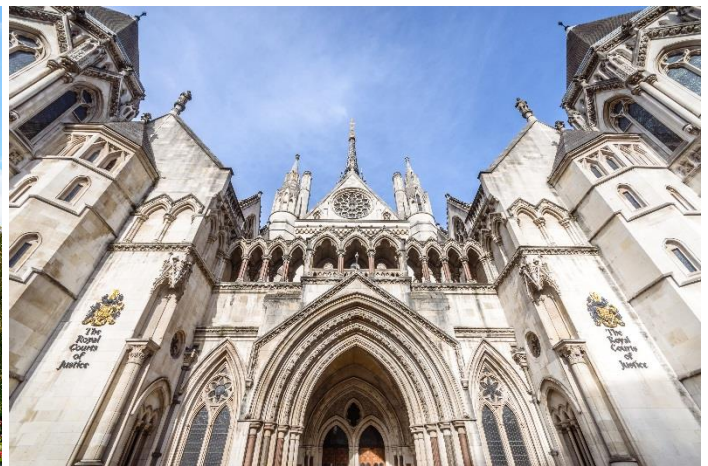
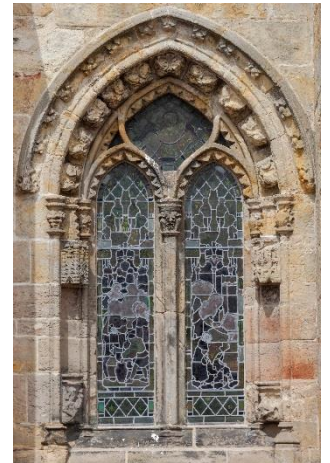




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JUNE 12 - 26, 2017



300 YEARS OF FREEMASONRY  
MASONS OF CALIFORNIA

	DATE	ITINERARY IN BRIEF	ACCOMMODATION
1	<b>MONDAY</b> <b>12JUN17</b>	Depart the United States flying overnight to <b>Ireland</b> .	<b>En Route</b>
2	<b>TUESDAY</b> <b>13JUN17</b>	<p>Arrival at <b>Dublin Airport</b>. Meet, assist, and <b>transfer</b> with guide to Dublin.</p> <p><b>Hotel check-in</b> and <b>afternoon at leisure</b>, some time to self-navigate Dublin.</p> <p>This evening enjoy a <b>Welcome Dinner</b> together.</p>	<b>Dublin</b> MEALS: D
3	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>14JUN17</b>	<p>This morning, embark on a <b>panoramic city tour</b>, discovering the north and south sides of the <b>River Liffey</b>. This area offers great striking monuments such as the <b>GPO (General Post Office)</b> on the city's main thoroughfare, <b>O'Connell Street</b>, the <b>Custom House</b> along the quays, and <b>Phoenix Park</b>, the largest public park in Europe. The sophisticated south side offers vast <b>Georgian squares</b>, such as <b>Merrion Square</b>, location of the <b>Oscar Wilde House</b> and the quality shops along <b>Grafton Street</b>. View the former home of <b>Bram Stoker</b>, author of <i>Dracula</i>.</p> <p>Continue with a visit to the <b>Grand Lodge of Ireland</b>, the second most senior lodge in the world and the oldest in continuous existence. Built in the 1860s by Edward Holmes, every room in this award-winning building houses a different decorative style, including Greek and Gothic Revival. Explore its museum, providing insight into the <b>history of the freemasons in Ireland</b>.</p>	<b>Dublin</b> MEALS: B
4	<b>THURSDAY</b> <b>15JUN17</b>	<p>Morning departure to <b>Galway, Ireland</b>, straddling the <b>River Corrib</b>. En route, visit <b>Charleville Castle</b>, a neo-Gothic castle that was the family seat of <b>the Burys</b>, said to be <b>Freemasons</b>. In 1798, <b>Charles William Bury</b> commissioned architect Francis Johnston, who designed the interior entrance of the castle to simulate a grand lodge. The building displays many <b>signs of Freemasonry</b> with symbols used throughout its design.</p> <p>Continue to <b>Galway</b>, enjoying a <b>Freemason walking tour</b>, including a visit to the <b>Church of St. Nicholas</b>, uncovering its hidden <b>Templar origins, apprentice pillar</b> and <b>symbolic tombs</b>. Onto the former <b>Freemason Hall in Galway City</b>.</p> <p>This evening, enjoy a <b>medieval Banquet at Dunguaire Castle</b>. Built in 1520 on the picturesque shores of Galway Bay, this restored 16<sup>th</sup> century tower house sits on a rocky outcrop outside the picturesque village of Kinvara.</p>	<b>Galway</b> MEALS: B,D

