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featuring County Kerry



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A World Apart

The story of travel involves more than a ticket and a passport. It should weave together discovery, education and humanity, the best elements of any compelling tale. Your personal travel story begins with our commitment to delivering authentic experiences with local people.

The incomparable value of your journey lies in the personalized care you receive from your Travel Director and the knowledge you gain from expert guides and lecturers, who call this area home.

By eliminating logistical worries, your multilingual Travel Director allows you to immerse yourself comfortably in your surroundings. This high-caliber professional makes you feel safe and important by creating a convivial, welcoming atmosphere.

The other important characters in this story are the guides and lecturers, whose regional expertise shines in their insider perspective and commentary.

With these specialists at your side, become intimately engaged in the rhythms of West Ireland, brimming with awe-inspiring scenery, delectable food and rousing music!

Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Marvel at the sensational, rugged, cliff-lined coastal scenery along **Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way**.
- ▶ Traverse the **Dingle Peninsula**, one of Europe's most dramatic coastal roads.
- ▶ Watch sheep dogs expertly maneuver a flock in the wide, open countryside of the **Ring of Kerry**.
- ▶ Celebrate the gifts of the land during field-to-fork dining at the family-run **Longueville House**.
- ▶ Delight in a **jaunting car ride** through Killarney National Park.
- ▶ Sing along to the **craic agus ceol** in Killarney's inviting pub scene.
- ▶ Let the flavors of whiskey linger on your palate during a special **whiskey tasting**.

Dear Grove City College Alumni and Friends,

Join us as we discover Ireland's magical western coast on this quintessentially Irish experience! Spend seven nights in Killarney, a welcoming village steeped in old world charm that is the perfect base for exploring the rugged beauty of one of Ireland's most captivating regions.

Feast your eyes on the untamed Wild Atlantic Way, a landscape dotted with historic sites, inviting towns and ancient monuments. We'll traverse the beautiful Dingle peninsula and witness the legendary Blarney Stone. During a carriage ride through Killarney National Park, listen to local legends and lore. Sing along to Irish tunes at an exclusive performance, savor smooth Irish whiskey and enjoy the fresh flavors of a field-to-fork dining experience at a country estate. Along the way, step into cheery local pubs, humming with the stirring beat of classic Irish melodies.

Enjoy the ease, camaraderie and value of group travel with opportunities to explore on your own. Ensure your spot on this exclusive Irish adventure by reserving today!

Sincerely,



Melissa (Trifaro '96) MacLeod
Senior Director of Alumni & College Relations
Grove City College

P.S.: Please note that you will be making your reservation through AHI, but if you have any questions or concerns you may call or email our office at alumni@gcc.edu or 724-458-2300.

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Irish Pub Music





Blarney Castle

Day 1

In Transit

Depart your gateway city for Shannon, Ireland.✈

Day 2

D

Shannon, Ireland | Killarney

Upon arrival, transfer✈ to the Great Southern Killarney.

Discovery: Welcome to Killarney!

Join your Travel Director for an orientation walk around Killarney, and pop into a pub for a pint. The first round is on us!

Tonight, get to know your fellow travelers at a Welcome Reception and Dinner.

Day 3

B | D

Killarney National Park

Enrichment: History and Legends of the Kingdom of Kerry. Delve into Kerry's past, and learn about Celtic tribes, legends, royal visits, rebellions and more.

Discovery: Killarney National Park. This UNESCO Biosphere Reserve is an oasis of oak woodlands and shimmering lakes nestled against a blue-tinted mountain backdrop. Ramble through the park in a traditional jaunting car, a horse-drawn carriage. During your leisurely ride, listen to legends and history from your engaging driver. Continue your journey through the national park on a cruise of the Lakes of Killarney, and learn about the unique characteristics of each lake.

Return to Killarney for lunch and leisure time. Tonight, break into small groups and indulge in Irish cuisine in Killarney's popular restaurants.

Day 4

B

Dingle Peninsula

Discovery: Dingle Peninsula and the Wild Atlantic Way. Journey through the enchanting Wild Atlantic Way to the Dingle Peninsula, one of Ireland's most breathtaking landscapes. Travel along the Sleat Head Drive where waves tumble onto rocky shores and lush hillsides hug coastal lowlands. See a prehistoric ring fort and ancient beehive huts. Then, visit The Blasket Centre, an interactive museum that honors the remote island's former residents. Enjoy refreshments before traveling to Dingle town for leisure time. Stroll through the village, step into colorful craft and ice-cream shops, visit with friendly locals in Dingle's inviting pub scene or simply soak up the peaceful ambience of the picturesque harbor. On the return to Killarney, visit Inch Beach, a gorgeous golden stretch of sand embraced by blue sea and mountains.

Day 5

B | L

Blarney | Cork

Discovery: The Gift of Gab. Visit Blarney Castle, home of the Blarney Stone. Tradition holds that those who kiss the stone will be endowed with "the gift of the gab." Explore the castle and gardens at your own pace.

