SAMPLE TOUR: IRELAND

9 days

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Day 1: ***Departure Day***

- Fly from departure city to Dublin.

Day 2: ***Arrive - Dublin / Galway***

- Clear customs and meet your Educational World Tours Representative Tour Manager who will escort you to your waiting private coach.
- Transfer to Galway with a stop in Athenry.
- Continue to Galway and on arrival enjoy a cruise on the River Corrib. The Corrib princess sails from the heart of Galway along the famous Streamers Line. Along the way enjoy views and commentary about the river and the lake in addition to the surrounding wildlife and historic monuments.
- Transfer to your bed and breakfast and check in (available after 3pm).
- Enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel.

Accomodations: Moderate hotel or Bed and Breakfast in Galway

Day 3: ***Galway - Connemara***

- Breakfast at your accommodation.
- Activity specific to your group.
- Transfer to the region of Connemara which is the land of lakes, rivers, bogs and mountains. Explore the region and its plentiful natural beauty and historic roots as it is an area in which the traditional language of the country, Gaelic, is spoken.
- While in Connemara Pass visit Kylemore Abbey. Built by Mitchell Henry in 1868 and is famous for its miniature neo-gothic cathedral. The abbey is now home to an order of Benedictine nuns and boast an interactive visitor's centre. Possibly public performance for your choir.
- Return to your accommodation in Galway and enjoy a dinner there.

Accomodations: Moderate hotel or Bed and Breakfast in Galway

Day 4: ***Galway/Limerick***

- Breakfast at your accommodation.
- This morning, transfer to Dublin via the Burren Region. The Burren Region covers over 150 square kilometres and is one of Irelands 6 national parks. It is famous for its moonscape like appearance and for archaeological discoveries such as megalithic tombs.
- The next stop is The Cliffs of Moher which are the most majestic cliffs in Ireland and rise from the Atlantic Ocean at 215 metres and extend for over seven kilometres long. From this height, you can admire the Aran Islands, the Connemara Mountains and the many sea birds that colonise this place to nest in spring.
- Transfer to Bunratty Castle and Folk Park for dinner and entertainment.
- Bunratty Castle is one of the most complete and authentic castles in Ireland. It was built in 1425 by Earl of Thomond and plundered many times until it was restored in 1954. Enjoy a dinner in the Great Hall followed by entertainers with live music played on the harp and violin.
- Transfer to Limerick and check into your hotel.

Accomodations: Moderate hotel in Limerick (1 night)

Day 5: ***Limerick/Cork***

- Breakfast at your accommodation.
- Depart Hotel and travel to Cork via Killarney.
- First stop is Killarney where there will be time to explore at your leisure.
- Killarney is famous for its National Park that is home to several Red Deer Herds. Walk the path and spot the indigenous wildlife or hire a horse draw carriage for a minimal cost (at your own expense) to explore the park.
- Continue on to Cork and visit Blarney Castle.
- Blarney Castle which was built nearly six hundred years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftains, Cormac McCarthy. Over the last few hundred years, millions have flocked to Blarney, making it a world landmark and one of Ireland's greatest treasures. Now that might have something to do with the Blarney Stone, the legendary Stone of Eloquence, found at the top of the Tower. Kiss it and you'll never again be lost for words.
- Transfer to your Hotel in Cork and enjoy your dinner.

Accomodations: Moderate hotel in Cork (2 nights)

Day 6: ***Cork***

- Breakfast at your accommodation.
- Activity specific to your group
- Transfer to Cobh. Cobh was the main port from which Irish immigrants left for America. Cobh was also a port for luxury passenger liners and in 1838 the Sirius made the first transatlantic crossing under steam power from here. Cobh was also the last stop for the Titanic, before its doomed Atlantic crossing in 1912. You will visit Cobh Heritage Centre and see The Queenstown Story, a fascinating exhibit and audio-visual display depicting the part Cobh played in the Irish Emigration.
- Enjoy leisure time in Cobh then return to your hotel in Cork.
- Dinner at your hotel.
- Tickets to an evening concert in Cork or Dublin

Day 7: ***Cork/Dublin***

- Breakfast at your accommodation.
- Depart Cork for Dublin.
- First stop is Rock of Cashel. The Rock of Cashel was once the seat of the kings of Munster towers over the town of Cashel from its perch of a 200-foot outcrop of limestone. This is the site where St Patrick visited in 450 and where the first high King of Ireland was crowned, Brian Boru. In the 12th century it became the site of a church and is now an important site for Irish history.
- Continue on to Dublin and stop at the Jeanie Johnston Famine Ship.
- This ship is a proud Irish immigration ship and an accurate replica of a ship that sailed this daunting journey that transported many immigrants. A tour will educate you about the experience of the passengers and the famine era.
- Check in to your hotel and enjoy dinner.

Accomodations: Moderate hotel in Dublin (2 nights)

Day 8: ***Dublin***

- Breakfast at your accommodation.
- Enjoy a panoramic city tour of Dublin.
- You will see the beautiful Georgian Squares with their colourful doors, the famous shopping area of Grafton Street, the River Liffey, the GPO (General Post Office) and the largest public park in Europe, Phoenix Park, among many other sites.
- Next stop is a visit to St Patrick's Cathedral.
- Dating from 1220, the cathedral was built in honour of Ireland's patron saint, and stands next to the famous well where it is said St Patrick baptised converts to Christianity.
- Stop at Trinity College and the Book of Kells.
- Trinity College is the oldest university in Ireland. Founded in 1592 by Queen Elizabeth 1st, it was built on grounds confiscated from an Augustinian priory. At the time, its purpose was to serve the Anglo-Irish ruling classes, and it wasn't until the 1970's that restrictions on Catholics attending were fully lifted.
- Enjoy an Irish night and dinner at Merry Ploughboys Pub.

Day 9: ***Departure from Dublin***

- Fly from Dublin to home city.