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We are delighted to introduce you to our dedicated Northern Ireland “Embrace A Giant Spirit” brochure. We have handcrafted a creative new range of touring itineraries tailored for small groups, self-drive or chauffeur drive tours along with some of our favorite experiences across the region.

Each route has been carefully designed to deliver an unforgettably immersive experience in Northern Ireland showcasing giant experiences – of culture, landscapes, legends, cities, coasts and food.

All itineraries can be tailored to both FIT & Groups and are the perfect way to safely experience Northern Ireland, share in its giant spirit and awaken yours.



BENEFITS

- PROGRAMS SUITED TO BOTH GROUPS & FITS
- LOCALLY OWNED AND OPERATED PROPERTIES RECOMMENDED
- MEET THE LOCALS
- ACTIVE AND OUTDOORS
- RELAXED PACE

TOURING PROGRAMS



DAY 1 – FAILTE AND HILLSBOROUGH CASTLE AND GARDENS

Arrive and meet with your coach and guide. Depart for Northern Ireland. Before arriving at your hotel, enjoy a stop at the very picturesque village of Royal Hillsborough, home to **Hillsborough Castle and Gardens**. This is Northern Ireland's royal residence, it has also welcomed many dignitaries from across the globe and witnessed pivotal moments in history over 300 years. A tour of the castle includes access to all state rooms. Explore the 100 acres of beautiful gardens during your visit.

Overnight Belfast area

DAY 2 – CAUSEWAY COAST AND ANTRIM GLENS

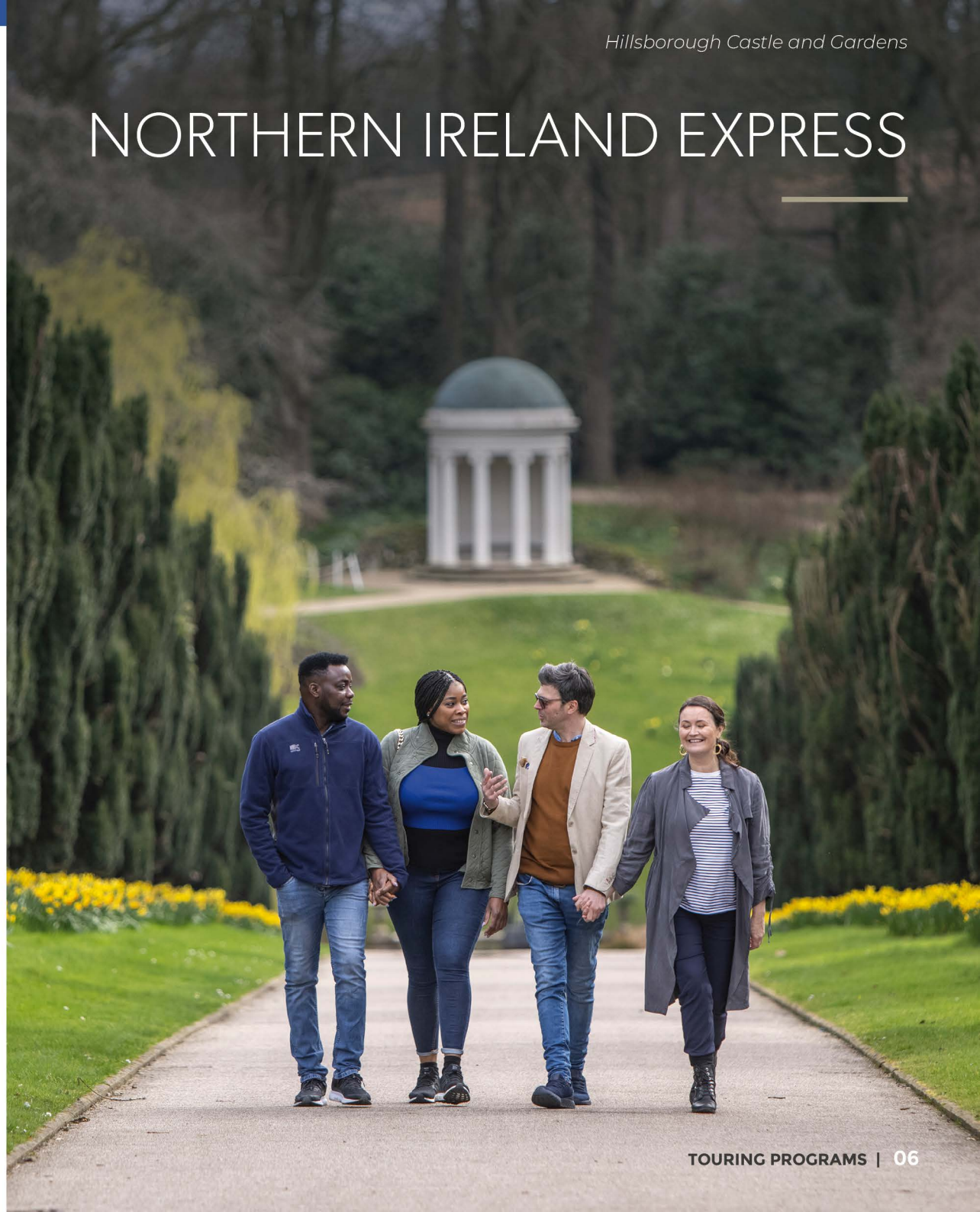
This morning depart for the Causeway Coast and enjoy a 5m (8kms) walk on the Giants Causeway Cliff Path. This is a known area of outstanding beauty and your walk is a **cliff top experience** along the famous Causeway cliffs. Starting from Dunseverick Castle, hike along the cliffs and arrive at the Giants Causeway, this very popular UNESCO site.

Afternoon return towards your hotel travelling through the Glens of Antrim. Visit to **Dunfin Farm**. Found in the heart of Glenshesk, one of the nine Glens of Antrim, Dunfin is home to a traditional sheep farm in the same family ownership for over 70 years. Enjoy the sheep experience – see sheep and lambs, learn about the relationship of sheepdogs with the shepherd and the sheep. Watch a sheep dog demonstration.

