



A Program of the Museum of Jewish Heritage



Lord Mayors and Traders Ireland & Scotland

June 5—15, 2018

We are dedicated to making your experience rich in content and superior in comfort.

This unique travel program combines the expertise and resources of two organizations that cherish the traditions, achievements, and faith of Jewish communities – past and present – around the world. Jewish Heritage Travel and the Museum of Jewish Heritage are delighted to have the opportunity to share this rich, varied, and poignant history and culture with you on these select trips. We look forward to traveling with you.



Program Overview

Ireland, blessed with a magnificent landscape, is a country that is rich in spirit and history. It encompasses legends, Celtic myth and music and layer upon layer of different cultures. While Jewish settlers in Ireland are known to date back to the 12th century, it was not until 1660 that the first Synagogue was founded — a small prayer room opposite Dublin Castle. Since then, bolstered by significant immigration from Eastern Europe at the end of the 19th century, Jews have played important roles in Irish society — from Lord Mayors in Belfast, Dublin and Cork, to members of Parliament, the Diplomatic service, and the world of commerce and trade.

Scottish legend and folklore is permeated with Biblical allusions — including “Lia Fail,” the Stone of Destiny, which served as the coronation stone for the High Kings and is said to have been Jacob’s pillow in the Bible. This unique trip will bring to life the heritage and tradition of the Jews of Scotland and Ireland.

Led by Aryeh Maidenbaum, our journey will take us to Dublin and Edinburgh, from historic Belfast to the breathtaking, spectacular Antrim Coast and fabled Giants Causeway. Along the way, we will experience breathtaking landscape, rugged coastline and verdant countryside as well as meet with members of the Jewish community in Dublin, Belfast, Edinburgh and Glasgow.



Ha'penny Bridge, Dublin

Tentative Daily Itinerary*

Tuesday, June 5

Depart for Ireland

Wednesday, June 6 | Dublin

Check in to the five star Westin Hotel — superbly located in the center of Dublin — within walking distance of St. Stephen's Green, Trinity College, fine shopping, and Dublin's leading museums. This afternoon, we will enjoy a Panoramic City Tour, taking in many of the city's major attractions — including beautiful Georgian Squares with their colorful doors, the famous shopping area of Grafton Street, O'Connell Street, and the River Liffey (with its iconic 200 year old Ha'penny Bridge).

Evening: Orientation Meeting — including overview of our trip, a chance to get to know one another, and Welcome Dinner (included).

Thursday, June 7 | Dublin

Visit nearby Trinity College, where the famous Book of Kells (magnificent, illustrated manuscript dating back to the 8th Century) is on display; Phoenix Park — largest public park in Europe and where Aras an Uachtarain, (19th century residence of the Irish President) is located, and O'Connell Street and the GPO (General Post Office) — site of the 1916 Easter Rebellion where the Irish Flag was raised and the Proclamation of Ireland publicly read for the first time.

Lunch on our own — with many restaurants and pubs to choose from.

Before returning to our hotel, we will drive to Malahide Castle and Gardens and enjoy a guided Castle tour. Malahide Castle has a long and rich history and played a central role in Medieval Irish history; the oldest parts of the castle date back to the 12th century.

Evening presentation on the Jews of Ireland followed by dinner on our own.



Stained glass window, Irish Jewish Museum



Interior, Irish Jewish Museum, Dublin

Friday, June 8 | Dublin

This morning we will visit The Lord Mayor of Dublin's residence, (Mansion House — official residence of the Lord Mayor of Dublin since 1715) for a possible meeting with Mr. Ben Briscoe. Former member of Dail Eireann (Parliament), Mr. Briscoe occupied the seat his father Robert Briscoe (first Jew elected Lord Mayor of Dublin) held for many years. Ben Briscoe himself is a former Lord Mayor of Dublin.

From Mansion House, we will drive to the Dublin Jewish Museum. Opened by Chaim Herzog, past President of Israel, the museum preserves a small, but important part of the heritage of the Jews of Ireland.

Evening: Shabbat Service and dinner (included) with some members of the Dublin Hebrew Congregation at the Terenure Synagogue.

Saturday, June 9 | Dublin

Morning free to rest, relax and/or explore Dublin on our own. Or, for those who prefer, a guided walking tour departing from our hotel. Our walk will include Dublin's "Georgian Mile" and the Georgian squares of St. Stephen's Green and Merrion Square.

