

# International Soccer Tour 2025 Itinerary Schuylkill Valley High School Ireland – Dublin and England – London

### Travel dates:

July 26-August 4, 2025

# **Itinerary**:

Jul 26	Departure from NYC airport.
Jul 27	Arrival Dublin airport in the morning. Transfer to hotel and check-in.
Jul 28	Sightseeing Dublin – visit/tour Trinity College, Dublin Castle, Christ Church
	Cathedral, and St. Patrick's Cathedral.
Jul 29	Visit the Kilmainham Gaol tour, one of the largest unoccupied gaols (jail) in
	Europe, covering some of the most heroic and tragic events in Ireland's
	emergence as a modern nation from the 1780s to the 1920s. After this, visit
	the Guinness Storehouse and Old Jameson Distillery tour.
Jul 30	Visit Croke Park in Dublin for a tour of Croke Park and the GAA Museum,
	home of the Gaelic Games. <b>Evening game vs. a local team.</b>
Jul 31	Transfer to your accommodation in London.
Aug 1	Sightseeing London, including The Tower of London, The Houses of
	Parliament, Buckingham Palace, and The London Eye, with its spectacular
	views over London. Afternoon or evening game vs. a local team.
Aug 2	Morning or afternoon training session with a youth coach from a London
	area pro club. Visit Hampton Court Palace and Windsor Castle. For almost
	200 years, Hampton Court Palace was at the center of court life, politics,
	and national history. Windsor Castle is an official residence of The Queen
	and the largest occupied castle in the world.
Aug 3	Enjoy the day sightseeing in London. Visit to the Chelsea Village
	MegaShop and Stamford Bridge Stadium, Trafalgar Square and Covent
	Garden shopping precinct, Emirates and/or Wembley Stadium.
	Evening game vs. a local team.
Aug 4	Transfer to London airport. Return flight.

<sup>\*</sup>The above itinerary is a provisional/suggested itinerary and can/will change depending on your group's specific wishes, the final game schedule for your team(s) and any pro game visit(s) incorporated for your group. Sightseeing admission fees are not included in the prices but can be added and pre-booked based on your group's specific wishes. Consult us for more information.

# Price per person\*:

Number of people traveling	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49
Participant prices	\$4,270	\$4,005	\$3,816	\$3,673	\$3,579	\$3,496

<sup>\*</sup> Prices are based on contracted airline group fares for 2024. We can confirm pricing approx. 11 months prior to departure date when airlines publish group flights and fares for 2025.



#### **Price inclusions:**

- Round trip airfare, including airport taxes and fuel surcharges. Prices are always subject to the availability of flights and fares at time of booking.
- Accommodations and meals as specified in this proposal see below. Hotel
  options and room types (triples, doubles, etc.) are subject to availability at the time
  of tour booking.
- Ground transportation see below.
- Costs for arranging the sport program see below.
- Services of a local tour assistant see below.

### Sport program included:

**Dublin:** We will arrange 1 friendly game per team.

**London:** We will arrange 2 friendly games per team. We will also arrange a training session with a youth coach from a London area pro club.

### Accommodation and meals included:

**Dublin:** 4-star Hotel accommodation in Dublin.

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- Hotel is in Dublin, approx. 6-7 miles from the city center.
- Accommodation in rooms for 3 people. Rooms all have private bathrooms, phone, satellite TV, and free Wi-Fi. Double rooms are available as well at a supplement of \$36.00 per person per night.
- Be aware that hotel rooms/beds are smaller than we are used to in the USA.
- The hotel has a lounge, reception, and bar.

**London:** 4-star Hotel accommodation in London.

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- The hotel accommodation is on the outskirts of London about 15 miles from the city center.
- Accommodation in triple rooms (3 people 2 double beds). Rooms all have private bathrooms, phones, satellite TV, and free Wi-Fi.
- Double rooms are available as well at a supplement of \$15.00 per person per night.
- Please be aware that rooms in Europe are not as big as in the USA.
- The hotel offers a restaurant, lounge/bar, outdoor patio/garden, fitness center, and free Wi-Fi.

# Ground transportation included:

During your entire stay, a private bus will be available exclusively for your group at each destination – 10 hours a day.



### Local guide services included:

A local tour assistant will be assigned to be exclusively with your group full time each day during your stay in each destination to provide you with any assistance when necessary and help plan or amend your daily schedule as needed.

# Options available (not included in prices)

### Sport program options:

- We can arrange training sessions with youth academy coaches from pro clubs in Dublin and London. Supplement for a 90-minute session, including field hire, is approx. \$650.00 total.
- We can arrange tickets to pro games, subject to availability. Ticket costs will depend on the game, but usually, ticket costs range from approx. \$75.00-\$150.00 or more per person depending on the game.
- Visit and tour of a pro team stadium between \$25.00 and \$35.00 per person.
- A 2-hour training session with your own coaching staff costs approx. \$260.00 per 2 hours.

# Travel insurance option:

Your participants have the option to purchase accident, illness, and trip cancellation/interruption insurance, including Cancel for Any Reason Coverage (CFAR) – more information about this insurance is included on your team website page.

### Not included in prices:

- Beverages (soda) with meals.
- Gratuities for representatives and bus drivers.
- Admission fees to attractions.
- Single rooms in hotels. Single rooms are available at a supplement of \$40.00 per person per night on top of the double room supplements outlined in the accommodation description.



