

DUBLIN, IRELAND

Arrive: 0800 Friday, 20 September
Onboard: 1800 Monday, 23 September

Brief Overview: Dublin is a fast-paced international city with the number of high-rise buildings growing as fast as its population. Running through the city center is the **River Liffey** which has been immortalized in Irish songs and poetry. Due to the northern latitude and Gulf Stream currents, Ireland is cool year round. On the rare warm and sunny days in summer, it is not uncommon to see **St. Stephen's Green** flooded with businesspeople sunbathing on their lunch break. **Trinity College**, Ireland's oldest university and home to the famous **Book of Kells**, is a primary destination for Dublin visitors. The pedestrian **Grafton Street** is always bustling with sidewalk artists, street performers and shoppers. And a tour of **Kilmainham Goal (Jail)** will reveal a darker side of Ireland's history. Irish love their sport and visitors will be surprised by the Irish versions of rugby and football. The country has a rich variety of music ranging from the ethereal sounds of the Celtic Women to the modern rock of U2, but they all have their roots in traditional Irish folk **music**. The cultural center of any Irish community is the local **pub**. Talk with some locals over cockles and mussels and perhaps a pint to experience the Irish in their element.

Nearby: The area surrounding Dublin provides ample destinations worthy of attention such as the Neolithic monuments of **Newgrange** and the Hill of Tara, where 142 high kings of Ireland have been crowned. The **Wicklow Mountains** offer a range of activity from strenuous hikes to leisurely walks through **Glendalough** and the beautiful gardens. You can also visit the medieval city of **Kilkenny** and tour its historic castle.

Suggested short-cuts for simple planning:

The following trips are grouped according to interest categories.

History of Ireland:

Day 3: DBL 122-301 SAS EXCLUSIVE: Irish Landscape & Heritage – The Land & Sea
Day 2: DBL 126-401 Newgrange Day Trip

Cultural Highlights:

Day 1: DBL 100-101 Dublin City Orientation
Day 2: DBL 125-401 Kilkenny Day Tour

Art & Literature:

Day 1: DBL 119-201 Faculty-Led Literary Pub Crawl

Action/Sport:

Day 1: DBL 121-301 Gaelic Games
Day 2: DBL 117-201 Howth Head Hike

Taste of Ireland:

Day 1: DBL 115-103 Dinner & Irish Dancing



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Day 1: Friday, September 20

IMPORTANT: If you registered in one of the following courses, you have a field lab on this day.
Do not make any other travel plans as this is a designated class day in port for your course:

SEMS 2500-109	Introduction to Epidemiology with Professor Berg
PHIL 1510-101	Philosophy of Human Nature with Professor Clack
SEMS 3500-501	International Management (Section 1) with Professor Dykman
PLIR 3500-101	International Negotiation & Conflict Resolution with Professor Fowler
SEMS 2500-101	Acting I with Professor Justice
ENWR 1559-502	Travel Writing (Section 2) with Professor Mason
ENWR 1559-101	Experiential & Opinion Writing with Professor Siler
ENWR 2559-101	Introduction to Creative Writing with Professor Sloane

DBL 100-101

DUBLIN CITY ORIENTATION TOUR

Full Day



Enjoy some of the attractions that make Dublin such a wonderful place to visit. Start your **FULL DAY** with a trip to **The Phoenix Park** and see Áras an Uachtaráin, the residence of the president of Ireland. Next visit the **Guinness Storehouse**, Ireland's #1 visitor attraction, where you will learn about the history of the world famous Guinness. **Lunch is included at the Storehouse.** Then see

the famous **Georgian Squares**. As you gaze down the row of houses, look for repetitious patterns in the doorways, entrances, and balconies. Visit the statue erected in memory of one of Ireland's finest authors, **Oscar Wilde**. Your next stop will be **St Patrick's Cathedral**. Founded in 1191, this very special church is where Handel's *Messiah* received its first performance in 1742. Finish your day in Dublin's premier shopping district, Grafton Street, which is a 'pedestrian friendly' street located in the city center between St. Stephen's Green and Trinity College.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$112.00	\$106.00
Child	\$56.00	\$53.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 20	1000
Return	Sep 20	1615
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Phoenix Park • The Guinness Storehouse with Lunch • Georgian Squares • Statue of Oscar Wilde • St Patrick's Cathedral • Free Time for Shopping 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25 MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



