

# The Gardens of Ireland

A 10-day garden history study-travel abroad experience in Ireland and Northern Ireland for Extension Master Gardeners and their guests July 7- July 18, 2020

This class will expand Master Gardeners' knowledge in ornamental horticulture, landscape, and garden design in a historical context. We'll visit and study 18th, 19th, 20th and even 21st century garden / landscape sites such as Powerscourt, Killruddery, Mount Usher, Mount Stewart, Heywood Garden, Hillside Garden, Lismore Castle, Innaculin, The Sky Garden at Liss Ard, Muckross House, June Blake's Garden, Hunting Brook Garden, Altamont, Mount Congreve, Fruitlawn, and the Ballymaloe Cookery School & Organic Garden.

## Program Policies:

Registration is only open to participants in a Cooperative Extension Service Master Gardener Program (one guest permitted). Enrollment will be limited to 25 total (Master Gardeners and guests), available on a first come basis. Advanced Master Gardener Training hours will be available to Purdue University Master Gardeners. Master Gardener participants may also earn volunteer service hours upon their return by sharing what they've learned with others.

## Instructors from the

Department of Horticulture and Landscape Architecture:

Dr. Michael N. Dana

Professor of Horticulture and Landscape Architect.  
Mike developed and co-teaches an undergrad summer course on History, Horticulture and Landscape Architecture in England.



Ms. B. Rosie Lerner

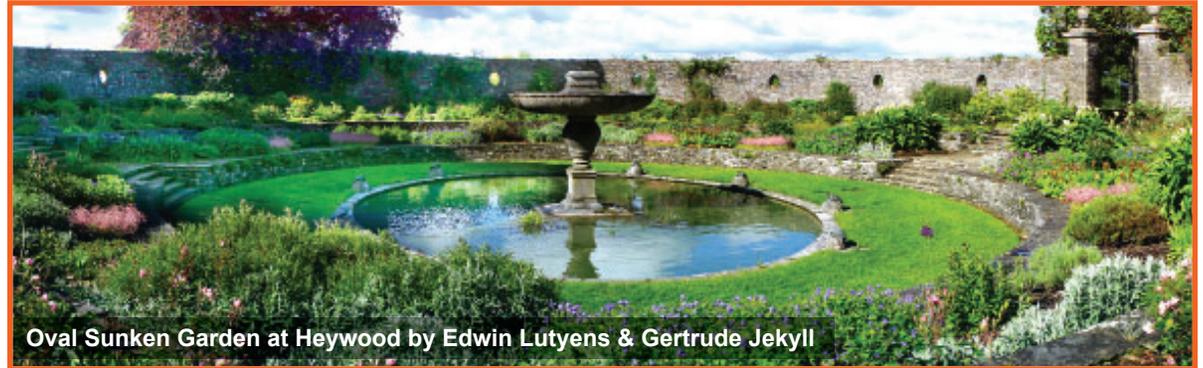
Extension Consumer Horticulture Specialist and former State Master Gardener Coordinator. Rosie has led several gardening-related tours to Europe.



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Oval Sunken Garden at Heywood by Edwin Lutyens & Gertrude Jekyll

Required Reading (distributed to participants just prior to commencement of course) :

**The Gardens of Ireland** -Landscape and Garden History for Master Gardeners

Optional Alternatives to Read for Historic Context:

Killeen, Richard. 2005. *A Short History of Ireland*. (72 pages, many pictures)

Killeen, Richard. 2012. *A Brief History of Ireland*. (353 pages, mostly text)

## What's Included:

- Two full-time Purdue instructors
- Transport in Ireland via motor coach
- 3/4 star accommodations in Glengarriff, Wicklow, Garryvoe & at Dublin Int'l. Airport (double occupancy, single occupancy available at additional cost)
- Breakfast daily, 6 lunches, and 8 dinners
- Admission to 16 gardens, sites
- Coach driver and group meal gratuities
- Lectures, study guide, group discussions
- Travel health and accident insurance (*this is not trip cancellation insurance*)

## What's Not Included:

- Airfare
- Airport - hotel transfers
- Personal items (passport fees, laundry, alcoholic beverages)
- Hotel gratuities
- Some lunches, some dinners and other incidental expenses.
- Trip cancellation insurance is recommended and should be available through your local travel agent

## NOTE:

1) Due to the historical nature of the sites visited, full accessibility at these sites cannot be guaranteed. Each day, there will be substantial walking and occasionally, some climbing of steep stairs and/or slopes without handrail.

2) Participants must be able to function independently on free days and at public events. (see itinerary).

