

Among Friends Quilt & Sewing Center presents a special group departure for a

Tour of Scotland & Ireland 2019

September 22 – October 5, 2019

\$4,900 LAND ONLY per person, double occupancy (minimum of 15 passengers)

Round-trip airfare pricing from Louisville is: \$800 per person

Single Room Supplement \$1,470

Optional Travel Protection Insurance is available at \$199 per person, and is due at time of booking.

Tour Includes:

- Exclusive transport by luxury motorcoach with a driver & tour director in Scotland & a driver/guide in Ireland
- Meet and greet service with one group transfer upon arrival and departure at the airport
- Hotel accommodation based on twin bedded rooms with private bath as listed for 12 nights
- Full breakfasts (12)
- Dinners (6)
- Tour of Edinburgh with a local guide
- Sheepdog trials at Leault Farm
- Johnstons of Elgin Mill Tour
- Scenic cruise on Loch Ness
- Quilting demonstration at Kaleidoscope Shop
- Ferry from Cairnryan to Larne
- Guided walking tour of Kinsale
- Kinsale Harbour Cruise
- Horse-drawn jaunting car ride in Killarney
- Soda bread & butter making class
- Local farm visit with tea & scones
- Passage on the Tarbert Ferry
- Visits and admission fees to: Edinburgh Castle, My Bear Paw Workshop, Edinburgh Patchwork, Edinburgh Fabrics, Peacock & Tortoise Shop, Irish National Stud & Gardens, Hedgehog Fibres, Beal Na Blath, Kenmare Lace Shop, Killarney Racecourse, Muckross House & Gardens, Cliffs of Moher
- Hotel portorage, service charges and government taxes
- Flight bags, ticket wallets, baggage tags and identifying strap

HOTELS – 12 Nights

Principal George Street Hotel | Edinburgh (2)
Kingsmill Hotel | Inverness (2)
Grand Central Hotel | Glasgow (1)
Carton House Hotel | Maynooth (1)
Actons Hotel | Kinsale (2)
Scotts Hotel | Killarney (3)
Temple Gate Hotel | Ennis (1)

To book or for more information, contact:

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This tour is subject to CIE Tours' booking guidelines and cancellation penalties. Refer to General Conditions on website (cietours.com) or back cover of current brochure.
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Among Friends Tour of Scotland & Ireland Itinerary

Sunday, September 22 DEPART THE UNITED STATES

Take an overnight flight across the Atlantic to start your vacation.

Monday, September 23 EDINBURGH ARRIVAL

Your CIE Tours guide will welcome you to Scotland and escort you and your luggage to the coach. Next, set off on a guided tour of Edinburgh to see some of the city's magnificent highlights. Stop for a guided tour of the imposing Edinburgh Castle, perched high above the city on volcanic rock. Motor a short distance to your hotel, check in and enjoy some free time before dining with your group in the hotel restaurant.

Dinner & Overnight: Principal Hotel George Street, Edinburgh

Tuesday, September 24 EDINBURGH SIGHTSEEING

Today, enjoy a one and a half hour workshop at "My Bear Paw." Then, continue on to visit Edinburgh Patchwork before driving a short distance to visit Edinburgh Fabrics. After, return to your hotel, where the remainder of the day is free.

Overnight: Principal Hotel George Street, Edinburgh

Wednesday, September 25 LEAULT FARM

Leaving Edinburgh, journey into Perth and stop to visit the Peacock and Tortoise Shop. Then, continue your travel into Kingcraig to visit Leault Farm, where you will see a sheepdog demonstration and learn about farming life in Scotland. After your visit, transfer to your hotel in Inverness, check in and settle into your room. You may like to rest or explore some of the city before dining with your fellow travelers in the hotel restaurant.

Dinner & Overnight: Kingsmill Hotel, Inverness

Thursday, September 26 LOCH NESS CRUISE

After breakfast, drive into Elgin and stop at Johnstons of Elgin for a Mill Tour. Then, continue into Fort Augustus so you can take a boat ride along Loch Ness. This excursion will give the opportunity to enjoy the lovely scenery and also to keep an eye out for the famous monster, "Nessie." Return to Inverness and stop to visit a local Quilt Shop before transferring back to your hotel. Spend the rest of the afternoon and evening at leisure to shop, sightsee and dine on your own.

Overnight: Kingsmill Hotel, Inverness

Friday, September 27 GLASGOW

Leaving Inverness, journey through the Glencoe Region, an area known for the Massacre of Glen Coe in 1692. Stop for some photos before driving along the shores of Loch Lomond. Continue on to visit the Kaleidoscope Shop for a quilting demonstration. While here, enjoy some free time to browse the shop before traveling into the city of Glasgow. Upon arrival, embark on a panoramic tour to see the highlights of the city. Drive around George Square, filled with statues of Sir Walter Scott, Queen Victoria and other influential people. See the Victorian City Chambers, opened in 1888 by Queen Victoria. Pass Glasgow Cathedral, a splendid 12th century Gothic building dedicated to St. Mungo, the patron saint of the city. Motor a short distance to your hotel, check in and spend some time at leisure before joining your group for dinner in the hotel restaurant.

