

STUMBLE in DUBLIN

by international students, for international students



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I moved to Dublin four weeks ago and it's been both surprisingly pleasant and ridiculously cumbersome. Coming from Norway, I'm used to going through all four seasons in a day. I thought I knew what was waiting for me. I can only wish I read the previous versions of this student magazine before I paid Norwegian prices for a beer in Temple Bar and had to wait three endless weeks to get Internet connection in my apartment. We're two journalism students and three photographers trying to save you the worst headaches.

The idea of this magazine is based on the questions we've asked the international students on page four: "Why Dublin?", "Do you have any advice for the new students?". We definitely have stumbled around Dublin and upon the places we have written about in this magazine. We expect you to do the same. It's supposed to be a little rough in the beginning. At this time it's mostly charming.

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International students on Dublin



*Dana, 24, German,
International Business*

Why did you choose the city of Dublin?
Because it was the cheapest partner of my university.

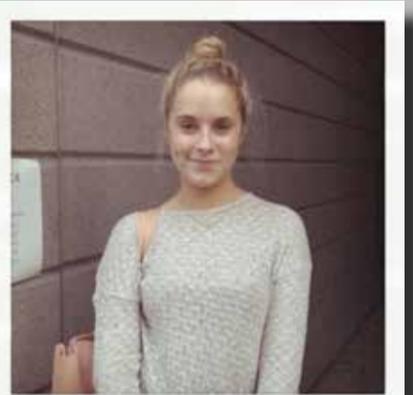
If you could give an advice to new students, what would it be?
Save a lot of money, prices are double compared to Germany!



*Arnaud, 22, Angolan,
Computing Sciences*

Why did you choose the city of Dublin?
My parents have been there before and they loved it so they wanted me to live the experience.

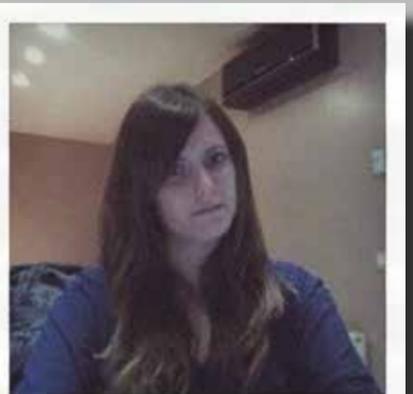
If you could give an advice to new students, what would it be?
Don't be closed-minded.



Ailish, 18, Irish, Marketing

Why did you choose the city of Dublin?
Simple because I like the city.

If you could give an advice to new students, what would it be?
Get involved in group and society clubs.



*Leslie, 22, French,
Journalism*

Why did you choose the city of Dublin?
For the people who live there. Dubliners are very warm people, you always feel welcome here.

If you could give an advice to new students, what would it be?
Look at both side of the road before crossing the street. And obviously, take an umbrella.

This is their experience

 **Tiphaine Paucott-Landelle**

The rain and Dublin may go together in the minds of everyone moving to the city, so you will already have your umbrella packed in your suitcase before you arrive. But what else should you absolutely bring to Dublin?

Students have their own opinion on this. It looks like they have different needs, but the funny thing is that it shows you a part of their personality. While the Angolan guy took his phone, Ailish preferred her essential make up and Leslie some headache medicine. If you want an advice on what to bring, Dana has the answer: "survival things!" Meanings: take some toilets paper! Just imagine that you are arriving in a place where there is nothing but the furniture.

Also do not be afraid about the cultural differences. Dublin is an international city so you will always find similarities with your country. Food seems to be the main cultural difference. "5 pm is definitely not dinner time!", it is way to early for the French girl. Arnaud



found peace and quiet in Dublin, so if you are a relax person like he is, you will enjoy the city.

The best thing about Dublin is that students' difficulties are not insurmountable. Most of them found hard to get used to student life or to find classes. But as everyone is so nice, don't hesitate to ask for help, you will always find someone to help you.

Best advise, come with your smile and you will be fine!



