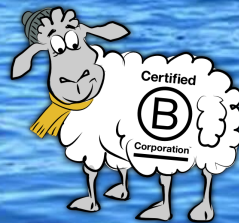




# 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



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# Why Book with Vagabond?

- ★ **IRELAND'S ORIGINAL, SINCE 2002:** 22 years of experience are distilled into every itinerary.
- ★ **TOTALLY LOCAL:** Family-owned with local Irish tour guides and staff plus independent hotels.
- ★ **WORLD'S BEST:** We proudly won a **TRAVEL + LEISURE WORLD'S BEST AWARD** in 2023, ranking 12th globally.
- ★ **1000S OF HAPPY GUESTS:** Read any one of our 1,800+ 5-Star reviews across **TRIPADVISOR** and **TRUSTPILOT**.
- ★ **AWESOME TOUR GUIDES:** Meet our highly-trained, passionate and well-supported **VagaGuide team**.
- ★ **FLEXIBLE & FAIR BOOKING:** Avail of a free 7 day seat hold, flat-rate deposit and convenient notice period.
- ★ **BEST-IN-CLASS VEHICLES:** No expense is spared on maintaining our 100% Mercedes tour vehicle fleet.
- ★ **PEOPLE & PLANET FIRST:** We respect the planet and support our community... That's why we're a **B CORP!**

*The Secret is in Our Team!*

Our amazing team go above and beyond to deliver outstanding travel experiences for every guest.





# 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North

## Tour Type

**VAGABOND - ACTIVE PACE**

## Tour Direction

**COUNTER-CLOCKWISE**

## Tour Vehicle

**CHUNKY 4X4 TOUR VEHICLE**

## Pickup / Dropoff Location

**GRAND CANAL HOTEL, DUBLIN**

[View Location](#)

## Departure Day & Time

**8.10AM SUNDAY**

## Return Day & Time

**5:00-6:00PM SATURDAY**



Get Active with Hikes,  
Bikes & Kayaks

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## 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, trail 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.**

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

# Tour Map

## 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



Kicking off in **Dublin**, you'll first head north to Armagh and **Belfast**. After touring the **Causeway Coast** in Antrim, arrive in the city of **Derry/Londonderry**. Leaving Northern Ireland, explore **Donegal** and **Sligo** before the tour finale in **Westport**, Mayo.



This tour travels in a counter clockwise direction around Ireland

# Highlights

## 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



- ★ 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**
- ★ 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 ruin**, authentic villages, craft studios and traditional music.

# Day 1: Sunday

## 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



### Scenic Hike & Guided Belfast Tour



GRAND CANAL HOTEL, DUBLIN to CARNLOUGH, ANTRIM

### Overnight Stay

HARBOURVIEW HOTEL



Escape to this historic hotel in the seaside village of Carnlough in Northern Ireland.

### Average Driving

4 HOURS

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, 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.



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# Day 2: Monday

## 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



### Giant's Causeway Coastal Hike



CARNLOUGH, ANTRIM to DERRY/LONDONDERRY

### Overnight Stay

BISHOPS GATE HOTEL



Bishop's Gate Hotel is perfectly positioned within the historic city walls at the heart of Derry/Londonderry's Cathedral Quarter.

### Average Driving

3 HOURS

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

Next up, hike the Causeway Coast Way. 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!

Anyone for a wee dram? Visit **Bushmills**, the oldest licensed whiskey distillery in the world, for a tasting (Optional Extra).

We'll stop at clifftop **Dunluce Castle** (Fee Included) before passing through historic gates to enter the city of **Derry/Londonderry**.



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# Day 3: Tuesday

## 7-Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



### Derry/Londonderry & Donegal



DERRY/LONDONDERRY to DUNFANAGHY, DONEGAL

### Overnight Stay

ARNOLDS HOTEL



At the heart of Dunfanaghy village, family-owned Arnolds Hotel overlooks spectacular scenery in Donegal.

### Average Driving

2 HOURS

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**.

