

## **International Soccer Tour 2024 Itinerary Legends FC Ireland – Dublin and Galway**

### **Travel dates:**

June 29-July 7, 2024

### **Itinerary:**

- June 29 Departure from Los Angeles airport.
- June 30 Arrival Dublin airport in morning. Transfer to accommodation with optional stop at Croke Park in Dublin for tour of Croke Park, home of Ireland Gaelic Games.
- July 1 Sightseeing Dublin. Options include Dublin Castle, Christ Church Cathedral, St. Patrick's Cathedral and/or Guinness Store tour. Evening match vs. local team.
- July 2 Morning optional training session with an Irish coach or your own coaches. More sightseeing Dublin – visit Phoenix Park, Dublin financial district, Kilmainham Gaol/Prison and the General Post Office where the 1916 uprising started and O'Connell Street.
- July 3 More sightseeing Dublin – visit and tour Trinity College. Afternoon optional tour of Aviva Stadium, home to Ireland's National Soccer team. Evening match vs. local team.
- July 4 Transfer to your accommodation in Galway. Make a stop at the Cliffs of Moher on the way. Check in to hotel and rest of day/evening at leisure.
- July 5 Day free for sightseeing and exploring Galway. Stroll along High Street taking in all its shops, restaurants and typical Irish pubs. Evening match vs. a local soccer club in Galway.
- July 6 Morning optional training session with an Irish coach or your own coaches. Optional day trip to Limerick or optional guided tour of Bunratty Castle and Folk Park where you can experience the living reconstruction of the homes and environment of Ireland from over a century ago. While in Limerick visit King John's Castle, a 13th century castle located next to the River Shannon. Or, more sightseeing in Galway on High Street. Possible evening match vs. a local team.
- July 7 Transfer to Dublin airport and flight home.

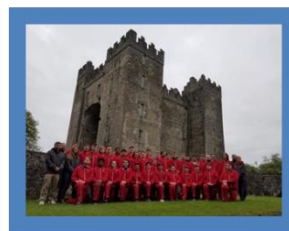
\*The above itinerary is a provisional/suggested itinerary and can/will change depending on your group's specific wishes, the final game schedule for your team(s) and any pro game visit(s) incorporated for your group. Sightseeing admission fees are not included in the prices but can be added and pre-booked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



Willamette University



Galway Kylemore Abbey



Fishers High School



Streets of Dublin

**Tour price estimate per person:**

Number of people traveling	20- 24	25- 29	30- 34	35- 39	40- 44	45- 49
Participant prices	\$4,246	\$4,062	\$3,938	\$3,837	\$3,777	\$3,710

**Price inclusions:**

- Accommodations and meals as specified in this proposal – see below. Accommodations specified below are subject to availability at 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:**

We will arrange 3 games with local clubs.

**Accommodation and meals included:**

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

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- Hotel located on the outskirts of Dublin approx. 8 miles from the center of Dublin. Hotel is located within short walking distance to public transportation as well.
- Includes accommodation in triple rooms all with private bathroom, iron, safe, coffee maker, free Wi-Fi, TV and phone.
- The hotel has a restaurant, lounge/bar and coffee shop,
- Double rooms available as well at a supplement of \$13.00 per person per night.
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**Galway:** Accommodation at the University of Galway.

- Daily breakfast and dinner included.
- Located on campus including a wide variety of restaurants, cafes, and shops.
- Campus located less than a mile just outside Galway city center with easy access to shopping, restaurants, pubs, etc.
- Apartment style accommodations that include 3-6 bedrooms, fully equipped kitchens, spacious living areas, and free Wi-Fi.
- Variety of bedroom types, including single/singe bedded rooms, with en-suite bathrooms available.

**Ground transportation included:**

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

**Local guide services:**

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:**

- Visit to a pro game. We recommend budgeting approx. \$50-\$100 per person for a pro game ticket.
- Training session with a youth coach from an Irish pro club – approx. \$1,000.00 per session, including field hire.
- Field rental for a proper field (lines and goals) for a training session(s) with your own coaching staff – approx. \$300.00 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 (water is included).
- Lunches.
- Gratuities for representatives and bus drivers – we recommend budgeting approx. \$20.00 per person for this.
- Admission fees to attractions not mentioned in the “Price inclusions”.

