

IFA Dublin - Program Brochure

Tournament Hotel Information:

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Transportation

Hyatt Transportation/Getting around Dublin

Airport to Hotel Transportation Options

1. Taxi - Cost: \$25-30 - Time: 15-20 minutes (probably easiest option)
2. Public Transportation (Bus-Line 736) - Cost: \$5-8 - Time: 36 min (most affordable)
3. Uber - Cost: \$30+ - Time: 15-20 minutes

Irish Cultural Norms - Below are a couple good articles about cultural norms.

1. <https://www.commisceo-global.com/resources/country-guides/ireland-guide>
2. <https://www.britannica.com/place/Ireland/Daily-life-and-social-customs>

A. Activities

Cultural

1. **The Little Museum of Dublin:** Discover the amazing story of Dublin in this quirky museum on St Stephen's Green. You will learn about our history; you will laugh a lot and you will meet

some of the friendliest people in Ireland. Please note that the museum is small and most of the tours sell out quickly.

2. **Kilmainham Gaol Museum:** This bleak old jail was notorious in the 19th century for its harsh treatment of prisoners.

3. **Glasnevin – Ireland’s National Cemetery:** The stories of 1.5 million people are faithfully preserved here at Ireland's largest burial place, a beautifully restored Victorian cemetery featuring epic monuments to our past. From poets and presidents, singers and suffragettes, the ordinary and the extraordinary - the stories of those who shaped our nation's history are brought to life.

4. **The Irish Rock N Roll Museum:** The Irish Rock 'N' Roll Museum Experience tells the story of the Irish music scene with a tour of a working music venue & recording facilities in Temple Bar.

5. **EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum:** Don't just visit Ireland, understand it with a visit to the EPIC, winner of Europe's Leading Tourist Attraction at the World Travel Awards 2019. EPIC is an interactive journey about how a small island made a big impact on the world. Discover why Irishness is celebrated around the world, with a journey through Irish history & culture, told from the perspective of those who lived.

6. **The Book of Kells & Old Library:** Trinity College Dublin is Ireland’s oldest university, and home to its greatest cultural treasure, the Book of Kells. A precious 9th century manuscript, containing the four Gospels of the New Testament, the Book of Kells is filled with ornate Latin text and intricate illustrations. Located in the Old Library, visitors can view the ancient manuscript, before marveling at the Long Room, considered to be one of the world’s most beautiful libraries.

7. **National Museum of Ireland – Archaeology:** The National Museum of Ireland - Archaeology is the national repository for all archaeological objects found in Ireland and home to over two million artifacts.

8. **National Gallery of Ireland:** For 361 days a year the National Gallery of Ireland inspires, delights and entertains with tours, workshops, lectures and events, all for free. The Gallery houses the nation’s collection of European and Irish art from about 1300 to the present day, and boasts a rich and varied programme of world class exhibitions throughout the year.

Tourist

1. **Guinness Storehouse:** Say cheers at the Guinness Storehouse in Dublin, Ireland. Housed in an old fermentation plant, the seven-story brewery gives you the lowdown on Ireland's iconic beer. Start by standing at the bottom of the world's largest pint glass and then make your way through the different stages of production before enjoying a complimentary pint with a view at Gravity Bar, Dublin's highest bar. Even better, learn to pour your own pint with the Guinness Academy Experience.

2. **Jameson Distillery Bow St:** The new look Jameson Distillery Bow St. carries on this ambition through five fully guided experiences: Bow St. Experience Distillery Tour, Premium Whiskey Tasting, Whiskey Blending Class, Whiskey Cocktail Making Class, and a Cask Draw Experience in Dublin's only Live Maturation Warehouse - all of which have a firm focus on immersive storytelling. You'll be invited to touch, smell, and most importantly, taste Jameson in the original Bow St. Distillery buildings.

3. **Irish Whiskey Museum:** The Irish Whiskey Museum, based in the heart of Dublin City in a historic building on Grafton Street, tells the complete and unbiased history of Irish whiskey and its importance in Ireland's turbulent past. The Irish Whiskey Museum is independent of all whiskey distilleries, offering its visitors the opportunity to taste and experience a huge selection of Irish Whiskey.