Afternoon, visit the nearby National Gallery of Ireland (which houses the national collection of Irish and European art) for a private guided tour.

Evening: (optional) attend a cultural performance at one of Dublin's famous theatres.

Sunday, June, 10 | Belfast

Depart Dublin for Belfast — main city in Northern Ireland. En route, we will stop and tour Newgrange — one of Ireland's most spectacular sites. Built in the fourth century BCE, Newgrange predates the Pyramids of Egypt and is one of the most important pre-historic sites in Europe.



Dunluce Castle, Northern Ireland

Upon arrival in Belfast, a visit to the Belfast Hebrew Congregation and Synagogue before a late afternoon tour of “Titanic Belfast” — a museum which relates the sad story of the Titanic — from the time she was built in Belfast through her construction and launch, to its maiden voyage and subsequent place in history.

Check in to our hotel, the Europa — situated in the heart of Belfast and within walking distance of Donegall Square, City Hall (modeled on St. Paul’s Cathedral in London) and the historic Crown Liquor Saloon.

Evening: presentation on the Jews of Northern Ireland.

Monday, June 11 | Belfast

Day trip along the magnificent Antrim Coastline. Traveling along the coast road through the Glen’s of Antrim to the Giants Causeway — a Unesco World Heritage Site — we will enjoy the magnificent scenery of Northern Ireland’s coastline and explore the legendary interlocking basalt columns caused by an ancient volcanic eruption.

Lunch on our own before an afternoon visit to Bushmills Whiskey Distillery — the oldest working distillery in Ireland — before returning to Belfast.

Tuesday, June 12 | Cairnryan – Edinburgh

Depart Belfast and board a ferry for Cairnryan, Scotland. On arrival, we will travel to the birthplace of Scotland’s National Bard — “Robbie Burns” — where we will visit the Robert Burns Birthplace Visitor Centre before continuing on to Edinburgh, capital city of Scotland.

Check in to the five star deluxe Caledonian Hotel in Edinburgh in time for dinner (included).



Kinnego Bay

Wednesday, June 13 | Edinburgh

Morning: sightseeing in Edinburgh, including a visit to Edinburgh Castle — set high on a hill overlooking the New Town area of Edinburgh — and the Royal Yacht Britannia. Now permanently docked at the Port of Leith, the Britannia at one time served as home to the British Royal Family on its many voyages to various parts of the world.

Afternoon Free in Edinburgh to explore the wonderful Old Town of Edinburgh with its pretty stores and cobbled stone streets.

Evening free; dinner on our own.

Thursday, June 14 | Edinburgh

We will begin today with a visit to The Scottish Jewish Archive Center and Synagogue at Garnethill, Glasgow. Situated on the banks of the River Clyde, Glasgow — only 42 miles from Edinburgh — has a rich history dating back to prehistoric time and is the largest city in Scotland. During the course of our visit to the Jewish Center, we will enjoy a presentation by a local scholar describing the history and culture of the Jews of Scotland

Afternoon cruise on Loch Lomond. The largest freshwater lake in Great Britain, Loch Lomond is the feature of the well-known song from the early 1840's: "The Bonnie Banks o' Loch Lomond."

Return to Edinburgh in time for a festive, farewell dinner.

Friday, June 15

Depart Edinburgh for U.S.

** Please Note: Daily schedule may be modified subject to weather or unanticipated changes.*



Bagpiper

Traveling with You...

Trip Leader



Aryeh Maidenbaum, Ph.D., has a strong background in the fields of

History, Psychology and Jewish Studies. Dr. Maidenbaum has more than 25 years experience in organizing and leading educational tours – Psychology and Jewish travel oriented programs. Director of the New York Center for Jungian Studies, Dr. Maidenbaum received his Ph.D. from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, is a former faculty member at N.Y.U., and a contributing author to *Current Theories of Psychoanalysis*. He has edited several books and articles, including *Lingering Shadows: Jungians, Freudians and Anti-Semitism*, and *Jung and the Shadow of Anti-Semitism*.

Trip Guide



Conor Ellard has guided several prior Jewish Museum trips to Ireland. Steeped in the land's

history, politics and people, Conor has worked with Dr. Maidenbaum for many years, guiding and helping organize many programs to Ireland. Conor is a delight to travel with and, if asked, might agree to sing a ballad or two with his beautiful baritone voice.

