

JOIN
BLACK 47
LIVE as they play on their 20th Anniversary
Tour of Ireland

YOUR HOLIDAY INCLUDES:

- Roundtrip airfare from: JFK to Ireland on Aer Lingus BOS CHICAGO ADD-ON \$75 extra
- Five (5) Nights Accommodations as follows or similar:

Location	Property
Wexford	Talbot Hotel-2 Nights
Dublin	Trinity Capital Hotel/Camden Court Hotel -1 Night
Westport	Castle Court Hotel-1 Night
Galway	Imperial Hotel-1 Night

- Full Irish Breakfast Daily
- One Dinner in Wexford
- Sightseeing as per itinerary
- Touring By Deluxe Touring Motorcoach
- Services of Professional Irish Driver and Guide
- Taxes and Service Charges expect gratuity to driver/guide
- Professional Portfolio of Travel Documents
- Black 47 performances at discounted prices
- Free Black 47 Tour of Ireland 2009 t-shirt.
- An essay by Larry Kirwan on the history of the various areas we will travel to.

Day 1 November 11 Wednesday	USA-Ireland. Meet, greet and be sweet at Kennedy Airport Departure Lounge bar. Introductions for newcomers. Depart USA for overnight flight to Ireland. Dinner, cocktails and in-flight entertainment are served shortly after take-off.
Day 2 November 12 Thursday	Dublin-Wexford. After clearing customs you are met by your professional Irish Driver/Guide and Hammond Tours Group Escort. Depart Dublin and pass south into glorious, mountainy County <i>Wicklow</i> through the wooded Glen of the Downs once home to outlaw <i>rapparees</i> and highwaymen. On then to County Wexford, past brooding <i>Enniscorthy</i> , scene of the Battle of <i>Vinegar Hill</i> , to my hometown. <i>Wexford</i> was originally a walled town; the streets positively breathe history. <i>Henry II</i> did penance in Selskar Abbey for the murder of St. Thomas aBeckett. <i>Oliver Cromwell</i> slaughtered women and children in the Bull Ring after a traitor opened the West Gate. Visit the <i>Church of St. Ibar's</i> on the Main Street where <i>The Duke of Wellington</i> was married before defeating Napoleon at the Battle of Waterloo. Have a pint at <i>Mary's Pub</i> , one of the last of its kind in Ireland – bring your cameras. Chill out from any jetlag in Ireland's friendliest town and promenade along the gracious waterfront. Overnight and dinner at The Talbot Hotel.
Day 3 November 13 Friday	Wexford-New Ross-Hook Peninsula. After breakfast we set off to discover County Wexford and some of the best ocean scenery in all of Ireland. The Ring of Hook Drive takes you through some wonderful coastal roads and historic sites. This craggy peninsula offers both a wild rocky coastline and stunning golden beaches. Hook Lighthouse itself is one of the oldest operational lighthouses in the world. This area is also home to the ruins of two medieval Cistercian monasteries, Tintern and Dunbrody Abbeys and is steeped in history and heritage. Strongbow's Normans invaded near here, thus the saying "by hook or by crook." We will pass by fabled Loftus Hall where the devil appeared in a card game. New Ross is situated on the River Barrow and is most famously known as the birthplace of the great-grandfather of the late US President John Fitzgerald Kennedy . The memory of the late president is kept very much alive hereabouts and there are many interesting locations dedicated to his memory, The family homestead itself at Dunganstown, The JFK Arboretum and the JFK Dunbrody Famine Ship are close at hand. Later that evening Black 47 will play its first show at the Wexford Arts Center/Old Town Hall where a teenaged Larry Kirwan did his first professional gigs in local show bands. Join many of his friends and relatives in what's always one hell of a night. Party for nighthawks in the Talbot Residents Bar. Cameras checked at the door – what plays on the road, stays on the road!! Dinner is on your own. Overnight at the Talbot Hotel.
Day 4 November 14 Saturday	Wexford-Avoca-Glendalough-Dublin. Morning departure from Wexford has us heading north. We travel via Avoca near the home of Charles Stewart Parnell and into Glendalough , monastic settlement of St Kevin built in the 6 th century from which Christianity spread all over Europe. Glendalough literally means Glen of the Two Lakes. Careful, ladies, St. Kevin is reputed to have thrown a temptress into the lake for her flirtatious behavior! Then onto Dublin. Upon arrival we take a full panoramic tour of this fascinating port city, including DUBLIN CASTLE, KILMAINHAM JAIL (where James Connolly was executed) and TRINITY COLLEGE (where the Book of Kells can be viewed). We'll see ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL where writer Jonathan Swift (Gulliver's Travels) gave his famous sermons. After the tour, the rest of the day is yours, to explore this infinitely varied thousand-year old city as you will; possibilities range from St. Michan's church to the Brazen Head pub, from olde St. Stephen's Green to youthful Temple Bar, from the Guinness Brewery to Jameson's Distillery. Black 47 will play its 2 nd show of the tour at Whelan's, one of Europe's great music clubs. Overnight Dublin Trinity Capital or Camden Court Hotel.

