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## Western & Northern Ireland

11 Nights | 7&nbsp;Rounds including Adare, Ballybunion, St Patrick&#39;s Links & Royal County Down

This eleven night, seven round package tours the finest courses in Western & Northern Ireland, presenting a blend of classic and modern links layouts. It&#39;s available from April to October. **Adare Manor**, a Robert Trent Jones Sr original that was renovated by **Tom Fazio** in 2018, will host the Ryder Cup 2027. **Ballybunion** (Old) is the most famous course in Ireland, featuring greens that are either elevated or nestled among the many sand dunes. This demanding links is often considered among the world&#39;s best courses. **Narin & Portnoo** boasts tremendous coastline views and is considered one of the finest natural links courses in Ireland having undergone a complete restoration by **Gil Hanse**. **St Patrick&#39;s Links** at Rosapenna was recently designed by **Tom Doak** is receiving exceptional reviews. The **Strand Course at Portstewart** is among Northern Ireland&#39;s leading layouts. The **Dunluce Links at Royal Portrush** hosted The Open in 1951, 2019 and is scheduled to again in 2025. **Royal County Down**, an Old Tom Morris design, is generally considered as one of the top 10 courses in the world, and also as one of the more difficult courses in Ireland and beyond. Deluxe accommodations are provided at **Adare Manor**, **Lough Eske Castle**, **Bushmills Inn** and **Slieve Donard**.

### Saturday, June 10

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This evening depart the United States.

### Sunday, June 11

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On arrival at the Airport you will be met by PerryGolf personnel who will assist you with your luggage and transfer to your transportation.

Your preferred arrival & departure airport options are dependent on your personal preferences. The closest airport to your first hotel/golf course is listed first. Some airports have direct transatlantic flights from US cities while others only offer service with connections through European hub cities. Our air department is available to talk through your air travel options.

OVERNIGHT: **Adare Manor** - 2 Classic Room

### Monday, June 12

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Today play **Adare Manor (tbc)**. Fully redesigned and rebuilt in 2016-2017 to championship-worthy specifications, with the very latest in course technology and construction methods, The Golf Course at Adare Manor offers a spectacular golfing experience amid the breath-taking surroundings of the parkland estate. Planted throughout with mature trees, gorgeously landscaped, and bounded by the peaceful waters of the River Maigue, the course offers ever-changing vistas and breath-taking approaches to each hole. Legendary golf architect Tom Fazio has created a

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golf course which thoughtfully explores the true character of the terrain, revealing new levels of discovery at every turn. Recently announced as the 2027 Ryder Cup venue.

OVERNIGHT: **Adare Manor** - 2 Classic Room

## Tuesday, June 13

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Today play **Ballybunion - Old Course (tbc)**, Ireland's most famous course and consistently rated amongst the world's finest. Perched on a sandy cliff top, it makes its way through dunes and valleys with dramatic changes in elevation. The greens are often perched on mounds or carefully sheltered between sand dunes.

[Click here](#) for the golf course VIDEO

OVERNIGHT: **Adare Manor** - 2 Classic Room

## Wednesday, June 14

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OVERNIGHT: **Lough Eske Castle** - 2 Deluxe Room

## Thursday, June 15

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Play today at **Narin & Portnoo (tbc)**. The course is situated in the beautiful seaside resort of Portnoo in South West Donegal. It is considered to be one of the finest natural links courses in Ireland, and is certainly one of the most scenic with views out to Aranmore Island and Croghy Head. Under new ownership in 2018 the links has been upgraded with the project entrusted to Gil Hanse and his team. The changes being implemented will elevate Narin & Portnoo into one of the finest links courses in the country.

Drone Footage - [Narin & Portnoo Links, Ireland](#)

A Greenside Chat: ["The Story of Ireland's Latest Links Redesign"](#) ~ [Narin & Portnoo Links](#)

OVERNIGHT: **Lough Eske Castle** - 2 Deluxe Room

## Friday, June 16

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Today play **Rosapenna - St Patrick's Links (tbc)**. Designed by Tom Doak and opened in 2021. A sprawling links that is destined to become a modern great. It sits on the most magnificent piece of links land, west coast of Ireland scenery, with enough variety in dimension to present a real diversity of golf holes. The routing takes golfers on a journey through huge dunes, to high above Sheephaven Bay, along the coast, then back over some more gentle dunes. With plenty of width and an eclectic mix of naturalised bunkers, the course is destined to become a must play.

OVERNIGHT: **Lough Eske Castle** - 2 Deluxe Room

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## Saturday, June 17

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OVERNIGHT: **Bushmills Inn** - 2 Classic Millhouse Room

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## Sunday, June 18

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Today play **Portstewart - Strand Course (tbc)**. Possibly, indeed probably, The Strand Course at Portstewart has always been inspired by her renowned neighbors Royal County Down and Royal Portrush to join the ranks of Northern Ireland's leading layouts. The original course opened in 1908, was largely reinvented by the great Willie Park in the early 1920's, then updated again in the 1980s. Next after a healthy investment to acquire a range of massive, untouched sand dunes called "Thistly Hollow", seven outstanding new holes were constructed that make for an opening nine considered one of the best in links golf. Please note a very limited supply of golf carts are available for hire. Certain restrictions may apply, please advise your Golf Travel Specialist.

