# HAVERSHAM & BAKER EXPEDITIONS

## Irish Expedition

Prepared Exclusively For The Members of Frost Creek

Expedition Outline

24 September - 2 October 2021

F	24	Depart for Dublin	
S	25	The Merchant	Day at leisure
S	26	11	Royal Portrush 10:30
M	27	" R	oyal County Down 10:32
Т	28	" R	oyal County Down 10:32
W	29	The Merrion	County Louth 10:20
Т	30	" To	ur Dublin/Island Club 2:10
F	1	П	Portmarnock 9:30
S	2	Depart from Dublin	

Proposed Routing - Based on Availability

Golf at its Finest Course Information





#### **Royal Portrush Golf Club**

In the ancient sandhills along northern coast of Ireland, the Dunluce course at Royal Portrush stands as the exclamation point in the storied career of architect Harry Colt. The par-4s which wander through the dunes are perhaps the finest collection in all of golf, led by the 5th and its magnificent view of White Rocks beach. Meanwhile, the famous par-3 16th - known as "Calamity Corner" - stands ready to wreck the best of scorecards. After an absence of nearly 70 years, The Open finally returned in 2019. The only question from those who have made the journey here is why it ever took so long.

### **Royal County Down Golf Club -**2 rounds

There are few places in the world where natural beauty and golf come together in more stunning and dramatic fashion than Royal County Down. The looming Mountains of Mourne, the peak of Slieve Donard, and the spires of the hotel that shares its name come together to form a magnificent canvas along the sands of Dundrum Bay. When combined with the rolling terrain and gorse covered dunes, it's little wonder that here we find one golf's most celebrated masterpieces and the current #1 course in the world by Golf Digest.

#### **County Louth Golf Club**

Nestled along the shore of the Irish Sea between Dublin and Royal County Down, the County Louth Golf Club - known to locals as Baltray - is a two-time host of the Irish Open. Designed by Tom Simpson of Cruden Bay fame, County Louth is a solid links course that will test every aspect of the golfer's game. One highlighted by exceptional par-3s, subtle putting surfaces, and a view from the 14th tee that will surely find a place in the memory bank.

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#### **The Island Golf Club**

The rule prohibiting golf at Royal Dublin on Sundays prompted four members to set off by rowboat in search of ground suitable for a new links. They found it in an area known locally as "The Island" where golf would be happily played seven days a week. The Island stands as a championship test, rightfully serving as host of the Amateur Championship and a regional qualifying venue for The Open. The rest of us mortals, however, will simply see it as one of the most charming courses in golf. As Bernard Darwin put it... "The best course in Ireland you have never heard of. Play it, and tell no one."



#### **Portmarnock Golf Club**

On a narrow peninsula just outside of Dublin lies one of the finest links courses in Ireland. The Portmarnock Golf Club started when two men journeyed across the inlet by rowboat and discovered the outstanding ground for golf owned by the famous distiller John Jameson. They crafted a championship links that has withstood the test of time, having hosted the Irish Open on some 19 occasions. It also happens to be home to perhaps the best closing stretch of holes in golf.

Fife at its Best

Lodging Information



#### The Merchant 4 Nights - Art Deco Rooms

Conveniently located in the heart of Belfast in the historic Cathedral Quarter. The Merchant consists of ornate Victorian public and guest rooms which were once part of the Bank of Ulster as well as an Art Deco newer wing featuring the largest guest rooms in the city. There is no grander place for a meal in the city than the former bank lobby which is now The Great Room restaurant.



### The Merrion

#### 3 Nights - Superior Garden View Rooms

Located in the heart of the Georgian quarter between Merrion Square and St. Stephen's Green, the hotel is built around four wonderfully restored townhouses which date to the 18th century. In addition to its ideal location, The Merrion is home to a rejuvenating spa and Ireland's first two-Michelin Star restaurant. This is our choice for classically elegant, luxury accommodation in the Irish capital.

Life at its Best

### Touring Opportunities



#### Belfast

*Black Cab Tour* Start your tour in the City Centre, then move through the Shipyards and see where HMS Titanic was built and launched from. See the political districts which have bore the brunt of conflict over the last thirty years before seeing the elegant University Quarter and Museum district.

*Titanic Belfast* Belfast's most popular attraction, explore the Titanic story in a fresh and insightful way; from her conception in Belfast, through her construction and launch, to her infamous maiden voyage and catastrophic demise.

#### **The North Coast**

*Bushmills Distillery* Almost universally accepted as the oldest licensed distillery in the world, the tour at Old Bushmills is an enriching way to sip and savor Ireland's famous whiskey.

*Giant's Causeway* Irish legend claims the puzzling formations found here are the remains of a causeway built by a giant attempting to cross the North Channel to fight a rival in Scotland. In reality, the 40,000 interlocking columns were created by an ancient volcanic eruption, leaving behind one of the most unique geological formations in the world.

*Carrick-Rede Rope Bridge* For more than 300 years a rope bridge has provided the only form of access to Carrick-a-rede Island for the Balintoy fishermen. Suspended over a 30m chasm, the bridge sways and wobbles underfoot and crossing it requires a strong nerve and a head for heights -it's not for the fainthearted. Be sure to bring your camera for the incredible views.





## Touring Opportunities







#### Dublin

*Guinness Storehouse* The most popular attraction in Dublin for our Members of the Forces, and it's easy to understand why. If you're looking for a perfectly poured pint of the "Black Stuff," this is where you'll find it. The view from the Gravity Bar is by itself worth the price of admission.

