



Travel to Ireland this St. Patrick's Day



Photo: Celtic cross on Irish moor

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WASHINGTON, March 8, 2013 — Travel with the luck of the Irish to this St. Patrick's Day. This year, there are special deals for [travelers](#) looking to lift an authentic Irish pint and visit some of Ireland's most iconic corners, from wind-swept moors to craggy hills to emerald fields.

If the spirit is upon you, it's not too late to hop a plane and book a trip. Special deals make a trip to Ireland this month more tempting than ever.

For a quintessential St. Patty's Day stay, head across the pond to Ireland. The Lodge at Doonbeg, a five-star resort in County Clare, offers an authentic immersion experience.

With Atlantic views on the magnificent shores of crescent-shaped Doughmore Bay, guests have access to [award-winning](#) Greg Norman-designed links course, the White Horses Spa, and two restaurants with cuisine by award-winning Consulting Chef Tom Colicchio.

The "St. Patrick's Two Night Break" package includes a two-night stay at the hotel and a signature dinner in Darby's Bar & Restaurant, The Lodge at Doonbeg's authentic Irish pub. The chef will prepare a traditional Irish dinner menu and greet guests with a complimentary pint of Guinness, Ireland's signature beer. For a once-in-a-lifetime experience guests can join the locals for the Doonbeg St. Patrick's Day Parade on March 18th in Doonbeg village. Package starts at \$269.

Experience Ireland three different ways with [CW's](#) Ireland Adventures. The company is known for its history-rich tours, offering guided, self-guided, and biking trips in all corners of the Emerald Isle.

Pedal through two distinct regions, Clare and Galway, past ocean vistas into some of Ireland's most breathtaking countryside with [knowledgeable](#) local guides. (Eight days/seven nights start at \$2,798).

[Experienced](#) guides, who are well versed in the country's Celtic history and lore, lead guided walking tours through Connemara and Galway Bay. (Seven days/six nights from \$4,198).

Another popular walking tour is Connemara and Killarney. Guides spend a good deal of time exposing travelers to local Gaelic culture. (Fourteen days/ thirteen nights from \$8,148).

The Cork & Kerry self-guided walking tour leads travelers to Ice Age landmarks and medieval sites. Cork & Kerry (Eight days/ seven nights start at \$2,248).