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	<p>In 1924 Dunguaire was purchased and restored by <b>Oliver St. John Gogarty</b>, the famous surgeon and literary figure. It became a meeting venue for literary revivalists such as <b>W.B. Yeats</b>, his patron <b>Lady Gregory</b>, <b>George Bernard Shaw</b>, <b>Edward Martin</b> and <b>J.M. Synge</b>.</p> <p>Mirroring the <b>tradition of 'King Guaire'</b>, be welcomed with a <b>goblet of Mead</b> in an inner chamber by the butler and ladies of the castle. After a short history of the castle and musical introduction, climb the stairs to the Banquet Hall. Next, a delicious <b>dinner</b> followed by an <b>entertainment program</b> of music, song and dance, including excerpts from famous literary writers associated with the Galway region including Yeats, Synge, Gogarty and Shaw. The castle's wonderful artists inspire with selected stories in this special setting.</p>	
5	<p><b>FRIDAY</b> <b>16JUN17</b></p> <p>Following breakfast, depart Galway to <b>Belfast, capital of Northern Ireland</b> via <b>Causey Farm</b> for an authentic hands-on experience of living Irish culture. Explore this 300 acre beef cattle and sheep farm, followed by <b>lunch onsite</b>.</p> <p>This afternoon, continue to <b>Belfast</b> with <b>dinner</b> at the hotel.</p>	<p><b>Belfast</b> MEALS: B,L,D</p>
6	<p><b>SATURDAY</b> <b>17JUN17</b></p> <p>Set sail to <b>Edinburgh, Scotland</b> on the <b>Belfast to Cairnryan ferry crossing</b>.</p> <p><b>Hotel check-in</b> and <b>dinner</b> upon arrival.</p>	<p><b>Edinburgh</b> MEALS: B,D</p>
7	<p><b>SUNDAY</b> <b>18JUN17</b></p> <p>The day begins with a <b>Freemason walking tour</b>, exploring the buildings of Edinburgh associated with the fraternity.</p> <p>Visit the <b>Grand Lodge of Scotland and Museum</b>, founded in 1736. Following a guided tour of the Freemason's Hall, visit the museum which houses the oldest masonic records in the world.</p> <p>End the day at the panoramic <b>Edinburgh Castle</b>, a stronghold for over 3,000 years. A dominating rock structure overlooking the capital city atop an extinct volcano, the castle has witnessed many of the defining events of Scottish history and has dominated its surroundings with majesty for centuries.</p>	<p><b>Edinburgh</b> MEALS: B</p>
8	<p><b>MONDAY</b> <b>19JUN17</b></p> <p>Today journey to <b>Stirling, Scotland</b> for visits to the <b>Battle of Bannockburn Visitor Centre</b>, situated at one of Scotland's most important historic sites, and <b>National Wallace Monument</b>, commemorating the 13<sup>th</sup> century Scottish hero Sir William Wallace.</p> <p>Inside <b>Bannockburn</b>, cutting edge technology experience propels visitors to the heart of the action, with its park grounds and restored commemorative monuments creating a place for quiet contemplation.</p>	<p><b>Edinburgh</b> MEALS: B</p>

