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'Experience Ireland': English + Farm Stay Programme



Options:

- 1. Farm Stay Holiday (18+)
- 2. Home Stay in a Farm Environment
- 3. Agri-Science Groups
- 4. Internship / Work Experience

One of the many charms Ireland has is its rich country lifestyle. Co. Kildare features lovely farms; horses, cows and black-faced sheep and other farm animals are everywhere.

We offer 4 different options to cater for students' different needs, from individual students to big groups, Junior students to Adult students.

We are also happy to customise each option to suit your individual needs!

1) Farm Stay Holiday (18+)

Ideal for any Adult students who wish to experience a typical Irish working farm lifestyle. The HF is very friendly, helpful and they do their best to make your farm stay as comfortable and memorable as possible.

Type of farm: A dairy farm and timber business of 2 generations - the parents are in charge of the animals (cows, sheep, horses, pigs, dogs, bees etc.) while the son & his wife (who are our HF) have their own business with timber on the farm. They all live in the same farm grounds, in 2 different houses.

Accommodation: Single room

Location: Kilcullen, Co. Kildare (30 mins by local bus or lifts by the HF (Host Family))

Lifts between the Farm and Avanti: The HF will provide lifts when possible but when they are not available, students can travel by local bus, which stops beside the farm and right in front of Avanti. The buses are available every hour.

Available: All year round by appointment

Age: Adult students over 18

Activities at the farm: Watching farm activities, feeding the animals, playing with the dogs, growing vegetables, cycling and walking around the farm etc.

* Students will not be required to work at the farm. However, they are welcome to help the HF out if they wish, depending on their experience of farm work.

Insurance: Relevant insurance that covers farm stay is mandatory, in order for students to be able to join this option.

Sample fee for 2 weeks

Intensive English (Adult 20H) €385

Farm stay accommodation €900

Lifts between the farm - Naas (when available) €80

Registration fee €80

Materials fee €40

Farm Stay Arrangement fee €120

Return airport transfers €160

Total €1765





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2) Home Stay in a Farm environment

Ideal for any Adult or Junior students who would like to experience living in the countryside surrounded by farms and farm animals but would like to be conveniently located close to Avanti.

Type of farm: It is not a farm and the HF are not farmers. However, they own farm lands around the house and rent them out to local farmers. This means that students can watch sheep being herded etc. and become easily immersed in the local farm life, if they wish. The HF can also offer a beautiful, rich, countryside environment.

It is a family of 6 with 4 children aged between 28 and 13 (1 boy and 3 girls) and the youngest daughters (17 and 13) still live with the parents in the main house.

Accommodation: Single room with en-suite in most cases

For Adult students, the student house is beside the main family house, which will give the students more independence and yet closeness to the HF if they need any help or contact. It is a beautifully decorated house with spacious rooms, a comfortable living room, its own kitchen etc.

For Junior students, they have a choice of staying at the student house or with the HF in their main house.

Meals are of course together with the family in the main house in all cases and the atmosphere is very warm and accommodating.

Location: Punchestown, Naas, Co. Kildare (a 5-min drive from Avanti, 20-min cycling (the family can lend students a mountain bike for easy access to Naas town)

Lifts between the Farm and Avanti: Adult students can cycle to and from Avanti every day during warmer seasons. When the weather is bad or during the winter, the HF will provide daily lifts. Junior students will be given lifts every day.

Available: All year round by appointment

Age: Any age

Activities at the farm: Walking, forest walks, cycling, watching sheep herding, etc. There is a lovely forest nearby and the world famous Punchestown Racecourse, where horse meetings and races are held regularly.

Insurance: Relevant insurance that covers farm stay is recommended but not mandatory.

Sample fee for 2 weeks

Intensive English (Adult 20H) €385

Farm stay accommodation

€400 (self-catering)/€500(half board)/€600(full board)

Lifts between the farm - Naas (when available) € free

Registration fee €80

Materials fee €40

Farm Stay Arrangement fee €120

Return airport transfers €140

Total €1165 (self-catering) / €1265 (half board)/ €1365 (full board)

3) Agri-Science Groups

Ireland is a very popular destination for international groups who study Agricultural Science / Economics.

We can arrange a customised trip for such groups, including visits to a variety of farms in different parts of Ireland where they can learn about every aspect of farming from the actual day-to-day work, farm machinery, presentations from big farm owners etc. Please contact us for further information.





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4) Internship / Work Experience

Ideal for students who have experience in some area(s) of agriculture, agriscience or horse riding.

We can arrange for the students to do an internship or work experience in a relevant environment such as a farm or stud. The conditions of the internship may differ in each case, depending on each student's particular experience and area of interest.

