



DanceTour

Join us for A Dublin Jig



Friday, 13 September to Monday, 16 September, 2019
€390 based on double occupancy

Teacher: Gary Coull, Scotland

Musicians: Ian Robertson and John Dudley, England

Venue: Green Isle Hotel, Dublin: <https://www.greenislehotel.com/>

Provisional Programme

Friday: Arrive at Green Isle Hotel; Irish Set Dance evening at Áras Chrónáin Irish Cultural Centre with introductory class. Dining available in Clondalkin village or at Hotel.

Saturday: Morning Scottish Country Dance class. Afternoon tour in Dublin.
Dinner at Hotel; Scottish Country Dance evening.

Sunday: Morning Scottish Country dance class. Afternoon visit to Dublin.
Dinner at Hotel; Scottish Country dance evening.

Monday: Depart after breakfast.

Additional nights are available through the hotel.

For more information, contact
Fiona Grant (Bristol, England) or Kate Kinnear (Crieff, Scotland) on:
scotdancetour@gmail.com

Our Team

Gary Coull began dancing at the age of 10 in Dufftown, Scotland with Jessie Stuart as his teacher and gained his full teaching certificate in 2013. Gary has taught at various weekend and day schools in Scotland and Europe including the RSCDS International Branch weekend in Copenhagen and the 40th anniversary weekend of the Stockholm Branch. He has taught at the RSCDS Summer School as well as the 2016 West End Workshop in Toronto and he dances with the RSCDS Aberdeen demonstration team.

Ian Robertson is a highly experienced Scottish dance musician, with over 35 years' experience with many top bands in the UK. He led his own band, Sound Company, for 15 years. Equally at home on fiddle, piano and accordion, Ian now plays regularly for country dances, weddings, ceilidhs and concerts across the UK. He is also a regular visitor to dance groups in continental Europe and further afield.

John Dudley started fiddle playing in the early 60s after a Yehudi Menuhin concert and hasn't stopped since. He has wide-ranging interests in Classical, Folk and Jazz; plays several instruments and is a well-known band leader. He developed a great love of the Scottish repertoire, and his improvisatory style has attracted comments such as: 'Well, I can honestly say I've never heard anything like it!' John also happens to be an experienced Irish Set Dance teacher, and is particularly looking forward to revisiting Dublin.

Our Location

Dublin is easily accessible air, (including low cost airlines Ryanair, Flybe and Norwegian), as well as more scenically by road and ferry from the UK.

The 4* Green Isle Hotel is conveniently located in Newlands Cross, just off the N7 Naas Road in Clondalkin. One of the top Dublin Hotels, the Green Isle is located just 5 minutes from the Red Cow Luas Depot, enabling visitors to easily navigate their way around Dublin. It is also just 20 minutes from Dublin Airport, making it the perfect stop before an early flight. <https://www.greenislehotel.com/location.html>.

Irish Set Dance at Áras Chrónáin Irish Cultural Centre

*Set dancing is probably Ireland's most popular form of traditional dance, and can be enjoyed across the country and in many places around the world. Quite different from Riverdance, which is solo **step** dancing, **set** dancing is the traditional social dancing for rural communities in Ireland. 'Sets' came from quadrilles, the 18th and 19th century court dances of France, which spread across Europe. Irish peasants learned the quadrilles from British landlords and soldiers, and took them home to their cottages where they became the uniquely Irish sets. Four couples form a square and when the music begins they dance a variety of formations and steps to make one figure. A set usually has from three to six figures, each one different. See Irish Set Dancing News: <http://sets.ie/> And you'll find lots of videos on YouTube.*

Our venue for the Friday evening is a 20 minute walk, or 10 minute drive, from the Green Isle Hotel. Áras Chrónáin Irish Cultural Centre is a unique oasis of vibrant Irish language, music, song, dance and culture, experienced and enjoyed by young and old from every walk of life. The Centre is based in a magnificent Georgian house on 2.9 acres right in the heart of old Clondalkin village, and we are invited to join them at their weekly Friday dance. <http://www.araschronain.ie/> . Coach back to hotel tbc.

Afternoon Tours

Saturday afternoon is set aside for an entertaining coach and guided walking tour of historic central Dublin.

Sunday afternoon we will arrange an excursion; destination to be confirmed but options include: Kilmainham Gaol, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kilmainham_Gaol; the National Museum of Archaeology, https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Museum_of_Ireland_%E2%80%93_Archaeology.

DanceTour Ltd

DanceTour Ltd was founded with the aim of promoting Scottish Country Dancing and linking up with far-flung local groups who rarely have the opportunity to dance to live music in a large group. Fiona Grant and Kate Kinnear invite you to participate in joining them for a Dublin jig.



A Dublin Jig Weekend
Friday, 13 September to Monday, 16 September, 2019

Please complete a separate form for each person applying.

First Name:		Last Name:	
Name on name badge, etc:		Gender:	
Address:			
Town:			
State or County:			
Country:		Postcode/ZIP:	
Telephone:		E-mail:	
Contact in case of emergency:		Their Phone number:	

Price includes bed and breakfast, dinner on Saturday and Sunday, tuition, and Scottish Dance evenings. Please complete a separate form for each applicant. **Costs are per person.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Twin room OR	€390	€
<input type="checkbox"/>	Double room		
	Sharing with: _____		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single room	€490	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attend the weekend as a non-dancer: (includes twin/double room accommodation, breakfast, dinner on Saturday and Sunday, and Scottish Dance evenings).	€300 (non-dancer)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I would like to reserve a place on the Friday evening Irish dance event, including coach back to hotel.	€15	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I would like to reserve a place on the Saturday afternoon tour.	€20	
<input type="checkbox"/>	I would like to reserve a place on the Sunday afternoon tour.	€20	
Total For Weekend =			€
Total deposit (due on acceptance of application and before 31 March 2019) =			€ 200
Remainder (due by 31 July 2019) =			€

I understand that DanceTour Ltd is under no liability whatsoever in respect of any personal injury or loss which I may sustain, and that I should arrange appropriate travel insurance.

Please tick this box to show that you understand and agree to the above statement.

Additional requests and dietary requirements:

Venue: The Green Isle Hotel, Dublin

If you would like to stay one or more extra nights in the Green Isle Hotel before or after the weekend, please contact the Hotel direct, making sure to mention you are part of this event:

<https://www.greenislehotel.com/>

The website for the Green Isle Hotel gives directions for reaching the hotel from the airport and from Dublin centre: <https://www.greenislehotel.com/location.html>.

How to pay

- **By bank transfer to our Euro account**

Please note that all bank charges must be paid by the applicant:

Account Name: DanceTour Ltd

Address: Bank of Ireland, College Green, Dublin 2.

Sort Code: 90-00-17 Account number: 89633946

IBAN account: IE47 BOFI 9000 1789 6339 46

Swift/BIC: BOFIIIE2D

- **Please send the completed form to: scotdancetour@gmail.com.** Please submit your application with no payment. When your application has been accepted and confirmed, a deposit will be requested.
- **Please ensure your name is mentioned in the reference for the bank payment.**
- For the workshop there will be a non-refundable deposit of €200 per person. This applies to all residents at the Green Isle Hotel.
- **Deposits are required by 20 March 2019**
- The balance is due by **31 July 2019**.
- **No refunds will be made for cancellations after 31 July 2019.**