

Welcome to the start of my Ireland travel blog, dear followers! So, first of all, my mum is a big fan of the rock band "The Cure" and read online that in Ireland at the Malahide Castle, a very old Irish castle, will be the next big concert of them. And because she was always very interested in English & Irish culture, she just thought, that we could go for holidays there. Luckily, the concert was going to air during the second week of the Whitsun holidays, so I was able to come along to see some more parts of the world than just Germany. My brother came with us & also another good friend who likes the music of "The Cure" as well. Three other guys & good friends flew with a different airplane but more about that later on.



Day One

We had to wake up really early in the morning, around 4 a.m., to get the right airplane and after that we didn't even have time for breakfast, we drove just straight up to Frankfurt which is the fastest & nearest way to an airport. For me, a person who hates the border control, the control of the police was a bit stressful but we made it without any bigger problems to the right airplane & flew above the clouds & the sea to Ireland.



As we arrived on Irish ground, we left the airport over there & got a taxi to drive to the right street, to the apartment we booked, named "The White House". It wasn't in the city centre of Dublin but I guess, it was one of the best apartments you can get because you had the ocean & the good sea smell right in front of you. From the apartment to the ocean it was just a thirty-seconds walk to get there. You can see the sea during ebb in the photo on the left side. And also: it had everything, that is necessary for a good living:

For example right next to us was a little market that sold ridiculously good toast bread and on the other side, there was a restaurant with delicious food but more about that a bit later.

But now I wanna tell you something more about the other three friends who flew with a different airplane:

They arrived one day earlier than we did but they also weren't going to stay the whole five days. The main reason to come here was the "The Cure" concert at Malahide Castle for them as well but they were going to fly home the day after the concert. So for them this trip was a bit shorter than for us.

But as we all arrived, it was finally time for a delicious breakfast.

And yeah, the day went by fast & we decided to eat this evening dinner in the restaurant right next to us, so we did that and it really wasn't a mistake. I remember that I ordered chicken wings & French Fries (my brother did that too) & it was literally so good. After all of that & a good filled stomach, it was time to get some rest.

And this was basically our first day in the capital city of Ireland, Dublin. Stay tuned for Day Two! It'll come soon.



This is a photo of my bed & my travel bag in "The White House".

Day Two

Lovely followers, I wish you all a wonderful morning because I'm back today with day two of my travel blog through Ireland! I hope everybody enjoyed the first day!



Here we have the TV!

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Morning

And as I woke up in the morning & went to the kitchen to get some breakfast, I explored the TV that was hanging in the top left corner & I have to say that some of the Irish/British trash shows are way better than that what we get here in Germany. I feel like, Irish/British trash TV has just so much more class.



These chairs in the kitchen were REALLY comfortable.

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Midday

The morning went by fast & we decided to look a bit more around the surroundings & went for a little walk through the part of Dublin we were in. We saw some students in uniforms coming from school & going to an Irish fast food store to get a little meal & we also noticed the interesting Irish language on traffic signs. On one shield was written "Go Mall Slow" which slightly sounds like what we call "Denglish" (Deutsch (German) + English) but it's actually Irish, so that was very interesting.

Here's a traffic sign on which it's written on. I researched and actually "Go Mall" is basically Irish for the phrase "Go slow".

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Evening

Now, we finally come to the evening:

This day was the day of the concert, so the actual main reason for going to Dublin. So we drove by bus to Malahide Castle & although it's not really my music taste, I still enjoyed it very much. But the bad thing about the concert was actually the way back to "The White House", it was just super unorganised & we talked to lots of taxis but we weren't able to get one & I even thought we would get homeless but luckily we found the right bus station & got back to "The White House". Everything was super fine at the end.



That's a picture of the start of the concert. A lot of other bands played before "The Cure".

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Day Three

Today I wanna tell you everything about Day Three!

This day started as well as the day before with some good Irish television & delicious toast bread for breakfast. The other three friends who came one day earlier had left now & it was just me, mom, my brother & the other friend. And because our number of people got reduced and we were now a tinier group we decided all to make a trip into the heart of Dublin. We went by bus & got into the city centre of Ireland's capital!

So, there was a lot going on there & there were a lot of people but we found lots of interesting stuff there, e.g. we were in front of the Berkeley Library by Trinity College where they had this gorgeous golden ball which you can see on the picture on the right & there was also a kind of presentation where you could visit the library with loads of old books & the old library was made all of wood. It was very interesting to see.

But we also went to the Irish Rock'n Roll museum which was one of the most exciting museums I ever visited. The tour was just so well done & the tourist guide there was really friendly. They also said during the tour that actually Micheal Jackson has recorded some CDs there. I don't know if that was true but it sounds at least pretty cool. They also sold thousands and thousands of merchandise articles & I got this great magnet. We also got these little key chains. It was really worth the visit. 100%!

As we got on our way back to the bus station to get back to "The White House", my mom decided quickly to buy a super fancy hat that she obviously needed so much that we could've missed the bus because of that. But yeah, at the end everything was fine.

For dinner we bought some stuff from the fast food store where all the students went to after school. The food was ok but there exists a lot better food in this world. But it was, well, ok.



The magnet looks so good & has a great quality!



And here's the "key chain".



