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## Wexford and the sunny South East

### *3 or 4 Day Coach Tour*

**County Wexford** is located in the very south east corner of Ireland, a county steeped in history, blessed with good weather, lots of attractions, an east coast with long stretches of sandy beaches and a south coast lined with pretty fishing villages.

**Wexford** is a heritage town, priding itself on its award winning quay front which is also centre stage for all of the town's festive activities, including the opening ceremonies of the Opera and the annual St. Patrick's Day Parade.

It is the largest of Leinster's 12 counties in size, and fourth largest in terms of population. The county is located in the south-east corner of the island of Ireland.

There is much more to see and do in Wexford, besides enjoying the atmosphere or walking its famous beaches.

### **Let us guide you through some of its attractions**

Your journey begins on a modern coach with a friendly driver, together with a professional guide, providing live commentary, explanations, a bit of craic and helpful assistance where required.

Begin your exploration of this beautiful county by discovering Wexford's most popular and iconic features, other options are also available and I have included some information about the most popular places.

While the town centre is on the doorstep for anyone wishing to have a stroll around, the bus will be available for any additional requirements in the evenings as well.

To the Irish people, **White's Hotel** is a legend, inextricably woven into the social, cultural and artistic history of Wexford. Located in the heart of Wexford town and is a traditional family Hotel with a twist and was the first hotel in Ireland to offer Cryotherapy therapy, which is an advanced therapy to repair muscles damaged in Sports and other ailments such as Arthritis.

The hotel has 157 rooms, swimming pool, gymnasium and Spa and is the leading 4 star hotel in Wexford.

Why not enjoy 3 Nights Dinner Bed & Breakfast with a treat of tea/coffee and scone on arrival and complimentary use of the Wexford Club with 20m Swimming Pool, Sauna, steam room and Jacuzzi.

### **A number of attractions are available to you, on this tour, including:**

#### **The Dunbrody Famine Ship**

Located in the docks in the town of New Ross, the Dunbrody Famine Ship is a full sized exact replica of a 19th century famine ship. The original 'Dunbrody' famine ship was built in Quebec in 1845.

Today visitors can explore the ship and get a glimpse of what it was like for many Irish famine emigrants as they set out on a journey across the Atlantic in hope of a better life. This ship would be the home of the passengers and crew for 45 days until the boat docked in Boston!

Take a tour of the ship and see the first class quarters, the crew's quarters, the deck and lots more.

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The **National 1798 Centre** is located in the town of Enniscorthy in Wexford and it really is a place not to miss if you want to find out more about Irish history, the epic 1798 rebellion and the rise of Irish democracy.

The award winning multi-media and interactive visitor centre uses state of the art techniques and audio-visuals presentations to tell the story of each period of history in Ireland. Visitors can also see an extensive array of artefacts and the life size figures of famous historical figures from 18th century Ireland.

### **Yola Farmstead**

Want to see how our Irish ancestors lived and worked in a bygone era? Yola Farmstead is set on 5 acres and has farm buildings and cottages which depict what life was like long before electricity when everything was done by hand. The farmstead features bygone farm machinery, a blacksmith's forge, a working windmill and thatched cottages.

### **Irish Agricultural Museum & Johnstown Castle**

Johnstown Estate is home to Johnstown Castle and Gardens and the Irish Agricultural Museum and it can be found just a 10 minute drive from Wexford town. The agricultural museum is one of the top cultural institutions in Ireland and displays a wide range of farmyard artifacts and tools from a bygone era.

There are also a number of exhibitions including a Great Famine Exhibition which depicts what life was like before, during and after the famine in Ireland. This museum is housed in the castle's farmyard buildings and is open all year round. Johnstown Estate comprises of 50 acres of beautiful gardens and also features lakes, waterfalls, terraced gardens, statues and over 200 different types of shrubs and trees. The castle itself is not open to the public but the gardens and museum are open all year round.

### **John F Kennedy Arboretum, Wexford**

The arboretum is dedicated to the memory of John Fitzgerald Kennedy, President of the United States of America from 1960 to 1963.

