

# Wild Atlantic Way - 11 Days (#17914)

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### **Overview**

'A Wild, Rugged & Liberating Journey!'

## **Trip Highlights**

Dublin-Sligo-Donegal-Mayo-Galway-Clare-Kerry-Dublin

## **Detailed Itinerary**

**Day 01** 

#### DAY 1 – DUBLIN ARRIVAL

Welcome to Dublin Airport. After picking up your car rental transfer into Dublin city. Depending on your arrival time spend some time exploring the historic capital city. The original castle was built during the medieval period, which forms a significant part of the city's history from its establishment by the Vikings at the end of the 9th century, through the splendour





of the Georgian period and on to the conflicts of the War of Independence and the Civil War. Overnight: Dublin area

**Day 02** 

#### DAY 2 - SLIGO - DONEGAL

Depart for the West of Ireland and Wild Atlantic Way route. Travel to Sligo, also known as Yeats Country as the scenery inspired many of the great works of W.B. Yeats, the Nobel Prize winning Irish writer. Sligo is famed for its beaches and surfing at places such as Strandhill and Mullaghmore. You could indulge yourself by taking a rejuvenating traditional seaweed bath. Overnight: Sligo – Donegal.

**Day 03** 

#### **DAY 3 - SLIGO - DONEGAL**

Discover the magnificent cliffs at Slieve League, amongst the highest sea cliffs in Europe. Travelling from Sligo via Donegal town and Kill begs, the home of Ireland's largest fishing fleet and continue to the village of Carrick. Make the easy climb to the top of Knock Area Mountain to view Queen Maebh's Cairn, the legendary chieftain Queen of Connemara and enjoy the view over Sligo Bay and the mountains and lakes of this beautiful country. Overnight: Sligo - Donegal

**Day 04** 

#### DAY 4 - MAYO

Today explore the Céide Fields at Ballycastle, the largest Stone Age monument and the oldest known field systems in the world. Continue via Newport town famous for both its fresh water fishing and Sea angling. The town is now situated in the heart of the 42km Great Western Greenway, the longest off-road walking and cycling trail in Ireland. Overnight: Mayo – Connemara.

**Day 05** 

#### DAY 5 - MAYO

Take time out to explore the island of Achill, cross the road bridge to experience many outdoor activities from hillwalking to fishing and angling. Discover the small charming Heritage town of Westport, It has delightful Georgian streetscapes and stone bridges over the Carrowbeg River. On the edge of the town you can visit Westport House and Country Park where



there are activities for all the family. Overnight: Mayo - Connemara.

**Day 06** 

#### DAY 6 – GALWAY

Travel south to see the beauty of Connemara. Take a spectacular cruise along Ireland's only fjord aboard Killary Cruises. Continue to Clifden and stop off at Kyle more Abbey, set in a dramatic landscape. Enjoy a walk on the unique tidal island of Omey accessible on foot or even by car two hours before low water & high water (check tides beforehand on sailing.ie). Continue to the fishing village of Round stone to sample some locally caught Lobster or crab. While there check out Ireland's foremost Bodh ran maker, Malachy Kearns, at Round stones Musical instruments and learn about the art of creating this unique traditional Irish instrument. Overnight: Galway area.

**Day 07** 

#### DAY 7 - CLARE

This morning take to the streets of the City of the Tribes, Galway, then travel to County Clare and along the Black Head coastal route and discover the unique lunar-like landscape of the Burren. Continue to the world famous Cliffs of Moher .Overnight: Clare

**Day 08** 

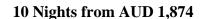
#### DAY 8 - KERRY

Take the 20 minute Shannon Car ferry ride from Killimer to Tarbert and cross one of Europe's longest and deepest estuaries. Continue to Tralee and Dingle Peninsula where you will find some of the finest coastal scenery in Ireland, its road passes through a chain of Mountains, called Slieve Mish. Dingle town itself is a thriving fishing town and offers plenty of opportunity for shopping or simply savouring the atmosphere of a typical country Irish town.

**Day 09** 

#### DAY 9 - KERRY

Travelling along the Ring of Kerry stop off at Valentia Island where you can visit the Skellig Experience, a heritage centre dedicated to life on the Skellig islands. The Skellig Islands are found 12km off the coast of Kerry. The larger Island, Skellig





Michael, an UNESCO World Heritage site, was a monastic site occupied from the 6th until the 12th century. Boat trips to see Skellig Michael depart from the nearby harbour. Further on the Ring of Kerry route, you will find Derrynane House home of Catholic emancipator Daniel O'Connell. Kenmare is the next stop, an attractive town associated with the Lace industry in the 19th and 20th centuries. Overnight: Kerry.

**Day 10** 

### **DAY 9 – CORK ALTERNATIVE (OR KERRY)**

Depart for Cork and travel along the scenic tunnels route to Glengarriff. You will encounter stunning views of Bantry Bay before arriving in Glengarriff. The Gardens of Ilnacullin (Garinish Island) are well worth a visit. The Island has a wonderful history and its unusual micro climate allows a range of exotic subtropical plant species to flourish. On route to the Island enjoy the magnificent views of the bay and also pass Seal Island with its colony of harbour seals. Continue to Cork via Clonakilty and Skibbereen. Overnight: Cork.

**Day 11** 

#### **DAY 10 - DUBLIN**

This morning, visit the famous Victorian English market in Cork City. Before departing why not ring the world famous Shandon Bells in the tower of St Annes Church. Stop in Cashel town to visit the famous Rock of Cashel which towers over the town from its perch on a 200-foot high outcrop of limestone. Continue to Dublin for the last evening of your tour. Option Irish House Party or Merry Ploughboys Overnight: Dublin area.

**Day 12** 

#### **DAY 11 – DEPARTURE**

Slán Abhaile. Transfer to the airport and take your flight back home.

### **Inclusions**

All Packages can be customised and... Are on bed and breakfast basis, unless advised otherwise.

o Exclude transport, at the exception of rail packages

Can be sold on free-sale basis, please contact us for block out dates and specific terms.

o Can be done by car rental or with a chauffeur guide.





o Rates include VAT at 20%

The accommodation services listed are examples, those can be replaced according to availability.

## **Exclusions**

Services not listed above.

Rates quoted excluding transport.

### Note

Mix. Accommodation: 6 Nights in 3 or 4. Accomm.ation, 4 Nights in B&Bs

Example Accommodations (Or Similar): Dublin-Maldron Newlands Cross Hotel / Sligo-Clanon Hotel Sligo / Mayo-130 / Galway-Salthill Hotel / Clare-Temple Gate Hotel / Kerry-B&B / Dublin-Fitzpatridc Castle.

## **Program Touring / Guide**

Private touring

## **Periodic Departure**

Mixed Hotels
AUD 1,874 P P twin share
AUD 2,909 P P single
AVAILABLE

