

**NOTE:** TAS has put its trips on hold until spring of 2023, but if you are looking for an overseas adventure this summer, consider taking this trip with Sarah Squier, a long-time teacher, an experienced trip leader, and a friend of TAS. We highly recommend her.

## **Irish Adventure, August 1-15, 2022**



### **Are you ready for a spectacular trip to Ireland?**

From August 1 -15, 2022, 10-20 of us will start our adventure at the Imperial Hotel in Cork, and then we'll explore all along the west coast, up into Donegal, and finish in Dublin. Along the way we'll sample whiskey, look for dolphins and basking sharks, and be charmed by the world's best accents as we take a deep dive into the culture, breath-taking landscapes, and history of Ireland. Because we'll do most of our exploring on the west coast, we'll have time for a trip to Blasket Island and an overnight on Inisheer, the smallest of the Aran Islands. Staying in centrally located, 4-star hotels means we are always comfortable and in the midst of the action, whether that means sea views or an easy walk to the

pub -- often both! Sheepdogs and castles are on the itinerary, as are guided visits to pre-historic sites, nature walks through national parks with local wildlife biologists, and carefully curated opportunities to sample the freshest North Atlantic seafood.

**BACKGROUND:** My name is **Sarah Squier**, and I'm an English teacher at Montpelier High School in Montpelier, Vermont. For twelve years, I taught a class called Irish Humanities, focusing on Irish culture, history, and literature, and culminating in a class trip to Ireland. Now that I travel with adults, the trips are even better. Our travel planning team includes me and tour professionals who know and love Ireland, and who work hard to make our trip smooth and stress-free for every traveler. This team has worked together for years, and we have the resources to be flexible and creative no matter what comes up.

**COST:** This August adventure costs **\$4450**, which includes all ground transport, hotels, full hot (not continental) breakfasts, admission to all sites, an expert driver, and our wonderful guide Carine. Not included in this price are airfare, transfers, travel insurance, lunches, dinners, and gratuities. Reserve your spot with a deposit of \$1500. Full payment is due by May 1. Please be in touch with questions about our itinerary and refund policies.

I look forward to hearing from you!

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**REMINDER: this is not a TAS trip, so contact Sarah with all questions.**

*"In April 2019, my wife Linda and I joined Sarah Squier's group adventure on the West Coast of Ireland for 11 days. The trip was superb. The travel guide Carine – with her expansive historical and cultural knowledge of Ireland – and the bus driver Anthony – with his expertise on the island's natural environment – could not have been better matched. We stayed in marvelous hotels, ate the best fresh seafood and other Irish delights, drank whiskey and Guinness, and visited castles, cliffs, magnificent countryside, working sheep farms, remains of villages abandoned during the famine, neolithic sites, and much more – a perfect balance of organized group activities and independent time to roam and explore, of serious contemplation and merriment. Highest recommendation."*

*-- Bernie Lambek, Montpelier, Vermont*