AHI Connects: Field-to-Fork. Savor a dining experience prepared by the chef-owner of Longueville House, a family-owned country estate. Delight in delicious cuisine showcasing produce from the estate's gardens and farm. Tonight, gather in a local pub and sip a pint.



Slea Head Drive



Ring of Kerry

Day 6

B | L

Kenmare

Discovery: Kenmare and Muckross

House. Uncover the romantic charm and serenity of Kenmare, one of Ireland's Heritage Towns. Surrounded by towering mountains and nestled in the heart of Kenmare Bay, this history-rich village offers a brightly painted palette of pubs, restaurants and shops with crafts, antiques and books. Following free time in Kenmare, gather for a special afternoon tea featuring delicate sandwiches, pastries and scones served with clotted cream and jam at the award-winning Sheen Falls Lodge.

Return to Killarney through Moll's Gap and tour Muckross House. Located by the shores of Muckross Lake, this grand, 19th-century Victorian mansion boasts extensive gardens.

Discovery: Irish Whiskey. Delight in a whiskey tasting and learn about Irish whiskey production. Watch a demonstration and enjoy a sampling accompanied by tasty canapes.

AHI Connects: Irish Music. Discover the intriguing history of Irish music and join a local musician to sing along to traditional, cheerful Irish tunes.



Day 7

B | L

Killarney

Discovery: Ring of Kerry. Located on the Iveragh Peninsula, the circular drive of the Ring of Kerry is among the most beautiful coastal drives in the world. Traverse this awe-inspiring landscape that modulates with rugged coastlines, moors, green and gold meadows, and the rich hues of fuchsia, violet and red blossoms. Meet a local shepherd and watch his border collies bound through the fields and maneuver a flock of sheep during a demonstration. After, ask questions about his experiences.

Dine on traditional Irish cuisine in Waterville, and relish wonderful views of the Atlantic Ocean. Then, continue your scenic journey through the villages of Caherdaniel and Sneem. At Windy Gap and Ladies View, take in splendid panoramas, including magnificent vistas of the valley and pristine Killarney Lakes.

Day 8

B | D

Killarney

Enrichment: Modern Ireland. Join a local expert to discuss recent events that have shaped contemporary Ireland.



Free Time: Enjoy a full day at leisure amid the allure of Killarney. There are many activities to fill your day, including walking, fishing and horseback riding. Treat yourself to lunch at one of the city's many restaurants and welcoming pubs or spend the day browsing for souvenirs. In Killarney, you can find everything from traditional instruments to cozy woolen items to many other Irish-made crafts, fashions, jewelry and more.

Tonight, share your memories of all the *craic*, the Irish word for fun, you've had on your Irish adventure at a special Farewell Reception and Dinner.

Day 9

B

In Transit

Following breakfast, transfer to the Shannon airport for the return flight to your gateway city. ✈

Note: *Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Walking is required on many excursions, and surfaces may be uneven or unpaved.*

✈ *Transfers and flights included for AHI FlexAir participants.*

B|L|D denotes included breakfasts, lunches and dinners.

Accommodations

(with baggage handling)

- **7 nights** in Killarney, Ireland, at the first-class Great Southern Killarney.

Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic cuisine and local flavors.

Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history:
 - Take a welcome walk in Killarney.
 - Explore Killarney National Park in a horse-drawn carriage.
 - Discover the picturesque bounty of the Dingle Peninsula.
 - Visit Blarney Castle and gardens, and see the famous Blarney Stone.
 - Enjoy a field-to-fork dining experience.
 - Stroll through charming Kenmare, enjoy afternoon tea and tour Muckcross House.
 - Sample whiskey during a special tasting.
 - Witness a sheep-herding demonstration, and admire the beautiful Ring of Kerry.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.



AHI Travel Expertise

From your reservation to your return home, we are here to ensure you have the adventure of a lifetime.

Before you go:

- ▶ **Travel Consultants** | These experts stand ready to answer your questions about activities, meals, accommodations and more as they guide you through the reservation process.
- ▶ **Passenger Service Representative** | Once you have reserved your spot, enjoy personalized assistance from this specialist, your one point of contact who will help you with everything from arranging flights to booking elective activities to fulfilling special requests.
- ▶ **Travel Information** | Receive extensive destination information and travel tips compiled by our travel-savvy team to prepare you fully for your journey.

Once you arrive:

On the ground, three layers of top-quality professionals offer their insiders' perspective. From suggesting the best café or pub to sharing a laugh over the stories of the day, our dedicated team takes your adventure to the next level.