Don't miss seeing Trinity College, the oldest university in Ireland, located in the very heart of Ireland's capital. Situated on a 40-acre site, Trinity College is famed for its great treasures, including The Book of Kells. This 9th century illuminated manuscript, which was written around the year 800 AD, is one of the most beautifully illustrated manuscripts in the world. See Oscar Wilde's Statue in Merrion Square as you pass by on your way to Grafton Street. Grafton Street is a pedestrian area located in the city center where sidewalk chalk artists, street performers, cafes and shops abound. You will also see Dublin's famous Temple Bar area, which has been part of the heart of Dublin city! Its history is full of references to culture, design, craft, publishing, the performing arts, coffee houses, political debate and great color and energy.

STANDARD PRICE**Early Booking**

Adult	\$49.00	\$46.00
Child	\$24.00	\$23.00

TIME

	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 20	1000
Return	Sep 20	1300

HIGHLIGHTS

- Trinity College (The Book of Kells)
- Grafton Street
- Temple Bar Area

MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 30

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45



Enjoy kayaking on Dublin's most famous River Liffey. You will take in some of the city's most famous sites from a slightly different viewpoint. With splash-proof gear available for your use, all you need to **bring is a change of clothes that you don't mind getting wet, a towel, and old shoes** - you're ready to go!!

**STANDARD PRICE****Early Booking**

Adult	\$53.00	\$51.00
Child	\$27.00	\$25.00

TIME

	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 20	1000
Return	Sep 20	1300

HIGHLIGHTS

- Kayaking on the River Liffey

MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20

MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 30

Experience a traditional Irish dinner and show in the Belvedere Hotel, located just off Dublin's famous O'Connell Street. This is a unique opportunity to enjoy typical Irish music, dance, and food, for which Ireland is famous the world over. This spectacular show will give you a flavor of the different styles of Irish Dance. All cast members have performed both nationally and internationally in such famous shows as Riverdance, Feet of Flames, and Lord of the Dance. The two-hour show features amazing dancing, accompanied by live music that is performed by a group of talented Irish musicians.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$113.00	\$107.00
Child	\$56.00	\$54.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 20	1830
Return	Sep 20	2225
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Irish Dancing Show & Dinner 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		

Day 2: Saturday, September 21

IMPORTANT: If you registered for the following course, you have a field lab on this day.
Do not make any other travel plans as this is a designated class day in port for your course:

SOCI 3410-101 Race & Ethnic Relations with Professor Leeder

DBL 117-201 HOWTH HEAD HIKE w/SIAN DAVIES-VOLLUM

Half Day



Enjoy a half day hiking Howth Head, a peninsula 15km northeast of Dublin City, that has been immortalized through James Joyce's *Ulysses*. This loop is one of four, which starts at the train station in the heart of the village. First you are taken along the harbour before climbing away from the village around the Nose of Howth and onto the cliff tops. Take in the stunning views of Lambay Island and Ireland's Eye, and find yourself overwhelmed by the heady scent of coconut from the bright yellow gorse on the heath. The Baily Lighthouse – the last of Ireland's lighthouses to become automated – comes into view before you ascend toward the car park at 'The Summit' and return to Howth Village along a path that runs parallel to your outward route.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$72.00	\$68.00
Child	\$36.00	\$34.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 21	0900
Return	Sep 21	1340
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Howth Head Hike w/Specialist Hiking Guide Free Time in Seaside Village of Howth 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		

"This is a beautiful coastline and there's lots to say about the coastal geomorphology." Sian Davies-Vollum

DBL 118-201 MALAHIDE CASTLE & GUINNESS TOUR

Full Day



Begin your day with a visit to Malahide Castle, one of the oldest and most historic castles in Ireland. The estate was formed when Richard Talbot, a knight who accompanied England's King Henry II to Ireland, was granted the "lands and Harbour of Malahide". Up until 1975, it was the home of the Talbot family, a remarkable tenure by a single family and one of the longest in Ireland. After your tour of the castle you will enjoy time in the wonderful gardens before a scenic drive around Howth Head.

