## The Emerald Beauty of Ireland Group 2: June 22<sup>nd</sup> – July 4<sup>th</sup>

Cost \$2,895 per person for double occupancy Single Room (Limited) \$3,495

## Includes:

- Four Star Hotels, transportation, all guides, entrance fees to attractions and 17 meals
- Dublin: Tour of the City of Dublin, St. Patrick's Cathedral, Kilmainham Gaol Museum and enjoy dinner and show at the Merry Ploughboys
- Belfast: Tour of Bushmills Distillery, Giant's Causeway, the Titanic Museum, view Stormont Castle, tour of Protestant and Catholic areas of Belfast
- Galway: Tour of Kylemore Abbey, Cong, The Cliffs of Moher, Sheep Farm and Exhibition. Dinner and show at Knappogue Castle
- Killarney: Tour of the Dingle Peninsula, the Famous Ring of Kerry, Muckross House, ride jaunting carts in Killarney National Park and visit the Waterford Crystal Factory

Level of Walking: Easy but as in all European cities there are some unlevel areas and we will do some walking tours.

Deposit of \$100 is due by October 1<sup>st</sup>. You can send it by Zelle to 602-695-5336 (Gonzalo Tours) in the reason portion, please notate your name and which trip the deposit is for. You can also mail a check payable to: Gonzalo Tours, 8132 North 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Glendale, Arizona 85302

## **Tentative Itinerary:**

Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fly out of the United States to Dublin, Ireland

**Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>** - Arrive in Dublin, and a Gonzalo Tours host will meet you and provide transportation to the hotel. There will be a meeting in the evening.

**Wednesday, June 24**<sup>th</sup> - Tour of Kilmainham Gaol Museum, St. Patrick's Cathedral and Dublin. Tonight, dinner and a show will be at the Merry Ploughboys Pub.

**Thursday, June 25**<sup>th</sup> - Depart for Northern Ireland and Belfast The history will be explained so that you understand why the Protestant and Catholics live in separate areas. The afternoon will be spent at the Titanic Museum.

**Friday, June 26**<sup>th</sup> - We head to the tip of the island for a tour of the Bushmills Distillery and then to one of the top wonders of the world, Giant's Causeway.

**Saturday, June 27**<sup>th</sup> - Today we head to the wild country of Connemara, on the west coast of Ireland. We will stop for a sheep dog exhibition. Our hotel for the next three nights will be in the college town of Galway. It has great pubs, Irish Music and restaurants.

**Sunday, June 28**<sup>th</sup> - Today we delve more into this beautiful area of Connemara. We will visit the picturesque Kylemore Abbey and its gardens. Following this, we will go to the quaint village of Cong where John Wayne's famous movie the "Quiet Man," was filmed. In the afternoon we return to the city of Galway.

**Monday, June 29**<sup>th</sup> - This afternoon we are off to the world-famous Cliffs of Moher. In the evening, we will crown a King and Queen at the medieval Knappogue Castle where we will also enjoy dinner and a show.

**Tuesday, June 30<sup>th</sup>** - We head to the Dingle Peninsula, but not before making a stop at the beautiful little town of thatched roofs, Adare. On to Dingle, to see the beauty along the famous Slea Head. Dinner at our hotel tonight in Killarney.

**Wednesday, July 1st** - Today we start the day with a visit to the Muckross House and its beautiful location on Killarney Lake. Next, we jump on the Ring of Kerry, with our first stop at the Red Fox Inn to enjoy traditional Irish coffee. The Ring is the number one scenic drive in Ireland, as you will see. We will stop at an overlook for lunch.

**Thursday, July 2nd** - Today we start our day with a tour of Killarney National Park on jaunting carts. The rest of the day is yours, you can shop, venture into the many pubs, bicycle ride, hike, play golf, you choose, it's your day!

**Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>** - We make our way back to Dublin to the airport hotel but not before we stop in the City of Waterford to tour the Waterford Crystal Factory.

**Saturday**, **July 4**<sup>th</sup> - Transfer to the airport for you trip back to the U.S.

## **Hotels: subject to change**

Camden Court Dublin (2 nights)
Maldron Hotel Belfast (2 nights)
Park House Hotel Galway (3 nights)
Killarney Plaza Hotel – Killarney (3 nights)
Crowne Plaza – Airport Dublin (1 night)