In Ballycastle, enjoy a visit to **North Coast Smokehouse**. Find out how to smoke food naturally in this small micro-smokery. Ruairidh, one of the owners, demonstrates aspects of the smoking process and how it connects us with our past. Try some of the delicious products including smoke-roasted salmon and smoked dulse seaweed.

Overnight Belfast area

NORTHERN IRELAND EXPRESS





Strangford Lough



Portaferry



Down Cathedral

NORTHERN IRELAND EXPRESS

DAY 3 - STRANGFORD LOUGH

Depart for the **Ards Peninsula** and stop off at Kearney, a picturesque traditional fishing village full of unspoint timeless character. Whitewashed cottages hug the rugged coastline and here you can enjoy an enjoyable and relaxing walk 2.7m (4.3kms) along the coast.

Continue to Portaferry and take the **Strangford Lough Ferry** to Strangford. From here travel the short distance to Downpatrick.

In Downpatrick you will visit both the **St Patrick Centre** and **Down Cathedral**. At the **St Patrick Centre**, the story of Patrick, Ireland's patron saint, is told in Patrick's own words. Explore how Patrick's legacy developed in early Christian times, the centre also examines the major impact of Irish missionaries in Europe between the 5th and 9th centuries, a legacy remaining today.

Down Cathedral stands on the site of a Benedictine Monastery built in 1183. Magnificent stain glass windows, box pews and beautiful organ enhance the Cathedral. The remains of St Patrick are buried on the site.

Leave Downpatrick and drive to the family home of Tracey Jeffrey for a **traditional bread making experience** in her kitchen. See how soda bread, potato bread and some other delicious mouth watering goodies are baked. Best of all enjoy the fruits of this labour accompanied with homemade butters, jams.

Overnight Belfast area

NORTHERN IRELAND EXPRESS

DAY 4 - BELFAST, CAPITAL OF THE NORTH

This morning join your local guide to discover **CS Lewis, Beyond The Wardrobe**, on this unique walking tour of Belfast. CS Lewis, author of *The Chronicles of Narnia*, was born in east Belfast in 1898. On this tour your guide will give you insights into how the city shaped CS Lewis' imagination as a young boy and discover sculptures representing characters from *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe*. Continue with a visit to the **Botanic Gardens**.

Overnight Belfast area

DAY 5 - FAREWELL



DAY 1 - FAILTE & ENNISKILLEN TASTE EXPERIENCE

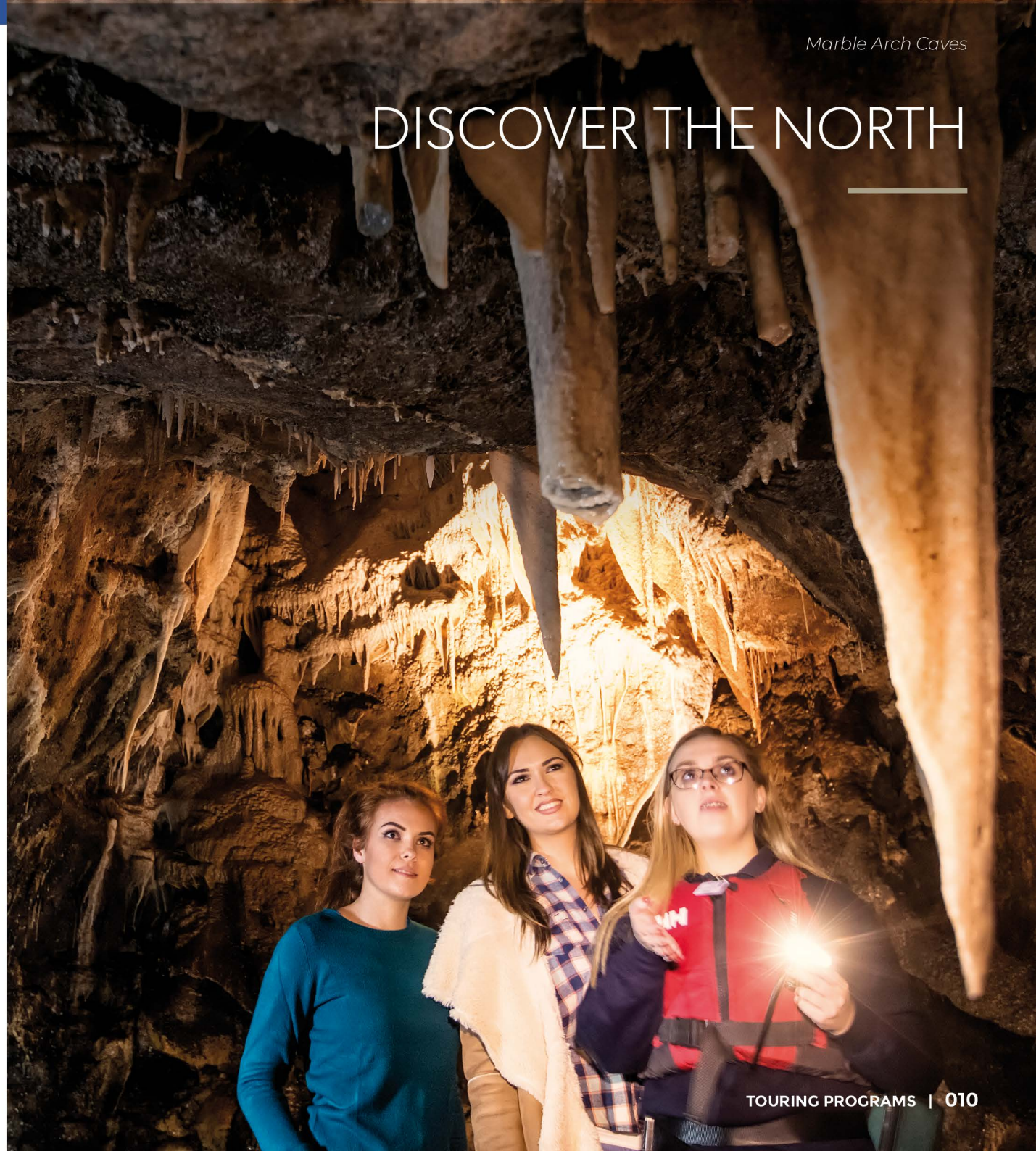
Arrive in Enniskillen in the heart of County Fermanagh and join a local food expert on the **Enniskillen Taste Experience**. Sample 20 food and drink specialities unique to the area. Discover award winning producers and family run businesses who are passionate about what they do..

