

Pro Tour Dublin Travel Guide



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Things to Know

General Info

Time Zone: Greenwich mean
Emergency number: 112 or 999
Date and time format: 24 hour clock (0:00 - 23:59),
dd/mm/yyyy
Money: Euro
Official Language: English
Electricity: 230v 50hz
Plug:



Valued on 15/12/16

1 USD = 0.96 EUR
1 GBP = 1.19 EUR
1 CHF = 0.94 EUR
100 YEN = 0.82 EUR

Tips

Tipping in restaurants is not expected as a surcharge is included.
Some smaller shops and restaurants do not accept cards for payment, so have cash handy in case.
Some shops and restaurants only accept "chip and Pin" cards, and will not accept credit cards.
American Express is not accepted in the vast majority of the country.
The Irish population enjoy jokes and banter in any occasion.
Ireland has a tendency to be cool and wet, so be prepared with warm dry clothes.

Irish Slang

Be Grand - Don't care / not worried
Arseways - Gone wrong
Wrecked - Tired
The Guards - Police
Diesel / Petrol - Fuel / gas for cars

I wil yea - not a chance
Gaf - House
Craic - a good time
Grand - yes, thank you, sure, nice
Bants - banter / joking

Travel to Dublin

Dublin Airport to City Centre

Bus



Dublin bus has multiple regular buses leaving Terminal 1's bus depot.
The single fare is €3.50, and there is no change given so be prepared!
If you plan on using the bus multiple times consider buying an unlimited 3 day visitor leap card in the airport.

Bus number 747 (airlink) is a dedicated airport bus that runs regularly to the city centre with several stops along the way.

The fare is €6 single and €10 return.



Aircoach is a private company that offer a express bus from the airport to the city centre.

It is the fastest bus to the city, and cost €7 for a single and €12 return.



Taxi

Taxis can be found waiting outside terminal 1 and 2.

The cost ranges from 22€-35€ depending on time, traffic, and number of passengers.



Shannon Airport to Dublin

The easiest way to get from Shannon Airport to Dublin is to take a 3+ hour coach that leaves from in front of the terminal building to Dublin for about €20 return.

Bus Eireann is the most popular company, but there are other options at the airport.

Travel around Dublin

Getting to the Venue

Bus



Dublin Bus has two routes that take you near the venue.

46A towards Dun Laoghaire stop number 776 with a 10 min walk.

Bus number 7 & 4 drops off in front of the venue at stop 417.

Train

The train (called the Dart) has numerous stations located in the city centre.

It is a 5 min journey south to Sandymount station followed by a short 10 min walk to the venue.



Walking



Walking from the City Centre to the venue is easily doable and can be a lovely walk depending on the weather.

It is 40-60 min walk with only 4-6 turns.

Taxi

Taxis can be booked from anywhere in Dublin.

A taxi will take aprox. 15-18 mins, and cost 20-30€ depending on the time of day and traffic.



Around the City Centre

Bus



Buses can take you nearly anywhere you need to go within the city, however it is often faster to walk. You can find info on the Dublin Bus app.

Bus drivers do not give change, so make sure to plan ahead with the exact fare!

Luas

The Luas connects parts of the outskirts of Dublin with the city centre.

This can mainly be used when getting around the north side of the city.



Walking

Nearly anything you want to do within the city can be walked to. Even though the locals never pay attention to cross walks, it is highly encouraged to if you are unfamiliar with the city.

Dublin city is a safe city to walk around in, however general safety precautions are recommended.

Venue & Event Info

Location



Royal Dublin Society (RDS)
Hall 1
Merrion Road
Ballsbridge
Dubin 4 NN5-95-LB7

Approx. 4km away from the city centre.
(10 minute train journey to Sandymount dart station. Please reference the travel section.).

Local coffee shops, restaurants and small shops in the area within 5 minutes walk.

Insomnia (Irish coffee chain) and Starbucks are located 5 & 10 minutes's walk.

