

153RD OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP NORTHERN IRELAND & IRELAND ESCORTED TOUR | JULY 18-29, 2025

Experience the best of golf in Northern Ireland on our GOLFSelect Escorted Tour from July 18-29, 2025. We will spend two days at The 153rd Open Championship at Royal Portrush, while playing many fabulous Northern Ireland courses including Royal Portrush the week after The Open and then two games at Royal County Down. It doesn't get much better than that.



18 July 2025
to
29 July 2025

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



AT A GLANCE

When	Fri July 18 - Tue July 29, 2025
Package	11 nights, 6+ rounds of golf
Escorted	Fully escorted by Gary & Maureen Lisbon and Matthew Ridge
Tournament	Guaranteed General Admission tickets to Days 3 and 4 of The 153rd Open Championship at Royal Portrush

Day	Golf	Accommodation
Day 1	Arrive	Europa Hotel, Belfast
Day 2	Royal Portrush Golf Club	Europa Hotel, Belfast
Day 3	Royal Portrush Golf Club	Europa Hotel, Belfast
Day 4	Rosapenna Golf Resort - Sandy Hills Links	Rosapenna Hotel & Golf Resort
Day 5	Rosapenna Golf Resort - St.Patricks Links	Rosapenna Hotel & Golf Resort
Day 6	Rosapenna Golf Resort - Old Tom Morris Links	Slieve Donard Resort and Spa
Day 7	Royal County Down Golf Club (Championship Course)	Slieve Donard Resort and Spa
Day 8	Royal County Down Golf Club (Championship Course)	Slieve Donard Resort and Spa
Day 9		The Bushmills Inn Hotel
Day 10	Royal Portrush Golf Club	The Bushmills Inn Hotel
Day 11	Portstewart Golf Club The Strand Course	The Bushmills Inn Hotel
Day 12	Depart	

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



WELCOME

Hello 2025 Irish crew!

Listed below are the updated itinerary details for the upcoming trip to Ireland in July 2025. There will certainly be more things added between now and your arrival and I will let you know these details along the way.

Gary, Maureen and myself are really looking forward in seeing you in Belfast.

Feel free to reach out to me with any queries.


With thanks,

Matt


Matt Ridge - GOLFSelect Travel

ITINERARY DAY-BY-DAY


Friday, 18 July 2025


 **Arrival Day in Belfast** | 03:00 PM
Make your way to Europa Belfast Hotel. Check in from 3:00PM. ** Check in will be from 3pm but feel free to leave luggage in storage if arriving earlier. Use your surname for check-in **


 **Welcome Drink** | 07:00 PM
Meet the rest of the group who you will be travelling with in a relaxed, fun informal setting at the hotel


 **Europa Hotel, Belfast** (3 nights with daily breakfast - Standard rooms)
Superbly located in the heart of Belfast City Centre, the world famous 4 star Europa Hotel simply epitomizes indulgence.


Saturday, 19 July 2025

 **Meet in lobby for transfer to The Open**
Meet in the lobby (time tbc) for your coach transfer to The Open.


 **Return coach transfers included to attend The Open**
Approx transfer time 80min

 **Royal Portrush Golf Club** | 11:30 AM tee time (Guaranteed ticket to Day 3 of the 153rd Open Championship **more details about your tickets closer to the event **)
Many golfers have portrayed Royal Portrush Golf Club Dunluce Links as one of the most challenging in the golf course world. For only the second time in Open history, the Open Championship will be held outside of Scotland or England (both times at Royal Portrush). The world's greatest golfers will gather to do battle for the famous Claret Jug in Northern Ireland for the first time since 1951 when Max Faulkner was the winner. The golf club has hosted many championships, such as the first Open Championship ever held in Ireland in 1951. In more recent times, Royal Portrush has hosted the Senior British Open 1995-1999, the Amateur Championship in 1993 and in July 2019 it will host the 148th Open Championship.

 **Links and Drinks Soiree | For Europa Hotel guests there will be a finger food (substantial) and drinks event in the Europa Ballroom. Exact time tbc** | 07:00 PM

 **Europa Hotel, Belfast**
Superbly located in the heart of Belfast City Centre, the world famous 4 star Europa Hotel simply epitomizes indulgence.

