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ENGLAND, IRELAND & WALES

10 days | Shannon | Killarney region | Blarney | Dublin | Holyhead | Birmingham region | Stratford-upon-Avon | London

Transport your group back in time and experience the old-world wonders of England and Ireland. Kiss the Blarney Stone outside of Cork, marvel at the Gothic spires of St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, and explore the bustling streets of London. From 16th-century Shakespearean works to the modern-day *Harry Potter* saga, it's no wonder this corner of the world is rich in literary tradition. If traveling as a Girl Scout troop, you will make a special visit to Pax Lodge, a WAGGGS World Centre, in Hampstead, where you will participate in unique Girl Scout programming. Not a Girl Scout Troop? Not to worry. You can skip Pax Lodge and explore London.

YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director

Sightseeing: 2 sightseeing tours led by expert, licensed local guides; 1 sightseeing tour led by your Tour Director

Activity level: Light; moderate walking (about 2 hours daily), and light hiking suitable for most fitness levels; Nothing too challenging.



Entrances: Bunratty Castle; Bog Museum; sheepdog demonstration; Blarney Castle; St. Patrick's Cathedral; Welsh castle; Shakespeare's birthplace; Anne Hathaway's cottage; Tower of London



WAGGGS Centre visit: Pax Lodge

All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; Eurostar high-speed train; 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; European breakfast daily, dinner Days 2–6 and 8–10, lunch on Day 7







These tours give girls the confidence to work toward a significant goal and the courage to try new things while traveling. They return with character and want to make their world a better place.

Kim H., Group Leader

DAY 1: FLY OVERNIGHT TO IRELAND

DAY 2: SHANNON | KILLARNEY REGION

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Shannon.
- Visit Bunratty Castle.
- Travel to Killarney.

DAY 3: KILLARNEY REGION

- Take an excursion to the Ring of Kerry and discover Wild Atlantic Way, a 2,500 km trail stretching from County Donegal Inishowen Peninsula to County Cork's Celtic Sea coast. Explore the aweinspiring headlands, hiking trails, and seascapes of this great pathway while adventuring further into Irish culture. On your visit, make your way along lush rolling hills and take in magnificent views of the Atlantic Ocean and the placid Lakes of Killarney. You'll also pass by the misty peaks of Macgillycuddy's Reeks. In Glenbeigh, visit the Bog Village. Wander through a re-creation of an Irish village from the early 1800s as costumed guides demonstrate the way of life that prevailed in 19th-century rural Ireland.
- Visit the Bog Museum.
- Experience a sheepdog demonstration (mid-April to October).

DAY 4: KILLARNEY | DUBLIN

- Visit Blarney Castle.
- See Cashel Rock.
- Travel to Dublin, Ireland's capital city scenically situated between Dun Laoghaire (pronounced "dun leery") and Howth Head's rocky peaks. Literary history greets you at every turn, from Trinity College, where playwright Samuel Beckett and satirist Jonathan Swift studied, to St. Patrick's Cathedral, whose presence honors the patron saint of Ireland. When you ride through Dublin's elegant Georgian squares, be sure to ask your guide about the colorful doors.

DAY 5: DUBLIN

- Take an expertly guided tour of Dublin: Georgian squares;
 O'Connell Street; St. Stephen's Green; Phoenix Park.
- Visit St. Patrick's Cathedral.

DAY 6: HOLYHEAD I COVENTRY

- Travel by ferry to Holyhead.
- Visit a Welsh castle.
- Continue on to Coventry.

DAY 7: STRATFORD-UPON-AVON I LONDON

- Take a tour of Stratford-upon-Avon.
- Visit Shakespeare's birthplace.
- Visit the gardens at Anne Hathaway's cottage.
- Travel to London, a city of eight million people that has become one of the world's great melting pots while maintaining a distinct character that's all its own. From Tower Bridge to the Houses of Parliament, Great Britain's royal tradition and rich history greet you at every turn. Admire architectural marvels like the Baroque domes and spires of St. Paul's Cathedral, the 17th-century church designed by Sir Christopher Wren. Check out the lively five-way intersection at Piccadilly Circus, as well as Hyde Park's urban greenery. You may even get a chance to witness the ceremonial Changing of the Guard. And don't forget to snap a picture of Big Ben from the banks of the River Thames.
- Enjoy Free time in London.

DAY 8: LONDON

- Take an expertly guided tour of London.
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- Enjoy the London Eye and a Thames Cruise.

DAY 9: LONDON

- Visit the Tower of London.
- Tour Windsor Castle.

DAY 10: DEPART FOR HOME

Itinerary subject to change. For complete financial and registration details, please refer to the Booking Conditions.

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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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