Hall Hours

Thursday (Registration): Hall opens at 4 p.m. and closes at 7 p.m.
Friday: Hall opens at 8 a.m. and closes at the end of Round 8 of the Pro Tour
Saturday: Hall opens at 8 a.m. and closes after Top 8 announcement
Sunday: Hall opens at 8 a.m. and closes after the Pro Tour awards ceremony

Format

Friday and Saturday:
3 Rounds of Aether Revolt/Kaladesh Booster Draft, 5 Rounds of Standard
Sunday:
Standard

Registration

February 2 from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m. at the Pro Tour venue.

Accommodation

Hotels in the City Centre

3***

Harcourt Hotel

Located in City Centre

Hotel St. George

Located in City Centre

Maldron Hotel Parnell Square

Located in City Centre

4****

Hilton Dublin

Located in City Centre

Trinity City Hotel

Located in City Centre

Royal Marine Hotel

Located in Seaside town Dun Laoghaire. Train available to the venue.

5*****

The Shelbourne Dublin
A renaissance Hotel

Located in City Centre



Hotels near the Venue

4****

Calyton Hotel
Ballsbridge

Herbert Park Hotel

5*****

Intercontinental

Budget options in the City

Paddy Palace

Located in City Centre

Sky Backpackers

Located in City Centre

Abigails Hostel

Located in City Centre

Food & Drink

With Quotes from Irish MTG Players!!

Cafes



Keoghs Cafe

Keoghs Cafe is in the middle of the city, and is popular with locals. They specialize in muffins.

"The best muffins in the world. The only reason to visit Dublin really"

Accents

A very relaxed cafe with comfy seating downstairs. They specialize in hot chocolate.

"Who doesn't love putting your own chocolate buttons in your hot chocolate!!"

CoCo Bo

CoCo Bo allows you to make your own dessert and drink by picking all of your ingredients and chocolate.

"Everytime they ask what I want I have to stop myself from saying everything"

Lunch and Dinner



Counter

Counter is a burger bar that allows you to build your own burger from an extensive list of options.

"Always get a milkshake with your burger..... always.."

Milano

A traditional Italian restaurant that has fantastic pasta dishes, pizza, and tiramisu.

"A great place to sit down and relax for a nice meal and a great coffee."

Boojum

A local burrito bar that has become a phenomenon with the local cool kids.

"Eating at boojum makes you feel hip and happy. What more could you ask for?"



Cornucopia

A not so hidden gem that serves all kinds of vegan and veggie dishes.

"The true example that a vegan menu can be better than any other in the city!"

Mongolian BBQ

Build your own bowl of rice, noodles, sauce, veg and meat with a large variety of options.

"I get to cram a bowl with my favorite things and watch it sizzle away in front of me?? Sign me up!"

Bull and Castle

A very traditional Irish pub with fantastic drinks and atmosphere. A great way to enjoy traditional Irish food.

"Love me some Shteak and Shpuds!"

Food & Drink cont...

With Quotes from Irish MTG Players!!

Lunch and Dinner



Happy Food

A yoga studio moonlighting as a cafe. They serve only vegan food, and they have a lot of options to choose from.

"The walk down the alleyway to get there is dodgy looking, but sure go on the food is great."

Green Bench

A small take away sandwich shop that is a local favorite. The line can be down the road, but it moves along fast. Open for breakfast and lunch only.

"The second best sandwich I have ever had. The best being a Tayto crisp sammy made by me Ma"

Crackbird

A southern fried chicken joint that promises to leave you happy with a savory crunch.

"This place is full of Craic!"



Murphy's Ice Cream

A lovely mom and pop feel to an ice cream parlour. They have great flavours and brownies.

"An Ice cream parlours that uses milk from the super rare Kerry cow."

Bunsen Burgers

An honest to goodness burger spot. There are a couple around, and are very popular.