You should know how to say/what it is:

The Pale: outside Dublin and its suburbs

Thank you: Takk, merci, danke

Thick (stupid): dum, stupide, dumm

Minerals (soft drinks): mineralvann, sans alcool, alkoholfrei

Bucketing down (raining hard): pissregner, pleuvoir des trombes, regnet Bindfäden

Runners (sneakers): joggesko, baskets, Turnschuhe

Jacks (toilets): toalettet, toilettes, Toiletten

Deadly (great): flott, super, toll



Certified
homemade



 Kaja Sitron Juul

Everyone who knows about Ireland knows about Guinness.

What isn't as widely known is Irish Craft Beer. So if you want to experience good, local beer, this is definitely something to check out.

The number of craft breweries in Ireland has grown over the past few years. As a beer brewer, and a beer lover, I always go hunting for the best local beer. It's exiting, as each individual beer brand is one of a kind.

Pubs is a great part of the Irish culture. There are many bars in Dublin selling local crafted beer, providing greater choice to consumers.

By chance I came across J.W. Sweetman, a craft brewery that is the only pub in Dublin with it's own microbrewery. "The moment you step through our door, you quickly realise you are part of something special",

it says on the wall. I couldn't agree more. I ordered a craft beer tasting tray, with 5 different types of beer. It was such a good experience that I want to go back.

Again and again.



Pale Ale - 4,5%

"A blend of pale and crystal malts and ample quantities of cascade hops from America's Pacific Northwest. Well balanced, medium bodied, citrusy and unfiltered; this is a California-style dry-hopped pale ale that is full of flavour with intense hop aromas".



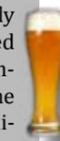
Red Ale - 4,5%

"A style of ale that Ireland is famous for, our red is brewed with wheat, crystal, chocolate, Munich and pale malts. A well balanced, mild and easy drinking Irish ale with a smooth malty sweetness and hints of caramel".



Weiss - 5%

"This Bavarian style Weiss (wheat) is highly effervescent with a fluffy white head. Brewed using wheat, pale and Munich malt, it is unfiltered, hence cloudy. Fruity and tart in the mouth, with hints of lemon, while the dominant aromas are of banana and clove".



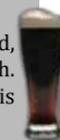
Seasonal - 6,8%

This is also one of the beer consumers' favourite craft beer. It is an Amber Ale brewed with Australian Galaxy Hops, which is why it is also known as "Intergalactic". With a sweet touch of passion fruit makes this beer one of a kind.



Porter - 4,8%

"Masses of chocolate malt creates a full-bodied, palate-coating beer that is rich and smooth. Notes of chocolate, tobacco and espresso, it is smoky, toasty and fresh".



All quoted descriptions from jwsweetman.ie

BLA BLA
BLA

Use your voice.

Don't be afraid to ask about things. Most people are pleased to share their local knowledge and their favourite places to go (see page 14).

Buy yourself an adapter.

Plugs in Ireland are 3-pin flat, so if you are from a 2-pin appliances country, you should get one as soon as possible. You can find them in most pharmacies.



Internet and Wi-Fi.

The Internet in Ireland lives its own life - never depend on it to work when you need it. On the bright side, they have lots of places in the city with decent Wi-Fi connection.



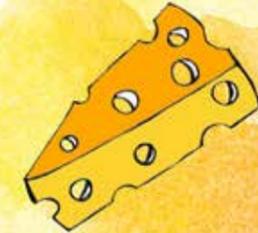
Make sure you're dressed for all the different seasons every time you walk out the door.

Don't be fooled if the sun is shining when you look out of the window, before you know it you will be soaked in rain.

How to survive in Dublin

Do not go to a food store and expect to find everything you have back home.

They most likely will not have it. They have lots of good meat though, and if you like cheddar you have come to the right place.



Don't hurry.

I'm pretty sure the people in Dublin are born 15 minutes too late, so if you ever think you are late for something, you will probably be there just in time.



Grabbing a taxi is a great way to get where you are going.

If you want to put your life in the hands of someone driving like they have stolen their driving license and almost having a heart attack every 10 metres.