The second half of your tour will take you to Ireland's number 1 tourist attraction, the Guinness Storehouse, where **you will eat lunch**. The group will be taken through the Storehouse, modeled after a giant pint glass of Guinness. Here you will discover the history of the world famous "Black Stuff", and how in 1759, Arthur Guinness took out a 9000-year lease on the 4-acre site at an annual rent of £45. Complete your tour by learning how to pour the perfect pint of Guinness.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$127.00	\$121.00
Child	\$63.00	\$60.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 21	0930
Return	Sep 21	1530
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Malahide Castle Scenic Drive of Howth Head Guinness Storehouse Lunch & Tour 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



This entertaining tour is led by actor(s) who tell the story of Irish writers from Swift to the authors of this century. The tour contains information, anecdotes, and various quotations from the works



of Ireland's finest scribes. The actors will introduce the writers before performing scenes from their works. The tour stops at four traditional pubs along the way and you will have the opportunity to "Raise a Glass" to some of the authors. Writers featured on the tour range from *Joyce, Beckett, Behan, Oscar Wilde & Heaney*.

Please note: This is an outdoor tour. Warm/waterproof clothing & comfortable shoes recommended.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$55.00	\$52.00
Child	\$27.00	\$26.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 21	1410
Return	Sep 21	1650
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educational tour includes some of Ireland's best known authors Visit some of Dublin's best known pubs 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



Day 1 (L, D)

Today you will transfer to Galway city. En route, stop in the Kilbeggan Whiskey Distillery, which is the oldest distillery in the world. Dating back to 1757, you will discover real artisanal Irish whiskey distilling at its finest. See for yourself the traditional method of mashing in oak mash tuns, fermenting in Oregon pine vats and the new Kilbeggan malt spirit flowing from ancient pot stills. Finish your tour with an Irish coffee and a slice of Irish Brack cake in front of an open fire. Afterwards, continue on to Galway City, which is situated in the west of Ireland and is the fifth largest and the fastest-growing city in the country. Located on the picturesque west coast of Ireland, it sits on the River Corrib between Lough Corrib and Galway Bay. Galway is known as **Ireland's Cultural Heart** (*Croí Cultúrtha na hÉireann*) and is renowned for its beautiful scenery, vibrant lifestyle and numerous festivals, celebrations and events. Galway city has a reputation amongst Irish cities for being associated with the Irish language, music and song, and dancing traditions. It is sometimes referred to as the 'Bilingual Capital of Ireland', although like all other cities in the Republic of Ireland, the vast bulk of the city's inhabitant's converse mostly in English. The city is well known for its "Irishness", mainly due to the fact that it has on its doorstep the Galway Gaeltacht. An Gaeltacht covers all regions in Ireland which are officially recognised to be mainly Irish-speaking areas. More generally, *Gaeltacht* (plural *Gaeltachtaí*) is a word in the Irish language to describe any region where Irish (Irish Gaelic) is the main language. Upon arrival, enjoy **lunch in a traditional Irish pub before a walking tour of the city**. Your local guide will walk you through the city pointing many of the other places of interest such as Lynch's Window, St Nicholas' Church, Norah Barnacles House, The Kings Head Pub, Quay Street, Neachtain's Pub, The Cladagh, a river walk to Galway Cathedral, the Salmon Weir Bridge, The Town Hall and Red Earls Hall. Afterwards enjoy free time to explore the narrow medieval streets with their many cafes, bars, Museums and craft & artisan shops. This evening, check into the **Park House Hotel** or equivalent where you will be staying for 2 nights. Dinner this evening will be in a local restaurant.

