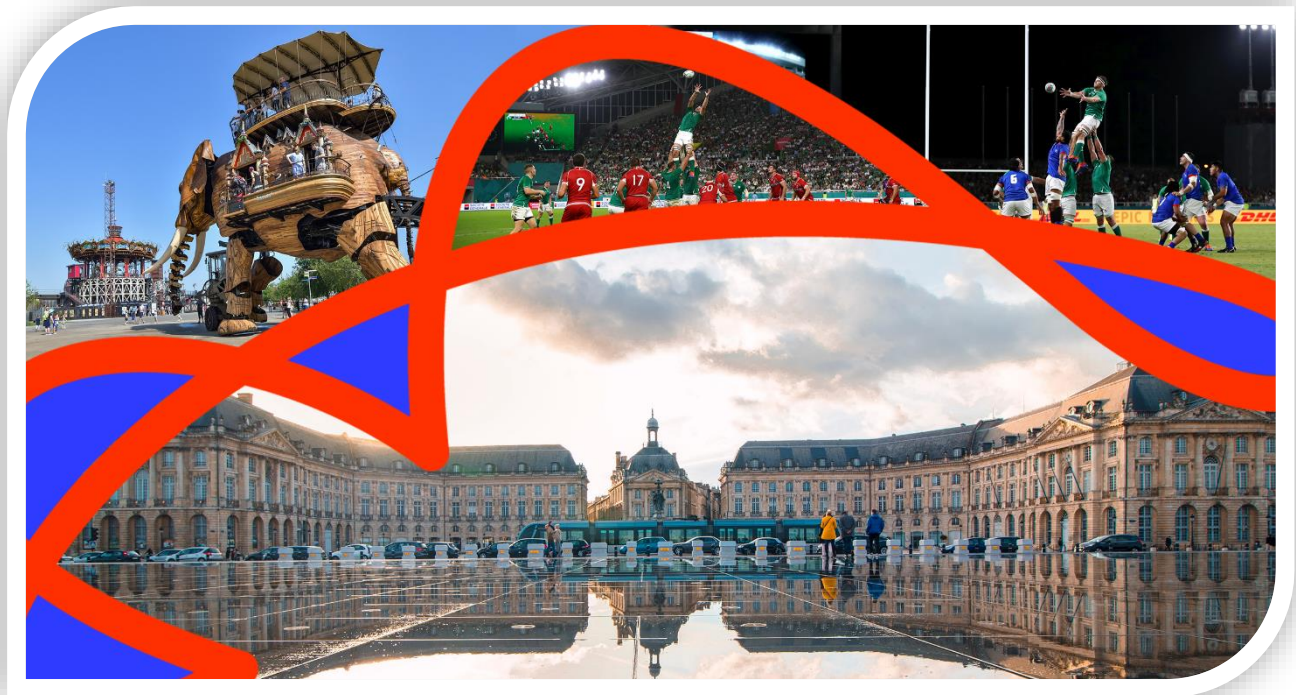


# Rugby World Cup France 2023



Ireland's first two pool matches  
Provisional Tour Itinerary.

10 Day /9 Nights

## Friday 8th September

Depart Dublin for Bordeaux. On arrival coach transfer to your hotel. This evening we have booked dinner in a local restaurant, making it an ideal opportunity to meet the rest of the group.

## Saturday 9th September

Morning at leisure in Bordeaux. In the afternoon we will take a return private coach transfer to Stade de Bordeaux for Ireland's first Rugby World Cup pool game. Ireland V Europe 2. Kick off at 15:30.



## Sunday 10th September

In the afternoon, we will visit one of the best wine appellations in Bordeaux: Saint-Emilion. It is the first vineyard to have earned UNESCO status in the world! So, without exaggeration or bias, we can honestly say that this is the chance to taste some of the world's most respected wine. Saint-Emilion is one of the most beautiful and fascinating villages in the Southwest of France. Visit the village and enjoy a guided stroll. Then, private coach transfer back to Bordeaux.



## Monday 11th September

On our way to La Rochelle we will learn all there is to know about cognac, the 'Eau-de-Vie' or 'Water of Life', as you will visit a historic distillery, and sample the unique spirit at a family-run cellar. We will enjoy a typical lunch in a local restaurant enroute. We will then travel onto La Rochelle, a beautiful harbour town with its fortress and the new home to Ronan "Rog" O'Gara! This is a great rugby town with a great atmosphere in the many bars and restaurants a short stroll from your hotel.



## Tuesday 12th September

Today we will take a return coach to Ile de Ré, a popular holiday destination off the west coast of France near La Rochelle. The island is made up of 10 charming little villages with their traditional white houses and green shutters. We will visit La Flotte, with its many restaurants, markets, and shops. If walking is your passion, there is no better place to indulge than Ile de Ré, if not we have included a shuttle pass to get you around for the day.



## Wednesday 13th September

Enjoy a day of leisure in La Rochelle. Visit the Towers of La Rochelle, take a stroll through the Port, stop for lunch in a local restaurant or catch-up on some shopping.

## Thursday 14th September

This morning we will leave La Rochelle for Nantes. On the way, we will stop at Le Marais Poitevin Regional Park. This gives us the opportunity to visit one of the several Regional Parks in France. Marais Poitevin is a protected area arranged several century ago, it is now a maze of islets crisscrossed by picturesque canals, primarily now a destination for boating. It is called The Green Venice. Enjoy a cruise and a lunch there.

Then we continue to the Muscadet's region! From these vines come the Muscadet, emblematic of the vineyards of Nantes. We will visit a local vineyard and enjoy a wine tour and tasting. Located in the heart of the vineyards of Nantes, at the junction of the Loire-Atlantique, Vendée and Anjou, you will admire Clisson and its castle. The city is well known for its medieval air and Tuscan influence, the remains of the castle, which is a former fortress flanked by towers.



## Friday 15th September

Embark on a half day sightseeing tour including the Machines of the Isle of Nantes. You'll head over to the city's old shipyards, where the city's famous Machines of the Isle of Nantes "live"! This unique collection of mechanical animal machines includes a merry-go-round made of sea creatures and a giant elephant that you can ride, among others that are housed in the Hangar à bananes, a space formerly used to treat imported bananas. This evening we will enjoy a farewell dinner in a local restaurant.



## Saturday 16th September

Enjoy a free day in Nantes or join our Optional Guided Tour to the Palace of the Dukes of Brittany. In the evening return coach transfer to Stade la Beaujoire for Irelands second pool game against Asia/Pacific1. Kick off at 21:00.



## Sunday 17th September

After checking out we will transfer by private coach to Nantes airport for our return flight to Dublin.

### **PACKAGE INCLUDES:**

**Flights**  
**(Dublin to Bordeaux & Nantes to Dublin)**  
**20 kg Luggage**  
**Airport and match transfers**  
**9 Nights Hotel accommodation**  
**(3 Bordeaux/ 3 La Rochelle/ 3 Nantes)**  
**Breakfast Each Morning**  
**Wine Tastings as listed**  
**Excursions where listed incl entrance fees**  
**2 Dinners**  
**2 Lunches**  
**Services of Killester Travel Tour Leader & Local Guide**  
**Official Match tickets Cat 4 (Upgrades Available)**  
**RWC Souvenir**

### **Not Included:**

**Travel Insurance (quote on request).**  
**Ticket Upgrades**  
**(Prices – subject to availability).**  
**Other meals not mentioned**

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