4. **Croke Park Stadium Tour & GAA Museum:** If you really want to get under the skin of the Irish, a visit to Croke Park is a must. More than just a stadium, it's the home of Gaelic sports and it holds a special place in the hearts and minds of Irish people

B. Day Trips

Local Area

1. **Temple Bar Area:** Funky shops, eclectic cafes and hordes of stylish young Europeans have made Temple Bar one of the most popular tourist destinations in the city.

2. **Grafton Street:** Main shopping street in Dublin, lined with boutiques containing the creations of Ireland's trendy designers.

3. **Dublin Zoo:** One of the world's oldest zoos, Dublin Zoo is also modern in design and houses more than 600 animals. It has been redesigned in recent years to be a safe environment for people and the animals with gardens, lakes and natural habitats.

Further Out

1. **Cliffs of Moher Tour:** One of the most iconic destinations in Ireland. The Cliffs of Moher are located in Burren on the Wild Atlantic Way, a winding coastal road notoriously difficult to navigate. This is about a 3 hour drive from Dublin.

2. **Galway:** Galway, a harbor city on Ireland's west coast, sits where the River Corrib meets the Atlantic Ocean. The city's hub is 18th-century Eyre Square, a popular meeting spot surrounded by shops and traditional pubs that often offer live Irish folk music. Nearby, stone-clad cafes, boutiques and art galleries line the winding lanes of the Latin Quarter, which retains portions of the medieval city walls. Galway is a 2.5-3 hour drive from Dublin.

3. **Giant's Causeway:** The Giant's Causeway lies at the foot of the basalt cliffs along the sea coast on the edge of the Antrim plateau in Northern Ireland. It is made up of some 40,000 massive black basalt columns sticking out of the sea. The dramatic sight has inspired legends of giants striding over the sea to Scotland. This is about a 3 hour drive from Dublin.

4. **Belfast (Titanic Tour):** Explore Northern Ireland's bustling capital and discover top city attractions with ease on this Belfast day tour from Dublin. Follow your guide through Belfast — where RMS Titanic was built in the early 20th century — and learn of the city's rich maritime heritage. Hear about Northern Ireland's many colorful customs and traditions, and perhaps meet a few of Belfast's locals along the way. Admire the famous Celtic crosses at Monasterboice in County Louth, and gain insight into Northern Ireland's rich medieval history as you wander through the 14th-century ruins.

5. **Dunluce Castle (Game of Thrones):** Dunluce is one of the most picturesque and romantic of Irish Castles. With evidence of settlement from the first millennium, the present castle ruins date mainly from the 16th and 17th centuries. It was inhabited by both the feuding McQuillan and MacDonnell clans. Historical and archaeological exhibits are on display for public viewing. This is about a 3 hour drive from Dublin.

6. **Blarney Castle:** Located near Cork, the Blarney Castle was built nearly six hundred years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftans, Cormac MacCarthy, and has been attracting attention ever since. Over the last few hundred years, millions have flocked to Blarney making it a world landmark and one of Ireland's greatest treasures. This is about a 3 hour drive from Dublin.

7. **Galtee Mountains:** The Galtees are Ireland's highest inland mountains, and the summit of the range is covered by a few metres depth of blanket peat, which has formed across the summit since the Ice Age.

8. **Cork City:** Cork is the second largest city in the Republic of Ireland, third largest on the island of Ireland, and largest in the province of Munster. At the 2022 census, it had a population of 222,526. Sitting proudly on an island in the middle of the River Lee, Cork's feelgood buzz surges through its hip coffee shops, vibrant art galleries, off-beat museums and seriously good pubs. Despite being a city, there's a decidedly towny feel here – life is laidback, nothing is too much hassle.