Overnight Enniskillen area

DAY 2 - CAVES AND CRUISING

Today is spent touring in County Fermanagh, an area of the country which boasts a wealth of fine country estates and castles. The region is also a paradise for water activities as a third of the county is covered by lakes and waterways. You will explore the subterranean world on foot and by boat at the UNESCO **Marble Arch Caves**. These caves are among some of the most impressive in Europe featuring stalactites, cavernous passages and streams formed and reformed over countless millennia. During the day you will also enjoy a **Lough Erne Cruise to Devenish Island**. This cruise provides a unique way to see the beautiful island town of Enniskillen, the Lough Erne waterway and its historic islands which include the ancient monastic site at Devenish Island. The monastery was founded in the 6th century and during its dramatic history was raided by Vikings, burned and then flourished as a parish church site and St Mary's Augustine Priory.

Overnight Enniskillen area





Long Meadow Cider



Castlewellsan Forest Park



Killowen Distillery

DISCOVER THE NORTH

DAY 3 – DISCOVER ARMAGH – THE ORCHARD COUNTY

Depart today for County Armagh. Raised on seven hills, it is a place where history and mythology have become intertwined. The Georgian city of Armagh is at its core and today is home to two striking cathedrals, both honouring St Patrick, the island's patron saint. Visit **St Patrick's Church of Ireland Cathedral**. St Patrick first built a stone church on the hill in 445AD and there has been a Christian church here ever since. The cathedral as it now stands was designed in 1268. Enjoy a stop at **Long Meadow Cider**, a family of 3rd generation apple growers. Owned and operated by the McKeever family, enjoy a tour of the orchards and learn about the different growing systems. Visit the cider premises and take away a bottle of your choosing! This tour also includes tea/coffee, a slice of Apple tart and cider sampling.

Overnight Armagh area

DAY 4 – COUNTY DOWN

Enjoy a day trip in County Down. You will stop at **Castlewellsan Forest Park**, an area covering 450 hectares north of the Mourne Mountains. Follow the lakeside walking trail, a relaxing walk before visiting the walled Annesley Garden, dating from 1740, with its magnificent collection of trees and shrubs set in beautiful surroundings.

Killowen Distillery in the heart of the Mourne Mountains. Inside this traditional small batch distillery, you will discover how pot still Irish whiskey and gin is made. Learn about the ingredients that go into the making of an Irish whiskey that is true to tradition; oats, wheat, unmalted & malted rye and green malt. You will then be invited to a tasting of their whiskey, gin or poitin.

Overnight Armagh area

DAY 5 - BELFAST CITY AND TITANIC

The **Titanic Quarter** in Belfast is home to the story of one of the world's greatest shipbuilding cities. Join your local guide to discover what it was like to work in Belfast when the Titanic was built and hear of stories about his great-grandfather, who worked as a joiner at Harland & Wolff during the construction of Titanic. This captivating tour will bring to life the sites he would have known as a young man. Visit **Titanic Belfast**

Overnight Armagh area

DAY 6 - FAREWELL



DID YOU KNOW!

The RMS Titanic was the world's largest passenger ship when it entered service, measuring 269 metres (882 feet) in length, and the largest man-made moving object on Earth. She was built by the Harland and Wolff shipyard in Belfast.



EMBRACE THE SPACE

DAY 1 - FAILTE & BELFAST CITY WALKING TOUR

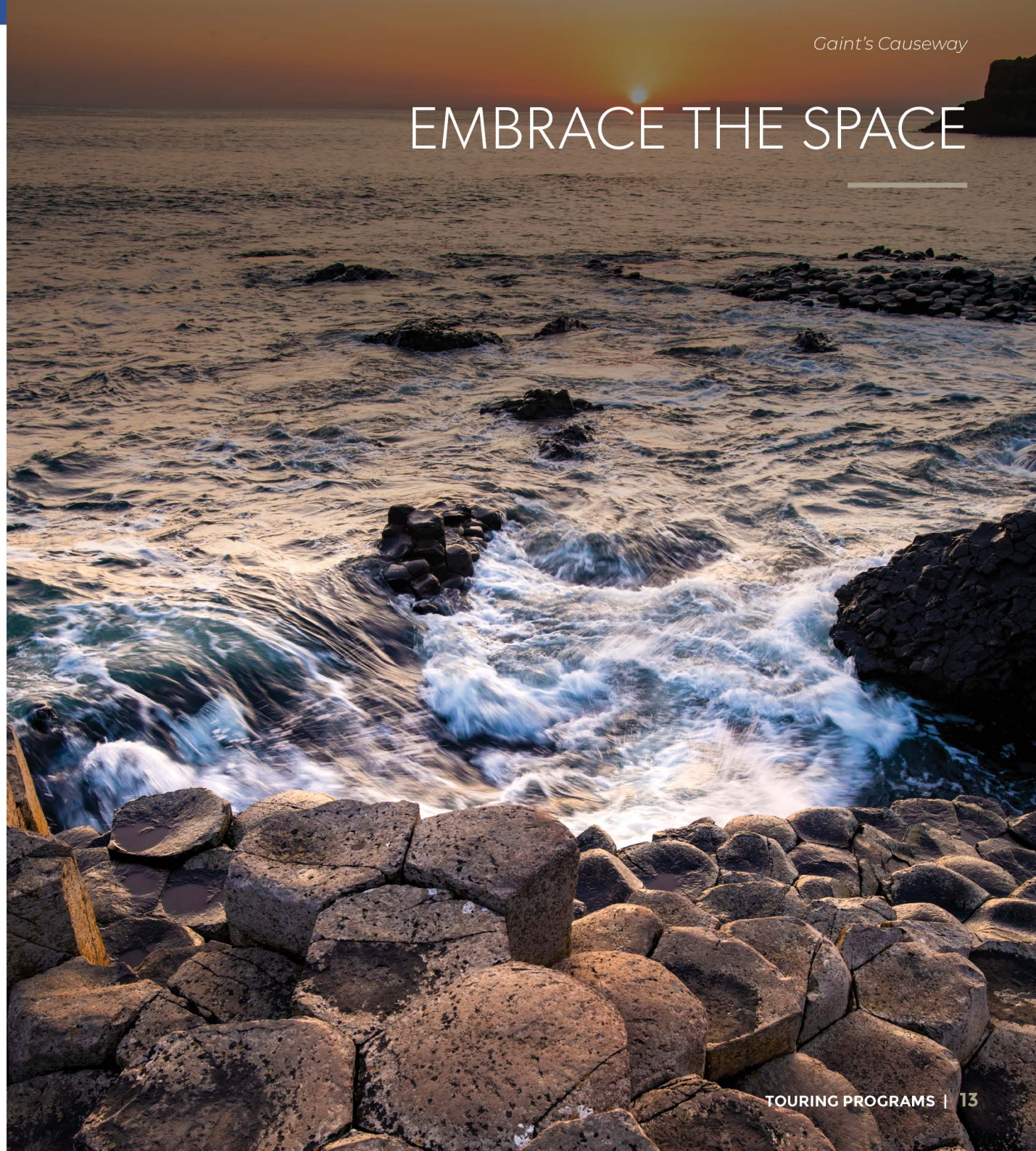
Arrive this morning and enjoy a scenic drive to County Antrim. Your guide will ensure you have an authentic and personal experience in Belfast. Explore the history of the Troubles and the path to peace in Northern Ireland. Discover some of the hidden gems that the city has to offer and key locations where some of the most important events of the conflict occurred. From the **Cathedral Quarter** to the banks of the River Lagan, this tour will demonstrate the regeneration which has taken place in the city since the ceasefires in the 1990s. Continue to your self-catering accommodation in Antrim for the night..