"When your entire menu is printed on a business card, you know these lads mean business!"

Duck

A small Hong Kong BBQ deli that serves authentic and succulent meat.

"I have always gotten the Sticky BBQ pork and been thrilled to bits."

Pubs



Izakaya

A very laid back pub that serves a bounty of tapas. Great for groups to go and have a meal and a pint.

"A hidden gem that serves unique food."

Black Sheep

A slightly more modern Irish pub that features both the classic and craft pints from around the country.

"The craft selection stands out among the other sheep!"

Stags Head

A tucked away traditional pub in the middle of the city. Always a popular for locals and visitors.

"My pick for a traditional Irish Pub. Best Pints IMHO"

Things to do

Activities Around Dublin



Christchurch Cathedral

Beautiful gothic architecture at its finest.
Explore the crypt, learn about the history, and enjoy the serene beauty of the church.



Dublinia

Located next to Christchurch.
Learn, explore, and relive the days of the Vikings when they came upon Irish shores.



St. Michan's

Take a guided tour through a unique crypt.
If you are lucky you may be able to touch a mummy!



Guinness Storehouse

Learn about the classic pint of Ireland as you tour the brewery.
You even get free samples and a pint!



St Patrick's Cathedral

Enjoy a lovely walk around beautiful gardens, and go inside to see the masterfully crafted church.



Botanical Gardens

Take a walk through the tranquil gardens while enjoying Irish flora.
It closes early somedays and it's free!



Phoenix Park

Europe's Largest capitol city park. So big you can get lost!
Enjoy parks, local deer, and if you are lucky the president while he is home.



Stephen's Green

A lovely stroll with ducks, flowers, and Pokemon Go stops and gyms!



Kilmainham Gaol

Rich in the history of Ireland's journey to independence.
These guided tours are the top in the country.



Book of Kells

A colourful historical tome from Ireland's past.
Also the location of a Star Wars movie set!

Things to do cont...

Activities Around Dublin



George's Street Arcade

A collection of small shops and stalls with food and cafes mingled in.



Temple Bar

The iconic "night out" spot for tourists in the city centre.

The area is lively & full of music every night of the week.



Dublin Castle

Even though the original castle is buried beneath, it is a fantastic guided tour about Ireland's leadership throughout the years.



Trim Castle

Located 40 min from town by bus, you can tour the world's best preserved Norman Castle on a guided tour. Also the location for Braveheart!



Dalkey Castle

A short train ride brings you to Dalkey Castle.

Meet the original owners of this castle in an acted guided tour: They are always down for the craic!



Dublin Zoo

Located in Phoenix Park, Dublin has a medium sized zoo that has a lot to do!

Even Penguins!



Dun Laoghaire

Located 20 mins south of the city by train, Dun Laoghaire is a refreshing port town with much to offer (Great for Pokemon Go).

Make sure to go to Teddies for a ice cream cone called a 99!



Giant's Causeway

The Irish giant Finn Mac Cumhail created this breathtaking unique landmark.

You need a day journey to see them as they are in Northern Ireland, and it is worth it!



Cliffs of Moher

A must see location in Ireland. It has featured in many movies, stories, and song.

It is nearly a day journey, and be careful while walking along the cliffs!



Howth

A 30 min train ride from the city, Howth offers beautiful seaside views, mountain walks, and freshly caught fish to be eaten.

A great half day trip!

LGS & Thanks

LGS



Gamersworld (Advance+)
Address: Unit 1, 1 Jervis Street, Dublin, Ireland
Located in the heart of Dublin city near the famous Ha'penny bridge.



The Warchest (Advance+)
Address: Unit 2, Hardy's Lane
Dún Laoghaire, Dublin, IE
Located in an idyllic sea side town of Dún Laoghaire (Dun Lere) the Warchest is on a Dart route and can be reached in approx. 20 minutes from the city centre.

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We wish you all have a great PT and a fantastic time in Ireland!!!

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