The old library



A way to the castle



The castle



A graveyard by the castle



Day Four

After we got to the heart of Dublin yesterday, we decided to go this day to Malahide Castle but this time without going on a concert. The old Irish castle was built in 1185 and is near the village Malahide which is also where the name comes from. The little village is a popular bathing place and circa 14 km away from Dublin. The castle was for 791 years home of the royal Talbot Family, so from 1185 until 1976. In 1918, during the first world war, they built there a mooring-out station for airships & after the 7th Baron of Talbot died in 1973, he passed the castle to his sister Rose who later, in 1975, sold it to the Irish state. Today you can visit it & there are even tours that show you lots of things. As we took the tour, the tourist guide talked a lot about the old history of the castle & they had there also this strange but fancy bird-like animal statue. We don't really know which relationship it has to the history of the castle but maybe somebody of you, my lovely followers, might know the answer? If somebody knows the answer, please write me a message!

After the tour inside the castle ended, we explored the park around it a bit & found this kind of "fairy path". At the end of it was a butterfly territory and it was beautiful to watch the little insects flying around the flowers. Behind that was another garden with some wooden statues & it was a very exciting trip.

Later on, we got to our apartment again & decided to eat in the restaurant next to us today once more. This time I ordered a pizza & it was just delicious. There' s nothing more to say about the food they made there, just so much better than eating from the fast food store.



The fancy bird "statue"



A couch inside the castle



Beautiful Butterflies 

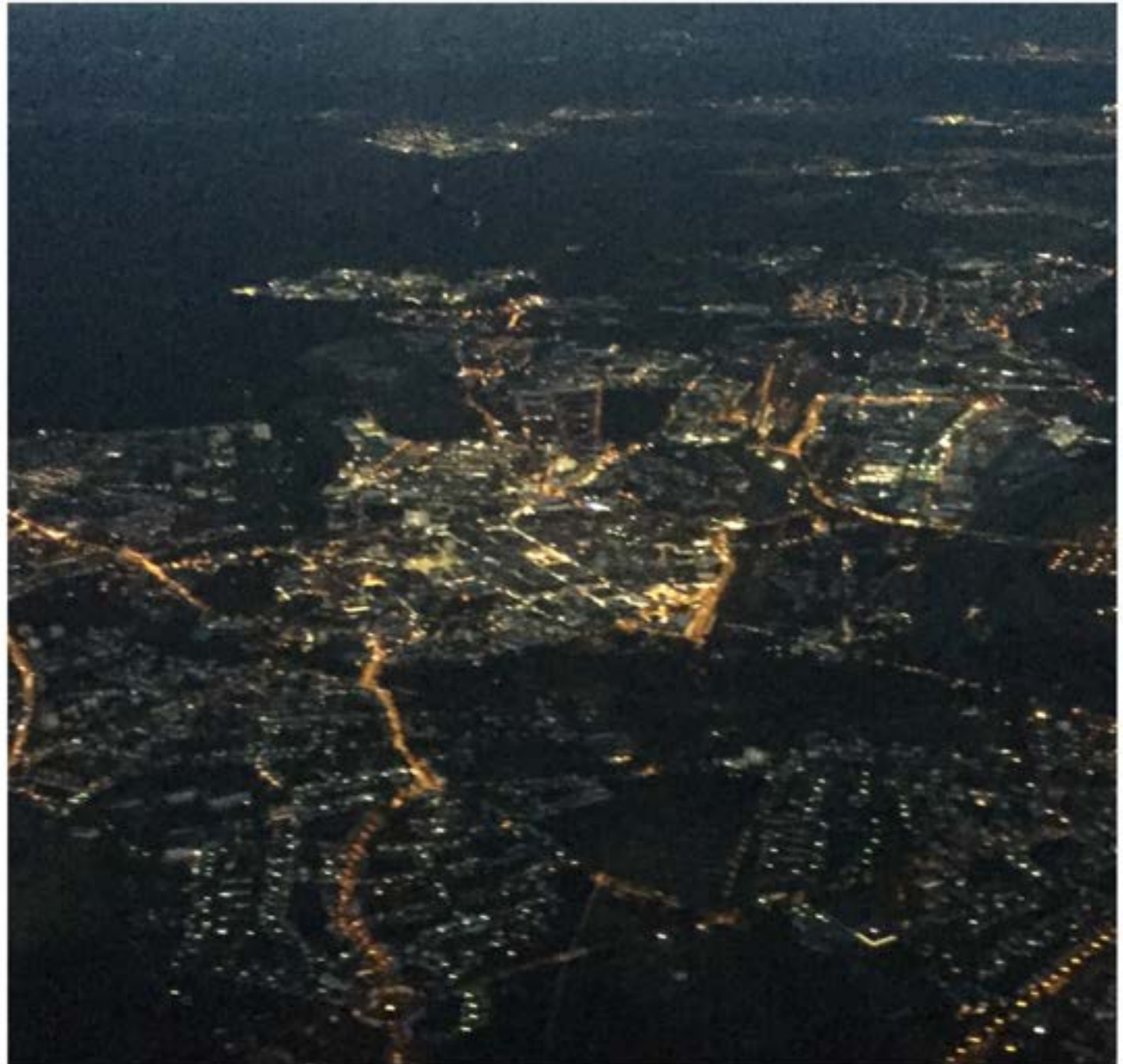
Day Five

This day was the last day in Dublin & I was pretty sad. I really enjoyed it here. We packed everything in our travel bags. Before we had to say goodbye to our excellent apartment, we went once more to the inner heart of the capital & ate some more ridiculously good donuts from the best donut store in whole Dublin - or at least I think so.

But after that last trip, it was time to say goodbye to "The White House" & we got a taxi again to the airport. We left Dublin around evening & flew over the sea back to Frankfurt which looks gorgeous at night.

As soon as we landed on German ground everything was pretty unorganised again - like after the concert - but we found our way home.

Thank you very much for reading everything about my 5 day trip through Ireland! I really appreciate it!
Your travel blogger, FXYZ



Frankfurt at night