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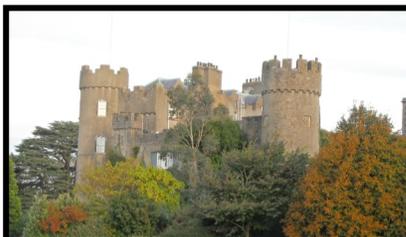
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## THE WONDERS OF IRELAND

OCTOBER 20-28, 2017

**\$2241 DOUBLE \$2541 SINGLE**

*Optional Insurance \$129 Double or \$153 Single*

Join us on our transatlantic flight to **Dublin**, the capital city of Ireland! We'll begin our exploration of this beautiful land with a panoramic tour of Dublin City, with its colorful doors and Georgian squares. A visit to **Trinity College** allows us to view the 9th century "Book of Kells" and the oldest harp in Ireland.

The next day it is off to **Galway** via the midlands of Ireland. A stop at **Kilbeggan Distillery** will show how Irish whiskey was made in the time in 1757 and how it is being manufactured today. No tour is without a sample! We'll travel to **Clonmacnoise**, an early Christian site founded by St. Ciaran in the 6th century on the River Shannon. Pope John Paul II celebrated mass at this site in 1979.

A full day in **Connemara**, often noted as Ireland's most romantic region, is a land of small villages where Gaelic is still the spoken language and little has changed since the beginning of time. We'll visit **Dan O'Hara's Homestead** and enjoy tea and cake and learn about turf cutting, sheep herding and soda bread making on the open fire. A trip to **Kylemore Abbey**, home to the Irish order of Benedictine nuns, is spectacular with its miniature cathedral and walled garden.

The **Burren Region** is a place like no other. It is here we visit the **Cliffs of Moher**, one of Ireland's most spectacular sights. Board the Shannon Ferry as we cross the Shannon Estuary and continue to Killarney.

The **Ring of Kerry** is the most famous and panoramic route in Ireland. Take in spectacular scenery as we travel through this beautiful area. Marvel at the views of the Dingle Peninsula. Relax on a jaunting car in Killarney National Park.

No trip to Ireland would be complete without a visit to **Blarney Castle** in Cork City. One of Ireland's oldest and most historic castles, it is most famous for its Blarney stone, believed to have the power to bestow the gift of eloquence on all those who kiss it. Enjoy leisure time for shopping at the **Blarney Woolen Mills** for that special Irish wool sweater. We'll continue to Waterford and visit the factory to see how this exquisite crystal is created. Then on to County Wicklow with its many beautiful gardens, **Powerscourt, Mount Usher and Russborough**.

Enjoy 16 meals including one dinner in a castle and one complete with Irish entertainment. Roundtrip home limo airport transfers and nonstop air aboard Aer Lingus is included with this tour. **A valid US Passport is required.** Don't miss this unforgettable tour!



## TULIP FESTIVAL—PELLA, IOWA

MAY 4-6, 2017

DOUBLE \$329 TRIPLE \$292 SINGLE \$441



*INSURANCE \$25 Db1/Trp \$34 Sgl pp Includes 5 Meals: 2 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 2 dinners*

Welcome to the annual Pella Tulip Festival! Each year, the town comes alive with tulips, Dutch attire, parades, food and fun! Take a narrated open air wagon tour of Pella, as you travel past tulip gardens and historical landmarks. Enjoy the Vermeer Windmill tour, the largest windmill in the US. Attend the seated lighted evening parade, one of the highlights of the festival! Dine on a traditional Dutch meal. On our way home, a stop at Isle of Capri Casino with lunch and \$5 free play completes our wonderful getaway to Pella!



### *Explore Arizona and the Grand Canyon National Monuments, National Treasures*

*April 6—13, 2017*

*Double \$1659 Single \$2000 Triple \$1541*

*Optional Insurance \$104*

*Includes 15 meals: 8 breakfasts; 1 lunch, 7 dinners*

This spring, travelers head west for warmth and sunshine. After flying into **Phoenix**, we head to **Flagstaff** for three nights. The **Museum of Northern Arizona** and the **Easton Collections Center** offer a one of a kind tour. Visit **Lowell Observatory**, home of Pluto's discovery and involved in training with the Apollo Astronauts and search for life on Mars. Later that night, return to the Observatory for evening star viewing. A full guided tour is planned to visit Earth's greatest natural wonder, **The Grand Canyon**. Stop at the **Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument** and **Wupakti National Monument**, where 800 year old pueblo's dot the desert landscape once home to thousands. Travel south to Tucson through **Oak Creek Canyon** and the red rocks of **Sedona**. A stop in **Tlaquepaque Arts & Crafts Village** offers dining and shopping options. See **Montezuma Castle National Monument**, one of the best preserved American Indian cliff dwellings in the US. A city tour of **Tucson** is filled with old and the new. The **Arizona Sonora Desert Museum** is home to more than 300 animal species and 1200 kinds of plants on display, alive in their natural desert settings. Visit **Tubac**, a Latin American market place. A full day guided tour in **Tombstone** shares insight into this silver mining boom town, well known as "a wild west town." End your exploration with a visit to the **San Xavier Mission**, established in the 18th century by Spanish missionaries. Home pick up provided! *Sign up now to guarantee rates! Registrations after February 19 may incur additional airfare rates.*

### TOUR REGISTRATION FORM FOR ALL TOURS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Roommate: \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Bed 2 Beds Handicap Room  
Tour: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like to purchase non-refundable trip cancellation insurance and have **added** it to my deposit.

\_\_\_\_ No, I do not want to purchase insurance and understand there is no refund 30 days prior to departure.