Day 2 (B, L)

Enjoy breakfast in your hotel. Today you will get a chance to discover the beautiful region of **CONNEMARA**, which in the words of **OSCAR WILDE "IS A SAVAGE BEAUTY"**. Connemara is simply spectacular! The region is visited by artists from all over the world to paint

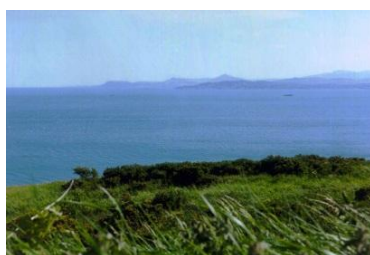
STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$698.00	\$665.00
Child	\$349.00	\$333.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 21	0900
Return	Sep 23	1700
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kilbeggan Whiskey Distillery Walking Tour of Galway Connemara Tour Cliffs of Moher & Burren Tour 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 15		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 30		

its natural rugged beauty and capture the ever changing lightscapes synonymous with Connemara. Start your day with a stop at the **CONNEMARA HERITAGE AND HISTORY CENTRE**. This centre is based around the restored pre famine cottage of Dan O' Hara who was forced to emigrate in the 1840's when he was evicted from his home. Here you will get to see many traditional farming methods such as turf cutting and bread making and Martin, your guide at the centre, will take you back in time with stories and songs from the mid 1800's, in front of an open fire. Afterwards you will get to enjoy lunch.

Continue on to **CLIFDEN**, a lovely town enhanced with spectacular scenery. Its striking skyline is dominated by the spires of the Neo-Gothic Catholic Church and the nearby Protestant Church. Clifden has become a new popular destination, with plenty of activities developing over 5,000 years of living history. Follow this with a scenic drive past the famous **KYLEMORE ABBEY**, where you can enjoy a quick photo stop, before continuing on to visit **LEENANE VILLAGE**, an old world village facing onto Killary Harbour – Ireland's only fjord. Leenane was featured in the 1990 film *The Field* starring Richard Harris and John Hurt. You can really take a step back in time to the era of Bull McCabe, the anti-hero of the movie by stepping into Gaynor's Pub and having a pint of Guinness or an Irish whiskey. After your tour, return to Galway City for a free evening. Dinner this evening will be on your own (OOPEX).

Day 3 (B)

Enjoy a day touring the **Burren and the world famous Cliffs of Moher**. The name Burren comes from the Irish name '*Bhoireann*', meaning 'the stony place'. It's geologically unusual formations have lain unspoiled since the ice-age, the largest area of such in Western Europe, occupying an area of approximately 300 sq. kilometres. While in the Burren, you can observe the typical limestone landforms like underground rivers, swallow holes, glacial erratic and closed depressions. The area has sufficient soil to grow a wide variety of the most unusual and rarest of plants. The area also has some of the finest tombs in Ireland, if not the whole of Western Europe. There are relics of humans living here dating back almost 6000 years. You will also stop at the **Cliffs of Moher**, one of the most spectacular sights in Ireland. At their highest the Cliffs reach 214 meters, rising from Hag's Head, just north of O'Brien's Tower. From the best vantage point you can see all the way to the Aran Islands and Galway Bay. After the Cliffs, enjoy lunch in O'Connor's Pub before returning to Dublin Port.

**Day 1 (L, D)****Dublin to Enniskerry 29km**

The group will set up bikes and begin cycling out along the edge of Dublin Bay on a mixture of traffic-free cycle lanes and quiet suburban roads. On our way we will visit **Joyce's Tower**, where the writer James Joyce lived in his student days and where the opening scenes of his most famous work *Ulysses* take place. From here, we will pass through the heritage town of **Dalkey** and around the point of the bay to turn south along the coast, passing the houses of several celebrities including Bono, Edge and Enya. Leafy back roads take us into Co. Wicklow where we arrive at our destination for the night, **Enniskerry**. This picturesque village evolved in the 19th century to serve the needs of the stunning Powerscourt Estate, which you will have time to visit this afternoon.

Day 2 (B, L, D)**Enniskerry to Glendalough 30km**

Our day starts with a climb out of the village and continues up and down as we make for **the Wicklow Plateau** on a road which offers us a magnificent panorama of the highest waterfall in Ireland. From the edge of the plateau we have extensive views up the east coast to the Mourne Mountains over 100km away. Skirting the Wicklow Mountains National Park we pass through the highest village in Ireland, **Roundwood**, on our way to our destination for tonight, Glendalough. On arrival we will have time to look around the 6th monastic city in this stunning and truly serene valley.