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	<p>At the <b>Wallace Monument</b>, one of the most distinctive landmarks on the Stirling skyline, commemorate <b>Sir William Wallace</b>, the Scottish patriot and martyr who triumphed over <b>King Edward's army at The Battle of Stirling Bridge</b>.</p> <p>The afternoon is spent at a <b>whisky distillery</b> on the banks of the River Teith, a backstage look at the Lowland region's production of softer, lighter style single malts that are traditionally known as the 'Lowland Ladies'.</p> <p>Return to <b>Edinburgh</b>.</p>	
<p>9 <b>TUESDAY</b> <b>20JUN17</b></p>	<p>Travel inland this morning, to <b>Glasgow, Scotland</b>.</p> <p>Spend time in the <b>Roslin</b> (formerly spelled Rosslyn or Roslyn), a village outside of Edinburgh. Visit <b>Rossllyn Chapel</b>, an architecturally unique church packed with ornate Gothic stone carvings. Some are believed to show New World plants such as cacti and corn, even though the carvings were created a century before Columbus landed in North America.</p> <p>Upon arrival to <b>Glasgow</b>, pay a visit to the magnificent <b>Necropolis</b>, overlooking <b>Glasgow Cathedral</b>, a rare example of Scottish Gothic architecture that predates the Reformation. Built as a final resting place for Glasgow's industrial elite, the Necropolis was Scotland's first nondenominational graveyard. It is claimed that the 37 acre cemetery acts as the world's largest freemasonry site and the overall layout represents one giant masonic symbol.</p> <p>Continue to hotel with <b>dinner</b> on site.</p>	<p><b>Glasgow</b> MEALS: B,D</p>
<p>10 <b>WEDNESDAY</b> <b>21JUN17</b></p>	<p>Begin the journey to <b>Manchester, England</b> this morning.</p> <p>On the way, visit <b>Kilwinning Mother Lodge and Abbey</b> in Ayrshire, an ancient lodge with a special history. Before the forming of the Grand Lodge in 1736, Mother Kilwinning was a Grand Lodge in her own right, issuing charters and warrants to Lodges wishing to enjoy the privileges of Freemasonry. Explore the museum with many artifacts on display, and the remains of <b>Kilwinning Abbey</b>.</p> <p>Continue to <b>Manchester</b> with <b>dinner</b> at the hotel.</p>	<p><b>Manchester</b> MEALS: B,D</p>
<p>11 <b>THURSDAY</b> <b>22JUN17</b></p>	<p>This morning, board the <b>motor coach</b> for <b>Stratford-upon-Avon</b>, the <b>hometown of William Shakespeare</b>.</p> <p>Visit the sites associated with the poet, including his <b>birthplace</b>.</p> <p><b>Evening program option – Night at the Theatre: Shakespearean play performance</b> at the <b>Royal Shakespeare Company</b>.</p>	<p><b>Warwick / Stratford-upon-Avon</b> MEALS: B,D</p>

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12 FRIDAY 23JUN17	<p>Journey southeast to the tour's last stop, <b>London</b>.</p> <p><b><u>Afternoon program option – Churchill War Rooms:</u></b> Preserved to look just as they did during World War II, the <b>Churchill War Rooms</b> give insight into the lives of former Freemason Winston Churchill and his team during the Blitz. Experience Churchill's bedroom and the nucleus of the site, the Map Room.</p> <p><b><u>Evening program option – Jack the Ripper Tour:</u></b> Participate in a tour following the trail of <b>Jack the Ripper</b>, London's most infamous and fascinating serial killer.</p>	London MEALS: B
13 SATURDAY 24JUN17	<p>This morning, enjoy a brief <b>panoramic city tour of London</b>.</p> <p>Next, visit the <b>United Grand Lodge of England and Freemasons' Hall</b>. The oldest Grand Lodge in the world, the hall has been the center of English freemasonry for 230 years and is the meeting place for over 1,000 Masonic lodges. Explore the building, with its richly decorated interior.</p> <p>Onto the <b>Library and Museum of Freemasonry</b>, with an extensive collection of objects with Masonic decoration and items belonging to famous and Royal Freemasons including Winston Churchill and Edward VII.</p> <p>Special <b>St. John's Day Masonic program</b> this evening. Gather for a special evening program to celebrate the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Freemasonry. The first Grand Lodge was formed on this day 300 years ago, and members celebrated with a grand feast in honor of John the Baptist, patron of stonemasons. Join together for a delightful evening of celebration and reflection.</p>	London MEALS: B
14 SUNDAY 25JUN17	<p>Today, embark on a <b>River Thames cruise</b>, experiencing London from one of the best viewpoints.</p> <p>Onto the <b>Old Bailey</b>, one of England's most iconic courts. Learn of its fascinating history and the places of interest surrounding it, like the pub where wealthy people rented rooms to view public executions. Next, opportunity to witness a courtroom in session.</p> <p>Remainder of the day is spent <b>on own at leisure in London</b>, an opportunity for self-exploration.</p> <p><b>Farewell Dinner</b> this evening.</p>	London MEALS: B,D
15 MONDAY 26JUN17	<p>Transfer to <b>Heathrow Airport</b> in London for your journey home. Arrive the <b>United States</b> later today.</p>	En Route / USA MEALS: B

## FROSCH TRAVEL

### **LAND TOUR PRICE PER PERSON: \$3,350.00 (double occupancy)**

Prices quoted are based on a specific number of participants traveling together for the land rates in effect at the time of printing. They are subject to change.

