# SOCIAL MEDIA FACTSHEET 2022



**TOURISM IRELAND'S** social strategy is to extend our consumer engagement, in a connected way, across platforms and networks in order to drive differentiation, reach, word of mouth and specific customer relevance for the island of Ireland as a holiday destination.

4.8M

VISITORS TO

## **GB'SMARKET PROFILE**

GB is island of Irelands most important market in terms of tourists and nights

# WHAT DO OUR GB AUDIENCE LIKE ABOUT IRELAND?



**Views & Landscapes** 



**Built Heritage** 



Food & Drink



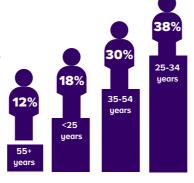
**Living Culture** 



**Soft Adventure** 



TV & Movies



45% of British holidaymakers that visited Ireland in 2019 were under 35 years old.



# CULTURALLY CURIOUS

Our GB audience are Culturally Curious holidaymakers who tend to immerse themselves in a destination by soaking up the atmosphere and mixing with locals. They enjoy exploring Ireland's beautiful landscapes and sampling local dishes.

#### **WORKING TOGETHER**



**INDUSTRY OPPORTUNITIES** Select the marketing opportunity that's right for you to help attract additional tourists and grow your business from Italy and other markets. Click here



**MARKET INSIGHTS** Learn about opportunities in other markets and keep up-to-date on latest tourist numbers and market intelligence. <u>Click here</u>

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PLATFORM	FOLLOWING	CONTENT DIRECTION	FORMAT
f	533K	Highly visual content that tells a story and encourages action, with a focus on short videos Remarkable landscapes	Image: aspect ratio has to be 1:1 or 4:5  Video: ideally aspect ratio has to be 1:1 or 4:5 and max 60 secs
O	712K	<ul> <li>Highly visual content that tells a story and encourages action</li> <li>Remarkable landscapes and off-the-beaten track imagery</li> <li>Instagram stories: actionable tips and top things to do and visit</li> </ul>	Image: the aspect ratio for feed 1:1 or 4:5 / Stories 9:16  Video: the aspect ratio for feed 1:1 or 4:5 / Stories 9:16. Duration in feed: max 60 sec / Stories: 15 secs
9	91K	Timely content that ideally features "new news" Seasonal content that is timely and newsworthy New experiences, trending stories	Image: aspect ratio has to be 1:1 or 4:5  Video: ideally aspect ratio has to be 1:1 or 4:5 and max 60 secs
P	26k	Highly visual content that inspires the audience and helps the planning process Food & drink, niche content, experiences	Image: aspect ratio has to be 4:5  Video: aspect ratio has to be 4:5 and max 60 secs
You	50.5K	<ul> <li>High quality and professional video footage</li> <li>Travel ideas, aerial views, "what to do/what to see" suggestions</li> <li>The presence of subtitles to reach foreign countries</li> </ul>	Video: aspect ratio has to be 16:9 and videos have to be at least 60 secs

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# 1.3M followers across our channels

#### WHAT GB LIKE?



gardens







villages

picturesque roadtrips



museums



## **DEMOGRAPHICS**



65% women, 35% men 32% 25-44yo



66.5% women, 33.5% men 38% 25-34yo



74% women, 22.2% men 29% 18-24yo



42.3% women, 57.7% men Equally spread across different age ranges (25-64yo)

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# **WHAT CONTENT WORKS?**











#### STORYTELLING ON SOCIAL

- We customise our copy for each platform, always making sure to include relevant @tags and #hashtags.
- We share the story behind every picture we post, in order to increase the knowledge of the destination.
- We try to give actionable tips and travel ideas to get off the beaten track

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- British holidaymakers love finding out about hidden gems
- British holidaymakers love exploring historical places and interest, national parks and gardens and going on hikes

## **TOP PERFORMING EXAMPLES**





- Colourful imagery with village and or landscapes
- · UGC content
- Immersive video that shows Ireland as a dreamy location





- UGC content
- 4:5 format is an excellent performer as well
- High quality pictures and coastal panorama drive high engagement





- · Aerial video of the castle
- Brief overview of the castle's history
- Inspirational piece of content

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# DO'S AND DON'TS





Why it works:

- 4:5 ratio
- · High quality pic
- Focus on the panorama
- The copy tells the story of the place and allow the reader to go under the surface



Why it does not work:

- 16:9 format
- · Content with people
- Imagery and copy associated is selling and pushy towards visting island of Ireland





Why it works:

- Includes a CTA but in a unambiguous manner
- States a particular location - evokes memories/feelings
- Targets our CC+ audience



Why it does not work:

- Image does not create a feeling of Ireland
- Lacking CTA
- Does not evoke strong emotions in audience
- Niche Image choice





Why it works:

- Timely content
- Awareness content rather than traffic driving
- Key focus for our audience soft adventure and nature



Why it doesn't work:

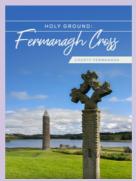
- the link is seen as pushy/trying to sell
- not be of interest to our majority Audeince of CC+





Why it works:

- Has a wide varitey of travel inspritation
- Includes static imagery as well
- Pinterest works best for active planning and the topic (an on-the-road itinerary) suits this need perfectly.



Why it does not work:

- Content is too niche and doesn't speak to audience
- The image is lacking inspiration
- Views& Landscapes with built heritage should be a focual point.