Overnight: Self-catering accommodation, Antrim

DAY 2 - THE CAUSEWAY COAST

A coastal adventure awaits today where you will explore castles, the **Carrick-a-Rede** rope bridge and the iconic **Giant's Causeway**. A short distance from your accommodation is **Glenarm Castle** which dates back to the 17th century and is home of Viscount and Viscountess Dunluce and their family. Enjoy a unique behind the scenes tour of Glenarm with head butler, George. Learn about the history of the family and discover artefacts including a treasure chest from the Spanish Armada. Relax in the family dining room and indulge in a beautiful afternoon tea. At **Carrick-a-Reed** enjoy an exclusive **"Beyond the Bridge"** experience. This famous rope bridge links the mainland to the tiny island of **Carrick-a-Rede** where you will visit a fisherman's cottage. Soak up the atmosphere and enjoy good Irish hospitality by the open fire and learn stories of this unique place. At **Bushmills**, the world's oldest licensed whiskey distillery, learn of the journey from production to bottle and how the craft of distilling has been passed down from generation to generation

Overnight: Self-catering accommodation, Antrim





Lough Liné Fermanagh



Ulster American Folk Park



Belleek Pottery

EMBRACE THE SPACE

DAY 3 – ANTRIM TO FERMANAGH

Leaving County Antrim today we make the journey to County Fermanagh. On route, stop off at **Glenshane farm** for an authentic farm experience and sheepdog demonstration. Meet 4th generation Shepard, James McCloy to learn about his work on the family farm and be thrilled by his highly trained team of working sheepdogs. Continuing to Fermanagh we pass through the town of Omagh. Here we visit the **Ulster American Folk Park**. Immerse yourself in the story of the brave emigrants who made the journey across the Atlantic to America hundreds of years ago. Wander through authentic thatched cottages and board a full-scale emigrant ship to experience the conditions faced by many as they set sail for a new life in America. .

Overnight: Self-catering accommodation, Fermanagh

DAY 4 – DISCOVER FERMANAGH

Today we discover all that is unique in County Fermanagh. Waterways and landscapes provide a stunning backdrop to today's activities. We journey to Belleek, home to **Belleek Pottery**, Ireland's oldest working pottery. Each piece of pottery passes through 16 different artisan's hands, and today, your hands become the 17th pair, during this hands-on experience. The highly skilled staff here will guide you through every step of their process. Next we move on to the town of Enniskillen. Starting at **Enniskillen Castle** you will embark on a taste experience of this beautiful town. Sample over 20 food and drink specialities unique to County Fermanagh from awarding winning producers and family run businesses. Meet a local baker, discover the heritage of the 19th century butter market and explore hidden alleyways.

Overnight: Self-contained accommodation, Fermanagh

○ DAY 5 – DERRY/LONDONDERRY

Today we unlock the **Walled City of Derry/Londonderry** Ireland's only fully intact walled city and witness to centuries of drama. Join a local storyteller as they guide you through this vibrant, friendly and diverse city. Derry/Londonderry offers stories from many perspectives and as you walk along the city walls your guide will highlight key points and unlock stories going back hundreds of years from the Plantation of Ulster to the Siege to Emigration and the Troubles. At the **Walled City Brewery** enjoy food and drink at this award winning restaurant and craft brewery.

Self-catering accommodation, Fermanagh

● DAY 6 – FAREWELL



Derry/Londonderry

EMBRACE THE SPACE

DAY 1 – FAILTE & MONTALTO ESTATE

Arrive this morning and travel north to Belfast via the beautiful **Montalto Estate**. Situated in the idyllic County Down countryside, the estate has a range of gardens which come into bloom at different times throughout the year so they are always looking their best no matter the time of year. Enjoy a walk through the large variety of Rhododendron and Hydrangeas or get lost in the bucolic beauty of the wildflower meadow.