9. **Rock of Cashel:** Set on a dramatic outcrop of limestone in the Golden Vale, the Rock of Cashel, iconic in its historic significance, possesses the most impressive cluster of medieval buildings in Ireland. Among the monuments to be found there is a round tower, a high cross, a Romanesque chapel, a Gothic cathedral, an abbey, the Hall of the Vicars Choral and a fifteenth-century Tower House.

10. **Kilkenny:** County Kilkenny is a place to gather where culture and adventure, city and countryside, and friends and family meet. There is so much to explore in the medieval city and beyond. Kilkenny City is home to one of the most recognisable landmarks in Ireland: the 12th-century Kilkenny Castle. Go back in time and explore Ireland's Medieval Mile, a discovery trail running through Kilkenny city. The county is full of vibrant heritage and history at every turn, so there are many stories for you to uncover in Kilkenny.

11. **Glendalough:** The Glendalough Valley is located in the Wicklow Mountains National Park and has many attractions to entice visitors, from its world famous Monastic Site with Round Tower to its scenic lakes and valleys, as well as a selection of walks and trails in the area including The Wicklow Way. The National Park also runs educational nature walks for adults and children.

12. **Wicklow Mountains:** The [Wicklow Mountains](#) are another of the more popular things to see in Ireland and you can easily explore them on a [day trip from Dublin](#). There's plenty to see and do here, from the various [walks in Glendalough](#) and the brilliant [Sally Gap Drive](#) to [Lough Euler](#), [Djouce Mountain](#), [Guinness Lake](#) and Glendalough Monastic City. Keep in mind that if you're [renting a car in Ireland](#) and driving to Wicklow to tackle one of the walks, arrive early as many car parks fill up on fine mornings.

13. **Ring of Kerry Rail Trip:** The mighty [Ring of Kerry](#) starts and finishes in the buzzy town of [Killarney](#) on the Wild Atlantic Way. Best tackled over at least one day, this 179 km long (111 miles) route takes in areas of immense natural beauty. One of the reasons that this is one of the more popular things to do in Ireland is the sheer volume of natural attractions you encounter along the way, like [Killarney National Park](#), [Torc Waterfall](#), [Moll's Gap](#), [Derrynane Beach](#) and [Ladies View](#). Expect countless castles, mountainous scenery, breath-taking coastline and plenty of colorful towns and villages, like [Kenmare](#).

Map of Ireland with Attractions



C. Dining Options

Affordable - (From closest in proximity to hotel first)

1. **Bite of Life** - Cuisine: Irish, Cafe, European, Healthy. Gluten Free, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$5-12.
2. **Bakers Pub** - Cuisine: European, International, Vegetarian. Price Range: \$4-10.
3. **Bunsen** - Cuisine: American, Fast Food, Gluten Free options. Price Range: \$5-14.
4. **Sano Pizza** - Cuisine: Pizza, Italian, Neapolitan. Gluten Free, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$6-10.
5. **Chorus Café** - Cuisine: Irish, Cafe, European. Vegetarian friendly. Price Range: \$7-20.
6. **Tang Café** - Cuisine: Cafe, European, Healthy, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$7-20.
7. **Lovinspoon** - Cuisine: Irish, Cafe, European, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$7-20.
8. **Soup Dragon** - Cuisine: Cafe, International, European, Soups, Gluten Free, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$7-20.
9. **Beanhive** - Cuisine: Irish, Cafe, European, Healthy, Gluten Free, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$5-15.
10. **Umi Falafel** - Cuisine: Lebanese, Mediterranean, Middle Eastern, Vegan and Vegetarian options. Price Range: \$5-27.

Fine Dining

1. WILDE Restaurant

WILDE restaurant redefines traditional dining while creating a unique destination that's both relaxing and luxurious. The central design ethos fuses 1930s elegance with an abundance of greenery, giving guests the sense of alfresco dining. The menu at WILDE celebrates the finest Irish seasonal produce, combining much-loved local dishes with classic cuisine from around the world.

Cuisine: Local cuisine, International, Fusion, Vegetarian friendly. Price Range: \$22-54.