Remember to have the exact change when you take the bus.

If you do not, you will get a "change receipt" you can take to the Dublin Bus office where you can collect your change. If you feel like it is too much of a hassle, you can always give it to charity.





Where to shop on a student budget

We all know how hard student life can be, barely making it from month to month. In our situation, it becomes an even bigger challenge. Moving from your home to another country is one thing, but what about all the things you need?

When I moved from one apartment to another in Norway, I did not think much of it; I could easily bring everything I needed with me. But now I needed to buy everything from a toaster to new bed sheets.

The last thing on my mind before I left for Dublin, was all the things I had to buy to survive. And the cost of it all! That was when I started thinking that there had to

be somewhere cheaper to get all that I needed.

My roommates and me went to IKEA, because we knew that it was the cheapest place in Norway, so it had to be here too. We were wrong, but got to feel like we were home for a while.

There are many things you do not know when you arrive to a new place, like where to get food, kitchen appliances and everything you need for your bedroom. So here are my tips for you:

Internationally you would know this store as Primark, in Ireland it is called Penneys. If there is something you need, you can bet that this store has it. Makeup, bed sheets, pillows, suitcases, bags, belts, shoes and clothes as far as your eyes can see, and as far as your feet will carry you. It is also the cheapest brand clothing retailer.



Tesco is a very known brand in Ireland, they have both food stores and phone plans. Their stores are usually big, with a lot of choices. The best thing about Tesco is the price guarantee, that means that if something is cheaper in stores like Aldi or Lidl the day you buy it, you get a coupon with the savings to use the next time you shop.

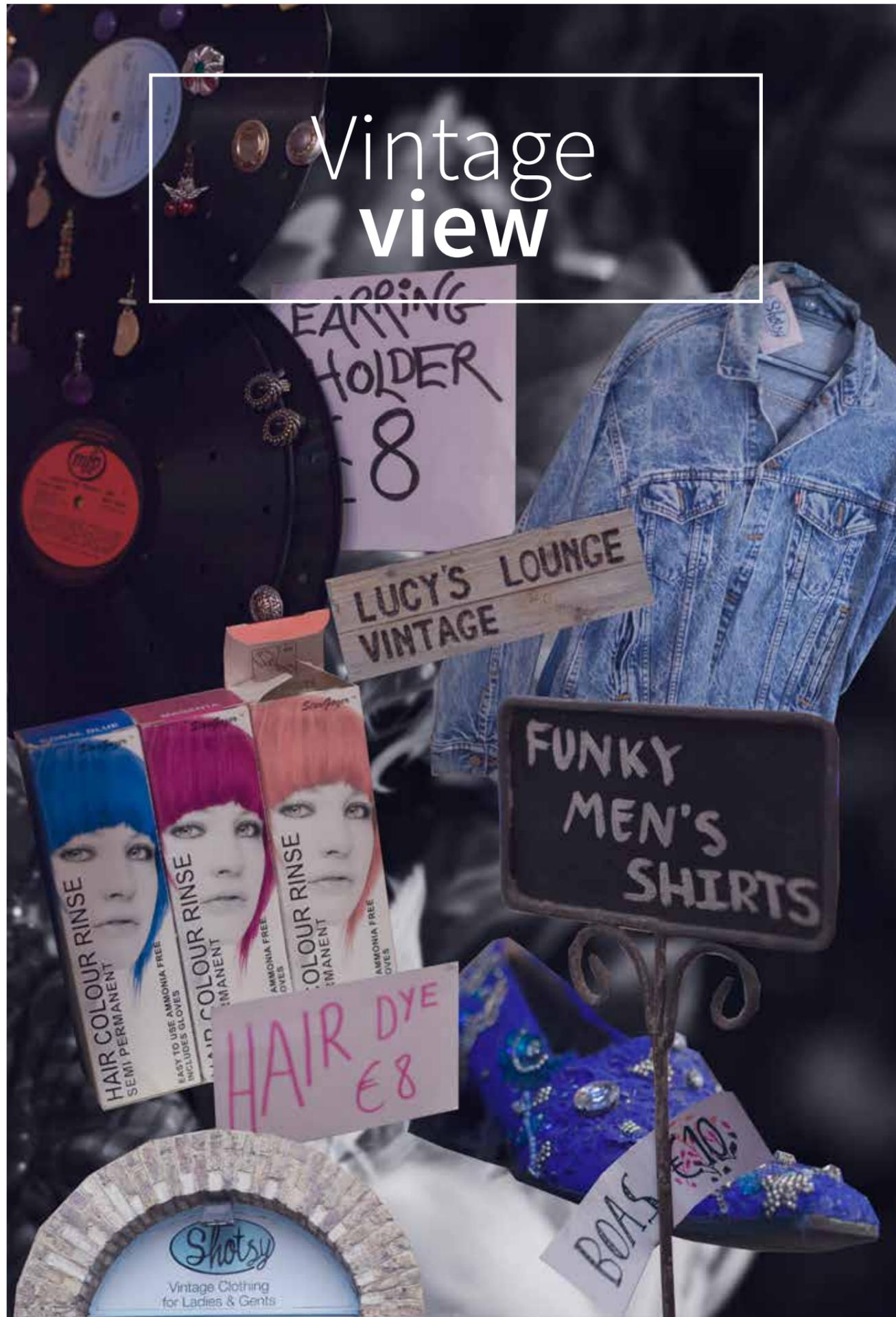
In this store you can buy everything you need, especially electronics. It is the easiest way to shop, you just go through the catalogue or search their website, write down the number of what you want and go to the cash-register to collect and pay. You can get all the essentials you need at a good price.