Day 3 (B)**Glendalough to Powerscourt Estate via the Military Road 45km**

Today's route is the highlight of the trip for nature and scenery lovers. Our route takes us right through the Wicklow Mountains National Park and into the remote and deserted up lands. Here it is not unusual to see herd of wild deer amongst the heather clad bog. The road itself is significant in Irish History as it was built by the British forces at the start of the 19th century following the rebellion of 1798. Its role was to allow easier access for troops and weapons in a bid to suppress the tribes who refused to submit to the rule of the crown. On this road we cross the infant River Liffey shortly after the highest section of trough in the country. We then begin a long and well-earned descent to the Glencree Valley where we have a final short climb to the Powerscourt estate. From here we take a transfer (40min approx.) back to the boat.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$503.00	\$479.00
Child	\$252.00	\$240.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 21	0900
Return	Sep 23	1510
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 Days Cycling throughout the "Garden of Ireland" 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 24		

Please note: Warm and waterproof clothing and shoes recommended.

Day 3: Sunday, September 22

DBL 121-301

GAELIC GAMES

Half Day



In Ireland, Gaelic Games are part of who we are and what we do. Today you will experience first-hand how to play our Irish sports by enjoying a 3-hour lesson in Gaelic Football, Hurling, and Handball. Finish up this uniquely Irish experience with **lunch** and enjoy seeing a competitive match between local clubs. This is Trip Advisor's #1 "fun thing to do" in Dublin! Grab your friends and get into the games.

Note: Tennis Shoes and athletic clothing are required.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$127.00	\$121.00
Child	\$63.00	\$60.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 22	0900
Return	Sep 22	1530
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enjoy Lessons in Ancient Irish Sports • Lunch • Fun Mini Games • Watch a Local Match 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		

DBL 122-301

SAS EXCLUSIVE: GALWAY DAY TOUR
IRISH LANDSCAPE & HERITAGE – THE LAND & SEA

Full Day



This exclusive FULL DAY program has been planned by **Marine Science professor Robert Young** in conjunction with Professor **Rachel Cave** from **National University of Ireland-Galway** and representative from SMART. This will be a day jam-packed with interesting sites, geological and ocean science, as well as the fascinating Irish heritage and the relation to the natural landscape and features that make this island country unique.

This will include a visit to **Loughrea** and learning about its curious existence; **Coole Park** (learn what a turlough is and the effects of flooding) as well as some interesting heritage related to Yeats and Lady Gregory; and the spectacularly interesting Devil's Punchbowl.

Additionally, take a visit to the beautiful **Cliffs of Moher** and **Kinvara** (discuss shell fisheries) before concluding this LONG day with a pub dinner in **Galway**. After dinner, feel free to snooze on the coach on the way back to Dublin.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$131	\$125
Child	\$66	\$62
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 22	0800
Return	Sep 22	2230
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EXCLUSIVE academic program • Cliffs of Moher • Coole Park (flooding & turloughs) • Devil's Punchbowl (swallow hole) • Lunch at Coole Park • Evening & Pub dinner in Galway 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		

DBL 123-301

KILMAINHAM JAIL (GAOL) VISIT

2 ½ hours



Enjoy a visit to Kilmainham Jail, one of the largest unoccupied jails in Europe that has seen some of the most heroic and tragic events in Ireland with its emergence as a modern nation from the 1780s to the 1920s. Attractions include a major exhibition detailing the political and penal history of the prison and its restoration. It

was also the site of the execution of many of the leaders of the 1916 rising by the British army, and has many stories to tell.

PLEASE NOTE: These tickets are almost impossible to get. We have a strict limit of 45 tickets. If you have ANY interest, this is really the ONLY way to see this impressive place.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$56.00	\$54.00
Child	\$28.00	\$27.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 22	1015
Return	Sep 22	1230
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kilmainham Jail Tour 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		

Day 4: Monday, September 23

DBL 126-401

NEWGRANGE

Half Day



Today you will get to take in a very special *Lords and Legend's Tour of Newgrange at Bru na Boinne*. Start with a drive from Dublin City through Slane Village where you will get to see Slane Castle, home to Lord Henry Mountcharles of the Conyngham family.

Steeped in history, the castle was built in 1785 and since 1981 it has hosted the largest outdoor concerts in Ireland.