Overnight: Belfast area

DAY 2 – BELFAST TO BALLYMENA

Your Causeway Coastal Route adventure begins today along glorious coastal scenes. **Walk the Edge at the The Gobbins Cliff Path**, a spectacular coastal walk which offers a unique tour along the cliffs of Northern Ireland. Originally developed in Victorian times, The **Gobbins Cliff Path** coastal walk has become one of the most enthralling experiences along the Causeway Coastal Route. Enjoy dramatic views across the sea to Scotland or watch waves roll in from the Irish Sea. Seabirds fly overhead while you weave your way along the basalt cliffs. Continue to Ballymena via Carrickfergus, home to a 12th century **Norman Castle** and a hive of activity with bars and restaurants to enjoy.

Overnight: Ballymena area

DAY 3 – BALLYMENA TO PORTTRUSH

Today's adventure is filled with exceptional sites, and you will not be disappointed with two of the most impressive locations on the Giants Causeway Coast: **Carrick-a-Rede** rope bridge and the Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Today we also visit **Dunluce Castle**, one of the most picturesque and romantic of Irish Castles. The present castle ruins date mainly from the 16th and 17th centuries. However, there is evidence of settlement here from the first millennium. Explore the findings of archaeological digs within the cobbled streets and stone merchants' houses of the once thriving Dunluce Town.

Overnight Portrush area.

CAUSEWAY COAST





Portrush Harbour

CAUSEWAY COAST

DAY 4 – PORTRUSH TO DERRY/LONDONDERRY

Rise and Shine to the early morning skies above Portrush Harbour as you set sail for the Atlantic Ocean to catch your breakfast. Climb aboard a local fishing boat bound for the Atlantic Ocean as you set sail to catch your breakfast. Spot some of the wildlife that inhabit the area including seals, herring gulls and perhaps even a pod of dolphins. Minke whales also feed off the north coast of Northern Ireland so be sure to keep your eyes peeled. Return to the mainland with your catch of the day and relax in a café as a local chef prepares your breakfast. Continue to Derry/Londonderry where you will enjoy a guided tour of the city by bike! Discover great food and learn about the local culture as you are guided through the city at a leisurely pace allowing you to let your curiosity wander in this vibrant city.

Overnight Derry/Londonderry area



Derry/Londonderry



Foodie City cycle tour

○ DAY 5 - DERRY/LONDONDERRY TO ENNISKILLEN

One of Northern Ireland's newest distillery's can be found close to Derry/Londonderry. At **Wild Atlantic Distillery**, the rugged, beautiful and wild land nurtures the perfect conditions for creating and ageing their traditionally crafted whiskey while the Atlantic Ocean provides the botanicals for their unique and distinctive gin. Learn about the distillery's story and traditional production methods ending with a tasting of their products. For those with some more time on their hands enrolling at their gin school is a must for enthusiasts. **Blessingbourne Estate**, home to the Lowry family, is an award winning historic 550 acre country estate nestled in the heart of woodlands. Owners Nicholas and Collen Lowry will lead you on a **History and Heritage tour**, gaining intimate insight into the lives of these country estate owners.

Overnight Enniskillen area

● DAY 6 - FAREWELL



CAUSEWAY COAST

EXPERIENCE PACKAGES

A group of five people, three men and two women, are standing on a dirt path that runs between two large, dark rock formations. They are all wearing jackets and casual clothing, suggesting a cool environment. The man on the far right is facing away from the camera, looking out towards the horizon. The other four people are facing the camera or slightly to the side. The path leads towards a grassy area and a body of water in the distance. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. The text "EXPERIENCE PACKAGES" is overlaid in large, white, sans-serif capital letters across the middle of the image.



A TASTE OF NORTHERN IRELAND

CO ARMAGH, CO DOWN & CO ANTRIM

Discover some of the exquisite food and drink experiences Northern Ireland has to offer.

Begin your culinary exploration in Co. Armagh, the home of cider in Ireland. On a 'Blossom to Bottle' tour at **Ballinteggart House**, you can enjoy a stroll through the Orchards while you learn why the Cider here is second to none.

Your next stop is **Tracey's Farmhouse Kitchen**, where you will learn to make traditional Northern Ireland Soda Bread. Everyone enjoys their visit to Tracey's thatched roof cottage, with its cozy atmosphere and warm welcome.

Finally, enjoy a 'Whiskey on the Rocks' at the famous **Giant's Causeway**. Your private guide will regale you with history and legends as you sit on the basalt columns sipping the world famous **Bushmills** whiskey.



PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

1. 3 nights in deluxe accommodation on a B&B basis.
2. Blossom to Bottle Cider experience
3. Private ½ day baking experience at Tracy's Bakehouse
4. Bushmills on the Rocks Experience





Strangford Lough

ADVENTURE & WELLNESS NORTHERN IRELAND

CO DOWN

Discover the great outdoors in Northern Ireland at a leisurely pace on this active and wellness tour of the area.

Begin your journey in County Down at **Strangford Lough**, an area of true natural beauty. Learn the basics of **Stand Up Paddle** boarding (SUP) as you coast across to a remote island. Relax and reconnect with yourself as you take in the fresh air. Why not try sunrise SUP for that extra special experience.

Your next stop are the spectacular **Mourne Mountains**. Join your expert mountain guide as you take in wide views of summits and breath-taking valleys. Take a deep breath and relax in the mountain air. Stretch your legs and your imagination as you hear tales of legends, fugitives and smugglers.

Finally, say goodbye to stress with some yoga on **Strangford Lough** or grab your canoe as you paddle around the little islands on the Lough. You'll certainly have worked up an appetite so on your return stop off at **Tracey's Farmhouse Kitchen** for some homemade bread, jams and cakes to tuck into.



Mourne Mountains.



Tracey's farmhouse



PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

1. 3 nights in deluxe accommodation on a B&B basis
2. Stand Up Paddleboard experience
3. Guided hike in the Mourne Mountains
4. Canoe & Cake experience



Dry Stone Wall Building Experience

TIMELESS TRADITIONS OF NORTHERN IRELAND

CO DOWN

The wonderful setting of **County Down** provides a serene, picturesque landscape and all of the raw materials you require to learn about the timeless traditions of Northern Ireland.

