



THE
HAWTHORN
BY GALWAY BAY

A Romantic Getaway
BY THE BAY

A BESPOKE ITINERARY FOR TWO

on Ireland's Wild Atlantic Way

welcome

A LETTER TO OUR GUESTS

There is a particular hush that settles over Galway Bay at dusk, the kind that softens the salt-air, slows the heart, and turns even the most familiar conversation into something more tender.

It is here, where the windswept hawthorn bends gracefully toward the Atlantic, that we have shaped this itinerary; a gentle architecture of moments designed for two.

Over three days, you will find quiet and you will find adventure; long lingering dinners and bracing coastal mornings; the warmth of turf-fire evenings and the cool weightlessness of seaweed-laced waters. Each detail has been considered, yet nothing is required of you save to arrive, breathe, and be present with the one beside you.

with warmest regards

THE TEAM AT THE HAWTHORN

YOUR ITINERARY

THREE DAYS

by the bay

I

ARRIVAL
RELAXATION
& DINING

II

CULTURE
INDULGENCE
& ADVENTURE

III

DEPARTURE
& FINAL
INDULGENCE

day one

3:00 pm

A WELCOME AT THE DOOR

You are greeted by name at The Hawthorn by Galway Bay. A curated in-room amenity waits for you. A small, considered gesture that sets the tone for everything to follow.

4:00 pm

HOURS TO WANDER

The afternoon belongs to no schedule. Explore the hotel at your own pace, or take one of our complimentary bicycles and follow the coastal lanes to wherever they lead.

There is no wrong direction along the bay.

5:00 pm

A WELLNESS IMMERSION

Time to relax and reconnect. Sink into a seaweed bath overlooking Galway Bay, drift between the Vitality Pool, Sauna Suite, Snow Room and Ice Bath. The waters of the West have long been said to restore the spirit; allow them to do their slow, ancient work.

8:00 pm

DINNER AT THE SKYLARK

Skylark is a love letter to the producers, fishermen and farmers of the Wild Atlantic Way. The kitchen leans into what the season offers. Galway Bay oysters opened to order, line-caught fish from morning boats, herbs and brassicas grown a short distance from the door. Nothing is overworked; everything is precise.



day two

8:45 am

A LUXURIOUS BEGINNING

Breakfast in The Skylark, taken at a gentle pace. Light pours through tall windows and across the linen; coffee comes hot and unhurried. You are ready, but not rushed, for the day that lies ahead.

10:00 am

THE COMPLIMENTARY SHUTTLE TO GALWAY

A short, scenic journey carries you into the heart of the city, arriving by 10:45am – in time for the cobbled streets to be just stirring.

10:45 am

GALWAY CITY WITH JOHN BYRNE

Your private guide tailors the morning to your tastes – whether traditional Irish cuisine and local food culture, Galway's rich history and heritage, its vibrant arts and music scene, literary and cultural landmarks, artisan craftsmanship, or the city's unique coastal charm.

2:00 pm

LUNCH AT HYDE BAR

More than a hotel restaurant, HYDE is one of the most talked-about places to eat and drink in Galway. A leisurely lunch among locals, in the easy, unguarded atmosphere that defines a real city table.



day two

3:30 pm

TWO PATHS

one unforgettable afternoon

i.

THE ATLANTIC BY LAND

A short walk from HYDE Bar to Galway Pier, where an Off-Road Inishmore Experience awaits. In a uniquely customised, leather seated Land Rover Defender, meet the people and traditions of the island; ride into the iconic scenery of the Wild Atlantic Way along paths few visitors ever travel.

ii.

THE ATLANTIC FROM ABOVE

Collected from HYDE Bar in one of our luxury vehicles and brought to Shannon, you embark on a private helicopter journey above Galway Bay, the Connemara coastline and the dramatic Atlantic edge. On landing, a privately arranged seaside picnic in a quiet coastal setting.

the choice is yours



day two

9:00 pm

AN EVENING BY THE FIRE

You return at nine, the day still warm in your shoulders. The Warren is waiting — low light, a crackling hearth, a glass of something amber. The perfect close to a day of distance covered.



day three

at leisure

A BREAKFAST WITHOUT HURRY

Begin the day with a slow, luxurious breakfast served in the comfort of your suite – taken at your own pace, in dressing gowns, by the window.

12:00 pm

A COUPLES MASSAGE

A serene final moment of indulgence before departure – side by side, in skilled hands, in a room that smells faintly of the coast. You leave refreshed and deeply relaxed, and somehow lighter than when you arrived.

afterward

A WARM GOODBYE, AND AN INVITATION

We send you off as we welcomed you – by name, with warmth, and with the quiet hope that the bay will draw you back before too long. The hawthorn keeps watch; the door, always, is open.



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S A F E H O M E

*May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rains fall soft upon your fields.
Until we meet again.*



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