



## Andy Cooney's Musical Tour

October 20<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> 2024

\$2,999 per person sharing land only\*

\$750 single supplement – limited availability

\*\$969 Round trip air fare on Aer Lingus from JFK

Caddie Tours will also gladly handle all your flights from any US City



### ITINERARY

#### SUNDAY OCTOBER 20<sup>th</sup> – US TO DUBLIN

Depart from JFK on Aer Lingus flight 106 to Dublin at 9.00pm. Enjoy in-flight entertainment and meal service on your overnight flight.

#### MONDAY OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup> – DUBLIN ARRIVALS & NEWRY



After landing at Dublin Airport, complete customs, and immigration. The group will be met by your driver/guide who will escort you and your luggage to the coach. We will stop for breakfast at the **Man O'War Pub** in **Balbriggan**, Dublin. After Breakfast we will drive to **Newry**, for our two-night stay at **The Canal Court Hotel**. Relax before meeting your group for a welcome dinner at the hotel's restaurant.

**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE CANEL COURT HOTEL, NEWRY (B, D)**

#### TUESDAY OCTOBER 22<sup>nd</sup> – ST. PATRICK'S CENTER & MOUNT STEWART HOUSE

We depart after breakfast to visit the **St. Patricks' Centre** located in Downpatrick. The Centre is the only permanent exhibition in the World dedicated to Ireland's Patron Saint Patrick. We will then visit 19<sup>th</sup> Century **Mount Stewart House & Gardens**. The gardens formal areas exude a strong Mediterranean feel and resembles an Italian villa landscape; the wooded areas support a range of plants from all around the world and have a mile of walking trails which wind through a landscape 'lost in time'. Relax before a group dinner in the hotel followed by entertainment with Andy.



**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE CANAL COURT HOTEL, NEWRY (B, D)**

#### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 23<sup>rd</sup> – LONG MEADOW CIDER & THE GIANT'S CAUSEWAY



After breakfast we drive to **Portadown**, Armagh to visit **Long Meadow Cider** – where we will enjoy an immersive orchard/city experience with the McKeever Family. Relax in **Bramley Barn** with a hot cuppa, and granny's traditional soda bread, cheese, and chutneys. Watch a **cooking demo** of the traditional breads being made and taste them hot off the griddle. We will continue to **County Antrim** to visit World

UNESCO Heritage site, the **Giant's Causeway**. The Causeway is made up of 40,000 black basalt columns, caused by volcanic activity 60 million years ago. Lunch on your own at the Causeway before we continue to **Derry** for an overnight at **The Ebrington Hotel**. Relax before group dinner in the hotel tonight.

**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE EBRINGTON HOTEL, DERRY (B, D)**

## THURSDAY OCTOBER 24<sup>th</sup> – GLENVEAGH NATIONAL PARK & DONEGAL



After breakfast we will travel to **Glenveagh National Park**, County Donegal. The park covers 40,000 acres of beautiful wilderness, rugged mountains, deep glens, pristine lakes, and a resident red deer herd. The centerpiece of the park is the 19th century **Glenveagh Castle** and its ornate gardens. The Visitors Center provides an audio-visual display and exhibits the history of the park. We'll see the highest mountain in Donegal, **Mount Errigal** on our way to **Gweedore** in the heart of the Donegal Gaeltacht area. We will enjoy

lunch and then travel to **Donegal Town** for our two-night stay at **The Mill Park Hotel**. Relax before a group dinner in the hotel followed by entertainment with Andy.

**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE MILL PARK HOTEL, DONEGAL (B, L, D)**

## FRIDAY OCTOBER 25<sup>th</sup> – SLIEVE LEAGUE CLIFFS & ARDARA

After breakfast we will depart for **Killybegs**, the largest port in Ireland and visit **Shines Seafood**. Owned and run by John & Marianne Shine this successful seafood business is an educational experience in Irish seafood and a glimpse into the heart of life in Killybegs. We will visit the **Slieve League Cliffs**, which have a 2000-foot drop into the Atlantic Ocean providing amazing vistas. This stunning sight is three times higher than the Cliffs of Moher! We'll travel through to **Glencolmcille** for lunch at **Nancy's in Ardara** before we begin our journey back to **Donegal Town** for some free time. Join your fellow travelers for a group dinner at the hotel.

**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE MILL PARK HOTEL, DONEGAL (B, L, D)**

## SATURDAY OCTOBER 26<sup>th</sup> – KNOCK SHRINE & WESTPORT

After breakfast we will depart Donegal heading south for **Knock** via **Sligo**. The Story of Knock began on the 21st of August 1879 when fifteen people from the village of Knock in Co. Mayo, witnessed an Apparition of Our Lady, St. Joseph, St. John the Evangelist, a Lamb and cross on an altar at the gable wall of the Parish Church. It's then on to **Westport** where we'll stay for two nights at the four-star **The Castlecourt Hotel**, located in the heart of town. Relax at the spa or take a stroll before we meet for group dinner at the hotel.