Begin your exploration at **Bluebell Lane**, where owner Padraig, will guide you through the neolithic artform of woodturning with origins dating back 3,000 years. You will also be introduced to Ireland's ancient written language; Ogham. Learn how to make your very own Celtic pendant with your birth month written in Ogham. Enjoy a peaceful stroll through the countryside offering an opportunity to connect with nature and embrace a slower pace of life. Light refreshments will be served before taking part in your next activity today.

Next meet with local couple, Jenny and Mark who will showcase the beauty and hard graft behind the 5,000 year old craft of dry stone wall building. Jenny will lead you on a woodland wander before Mark will show you how he has restored more than 400 meters of original dry stone walls with granite direct from the Mourne Mountains. Work alongside Mark to become part of a timeless tradition. Learn to measure and gauge using local language – coggle and skim the skelfs and spalls – by physically building part of a stone-wall yourself. Finish with a Mourne builder's lunch served in a biscuit tin!



Bluebell Lane



Celtic Woodturning Experience



PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

1. 3 nights in deluxe accommodation on a B&B basis
2. Celtic Woodturning experience
3. Dry stone wall building experience

CITY BREAKS

A panoramic view of a city, likely Glasgow, taken from a high vantage point on a grassy hill. In the foreground, two people are sitting on the grass, looking out over the city. The city itself is a dense urban landscape with a mix of residential and industrial buildings. A large body of water, the River Clyde, is visible in the middle ground, with several bridges and industrial structures along its banks. The sky is filled with dramatic, dark clouds, suggesting a late afternoon or early evening setting. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

BELFAST - UNESCO CITY OF MUSIC



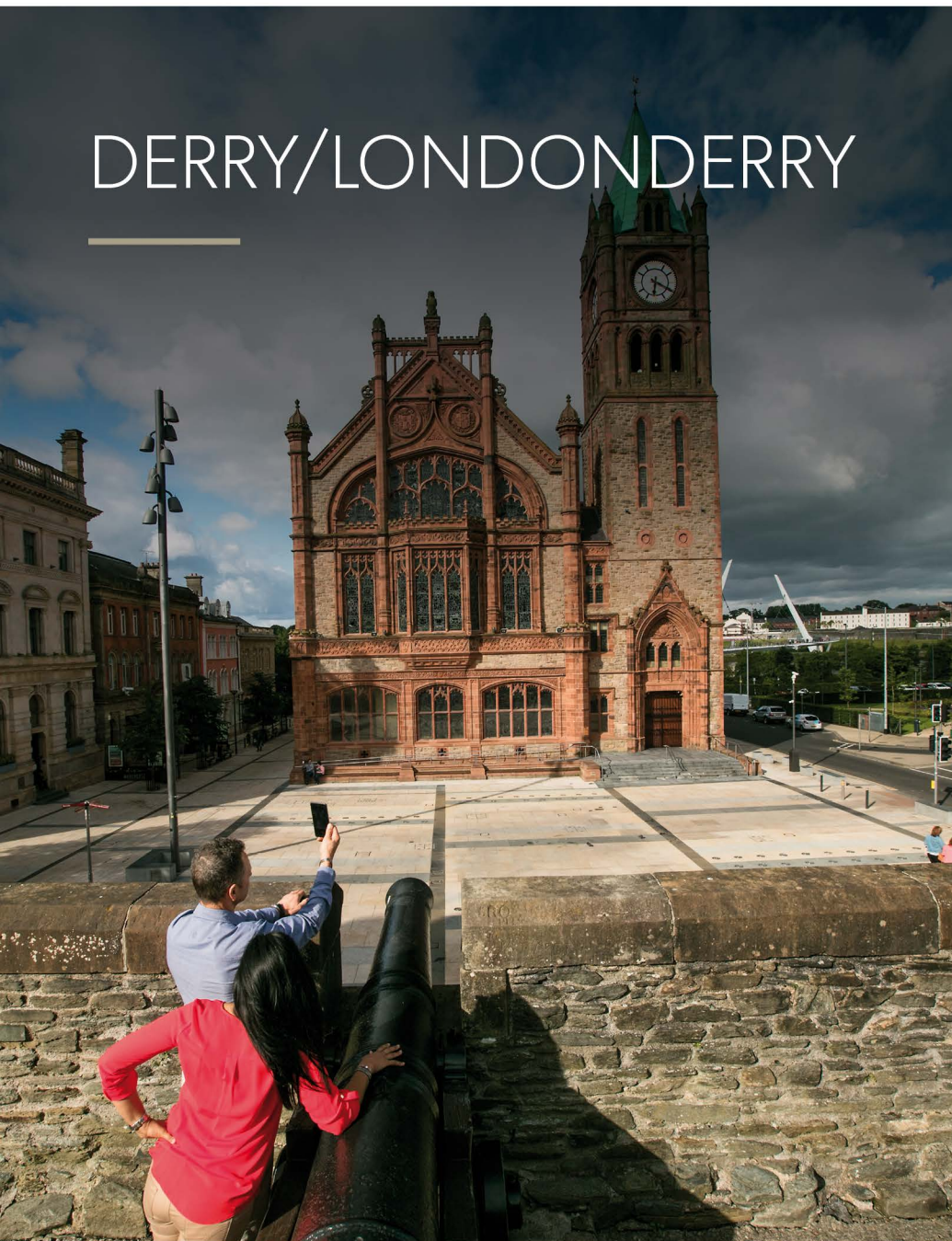
Explore Belfast, Capital City of Northern Ireland on a short break of 2, 3 or 4 nights. Once a troubled city, Belfast is now the perfect place for a getaway! It's a centre for culture and entertainment, with some of the best food and music in the country. Don't forget it's also the birthplace of the **Titanic** and we highly recommend a visit to the visitor centre. From culture and history to fun and conviviality, what is there not to like? And for some fresh air, take a day trip to the **Giant's Causeway** just a few hours away.



PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

2, 3 or 4 nights in a 3* centrally located hotel
'History of Terror' Tour of Belfast City Centre
Additional excursions can be added

DERRY/LONDONDERRY



Explore Derry/Londonderry Northern Ireland's second largest city on a short break of 2, 3 or 4 night break. Only an hour from Belfast, Derry/Londonderry has its own unique style and character. The great **City Walls** provide the backdrop to a city that has witnessed centuries of drama and guided walks offer insights into events that have shaped its Irish, British and European history. Discover the nearby ancient Ulster countryside or cross the border to the Republic of Ireland and travel to Malin Head, the most northerly point on the island located on the Inishowen peninsula.

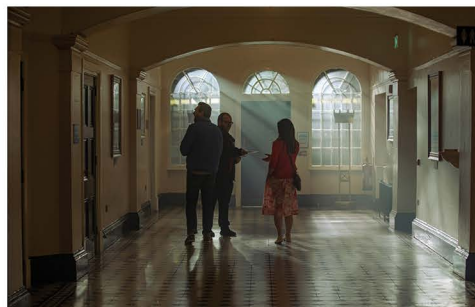


PACKAGE INCLUSIONS:

1. 2, 3 or 4 nights in a 3* centrally located hotel
2. Unlock the Walled City Tour of Derry/Londonderry
3. Additional excursions can be added

A photograph of two women standing in a greenhouse filled with various potted plants and flowers. The woman on the left is wearing a blue long-sleeved shirt and grey trousers, while the woman on the right is wearing a blue and white striped long-sleeved shirt and dark patterned trousers. They are both smiling and looking at a plant. The greenhouse has a curved glass roof and is filled with a variety of plants, including white and yellow daffodils, red and pink geraniums, and green leafy plants. The text "OUR FAVOURITES" is overlaid in the center of the image.

OUR FAVOURITES



PRIVATE TOUR OF CRUMLIN ROAD GAOL

Belfast

Take an exclusive private tour of Northern Ireland's only remaining Victorian Era prison. With over 150 years of history and 25,000 prisoners, there are certainly plenty of stories to be told. With access to all areas of the prison including the tunnel connecting the gaol to the courthouse on the other side of Crumlin Road, your expert guide will walk you through a fascinating history. Discover the history of imprisonment here, the executions that were carried out and finally why the decision was taken to close the gaol.



PRIVATE TOUR OF HILLSBOROUGH CASTLE

Hillsborough, Co Down

From grand family home to charming royal residence, Hillsborough Castle has welcomed the world and witnessed pivotal moments in history for over three hundred years. The castle is the official Northern Ireland residence of HM The Queen. It's also been home to the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland since the 1970s and played a central role in the peace-building process.

Whilst visiting the castle you will also be able to visit the stunningly attractive gardens. Hillsborough Castle's glorious gardens are bursting with colour and are a joy to explore.



SADDLE UP BY THE SEA

Limavady, Co. Derry/Londonderry

From the moment you arrive at **Crindle Stables** you'll be surrounded by the sights, smells and sounds of life on what is essentially a working family farm. You'll receive an Irish welcome with tea and scones and meet the people who work here. You'll immerse yourself in the daily routine. Best of all, you'll get up-close to the magnificent horses and revel in the wonderful tranquillity of these animals which rubs off on visitors, building that connection between rider and horse. When the horses are saddled-up, it's time to go. Enjoy the perspective of the farm and wider scenery as you dander along the country lanes and develop a new set of skills against the backdrop of the magnificent

Binevenagh Mountain. It's a relaxing experience, listening to your guide recounting tales and legends of this beautiful place, greeting local people and encountering the warm welcome that Northern Ireland is famous for. Your route will take you down country roads lined with stone walls, leafy trails and tiny country lanes. You'll head for the shore, and be welcomed by the revitalising sea air. Take a leisurely ride through the lapping waves and trot over the soft sand. Experienced riders can canter or gallop along the strand. With the cliffs soaring up above you on one side and the Atlantic waves crashing on the other, this is a visit to the seaside like no other



GLENSHANE COUNTRY FARM

Maghera, Co Derry/Londonderry

Glenshane Country Farm is a family owned sheep farm, based deep in the beautiful ancient landscape of the Sperrin Mountains with panoramic views across Northern Ireland.

James McCloy is a fourth-generation shepherd who wants to introduce people to sheep farming and particularly his highly trained team of working sheepdogs. Join Moss, Tess & 2 year old Jess, on this new immersive experience, 'Sheepdogs at Work'.



GLENARM CASTLE & GARDEN

Glenarm, Co Antrim

Located along the Causeway Coastal Route, Glenarm is the private family home of the McDonnell family, Earls of Antrim. Glenarm is one of Ireland's most important historic estates. The family Butler will be your guide and help bring the stories of the castle to life. You will visit some of the castle's fine reception rooms and a tour of the historic walled garden, dating back to the 17th century, is also included. A special treat awaits before you leave in the family dining room, you will enjoy a glass of Champagne and some Cream Team, all the while regaled with further stories from the family Butler



BALLYCASTLE MUSIC TRAIL

Ballycastle, Co. Antrim

Step into the tunes, songs, stories and dance of the Causeway Coast and Glens in the lively company of two skilled local musicians. They will take you on a musical journey from the seafront, with its tales of the sea and songs of sailors, up into the heart of Ballycastle, a crossroads of traditional music. You'll visit the pubs where the music has been kept alive through generations and at each stop will be treated to live music in your own personal 'session'. The Ballycastle Traditional Music Trail brings you closer to the instruments, the people who play them and the language, customs and history that make up our vibrant musical culture and traditions. You will visit a number of quaint Irish pubs and one of the oldest pubs in the town. There'll be plenty of stories, music and fun (ceol agus craic) and the braver among you might just want to bring your dancing shoes!



SEAMUS HEANEY EXPERIENCE

Co Derry/Londonderry

Seamus Heaney is one of the world's best known and most loved poets, truly one of the greatest Irish writers of all time. Discover how his formative years in the Bellaghy area shaped his life and inspired him throughout his career. The beautiful visitor centre is the perfect place to learn more about this Nobel Prize winning poet. Hear the extraordinary words read by Seamus himself, in the very area they were forged. The exhibition is packed with poetry, photographs and stories that will take you to the heart of his life and work. A truly memorable and emotional visit awaits you.