2. SOLE Seafood and Grill

Dining in SOLE is about the full customer experience, from the moment you are greeted, eating the [best seafood in Dublin](#), or enjoying a drink from our extensive bar and wine menu. Our guests' satisfaction is the most important factor and we want to ensure the ultimate high-end casual dining experience. The restaurant itself has been designed with a warm chic interior, bronze and grey tones create an atmosphere of urban sophistication, making it a destination dining venue.

Cuisine: Irish, Seafood, European, Healthy. Price Range: \$25+

3. FIRE Steakhouse and Bar

FIRE Steakhouse & Bar Dublin offers the ultimate high-end casual dining experience. Whether you are dining in our main restaurant, all-weather terrace or looking to experience an intimate evening in one of our private dining rooms, you'll enjoy the unique setting and perfect ambience of FIRE Steakhouse & Bar.

Cuisine: Steakhouse, Irish, European. Price Range: \$25+

4. Chapter One by Mickael Viljanen (Michelin)

Mickael Viljanen's basement restaurant is a stylish, elegant spot decorated with eye-catching art. Superb service complements cooking that focuses on prime luxury ingredients and sees classic French techniques combined with subtle modern touches. Mickael's creativity and personality shine through in perfectly balanced, immaculately executed dishes with sublime natural flavours and beautiful presentation. The 'Irish Coffee' is made in the dining room and is, like everything else, an experience to remember.

Cuisine: Irish, European, Contemporary Price Range: \$81-195

5. Glovers Alley (Michelin)

Set in a prime spot on the second floor of The Fitzwilliam Hotel, overlooking St Stephen's Green, is this chic, elegant restaurant with subtle 1930s overtones. Pink and green hues and pretty flower arrangements bring a certain softness to the surroundings; in contrast, Andy McFadden's cooking is characterised by boldness – both in its flavours and textures – and his experience shines through in creative, modern dishes which are skilfully prepared and artfully presented.

Cuisine: Irish, European, Vegetarian friendly. Price Range: Price Range: \$81-195

6. Dax Restaurant (Michelin)

Awarded "Best Restaurant in Dublin" in the Irish Restaurant Awards. Located just off Fitzwilliam Square in the heart of Georgian Dublin, the award winning Dax Restaurant is one of Ireland's premier places to dine. The Dax menu uses only the freshest seasonal Irish and continental produce. Our commitment to fine dining is experienced in an informal and relaxed atmosphere. Dax is the perfect location for social or business dining.

Cuisine: Local cuisine, French, European, Contemporary, Vegetarian. Price Range: \$42-93

7. Mulberry Garden

Here in Mulberry Garden we are very proud of our little island and are passionate about using all things Irish. From the moment you walk through the door you are surrounded by Ireland. Our walls are adorned with Irish wool, paintings by Irish artists and quotes from the great Oscar Wilde. Our tables are dressed in Irish linen, Newbridge silver cutlery, native wooden bread boards, Irish Atlantic sea salt and Donegal rapeseed oil. The water we serve is Irish, even the hand soaps and lotions in the bathrooms are Irish.

Cuisine: Irish, European, Contemporary, Vegan and Vegetarian friendly. Price Range: \$81-103

8. Pearl Brasserie

Located right in Georgian Dublin City Centre. Next door to the famous 5 star Merrion Hotel. Pearl has catered for lovers of fine dining for the past 20 years. French and Asian fusion is the norm. The Pigeon Rossini or Bluefin Tuna Ponzu is still a staple on the menu but it is the €99 -Six course tasting menu that will demonstrate Pearl's culinary legacy. We work closely with our dedicated suppliers enabling our team to source the best of ingredients.

Cuisine: French, European, Japanese Fusion. Price Range: \$33-76

9. KHUSHEE

Nestled in the heart of Sandymount Village, KHUSHEE offers a fresh and modern twist on Indian cuisine.

