



2020 IRISH DERBY FESTIVAL TOUR

Few sights invoke more passion in a racing lover than that of horses pounding across the springy open plains of the Curragh, crisp clouds of breath puffing out into the early morning air. This is your chance to experience the best of Irish hospitality and racing at the three day Irish Derby festival. Enjoy a couple of nights in Dublin discover this ancient and modern city, before heading to the Curragh to discover what makes Irish racing so strong.

TOUR INCLUSIONS

- 3 Nights Accommodation at 4* Hotel in Dublin
- 4 Nights Accommodation at 5* Heritage Hotel & Resort in Killenard
- Breakfast included daily
- Welcome drinks and dinner at a fabulous Irish restaurant
- City tour of ancient and modern Dublin
- Visit the Guinness Brewery including lunch in the Storehouse
- Transfers throughout
- Return luxury transport to and from the Curragh on 25th, 26th & 27th June
- Racecourse admission all 3 days
- Racecourse hospitality all 3 days including 3/4 course luncheons (Drinks excluded)
- Trainer and Gallops tour
- Après Derby BBQ and After Party
- Irish National Stud tour
- Farewell country pub luncheon
- Services of an experienced tour leader



Monday 22 June 2020
– Monday 29 June 2020

\$4995/pp **OR** \$6295/pp

Twin/Double Share

Single Room

For more information and bookings, please contact Monique Ellis on 0430 347 910 or monique@australianracingtours.com.au

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of racing



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DAY 1 MONDAY 22 JUNE 2020

Arrive in Dublin and make your way to our centrally located four-star hotel in Dublin. We'll meet late afternoon for a drink before we head out for a welcome dinner and drinks to get to know everyone and enjoy some Irish hospitality.

DAY 2 TUESDAY 23 JUNE

After breakfast, we'll be taken on a guided tour of ancient and modern Dublin to get the lay of the land and learn about the amazing history of the Irish capital. We'll drive through the streets of Dublin to see historic buildings such as Trinity College, where the Book of Kells is housed; visit Dublin Castle, which was the seat of power and government for many centuries and enjoy a tour of Guinness Brewery including lunch and few pints. The afternoon and evening are yours to explore more of Dublin.

DAY 3 WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE

We have a free day today for everyone to explore more of Dublin with a tour to Jameson Whiskey Distillery, Croke Park Stadium and the Book of Kells on the recommended list. We'll meet late afternoon at a traditional Irish Pub to enjoy a few pints to soak up the atmosphere of the city.

DAY 4 THURSDAY 25 JUNE

After a relaxing morning, we'll enjoy a drive through the countryside to the heart of Irish racing, the Curragh. Few sights encapsulate the essence of County Kildare more than that of horses pounding across the springy open plains of the Curragh, crisp clouds of breath puffing out into the early morning air. The horse – 'capall' in Irish – has been an intrinsic part of life in the county for thousands of years and today this landscape of deep-green pastures comprises the heart of Ireland's world-famous bloodstock and racing industries.

The opening afternoons racing of the Irish Derby Festival is today, it features a high-quality race card including the prestigious Apprentice Derby and a number of quality Listed and handicap races. Starting at 5pm and concluding at 9pm.

DAY 5 FRIDAY 26 JUNE

Join us for our VIP private tour of the iconic Irish National Stud, just a few minutes away in Kildare. After the guided tour you are free to explore the Japanese Gardens and Museum. Day 2 of the Festival weekend features a host of group races (including the **Juddmonte Stakes**) for you to enjoy from our VIP hospitality tables in the Panoramic Restaurant with excellent racing views. You will be served a delicious 3-course lunch with reserved tables for the day. Depart The Curragh at 7.30pm for our short trip back to the hotel. We'll then relive the days racing action in the Heritage Cinema. Free snacks. A racing film will follow.



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DAY 6 SATURDAY 27 JUNE

After breakfast, join us in the Cinema for an in-depth look at the Derby Day races in the company of racing personalities, Curragh trainers and experts who will hopefully mark your card. Free Ladies Hair tidy up and Gents shoe shine from our Heritage guest services staff.

Its Derby Day — Not only the valuable Irish Derby but several group races will keep you entertained from our exclusive VIP hospitality tables with excellent track views. You will be served a delicious gourmet 4-course lunch with reserved tables for the day. Depart The Curragh at 7.30pm for our short trip back to the hotel.

Join us for our exclusive but informal closing BBQ with our excellent House Band who will entertain you throughout the evening.

DAY 7 SUNDAY 28 JUNE

After breakfast, we'll head off and enjoy a tour of a local stable and watch the horses on the famous Curragh gallops, an amazing experience for all racing lovers.

We'll finish up the week with a relaxing Sunday luncheon at nice Irish Country Pub and soak up the beautiful countryside.

DAY 8 MONDAY 29 JUNE

After breakfast, the tour concludes and we all head our separate ways back to Australia or onto our next adventure....hopefully with some winnings from the week.

