dinner: Entertainment with James and special guests. Hotel Radisson Blu...Co Sligo

Day 7 Tuesday28th April, 2026

Activity Today we visit Lough Gill. On the shore of Lough Gill is <u>Parke's Castle</u> where we will have a guided tour of the castle. We depart Lough Gill and head for <u>Drumcliffe</u>, County Sligo set against the striking backdrop of the Benbulben Mountains. It is best known as the final resting place of W.B. Yeats.

(Provided Lunch at the café in Drumcliffe)

EveningAfter Dinner, Concert with guests Rodney English & Seamus Hernon. (Mandolin/Banjo/
Concertina; Whistles/Flute)HotelRadisson Blu...Co Sligo

Day 8 Wednesday 29th April, 2026

Activity Today we will spend the day on borders of Co. Leitrim and Fermanagh: Including a guided tour of **Florence Court**, a beautiful 18th century home, with self-sufficient demesne complete with gardens, parkland and woodland,

and then a visit to the Marle Arch Caves a natural subterranean world, 350 million years in the making.

(Independent Lunch at either stop)

EveningAfter Dinner: Entertainment with James and special guests.HotelRadisson Blu...Co Sligo

Day 9 Thursday 30th April, 2026

Activity Today we will take a leisurely drive up the ruggedly beautiful and remote coast of Sligo. We will stop in at <u>Belleek Pottery</u> for a tour, shopping and lunch. On the way back to Sligo we will stop in Bundoran to take a stroll on Tullan Strand, part of the Wild Atlantic Way and visit the Fairy Bridges (weather permitting).

(Independent Lunch)

- **Evening** After Dinner: Entertainment with James and special guests.
- Hotel <u>Radisson Blu</u>...Co Sligo

Day 10 Friday 1st May, 2026

- Activity Depart Sligo for return to Shannon. En route, we will stop at Coole-Park Nature Reserve for a stretch and lunch. After lunch we head to the River Shannon to enjoy an hour-long cruise aboard the <u>Spirit of Killaloe</u>. (Independent lunch in Coole Park). Arriving back at the Park Inn, Shannon at approx. 5.30pm for our final dinner
 Evening After Dinner, Concert in traditional Co Clare style with guests...
- Andrew McNamara(accordion), Mark Donnellan (fiddle), Brendan Hearty (guitar/vocals)HotelPark Inn, Shannon Airport. Co Clare (D, B)

Day 11 Saturday 2nd May, 2026

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.

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

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