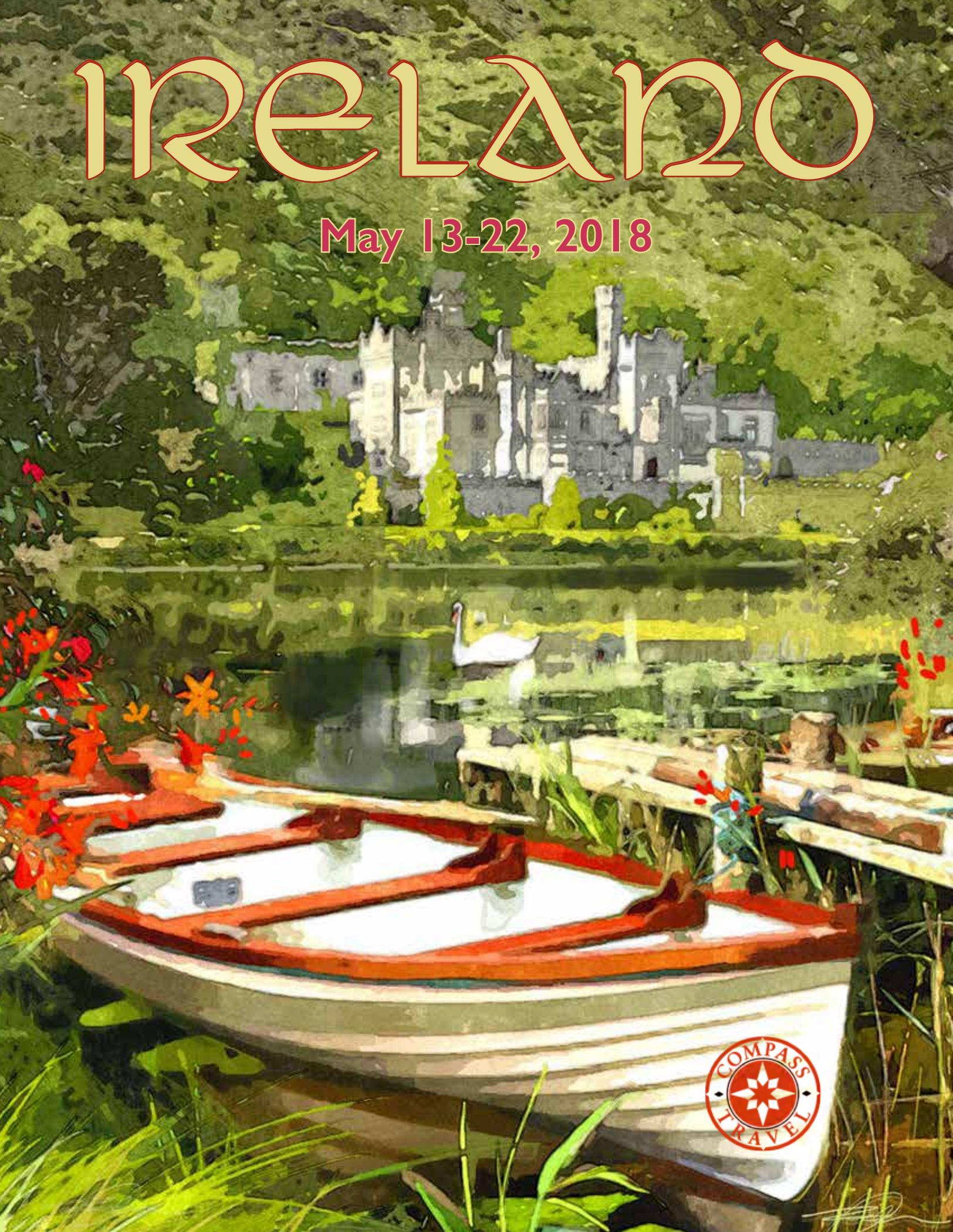


# ireland

May 13-22, 2018





## Dear Compass Traveler,

Luigi and I invite you to join us on our trip to Ireland, a land of enchantment where legend and reality mingle. Discover for yourself the mystique and charm of the Emerald Isle. Enjoy sweeping vistas of beautiful and untouched scenery beyond compare. Revel in Irish folklore as we explore a land inhabited by fairies, merrows, and leprechauns. If you fancy a pint, witty conversation, and authentic Irish hospitality, look no further than the local pub. Dine on a new wave of Irish cuisine, which focuses on fresh, locally-grown ingredients and the catch of the day.