Follow along to the **Hill of Tara**, where you will get to stand on the Hill, the ancient, royal site of the Irish High Kings, where 142 kings were crowned. From here you can see 23 of Ireland's 32 counties. Enjoy a leisurely drive through the Valley of Kings and learn about the famous battle that took place here; its outcome shifted power in Europe from the French to the Dutch.

Continue on to five thousand years old **Newgrange at at Brú Na Bóinne**. It is a Neolithic ritual center and passage tomb with architectural links to the pre-historic maritime peoples of Portugal, Northern Spain, Brittany, Denmark and the Western Isles. A thousand years older than the pyramids and the oldest astronomical observatory in the world, Newgrange has been completely intact since the Stone Age. Its entrance stone and corbelled chamber display the most impressively executed examples of abstract Stone Age art of the early farming communities in Western Europe. These sophisticated early farmers were astronomers who incorporated a lightbox and solar calendar into the passage. Here you will also get to **enjoy lunch** before returning to Dublin City.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$123.00	\$118.00
Child	\$62.00	\$59.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 23	0900
Return	Sep 23	1500
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit to Hill of Tara Drive through the Valley of Kings Visit to World Heritage Site Newgrange Lunch 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 48		



A hop and a skip from Dublin, the medieval city of Kilkenny is filled with byways and cobbled streets. Enjoy the Kilkenny Design Center, situated in what were once the stables of historic Kilkenny Castle, and is now fittingly located next to the National Craft Gallery, one of Ireland's most exciting artistic venues. Stop in Kilkenny Castle, a 12th century castle remodelled in Victorian times. Kilkenny Castle commanded the crossing on the River Nore and dominated the 'High Town' of Kilkenny City for over eight centuries. The original Anglo-Norman stone castle was built for William Marshal, 4th Earl of Pembroke early in the thirteenth century. It then became the prime residence of the influential Butler family for 576 years. It was in 1967 that Arthur, 6th Marquess of Ormonde, bestowed it to the



people of Kilkenny in exchange for a token fee of £50. **Lunch included** at Kyteler's Inn, one of the oldest inns in Ireland. Its original owner was Dame Alice le Kyteler who was born in Kilkenny in the year 1263. She gained notoriety not least for acquiring four husbands and a considerable fortune. Her enemies eventually conspired to accuse her of witchcraft and had her burned at the stake. It is now generally accepted that the charges against Dame Alice and her associates were trumped up but the reputation of her inn as "a place of merrymaking and good cheer" was certainly true.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$90.00	\$86.00
Child	\$45.00	\$43.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 23	0900
Return	Sep 23	1630
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit to the Kilkenny Design Centre • Walking tour of Kilkenny Castle • Walking tour of Kilkenny • Lunch at Kyteler's Inn 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



This walk will take you out from Glendalough and back into the history of time with a visit to the 6th century Monastic City, unfortunately now in ruins but was once the hub of learning in Europe. "Gleann Dá Locha" translates to "The valley of the two lakes". It was in this haven of peace and tranquility that St. Kevin founded his monastery so many years ago. From here the walk takes you past the two lakes and up to the Miner's Village, which is situated at the head of the valley. After a short talk on the history of mining in Glendalough you will proceed up into an area known as Van Diemen's Land, over the Glenealo River and onto the Spinc Mountain. The views from here back into the valley and surrounding countryside are simply breathtaking. The walk continues through Lugduff Forest, past Pollanass Waterfall and back to the Glendalough for some well-earned refreshments beside the open fire in the bar.

STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$90.00	\$86.00
Child	\$45.00	\$43.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 23	0900
Return	Sep 23	1500
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hike in Glendalough • Visit to Ruins of Old Monastic City • Lunch 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 25		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 45		



Enjoy kayaking on Dublin's most famous River Liffey. You will take in some of the city's most famous sites from a slightly different perspective for your use, all you need to **bring is a change of clothes that you don't mind getting wet, a towel, and old shoes** - you're ready to go!! Splash-proof gear is available.



STANDARD PRICE		Early Booking
Adult	\$53.00	\$51.00
Child	\$27.00	\$25.00
TIME		
	Date	Time
Depart	Sep 23	1200
Return	Sep 23	1505
HIGHLIGHTS		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kayaking on the River Liffey 		
MINIMUM REGISTRATION: 20		
MAXIMUM CAPACITY: 30		