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## **Dingle, Ireland** **June 1-8, 2026**

The trip begins in Dublin Ireland. Please arrive in Dublin, Ireland by May 31. After I receive 10 reservations, I will advise you about Dublin hotels and Dublin-Tralee train reservations.

Trip Start: June 1, 2026 – Dublin-Heuston Train Station  
Trip Finish: June 8, 2026 – Tralee Train Station – 9:00AM  
Trip Length: 8 days, 7 nights  
Trip Cost: \$3,250 per person sharing a room  
\$3,650 for a single room

(Trip cost does not include May 31 (hotel & meals) in Dublin, airfare, train ticket, meals indicated as on your own, beverages and tips.)

### **Day by Day Overview**

**Monday, June 1** – Travel Dublin-Heuston train station to Tralee Train Station (3.5-4 hrs.). The Dingle Shuttle van will meet us at Tralee Train Station and transfer us to Dingle. We'll check in to the Greenmount House and meet our guide for a town walk.

- Dingle Lodging: Greenmount House- <http://www.greenmounthouse.ie/>
- Lunch—bring bag lunch to have on train journey.
- Dinner together.

**Tuesday, June 2** - Dunquin Wild Atlantic Way Walk - This is a lovely walk featuring a combination of coastal cliff walking and some old bog roads through the parish of Dun Chaoin, Ireland's most westerly parish and the heart of the west Kerry Gaeltacht. Expect lots of big skies and Atlantic and Blasket Island views. We will visit the fascinating Blasket Museum - recording the history of the Great Blasket Island, its residents, and their evacuation for good in 1954.

Distance: 6 miles; Elevation gain: 600'.

- Packed lunch
- Dinner together.

**Wednesday, June 3** - Today is officially a "free day". There will be an option of a short morning walk along Dingle Bay. You're free in the afternoon to explore Dingle town on your own. Mid-afternoon tour of Dingle Distillery—many previous Dingle travelers have taken to Dingle Gin. Here is opportunity to see its source!

Evening: A real treat-- a folk concert at St. James Church- Main Street, Dingle. We have reserved tickets—pay for ticket at the door.

- Lunch on your own
- Dinner on your own

**Thursday, June 4** – Morning with Sciurid Archeologist, Michael, who will take us to Dingle archeology sites. We “find out where Irish came from and how they survived on this wild landscape for 10,000 years”. Michael picks us up at Greenmount at 10:00 am for this 3.5 hr tour. <https://ancientdingle.com>  
Afternoon is free for you to explore on your own “modern day Dingle”.

- Lunch on your own
- Dinner together

**Friday, June 5** – Weather dependent, we will take a boat trip to the Blasket Islands and begin our walk from the harbor. We have had these islands in sight all week on our coastal walks. The Great Blasket Island was inhabited by Irish people from 1841 until 1953, when the inhabitants were forced by local government to abandon the island. The living conditions were harsh. The island reached its population peak of 150 in 1840 but decreased to 100 following the Great Famine. The Great Blasket is known for its gifted Irish language writers who have written several books describing their way of life. Today’s walk is a trip back in time! (As getting to Blasket Islands is weather dependent, this day may move to a different day in the schedule.)

- Snack lunch
- Dinner together

**Saturday, June 6** – Dingle Cooking School with chef, Mark Murphy. This is a hands-on cooking class, using local ingredients, and traditional Irish recipes. Our lunch will be what we have created in the class. The cookery school is about a 20-minute walk from Greenmount House. <https://dinglecookeryschool.com/>

- Lunch at cooking school
- Dinner on your own

**Sunday, June 7** – Following the Dingle Way around Smerwick Harbor, we come to the fishing village of Baile nan Gall. We have stunning views of the Three Sisters in the shadow of Mount Brandon. We have some lovely beach walking today through areas named Beal Ban and Cul Dorcha and Tra an Mhuiriosh. We end our day at Tigh Pub (TP’s pub). There has been a pub on this site for over 100 years. Take a look at the family photos on the wall! Distance – 5 miles; Elevation gain 325’.

- Packed lunch.
- Dinner together.

**Monday, June 8** - After a light breakfast we will have an early departure for Tralee Train Station to arrive there for the 9:00AM train. Train journey Tralee to Dublin about 4 hours.

**Please Note: The above schedule is subject to change due to weather or other circumstances beyond our control.**

## **Flight and Airport Info**

**Getting to Ireland:** Fly from US to Dublin to arrive by May 31. You may like to spend some days exploring Dublin on your own. We will take train from Dublin to Tralee on June 1 (about 3.5 hrs) where the Dingle shuttle will meet us to transfer us to the Greenmount House hotel (about 1 hr).

**Meals** — Packed lunches will be provided on our hiking days and dinners as indicated (“dinner together”) on the itinerary.

**Weather:** Generally mild with mix of sun and rain; Average temps for daytime 60-70F- and night 50-55F

## **Helpful Websites:**

**Dingle Hotel:** <http://www.greenmounthouse.ie/>  
**Dingle Peninsula:** <http://www.dingle-peninsula.ie/>  
**Gallarus Oratory** <http://www.heritageireland.ie/en/south-west/gallarusoratory/>  
**Blasket Museum:** <http://www.heritageireland.ie/en/south-west/ionadanbhlascaoidmhoir-theblasketcentre/>

## **Reading:**

*Rick Steves Ireland* has good information for travelers  
*A Brief History of Ireland* - Richard Killeen (non-fiction) - 2012  
*How the Irish Saved Civilization* - Thomas Cahill (non-fiction) - 1995  
*The Dingle Peninsula* - Steve MacDonogh (non-fiction) - 1993  
*Ireland* – Frank Delaney (fiction) – 2005  
*The Immortal Irishman* – Timothy Egan - 2016 book on Irishman who came to US & fought in Civil War (biography)  
*A Thread Across the Ocean*—John S. Gordon (non-fiction)  
*An Unsung Hero:* Tom Crean, Antarctic Survivor (non-fiction)  
*A Day in Our Life – The Last of the Blasket Islanders* – Sean O’Crohan (non-fiction)  
*This is Happiness; Time of the Child* – both books by Niall Williams (fiction)

## **Movies filmed in Dingle** (may be found at your library or on Netflix)

- *Ryan’s Daughter*
- *Far & Away*
- *Leap Year*
- *The Islandman*