

Ireland Welcomes ISAF to the ISAF Annual Conference Ireland 2012

Excursion Programme – Tourist Information

We very much look forward to welcoming all ISAF delegates and their partners to this year's conference and Jenny Crebbin has put together a **sample** programme of activities for spouses and also for delegates in their free time which are listed below.

Local Transport

Dun Laoghaire is serviced by busses and The DART (Dublin Area Rapid Transport) which will take you to many of the places below. The station is a few minutes walk from the Conference Hotel. The northbound train takes you to Dublin and beyond, and the southbound to Bray and Greystones. The Luas is a tramline in Dublin city centre.

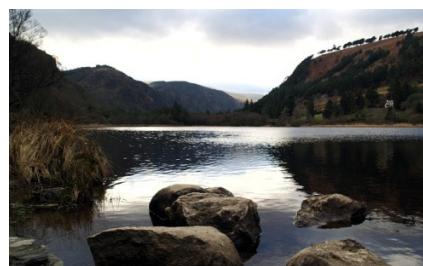
Suggested Programme

Thurs	1st	November	Visit to Knitting and Stitching Show at Royal Dublin Society
Fri	2nd	November	Dublin City Centre - Hop on Hop off bus tour
Sat	3rd	November	AM: Blackrock Village & Market
			PM: Welcome Party for ISAF Guests, National YC . 2 mins from Conference Hotel
Sun	4th	November	Peoples Park Dun Laoghaire. Sunday Market
Tues	6th	November	Outing
Thurs	8th	November	Outing

Mini Bus Outings

Tues 6th November - Powerscourt House and Gardens in Co Wicklow , one of Irelands great houses. There is also a Dolls House Museum, much shopping and a good coffee/lunch café and a Garden Centre. Return to hotels approx 3pm.
www.powerscourt.ie

Thurs 8th November - Glendalough Medieval Monastic Settlement in Co Wicklow and then to country outfitters, "Fishers of Mount Kennedy" for shopping and refreshments as required. Costs will be determined nearer the time.
www.glendalough.ie



We are also hoping to take a trip to Howth Yacht Club for lunch-Dart train from Dun Laoghaire.

Tourist Information -Local Areas

- Dun Laoghaire-Local town
<http://www.dlrltourism.ie/>
- Yacht Clubs & Howth Yacht Club
- Maritime Museum <http://www.dun-laoghaire.com/profile/maritime/index.html>
- Walking the Pier
- Sunday Market Peoples Park
<http://www.dunlaoire.com/sundaymarket.html>
- Dalkey Village Castle & Heritage Centre-
www.dalkeycastle.com

Blackrock—Dart 3 stops north

Small "antiques and collectables" market Sat and Sun 11.30-5.30
Village boutiques and 2 Shopping Centres



Dundrum Shopping Centre –Taxi <http://www.dundrum.ie/about-us/shopping/>
Good variety of shops and cafes

Rathfarnham Castle <http://www.rathfarnham.com/rathfarnham%20castle.html>

Costume and Toy Museum .Free. Open Wednesday to Sunday.

Small exhibition tastefully done including restoration of castle. Good visiting exhibition of Irish design modern jewellery - Coffee shop – Playground - Pay Parking

DUBLIN CITY CENTRE

Dart from Dun Laoghaire to Pearse or Tara Station

- Dublin City is divided North and South by River Liffey. Both these stations are on south side. To get to North side attractions go to Tara and walk left along river and cross O'Connell St bridge.
- Hop on Hop off Bus- Good. Dart to Pearse.



Museums

National Museum of Archaeology, Kildare st. –for all museums, see - www.museum.ie

- Take DART to Pearse station- Entry Free - Closed Monday
- Lovely building. Nicely laid out. Lots of gold jewellery found in bogs. Viking artefacts. Very good shop area

National Museum Decorative Arts & History. Collins Barracks. North side

- Luas red line to Museum stop - Closed Monday - Free - Clothing etc

Chester Beatty Library

- 15min walk from Pearse. Free. Closed Monday
- Amazing treasures. www.cbl.ie Coffee shop
- This is in the grounds of Dublin Castle which contains the State Apartments and close to Dublin City Hall on Dame St which tells the evolution of the city-closed Sunday

Dublin Writers Museum, Parnell Sq. North side.

- Dart to Tara .15 min walk
- V. interesting. Coffee shop and Book shop
- Garden of Remembrance
- Close by is Dublin City Gallery- Free - Closed Monday

Art

National Gallery, Merrion Sq West. – www.nationalgallery.ie

- Dart to Pearse - Open every day - Free for permanent exhibition

Irish Museum of Modern Art. Kilmainham. And Earlsfort Terrace. <http://www.imma.ie/en/index.htm>

- Partly closed in November - Information will be provided nearer the time



Guinness Storehouse- www.guinness-storehouse.com.

- Save money by booking on line!
- Taxi in city or Hop on Hop off bus or Luas red line to St James, Hosp and walk

Old Jameson Distillery. Smithfield. www.tours.jamesonwhiskey.com

- Luas red line to Smithfield stop. Or Taxi in city



Trinity College- Book of Kells.

- 9th century illuminated manuscript.
- Long Room- huge library
- Dart to Pearse - short walk



<http://www.tcd.ie/Library/bookofkells/>

Walking Tours

www.maccioletours.com - Theatrical tour every day. Suffolk St tourist office 11am & 2pm. 1 hr walk then 45 mins in pub for storytelling.

Pat Liddy Walking Tour

www.walkingtours.ie Mon, Wed, Fri & Sat 11am. 1.5hrs. Dublin bus office . O'Connell St.

Kilmainham Gaol— <http://www.heritageireland.ie/en/dublin/kilmainhamgaol/> - amazing, forbidding building.

Take taxi in city

Guided tour with history of leaders of Easter 1916 rebellion held and shot there

SHOPPING CITY CENTRE/SOUTHSIDE

Dart to Pearse and walk 5mins.

- Kilkenney shop Nassau St- Irish Design shop covering many aspects. Good for presents! Good coffee/lunch and TOILETS upstairs
- Grafton St- Dublin's premier shopping st. Brown Thomas- top store
- Powerscourt Townhouse Shopping. Off Grafton St thro Johnson's Court on right going up
- Bewleys Coffee House. Dublin Institution. Lunchtime Theatre. Book during morning
- Stephens Green Shopping Centre- top of Grafton St
- Stephens Green- nice park for a rest or to feed the ducks
- TEMPLE BAR-cobbled part of city with many sm. Shops and coffee stops. Food market sat am with Oyster Bar

NORTHSIDE SHOPPING

Dart to Tara, Left along river and cross O'Connell St Bridge. Walk up O'Connell St

- Clery's Dept store on right
- Henry St on left has Arnotts Dept Store. top store

For Children

- Viking Splash
- Leprechaun Museum
- Science Gallery Pearse St- part of Trinity College

There are many coffee shops for breaks and of course lots of other shops.

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