Dinner & Overnight: Grand Central Hotel, Glasgow

Saturday, September 28 FERRY TO IRELAND

This morning, drive into Cairnryan and take a ferry ride across the narrow channel between Scotland and Ireland into Larne, just outside Belfast. Upon arrival, travel into Belfast and embark on a panoramic tour around the city. In the city center, see the Albert Memorial, the Opera House and Crown Liquor Saloon. In Donegall Square, visit the imposing City Hall, completed in 1906. The richly decorated interior contains stained glass portraying Belfast's principal industries. Next, travel into Maynooth, check into your hotel and enjoy the remainder of the day free for individual pursuits and dining.

Overnight: Carton House Hotel, Maynooth

Sunday, September 29 IRISH NATIONAL STUD & GARDENS

Today, visit the Irish National Stud, which will show you the history and current trends of horse-breeding in Ireland before viewing the magnificent horses. While here, take a walk around the truly spectacular Japanese Gardens, an artistic

representation of the "Life of Man" from cradle to grave. Next, drive into Blarney and visit the Blarney Woollen Mills, which has an excellent range of Irish products. Afterwards, travel to visit Hedgehog Fibres before transferring to your hotel in Kinsale and check in. Enjoy some free time to explore the town before meeting your group for dinner in the hotel restaurant.

Dinner & Overnight: Actons Hotel, Kinsale

Monday, September 30 KINSALE SIGHTSEEING

After breakfast, embark on a brief walking tour with a local guide to learn the history of Kinsale. The town has been a favorite for artists due to its steep, narrow streets, quirky shopfronts and many fine Georgian houses. Today, it is renowned as "the gourmet capital," of Ireland as there are many award-winning restaurants and pubs. Next, embark on a cruise along Kinsale Harbour, which is not only rich with historical sites but also offers breathing views. While on board, learn about how the town of Kinsale and see views of the Old Head of Kinsale. Return to your hotel, where the balance of the day is at leisure.

Overnight: Actons Hotel, Kinsale

Tuesday, October 01 KILLARNEY RACECOURSE

Departing Kinsale, travel to visit Beal Na Blath (Michael Collins). Next, drive a short distance to Kenmare Lace to enjoy a workshop with your group. Learn about the history of this unique industry started by the nuns of Kenmare and also about the special needlepoint, Irish Lace, which began here in 1861. Then, journey into Killarney and stop to attend the races at Killarney Racetrack. While at the races, enjoy wonderful views of McGuillicuddy Reeks, Ross Castle and even the Lakes of Killarney before having dinner with your group. After, motor a short distance to your hotel, check in and spend the rest of the evening at your leisure.

Overnight: Scotts Hotel, Killarney

Wednesday, October 02 DINGLE PENINSULA

Today, discover the beauties of the Dingle Peninsula, once described by the National Geographic Traveler as "the most beautiful place on earth." Drive along the south shore of the peninsula for plenty of vistas of heathery mountains, sandy stretches of beach, stunning green landscapes and rocky headlands. Pause at strategic locations to admire the views and take photos. Continue on to visit the Sewing Shed Quilt Shop before driving to visit Lisbeth Mulcahy for a talk about weaving. Return to your hotel in Killarney for a free evening.

Overnight: Scotts Hotel, Killarney

Thursday, October 03 KILLARNEY SIGHTSEEING

After breakfast, enjoy a horse-drawn jaunting car ride through the grounds of the Killarney National Park. Next, visit Muckross House, an elegant 19th century mansion set beside the tranquil Muckross Lake. A guided tour will fill you in on some local history and the family ties to the United States. Enjoy the elegant rooms and rich furnishings before strolling through the gardens. After, enjoy a soda bread and butter making lesson before returning to your hotel. The remainder of the afternoon and evening is free for independent sightseeing, shopping, dining and more.

Overnight: Scotts Hotel, Killarney

Friday, October 04 CLIFFS OF MOHER

Departing Killarney, drive to Adare, famous for its attractive main street of thatched houses and colorful gardens. Stroll through the village and take some photos before continuing on to visit a local farm to sample homemade scones with tea. While here, you will have the opportunity to chat with the owners and learn how Irish farms are run. Next, journey into Tarbert and take a short ferry ride across the River Shannon Estuary. Then, travel along the scenic coast of County Clare and stop to visit the Cliffs of Moher, one of Ireland's most beloved, natural landmarks. Transfer to your hotel in Ennis, check in and relax before dinner at Cloister Restaurant and Bar, which lies within the Ennis Friary Cloistral buildings.

Overnight: Temple Gate Hotel, Ennis

Saturday, October 05 RETURN TO THE UNITED STATES

Transfer to Shannon Airport to check in for your flight back to the United States.

****Itinerary is subject to change****

For reservations please complete the form below and include your deposit of \$500 per person, due at time of booking (includes non-refundable \$75 administrative fee). Optional Trip Protection Insurance is additional at \$199 per person and is also due at the time of deposit.

Full name of passenger (must match passport) _____

Nationality _____

Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ Gender: M F

Inbound Flight Arrival Details _____

Outbound Departure Details _____

Type of Room: 1 BED 2 BEDS If sharing a TWIN room, provide name of roommate _____ (N/A if no roommate)

Street Address _____

I would like the Optional Trip Protection Insurance. \$199 payment is enclosed.

City/State/Zip _____

I am enclosing a deposit check for \$ _____

Daytime Phone _____

I am paying via credit card. Please charge \$ _____

Evening Phone _____

Visa Mastercard American Express Discover

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Name on Card _____

Emergency Contact _____

Card Number _____

Emergency Contact Phone _____

Expiration Date ____ / ____ Security Code _____

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