Accommodations



The Westin Hotel, Dublin

Enjoying an enviable location on the doorstep of Trinity College Dublin and Grafton Street, the Westin Dublin is a luxury five star hotel, located in the heart of the city center. Legendary and personalized service from Westin Dublin team ensures a memorable experience for visitors to this vibrant and historic city. The Westin's historic building dates to the 1800s and has had a number of past lives- from the robe suppliers to Trinity College Dublin in 1847 to the city's leading insurance and financial companies of the late 1800s. Guests can absorb this historical connection when walking through these famous doors, where a warm welcome awaits.



The Europa, Belfast

The world famous Europa Hotel in Belfast is located in the heart of Belfast City Center. Its elegant décor, contemporary bistro, bustling bar and relaxing piano bar lounge make the four star Europa Hotel a perfect location for visitors to Belfast. Thanks to its prime location, the Europa Hotel is a short distance from many of Belfast's top visitor attractions including the Ulster Museum, Grand Opera House, City Hall, Titanic Belfast, the Waterfront Hall, the Odyssey Arena, and many fine restaurants and pubs.



The Caledonian, Edinburgh

Now known as the Waldorf Astoria Edinburgh, the Caledonian has undergone a luxury relaunch and renovation program to bring this landmark Scottish property into the Waldorf Astoria Hotels & Resorts portfolio. With two exquisite restaurants operated by Michelin-starred brothers, Chris and Jeff Galvin, the Pompadour by Galvin and Galvin Brasserie de Luxe, 'The Caley', as it is affectionately known among Edinburgh locals, has embodied the very best in Scottish hospitality for over a hundred years. Situated at the west end of Princes Street, this former Victorian hotel nestles in the shadow of the historic Edinburgh Castle and is just a two-minute walk from the designer stores and fashionable bars of George Street.



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Program Details

Program cost: \$5800 (plus \$54 Museum of Jewish Heritage membership fee for nonmembers).

Includes:

- Nine nights' accommodations in 5 star deluxe hotels*
- Full breakfast daily; one lunch; five dinners
- All group transportation via deluxe air-conditioned coach.

* Per person, based on double occupancy. Single supplement available at \$900. Gratuities (\$160 additional)

A \$1,000 nonrefundable deposit due upon registration. A second nonrefundable deposit of \$1,000 per person due on January 3, 2018. The balance is due in full by March 1, 2018. (Subject to availability of space, participants may still register after this date, at an additional cost of \$200).

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Registration Information

How to register

Online jhtravel.org

Mail Fill out this registration form and mail with your check or credit card information to:

Jewish Heritage Travel Program
27 North Chestnut Street
New Paltz, NY 12561

Fax Fill out this registration form and mail with your check or credit card information and fax to:

845.256.0196

Telephone Call our office

845.256.0197

Monday-Friday, 10am-5pm

Participation The program will entail considerable walking, including uneven terrain. Participants need to be in active, good health, able to keep up with the group, ready to travel and experience group and cultural differences with grace. If you have any questions, or need help with your travel plans, please call the Jewish Heritage Travel Office at 845.256.0197. Participation is limited. Register early.

Insurance Participants are urged to purchase travel insurance for losses necessitated by having to cancel participation due to health issues. For your convenience, insurance forms will be sent upon registration, or consult your own insurance agent. Please contact The Jewish Heritage Travel office at 845.256.0197 for more information.

Changes All rights are reserved by the Program Directors to make faculty substitutions and/or to modify the itinerary (including hotels) as needed.

Cancellations All cancellations must be received by The Jewish Heritage Travel Program in writing. Cancellations received up to 120 days prior to departure: full refund less non-refundable deposits, per person; 119-90 days prior to departure: 50% refund per person after non-refundable deposits. No refunds after this date.



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Registration Form:

Trip title/country

Dates of travel

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name

Address

City State Zip

Email address

Phone number Cell phone number

PARTICIPANT NAMES:

Museum Member

Yes No

Yes No

ACCOMMODATIONS

I would like a single room (for single room supplement please see trip details) I'll share a room with:

Please share any special information we should know to enhance your experience.

FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

- I will make my own flight arrangements .
 I need assistance and will call (845-256-0197).

DEPOSIT

Make your deposit by check or credit card.

- Enclosed is a check made payable to Jewish Heritage Travel Program

in the amount of : \$_____.

- Please charge \$_____to my:

Master Card Visa American Express

card holder's name

card number exp. date: mo/yr

validation code

Signature

Please send your non-refundable deposit for \$1000 per participant by mail or fax.

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