#### SIGHTSEEING IN DUBLIN AND SURROUNDINGS 2024

### 1) TRINITY COLLEGE AND COLLEGE GREEN

Price: Adults \$16.00 per person (\$43.00 to add the Book of Kells and Old Library)

Trinity College is probably the best spot to kick off your Dublin tour. It's at the heart of the capital, packed full of incredible history, and it's the oldest university in Ireland having been founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth I. Occupying an enviable 40-acre site, Trinity retains some of its ancient seclusion of cobbled squares, gardens, and parks and is famed throughout the world for its collection of great treasures. These include, on permanent exhibition, the 9th century illuminated manuscript, the Book of Kells, the Books of Durrow and Armagh, and an ancient Irish harp. The priceless artefacts are displayed in the Treasury and the awe-inspiring 18th-century Long Room, which houses more than 200,000 of Trinity's oldest books and hosts regular literary exhibitions.

### 2) NATIONAL GALLERY OF IRELAND

Price: Free Admission.

A right turn at the end of Kildare Street will bring you to the National Gallery of Ireland with entrances on Clare Street and Merrion Square West. Housing the finest collection of Irish art in the world alongside an outstanding collection of European art from the Middle Ages to the present day, this is a must-see while in the capital. The gallery opened in 1864 with wings being added in 1903, 1968, and most recently, 2002. Collections include the Yeats Museum, seven rooms devoted to Irish art, Italian Painters, the Shaw Room, and Baroque Room. The gallery, which is spread over four levels, regularly hosts impressive temporary exhibitions, and there's an excellent café popular with locals and visitors alike.

### 3) PHOENIX PARK AND DUBLIN ZOO

Price: Seniors \$22.00, Adults \$28.00, Under 16s \$21.00, Under 3s Free.

An 18-minute walk from Collins Barracks is Dublin Zoo in Phoenix Park. This is the largest enclosed urban park in Europe, some 1,750 acres, which is surprising given that Dublin is a relatively small capital city. Hundreds of deer roam the parkland, the President of Ireland's official residence is here along with Deerfield, a beautiful 18th-century property home to the American Ambassador to Ireland. There's a Visitors Centre located close to a 17th-century tower house, Ashtown Castle, for those wishing to find out more about the park and its environment. At the far Castleknock Gate end and on some 78 acres stands stately Farmleigh House dating from the 1800s and purchased by the Irish state from the Guinness family in 1999.

# 4) THE GUINESS STOREHOUSE

Price: Adult \$39.00 – 10% Discount for groups of 26 or more.

It takes a LOT to become iconic, but Guinness has done it. The "Black Stuff" may be famous the world over, but this slow-settling porter started off life in St James's Gate at the heart of old Dublin. Back in 1759, an enterprising brewer by the name of Arthur Guinness took out a 9,000-year lease on the brewery here for an annual rent of £45. A couple of centuries later, the Storehouse was born. Built in the style of the Chicago School of Architecture 1904, it was originally used as a fermentation house. Today its Ireland's number one visitor attraction – a gleaming, multimedia exhibition on everything from retro advertising to the craft of brewing, topped off with a pint in the 360-degree Gravity Bar. When you get there, don't forget to raise your glass to Arthur's wonderful creation!

Prices and availability for these excursions may change a little at the time of booking.



### SIGHTSEEING IN LONDON

Recommend excursion(s) to pre-book are any stadium tour and the London Eye.

### 1) LONDON STADIUM TOURS

Price Wembley : Adults \$44.00 (16 and under \$29.00)
Price Emirates : Adults \$44.00 (15 and under \$31.00)
Price Stamford Bridge : Adults \$40.00 (15 and under \$28.00)

# 2) THE LONDON EYE

Price: \$43.00 (15 and under \$36.00) Book online

The London Eye is a giant Ferris wheel on the South Bank of the River Thames in London, England. The entire structure is 35 meters (443 ft) tall, and the wheel has a diameter of 120 meters (394 ft). It is the tallest Ferris wheel in Europe, and includes a 30-minute rotation, Samsung interactive capsule guides, and entry to 4D cinema experience.

# 3) TOWER OF LONDON

Price: \$53.00 (15 and under) \$27.00

The massive White Tower is a typical example of Norman military architecture, whose influence was felt throughout the kingdom. It was built on the Thames by William the Conqueror to protect London and assert his power. The Tower of London – an imposing fortress with many layers of history, which has become one of the symbols of royalty – was built around the White Tower.

### 4) WINDSOR CASTLE

Prices: Adults \$44.00 Young person (18-24) \$29.00 (17 and under) \$25.00.

A visit to the Castle includes the State Apartments, St George's Chapel, and Queen Mary's Dolls' House. Windsor Castle is a royal residence at Windsor in the English +county of Berkshire. The castle is notable for its long association with the British royal family and for its architecture.

### 6) LONDON DUNGEONS

Prices: Adults \$52.00 (15 and under \$42.00)

The London Dungeon is a London tourist attraction which recreates various gory and macabre historical events in a gallows humor style aimed at younger audiences. It uses a mixture of live actors, special effects, and rides.

# 7) HARRY POTTER TOUR

Prices: Adults \$81.00 (15 and under \$61.00)

People all over the world have been enchanted by the Harry Potter films for over a decade. The wonderful special effects and amazing creatures have made this iconic series beloved to both young and old – and now the doors are open for everyone at the studio where it first began.

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