Hike along a scenic lake in **Glenveagh National Park** with the choice of a self-guided castle tour (Optional Extra).

Rent regular bikes or e-bikes to explore Glenveagh National Park (Optional Extra). Minimum numbers apply.

This evening — weather permitting — choose from these options:

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

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



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# Day 4: Wednesday

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### Slieve League Cliffs Boat Trip



DUNFANAGHY, DONEGAL TO DONEGAL TOWN

### Overnight Stay

GATEWAY LODGE DONEGAL



Nestled amid the enchanting landscapes of Donegal is this beacon of hospitality and tranquility.

### Average Driving

2 HOURS 30 MINUTES

Today is yours to design. Flexible activities abound in **Donegal**; one of Ireland's most remote and beautiful regions.

This morning, take a scenic drive to explore the wild wonderland that is Donegal.

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: Thursday

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### Farm Tour & Sheepdog Demo



DONEGAL TOWN TO BALLINA, MAYO

### Overnight Stay

MOUNT FALCON ESTATE HOTEL



Mount Falcon Estate & Spa is always a guest favourite on our tours visiting Mayo and the northwest.

### Average Driving

3 HOURS 30 MINUTES

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



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# Day 6: Friday

## 7 Day Vagabond Magnetic North Adventure Tour



### Horseback-Riding & A Holy Hike



BALLINA, MAYO to WESTPORT, MAYO

### Overnight Stay

WYATT HOTEL WESTPORT



Relish the central location and high quality boutique hotel finish at the Wyatt.

### Average Driving

2 HOURS

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: Saturday

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### Iron Age Road Trip

Average Driving  
4 HOURS 30 MINUTES



WESTPORT, MAYO to GRAND CANAL, DUBLIN

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.

Unearth the Iron Age trackway, or togher, at **Corlea**. Constructed circa 150 BC, this is the largest prehistoric roadway in Europe, hinting at a sophisticated pre-Christian society.

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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# Options

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No two Vagabond or Driftwood tours are the same. Group preferences may alter the order or composition of this itinerary, which is a suggested outline rather than a rigid schedule. Orange/Red weather advisories (e.g. coastal wind warnings, high rainfall, thunderstorms, fog or ice/snow) issued by the Irish Meteorological Office may lead to activity cancellations at short notice. We will always attempt to find suitable alternative activities where safe to do so.

There's no need to book optional extras in advance of your tour (with the exception of the **Skellig Islands Landing** on the 12 Day Tour). Your VagaGuide will discuss options with you on tour and book accordingly. If there is something that you want to do or see, let us know. We will do our utmost to match your choice with the preferences of your group.

### DAILY ITINERARY OPTIONS PRICING

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

Black Cab Tour\*\* - £20.00

Bushmills Whiskey Tasting - £10.00

Glenveagh Castle Tour - €7.00

Slieve League Boat Trip\*\* - €25.00

Surfing in Sligo - €40.00

Titanic Experience - £24.95

Sea Kayaking Donegal\*\* - €50.00

Glenveagh Bike Rental - €15.00/€20.00

Entrance to Donegal Castle - €5.00

Horseback-Riding Mayo\*\* - €40.00

\* 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.

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.



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# Pricing

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### 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 into Dunluce Castle
- Entrance into The Giant's Causeway

### PLEASE NOTE

Please be aware that there may be unscheduled alterations to the listed accommodation. Rest assured that any alternate hotels will match or be superior to the standard of our listed accommodation.

NB: The following personal weight limits apply: Horseback-Riding: 225lbs / 16 stone / 102kg Kayaking: Per person Double Kayak: 110kg / 17.5 stone / 245lbs; Total Double Kayak: 190kg / 30 stone / 420lbs; Per person Single Kayak: 92kg / 14.5 stone / 200lbs.

### TOUR PRICING

Apr and Oct 2025 Departures:  
€1,867.50 Per Person Sharing  
Single Room Supplement: €295.00

May to Sep 2025 Departures:  
€2,075.00 Per Person Sharing  
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