Right now there is a 3 for 2 on student essentials. The offer ends 7th of October.



If you need any kind of books, this is the place you visit. They have everything you could ever imagine when it comes to books, and most of it is on sale. The people who work there are more than happy to help you out, and you feel welcome the second you step foot inside the door. The best part about the store is the second-hand floor, where they have a big variety of books from every genre as well as movies.

Vintage view



 Emma Nilssen-Hanssen

 Gudrun Holmen

Hidden in a basement of a Temple Bar building you will find this beautiful second-hand shop with the name Lucy's Lounge. When I first walked into the building with the pink walls I had no idea what was hiding behind them.

Lucy's Lounge is a treasure chest for second-hand shoppers who are looking for cheap and beautiful pieces of clothes. Or just generally like to look at pretty things. The store is decorated all over with stunning pieces of jewellery and accessories and have a really unique feel about it.

The employees are very welcoming and helpful and I felt like they really enjoyed being there and talking to the costumers, which you rarely experience in more-mainstream stores.

I would really recommend everyone to visit this store, even if you're not planning to buy anything. Just for the

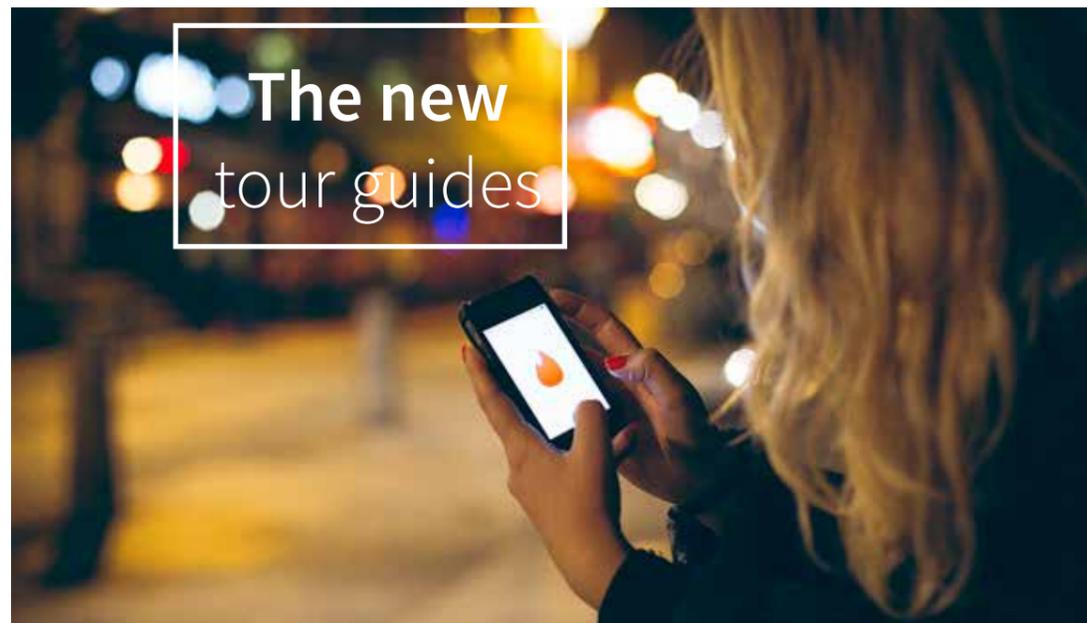


experience of walking down the stairs and walking into a new world in the middle of TempleBar.

It's like being Alice falling into wonderland and you'll never want to leave again.



Other second-hand stores in Dublin:
 Shotsy Eager Bever Find
 Siopaella Mojo's Records Monto



 **Madeleine Delp Bergsjø**

Are international students looking for tour guides and inside information the new Tinder cynics? Is romance dead anyway?

She's been in Dublin for three weeks now, the Norwegian 26 year old with a promising internship and an app on her phone to find locals who will show her around town. And it didn't take her long to find some.

Kristine believes meeting the right kind of people when you're new in town can be a real challenge. On Tinder, though, you can easily pick the ones that suit you.

"There's less appearance fixation on Tinder than in real life. You probably know a lot more about the person when you begin a conversation on Tinder than you do starting one with the hottest guy at the bar", she says.

