

# FIRST CHOICE SOCCER TOURS

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## MEN & WOMEN'S SOCCER TOUR IRELAND, SCOTLAND, ENGLAND MARCH 2017



#### THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2017

• Depart from your local International airport for an overnight flight into *SHANNON, IRELAND*.

## DAY 2 FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2017

- Arrive into *SHANNON, OLD IRELAND* where our **FIRST CHOICE SOCCER TOUR** manager will meet the group to transfer, by luxury private motor coach, to a hotel in Old Ireland in the town of *ENNIS*, for a two (2) night stay.
- Enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast to fuel your bellies for a day filled with festivities and parades in honor of *ST. PATRICK'S DAY!* Discover why the world goes

crazy for anything green today and everyone becomes **IRISH** !!



- Free time to rest at the hotel, take advantage of the hotel's leisure facilities, or take a leisurely walk to historic town of *ENNIS* to join in the Irish celebrations. There really is only one place on earth to properly celebrate Ireland's National Holiday and be *IRISH* for a day!
- Enjoy a two course dinner at the hotel and an evening filled with Irish entertainment.

## SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2017

- Wake up to a traditional Irish breakfast at the hotel.
- Pick up at the hotel by luxury private motor coach to experience a morning at the



- *CLIFFS OF MOHER*, Ireland's most visited natural attraction with a magical vista that captures the hearts of one million visitors every year. Here you will have a world class, one in a million visitor experience.
- Free time to rest at the hotel or take advantage of the hotel's leisure facilities.

- Early evening practice session. Parents can take this opportunity to take a 10-minute stroll into the town of Ennis, winding streets of historic market town with restaurants, pubs and boutique shops for some retail therapy.
- Enjoy a two course dinner at the hotel and a free evening filled with traditional Irish entertainment.

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast at the hotel.
- Pick up at hotel for a short drive to *GALWAY*, *IRELAND* for the first soccer game of the tour.
- GAME 1: NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, GALWAY.
- Free time to walk the streets of Galway and have lunch.
- Travel to *DUBLIN*, *IRELAND* for one (1) night stay.
- Visit the famous *GUINNESS STOREHOUSE*, arguably one of Dublin's most iconic attractions. Learn through the seven-story experience how the world-famous drink is made and then sample it for yourself at the end of the tour in the panoramic Gravity Bar.



• Enjoy a two course dinner and evening filled with Irish entertainment at the hotel.

### MONDAY, MARCH 20, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast at the hotel.
- Explore the *CITY OF DUBLIN via the Hop On/Hop Off Tour Bus* that includes *KILMAINHAM GOAL*, a former prison with a history of imprisonments of many Irish revolutionaries, including the leaders of the 1916 Easter Rising; the *OLD*

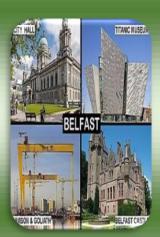


*LIBRARY* and the *BOOK OF KELLS* located in *TRINITY COLLEGE*.
Get ready for a tour of AVIVA STADIUM, home of the Republic of Ireland National Football team. Experience behind the scenes areas normally occupied by players and officials, such as the home dressing rooms, players' tunnel and media center.

- Travel to **BELFAST, NORTHERN IRELAND**, by luxury private motor coach, for a three (3) night stay.
- Dinner in the City of Belfast, followed by a free evening of traditional Irish entertainment.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast at the hotel.
- Explore the *CITY OF BELFAST* visiting famous attractions such as the **TITATNIC BELFAST**, the world's largest Titanic experience, **BELFAST PEACE WALL; QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY, BELFAST CITY HALL**.





• *FREE TIME* for the *Ladies* to have some retail therapy at the *VICTORIA SQUARE SHOPPING MALL* where you can buy anything in the largest House of Fraser in the UK, Top Shop, H&M, etc.... the list of shops is endless in this busy town.

• *FREE TIME* for the *Gentlemen* to play some golf at the world famous *ROYAL COUNTY DOWN*, recently voted #1 Golf Course in the World or take on the links course at Ardglass with ocean scenery at every hole.

GAME 2: IRISH PREMIER LEAGUE STADIUM BELFAST METROPOLITION COLLEGE

• Meet for dinner in Belfast City Centre and a free evening filled with traditional Irish music.



#### **DAY7**

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast at the hotel.
- Luxury private motor coach pickup at the hotel for a full day tour of the *GIANT'S CAUSEWAY*, commonly known as "The Eighth Wonder of the World". During the tour you will see *CARRICKFERGUS CASTLE*, travel through coastal villages along the Antrim Coast Road and cross the *CARRICK-A-REDE Rope Bridge*. Then board the luxury private motor coach and make your way along the Antrim Coast Road for one last stop at the ancient ruins of *Dunluce Castle*.



• Return to *BELFAST* City Centre for dinner and a free evening.

#### DAY8

### THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Irish breakfast at the hotel.
- Travel by **STENA LINE**, the biggest ferry ever to sail between **NORTHERN IRELAND** and **SCOTLAND**. View the incredible scenic views of Ireland and Scotland while sailing along the Irish Sea.
- Check into a reserved hotel in the City of **GLASGOW**, **SCOTLAND** for a two
  - (2) night stay.
    - Visit CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB training ground for a two (2) hour practice session with Celtic FC Academy Coach.
      - Take a guided tour of *CELTIC PARK*, known to be one of the biggest and best football stadiums in Europe. Learn all about the colorful history and heritage of **CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB** from its inception in 1888.
  - Meet for dinner in the City of Glasgow and a free evening.