## Itinerary:

(\*Meals Provided B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

Tuesday, July 7 – Travel to Dublin

Wednesday, July 8 – Arrival at Dublin's International Airport, shuttle to Crowne Plaza Hotel. Independent flexible time. Explore Santry Demense near hotel. Meet & greet, course introduction with dinner in the early evening. (D)

Thursday, July 9 – We'll head north to experience Lady Londonderry's lavish Mount Stewart House and Garden in Northern Ireland for the day. Our afternoon return takes us just south of Dublin to the Wicklow foothills. (B,D)

Friday, July 10 - Morning visit to the formal grandeur of Powerscourt, followed by visits to two modern gardens created by sister and brother garden makers, June (June Blake's Garden) and Jimi (Hunting Brook Gardens) Blake. (B,L,D)

Saturday, July 11 - Morning visit to the luscious, plant rich Mount Usher Garden, famous for its Robinsonian style of naturalistic (not necessarily native) planting. We'll spend the afternoon at Versailles-inspired Killruddery. (B,L)

Sunday, July 12 – Heading west, we'll visit Altamont Gardens followed by a pleasant stop for tea at the small, residential Hillside Garden near Cork. Later we arrive in Glengarriff. (B,L,D)

Monday, July 13 – On this day, we'll ferry out in the bay to Garinish Island to experience the romantic and atmospheric Ilnacullin Garden designed by Harold Peto. The remainder of the day is on your own for exploration of the small village of Glengarriff and rest. (B)

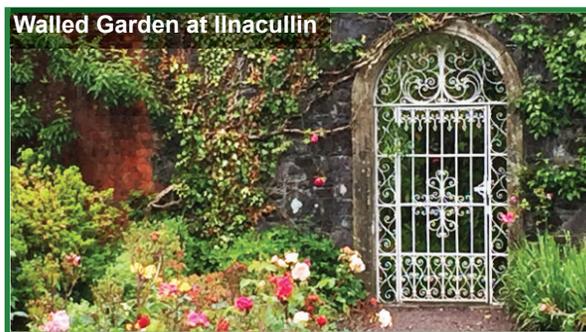
Tuesday, July 14 – We spend a leisurely day exploring Muckross House and viewing some of the mountain scenery that is part of the Ring of Kerry. Then, a casual lunch OYO and browsing in Kilarney. (B,D)

Wednesday, July 15 – As we depart from Glengarriff, we'll visit the ultra-modern land sculpture garden, The Sky Garden at Liss Ard. Then its on to the famous Ballymaloe Cookery School and Organic Garden, where we'll prepare our own dinner under the tutelage of the school's talented chefs. Our overnight lodging provides sounds of the seashore. (B,L,D)

Thursday, July 16 – Lismore Castle is the Irish seat of the Dukes of Devonshire, of Chatsworth fame. After our visit to the "defended" garden at Lismore, we'll enjoy the robust 20th century plant collection at Mount Congreve. (B,L,D)

Friday, July 17 – We head back towards Dublin. But on the way, we'll visit Heywood, a garden remnant that was created by Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll. Nearby, we have lunch and learn about the contemporary garden, Fruitlawn. Our farewell dinner in Dublin closes out the program. (B,L,D)

Saturday, July 18 – Shuttle to Dublin International to return home or travel elsewhere, or stay on for a Dublin experience. (B)



### Accommodations:

Crowne Plaza Hotel, Dublin Int'l. Airport

A convenient location near our arrival and departure airport. This hotel is a short shuttle ride from the terminals.

The Glenview Hotel & Lesiure Club, near Greystones

This location provides efficient access to regional gardens in the shadow of the Wicklow Mountains.

The Garryvoe Hotel, Garryvoe

A charming old beachside resort hotel, the ocean view will provide us with a pleasant respite from our garden focus.

Eccles Hotel, Glengarriff Harbour, Glengarriff

Located overlooking the Bay of Bantry and Garinish Island (Ilnacullin), we'll use this charming Victorian era hotel as our base for exploring gardens of Ireland's southwest corner.

### Program Costs:

- Program fee \$3500 (per person, double occupancy) for Ireland Land Package only
- Those preferring single occupancy, contact Rosie (see below)

### Single Travelers:

We strongly encourage participants to travel with a companion. If you are a single traveler and want to share a room, at your request we will share your contact information with others looking for a roommate. We cannot guarantee availability of a roommate.

### Payment Schedule:

One single payment-in-full will be due by March 1, 2020. Payment may only be made by credit card online.

### Refund Policy:

Once payment is made, refunds are not available. We strongly recommend participants purchase trip cancellation insurance from local travel agents or on-line sources.

### How to Register For This Course:

Registration for this course will be based initially on the carry-over waitlist for this program from 2019. Those on that list will be contacted individually to determine their continuing interest in joining the 2020 program. If space is still available following that sign-up, registration will be opened to others via the online registration site. At that time, reservations will be accepted on a first come/first served basis on-line. Registration is open only to Master Gardeners or MG interns (one guest permitted, MG and guest registration must be coordinated).

Here's how:

1. On-line, go to <https://www.purdue.edu/hla/sites/MGStudy-Abroad> and click on the link to complete the registration form. A "time stamp" will be affixed when you hit the "submit" button to indicate your registration priority.
2. Be prepared to provide the following information for both primary and guest registrant:
  - a. name, address, phone, email
  - b. state & county of MG training
  - c. hotel occupancy (single or double)
  - d. roommate preference (if applicable)
4. Following registration, you will be billed for the total course fee by the Purdue Division of Conferences. Payment will be due by March 1, 2020. You must pay by credit card.

### Questions?

Call Jamie (765-494-1301, [jmoffat@purdue.edu](mailto:jmoffat@purdue.edu)), or Rosie (765-494-1311, [rosie@purdue.edu](mailto:rosie@purdue.edu))  
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