Sunday, 20 July 2025

 **Meet in lobby for transfer to The Open**
Meet in the lobby (time tbc) for your coach transfer to The Open.

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



Return coach transfers included to attend The Open

Royal Portrush Golf Club | 11:30 AM tee time (Guaranteed ticket to Day 3 of the 153rd Open Championship **more details about your tickets closer to the event **)

Many golfers have portrayed Royal Portrush Golf Club Dunluce Links as one of the most challenging in the golf course world. For only the second time in Open history, the Open Championship will be held outside of Scotland or England (both times at Royal Portrush). The world's greatest golfers will gather to do battle for the famous Claret Jug in Northern Ireland for the first time since 1951 when Max Faulkner was the winner. The golf club has hosted many championships, such as the first Open Championship ever held in Ireland in 1951. In more recent times, Royal Portrush has hosted the Senior British Open 1995-1999, the Amateur Championship in 1993 and in July 2019 it will host the 148th Open Championship.

Europa Hotel, Belfast

Superbly located in the heart of Belfast City Centre, the world famous 4 star Europa Hotel simply epitomizes indulgence.

Monday, 21 July 2025

Luggage note

** All luggage to be in the hotel lobby by 8:15AM ready for 9:00AM coach departure to Rosapenna. Please make sure all luggage is easily identifiable **

Check out of accommodation | 08:30 AM

Check out after breakfast, settle any room incidentals and check room for any valuables etc

we will have a dedicated coach driver with us from July 21-29.

Transfer to Rosapenna | 09:00 AM

Approx travel time 2 hours 30 mins

Rosapenna Arrival Notes

Lunch is available in either the Golf Pavillon or in the Hotel at the Coach House Bar (own arrangements). Check in to your room after golf (your bags will be placed in your rooms while at golf).

Rosapenna Golf Resort - Sandy Hills Links | 01:00 PM tee time (1:00-1:50PM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC **some golfers have single caddies, sngl caddy fee is €80 +tip €20-30 per caddy**) Rosapenna Golf Resort is home to two stunning links courses, including the Sandy Hills Links which opened in June 2003 and is set to become one of the most famous golf courses in Ireland.

Welcome Dinner in the Hotel - Vardon Restaurant | 07:30 PM

With everyone now having met each other and played our opening round, we can now officially have our Welcome Dinner ** Dinner (and first beer or wine) is included as part of the package **

Rosapenna Hotel & Golf Resort (2 nights with daily breakfast - Standard rooms)

Located on the edge of the picturesque Sheephaven Bay, with a luxury hotel on site, Rosapenna is the perfect venue for a golf break or just a quiet getaway in this beautiful corner of Donegal.

Tuesday, 22 July 2025

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



🏌️ Rosapenna Golf Resort - St.Patricks Links | 09:30 AM tee time (9:30AM-10:20AM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC, 1x forecaddie per group included **some golfers have single caddies, snl caddy fee is €80 +tip €20-30 per caddy, forecaddie tip will be €30-40 per group **)

The Rosapenna Golf Resort acquired the St Patrick's Links in late 2012, a former 36-hole facility developed by the Walsh Family of Carrigart. The Maheramagorgan Links designed by Irish architect Eddie Hackett and the Trá Mór Links designed by PGA Professional Joanne O'Haire, both opened for play in the mid-1990's. St Patrick's Links has debuted as the highest new entry at #55 on the GOLF Magazine Top 100 in the World rankings 2021-22 alongside only three other courses in Ireland; Ballybunion, Lahinch & Portmarnock.

🍴 Dinner - own arrangements
There may be smaller group arrangements closer to the time at a nearby pub or local venue ** Please bring cash just in case bills cannot be split **

🏠 Rosapenna Hotel & Golf Resort
Located on the edge of the picturesque Sheephaven Bay, with a luxury hotel on site, Rosapenna is the perfect venue for a golf break or just a quiet getaway in this beautiful corner of Donegal.

