

Welcome to Belmond Grand Hibernian

You're gliding past emerald hills, craggy coastline and weathered ruins. This is the land of legends.

# **Discover** Ireland

With wild landscapes, a fascinating history and rich culture, there's much to love about the Emerald Isle. Fine food and festive frolics cheer the spirit

Ireland is a place of rugged, romantic vistas, steeped in ancient lore. It's a land where shingle shores were carved by giants. Ceilidhs and fleadhs come alive to the sound of fiddles and folk music. Yet there's more to the Emerald Isle than getting merry on St. Patrick's Day. Belmond Grand Hibernian takes you on a unique journey across the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland to the country's green and gallant heart.

The country's history can be grasped through its diverse terrain, each spectacle a monument to a bygone era. Glide among weathered hills and ruins. Tour Cork with a local historian, ride a classic jaunting car towards Ross Castle, visit a traditional farm and watch an impressive sheepdog demonstration, and experience the majestic 18th-century Georgian country house, Hillsborough Castle – the official Northern Ireland residence of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Get a taste of Ireland with local specialities such as Gubbeen cheese, Galway oysters and Connemara Hill Lamb. Sample "the black stuff" – Guinness – which has been in production since 1759, or visit Jameson distillery for some of the country's finest whiskeys. There's always a brimming calendar celebrating Ireland's rich culture, including internationally renowned art, film and music festivals. This is céad míle fáilte, the land of a hundred thousand welcomes, and we can't wait to greet you.





"May the road rise to meet you, may the wind always be at your back..." – Irish proverb



## Life On Board

Enter a world in which elegant carriages, traditional onboard entertainment and Ireland's mythical landscapes set the scene for adventure

The first of its kind in the country, our midnight-blue sleeper sets the benchmark for luxury train travel in Ireland. Nonetheless, it's elegant carriages are steeped in history, each named after a county of this spectacular land. They're adorned with artwork inspired by Ireland's natural wonders as well as furnishings supplied by some of the country's finest local artisans, including stone counters and wool carpets. Marrying contemporary panache with Dublin's Georgian style, our carriages offer a restful haven as the train stables each night.

In Kildare, our saloon-style Observation Car, you can enjoy traditional live music and admire the passing scenery from the large windows as the train crisscrosses patchwork fields and craggy coasts. It's a place where, over a pint of Guinness, stories are shared of the day's excursions: the Gothic church explored, the lough sailed, rare wildlife spotted.

As the evening draws in, dine on seasonal food prepared to world-class standard in Sligo and Wexford, our two Restaurant Cars, with new-found friends. Accommodating just 40 passengers, Belmond Grand Hibernian guarantees the most intimate, convivial of atmospheres. As the great Irish poet W. B. Yeats once wrote: "There are no strangers here; only friends you haven't met yet."



















## Your Carriage Awaits

# Double Cabin



#### CABINS

Our cabins are rich in history yet have a fresh, contemporary feel. Each of the 16 twin and four double cabins provide an en-suite shower room, wardrobe, desk and a picture window through which to admire the unfolding scenery outside. Double cabins can interconnect with twins; an ideal option for families. There is also a wheelchair-adapted cabin for guests with restricted mobility. Take note, too, of the carriage names; each is titled after an Irish county and the cabins within are decorated to match the region's traditional tartan. Kerry boasts brilliant purples, Down has splashes of orange, bold reds set the tone of Leitrim and cool blues welcome travellers in Waterford

#### DINING

Dishes which rival some of Dublin's best restaurants are served in our two restaurant cars: the Georgian-style Sligo and airy Wexford, a light space adorned with Irish tweeds and Celtic motifs. Onboard menus showcase only the finest ingredients and freshest seasonal produce from the regions the train travels through including artisan cheeses and smoked fish.

#### DRESS CODE

There is no formal dress code on board Belmond Grand Hibernian. During the day, while relaxing aboard the train and on excursions, we recommend comfortable clothing. Low-heeled, softsoled shoes are especially important for comfort during walking visits. Irish weather is unpredictable and rain is possible during any season so we kindly advise passengers to pack with a degree of flexibility in mind.

#### ART COLLECTION

Belmond's first curated collection of contemporary fine art, named Inspirations of Ireland, can be found throughout the train. Each artist featured was selected for their talent in revealing the many facets of Ireland's natural wonders and its breathtaking, dramatic scenery.



# The Journeys

Join us between April and October to discover itineraries that stretch across both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland. Each depart and arrive back to Dublin Heuston Station.

Our two-night trip takes you from Belfast to the medieval city of Kilkenny. For a more in-depth look at this beautiful country, our four-night journey traces Ireland's undulating west coast, taking in Killarney's serene lakes and the otherworldly beauty of Connemara Park as well as historic Galway. Combine the two trips as part of one superlative six-night trip which covers the length and breadth of the enchanting Emerald Isle.

#### SIGNATURE JOURNEY

Grand Tour of Ireland
 6 Nights

#### JOURNEYS

- Legends and Loughs 4 Nights
- A Taste of Ireland
  2 Nights

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#### CHAPTER FOUR

# Continue Your Adventure

Your journey needn't end when you disembark the train. Why not embark on an adventure across the Scottish Highlands with our sister train, Belmond Royal Scotsman

## Scotland

#### Belmond Royal Scotsman

Leisurely and luxurious, intimate and eye-opening, Belmond Royal Scotsman invites you to rekindle the romance of the rails as you glide alongside glassy loughs and rugged peaks

Running since 1985, the Belmond Royal Scotsman ranks among the world's most iconic trains. A red carpet and champagne reception welcomes guests to a journey in which personal attention and intimacy are guaranteed.

Running April to October, our journeys range from one to seven nights. Venture to the heart of the Highlands or opt for a themed expedition such as the Scottish Golf Tour.

Belmond Royal Scotsman is a unique way to explore this beguiling country, knowing that a luxurious retreat is never far away. After a day of excursions, unwind in the luxurious Bamford Haybarn Spa before dining on produce gathered from the surrounding area. Later, gather with new-found friends in the convivial Observation Car the bar here carries some 60 types of whisky. As the evening draws in, head to the open verandah and savour the panoramas as the fresh Highland air caresses your skin. Retreat to your Edwardian-style private ensuite cabin adorned with mahogany marquetry and gaze through picture windows, as stars illuminate rolling countryside.



## Our Belmond World

Having spent decades traveling the globe, Belmond invites you to join us for your next adventure. Transcend the everyday with inspiring retreats set among the world's most celebrated destinations.

Our legendary hotels, luxury train journeys, safari adventures and pioneering river cruises each have a story to tell. Join us as it unfolds.

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Cancellation charges apply in the event that you or any member of your party cancels a confirmed booking. These charges will increase the closer to your departure date that you notify us of a cancellation.

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The Celtic knot together with St Patrick's blue bind together Irish history and our train's design, making them the perfect choice to pattern this cover. Admire the knot as it appears in Ireland's great masterpiece, The Book of Kells, on display in Dublin. Aboard the train, this ancient symbol weaves its way across the carriages, from the livery to the decor. While the colour green has long been part of local lore, it is the deep blue of the 5th-century missionary saint that is the official colour of state. Spot it on the country's coat of arms as you enjoy your Irish adventure.

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