

## **TUI Congress – Wexford 2015**

### **Tours organised for Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

The 'TUI Congress TOURS' stand will be taking bookings throughout the day on Tuesday and on Wednesday morning at TUI Congress. If you are interested in attending any of these tours, which will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> April, please visit the stand to advise the stand holders of your interest as early as possible, to ensure your place. Transportation to and from Whites Hotel is included.

### **TOUR 1- Hook Lighthouse & Loftus Hall**



### **Hook Lighthouse – Light up your day**

Lighthouses have a magic and mysticism of their own, none more so than the 13th Century Hook Lighthouse. One of the top things to do / Day Trips in Wexford. The present structure is about 800 years old and is the oldest intact operational Lighthouse in the world. Hook Lighthouse offers guided tours of the lighthouse tower all year round. Climb the 115 steps to the spectacular view from the balcony

## Loftus Hall

Loftus Hall is famous for its "Ghost" and this curiosity surfaces every time the name of the place is mentioned. It has been regularly featured in articles and films. It also occupies the most unusual site for a country mansion as the bleak and exposed landmark which dominates the landscape on the Hook peninsula. Loftus Hall became a hotel when it was purchased from the Sisters of Providence, better known as the "Rosminian nuns" Loftus Hall was built by the 4th Marquis of Ely in 1870-1871 on the ruins of Redmond Hall, which had existed since 1350. Redmond Hall became the property of the Loftus family in 1666, and afterwards the old mansion became known as Loftus Hall. It was here that the famous "ghost" story originated in the middle of the 18th century. Charles Tottenham came to live for a time at the old Loftus Hall.

*For additional information please see:*

<http://hookheritage.ie>

<http://www.loftushall.ie>

## TOUR 2 – Irish National Heritage Park



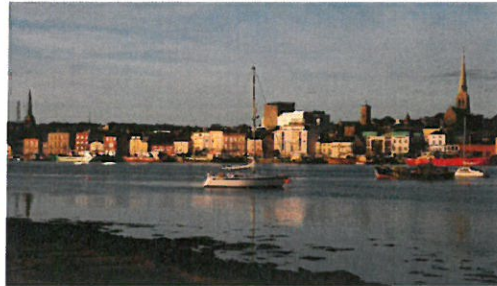
Irish National Heritage Park is an open-air museum which recreates the key stages in Ireland's cultural evolution.

The park contains 35 acres (14ha) covering prehistoric through Norman Periods and features various buildings and structures stereotypical of each period.

*For additional information please see:*

<http://www.inhp.com>

### **TOUR 3 – Walking Tour of Wexford**



This guided walking tour will give you an overview of Wexford Town itself and will include a trip to the Wexford Opera House and Selskar Abbey. It will last approximately 2 hours. .

*For additional information please see:*

[www.wexfordwalkingtours.net](http://www.wexfordwalkingtours.net)