



# 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour

## OUTLINE ITINERARY

### Get Active in Northern Ireland & the Northwest

Head north on our most active adventure tour yet!

Spend 7 days on an unforgettable adventure vacation in Ireland. Go cliff hiking, biking, horseback-riding and sea kayaking on your way around the rugged countryside of **Northern Ireland and the northwest**.

You're about to uncover the wonders of the **Giant's Causeway**, the wild beaches of **Donegal**, the craic in **Westport** and the fascinating history of **Belfast** and **Derry/Londonderry**.



## Summary

### Tour Style

**VAGABOND - ACTIVE**

### Tour Vehicle

**CHUNKY 4X4 TOUR VEHICLE**

13 Seats

### Pickup/Drop Off Location

**GRAND CANAL HOTEL, DUBLIN**

### Departure Day

**SUNDAY**

### Return Day & Time

**5.00-6.00PM SATURDAY**



## TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- Hike the Northern Ireland coastline to the **Giant's Causeway**, with sea stacks, chalk cliffs and hidden coves along the way.
- Choose your adventure activities, such as sea kayaking off remote **Donegal**
- Walk over the **Carrick-a-Rede** rope bridge, suspended 100ft above the North Atlantic
- Leave your mark on **Belfast**, as part of a local-led, guided historical tour of Northern Ireland's capital city.
- Take a boat trip in the shadow of **Slieve League**, the highest accessible sea cliffs in Europe.
- Conquer the summit of **Slieve Gullion** to discover an ancient mountaintop passage tomb and hear ancient myths.
- Experience the contested histories of **Derry/Londonderry** — Ireland's only intact walled city — on a guided walking tour.
- Taste the real Ireland with overnights in quality independent hotels, located in **remote locations** and quaint villages.
- Explore parts of Ireland even Irish people rarely visit! Expect **cliff-top castle ruins**, authentic villages, craft studios and traditional music.

WHERE YOU SEE 'OPTIONAL EXTRA', ACTIVITIES AND FEES ARE OPTIONAL. MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THE FINAL PAGE FOR COSTS OF EACH OPTIONAL EXTRA.

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# My Tour Notes

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### Day 1



📍 **GRAND CANAL HOTEL, DUBLIN to CARNLOUGH, ANTRIM**

*Overnight Stay*  
**THE HARBOURVIEW HOTEL OR BALLYGALLY CASTLE HOTEL**

*Day of Week*  
**SUNDAY**

*Average Driving*  
**4 HOURS**

### SCENIC HIKE & GUIDED BELFAST TOUR

Meet your VagaGuide and fellow Vagabonds at reception of the **Grand Canal Hotel, Dublin** at least 15 minutes before your scheduled departure time of 8.10am. Board your VagaTron 4x4 tour vehicle and hit the road!

Cross the border into **Northern Ireland** (remember, UK £ sterling required).

Climb **Slieve Gullion** mountain (573 m / 1,880 ft) to one of Ireland's highest passage tombs. Enjoy great views and mysterious folk myths.

Zoom to **Belfast**, the vibrant capital of Northern Ireland, to choose from the following activities:

#### OPTIONAL EXTRAS (Choose A, B, or C)

- **A.** A highly recommended Black Cab Tour, explaining the history of the Troubles era.
- **B.** Or a self-guided visit to the Titanic Centre.
- **C.** Alternatively, explore Belfast at your own pace.

### Day 2



📍 **CARNLOUGH, ANTRIM to DERRY/LONDONDERRY**

*Overnight Stay*  
**THE BISHOP'S GATE HOTEL**

*Day of Week*  
**MONDAY**

*Average Driving*  
**3 HOURS**

### GIANT'S CAUSEWAY COASTAL HIKE

Cameras at the ready! You'll wake up on one of the world's most spectacular coastal drives, Antrim's **Causeway Coastal Route**.

First stop, is the Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge. Walk across the suspended bridge 100ft above the North Atlantic, first erected by local salmon fishermen over 250 years ago.

Next up, hike the Causeway Coast Way (Duration: 2.5 hours). The finale of this steep, often muddy trail, lies at the **Giant's Causeway**.

Experience the Giant's Causeway (Fee Included). Science tells us this World Heritage Site formed millions of years ago when magma cooled into 40,000 hexagonal basalt columns. But folklore says Finn McCool and his giant-fighting ways are to blame!

We'll stop for a photo at clifftop **Dunluce Castle** before passing through historic gates to enter the city of **Derry/Londonderry**.

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### Day 3



📍 **DERRY/LONDONDERRY to DUNFANAGHY, DONEGAL**

*Overnight Stay*  
**ARNOLDS HOTEL DUNFANAGHY**

*Day of Week*  
**TUESDAY**

*Average Driving*  
**2 HOURS**

### DERRY/LONDONDERRY & DONEGAL

Start the day with a guided historical walking tour along the walls of Ireland's only intact walled city, **Derry/Londonderry** (Fee Included).

Cross the border back into the **Republic of Ireland** and the euro currency zone (€).

Panoramic 360° vistas await you at the beautifully preserved Celtic stone ringfort at **Grianán of Aileach**.

Watch for wild deer and eagles on a lakeside hike in **Glenveagh National Park**. Time permitting, take a self-guided tour of Glenveagh Castle (Optional Extra).

This evening — weather permitting — explore caves on a guided sea kayaking adventure along the spectacular Donegal coastline (Optional Extra).