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#### FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Scottish breakfast at the hotel.
- GAME 3: UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW
- Back to the hotel for a quick change then board the luxury private motor coach to spend the afternoon in the capital of Scotland, **EDINBURGH**, one of the most captivating cities in the World. Steeped in history, tradition and spectacular architecture, Edinburgh is a city that cannot be missed.
- Visit the famous **EDINBURGH CASTLE** that dominates the city of Edinburgh like no other castle in Scotland. Over one thousand years of history sit on top of the famous Edinburgh rock. No visit to Edinburgh is complete without a visit to the Castle, and once you have ventured up to the highest parts of the Castle's structure, you will be overwhelmed by the spectacular views of Edinburgh afforded from this Scottish "Castle of Castles".



- Meet for dinner in the City of Edinburgh and an opportunity to further explore the city by walking along the Royal Mile that runs through the heart of Edinburgh's Old Town, connecting to the magnificent Edinburgh Castle.
- Return to the hotel in Glasgow for a good night's rest.

#### SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional Scottish breakfast at the hotel.
- Transfer by luxury private motor coach to **MANCHESTER**, **ENGLAND** for a one (1) night stay.
- Get ready for some ENGLISH PREMIER LEAGUE action in all its glory by watching a LIVE FOOTBALL GAME. (*subject to ticket availability & EPL schedule*) Experience an intense, surreal atmosphere like never before!
- Meet for dinner in the City and take this opportunity to stroll around the city, giving you a taste of fascinating history, architecture and culture of Manchester.



#### **DAY 11**

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 26, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional English breakfast at the hotel.
- Transfer by luxury private motor coach to **LONDON**, **ENGLAND** for a two (2) night stay.



• Get ready to tour one of the most famous football stadiums in the world, **WEMBLEY**. From England's glorious World Cup victory in 1966, the unforgettable Live Aid concert in 1985, FC Barcelona's stunning UEFA Champion's League triumph in 2011 or the historic ongoing tradition of the FA Cup Final, the **WEMBLEY** stadium tour gives you the chance to relive the greatest moments, and create some new ones, as you go behind the scenes at the most famous stadium in the world.

Meet for dinner and enjoy a free evening in London.

### **AY 12** MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2017

- Enjoy a traditional English breakfast at the hotel.
- Enjoy a full day of sightseeing all of the famous attractions of London from a hop on, hop off bus tour and choose from 60 stops and 3 routes around top attractions and landmarks.
  - **Buckingham Palace**; You can't miss a photo opportunity at one of the most recognizable buildings in the country. Home to Queen of England, Elizabeth II, this beautiful building is a top London attraction and is one of the few working palaces left in the world.
  - **Tower of London** is without doubt one of London's most important and historic buildings and is a highlight on everyone's itinerary. Learn the secrets and scandals of the court and the role the Tower used to play as a prison.
  - Tower Bridge, the most iconic crossing over the Thames and one of the most photographed landmarks in London. Trafalgar Square, Big Ben, River Thames, Westminster Abbey and many more.

#### **Y 13 TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017**

- Enjoy a traditional English breakfast at the hotel.
- Travel to London Heathrow Airport for the return journey back to the USA.







#### Included in our tour.....

- ★ Round Trip Airfare from your local International airport to Shannon, Ireland (*including airport taxes, security fees and/or fuel surcharges*)
- ★ 3 days in Republic of Ireland; 3 days in Northern Ireland; 2 days in Scotland and 3 days in England with full time access to **FIRST CHOICE SOCCER TOURS** tour manager.
- ★ Internal transportation via luxury motor coach that remains with the group the entire time.
- $\star$  Round trip Stena Line ferry from Ireland to Scotland.
- ★ Three (3) games against hand selected Irish, Scottish and English opposition.
- $\star$  Training session at Celtic FC Academy.
- ★ Full comprehensive tour of Aviva Stadium, Dublin.
- ★ Full comprehensive tour of Celtic Park F.C., Scotland.
- ★ Full comprehensive tour of Wembley Stadium, England
- $\star$  Full comprehensive tour of the famous Guinness Factory.
- ★ Ticket to a Live English Premier League Game (subject to ticket availability)
- $\star$  Full comprehensive guided tour of Belfast City.
- $\star$  Full comprehensive guided tour of Dublin City.
- $\star$  Full comprehensive guided tour of London.
- ★ Tour of Giants Causeway and Carrick-a-Rede Rope Bridge.
- $\star$  Admission to the Cliffs of Moher, Ireland
- $\star$  Admission to Edinburgh Castle, Scotland
- ★ 11 nights' accommodation in 3 or 4 star hotels with twin bedded rooms, with full access to all leisure amenities within the hotels.
- ★ 12 full traditional Irish/Scottish/English breakfasts.
- ★ 11 2-course evening dinners.
- $\star$  Free time under the direction of full-time Tour Manager

#### Not included in tour ...

- ★ Personal and travel insurance
- ★ Daily lunches, unless specified
- ★ All types of beverages
- ★ Single room upgrades surcharges apply
- $\mathbf{X}$  On site professional medical trainer
- ✗ Admission to any additional and optional attractions or activities not specified in above "inclusions".

## COST ESTIMATE \$2,500 - \$3,000

per person Cost is dependent on airfare cost

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This is a sample itinerary and actual events may vary or can be tailored dependent upon certain requests from the group. Any modifications to the itinerary may in some way alter the final cost of the tour.

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may in its absolute discretion make changes to or cancel any section of the tour should circumstances beyond our control make such actions necessary. These include inappropriate weather conditions, schedule changes, unavailability of advertised facilities, transportation problems and failure of other suppliers of services or goods of our company. If any of the above occurs, we will attempt to substitute the changed section of the tour to an equal or better standard.