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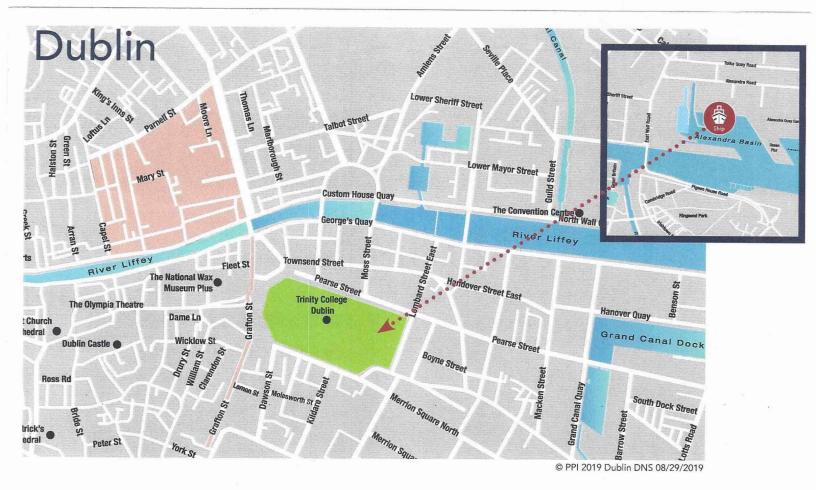
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# Travel Safety Tips

As in any tourist destination, you will want to take some basic precautions to make the most of your time ashore.

- Be aware of your surroundings, especially in crowded areas.
- · Avoid wandering from the main shopping and tourist areas into unfamiliar territory. If venturing out independently, have a plan, use only licensed taxi operators.
- Leave your valuables in your stateroom safe and avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Exercise caution when using ATMs.
- Cameras and handbags should be carried close to your body or concealed out of sight. People who carry handbags or backpacks are particularly vulnerable to purse snatchers on scooters.
- When going ashore, each adult and child is required to carry a passport or other government-issued photo ID. Note: Some ports may require Guests to carry passports ashore.
- In general, use the same level of precaution you would use in any tourist destination.

Please remember that while in a foreign country, you are subject to its laws.



# **DUBLIN OVERVIEW**

IThe earliest reference to Dublin is in the writings of Claudius Ptolemaeus (Ptolemy), the Greek astronomer and cartographer, around the year A.D. 140, who calls it Eblana Civitas. The settlement Dubh Linn dates perhaps as far back as the first century BC; Baile Átha Cliath or simply Áth Cliath was founded in 988 near by. The two towns eventually became one. The modern city retains the Anglicised Irish name of the former and the original Irish name of the latter. After the Norman invasion of Ireland, Dublin replaced the Hill of Tara as Ireland's capital, with much of the power centering on Dublin Castle until independence. From the 14th century until the late 16th century, Dublin and the surrounding area - known as the Pale - was the only area of Ireland under English government control. From the 17th century the city expanded rapidly, helped by the Wide Streets Commission. Georgian Dublin was, for a time, the second city of the British Empire after London. Much of Dublin's best architecture dates from this time.

The Easter Rising of 1916 left the capital in an unstable situation and the Anglo-Irish War and Irish Civil War left the capital in ruins, with many of its finest buildings destroyed. The Irish Free State rebuilt much of the city's buildings and moved parliament to Leinster House, but took no bold tasks such as remodeling. After The Emergency (World War 2) Dublin remained a capital out of time, modernization was slow and finally the 1960s saw change begin. In recent years the infrastructure of Dublin has changed immensely, with enormous private and state development of housing, transport, and business. Some well-known Dublin street corners are still named for the pub or business that used to occupy the site before closure or redevelopment.

Dublin is the capital and largest city of the Republic of Ireland (and largest city on the island of Ireland), located near the midpoint of Ireland's east coast, at the mouth of the River Liffey and at the center of the Dublin Region. Originally founded as a center for the Viking slave trade, the city has been Ireland's capital city since medieval times. The term "Dublin Region" has become a substitute for the traditional County Dublin, whilst "Greater Dublin Area" is accepted

as including the city and all of counties Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown, Fingal, Kildare, Meath, South Dublin and Wicklow. The limits of the commuter belt stretch to a much greater distance than either of these areas.

Despite having a long tradition of emigration until the early 1990s, Dublin has a sizeable number of immigrants especially from the United Kingdom, the U.S., Australia, New Zealand and continental Europe. More recently Dublin has also attracted significant Nigerian, Chinese, Korean, Indian and Eastern European populations, largely attracted by Ireland's economic success since the mid-1990's.

## **Shopping:**

There are two main shopping areas, Dublin One which lies to the west of O'Connell Street and The Grafton Quarter which runs the length of Grafton Street.

### Docking/Anchorage:

Cruise Ships dock in Alexandra Quay, some 2 miles from the city center. As this is an industrial zone, taxis are recommended and cost around \$15. From the center most sights are within walking distance.

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