Cuisine: Indian, Vegetarian, Vegan. Price Range: \$22-54

10. Restaurant Patrick Guilbaud (Michelin)

This iconic restaurant has been thriving since 1981, thanks to both the eponymous chef and the exceptional team he has around him. It sits hidden away within a Georgian townhouse and oozes sumptuousness and sophistication thanks to features such as a gilt barrel ceiling and hand-crafted marquetry. The accomplished cooking isn't to be upstaged, however: it is French at heart yet has a restrained modernity and showcases some bold yet superbly balanced flavors. The Irish ingredients are certainly luxurious, and both the wine cellar and the wine list are works of art.

Cuisine: French, European, Vegetarian. Price Range:

D. Health and Wellness

a. Hospitals/Clinics

1. **St. James Hospital** (30 min walk, 2.1km)
 - a. James St, Saint James, Dublin 8, D08 NHY1, Ireland
2. **The Coombe Hospital** (18 min walk, 1.2 km)
 - a. Cork St, Saint James, Dublin, D08 XW7X, Ireland

b. Pharmacy

1. **Patrick Street Pharmacy** (5 min walk from hotel)
 - a. Ardilaun Court, Patrick St, The Liberties, Dublin 8, Ireland
2. **Foley's Pharmacy** (5 min walk from hotel)
 - a. 39 Meath St, The Liberties, Dublin 8, D08 T0X4, Ireland
3. **Morgan's Chemist** (9 min walk from hotel) - offers natural medicine.
 - a. 55 Thomas St, The Liberties, Dublin, 8, Ireland

Mind

1. **Marsh's Library**: One of Dublin's most beautiful tourist attractions. Established in 1707, Marsh's Library is a beautifully preserved library of the early Enlightenment complete with its original oak bookcases. Visitors often comment on the wonderful smell. The library contains over 25,000 rare and interesting books, and our current exhibition brings a selection of these to life for visitors.

2. **Bord Gais Energy Theatre:** The Bord Gáis Energy Theatre raised its first curtain on March 18, 2010 and has since been presenting world class performances to almost 2 million audience members from across Ireland and the world. With a diverse repertoire of genres ranging from musicals to folk concerts and from opera to ballet, coming to the theatre allows you an escape.

Body

1. **Awesome Walls:** Awesome Walls Dublin is one of the largest and most modern indoor climbing centres in Europe catering for individuals, groups and birthday parties.

2. **YMCA Fitness** (8 min walk from hotel)

a. 53 Aungier St, Dublin 2, D02 CH96, Ireland

3. **Iveagh Fitness Club** (7 min walk from hotel)

a. D08KR12, Bride Road, Dublin 8, D08 KR12, Ireland

4. **Velvaere Spa** (5 min walk from hotel)

a. Le Pole Square, Chancery Ln, Dublin 8, D08 E0A8, Ireland

5. **The Buff Day Spa** (10 min walk from hotel)

a. 52 King St S, Dublin 2, D02 HP68, Ireland

Spirit

1. **St. Stephens Green Park:** Beautiful urban park immortalized in James Joyce's "Ulysses."

2. **Saint Patrick's Cathedral:** A magnificent cathedral that houses Jonathan Swift's remains (he wrote Gulliver's Travels). It is the only remaining cathedral in Ireland with daily sung services. A small entrance fee is charged for tourists and all money raised goes back to paying for the upkeep of the building.

3. **Phoenix Park:** Beautiful urban park lined with running trails (and deer).

4. **National Botanic Garden:** Ireland's premier garden is a green oasis situated in the leafy suburb of Glasnevin, not far from Dublin city centre. It is just under 50 acres in size and home to over 17,000 different plant species.

5. **St. Michan's Church:** Underneath the church are five long burial vaults containing the mummified remains of many of Dublin's most influential 17th, 18th and 19th century families, including the legendary Shears brothers and the highly decorated coffins of the Earl's of Leitrim.

6. **Merrion Square:** Peaceful, attractive, green oasis in the heart of Georgian Dublin.

E. Local Universities

1. **Trinity College:** The building facade of Trinity College is among many constructed since the foundation of the College on March 13th, 1592. The design is attributed to Theodore Jacobsen, a London-based amateur architect, with the collaboration of Henry Keene and John Sanderson.

2. **Liberties College:** Local College

3. **City College:** Local College

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