EXECUTIVE TOUR SUMMARY

The West of Ireland embodies much of what Ireland is famous for. Indeed, abounding scenery, historical castles, whiskey trails and a fantastic array of Irish golf courses are in this region where the famous Irish cities and towns lie including City of Tribes-Galway and W.B Yeats-Sligo as well as the beautiful scenic countryside of the Connemara and Ballycroy National Parks. Golf in the West allows you to experience some of the most remote and scenically beautiful courses to be found anywhere in the world. Here, you can enjoy the pleasures of a secluded round of golf and quite breathtaking panorama.

Golf

- Day 1 Ashford Castle GC https://www.ashfordcastle.com/about/gallery#
- Day 2 Connemara GC http://www.connemaragolflinks.com/a_b_course_flyover/
- Day 3 Enniscrone GC https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWu2TmZSNHc
- Day 4 Carne GC http://www.carnegolflinks.com/3d_fly_through/
- Day 5 County Sligo GC http://www.countysligogolfclub.ie/courses/championship/
- Day 6 Lahinch GC http://www.lahinchgolf.com/courses/course-video/

Accommodation

- **2 x Nights @ Ashford Castle Resort,** Cong, Co. Galway. Enjoy your stay at one of the most luxurious 5 Star Castle hotels in Ireland and the world. Discover the exquisite interiors, delicious cuisine, passionate team, wealth of estate activities and state-of-the-art spa. As Ireland's top hotel destination and former home of the Guinness family, enjoy the activities of the estate such as Equestrian, Clay shooting, Archery, Boat Cruising, Kayaking, Zip lining Golf and Fishing activities.
- **2 x Nights @ Mount Falcon Estate,** Co. Mayo. Famous for luxurious accommodation and award winning food, Mount Falcon Estate offers rest and relaxation in many forms: indulge in the fabulous Spa & leisure centre, learn to fish on the Estate lake, take flight with the Falcons, walk with the Hawks and learn about the nature of the wise Owls, take aim with archery or hit a flying target on the Clay Shooting range or fine tune your drive on the 9 bay golf driving range.
- **1 x Night @ The Park House Hotel**, Galway. The Park House Hotel is recognised for excellence in both food and accommodation, and is acknowledged locally and from an unrivalled online reputation as one of Galway's top hotels. Centrally located close to Eyre Square enjoy all that Galway has on offer.
- **1 x Night @ Trump International Doonbeg Resort,** Doonbeg, Co. Clare. After Golf relax and unwind in the Members Bar where you can marvel at the spectacular sunset views or take a Spa treatment. Marvel at the fine cuisine in the Ocean View Restaurant.

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Transport

7 x Days Chauffeured Guided Tour & Transfers in Deluxe Mercedes Sprinter Bus with leather trim, wifi and air con. Fuel, Tolls, Ferry crossings and driver/guide expenses all included. Your knowledgeable chauffeur will guide you to the best restaurants and local bars as well as informing you on historical facts and fables.

Touring Details

Day 1 - Sunday

Arrive at Shannon/Dublin Airport and be greeted by your chauffeured tour guide. Depart airport and head for the 13th century 350 acre Ashford estate. Your adventure begins when you enter though the grand stone gates to the remarkable 800-year-old castle. As Ireland's top hotel destination and former home of the Guinness family, enjoy the activities of the estate today including golf and fishing. The golf course, the original deer park of the estate, was designed by the renowned Irish golf architect Eddie Hackett and imaginatively integrates a wide variety of natural features and hazards to create tough par 3s, exciting par 4s and a formidable par 5. After golf enjoy Ashfords estates cuisine and wine and dine in the award winning restaurants in the company of a celebrity or two. In 2017 Ashford Castle hosted Rory McIroy's wedding.

Golf: Ashford Castle GC (Est 1992) 9 hole Par: 35 Men's & Ladies

Length: White Tees 2,996 yards

OR Activities: Equestrian, Clay shooting, Archery, Boat Cruising, Kayaking, Zip lining and Fishing activities.

Accommodation: 5 Star Ashford Castle, Cong, Co. Mayo

Day 2 - Monday

Travel to the Eddie Hackett designed Connemara Golf Club situated to the West of Clifden along the Wild Atlantic Way's signature discovery point of Derrigimla Bog and Mannin Bay Blueway. Connemara Championship Golf Links, the only links course in Co. Galway, is nestled between the scenic splendour of the Twelve Bens mountain range and the rugged Atlantic Ocean. The back 9 with the trademark elevated greens and long fairways have been described by eight time major winner Tom Watson as "A true Championship Links Course. The elevated greens on the back nine are spectacular". Enjoy a links course rated the best in Connacht (West of Ireland). After golf enjoy lunch and a refreshment or two in the clubhouse before heading back to Ashford Castle.