Wednesday, 23 July 2025

🍴 Breakfast avail for | 06:30 AM
6:30AM Restaurant is open for the early golfers

📄 Check out of accommodation (for those golfing early)
Check out after breakfast, settle any room incidentals and check room for any valuables etc ** For those playing golf this morning please leave luggage at Reception storage prior to golf **

🏌️ Rosapenna Golf Resort - Old Tom Morris Links | 07:30 AM tee time (** Optional golf - 18 golfers are confirmed ** | 7:30AM-8:10AM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC **some golfers have single caddies, snl caddy fee is €80 +tip €20-30 per caddy**)

Rosapenna Golf Resort is home to two stunning links courses, including the Old Tom Morris Links which first opened in 1893.

📄 Check out of accommodation (for those not golfing)
Check out after breakfast, settle any room incidentals and check room for any valuables etc

🚌 Transfer to Slieve Donard
Approx travel time 3 hours


🍴 Dinner - own arrangements
There may be smaller group arrangements closer to the time at a nearby pub or local venue ** Please bring cash just in case bills cannot be split **


🏠 Slieve Donard Resort and Spa (3 nights with daily breakfast - Standard rooms)
Nestled at the foot of the Mourne Mountains, the Slieve Donard Resort and Spa stands in six acres of private grounds. Just a short stroll to Royal County Down Golf Club, this is a perfect venue for any golf getaway.


Thursday, 24 July 2025


153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025




 **Walk to the course**
5min walk. Your clubs will be set up at the golf course.


 **Royal County Down Golf Club (Championship Course)** | 10:01 AM tee time (10:01AM-11:06AM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC, 1x forecaddie per group included **some golfers have single caddies**)
Royal County Down is one of the oldest Golf Clubs in Ireland with traditions dating back for more than one hundred years. Situated in Newcastle, where in the immortal words of Percy French, "The Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea", Royal County Down is not only a fine test of golf but has accompanying scenery that is spellbinding.


 **Dinner - own arrangements**
There may be smaller group arrangements closer to the time at a nearby pub or local venue ** Please bring cash just in case bills cannot be split **


 **Slieve Donard Resort and Spa**
Nestled at the foot of the Mourne Mountains, the Slieve Donard Resort and Spa stands in six acres of private grounds. Just a short stroll to Royal County Down Golf Club, this is a perfect venue for any golf getaway.

Friday, 25 July 2025


 **Walk to the course**
5min walk. Your clubs will be set up at the golf course.


 **Royal County Down Golf Club (Championship Course)** | 10:14 AM tee time (10:14AM-11:19AM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC, 1x forecaddie per group included **some golfers have single caddies**)
Royal County Down is one of the oldest Golf Clubs in Ireland with traditions dating back for more than one hundred years. Situated in Newcastle, where in the immortal words of Percy French, "The Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea", Royal County Down is not only a fine test of golf but has accompanying scenery that is spellbinding.

 **Dinner - own arrangements**
There may be smaller group arrangements closer to the time at a nearby pub or local venue ** Please bring cash just in case bills cannot be split **

 **Slieve Donard Resort and Spa**
Nestled at the foot of the Mourne Mountains, the Slieve Donard Resort and Spa stands in six acres of private grounds. Just a short stroll to Royal County Down Golf Club, this is a perfect venue for any golf getaway.

Saturday, 26 July 2025

 **Check out of accommodation**

 **Transfer to Bushmills**
approx travel time 1 hour 45 mins

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



Afternoon at own leisure

A good chance to see some sightseeing in and around Bushmills or just rest up and get ready for Royal Portrush tomorrow!

Dinner suggestion - Tartine Distellary Arms


Possible group dinner ** Please bring cash just in case bills cannot be split **

The Bushmills Inn Hotel (3 nights with daily breakfast - Standard rooms)

Set against the backdrop of the Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland, The Bushmills Inn is the perfect retreat for those who crave the unconventional, yet still expect exceptional service.