Around six or seven percent of both the Irish and the Norwegian population are swiping left and right looking for the one. Kristine mainly wants someone cool looking to tell her where it goes down.

"I've met one guy; a sort of artsy, withdrawn jazz musician with very impressive fingering skills (the musical term). We haven't met again, but he definitely showed

me a part of the Irish culture I probably wouldn't have gotten to see without Tinder", she says.

Having experienced the grimy basements of the live music scene in Dublin, she is now looking for the sportier kind of guy, preferably a hurling player. Mostly to explore the culture and meet people outside of the tourist traps, of course. Irish Tinderers seem genuinely interested in being the blonde, Scandinavian girls' personal tour guide.

"One of my matches sent me a photo where he was in a car, and the only thing I could think was: Yes! He has a car! He can drive me and my friends around sightseeing. You have got to be a little selective", she says, partly laughing.

Was there ever any romance on Tinder anyway?

(Kristine is a pseudonym, she asked to "not make it a dating ad")



Tips on getting the most from the Tinder experience

- Be honest about the fact that you are new in town and if you're not looking for a romantic stay in Dublin, let them know that you would like to hang out with their friends as well. To expand your professional, and possibly less professional, network.
- Meet your match on a Thursday. If the date isn't going so well, you can always excuse yourself by saying you have to get up early in the morning. If it goes well, on the other hand - it's allowed to be tired on Fridays and meet them again during the weekend.
- You will probably not stay in Dublin forever, you have nothing to lose.

Coming this week

On screen this Friday



Get On Up



Ida



Search Party



The Equalizer



What We Did On Our Holiday



Galway's reputation for unabashed craic and quality ceoil is world renowned so it's safe to say that from Thursday 25 - Sunday 28 September, the City of the Tribes is more than definitely the place to be.

Tickets still available



Live Music Festival
Coughlan's Live - 24/25th September



Wasted Space
Cyprus Avenue - 25th September



Beth Nielsen Chapman
Set Theatre - 24th September



Affinité - An Irish Awakening
Pavilion Theatre - 25th September

ENJOY!

“I love the vibe”

- Ailish

“Very nice city with young people”

- Dana

“Slàinte”

- Leslie

“It rains a lot!”

- Arnaud