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Ireland and Scotland Bye-Way Tours
In association with Maritime Travel

INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL and TOUR OF IRELAND

June 5 to June 15, 2012



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This 11 day tour of Ireland also includes four days attendance at the INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL OF IRELAND is located on the National University of Ireland campus in Galway, Ireland, and the Quilter's Village. To enjoy all the attractions this village has to offer, including a Quilter's Market displaying everything from Irish crafts to Irish Brown Bread, the Fat Quarters Chocolate Shop, a School House for hands-on quilting classes, a Quilter's Canteen that seats over 800 people, a dozen quilt exhibits and over 50 booths. Non -Quilter's program is included.

Our guests tell us that our visit to the Celtic world is unique and memorable:

"Hotels, music, people, excellent guides." — F.L., Dartmouth.

"I have travelled the world but Cahie-Neil is the only company that I have travelled with three times. Excellent in every way." — E.M., Nova Scotia.

"They changed the Itinerary so I could visit a town where my father was stationed in WW2. What a pleasant surprise." — J.R., Halifax

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Price is \$3789.00 per person (before discount of \$125 pp), sharing, air & land and all taxes. Deposit \$600.00, balance due April 1, 2012. Single supplement \$587.00. Seventeen meals, including eleven breakfasts, a meet and greet lunch, four dinners, including a farewell dinner and a pub lunch. Quality hotels, en-suite rooms, professional Irish driver/guide, air conditioned coach.



Directors are Ron and Aileen Beed of Dartmouth. Both have lived and worked in Scotland and in Ireland, since 1992. Volunteer workers in Iona Abbey and Holy Hill in Ireland. Ron also has a degree in Irish Studies from St. Mary's University. Cahie-Neil is fully registered in Nova Scotia and is a member of the Shamrock Club of Bord Failte, The Irish Tourist Board.

Your Itinerary begins on . . .

Tuesday, June 5th

Our tour begins on your overnight flight from Halifax, including Dinner and breakfast served onboard. D, B

Wednesday, June 6th

From Shannon Airport our driver/guide escorts us to the spectacular 700 foot high Cliffs of Moher, continuing through the BURREN, a 250 square kilometre Limestone plateau, to Galway. Meet and Greet tonight with light lunch. B, L/L

Thursday, June 7th

The day is free for those who wish. However we are offering an "optional tour" to the only Irish colour crystal Factory and Kylemore Abbey. Tonight is a special treat for those who have pre-registered for the INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL OF IRELAND GRAND RECEPTION with a champagne reception, welcome presentation, keynote address, a formal dinner and a one-hour Riverdance Review that is Ireland's #1 music and dance show. Euro 125 per person. B

Friday, June 8th

The FIRST ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL OF IRELAND begins today at the *Quilter's Village*. Admission to the festival is included with your tour. Tonight is free, BUT why not join your friends at a lively, fun filled music, dance and comedy show with dinner and wine at Bunratty Castle. Euro 53 per person. B

Saturday, June 9th

The day is free for you to enjoy the Festival or take in the exhibit on Antique Quilts of Ireland at Galway Centre, visit the magnificent Galway Cathedral and the Medieval Centre town, or just chill out. We also offer an "optional day" in Connemara with a guided tour of a unique CELTIC THEME GARDEN set in 11 acres of woodland and meadow in four seasonal gardens blending Celtic heritage and mythology with the mysticism of Brigit. ONE OF IRELAND'S FOUR SPECTACULAR GARDENS. Dinner tonight. B, D

Sunday, June 10th

Time to visit the Festival this morning before we head south to the pretty village of Adare, famous for its thatched roof cottages and boutique shops. Continue past the blue Lakes and McGillicuddy Reeks, the highest mountain peaks in Ireland to Killarney, bustling with music and excellent restaurants. B,

Monday, June 11th

This morning we head west to the Dingle Peninsula with its narrow stone fenced roads and sandy beaches to Sleah Head, the most westerly point in Europe, known in emigrant days as "the next parish to America". In 1970 Ryan's Daughter, a classic movie with Robert Mitchum, Sarah Mills and Trevor Howard, was filmed nearby.

Continue past the rugged Blasket Islands, famous for their Irish language stories on the Island way of life in the 1800's to Gallarus Oratory, a 1000 year old beehive stone structure that was used by pilgrims walking to St. Brendon's Monastery. The evening is free to take in a Horse Race, a Jaunting Car or the lively pub life in Killarney. B, PL

Tuesday, June 12th

This morning we tour in Cobh in County Cork, a transatlantic departure point for 2.5 million Irish people who immigrated to North America between 1848 and 1950. On April 11, 1912 Cobh was the final port of call for the RMS Titanic on her voyage to America. We continue our drive North to Blarney, stop for last minute shopping and kiss the Stone if you wish. Continue past the Rock of Cashel, through the Vale of Tipperrary, Kildare and Glendalough for Dinner. B, D

Wednesday, June 13th

We visit the pretty village of Avoca where the TV series Ballykissangel was filmed in 1996. Walk the main street, visit the Church and enjoy a pint of black, foamy Guinness in Fitzgerald's Pub. We tour the 7th. Century St. Kevin's Monastic Settlement in Glenmalur, Wicklow, and view an excellent video on monastic settlements, standing stones and hill forts of Celtic times. Dinner tonight in the hotel. B

Thursday, June 14th

Today we drive to Dublin and do an orientation Tour of the city past St. Patrick's Cathedral and the quilt patterned floors, Trinity College home of the Book of Kells. Later you may wish to visit the Guinness Brewery and enjoy a free Guinness in the rooftop bar (always a favourite), as are the shops, galleries and restaurants. Dublin is a lively city whose main attraction is it's people. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at an Irish Céilidh House Party. B, FD

Friday, June 15th

This morning we bid goodbye to the enchanting Emerald Isle and drive to Dublin Airport and our flight back to CANADA. B

Itinerary includes an Optional Program for Non-Quilters.

Optional items must be pre-booked and paid before departure from Canada. Travel arrangements for quilting festivals in Europe, the U.S.A. and the United Kingdom can be made. Call 1-800-540-1699 for details.

The combined price of this tour is based on Halifax return air with Continental Airlines. Prices for other airlines and departure points may vary.

Air, Cancellation and Medical insurance may be purchased with our group coordinator, Karen Withers, Maritime Travel at 902-435-0220.

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