*Old Library at Trinity College* The library dates to 1592 and the Book of Kells some 800 years before that. The main attraction here, however, is the Long Room, where over 200,000 ancient books and manuscripts are housed.

*Kilmainham Gaol* One of the largest unoccupied jails in Europe, covering some of the most heroic and tragic events in Ireland's emergence as a modern nations from 1780's to the 1920's. Access to the gaol is by guided tour only and pre-booking is recommended.

*Christ Church Cathedral* Viking Dublin's Cathedral was built on this site about 1038, gaining its present shape from 1172 in the new cathedral of Archbishop (later Saint) Laurence O'Toole and the Norman knight "Strongbow."

*National Gallery of Ireland* Located on the west side of Merrion Square, the national Gallery of Ireland houses the national collection of Irish art and European master paintings.

*The Little Museum of Dublin* Admission to this three-story museum is by a 45-minute guided tour only. The tour only covers the 2nd floor, so be sure to leave time before or after your tour to explore the 1st and 3rd floors. Expect unique artifacts and exhibits (a whole room dedicated to U2, another on flight in Ireland) in addition to the amazing story of the Irish capital

Expedition Features Additional Details







#### **Included Touring & Amenities**

Executive Coach Our custom-designed, luxury coach equipped with leather reclining seats, extended leg room, table seating, oversized luggage storage, and air suspension for the smoothest ride possible.

Personal Driver-Host The backbone to every great Expedition, your driver will not only get you from point to point safely, but also serve as your personal concierge on the ground. No request is too big or too small for these dedicated professionals.

24/7 Total Satisfaction Assurance To make certain all goes smoothly during your expedition, one of our senior travel counselors is available to our travellers all day, every day.

#### **Customized Planning**

Expedition Concierge Nothing sets H&B apart more than our steadfast belief that your time off the course is just as important as your time on it. Your personal concierge will assist with every detail of your trip, from dining to touring and everything in-between.

Field Manual The H&B Field Manual is custom-assembled with a wealth of information about your trip, including histories and descriptions of the courses you will play, touring, shopping, dining and pubbing suggestions in the areas you will visit.

Expedition Features

### Additional Details



#### Tariff

Based on double occupancy and a minimum party of 8, the tariff for your Expedition is **\$6780** per golfer when sharing a room. Single room avaiable upon request. Subject to availability and the below terms and conditions. Inclusive of all taxes and mandatory service charges. Full Irish breakfast included each day. Additional meals, tours, and caddie fees are not included.

Note: Per person tariff was priced based on an exchange rate of \$1.13 per Euro and \$1.33 per Pound. The tariff is guaranteed as long as the Euro is trading between \$1.08 and \$1.18 and the Pound is trading between \$1.28 and \$1.38 as listed by money.cnn.com 90 days prior to your departure.

The Voices of Experience

Every aspect of this proposal has been custom tailored to the specific requests and desires of your Expedition. And while we would love to elaborate on the unforgettable experience that awaits, we feel that story is best told by those who have gone before you: Our Travelers.







### Additional Details

#### PAYMENTS

After the personal consultation necessary to determine client preferences, The Haversham & Baker Company ("H&B") presents prospective clients with a proposed package and price quotation. The price is not subject to change provided a deposit of fifty (50%) percent (25%) of the price quoted is received within fifteen (15) days. Final payment ("Final Payment") of the remaining balance is due not less than sixty (60) days prior to the first day of the programme. The amount of the final payment is subject to change if international currency rates fluctuate more than \$0.05 from those in effect at the time of the initial quotation.

#### PENALTIES

For each day the Second Payment or Final Payment is overdue, a twenty-five dollar (\$25.00) per person penalty will be assessed against the proposed package. If either the Second Payment or Final Payment is more than fifteen (15) days overdue, H&B cannot guarantee the continued availability of the proposed package at the price quoted. If the Final Payment is not received within thirty (30) days prior to the first day of the programme, a two hundred fifty dollar (\$250.00) per person penalty will be assessed against the proposed package.

#### **CANCELLATIONS, SUBSTITUTIONS, and REFUNDS**

Deposits and all payments are non-refundable unless a substitute tour participant is provided. H&B reserves the right to decline to accept any substitute for any reason. No refund will be made for unused portions of an expedition package.

#### **INSURANCE**

Information concerning cancellation, luggage and accident insurance is provided with proposed programmes and price quotations. As all payments are non-refundable, it is strongly recommended that each traveler purchase this insurance.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

H&B acts only as agent in making arrangements for hotels, transportation and other services related to the programmes of our travelers who by acceptance thereof acknowledge that H&B shall not be liable for any injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity, liability or expense to person or property due to act or default of any hotel, carrier or other company or person providing or rendering services included in the programme.

Fine Points to Note

### Miscellaneous Details







### **Additional Cost Considerations**

*Caddie Fees* - Approximately 85 pounds or euros per person per round including tip.

*Driver Gratuity* - We recommend €8 to €10 per person per day.

*Additional Meals - Besides breakfast.* Similar cost per meal to what is found stateside with the addition of the exchange rate.

*Airfare across the pond* - Please wait to book your airfare until you receive notification that your itinerary is fully confirmed.

#### **Travel Insurance**

Travel Guard has served the H&B Forces well for a number of years. Please <u>visit this link</u> for information on their Preferred Package.

### **Club Shipping**

H&B recommends Luggage Forward for shipping your clubs across the pond. Please <u>visit this link</u> for booking information.

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Golf at its Finest

## The Golf Courses of Ireland

