

# The Bardic Realms

**Apr 5 - Apr 13, 2020**

**Group Leader:**

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**Depart From:**

Detroit



## what's included



**Round-Trip Flights**



**Centrally Located Hotels**

- ✓ London Tour with Guide
- ✓ British Museum with Guide
- ✓ Stonehenge
- ✓ Roman Baths and Pump Rooms
- ✓ Shakespeare's Birthplace



**Daily Breakfast and Dinner  
(unless otherwise noted)**



**24-Hour Tour Manager**

- ✓ Caernarfon Castle
- ✓ Llechwedd Slate Caverns
- ✓ Welsh Family Dinner and Home Visit
- ✓ Holyhead-Dublin Ferry
- ✓ Dublin Tour with Guide
- ✓ St. Patrick's Cathedral

## our promise

In educational travel, every moment matters. Pushing the experience from "good enough" to exceptional is what we do every day. Our mission is to empower educators to introduce their students to the world beyond the classroom and inspire the next generation of global citizens. *Travel changes lives.*

## cultural connections



**HIGHLIGHTS** waiting to happen

### Welsh Family Dinner and Home Visit

Receive a warm Welsh croeso (welcome) as you dine in small groups in the homes of local families.

"Our tour guide was phenomenal; he went above and beyond my expectations. His knowledge of the area and the history behind it was most impressive."

**Matthew L. Participant**



## trip itinerary - 9 days

### Apr 5, 2020: Overnight Flight

Depart from the USA.

### Apr 6, 2020: Dublin

Arrive in the Emerald Isle. Meet your ACIS Tour Manager and begin exploring on your own. (D)

### Apr 7, 2020: Dublin

Today starts with a guided panoramic sightseeing tour. Discover statue-filled O'Connell Street, Phoenix Park and Ha'penny Bridge before visiting inside St. Patrick's Cathedral. You'll cap off your exceptional day with some time to shop for souvenirs along the River Liffey. (B,D)

### Apr 8, 2020: Caernarfon

This morning you may opt to experience Irish culture through a unique Gaelic Games experience. Meet a coach at a local sporting club and try traditional sports such as Gaelic football, handball and hurling. This afternoon depart from Dublin and cross the Irish Sea by ferry, arriving in Holyhead. Continue to Caernarfon for the night. (B,D)

### Apr 9, 2020: Caernarfon

This morning you'll learn some useful vocabulary with a Welsh Language lesson, before visiting the imposing Caernarfon Castle to learn about medieval siege warfare. Then descend into the history of Welsh slate quarrying at Llechwedd Slate Caverns where the deep mine tour takes you deep underground (and back in time) via a steep cable railway and uses exciting special effects to bring the miners' stories to life. Tonight put your new Welsh language skills into practice as you visit the homes of local families in small groups for an authentic Welsh dinner and cultural exchange. (B,D)

### Apr 10, 2020: West Country

Travel this morning to Stratford-upon-Avon, the home of England's greatest playwright, William Shakespeare. Visit Shakespeare's Birthplace his burial site at Holy Trinity Church (B,D)

### Apr 11, 2020: London

This morning arrive in Bath. Designated as a World Heritage Site, it's famous for its hot springs, Roman baths and medieval heritage. A walking tour will show you the Royal Crescent, Pulteney Bridge over the River Avon, Bath Abbey and the architecturally striking Circus. You will also visit the famous Roman Baths and Pump Rooms, built by legionnaires under Emperor Claudius. Depart for the mysterious circles of Stonehenge, where sunrise rites are said to have occurred more than 4,000 years ago. Continue to London this evening. (B,D)

### Apr 12, 2020: London

This morning's panoramic sightseeing tour, led by a local guide, shows you Trafalgar Square, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. Continue with a guided visit of the British Museum, home to an astounding 150 million items. You'll discover objects from around the world including the Rosetta Stone and sculptural friezes from the Parthenon. Tonight's meal is a



traditional fish and chips dinner at one of our favorite restaurants. In the evening, perhaps revel amid the sights and sounds of West End attractions such as Leicester Square or nearby Piccadilly Circus. (B,D)

### Apr 13, 2020: Departure

Depart for the USA. (B)

*This is a preliminary itinerary for your group.*





## learning objectives

1. Students will gain increased familiarity with Shakespeare's plays and understand the social and political conditions under which Elizabethan actors worked to perform them.
2. Students will learn some of the ways the Welsh cultural identity differs from other parts of the UK.
3. Students will come to understand how the cultural and political traffic between London and Ireland over the centuries affected different parts of the country in radically different ways.

## tour cost

### Participant Fees

Program Fee	\$4184
Early Registration Discount	\$-200

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Total Participant Fees <sup>2</sup>	\$3984
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<sup>2</sup> Valid through 11/01/19 with \$495 deposit.

Additional Fees (as applicable)	
Adult Surcharge	\$100
Single Room Supplement	\$665
Double Room Supplement	\$350
Ultimate Protection Plan	\$270
Comprehensive Protection Plan	\$225
Gaelic Games Experience	\$73

## notes from acis

Estimated tipping: \$6/day for Tour Manager, \$4/day for bus driver

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# Travel Changes Lives

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Can travel make a difference in students' futures? It certainly can and does every single day. In fact, we surveyed 930 former ACIS travelers to see how their tours abroad as young adults influenced their choices in education and paved a way for future careers. Many of them credit travel as a defining moment in their adolescence, and below is a recap of our findings.

## education



**81%**

of those that traveled in middle school or high school continued their studies at the college level compared to the national average of 68%



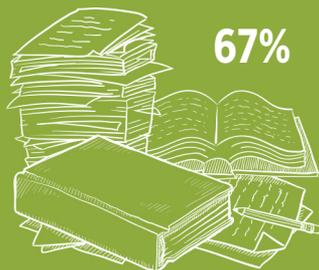
of travelers who went on to college said their travel experience influenced their field of study.



**57%**

of respondents were motivated to study abroad during college.

## language skills



**67%**

of students continued to study foreign language in college.



of ACIS travelers say they speak one foreign language fairly well compared with 18% of the American population.

## personal development



**94%** felt more independent after their trip.

**78%** saw an increase in their problem solving skills.

**92%** noted improvement in their interpersonal skills.



**65%**

have traveled overseas again since their ACIS trip.

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