

Perillo Tours Expands European Footprint with New Tours to Ireland & Portugal



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Perillo Tours, a leading U.S. tour operator traveling to Italy for 80 years, is expanding its European portfolio next year with a new Ireland tour and its first standalone itinerary in Portugal. Perillo will offer escorted itineraries to Italy, Ireland (pictured above), Portugal, Greece, Hawaii and Spain in 2026.

Perillo's 10-day "Heart of Ireland" tour captures the Emerald Isle's charm through music, history, and breathtaking landscapes. The trip starts with two nights in Dublin exploring St. Patrick's Cathedral and enjoying the most famous stout at the Guinness Storehouse. Travelers will then spend three nights on the west coast in Galway, followed by two nights in Killarney. The trip culminates with a memorable stay at the historic 13th-century Barberstown Castle Hotel.

Tour highlights include excursions to Inis Mór, the largest of the Aran Islands, viewing the dramatic landscapes of Connemara, and a full day exploring the Ring of Kerry with sheepdog demonstrations and horse-drawn carriage rides through the scenic countryside. The "Heart of Ireland" tour starts at \$5,495 per person and departure dates are available from April to Oct. 2026.

"For so many Perillo Tours guests, our trips are a way for them to experience their heritage," said Steve Perillo, third-generation owner of Perillo Tours. "Over the last few years, we've seen an overwhelming interest from past guests in Ireland. Building off of our 80 years of operational expertise in Italy, we were able to build a memorable and immersive itinerary to Ireland, a destination equally rich in heritage."

Perillo will also introduce "Portugal Dreams: From Porto to Lisbon," its first standalone itinerary in Portugal. The 10-day trip starts with two nights in Porto for guided walking tours, port wine tastings, winery visits, and scenic cruises along the Douro River on a traditional "Rabelo" boat. Guests will then spend two nights at a coastal resort near Praia d'El Rey, with excursions to the medieval village of Óbidos and the magical Quinta da Regaleira in Sintra. The tour concludes with three nights in Lisbon.

Guests will enjoy an authentic live performance of Fado, Portugal's soulful musical genre that features heartfelt melodies and melancholic lyrics. There will also be an excursion to the UNESCO World Heritage Site, Évora, an open air museum where guests will engage in a behind-the-scenes cork crafting experience. The "Portugal Dreams: From Porto to Lisbon" itinerary starts at \$3,595 per person and departure dates are available from April to Oct. 2026.

"Portugal continues to grow in popularity, and with the interest and high guest satisfaction received from our 2025 Spain and Portugal itinerary, a standalone Portugal itinerary was a natural addition to our 2026 offerings," Perillo said. All 2026 escorted tour itineraries are now available for booking. For more information, call 800-431-1515 or visit www.perillotours.com.

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