BELFAST TRADITIONAL MUSIC TRAIL

Belfast

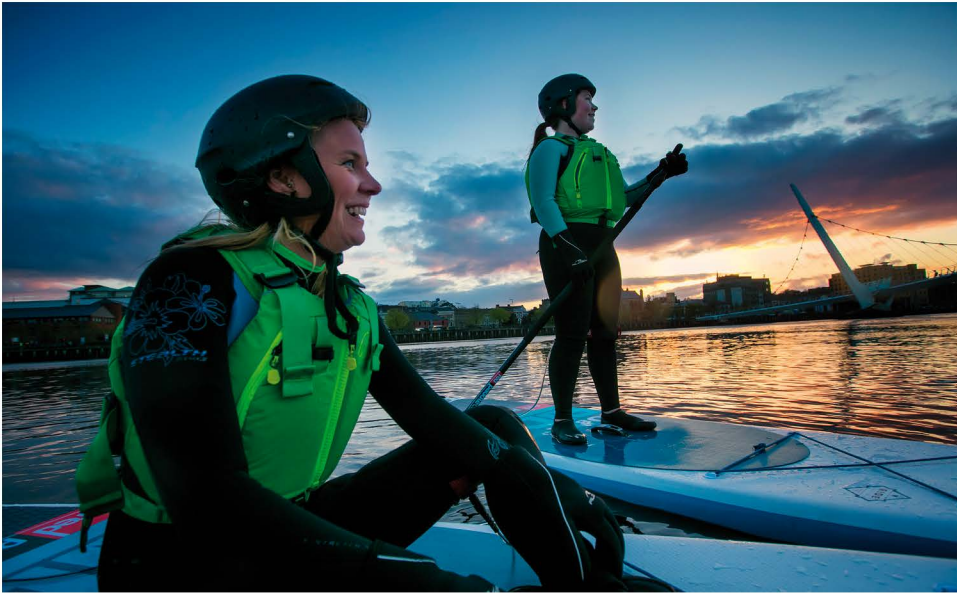
Time to put on the walking shoes! You will enjoy a 2 ½ hour walking tour in Belfast, considered by many to be one of Ireland's best cities for traditional Irish music. Your guides are two professional musicians! Savour the music, songs and stories while enjoying some nice refreshments – nothing like a Guinness or a Whiskey to allow you enjoy the atmosphere in some fine venues. You will also learn lots about our Irish traditional music instruments, our language and our customs. A late afternoon of great music, songs and fun awaits – you might even try a few Irish dance steps along the way!



THE EMIGRANTS WALK

Carntogher Mountain, Co. Derry

Step back in time with local expert Cathy O'Neill who will bring your imagination to life with stories of a famine-struck people. These were the people of the mid-19th Century who set out from the most deprived parts of Northern Ireland to make new lives for themselves, with almost nothing in their pockets, but the bright flame of hope in their hearts. You will trace their near-barefoot journey across the rugged, boulder-strewn landscape of Carntogher, spectacular in Spring and Summer, but often harshly unforgiving in Autumn and Winter. In step and sympathy with them, you will get to place your own Emigrant Stone amongst their countless stones at the carn on the mountain summit. The lives and hopes of those emigrants echo across this land and you will hear and experience that resonant echo in Friel's Bar & Restaurant, built on the site of an original Famine-era soup kitchen. Wonder at the authentic Famine Pot from which the emigrants were fed and get a taste for the heartening nettle soup with which they fortified themselves for the next leg of their fateful journey. Emigrants were often sent on their way with a final poitin toast, a dram of which is the perfect way to complete this fascinating and spell-binding journey through time. As a memento of your experience you will get to take an engraved stone home with you, a memorial gesture towards the people whose footsteps you walked in.



STAND UP PADDLE BOARDING – NO PLASTICS AT SEA

Co Down

Astride your paddleboard, you have the best seat in the house to enjoy a tasty gourmet lunch. Sounds like a lot of fun! An experience to suit all as expert guides will get you started on the water – all experience levels welcome. You will have the opportunity to explore the beautiful County Down coastline and sample delicious local cuisine while on the water! What a novel way to view local sights, savour lovely foods and have a truly fun time. This is a sustainable experience – the team at SUP commit to a 'No Plastics at Sea' policy to ensure the waters remain clear and enjoyed by all.



GAME OF THRONES STUDIO TOUR

Belfast

Located at the Linen Mills Studios, one of the show's filming locations, the Game of Thrones Studio Tour invites you to step behind the scenes of the Seven Kingdoms and beyond. You get to experience the world of Game of Thrones like never before and to explore how one of the world's greatest ever TV series was created and brought to life on screen. See the collection of costumes, props, sets and weapons. Learn from the award-winning artists who helped bring this epic TV drama to life. A must include for all fans of the series!

UNIQUE ACCOMMODATIONS



GALGORM RESORT & SPA

Co Antrim, Northern Ireland

Just 30 mins from Belfast, the cottages and lodges in Galgorm Resort & Spa offer a unique opportunity to combine a private homely stay with all the facilities of a 5 star hotel.



BUBBLE DOMES AT FINN LOUGH

Co Fermanagh, Northern Ireland

Whether you are looking for a romantic getaway, an escape in nature or simply a truly unique experience, the Bubble Domes at Finn Lough is what you need. Located in natural woodlands they feature 180° views, allowing you to engage in the tranquillity of your surroundings for a truly memorable stay.



THISTLE MOUNTAIN COTTAGE

Co. Down, Northern Ireland

Thistle Mountain Cottage is the highest traditional thatch roof cottage in Ireland with an idyllic views of Tollymore Forest and The Mourne Mountains. Offering a historic traditional stay whilst still providing all the mod cons you would expect in a 5 star property. Relax by the Mourne Granite fireplace, soak up the views in the private wood-fired outdoor hot tub or simply enjoy the natural surroundings in the wildflower meadow.



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