



**PRELIMINARY**  
**IRELAND ITINERARY**

prepared for

**LEGACY HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND**  
**MARCH 13-20, 2025**





### Day 1: Thursday, March 13, 2025

**8:00 a.m.** Meet at Denver International Airport for check in with Air Canada

**11:25 a.m.** Depart Denver with Air Canada 1040

**4:37 p.m.** Arrival in Toronto

**7:35 p.m.** Depart Toronto with Air Canada 800

Overnight on the flight

### Day 2 Friday, March 14, 2025

#### Group 1 & 2:

**6:10 a.m.** Arrival at Dublin International Airport

Clear customs and meet your waiting coaches.

Receive your **boxed breakfast**.

**7:00 a.m.** Board your coach and depart for Blarney Castle. (approx. 3 ½ hours' drive)

**11:30 a.m.** Enjoy a visit to **Blarney Castle**, built nearly six hundred years ago by one of Ireland's greatest chieftains, Cormac MacCarthy, and attracting attention beyond Munster ever since. Not all of that has been welcome, as Good Queen Bess and Oliver Cromwell could testify. But over the last few hundred years, millions have flocked to Blarney, making it a world landmark and one of Ireland's greatest treasures. Now that might have something to do with the Blarney Stone, the legendary Stone of Eloquence, found at the top of the Tower. Kiss it and you'll never again be lost for words.

Lunch at the Woollen Mills (at own expense)

**2:00 p.m.** Continue to Limerick (approx. 2 hours' drive)

Limerick, which lies on the River Shannon in the western Irish province of Munster, became Ireland's first National City of Culture in 2014. The city gives its name to the limerick, a humorous, 5-line poem with an AABBA rhyme scheme. Limerick University, founded in 1989, hosts the Irish Chamber Orchestra and the Irish World Music Centre, and boasts a state-of-the-art, 1,000-seater concert hall. Places worthy of a visit in Limerick include King John's Castle, the St John's and St Mary's Cathedrals and the Treaty Stone.

**4:00 p.m.** Arrival at your hotel "**The Clayton Hotel**" for check-in.

<https://www.claytonhotels.com/limerick/>



**6:00 p.m.**      **Group Welcome dinner** at the hotel (soft drinks and alcoholic beverages at extra cost)

Overnight in Limerick.

### Day 3: Saturday, March 15, 2025

**8:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast** at the hotel.

**9:00 a.m.**      Board the coaches and depart for the Cliffs of Moher (approx. 1 hour 45 min).

Enjoy your day at **The Cliffs of Moher**, a UNESCO Global Geopark, and the most majestic cliffs in Ireland. The cliffs rise from the Atlantic Ocean at 215 metres and extend for over seven kilometres. From this height, you can admire the Aran Islands, the Connemara Mountains and the many sea birds that colonise this place to nest in spring.

Lunch at your leisure at the Cliffs View Cafe (*at own expense*).

**3:00 p.m.**      Board your coach and return to Limerick.

**6:30 p.m.**      This evening, enjoy a **Medieval Banquet** at **Knappogue Castle**.

**9:00 p.m.**      Return to your hotel by coach.

Overnight in Limerick.





### Day 5: Monday, March 17, 2025

**8:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast** at your hotel.

Collect your **packed lunch** from reception.

As the national holiday that is celebrated in more countries around the world than any other, today will be a full day of **St Patrick's celebrations!**

Board your coaches and depart for the city centre.

***\*\* Performance in St Patrick's Day  
Parade \*\****

Today is the day you have been waiting for! The great Dublin St Patrick's Day Parade. There is nothing else quite like it, and you will enjoy a colourful spectacle of music and celebration that is truly unique.

Enjoy your packed lunch.

After the parade, meet your coaches and transfer back to your hotel to get changed.

**Group Dinner** at TBA Restaurant.

Transfer back to your hotel.

Overnight in the Dublin Area.



## Day 6: Tuesday, March 18, 2025

**8:00 a.m.**      **Breakfast** at your hotel.

This morning, visit **EPIC Irish Emigration Museum**. This interactive, fun, and fascinating museum tells of Irish culture throughout the world and its influence.

Lunch (at own expense)

Enjoy an afternoon in central Dublin with events happening all over the city for the St Patrick's Festival.

***\*\* Possible festival performance\*\****

*(subject to approval and arrangements of festival organisers – **Not AE**)*

Group Dinner at the hotel.

Overnight in the Dublin Area.



### Day 7: Wednesday, March 19, 2025

**7:30 a.m.** Breakfast at your hotel.

**8:45 a.m.** Load the coaches.

**9:00 a.m.** Transfer to Glendalough (*approx. 1 hour, 45 mins*).

You will travel over bog roads, through valleys and mountain gaps, past Great Sugar Loaf Mountain, small villages and steep wooded slopes, to reach **Glendalough**, “the valley of the two lakes”.

**10:45 a.m.** Enjoy some free time to enjoy the tranquillity of the lakes. Glendalough is one of Ireland’s most important and atmospheric sites, founded by St. Kevin in the 6th century. Despite raids by Vikings and centuries of neglect, the monastery remains in an impressive state of preservation. **The Visitor Centre** houses a very comprehensive exhibition on Glendalough, detailing the history, archaeology, wildlife and much more.

**12:00 p.m.** Board your coach and return to Dublin (*approx 1 hour, 45 mins*)

**2:00 p.m.** This afternoon, enjoy an afternoon in this lovely capital city. You will see the beautiful Georgian Squares with their colourful doors, the famous shopping area of Grafton Street, the River Liffey, the GPO (General Post Office) and the largest public park in Europe, Phoenix Park among many other sites. Visit **St Patrick's Cathedral**. Dating from 1220, the cathedral was built in honour of Ireland's patron saint and stands next to the famous well where it is said St Patrick baptised converts to Christianity.

**4:30 p.m.** Return to the hotel.

**5:00 p.m.** Enjoy an early **Farewell Group Dinner** at TBA Restaurant

Return to your hotel.

Overnight in the Dublin Area.



## **Day 8: Thursday, March 20, 2025**

**Breakfast** at the hotel.

### **Group 1:**

**5:00 a.m.** Check out of your hotel and transfer to Dublin Airport for your flight home.  
**6:00 a.m.** Arrive at Dublin International Airport or check in.  
**9:00 a.m.** Depart Dublin International Airport with UA 22  
**12:45 p.m.** Arrival at Newark International Airport  
**4:45 p.m.** Depart Newark with UA 2059  
**7:13 p.m.** Arrival at Denver International Airport

### **Group 2:**

**8:00 a.m.** Check out of your hotel and transfer to Dublin Airport for your flight home.  
**9:00 a.m.** Arrive at Dublin International Airport or check in.  
**11:50 a.m.** Depart Dublin International Airport with 229  
**4:10 p.m.** Arrival at Washington Dulles  
**10:05 p.m.** Depart Washington Dulles with UA 2395  
**11:50 p.m.** Arrival at Denver International Airport