

INCENTIVES TRIP TO DUBLIN, IRELAND



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Why go to Dublin?

Dublin is Ireland's capital and it has a wealth of attractions, most within walking distance of each other. Central Dublin is divided into three sections - Southeast, the heart of the modern city and home to prestigious Trinity College; Southwest - site of the old city around Dublin Castle; and North of the Liffey - the area around the imposing O'Connell Street, a busy thoroughfare with a fine mix of architectural styles.

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Best time to travel to Dublin

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The country's mild climate means that you can visit Dublin at any time of the year. However, the best time to visit is during the summertime (May to August) when the weather is warmer than the rest of the year. During the peak of summer, in July and August, Dublin will get about 18 hours of daylight and only goes dark after 11pm.

Map of the United Kingdom & Ireland



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Recommended stay – 2 nights

Best season

The winter months can be colder with an average low of 2°C and high of 8°C from November to February.

In the months of March to May and September to November the weather tends to be warmer than the winter months, with temperatures ranging between 12°C and 17°C.

The summer months from June to August is the warmest time of the year, with temperatures averaging between 15°C and 23°C.

We recommend you visit

- Make a visit to Trinity College, Ireland's oldest university, and see the world-famous Book of Kells, a fabulous example of early Irish manuscript illumination. It has laid resident at Trinity College since the 17th Century
- Visit the monument of Jonathan Swift, author of Gulliver's Travels and the Dean of St Patrick's Cathedral from 1713-1745
- Visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, the national cathedral of the Church of Ireland and also the largest church in the country
- Walk around Dublin Castle, which stands in the heart of old Dublin and was a symbol of English rule for seven centuries
- Visit Christ Church Cathedral (founded c.1028), the Cathedral of the United Dioceses of Dublin and Glendalough. It is one of Dublin's grandest and oldest buildings
- Spend some time shopping; nearby Grafton Street hosts Brown Thomas department store, as well as smaller craft and antique shops on Anne Street and Duke Street.
- Experience Kilmainham Gaol, a former prison built in the late 18th Century, which played an important role in Ireland's path to independence
- Indulge in a traditional house signature Boxty – a paper-thin potato pancake at Gallagher's Boxty House – a traditional Irish bar and restaurant

Possible activities to include:

1. Private tour of Marsh's Library

Experience a private tour of the oldest public library in the country and one of Ireland's literature gems. During your tour of the library, you view rare books and manuscripts whilst admiring the beautiful dark-oak bookcases and 25,000 books, manuscripts and maps dating from the 16th to the early 18th Century.

2. Excursion to the Guinness Storehouse

Learn how a pint of the world-famous Guinness is created and judge for yourself if you think that *"Guinness tastes better in Ireland"*. The heart of the building is modelled on a giant pint glass, which would hold approximately 14 million pints of Guinness beer if filled! Enjoy a complimentary pint in the Gravity Bar, which boasts 360-degree views of the capital.

3. Tour of the Teeling Whiskey Co. Distillery

Take a tour around the only operational distillery in Dublin, which has been family run since its humble beginnings in 1782. The new building brings the craft of distilling back into the heart of Dublin city centre for the first time in over 125 years. Experience first-hand the sound, smell and feel of how quality batches of Teeling are produced from grain to spirit, and end your tour with a tasting of one of their whiskies and a handcrafted seasonal cocktail at The Bang Bang bar.

4. Irish House Party

Exclusively experience a traditional Irish House Party, a popular and unique attraction situated at The Lansdowne Hotel. Enjoy a delicious three-course dinner, live traditional Irish music with All-Ireland champion musicians and dancers. Enjoy a humorous introduction into Irish music, entertaining stories about Dublin and its unique characters. Learn a song in the Irish language with a souvenir song book provided for each guest.

5. Tour of Jameson's Whiskey Distillery

Take a visit to the Old Jameson's Distillery, where you learn the time-honoured secret of how three simple ingredients - water, barley and yeast - are transformed into Jameson Irish Whiskey, a smooth golden spirit enjoyed throughout the world.

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Suggested Hotels

- The Westbury - 5* - 178 rooms
- The Merrion - 5* - 123 rooms
- The Shelbourne Hotel - 5* - 246 rooms
- Conrad Hotel - 5* - 177 rooms
- Brooks Hotel - 4* - 100 rooms

Suggested Restaurants

- The Greenhouse *
- Patrick Guilbaud *
- Brasserie Sixty Six
- One Pico
- The Saddle Room
- The Exchequer
- Bang Restaurant
- The Pigs Ear
- The Winding Stair
- Gala dinner at Nancy Hands. Enhanced to a traditional Irish night with a show, including Irish music band and dancers, along with Guinness Bread and Irish coffee demonstrations.

* - Michelin starred

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