HOLLY & LUIGI

# ITINERARY

### Sunday, May 13

Our sojourn begins as we board our private motorcoach in New London, New Hampshire, and travel to Boston's Logan Airport for our overnight flight to Shannon.

### Monday, May 14

Upon arrival, we are greeted by our professional guide and then treated to a hearty Irish breakfast in a magnificent setting fit for royalty. On to Killarney and our home for the next four nights, the Killarney Park Hotel. This evening, enjoy a cocktail reception followed by a welcome dinner.

*Overnight: Killarney - Killarney Park Hotel (B, D)*

### Tuesday, May 15

We start the day with a drive along the glorious Ring of Kerry, the famed scenic route that hugs the rugged Irish coast. Enjoy spectacular views of pristine beaches, medieval ruins, mountains and lakes. We stop in Kenmare, and delight



*Top: Killarney Park Hotel. Bottom: Ring of Kerry coastal scenery.*



in the sweeping landscapes from Ladies View and Molls Gap. We end the day with a visit to the Victorian mansion Muckross House.

*Overnight: Killarney - Killarney Park Hotel (B)*

### **Wednesday, May 16**

We begin today's adventure in horse-drawn jaunting carts through the Gap of Dunloe, a mountain pass in Killarney National Park that boasts breathtaking scenery. Enjoy a picnic lunch in the Black Valley before returning via watercraft on the lakes of Killarney. Tonight, relax over dinner and entertainment at a local pub.

*Overnight: Killarney - Killarney Park Hotel (B, L, D)*

### **Thursday, May 17**

Today we tour the magnificent Dingle Peninsula, once referred to as "the most beautiful place on Earth" by *National Geographic Traveller*. A very special treat tonight—the local residents of Kerry graciously open their homes to us for an authentic Irish dinner.

*Overnight: Killarney - Killarney Park Hotel (B, D)*

### **Friday, May 18**

This morning, we depart Killarney for the "Rebel County" of Cork. Enroute, we stop at Middleton Distillery for a whiskey tasting. On to Cobh with a visit to the Heritage Center.

*Overnight: Cork - Hayfield Manor (B)*

### **Saturday, May 19**

A highlight of our tour today is a visit to the village of Blarney with stops at Blarney Castle (must kiss the Blarney Stone!) and the Woolen Mills. There's nothing like Irish woolens!

*Overnight: Cork - Hayfield Manor (B)*

### **Sunday, May 20**

We leave Cork for County Limerick and the picturesque village of Adare, renowned as one of Ireland's prettiest towns, dotted with stone buildings, thatched cottages, medieval monasteries and lush parks. Enjoy tours of Bunratty Castle and Folk Park. Later in the day, we continue on to our elegant accommodations for our last two nights, the 840-acre Adare Manor estate.

*Overnight: Adare - Adare Manor (B)*

### **Monday, May 21**

Enjoy a free day. Adare Manor offers a wide variety of activities—archery, falconry, classic-car driving, fishing, walking, and golf. Tonight, we gather for a special farewell dinner.

*Overnight: Adare - Adare Manor (B, D)*

### **Tuesday, May 22**

Our guide bids us "slan abhaile" (safe home) as we depart Shannon and return to Boston where our private motorcoach waits to transfer us back to New London. (B)

*Photos at right (from top): Blarney Castle, home of the legendary Blarney Stone; traditional thatched roof cottage in Adare; Ireland is famous for its woolens.*





*Aerial view of Adare Manor.*

## Included Features:

- Escorted by Holly Walker and Luigi Minoletti
- Private motorcoach from New London, NH, to Logan Airport and return
- Accommodations for 8 nights in deluxe hotels
- Meals: 9 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 4 dinners (noted in itinerary as B, L, D)
- Sightseeing as outlined in the day-to-day itinerary
- Services of a professional tour guide throughout
- Transportation in Ireland by private, deluxe motorcoach
- Portorage of one suitcase per person at hotels

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### **Tour Limited to 20 Participants**

\$4,850 per person (based on double occupancy)  
Single supplement: \$1,100

**Airfare not included**

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