



CONNECTIONS BOUTIQUE GROUP JOURNEYS

Scotland & Ireland: Stories & Legends 2020

12 days from \$6,995

Limited to 24 guests

Explore Scotland and the Emerald Isle on a journey encompassing hilltop Edinburgh and the rugged Scottish Highlands, as well as Dublin, Belfast and the fascinating northern regions of Ireland.

A&K Advantages

Sample Scotland's "water of life" on a visit to a Scotch whisky distillery, and meet its craftsmen

Explore the city of Belfast and visit Titanic Belfast, where the famous ship was built

Experience the region's musical heritage with intimate performances in Scotland and Ireland

Learn the ancient Gaelic sport of hurling as you meet with some young enthusiasts at their local athletic club

Itinerary

DAY 1 ARRIVE EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND

Arrive in bustling Edinburgh and transfer to your hotel. Tonight, gather for a welcome dinner.

Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel | Meals: Dinner

DAY 2 EDINBURGH | CASTLE & CROWN JEWELS

Drive the Royal Mile, past St. Giles' High Kirk, to Holyrood Palace, Queen Elizabeth's official residence in Scotland (subject to closure for official events). Tour Edinburgh Castle to view the magnificent Scottish Crown Jewels. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure to explore this fascinating capital.

Kimpton Charlotte Square Hotel | Meals: Breakfast

DAY 3 ST. ANDREWS | BIRTHPLACE OF GOLF

Drive to St. Andrews, where you walk the world-famous Old Course — following in the footsteps of legends such as Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer. Travel to Pitlochry for lunch at leisure and time to explore. Continue to Inverness, capital of Scotland's Highlands region.

Ness Walk | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAYS 4-5 INVERNESS | HEART OF THE HIGHLANDS

Travel to the rugged North Sea coast of the Highlands. Explore the richly adorned Dunrobin Castle and witness falconry in its gardens. Visit the Glenmorangie whisky distillery, tasting the spirit and meeting with its makers. The next morning, travel to Culloden Moor, where the Jacobite army was defeated in 1746. Cruise the enigmatic waters of Loch Ness, stopping to explore the enchanting Urquhart Castle. View the cascading Falls of Foyers before reveling in Scottish music and dance at a local pub, a private and exclusive experience.

Ness Walk | Meals: Breakfast (Day 4); Breakfast, Dinner (Day 5)

DAYS 6-7 BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND | A TROUBLED HISTORY

This morning, fly to the rapidly changing city of Belfast. Take an orientation tour to gain insight into the turbulent history of Northern Ireland. This evening, enjoy *craic agus ceol* — fun and song — with a pub crawl featuring live traditional Irish music and led by local musicians. The next day, visit the stunning Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site made up of massive rock columns rising from the sea. Return to Belfast, driving through the spectacular scenery of the nine green Glens of Antrim and stopping for afternoon tea at Ballygally Castle.

Titanic Hotel Belfast | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner (Day 6); Breakfast, Lunch (Day 7)

DAY 8 BELFAST | MEMORIAL TO 'TITANIC'

Take a self-guided tour at the interactive Titanic Museum, which features artifact-laden galleries and an ocean exploration exhibit. Continue to the Armagh Cider Company for a tour, tasting and lunch. Afterward, drive to your elegant castle hotel in the Republic of Ireland.

Kilronan Castle | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 9 ROSCOMMON, IRELAND | BEAUTY ALONG THE SHANNON

Drive to charming Carrick-on-Shannon, and embark on a cruise of Ireland's longest river. Watch the beautiful outdoor scenery glide by, and enjoy traditional music aboard. Savor lunch ashore, then return to your castle to enjoy the facilities and estate.

Kilronan Castle | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 10 STROKESTOWN | THE FAMINE YEARS

Visit 18th-century Strokestown Park House for a private tour. While there, explore the Irish National Famine Museum for insight into this sad chapter of the nation's history. Visit Ireland's oldest distillery, Kilbeggan, for a tour and tasting before continuing to Dublin.

The Davenport | Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

DAY 11 DUBLIN | IRISH TRADITIONS

Explore Dublin this morning, visiting Trinity College to view the eighth-century *Book of Kells*, one of the most famous illustrated manuscripts in the world. Make an unforgettable connection in the Dublin suburbs as you learn about the traditional Irish sport of hurling at a local athletic club. Later, gather for a memorable farewell dinner.

The Davenport | Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 12 DEPART DUBLIN

Transfer to the airport and board your flight.



Dates & Prices

Prices are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy.

Dates	Prices	Single Supplement	Internal Air (From)	Availability
May 17 - May 28, 2020	\$6,995	\$2,195	\$230	Call for Availability
Jun 07 - Jun 18, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Available
Jun 21 - Jul 02, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Call for Availability
Jul 05 - Jul 16, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Call for Availability
Jul 19 - Jul 30, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Call for Availability
Aug 02 - Aug 13, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Available
Sep 06 - Sep 17, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Available
Sep 13 - Sep 24, 2020	\$7,195	\$2,195	\$230	Available

Journey Details

Internal Airfare: Economy class from \$230
Inverness/Belfast

Minimum age is 10 years old.

First group event: welcome briefing at 5:30 p.m. on Day 1.

Last group event: farewell dinner at 7:00 p.m. on Day 11.

Departures are guaranteed to operate with a minimum of 2 guests.

Prices are per person based on double occupancy. Internal and international air not included. See complete terms and conditions [here](#).