Payment amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$50 deposit is due for domestic tours. \$200 deposit pp for air tours.

Please make check payable to: Galaxy Tours and Travel PO Box 72785 Roselle, IL 60172

Departure location: for **domestic** tours: Concord Place - Midwest Conference Center 401 W Lake St Northlake

## JFK PRESIDENTIAL CAMELOT TOUR

Featuring  
**NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO,  
CAPE COD AND BOSTON**



September 24 - October 1, 2017

or

October 10 - 17, 2017

Double \$1150 Triple \$1110

Single \$1394

*Optional insurance \$82 pp*

Celebrate the 100th birthday of our nation's 35th President, John F Kennedy, as we follow his footsteps through historic Boston and Cape Cod. We begin with a 2 night stay in Niagara Falls, Ontario. Enjoy Clifton Hills and the beautiful falls. Enjoy a delicious dinner on the top deck in the rotating dining room of Skylon Tower where you will marvel at once in a lifetime views of the mighty Falls. Visit the Fallsview Casino for a bit of fun and excitement. Receive \$10 players money and a delicious buffet lunch.

Then, it is off to the Cape! We stay at the Cape Cod Irish Village Resort. Visit the John F Kennedy Hyannis Museum and experience the Cape Cod Camelot days of the President, his family and friends in Hyannis Port. See St. Francis Xavier's Church, the Armory the JFK Memorial and enjoy a Harbor Cruise. Marvel at New England's historic windmills and the giant dunes along the Kings Highway as we visit Provincetown and enjoy an exciting whale watch cruise with up close views of these gentle giants of the sea. Discover the history of the Cape as you enter Plymouth and Sandwich. The legacy of JFK continues on our tour to Boston with a stop at The John F. Kennedy Library and Museum. Visit the North End and Old North Church, the USS Constitution, Beacon Hill, the Freedom Trail, Boston Common, Bunker Hill, Boston Public Garden, State House and the Rose Kennedy Greenway. Our farewell evening is celebrated with a New England clambake! Join us for a tour to remember! Valid US Passport required. Includes 13 meals.

**\$1155 Double**

**\$1533 Single**

**\$1029 Triple**

*Optional Insurance:*

*\$82 Double/Triple \$104 Single*

## CREOLE COUNTRY LOUISIANA

*INCLUDING NEW ORLEANS*

**March 19—26, 2017**

**Includes 17 meals!**



**Baton Rouge** is Louisiana's capital city and our Drury Inn home during our stay. Explore Baton Rouge and tour the tallest state capitol in the country and the **Old Governor's Mansion**, a dream of Huey P Long. Visit the **USS KIDD** and walk the decks of the historic warship. Wear green for luck at our visit to **L'Auberge Casino!** Journey into Cajun Country on one of America's greatest river swamp, **the Atchafalaya Basin** and the alligator's domain. Head to **Avery Island** to learn about a popular hot sauce name Tabasco and visit the adjoining **Jungle Gardens** and **Bird City**. Explore Plantation Country, learning about 3 different types of plantations and the daily life at that time. Enjoy lunch at **Nottoway Plantation**. Visit **New Orleans** and gain an insider's view of how Mardi Gras is created. Sample King's Cake. Stroll the **French Quarter** and perhaps sample a Beignet at Café du Monde! Sail on the **Natchez Steamship** for a Jazz cruise and narration of the river sites and history. Homeward bound finds **Canton, Mississippi** as our stop. Retrace the steps of many films shot in the area! As our tour draws closer towards home, **Flesor's Candy Kitchen** provides a tour, hearty lunch and last minute edible souvenirs!

## YESTERDAY'S YOUTH CLUB

Looking for a senior club that offers day outings, monthly meetings, programs on health and lifestyle issues for older adults, Bingo and Banquets? Yesterday's Youth Club, (YYC) meets the first Wednesday of each month at Westlake Hospital in Melrose Park. Membership is \$12 a year. Call 630-523-6600 for more information!



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## ISLAND RESORT CASINO

**MAY 30—June 1, 2017**

**\$240 Double   \$314 Single   \$216 Triple**  
*Insurance \$25 2 lunches and wine tasting*

Back by popular demand, our group will head to Harris, Michigan, where along the way, we'll enjoy a Low Country Shrimp Boil featuring Gulf Shrimp, Baby Reds, Corn On The Cob, Sausage, & Lemons cooked to perfection over an Outdoor Wood Fire!

Island Resort Casino will be our home for 2 nights featuring a saltwater pool, sauna, steam room, work out facility and a full service spa! Try your luck at black jack, craps, poker, roulette, Bingo, and over 970 slot machines! Everyone receives a **minimum** of \$30 promo cash along with \$10 food vouchers!

Free time in downtown Escanaba will offer guests the opportunity to shop, and enjoy a wine tasting and lunch along the historic area. On our way home, select your favorite cheeses, sausage or popcorn at Mars Cheese Castle!

## Sandra Marko's French Chocolate Chip Cookies

*Many have been treated to the talents of one special traveler on tour. She was gracious enough to share a favorite recipe!*

1 cup softened butter  
6 tablespoons brown sugar  
2 teaspoons of vanilla



Mix together and gradually add 2 cups of flour. Add 1 (6 oz.) bag of semi-sweet chocolate. Optional: add 1 cup (6 oz) chopped pecans or walnuts. Make balls. Use ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes or brown on the bottom. Sprinkle with powdered sugar when cookies are cool. (You can also put cookies in plastic bag, add confectioners sugar and shake until coated.) Enjoy!

## UPCOMING TOURS FOR 2017

**Mystery Tour 2017**

**Branson with Johnny Mathis  
Gambling Tours and a Holiday Tour  
And many more!**