

# WICKLOW DAY – FULL DAY TOUR

## COUNTRYSIDE WICKLOW TOUR

### **VISIT TO POWERSCOURT GARDENS**

Here against the background of the Sugar Loaf Mountain, you'll visit the majestic 14,000 acre *Powerscourt Gardens*, with their breath taking views, statues, terraces and fountains. The gardens most striking features are the circular pond and fountain flanked by winged Pegasi, elaborate ironwork, Italian statuary and Italian pattern ramps.

A magnificent example of aristocratic gardens from the 19<sup>th</sup> century, laid out with taste and imagination. The Italian gardens in terraces embellished with statues descending towards a pond, the Japanese gardens and a pet cemetery are only a few characteristics of this visit.

Residence of Palladian style, built in 1731 by Richard Castle. The house was burnt down in 1974 and in 1996 a restoration project was started. There is also an "AVOCA" shop with a great selection of handcrafts, foods and clothes of the country.



### **VISIT TO GLENDALOUGH MONASTERY**

Continuing south we reach the impressive 7<sup>th</sup> Century monastic ruins of Glendalough (glen between 2 lakes), famous for the monastery founded in 545 by the beloved and eccentric St Kevin, who lived in a hole in the cliff four feet wide, seven feet deep and three feet high. Pass the monastery, for quite a relaxed walk into the forest leading to the lakes in this magnificent spot in Co. Wicklow.

#### **What is included in the tour?**

- Transportation to Wicklow & Return
- Entrance to the gardens
- Visit to Glendalough monastic site
- Odyssey Incentive Guide
- 2 course lunch

#### **What to bring?**

Comfortable clothes, good walking shoes and a camera for plenty of snapshots!!  
A rain jacket is always advisable!



**Tour Schedule:**

09.00am - Depart UCD

09.45am - Arrive at Powerscourt Estate – tour of Gardens & shopping

11.00am - Continue to Glendalough

11.45am – Visit to Glendalough

1 pm – Depart Glendalough

1.15pm – Lunch

2.30pm – Return to Dublin

4:00pm – Arrive back at UCD

**Numbers:**

**Minimum Numbers: 25**

