

THE TRAVEL CLUB

Pre-Departure Itinerary **Dublin Long Thanksgiving Weekend** Wednesday, November 24- Sunday, November 28, 2010

From the city that gave us James Joyce and Oscar Wilde, Guinness Stout and U2, you would expect nothing less than the first, the best and the most. In Ireland, Dublin is all of these. Dublin is proud of its reputation for “craic” or a general good-time atmosphere. The city is alive with hustle and bustle-its pubs are famous for traditional entertainment and impromptu sing-alongs, more than 1,000 years of history sits side-by-side with trendy shops, hot restaurants and art galleries and its locals are generally welcoming and open-hearted. Stay at the **Mont Clare Hotel in Merrion Square**, which is one of Dublin’s largest and grandest Georgian square, home to the National gallery of Ireland and a colorful park featuring a statue of a reclining Oscar Wilde. Your trip includes a Dublin city tour, with admission to **Trinity College** to view the amazing **Book of Kells**-written around the year 800 AD and one of the most beautifully illustrated manuscripts in the world- and **St. Patrick’s Cathedral**. You’ll have ample time to stroll and seek out your own favorite places, like antiques, arts and crafts and farmer’s markets, **St. Stephen’s Green St**, Irelands best known Victorian public park; the shops and cafes on nearby **Wicklow Street**, the **Guinness Storehouse** or a whiskey distillery. During this short jaunt you’ll experience a vibrant and cosmopolitan European capital with its traditional culture brilliantly preserved.

Includes

- Round-trip air transportation on regularly scheduled **Aer Lingus** flights from Boston to Dublin
- Three nights' superior three-star accommodations: **Mont Clare Hotel**
- Irish breakfast daily including the day of arrival
- Half-day guided tour including admission to **Trinity College** and **St. Patrick’s Cathedral**
- Escorted, round-trip, private airport/hotel transfers

Accommodations

Mont Clare Hotel
Merrion Square
Dublin, Ireland
01 607 3900

The O’Callaghan Mont Clare Hotel overlooks Merrion Square in central Dublin within strolling distance of Grafton Street, Merrion Square and Trinity College. This excellent 3 star hotel in Dublin is beautifully appointed with soft leather upholstery, dark woods and a warm decor. A true Dublin hotel, the O’Callaghan Mont Clare offers a warm welcome and its own special brand of charm.

Rates

\$859 per person double occupancy
\$999 for single reservations
Add \$265 for current air taxes, fees, charges and fuel surcharges. Passport required.

DAILY ITINERARY

Day 1: Wednesday, November 24, 2010 Departure from Boston

Depart Boston this evening on your non-stop **Aer Lingus** flight to Dublin.

Day 2: Thursday, November 25, 2010 Arrival in Dublin

Upon arrival in Dublin retrieve your luggage and clear customs. You will be met by our local representative who will assist you during the transfer to the **Hotel Mont Clare** located in downtown Dublin. Upon arrival at the Mont Claire we have arranged a special breakfast meal for you. Soon after you will be able to check in and receive room assignments. The rest of the day is at leisure to get acquainted with the hotel and surroundings. **(B)**

Day 3: Friday, November 26, 2010 - Dublin

Enjoy breakfast and depart with your local guide on a half-day panoramic motorcoach sightseeing tour of the city of Dublin. This bustling Irish capital city offers a wealth of history and culture. So whether you prefer museums or galleries, cathedrals or castles - Dublin has it all. Today you will see an overview of the city including a few stops. You will stop at Trinity College where you can view the amazing Book of Kells. Next continue on to St Patrick's Cathedral built in honor of Ireland's patron saint, Saint Patrick The Cathedral stands adjacent to the famous well where tradition has it Saint Patrick baptized converts on his visit to Dublin. Your afternoon and evening are at leisure. **(B)**

Day 4- Saturday, November 27, 2010 - Dublin

Breakfast is provided and the entire day and evening are at leisure to discover Dublin at your own pace. **(B)**

Day 5: Sunday, November 28, 2010 - Flight to Boston

Once again enjoy your Irish breakfast before being transferred by coach to the Dublin Airport for your return **Aer Lingus** flight to Boston. **(B)**

Proof of Citizenship is required for all trips outside the United States. U.S. citizens require valid Passport. Passports are the responsibility of each client.

PLEASE NOTE: This pre-departure itinerary is designed to give you an idea of how this itinerary is structured. We reserve the right to make any changes to your final itinerary if deemed necessary, at any time prior to departure.

PLEASE NOTE: This is not your final itinerary. You will receive final documents (itinerary, tickets (if applicable), etc.) approximately 2-3 weeks prior to departure. Although we try our best to ensure that information is accurate at the time of publication, we are not responsible for any error, omission, misprint or liability that results from the use (or misuse) of this information.