### Day 4



📍 **DUNFANAGHY, DONEGAL TO DONEGAL TOWN**

*Overnight Stay*  
**GATEWAY LODGE**

*Day of Week*  
**WEDNESDAY**

*Average Driving*  
**2 HOURS 30 MINUTES**

### SLIEVE LEAGUE CLIFFS BOAT TRIP

This morning, take a scenic drive to explore the wild wonderland that is Donegal; one of Ireland's most remote and beautiful regions.

At **Slieve League**, your VagaGuide will offer these options:

- Get close to the highest accessible sea cliffs in Europe, on a **hike** over steep and rugged terrain.
- Take a guided **boat trip** under the cliffs (Optional Extra). You'll be on a small, 12-person boat. Sea legs required.

Enjoy live traditional music in **Donegal town**, after a great day of adventures.

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### Day 5



📍 **DONEGAL TOWN TO BALLINA, MAYO**

*Overnight Stay*

**THE MOUNT FALCON ESTATE & SPA**

*Day of Week*

**THURSDAY**

*Average Driving*

**3 HOURS 30 MINUTES**

#### FARM TOUR & SHEEPDOG DEMO

Starting in Donegal, your adventure tour moves further into Ireland's northwest, finishing in Mayo.

This morning, explore craft shops in Donegal town or take a self-guided tour of 15th century **Donegal Castle** (Optional Extra).

Watch shepherd and dog working perfectly in tandem during a guided farm tour and **sheepdog demo** (Fee Included).

**Sligo** flies under the radar when compared to more famous Irish counties.

After lunch — weather permitting — choose from these options:

#### OPTIONAL EXTRAS (Choose A or B)

- **A.** Surfing (Optional Extra)
- **B.** A scenic local hike

### Day 6



📍 **BALLINA, MAYO to WESTPORT, MAYO**

*Overnight Stay*

**THE WYATT HOTEL**

*Day of Week*

**FRIDAY**

*Average Driving*

**2 HOURS**

#### HORSEBACK-RIDING & A HOLY HIKE

The penultimate day of your Magnetic North Adventure Tour spends quality time in **Mayo**. This northwestern county is arguably Ireland's most unspoilt destination.

Start slowly this morning, exploring the picturesque grounds — or the hot tub — at **Mount Falcon**.

Lose a sin with every step as you hike the holy mountain of **Croagh Patrick**. You'll be following an ancient pilgrimage route, connected to the legend of Ireland's patron saint.

If you have energy left after all that, jump onto a trusty steed for a guided **horseback ride** (Optional Extra). Alternatively, opt for an early check-in.

There's a distinct possibility of live music and good food this evening in **Westport**. Don't miss the unique atmosphere in the town's authentic Irish pubs.

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### Day 7



📍 **WESTPORT, MAYO to  
GRAND CANAL, DUBLIN**

*Day of Week*  
**SATURDAY**

*Average Driving*  
**4 HOURS**

### ROYAL CANAL CYCLE

Before we wave goodbye, there's still time to take in some of Ireland's highlights.

Discover Ireland's rich rural heritage at the **Museum of Country Life's** modern exhibition space and Victorian landscaped gardens.

Cycle along the banks of the beautifully scenic Royal Canal Greenway (Optional Extra). Alternatively, explore a shorter section on foot.

Disembark your VagaTron 4x4 tour vehicle back at the Grand Canal Hotel in **Dublin** between 5-6pm. Farewell hugs all round for your new friends.

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### TOUR PRICING

Oct Departures:

**€1,867.50 Per Person Sharing**

Single Room Supplement: €295.00

Jul to Sep Departures:

**€2,075.00 Per Person Sharing**

Single Room Supplement: €315.00

Apr and Oct 2026 Departures:

**€2,060.00 Per Person Sharing**

Single Room Supplement: €350.00

May to Sep 2026 Departures:

**€2,285.00 Per Person Sharing**

Single Room Supplement: €350.00

### WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Off The Beaten Track Adventure in 4x4 VagaTron Tour Vehicle
- Services of a Highly-Trained VagaGuide Tour Guide
- 7 Full Days on Tour
- 6 Nights' Accommodation
- 6 Delicious Hot Irish Breakfasts
- Most Daily activities and Visits (see Optional Extras)
- Guided Walking Tour of Derry/Londonderry
- Guided Sheepdog Demo
- Entrance to Carrick-a-Rede rope ridge
- Entrance into The Giant's Causeway

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### TOUR OPTIONS

Activities marked **OPTIONAL EXTRA** on the day-by-day descriptions carry an additional cost, but are optional.

Black Cab Tour\*\* - £20.00

Titanic Experience - £24.95

Sea Kayaking Donegal\*\* - €50.00

Glenveagh Castle Tour - €7.00

Slieve League Boat Trip\*\* - €25.00

Entrance to Donegal Castle - €5.00

Surfing in Sligo - €40.00

Horseback-Riding Mayo\*\* - €40.00

Royal Canal Cycle Tour\*\* - €22.00 / €42.00

Please note, this tour has stops in both the Republic of Ireland (EU) and Northern Ireland (UK). You will require both Euro (€) and Sterling (£) cash.

\* All details of prices and suppliers contained in this itinerary are correct at the time of publication. Our tour prices will not change as the season progresses. However, our suppliers occasionally increase prices at short notice. We will do our utmost to update you of major price changes as they occur.

\*\* Cash is required for this activity. No card payment available.

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