



Fanad Lighthouse

‘Westport & Donegal’ Tour, April 2028

Westport House, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Walled City of Derry, Fanad Lighthouse,
Glenveagh Castle & National Park, Crolly Distillery...

10 Nights: Wed April 5th – Fri 14th April
(Dispersing Saturday morning of 15th April)

The Park Inn at Shannon Airport... Co Clare	1 Night
Castlecourt Hotel, Westport... Co Mayo	3 Nights
Rathmullan House Hotel, ...Co Donegal	5 Nights
The Park Inn at Shannon Airport...Co Clare	1 Night

\$3,500 Per/Person (Sharing room, Double or Twin))

\$4,100 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 — Insurance.

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Proposed Itinerary: Weather in April can affect slight changes.

Day 1 **Wednesday 5th April, 2028**

Activity As tour members arrive independently at Shannon Airport, cross the road to the Park Inn, and check in under **Mahog Music Tours**.

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, Co Clare**

Day 2 **Thursday 6th April, 2028**

Activity Today will leave for Westport via a stop in [Galway City](#). We will have four hours to explore Galway; This medieval city is a whirlwind of activity with a wonderful selection of pubs, markets and modern art. The shops and restaurants run along a mile of original cobbled streets scattered with pretty churches, making the heart of the city easy to walk.

Suggestions include: [Hop-on-Hop-off bus](#) & [Galway Cathedral](#).

(Independent lunch in Galway)

Evening After **Dinner**: Entertainment with James and special guests.

Hotel **Castlecourt Hotel, Westport... Co Mayo**

Day 3 **Friday 7th April, 2028**

Activity This morning we will have a guided tour of [Westport House](#), one of the few privately- owned historic houses left in Ireland. From there we will head to [Ballintubber Abbey](#); founded in 1216 by Cathal Crovderg O'Connor, this important sacred Irish historical site celebrated its 800-year anniversary in 2016.

(Independent Lunch in Westport)

Evening After **Dinner**: Entertainment with James and special guests.

Hotel **Castlecourt Hotel, Westport... Co Mayo**

Day 4 **Saturday 8th April, 2028**

Activity A free day in Westport Town for shopping, etc...

You may choose to climb 2,500ft Croagh Patrick; This requires comfortable hiking boots! The bus will leave for the 15-minute journey to the base of the mountain from the hotel at 8:30am. The pathway to the top of Croagh Patrick is steep in parts and can be loose underfoot, it is advisable to take sturdy footwear, rainwear and some drinking water. Climbing sticks are for rent at the start of the hike.

Good views of Clew Bay from the top, allow three hours up and two hours down.

8:30am depart for Croagh Patrick - 3pm for hotel.

(Independent lunch in Westport)

Evening After **Dinner**: Free night to head into town or relax at the hotel.

Hotel **Castlecourt Hotel, Westport... Co Mayo**

Day 5 Sunday 9th April, 2028

Activity Depart Westport for Donegal via [Belleek Pottery](#) for a guided tour, shopping and lunch. From here we take a scenic drive through Donegal to Rathmullan House.
(Independent Lunch in Belleek)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner:** Entertainment with James and special guests.
[Rathmullan House Hotel, Co Donegal](#)

Day 6 Monday 10th April, 2028

Activity After breakfast we will take a guided walk around Rathmullan village/townland with local historian [Deirdre Friel](#). The afternoon is free to explore Rathmullan and Rathmullan House.

(Independent Lunch)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner:** Entertainment with James and special guests.
[Rathmullan House Hotel, Co Donegal](#)

Day 7 Tuesday 11th April, 2028

Activity After breakfast we depart for [Glenveagh National Park and Castle](#) which lies in the heart of County Donegal, among the wild and rugged landscape of the Derryveagh Mountains. Its pristine habitats and protected wildlife, and its trails taking in the stunning Victorian Castle and Gardens along Lough Veagh make Glenveagh the ideal escape for lovers of the natural world. From Glenveagh we will drive the [Wild Atlantic Way](#) to [Fanad Lighthouse](#) for a fantastic insight into the history of the lighthouse and the beautiful Fanad Peninsula. The wild Atlantic is virtually untouched and unexplored; this ruggedly beautiful and remote region lies in the far north of Donegal.

(Independent Lunch at Glenveagh)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner:** Entertainment with James and special guests.
[Rathmullan House Hotel, Co Donegal](#)

Day 8 Wednesday 12th April, 2028

Activity We will drive to Gweedore to visit the [Crolla Distillery](#), Donegal's first functioning licensed whiskey distillery in 180 years. We will have lunch provided in [Leo's Tavern](#) (the home of Clannad & Enya!) and enjoy some local entertainment.

(Provided Lunch)

Evening Hotel After **dinner:** Entertainment with James and special guests.
[Rathmullan House Hotel, Co Donegal](#)

Day 9 Thursday 13th April, 2028

Activity Today will we visit the famous [Walled City of Derry](#) for a guided walk. This tour covers a full background of the city's history – as we walk on the historic 400-year-old walls your guide will cover everything from the 6th Century Christian Settlement to the Siege of 1689 and the modern-day troubles. Some free time in Derry for an independent lunch.

(Independent Lunch in Derry)

Evening Hotel After **Dinner:** free to relax and pack for our return to Shannon.
[Rathmullan House Hotel, Co Donegal](#)

Day 10 Friday 14th April, 2028

Activity

Depart for return to Shannon. En route, we will stop at [Yeats's grave](#) in Drumcliff, Sligo. Once known as Drumcliffe of the Crosses, Drumcliffe Churchyard is open all year round. This ancient monastic site, founded by St. Columba (St. Colmcille), dates to 574AD, with tales passed down for over a thousand years. In a time before books, the gospels were carved into stone, and the monks who served the monastery continued this sacred tradition. The last standing High Cross here stands as a testament to that history. Sligo's only round tower provides an insight into monastic life and traditions.

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

(Provided Lunch at Drumcliffe)

Evening

After **Dinner**: **James** hosts a final concert program with **Special Guests**:

Andrew (accordion) Mark (fiddle) Brendan (guitar & vocals)

Hotel

[Park Inn, Shannon Airport, Co Clare](#)

Day 11 Saturday 15th April, 2028

Activity

Breakfast is included and served between 6:30am and 10.00am. (Not as a group)

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

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

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

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