Sunday, 27 July 2025

Return coach transfer included

 **Royal Portrush Golf Club** | 02:00 PM tee time (2:00AM-3:00PM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC, 1x forecaddie per group included **some golfers have single caddies**) Many golfers have portrayed Royal Portrush Golf Club Dunluce Links as one of the most challenging in the golf course world. For only the second time in Open history, the Open Championship will be held outside of Scotland or England (both times at Royal Portrush). The world's greatest golfers will gather to do battle for the famous Claret Jug in Northern Ireland for the first time since 1951 when Max Faulkner was the winner. The golf club has hosted many championships, such as the first Open Championship ever held in Ireland in 1951. In more recent times, Royal Portrush has hosted the Senior British Open 1995-1999, the Amateur Championship in 1993 and in July 2019 it will host the 148th Open Championship.

Dinner suggestion - stay at Royal Portrush after golf


Dinner at own expense ** Please bring cash just in case bills cannot be split **

The Bushmills Inn Hotel

Set against the backdrop of the Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland, The Bushmills Inn is the perfect retreat for those who crave the unconventional, yet still expect exceptional service.

Monday, 28 July 2025

Return coach transfer included

 **Portstewart Golf Club The Strand Course** | 09:40 AM tee time (9:40AM-10:28AM tee time | 18 holes golf with pull buggy - golf pairings TBC, 1x forecaddie per group included **some golfers have single caddies, sngl caddy fee is £70 per caddy + tip **) Portstewart Golf Club is proud to offer 54 holes of golf spectacularly set on Ulster's famous Causeway Coast with something for every golfer. The views from almost every hole are quite simply, magical. The Atlantic is never very far away and the beauty of the course has to be seen to be believed. It is a treat that will take a very long time, if ever, to fade from the golfers memory. The jewel in the Portstewart crown.

Farewell dinner

A fantastic evening ahead as we recall many memories and laughs from the past couple weeks!

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



The Bushmills Inn Hotel

Set against the backdrop of the Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland, The Bushmills Inn is the perfect retreat for those who crave the unconventional, yet still expect exceptional service.

Tuesday, 29 July 2025

Departure Day

Check out of accommodation

Transfer to Belfast (then to Dublin)

8-830am Approx departure. Travel time 1hr15 min to Belfast (and then a further 2hrs to Dublin). **One group transfer will be possible to Belfast and then to Dublin. **

GOLF COURSES

Rosapenna Golf Resort - St.Patricks Links



Letterkenny, Downings, Letterkenny, County Donegal, IE,
0
Ireland
+353-74-915-5301 (tel:+353-74-915-5301)
Region: Ireland

The Rosapenna Golf Resort acquired the St Patrick's Links in late 2012, a former 36-hole facility developed by the Walsh Family of Carrigart. The Maheramagorgan Links designed by Irish architect Eddie Hackett and the Trá Mór Links designed by PGA Professional Joanne O'Haire, both opened for play in the mid-1990's. St Patrick's Links has debuted as the highest new entry at #55 on the GOLF Magazine Top 100 in the World rankings 2021-22 alongside only three other courses in Ireland; Ballybunion, Lahinch & Portmarnock.

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025



Portstewart Golf Club The Strand Course



117 Strand Road, Portstewart, Co.Londonderry, NI, BT55
7PG
United Kingdom
028 7083 2015 (tel:028 7083 2015)
Region: Ireland - North East



Portstewart Golf Club is proud to offer 54 holes of golf spectacularly set on Ulster's famous Causeway Coast with something for every golfer. The views from almost every hole are quite simply, magical. The Atlantic is never very far away and the beauty of the course has to be seen to be believed. It is a treat that will take a very long time, if ever, to fade from the golfers memory. The jewel in the Portstewart crown.

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025

Royal County Down Golf Club (Championship Course)



36 Golf Links Road, Newcastle, NI, BT33 OAN
United Kingdom
+44-28-4372-3314 (tel:+44-28-4372-3314)
Region: Ireland - North East



Royal County Down is one of the oldest Golf Clubs in Ireland with traditions dating back for more than one hundred years. Situated in Newcastle, where in the immortal words of Percy French, "The Mountains of Mourne sweep down to the sea", Royal County Down is not only a fine test of golf but has accompanying scenery that is spellbinding.