While trees are the prime interest of the arboretum, a wide variety of shrubs are included. Over 4,500 individual species or varieties have been planted and the collection will ultimately total some 6,000.

The forest plots are divided into areas containing trees from each of the five continents. A particularly colourful feature is the ericaceous garden with rhododendrons, azaleas and heathers

The Visitor Centre in Liscannor stone and Western red cedar with copper roofing includes the Kennedy memorial and fountain, a lobby with explanatory display and an Audio Visual Room.

There are walks in pleasant parkland with convenient shelters and resting points. Group guided walks are provided by arrangement

A miniature railway is operated and is very popular with the young.

### **Tintern Abbey**

A Cistercian abbey, founded circa 1200 by William the Earl Marshal, and named after Tintern in Wales, its remains consist of the nave, chancel, tower, chapel and cloister.

It was partly converted into living quarters after 1541, and further adapted over the centuries

From the 16th century until 1960s the Abbey was occupied by the Colclough family

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### **Irish National Heritage Park, Ferrincarrig**

Through 9000 years of Irish History, enter a special place where Ireland's heritage comes alive with sights and sounds that shaped a country and helped to shape the world.

In this Park, which stretches over 35 acres of woodland, wetland, estuary and uplands, you will visit the houses, farms, and ritual centres of our long-vanished ancestors.

With 16 separate sites dotted through the unspoiled landscape, the Irish National Heritage Park offers a unique perspective on the past. Visitors may embark on a guided tour with one of our costume guides or stroll at their own leisure.

Activities for kids of all ages include wattleing your own house, panning for gold and rock art.

There is something for everyone at the Irish National Heritage Park.

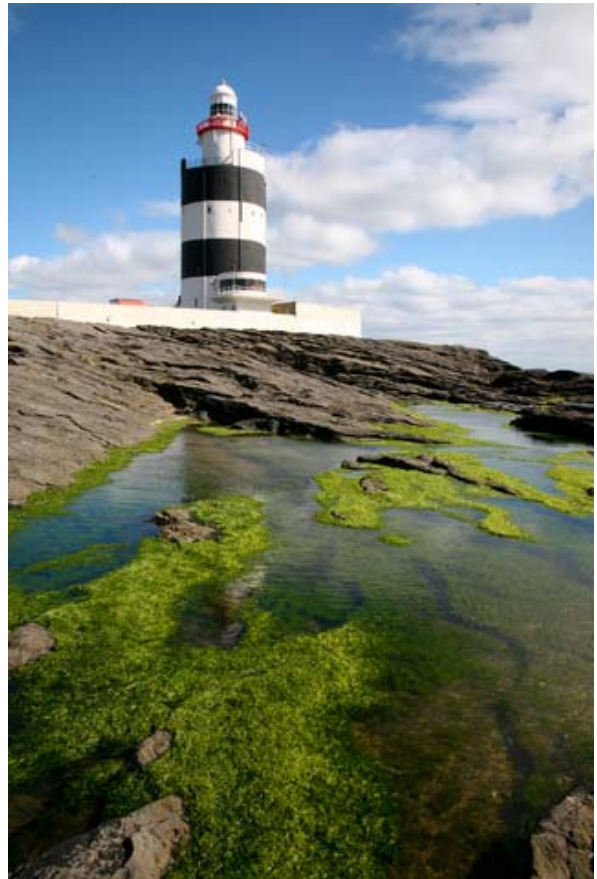
### **The Hook Head Lighthouse**

Visit the oldest lighthouse in Ireland and one of the oldest operating lighthouses in the world.

The Hook Head Lighthouse was built in the early 13th century and although it was closed for a while in the 17th century, it has been guiding sailors into Waterford Harbour for over 800 years!

Today visitors to the lighthouse can climb the 115 steps to the parapet and admire the breathtaking views of Waterford Harbour.

The Lighthouse's visitor centre is open all year round.



Please refer to our price list that can be downloaded from our website or feel free to contact us to discuss a full schedule of events arranged to your convenience.