**DINNER AND OVERNIGHT: THE CASTLECOURT HOTEL, WESTPORT (B, D)**

## SUNDAY OCTOBER 27<sup>th</sup> – WESTPORT HOUSE



Following breakfast, we travel to **Westport House and Gardens**, situated in a superb parkland setting with magnificent views overlooking **Clew Bay**. Known as "**Ireland's Most Beautiful Home**", Westport House was built by the Browne family whose connections date back to the 1500s and to the pirate queen and chieftain, **Grace O'Malley**. Take some free time this afternoon to have a ramble around this beautiful market town before we gear up for a fantastic

night of music following a group dinner with Andy Cooney.

**DINNER AND OVERNIGHT: THE CASTLECOURT HOTEL, WESTPORT (B, D)**

## MONDAY OCTOBER 28<sup>th</sup> – RATHBAUN FARM & BUNRATTY MEDIEVAL BANQUET



After breakfast, we will travel south to visit **Rathbaun Farm** for a traditional Irish farm experience. Take the opportunity to step back in time as you walk inside a 250-year-old thatched cottage complete with a turf fire and original stone walls. Enjoy a **sheepdog demonstration** gathering the sheep with the local farmer. We will enjoy a hot cup of tea with homemade scones, fresh cream, and jam. We will then make our way into the heart of **The Burren**, one of Ireland's most compelling limestone landscapes formed millions of years ago. Here, cool grey rock etched with crevices and cracks tumbles down to the wild blue **Atlantic Ocean** with the result, one of nature's most extraordinary phenomena. Travel on to **Ennis** to check in to our hotel – **The Old Ground Hotel** for the next two nights. This evening, we will attend a truly unique entertainment and dining experience in the iconic setting of the world famous **Bunratty Castle**. The lifestyle of medieval Ireland is recaptured at the Castle during their medieval banquet. Once the preserve of the nobility who resided in these fortresses, it can now be experienced by everyone.

**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE OLD GROUND HOTEL, ENNIS (B, D)**

## TUESDAY OCTOBER 29<sup>th</sup> – CLIFFS OF MOHER

After breakfast we will drive through Ireland's stony place – **The Burren** County Clare. You can find villages abandoned since famine times and green roads on which you can walk for miles without ever seeing a car. Continuing to the **Cliffs of Moher** here you will see astonishingly impressive and staggeringly beautiful. The entirely vertical cliffs rise to a height of 203m, their edge falling away abruptly into a ceaselessly churning **Atlantic**. A progression of vast heads, the dark limestone marches in a rigid formation that's breathtaking. As you leave the cliffs, you'll travel through the little village of **Liscannor** and just across the bay, you'll see the beautiful seaside village and golfers' mecca, **Lahinch**. Return to **Ennis** to relax before you join your fellow travelers for our farewell dinner followed by entertainment at the hotel.



**DINNER & OVERNIGHT: THE OLD GROUND HOTEL, ENNIS (B, D)**

## WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 30<sup>th</sup> – SAFE TRAVELS HOME

Sadly, our adventures are over and we're very sorry to see you go! Our coach driver will get you to **Shannon Airport** in plenty of time for you to check in for your flight and clear US Customs and Immigration, avoiding the long lines that you can meet at US Airports. There is ample duty-free shopping available at the airport for any last-minute gifts or mementos. Thank you for trusting us once again with your vacation and we certainly hope you had a great time.



## Inclusions

- Professional Driver & Guide
- 2 Nights Hotel accommodation in Newry
- 1 Nights Hotel accommodation in Derry
- 2 Nights Hotel accommodation in Donegal
- 2 Nights Hotel accommodation in Westport
- 2 Nights Hotel accommodation in Ennis
- Breakfast each day, including arrival day
- 9 dinners
- 4 lunches
- Porterage at each hotel
- Internal Transport as per the Program of Activities by private motorcoach with driver/ guide
- Group Departure Transfer from final hotel to Shannon Airport
- Program of activities as per the provisional schedule including entrance fees
- Activities are provisional and subject to change

## Exclusions

- International Travel to Ireland
- Medical, Accident & Travel Insurance (highly recommended and can be facilitated by Caddie Tours)
- Single room supplements
- Meals not stated in itinerary
- Gratuity To Driver (minimum of €5 per day / per person recommended)

## Payment Schedule

- A deposit of \$500 is due at time of booking
- Final Payment is due August 6th, 2024
- Credit cards subject to 3.5% service fees. Checks or ACH no fees

***Caddie Tours will also gladly handle all your additional flight & hotel needs for your trip***

## Tour Highlights

St. Patrick's Centre Mount Stewart House & Gardens Longmeadow Cider Giants Causeway Walking Tour of Derry Glenveagh National Park Shines Tuna Experience Slieve League	Glencar Waterfall Knock Shrine Westport House Rathbaun Farm Sheepdog Trials Bunratty Medieval Banquet Cliffs of Moher Ceol agus Craic! (Music & Fun)
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