**White Rose Motorcycle Tours – Killarney & SW. Ireland**

 **Sunday 10th August – Saturday 16th September 2025**

Welcome to the White Rose **Killarney & SW Ireland Tour**, we hope you enjoy your holiday. If you have not been with us before, please take a few minutes to read this Information Pack, as it will help to explain how to get the best out of your tour, and what to expect. Inside your Pack you will find a White Rose motorcycle sticker, we would ask that you fix this to the rear of your bike/luggage for the duration of the tour – this will help identify yourself to fellow riders and your escort.

This being an escorted tour, we supply all the relevant information you will need, including the proposed route. Riding in a group can sometimes prove slow, so you may prefer to split-off and ride at your own pace, with friends or riders of a similar style. If you have a Garmin satellite navigator, we can email you the routes beforehand.

You are, of course, welcome to ride with your escorts - however, please remember, they are just that, and it is your responsibility to know where you are at all times, and - should you become separated - be able to make your own way. If riding with the group please follow the escorts not your own satnavs as they may choose to take a different route, please read the enclosed notes on “Group Riding”. Any rides-out will use the ‘drop off system’ described in that document.

**Sunday 10th August Dublin to Shannon (147 miles)**

The tour will meet up at the Holyhead ferry for departure to Ireland. Due to the time of departure, you may have to stay overnight close-by. Your guides Roy & Alison Adams will be staying at the **Premier Inn, Holyhead,** should you wish to join them there. Please refuel ready for the morning.

Our ferry crossing will be using Stena Lines from Holyhead to Dublin Harbour (Dublin) The ferry departs at **09.00 hrs** and takes 3hrs 15 mins. **Check-in opens at 07:45 and closes at 08:15**. At check-in, **please use the ferry reference we have given you**.

Every ferry has different arrangements regarding securing your bike - normally a ratchet strap or rope will be supplied. Seats are not pre-booked, but this does not usually cause a problem. There are bars and restaurants on the ferry.

We are scheduled to arrive at **12.15hrs.** Here we will briefly re-group before moving off. As we leave the Harbour, you will have to pay the tunnel toll (€3.50) and there a few other small charges as we use predominantly motorways on our journey west towards Limerick.

Once at the hotel you can get changed and relax before we all meet in the bar, here you can get to know your fellow riders and Guides for the tour, before sitting down to an evening meal**.**  We generally eat as a group. Dress is smart but casual, with no sleeveless T shirts, tracksuit trousers or shorts in the dining room, gentlemen please. **Dinner at 7pm, Breakfast at 7.30am.**

**Treacys Oakwood Hotel \*\*\*\***

**Airport Road**

**Shannon**

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**Monday 11th August Shannon to Killarney (150 miles)**

Lots to see today as we first ride across the 'Burren' - meaning ‘rocky land’ in Gaelic, - this large limestone plateau retains the heat and provides a unique micro-climate resulting in a botanical environment more suited to Mediterranean plants. Taking the scenic coastal road, we soon come across the 'Cliffs of Moher', here breath-taking cliffs offer fantastic views as they rise over 200m directly out of the sea and extend some 8kms. (Entrance €15 (€8 if booked online [www.cliffsofmoher.ie](http://www.cliffsofmoher.ie) ).

Continuing southwards we get to the banks of the River Shannon where we take the Killimer-Tarbert ferry to cross to the south (save 10% by booking online, motorbike single €11.70, via website [www.shannonferries.com/buy-online-tickets](http://www.shannonferries.com/buy-online-tickets) ). Passing through Tralee - home to the famous ‘Rose of Tralee’ beauty contest – we arrive at the popular tourist town of Killarney, our home for the next four nights.

Note: if you wish, you may have time to ride the Dingle Peninsula en-route, or you can leave this for another day.

Your accommodation whilst here is at a 4-star Hotel. The hotel has dining facilities, but we have left you to make your own dinner arrangements. The town centre is a 20-minute walk and there is numerous music bars and restaurants to choose from. **B&B – Breakfast from 7am**

**Hotel Killarney \*\*\*\***

**Cork Road**

**Killarney**

**Tel: +353 (0)64 6626200**

**www.hotelkillarney.ie

Tuesday 12th – Thursday 14th August (free days)**
There is plenty to do and see around this lively town. Geared up mainly for our American friends, there are numerous excursions to popular tourist spots. For those who prefer to ride, we have given you satnav routes for the three peninsular of Dingle, Iveragh (Kerry) and Beara. You could easily do one per day if you wished.
On return, you could enjoy the Irish music bars and perhaps a pint or two of the ‘Black Stuff’. Killarney has many restaurants and they can get busy, so it can be worth eating early to take advantage of ‘early bird’ offers.

**Friday 15th August Killarney to Wexford (163 miles)**
Today’s suggested route uses predominantly national and motorway roads. Leaving Killarney on the N22 for Cork we pick up the R618 which takes you to **Blarney Castle**. From there the N20 and northern Ring Road takes you onto the N25 towards Dungarven. If you do not wish to visit the castle you can stay on the N22 and visit Cork or bypass it to the south. Following either route, you have the option to call in at the Waterford Crystal Factory and pass right by the Dunbrody Emigration ship at New Ross. Both these places are marked on your satnav.

Our final night is at a 4-star hotel situated by the sea on the outskirts of Wexford. Your stay includes an evening meal and full use of the hotel’s spa & leisure facilities**. Dinner at 7pm, Breakfast at 8am.**

**FerryCarrig Hotel \*\*\*\***

**Ferrycarrig**

**Wexford**

**Tel: 00 353 53 915 36 23**

**www.ferrycarrighotel.ie**

**Saturday 16th September Wexford to Dublin Harbour (85mls)
Early start I am afraid for those riding the short distance to Rosslare to catch the ferry to Fishguard. The ferry departs at 0815hrs and arrives in Fishguard at 1145hrs. We say goodbye to those returning via Dublin, their ferry departs at 1445hrs arriving at 1820hrs.
The tour is completed on arrival in the UK, where we bid farewell and make our way home.**