<p>Day 5 November 15 Sunday</p>	<p>Dublin-Westport. After a hearty Irish Breakfast we depart Dublin and head across the midlands via Mullingar, Longford and the broad majestic Shannon to Westport in County Mayo. Designed in the 18th Century by James Wyatt and situated on Clew Bay, Westport is one of Ireland's best-kept secrets. It boasts a beautiful tree lined boulevard known as The Mall, running parallel to the Carrowbeg River. See brooding Croagh Patrick in the distance and murmur a prayer, for this cloudy mountain is Ireland's most famous pilgrimage site. You are now in the heart of the mystical West and all kinds of prayers will be answered. Black 47 will play at night in Matt Molloy's, Ireland's most famous traditional Irish pub. (Matt is a member of The Chieftains). Dinner is on your own. Overnight Castle Court Hotel.</p>
<p>Day 6 November 16 Monday</p>	<p>Westport-Connemara-Galway. Today we take in the magnificent views of the Connemara region of County Galway that lies between Lough Corrib and the Atlantic. This is a haunting area of water, rock, bog and mountain where Gaelic is often the spoken language. Many of the ancient Irish traditions and customs are preserved, and the rich linguistic, musical and folklore heritage attracts the attention of scholars throughout the world. You will retain the memory of this magical area in your heart forever. Then onto Galway City, also called the "City of the Tribes" (the Kirwans being one of them), noted for its cultural scene and traditional Irish music sessions. Wander the winding alleyways and look out for historic Kirwan's Lane. Browse in the shops and perhaps buy a Claddagh, the ancient Irish wedding ring where two hands uphold a heart. Look out across Galway Bay to the Aran Islands, made famous by the playwright JM Synge who lived there and distilled his experiences into <i>Playboy of the Western World</i>. Galway is perhaps the most youthful city in Europe, full of craic, despite its long and turbulent history. It boasts many bookstores, pubs, cafes and nightlife. Overnight at The Imperial Hotel in the center of the city where we will hold the infamous Black 47 American Wake – the farewell party once given to all departing emigrants Dinner is on your own.</p>
<p>Day 7 November 17 Tuesday</p>	<p>Galway-Shannon-USA. After one last hearty Irish breakfast, we travel south through Counties Galway and Clare to Shannon Airport where you have ample time for some last minute duty-free shopping and one last pint with the band in the fabled departure lounge before boarding your flight home. Remember this is merely a sketch of what you'll see and do. I cannot even begin to describe the long nights of fun and laughter that will leave you with many warm memories and newfound friends. But I do promise that a Black 47 Trip to Ireland will rejuvenate you - you'll never feel quite the same again. Visit www.black47.com (Forum) and speak to the happy veterans of other trips. See you at Kennedy Airport!!!</p>

Cancellation Penalties: If written cancellation is received by Hammond Tour more than 120 days prior to departure, a processing fee of \$250.00 per person will apply. From 119 days to 60 days prior to departure, a cancellation penalty of \$750.00 per person will apply. 60 Days or less prior to departure- a 100% cancellation penalty fee applies. We strongly recommend Travel Cancellation & Interruption Insurance. This insurance will cover you in the event of death to the said traveler, someone in their immediate family, (mother, father, sister, brother, children etc.) Additionally, any serious illness or other ailments (with a doctors note) saying that traveler cannot attend trip, would also be covered. Any circumstances of a personal nature other than the aforementioned is not covered.

Reservation Application

Please reserve _____ seat(s) on your November 11-17, 2009 Tour of Ireland (BLK1109)

I enclose Deposit Due of \$ _____ (\$250.00 per person) ASAP to hold seats

Second Deposit: \$350.00 _____ Due July 10, 2009

FINAL PAYMENT DUE: September 8, 2009

Name: (First and Last only as on passport) _____

Companion Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Tel: (home): _____ (work): _____ Email: _____

Other passengers traveling with me: _____

Room Type: Twin/Double: _____ Single: _____ **YOU MUST PAY SINGLE RATE IF NOT TRAVELING WITH A COMPANION. PLEASE ADVISE IF YOU NEED A ROOMMATE.**

CHICAGO ADD-ON: _____ (Additional \$75.00 Per Person)

Cancellation Insurance: Double (\$164.00) Single (\$200.00): Yes: _____ No: _____ (must be paid with deposit)

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$459.00 (LIMITED NUMBER AVAILABLE)(For those who do not have or wish a roommate)

* Please note airfare could be different for late bookings

**US Departure Tax is always subject to change

TOUR IS BASED ON MINIMUM 40 PARTICPANTS
AIRFARE IS NOT GUARANTEED UNTIL PACKAGE IS PAID IN FULL
(Make Check Payable to Hammond Tours)

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