

**IRELAND MADE EXPERIENCE**

# **9 DAY IRISH VINTAGE TRANSPORT TOUR 2023**



**WE'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT ALL THINGS VINTAGE**

*Tour highlights include:*

- Exclusive access to private, never seen before collections
- Visiting museums and major attractions
- Friendly and knowledgeable Ireland Made guide accompanies the tour
- Surprise events and collector meet-ups
- Carefully selected hotels & authentic Irish eateries
- Interact with 'real' and authentic enthusiasts

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**We are Ireland Made.** The spirit of our vintage transport tours is aligned with a focus on preserving and promoting Ireland's rich transport heritage. We've put together a nine day specialist vacation with the simple premise that if we are *passionate about all things vintage*, then other fellow enthusiasts, *will like it too!*

For our tour, we've identified an *incredible* series of transport locations across Ireland that will have huge interest to the specialist traveller. Our good relationships with museums and private collectors, makes our 'behind the door' experiences, something very *special, unique* and *memorable*.

Ireland is the last piece of land on the western edge of Europe and with it comes a richly preserved heritage and culture. In vintage transport terms, that means *unspoilt treasures yet to be found and enjoyed!*

The Ireland Made Experience is based on an interaction with 'real' and *authentic* enthusiasts. Folk that are passionate about their collections, willing to share stories, answer peoples' questions and getting lost in common worlds.

From the *Flying Boat Museum* in Co, Limerick, *Titanic Museum* in Belfast, the *Curragh Army Camp* and being special guests of the owner of *Castle Oliver*, our tours are always designed to be memorable. Space is left for the unexpected too, *magical moments that build memories* for visitors and enthusiasts alike.

It's also an opportunity to experience Ireland through *carefully selected hotels* and *authentic Irish eateries*. We'll bring our visitors to places that have relevance to the tour and destinations that deserve a visit, because they are, well, just too good to be missed!



WHITEHEAD RAILWAY MUSEUM



DELOREN CAR RIDE



CURRAGH MILITARY MUSEUM



FOYNE'S FLYING BOAT MUSEUM



CASTLE OLIVER



PAT CULLEN'S VINTAGE COLLECTION

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Our all-island tour begins in our historic capital city **Dublin** home of the *National Transport Museum*, *Airfield House* and not forgetting the transport archive in the Guinness Storehouse.

The tour then travels to **Belfast**, the biggest city in northern Ireland and famous for its transport manufacturing from *DeLorean* cars to the *Whitehead Railway Museum* and the Harland & Wolff Shipyard where the *Titanic* was built.

We then travel to the west coast of Ireland to the ancient city of **Limerick** and the nearby *Foynes Flying Boat Museum* home to the worlds only Boeing 314 Clipper, then travel for a private visit to *Castle Oliver* where we have exclusive access to the castle and the collection of Dublin-built 1961 Plymouth cars.

On our journeys between **Dublin, Belfast** and **Limerick** there will be frequent stops at places of interest such as the Irish Army Workshops at the *Curragh Camp* and lots of other surprises along the way.

The trip is not just all about vintage transport however, we've also weaved in stops in *authentic pubs, restaurants* and *cafes*, along the way, to give you a real sense of Irish food, fare and of course atmosphere. Overnight stays will be a combination of *luxury hotels* and *historic inns*.



Main tour routes, travelling through Leinster, Ulster and Munster.



SELF-DRIVE CLASSIC CARS IN THE WICKLOW MOUNTAINS

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In Ireland, everything can change, new things emerge, that's the *beauty and rhythm* of life on the island! We're pretty certain our route will go to plan, but we can't predict the future, anyway, who wants a tour without surprises!

As our guests, from time of arrival to departure, we'll be with you, every step of the way. We're the friendly faces that meet you at the airport and transfer you to each hotel. Also, when it comes to departure, we'll ensure you're delivered in good time for the homebound flight.

## Day One — Dublin to Belfast

- Welcoming tour event and refreshments
- Stephen Lennon - tractor workshop
- Alan Gillespie - the 'Welly Boot Man' pre-war machinery
- The Harry Ferguson Memorial Garden
- Check into the Culloden Estate and Spa

## Day Two — Belfast

- Ulster Transport Museum
- DeLorean car club ride
- Private dining room lunch in Titanic Hotel
- Titanic Museum, Drawing Room and Graving Dock
- Victorian Crown Bar for drinks
- Return to the Culloden Estate and Spa

## Day Three — Belfast to Dublin to Wicklow

- Whitehead Railway Museum
- 'Ulster Fry' in the Vintage Railway Cafe
- 'Enterprise' first class train to Dublin
- Brady's American Car Museum in Arklow
- Check-in to Hunter's (historic coaching) Hotel
- Dinner & historian talk in Hunter's Hotel

## Day Four — Wicklow

- Coolakay Heritage Museum & Powerscourt Waterfall
- Lunch on Powerscourt Estate
- Pat Cullen's vintage collection
- Brittas Bay Antiques
- Return to Hunter's Hotel

## Day Five — Wicklow to Dublin & Return

- Guinness Storehouse Tour
- Collins Barracks Museum Transport Section with archivist
- Jameson Distillery & Tower
- Shanahans on the Green for Dinner
- Leprechaun Museum Darkland tour
- Return to Hunter's Hotel

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## Day Six — Wicklow to Dublin & Return

- Overend Sisters' Rolls Royce, Airfield, Dundrum
- Tea & scones in Airfield's Café
- Fish & Chips at Beshoffs Sea Grill, Howth Harbour
- National Transport Museum, Howth
- Land Rover Safari at Castletown House
- Return to Hunter's Hotel



IRISH COFFEE, SCONES WITH, BUTTER, CREAM & JAM

## Day Seven — Dublin to Limerick

- Curragh Military Museum
- Guinness Steam Museum
- Historic Morrissey's Pub, Abbeyleix
- Field Marshall Tractor collection, Ballybrophy
- Check-in to a Hidden Ireland Hotel



AIRFIELD'S CAFE, DUNDRUM, CO. DUBLIN

## Day Eight — Limerick and Return

- Foynes Flying Boat Museum including Irish Coffee making and certification
- Sean O'Sullivan car and truck collection
- Castle Oliver Tour & Ride in Plymouths
- Dinner with Mike Keane - James Bond stunt car designer
- Return to a Hidden Ireland Hotel

## Day Nine — Limerick to Dublin

- Self-drive classic cars in the Wicklow Mountains
- Tour conclusion event in Johnny Foxes' Pub
- Check into Clontarf Castle



THE HISTORIC CROWN BAR, BELFAST

*Itinerary subject to change*

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THE IRELAND MADE TEAM AT HOWTH HARBOUR, CO. DUBLIN

If you would like more information on this once in a lifetime tour, *please email your expression of interest to Kevin Reid at [info@irelandmade.ie](mailto:info@irelandmade.ie) who will then organise a Zoom call with you, directly.*

Meet the three founding members of the **Ireland Made Experience Vintage Transport Tour**, *we look forward to meeting you!*

### **Kevin Reid**

Classic vehicle collector, restorer and archivist of Irish transport past and present. Founder and content creator of the Ireland Made channel. *Tour architect and lead guide.*



KEVIN REID

### **Philip Darling**

Treasure hunter and antique collector with a passion for steam trains. Video producer and location scout for the Ireland Made channel. *Marketing and communications.*



PHILIP DARLING

### **John Furlong**

'Old skool' mechanic, military vehicle collector and restorer and passionate about Irish transport heritage. *Transport logistics and accommodation.*



JOHN FURLONG

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