### **Single Supplement: \$825.00**

A limited number of single rooms are available.

### **AIR RATES PER PERSON: \$1,455.00 Economy class roundtrip from Los Angeles/San Francisco**

### **DEPOSITS & PAYMENTS**

**DEPOSIT** \$500.00 per person (\$100.00 of which is non-refundable; additional cancellation fees will apply, see details under "cancellation penalties") submit with registration form to reserve space.

**FINAL PAYMENT due Friday, March 3, 2017**

### **WHAT IS INCLUDED**

- 13 nights' accommodation at 3/4 star hotels with private facilities.
- Meal plan as outlined on itinerary; 13 breakfasts/1 lunch/8 dinners
- All transfers to/from group flights
- Full sightseeing program as outlined on the itinerary by private motor-coach with driver
- Masonic scholar guides in Ireland, Scotland and England
- Local guides in Galway and Edinburgh
- Ferry from Belfast to Cairnryan
- All entrance fees to sites visited
- Special venues and programming per itinerary
  - Medieval banquet and entertainment at Dunguaire Castle
  - Irish experience at Causey Farm
  - River Thames cruise
- Porterage at hotels upon check in
- Gratuities to drivers, scholars, local guides, and restaurant staff

◆ **HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS** are provided on the basis of two persons sharing a room with private bath, in the hotels selected for the tour. A limited number of single rooms are available. FROSCH, Masons of California, and its subagents reserve the right to substitute hotels of the same category when necessary for the proper handling of the tour.

◆ **MEALS** included are 13 breakfasts, 1 lunches, and 8 dinners, as per itinerary.

◆ **PERSONAL TIPS** to your guides and drivers.

◆ **TOURING IN IRELAND, SCOTLAND AND ENGLAND** is provided by modern air-conditioned/heated motorcoaches, and includes the full sightseeing program outlined in the itinerary. All entrance fees to the places listed in the itinerary are included.

### Tour Highlights

Grand Lodge of Ireland  
Grand Lodge of Scotland  
Bannockburn Visitor Centre  
Necropolis Glasgow  
The Old Bailey

Leinster House  
Whiskey distillery tour  
National Wallace Monument  
Kilwinning Mother Lodge & Abbey  
United Grand Lodge of England

Charleville Castle  
Edinburgh Castle  
Rosslyn Chapel  
Shakespeare's Birthplace  
Museum and Library of  
Freemasonry

## **WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED**

- ◆ **PERSONAL ITEMS** such as laundry, telephone calls, and beverages other than coffee or tea served with the meals.
- ◆ **PASSPORTS** must be carried by each tour member and must be valid 6 months beyond tour date. **Copies of the information pages of the passports must be submitted to FROSCH with final payment.**
- ◆ **AIR TRANSPORTATION** from Los Angeles/San Francisco roundtrip (quoted separately).
- ◆ **AIRPORT TRANSFERS** when not on group flights.
- ◆ **OPTIONAL PROGRAMMING:** Shakespearean play; Activities on Saturday, June 24.

## **CANCELLATION PENALTIES**

### ◆ **CANCELLATION OF LAND ARRANGEMENTS & AIR TICKETS**

**Land arrangements:** Cancellation of land arrangements incur the following penalties:

**06JAN – 03FEB:       \$250.00 per person**  
**04FEB – 03MAR:       \$500.00 per person**  
**04MAR – Departure: Non-refundable**

**Air tickets:** Cancellations and refunds are governed by the tariff applying to the Super Apex airfare and/or other tariffs of the airlines concerned. Deposits on contractual air blocks are non-refundable. Airfares are non-refundable once ticketed.

### **TRIP CANCELLATION INSURANCE IS RECOMMENDED & IS AVAILABLE THROUGH FROSCH.**

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