- ▶ **Travel Director** | Throughout your journey, you will be in the care of a seasoned AHI travel professional who will manage all the logistics, allowing you to relax and simply soak up the ambience. Resourceful, knowledgeable and attentive, your Travel Director helps to ensure you enjoy an unforgettable travel experience.
- ▶ **Expert Guides** | Who better to show you around than the people who live there? We've specially selected informed and enthusiastic local professional guides who understand the needs of our educated and curious travelers. Warm and genuine, they're ready to share their passion for their country with you.
- ▶ **Lecturers** | Coming from all walks of life, our entertaining local lecturers open your eyes to history and current events. The breadth of their knowledge deepens your appreciation for the region and its heritage.



GREAT SOUTHERN KILLARNEY | KILLARNEY



Set among six acres of lovely gardens, this Victorian-era hotel is an elegant retreat in Killarney's town center. Partake in a traditional afternoon tea, or sink into a soft chair next to a warm fire with drink in hand at Punchbowl Bar. Under the Garden Room Restaurant's domed ceiling, savor traditional dishes prepared with fresh local ingredients. The Innisfallen spa, fitness center and indoor pool are available to guests. Wi-Fi is complimentary.

Reserve your Ireland trip today!

Trip #:4-24710W

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Full Legal Name (exactly as it appears on passport)

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Title First Middle Last Date of Birth

Email: _____

2) _____
Title First Middle Last Date of Birth

Email: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____

Sharing with _____ (Form sent separately)

I/we authorize you to make my/our reservations as follows:

Land Program and AHI FlexAir

I/we reserve the Land Program and request the round-trip AHI FlexAir to Shannon, Ireland, to depart from:

Departure City

Land Program

I/we will make my/our own air arrangements and transfers.

Single Accommodations

I prefer single accommodations at an additional \$895 (limited availability).

I request assistance in securing a roommate but will accept a single, if one is available at this time, and pay the single supplement. Should a roommate be found, I understand the supplement will no longer apply.

Reservations are subject to availability and processed on a first-come, first-served basis. Reservations to be paid in full by **March 14, 2019** (75 days prior to departure). Reservations received after this date must be accompanied by payment in full. Final payment may be made by personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or Amex. Make checks payable to AHI Travel.

Enclosed is a deposit of _____ (\$600 pp required) to reserve _____ place(s).

Accept my check made payable to **AHI Travel**.

Charge my: MasterCard Visa Discover Amex

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(Signature as it appears on credit card)

Please note: Any payment to AHI Travel constitutes your acceptance of the terms and conditions set out herein, including but not limited to the cancellation terms.

PROGRAM DATES

Air Program dates: May 28 – June 5, 2019

Land Program dates: May 29 – June 5, 2019

LAND PROGRAM

Full Price	Special Savings	Special Price*
\$3,545	\$250	\$3,295

*Special Price valid if booked by the date found on the address panel.

VAT is an additional \$295 per person.

All prices quoted are in USD, per person, based on double occupancy and do not include air transportation costs (unless otherwise stated).

Single accommodations are an additional \$895 (limited availability).

Let us arrange your flights!

✈ **AHI FlexAir** | Our experts are ready to assist you in booking flights. Our personalized air program offers the following advantages:

- ▶ **price guarantee** to protect you from fuel surcharge increases after ticket purchase.
- ▶ arrival and departure **transfers** on most flights.
- ▶ **flexibility** to change or cancel your reservations without penalty up to 60 days before departure on most flights.
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Travel stress-free with AHI FlexAir.



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VARIATIONS TO THE GROUP ITINERARY MUST BE REQUESTED NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. Passengers who choose to make their own airline reservations independently will be wholly responsible for arrival and departure transfers, and any airline fees or penalties incurred as a result of program cancellation and/or change in travel dates, or airline schedule(s).

BAGGAGE-Baggage restrictions vary according to the airline policy and the class of service flown. Details will be provided with your pre-departure information. Baggage allowances are subject to change by the carrier without notice. Excess baggage charges for additional or oversized/overweight pieces are expensive and not included in your trip price; plan your wardrobe accordingly. Transport of baggage and personal effects is at the owner's risk throughout the travel program.

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CANCELLATION-All cancellations for any reason will be subject to a \$300 per person administrative fee. You may choose, at the time of cancellation, to apply the withheld administrative fee to a future AHI Travel program that will operate in the current calendar year or year following. Cancellation from 120 days to 76 days prior to departure will result in forfeiture of 15% of the entire cost of the trip per person; 75-30 days, 50% of the trip cost per person; cancellation from 29 days up to the time of departure will result in 100% forfeiture of the entire cost of the trip. **TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE. AN APPLICATION WILL BE SENT AFTER YOU RESERVE.** All cancellations must be submitted in writing to AHI Travel. **CANCELLATION OF TRIP OPTIONS**-Purchases of optional excursions, trip extensions and additional hotel nights become fully non-refundable 45 days prior to departure. Air transportation and private transfer purchases are subject only to penalties assessed by the airlines and transfer suppliers.

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Muckross House and Gardens

Delight in the captivating beauty of Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way!

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- Safety and security.



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