Golf: Connemara GC (Est. 1973) Par 72 Men's & Ladies

Length: Blue Tees 7,055 / White Tees 6,666 / Ladies Tees 5,460 yards

Accommodation: 5 Star Ashford Castle, Cong, Co. Mayo

Day 3 - Tuesday

Depart Ashford Castle and travel to the Eddie Hacket designed Enniscone Golf Club. As stated by Peter Dobereiner, the London Observer's great golf writer reported that he had stumbled across "an undiscovered gem of a links in the far north west, a course with some amazing holes". A "must play" as described by American golf novelist Tom Coyne, this is a course that will enchant you as it weaves between the large sand dunes alone the Wild Atlantic Way. After golf enjoy lunch and a refreshment or two in the clubhouse before heading onward to Mount Falcon Estate.

Golf: Enniscrone GC (Est. 1918) Par 73 Men's & Ladies

Length: Blue Tees 7,033 yards / White Tees 6,814 yards / Ladies Tees 5,592 yards

Accommodation: 5 Star Mount Falcon Resort Estate, Co. Mayo

Day 4 - Wednesday

Travel to Carne Golf Links was the last links course to be designed by the late Eddie Hackett and it is now believed by many who have played it to be his greatest design. Carne in North Mayo on the West Coast of Ireland lies in magnificent unspoiled sand dunes overlooking Blacksod Bay and the wild Atlantic Ocean near the town of Belmullet. An absolute hidden gem, be immersed in the natural beauty of the course, the development of which caused little disturbance to the wild and ancient landscape. Tees and greens occurred naturally and very little earth moving was involved in the course construction. After golf enjoy lunch and a refreshment or two in the clubhouse before heading back to Mount Falcon Estate.

Golf: Carne GC (Est 1985) Par: 71 Men / 72 Ladies

Length: Blue Tees 6,745 yards / White Tees 6,407 yards / Ladies Tees 5,309

Accommodation: 5 Star Mount Falcon Resort Estate, Co. Mayo

Day 5 - Thursday

After a full hearty Irish breakfast travel to the Harry Colt designed and Pat Ruddy remodelled County Sligo Golf Club. The County Sligo Golf Club is widely regarded as one of the great championship links courses. It is located in the picturesque seaside village of Rosses Point just 8km from Sligo and known locally as "The Point" set amongst the hills and hollows that inspired the great writer W.B. Yeats. The club is home to the famous West of Ireland Open amateur championship played every Easter since 1923 and has hosted many other prestigious events including the Home Internationals, the Irish Close and the Irish Professional Matchplay Championship. After golf enjoy lunch and a refreshment or two before heading onwards to Galway, City of Tribes. Enjoy the traditional Irish music in the many bars as well as the fresh seafood in the local restaurants.

Golf: County Sligo GC (Est. 1894) Par: Men's 71 / Ladies 74

Length: Blue Tees 6,618 / White Tees 6,009 / Ladies Tees 5,377 yards

Accommodation: 4 Star Park House Hotel, Galway

Day 6 - Friday

Depart Galway and travel South to play the Old Tom Morris designed, and Dr. Alister MacKenzie & Martin Hartree remodelled Lahinch GC and discover the Ireland of yore in this unique authentic links with famous holes such as the Clondyke and the Dell. Play golf in the midst of the famous resident goats that roam free on the course. After golf relax and unwind at the clubhouse bar and restaurant with its panoramic view of the course and the Wild Atlantic Way. After golf travel to your base at Trump International Resort to relax and unwind in the Members Bar soaking in a spectacular sunset before indulging in the fine dining of the Ocean View Restaurant.

Golf: Lahinch GC (Est 1892) Par: 72 Men / 74 Ladies

Length: Blue Tees 6,950 yards / White Tees 6,613 yards / Ladies Tees 5,502

Accommodation: 5 Star Doonbeg Lodge, Doonbeg

Day 7 - Saturday

Depart and head for Shannon Airport for your flight home.

Extend your stay

Play the Greg Norman designed and Martin Hartree remodelled **Trump Doonbeg Golf Club**.

Play **Strandhill Golf Club** in County Sligo, a fair test for any golfer.

Play the Christy O' Connor designed Galway Bay Golf Club noted as his favourite course design.

Combine your tour with East, South West or North West Golf Tours

OR We can customise your tour to your preferences

OR Upgrade your tour to Premium Plus and cut out all the hassle with helicopter transfers.

Terms & Conditions

Costs may fluctuate upon the time of year and availability cannot be guaranteed on all courses. Deposit required to secure the booking of accommodation and golf.

Full payment of tour required 1 month in advance of the tour date. Both are non refundable upon payment. Please note Accommodation includes Bed & Breakfast only. All lunch and evening meals are not included, but the finalised itinerary will have suggested local restaurants. Golf green fee is included but any other activities are not included. Tips are not included but encouraged.