Royal Portrush Golf Club



Dunlunce Road, County Antrim, NI, BT56 8JQ
United Kingdom
+44-28-7082-2311 (tel:+44-28-7082-2311)
Region: Ireland - North East



Many golfers have portrayed Royal Portrush Golf Club Dunluce Links as one of the most challenging in the golf course world. For only the second time in Open history, the Open Championship will be held outside of Scotland or England (both times at Royal Portrush). The world's greatest golfers will gather to do battle for the famous Claret Jug in Northern Ireland for the first time since 1951 when Max Faulkner was the winner. The golf club has hosted many championships, such as the first Open Championship ever held in Ireland in 1951. In more recent times, Royal Portrush has hosted the Senior British Open 1995-1999, the Amateur Championship in 1993 and in July 2019 it will host the 148th Open Championship.

Rosapenna Golf Resort - Old Tom Morris
Links



Sheephaven Bay, Downings, Letterkenny, County
Donegal, IE, F92 PN73
Ireland
+353-74-915-5301 (tel:+353-74-915-5301)
Region: Ireland - West & North West

Rosapenna Golf Resort is home to two stunning links courses, including the Old Tom Morris Links which first opened in 1893.

Rosapenna Golf Resort - Sandy Hills Links



Sheephaven Bay, Downings, Letterkenny, County
Donegal, IE, F92 PN73
Ireland
+353-74-915-5301 (tel:+353-74-915-5301)
Region: Ireland - West & North West

Rosapenna Golf Resort is home to two stunning links courses, including the Sandy Hills Links which opened in June 2003 and is set to become one of the most famous golf courses in Ireland.

ACCOMMODATION

The Bushmills Inn Hotel



9 Dunluce Rd, Bushmills, NI, BT57 8QG
United Kingdom
+44 28 2073 3000 (tel:+44 28 2073 3000)
Region: Ireland



Set against the backdrop of the Giant's Causeway in Northern Ireland, The Bushmills Inn is the perfect retreat for those who crave the unconventional, yet still expect exceptional service.

Europa Hotel, Belfast



Great Victoria Street, Belfast, IE, BT2 7AP
United Kingdom
+44-28-9027-1066 (tel:+44-28-9027-1066)
Region: Ireland - North East



Superbly located in the heart of Belfast City Centre, the world famous 4 star Europa Hotel simply epitomizes indulgence.

153rd Open Championship Northern Ireland & Ireland Escorted Tour | July 18-29, 2025

Slieve Donard Resort and Spa



Downs Road, Newcastle, County Down, IE, BT33 OAH
Ireland
+44-28-4372-1066 (tel:+44-28-4372-1066)
Region: Ireland - South East

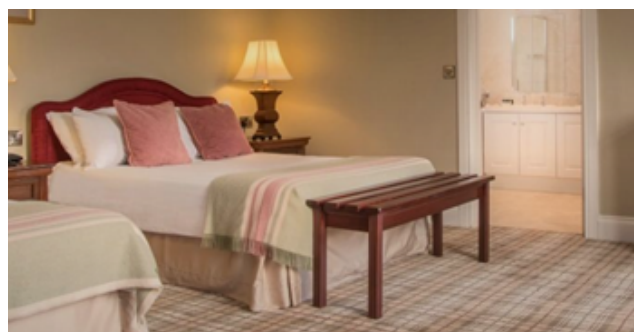


Nestled at the foot of the Mourne Mountains, the Slieve Donard Resort and Spa stands in six acres of private grounds. Just a short stroll to Royal County Down Golf Club, this is a perfect venue for any golf getaway.

Rosapenna Hotel & Golf Resort



Sheephaven Bay, Downings, County Donegal,
Letterkenny, IE, F92 PN73
Ireland
+353-74-915-5301 (tel:+353-74-915-5301)
Region: Ireland - West & North West



Located on the edge of the picturesque Sheephaven Bay, with a luxury hotel on site, Rosapenna is the perfect venue for a golf break or just a quiet getaway in this beautiful corner of Donegal.

SERVICES

Events Travel

, Melbourne, VIC

Scales Travel

, IE
Ireland

Coach transfer in Ireland

ABOUT US



GOLFSelect is a **golf holiday** specialist. Our relationships with Australia's best golf courses, plus our extensive international network of golf travel partners, allows us to organise unique and never-to-be-forgotten golf holidays both within **Australia** and around the **world**.