



Ireland's Floral Odyssey with 11th World Flower Show

Wicklow County's Powerscourt Gardens

Designed especially for gardening enthusiasts, the 11th World Flower Show and the most photographed garden in the country are just two highlights, on a four-day experience of the plants and landscapes of Ireland.

It's Insider Moments like... the combined scent of thousands of flowers in the air as you experience a 'floral odyssey' at the 11th World Flower Show in Dublin, where 600 flower arrangers from across the world compete to create the best arrangement. It's finding out more about the 15,000 species of plants and flowers at the National Botanic Gardens, as you explore the gardens that range from rose to alpine. And seeing the striking colours of exotic plants on a stroll through the famous grounds of Ireland's gardening queen, Helen Dillon.

4 day extension

From **\$865[^]** per person twin share

Departing: 19 June 2014

Simply add this extension to any Trafalgar guided holiday of your choice.

Includes: 3 nights' accommodation (1 hotel), 3 buffet breakfasts, 1 dinner (Welcome Reception). All transport shown. All our featured inclusions (including a Travel Director, all hotel tips, charges and local taxes, meal tips and sightseeing).

It's travel beyond the expected

Day 1 | Thursday 19 June 2014 | Arrive Dublin (3 nights)

Checking in to your hotel on arrival in Dublin, Ireland's famous capital, the morning is yours to explore the city. This afternoon, enjoy a guided tour of the National Botanic Gardens. Founded in 1795, the gardens are home to over 15,000 species of plants, ranging from exotic flowers to native shrubs. You can discover the perfectly manicured Rose Gardens and experience a taste of Switzerland in the Alpine Yard, or stroll under the canopy of the arboretum and visit the famous greenhouses. This evening we return to the hotel for a Welcome Reception, with your fellow travellers and Travel Director. **(WR)**
Hotel: Hilton Kilmainham

Day 2 | Friday 20 June 2014 | Dublin

Following a hearty Irish buffet breakfast, we head to the home of the Royal Dublin Society, for the 11th World Flower Show. Its first time in Dublin, you have the full day to experience the sights, sounds and smells of this floral odyssey, as 600 flower arrangers from 31 countries create incredible displays with flora from around the world. Whether it's finding out more about the art of flower arranging and cultivation during inspiring demonstrations and lectures from experts in the field, wandering the many exhibits, or searching for new flowers and plants to grow and arrange at home, this is an event not to be missed by garden lovers. This evening is free to explore the city of Dublin, from the hallowed grounds of Trinity College

to the buzzing nightlife of Temple Bar, with its many pubs, bars and eateries. **(BB)**

Day 3 | Saturday 21 June 2014 | Dublin | County Wicklow | Dublin

Known as one of the most beautiful gardens in Ireland, we journey to Wicklow County's Powerscourt Gardens, set against the stunning backdrop of Sugarloaf Mountain. Designed and created over 150 years, the gardens' 47 acres are home to over 200 varieties of trees, shrubs and flowers. There's lots to do on this morning excursion, whether it's wandering the diverse Italian, Rose and Kitchen Gardens, shopping for the best Irish arts and crafts at the Palladian Mansion or indulging in home-cooked Irish cuisine at the Terrace Café. This afternoon we venture onwards, for a Unique Insight into the home and garden of the queen of Irish gardeners, Helen Dillon. An eclectic mix of elegant design and zesty colour, her garden is the most photographed in Ireland, and is considered to be one of the gems of the horticultural world. Admiring the exotic mix of plants, you can learn about the art of gardening from Helen herself, asking questions and gaining inspiration from one of the world's best gardeners **(BB)**

Day 4 | Sunday 22 June 2014 | Dublin

Your journey into the gardens of Ireland comes to an end this morning. Transfers to your start hotel or airport are available, conditions apply. **(BB)**



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Irish Highlights

7 days

From \$1,799 per person twin share

The fast-track to Ireland - this seven-day encounter with the southern side takes you from Dublin and back, stopping at Waterford, Limerick and the scenic Ring of Kerry along the way.

It's Insider moments like... Catherine Fulvio's slow-baked apple and carrot cake as you join this world-renowned chef for dinner at her 350 acre farm near Dublin. And you'll go beyond the showroom at Waterford Crystal, into the workshop where the master craftsmen work on exquisite pieces of art.

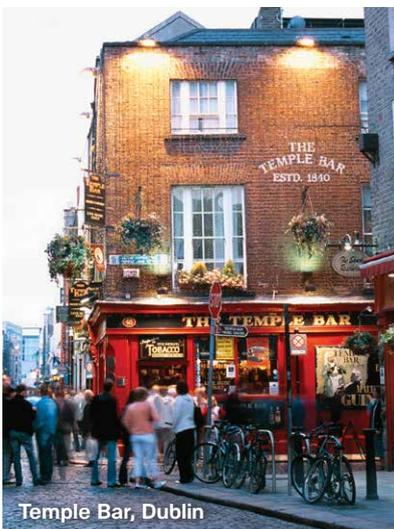
Irish Experience

11 days

From \$2,725 per person twin share

This foray into the diversity of the North and the South of Ireland takes you inside the increasingly cool cities, like Dublin and Belfast, and much reported 'emerald' countryside.

It's Insider moments like... hearing born-and-bred Irishman Ronan's passion as he takes you around his 'home turf'. He reveals Londonderry's progressive present, having been the UK City of Culture 2013, and its deeply troubled past. Join passengers recreating scenes from the 1840s when people fled to escape the potato famine, becoming early Irish Americans.



Temple Bar, Dublin



Trinity College, Dublin

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

*Ireland's Floral Odyssey pricing valid for travel 19 Jun 14 only. Prices are per person, twin share & subject to availability. Single supplement of \$345 is available. No discounts, including all brochure discounts and other promotional offers, are available. Ireland's Floral Odyssey is an extension-only product and must be purchased in conjunction with a 2014 Europe & Britain Trafalgar guided holiday. *Prices shown are valid for travel on selected dates: Irish Highlights 4 May - 29 Jun 14 and Irish Experience 11 May - 29 Jun 14. For full terms and conditions visit www.trafalgar.com

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