



# Itinerary

**Céad míle fáilte (A hundred thousand welcomes)! Join Kay, John and your Rockport Tours' friends to celebrate New Year's Eve 2010 and New Year's Day 2011 in Dublin, Ireland, one of the world's most exciting cities!**

**DAYS 1 & 2: Ireland Bound!** Enjoy an overnight flight to Shannon, Ireland. Before you know it, you will be saying "Hello" to Nigel Murray, our driver since 1998. Nigel has a charming way of welcoming you to the land of shamrocks and leprechauns. Enjoy a relaxing ride to County Kerry. You'll bed down for two cozy nights in Killarney. (B)

**DAY 3: Ring of Kerry.** Ireland's most scenic drive is 110 winding miles of resounding beauty. From the towering Macgillycuddy's Reeks there are views of the rugged coastline and Valentia Island. Lunch will be in Waterville, silent comedian Charley Chaplin's favorite haunt. Another wonderful scenic overlook at Ladies View rewards you a sweeping view of the Ring's lakes. Afterward, browse the shops in Killarney or take an optional Jaunting Car ride in the countryside. (B)

**DAY 4: Blarney Village.** Today, Nigel takes you to the village of legends. Follow him on a walking tour of fabled Blarney Castle, built in 1446. Climb its 102 steps and kiss the famous "stone of eloquence." Enjoy time for lunch and some wee shopping at the expansive Blarney Woolen Mill.

Later, carry on to scenic Waterford, a town which contains interesting reminders of its Viking and Norman history. Waterford is also known as "The Crystal City" because of its famous crystal maker. Overnight in Waterford at one of Ireland's oldest hotels. This evening, join us for a pint at T & H Doolan's, the oldest pub in town. (B)

**DAY 5: Waterford Crystal.** This morning begins with a visit to the hand-cut crystal factory founded in 1783. You can get a bite of lunch at the Waterford Crystal visitor's center before your coach ride north to Dublin.

Check into your Dublin hotel near O'Connell Street for three nights. (B)

**DAY 6: NEW YEAR'S EVE!** A good way to get to know the city is on a narrated hop-on-and-off Dublin bus tour. Several trolley stops are a stone's throw from your hotel. You can hop-on & off at Grafton Street, Stephen's Green, Trinity College ("Book of Kells") and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Your trolley tour also stops at Guinness and Jameson's; sample a 'pint' at the Guinness

Party with the Irish and celebrate the coming of 2011



# New Year's in Ireland



Photo by John Leyland



## Dec 26, 2010 - Jan 02, 2011

### New Year's in Ireland highlights:

- R/T air from Corpus Christi & San Antonio.
- 6-nts hotels with full Irish breakfast daily.
- **New Year's Eve Dinner** and music.
- Dublin Sightseeing Trolley, Waterford Crystal, Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle and more!
- Plus time to browse & shop on your own.
- Transfers, taxes, luggage handling: 1 piece of luggage per person.
- Escorted by Kay and John.



**Pease note: Passport required.**

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Hop Store or perhaps have a 'wee one' at the Irish Whiskey Distillery.

Tonight, Kay, John & Nigel invite you to a delightful New Year's Eve dinner at **Taylor's 3 Rock**, which has an international reputation for traditional Irish music. There will be a variety of dishes, plenty of potatoes and lively entertainment. Oh, John needs a new Taylor's 3 Rock t-shirt. (B,D)

**DAY 7: "Athbhliain faoi Mhaise Duit"** (Happy New Year)! You have a whole day to discover this lively city. This is

a great time to explore Dublin's famous Grafton Street for an afternoon tea or revisit some of the attractions you saw on your trolley tour. At day's end, gather with Kay and John in the hotel pub to share stories over an Irish Coffee. It is guaranteed to warm you up all over! (B, Irish Coffee)

**DAY 8: "Eireann go braugh"** (Ireland forever). It's time to depart our "New Year's in Ireland" home. Bid Nigel a fond farewell at the Dublin airport and board your flight home to the U.S.A. (B)

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