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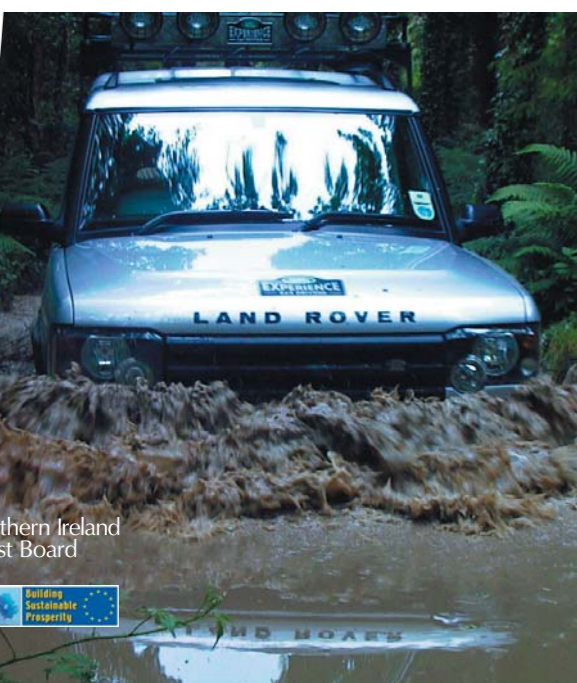
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### Locations of venues to visit with this itinerary

- 1 BALLYWALTER PARK HOUSE
- 2 BELFAST CITY AIRPORT
- 3 HASTINGS CULLODEN HOTEL
- 4 KIRCUBBIN SAILING CLUB
- 5 MOUNT STEWART HOUSE
- 6 RACE SCHOOL IRELAND
- 7 TEMPLE OF THE WINDS
- 8 ULSTER FLYING SCHOOL

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## day one

### 15:00hrs

Arrive at Belfast City Airport and depart by luxury Land Rovers for the magnificent Hastings Culloden Hotel. Standing on the wooded slopes of the Holywood hills, overlooking Belfast Lough and the County Antrim coastline, the Culloden is one of Northern Ireland's most prestigious 5 star hotels and a proud member of the exclusive Small Luxury Hotels of the World. Originally built as an official palace for the Bishops of Down, the Culloden stands in 12 acres of secluded gardens and woodland. Some of their most famous residents include Michael Douglas, Tom Jones and Lionel Ritchie.

### 16:00hrs

Enjoy a relaxing afternoon swim or massage at the exclusive Elysium Spa within the hotel complex, a haven in which to soothe away the cares and stresses of modern life, work-out, revitalise the body and mind, or simply indulge in the range of specialist treatments.

### 19:00hrs

Depart by luxury Land Rovers for Ballywalter Park, Ireland's finest Italianate Palazzo Mansion House, built in 1846 and home to Lord Dunleath.

### 19:30hrs

Lord Dunleath will meet and greet you, while welcoming drinks will be served in the Inner Hall after which Lord Dunleath will take you on a personally guided tour of the house and relate his family's history there. After the tour guests will be invited to explore the house and grounds at leisure before meeting for dinner.

Over an aperitif you will have an opportunity to discuss the menu and wine selection with your host, Lord Dunleath and his partner who is a professional food historian. The name Ballywalter is synonymous with the very finest in fine dining. Their speciality is recreating recently discovered menus from the 1890s and reproducing this delicious fare using only the finest in local produce. You will be enchanted and charmed by this unique approach to cuisine.

After dinner, you will be invited to relax in the Library or Smoking Room for a glass of port in anticipation of the next day's activities.

### 22:30hrs

Depart Ballywalter Park House by luxury Land Rovers and retire to your suite at the Culloden Hotel.



## day two

### 08:00hrs

Enjoy a gourmet breakfast in bed and enjoy the views of Belfast Lough from your suite before transfer by luxury Land Rovers back to Ballywalter Park House for an action packed morning. The choices on offer at Ballywalter are many and varied

- Have a picnic on the Copeland Islands, just 2.5miles off the coast, home to the Copeland Bird Observatory. Enjoy the views from the observatory before a sumptuous picnic feast prepared at Ballywalter.
- Fishing can be arranged in season at Ballywalter Park Estate and walked up pheasant shooting is available at the end of the pheasant shooting season. Clay pigeon shooting can also take place in the grounds of the house.

Events, which can be provided in the locality, are:

- Experience the thrill of your life driving a real racing car around a real racing track. Nearby Kirkiston Race Course is Northern Ireland's premiere racing track, hosting many racing events year round. Race School Ireland invites guests to race drive a Formula 1 car in a reality scenario. No virtual reality here – participants get to enjoy the thrill of racing a real car with all the skill, which that entails.
- The nearby Ulster Flying School offers you the chance to fly your own airplane. A Cessna 172 to be precise, which you can fly under full instruction and dual control for safety, enjoying the breathtaking scenery of the Ards Peninsula and Strangford Lough.

- Set sail and explore the waters of Strangford Lough with the Kircubbin Sailing Club. Scuba Diving is another option that can be arranged through DV Diving in conjunction with Kircubbin Sailing Club. Strangford Lough is an area of outstanding natural beauty and the waters are among the richest in marine life in the whole of Europe.

After the day's events you will return to the Hastings Culloden Hotel to prepare for the evening.

### 19:00hrs

Depart the Hastings Culloden Hotel in style - in a vintage car, which will transport you to Mount Stewart House – one of the jewels of the National Trust and home for many years to the Marquess of Londonderry and his wife Lady Edith.

Arrive at the neo-classical house and celebrated gardens of the National Trust-owned Mount Stewart House. The famous gardens at Mount Stewart were planted in the 1920s and have been nominated as a World Heritage Site. Enjoy a house tour, which includes world-famous paintings and stories about the prominent political figures to which the owners, the Londonderry family, played host.

### 20:00hrs

Move on to the gardens for a gentle stroll before a short carriage ride through the estate to the Temple of the Winds. With dramatic views over Strangford Lough, the Temple of the Winds is the perfect setting for a champagne reception to the accompaniment of some delicate harp music, before moving on to the grand front entrance of Mount Stewart House where you will dine in the majestic Black and White Hall.

The options for Après-dinner entertainment are as follows:

- A Murder Mystery Evening: After dinner there will be play-acting in the mode of an Agatha Christie who-dun-it. This is truly great fun for everyone, even if you do get it wrong.
- Affairs of the Heart: This takes place in the house and the garden. Where you will enjoy two short acts of a romantic play set in the 18th century. After the final scene the actors then reveal how the play was meant to end.

### 00:00hrs

You will return to the Hastings Culloden Hotel and depart the next morning for Belfast City Airport.