## **Touristic Information Dublin**

Dublin is the capital and largest city of Ireland. Dublin is in the province of Leinster on Ireland's east coast, at the mouth of the River Liffey. Founded as a Viking settlement, the Kingdom of Dublin became Ireland's principal city following the Norman invasion. The city expanded rapidly from the 17th century and was briefly the second largest city in the British Empire before the Acts of Union in 1800. Following the partition of Ireland in 1922, Dublin became the capital of the Irish Free State, later renamed Ireland.

**Guinness Brewery:** Guinness Storehouse is one of the most popular tourist attractions in Dublin, at St. James's Gate Brewery. Since opening in 2000, it has received over four million visitors. The Storehouse covers seven floors surrounding a glass atrium shaped in the form of a pint of Guinness. The ground floor introduces the beer's four ingredients, and the brewery's founder, Arthur Guinness. Other floors feature the history of Guinness advertising and include an interactive exhibit on responsible drinking. The seventh floor houses the Gravity Bar with views of Dublin and where visitors may drink a pint of Guinness included in the price of admission.

**St. Patrick's Cathedral:** Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, Ireland, founded in 1191, is the National Cathedral of the Church of Ireland. With its 141 ft tall spire, St. Patrick's is the tallest church in Ireland and the largest. Christ Church Cathedral, also a Church of Ireland cathedral in Dublin, is designated as the local Cathedral of the diocese of Dublin and Glendalough.

**Aviva Stadium:** The spectacular Aviva Stadium is home to the Irish Rugby Union team, as well as the Republic of Ireland National Soccer Team. It is Ireland's only UEFA Elite Stadium and has played host to matches for large tournaments such as the Heineken Cup, Nations Cup, and European Cup.

**Downtown Dublin:** The Downtown area is home to several shopping centers, restaurants, pubs, and historical buildings. For shopping, visit Grafton Street, Dawson street, located only a few blocks from Trinity College, or O'Connell and Henry street located near The Spire. The Spire otherwise known as the Monument of Light, is a 390 ft tall monument that has become a favored tourist location in Dublin. For fine dining try the Brasserie sixty6 or Dax Restaurant, just two of many top-rated restaurants in Dublin. The Rustic Stone just a few blocks from Grafton Street offers a unique and modern Irish food options.

**Dublin Castle:** Erected in the early thirteenth century on the site of a Viking settlement, Dublin Castle served for centuries as the headquarters of English, and later British, administration in Ireland. In 1922, following Ireland's independence, Dublin Castle was handed over to the new Irish government. It is now a major government complex and a key tourist attraction. We hope you enjoy your visit.

## **Touristic Information Galway**

Galway, known as the City of the Tribes, is an important tourist center and a gateway to the scenic areas of the county. Beginning in the 15th century, Galway was ruled by the leading fourteen merchant families, which were known as "tribes." The families built many castles throughout County Galway. Many streets and landmarks bear the names of these early "tribes."

Galway is a bustling town with fantastic nightlife. The beautiful scenery, charming pedestrianized streets, and numerous pubs and cafes are sure to keep you occupied.

Cliffs of Moher: A must-do while on your way to Galway, is to see the awe-inspiring Cliffs of Moher. Here you will encounter nature in its wildest, purest form – see the rugged cliffs facing the mighty ocean, taste the salt air, feel the ancient rocks beneath your feet. This destination is one of the most breathtaking sights to see during your trip to Ireland.

Eyre Square/City Center: While in Galway, the City Center there is plenty to see and do. The Eyre Square Center is home to several shops, restaurants, pubs and tourist attractions.

Optional Day Trip to Limerick: While in Limerick visit King John's Castle, a 13<sup>th</sup> century marvel located next to the River Shannon. You can also visit Thomond Park, home of Munster Rugby Club, one of the top teams in Ireland.

Bunratty Castle: The site on which Bunratty Castle stands was in origin a Viking trading camp in 970. The present structure is the last of four castles to be built on the site. Bunratty Castle, is the most complete and authentic medieval castle in Ireland. Built in 1425 it was restored in 1954 to its former medieval splendor and now contains mainly 15th and 16th century furnishings, tapestries, and works of art which capture the mood of those times.

Folk Park: Enjoy the sights, sounds tastes, scents, of this enchanting place as you stroll from house to house or around the charming village street complete with school, post office, doctors house, hardware shop, printers and of course McNamara's pub. When you visit Bunratty Folk Park you experience a living reconstruction of the homes and environment of Ireland of over a century ago. Set on 26 acres, the impressive park features over 30 buildings in a 'living' village and rural setting.