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[Portstewart Golf Club, Northern Ireland by LINKS Magazine](#)

OVERNIGHT: **Bushmills Inn** - 2 Classic Millhouse Room

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## Monday, June 19

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Golf on **Royal Portrush - Dunluce Links (tbc)**. Northern Ireland's Royal Portrush (Est 1888) is routinely ranked among the World Top 15 and never less than fifth among the great clubs of the UK and Ireland. It is the only club outside of Great Britain to host The Open which it has done twice; in 1951 and 2019. Harry Colt is largely responsible for the current layout which opened in 1932. He chose the high ground on magnificent dunes land the club had acquired for two courses that was full of deep valleys, long ridges and large plateaus. His achievement here is how the holes follow the sand formations and the greens which are some of the most cleverly conceived in golf. Changes were made in advance of The 148th Open that included two new holes, the exceptional 7th and 8th, which turned the old 17th and 18th into a staging ground for the championship.

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WEBCAST - A Greenside Chat: "The Story of Where There's a Wilma, There's a Way ~ Wilma

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OVERNIGHT: **Bushmills Inn** - 2 Classic Millhouse Room

**Tuesday, June 20**

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OVERNIGHT: **Slieve Donard Resort & Spa** - 2 Classic Room

**Wednesday, June 21**

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Golf today on **Royal County Down (tbc)**. Northern Ireland's Royal County Down is routinely ranked among the World Top 5 and never less than first or second among the great clubs of the UK and Ireland for two reasons: the beauty of the setting and the brilliance of the design. Old Tom Morris authored the first 18 hole course here and gets a healthy share of the credit for this masterpiece but George Coombe and Harry Colt also had a hand in it, as have Donald Steele and Martin & Ebert in recent years. None would dispute however, that the site as it was found with its rugged dunes, natural corridors and hollows, golden gorse and purple heather was destined for greatness. The ninth stands out among many. This 427-yard par 4 begins with a blind tee shot to a fairway found eighty feet down a sidehill plunge where two cross bunkers protect a green saddled between two dunes.

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OVERNIGHT: **Slieve Donard Resort & Spa** - 2 Classic Room

**Thursday, June 22**

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Depart Ireland from Airport.

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## Your Lodging

### Adare Manor

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One of Ireland's leading 5 star Castle Hotels, Adare Manor Hotel & Golf Resort is set on a magnificent 840 acre estate in the heart of the picturesque village of Adare, just a 40 minutes drive from Shannon International Airport. Each room has been individually designed and beautifully furnished, inviting beds, gorgeous historically-inspired art and furnishings, marble en-suite bathrooms, and beautiful views from every window, your room was carefully crafted for indulgence and relaxation. There are four restaurants, the Fine Dining Oakroom Restaurant, The Drawing Room and the Tack Room in the Manor House and the casual Carraigeouse Restaurant in the Golf Clubhouse. Amenities include an Indoor heated swimming pool, steam room, small fitness room, Spa, Salmon & Trout Fishing, Horse Riding, Laser Clay Target Shooting and an 18 Hole Championship Golf Course which is among the best championship courses anywhere. Each hole of The Golf Course at Adare Manor could be crowned the feature hole: each one has been entirely redesigned and reconstructed, with the very latest technology and course innovations, creating a challenging, characterful, and profoundly satisfying playing experience for golfers of every level. The final result is a course that is at once strategic and soulful, playable in all conditions, and future-proofed in preparation for premiere amateur and professional golf events. Cared for by an experienced, passionate team of devoted greenkeepers, the condition of this course and its velvet-smooth Pure Distinction bent grass greens is unrivalled.

### Lough Eske Castle

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Lough Eske Castle traces its roots all the way back to the late 1400's and the famous O'Donnell family that founded the nearby town of Donegal. The original castle was first built around 1474. A date stone of 1621 remains on the property to this day. The current Lough Eske Castle was constructed in the 1860s on the site of an old Brooke mansion, but was destroyed by fire in 1939. The renovated Lough Eske Castle stands as a continuing testament to the rich history of Lough Eske and the surrounding region. The Castle has two excellent restaurants Cedars Grill and The Gallery Bar, on site is also a fantastic spa. The Castle is in the ideal location to play Donegal Golf Course, which is only a 10 minute drive.

### Bushmills Inn

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In the village that is home to the world's oldest distillery, between the Giants Causeway and Royal Portrush Golf Club this award winning hotel and restaurant has been outstandingly successful in re-creating its origins as an old Coaching and Mill House. Open peat fires, gas lights and striped pine set the tone in this living museum of Ulster Hospitality while the Restaurant has an international reputation in serving the best of new Irish cuisine. In 2009, Bushmills Inn unveiled a new extension consisting of 19 oversized bedrooms and a new reception, bringing the total rooms to 41 which allowed the hotel to advance to a Four Star property whilst still maintaining the same theme throughout.

### Slieve Donard Resort & Spa

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Situated at the foot of the beautiful Mountains of Mourne, the Slieve Donard Resort & Spa stands in six acres of

private grounds which extend to an extensive golden strand. Originally a luxurious railway hotel, the Slieve Donard Resort & Spa is now part of the Marine & Lawn Collection, and offers fine accommodation and excellent facilities. Apart from the obvious attraction for golfers, the hotel is also an ideal setting for fishing, horse riding and mountain walks. The hotel is undergoing a complete modernisation and refurbishment for the 2023 Season with the hotel taking on the Marine & Lawn styling.