

10 DAYS - TOUR OF EUROPE

Discover Amsterdam, Paris, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Venice and more on our 10 Day Europe trip

(Validity : May 2018 - Sep 2018)

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DAY 1: Amsterdam

Welcome to the start of your tour! Arriving in Amsterdam, you'll meet your tour at the hotel. Once you've settled in, we'll head in to the centre of Amsterdam to experience the wonders of this fascinating city with an Amsterdam canal dinner cruise. Get on board and have those cameras at the ready - this is the best way to be introduced to Amsterdam, a city of beautiful 17th Century architecture, and a charm all its own. Keep an eye out for spots to revisit later on during your free time. Watch the city drift past as you sail by, and listen out for tips and interesting insights into the city from your tour leader. Later on, join your tour leader for a walking tour of the infamous Red Light District! The evening is yours - explore the canals some more, or head to Dam Square, one of the most important parts of the city. Dinner. Overnight accommodation

DAY 2: Rhine Valley

This morning, we'll take a look at a cheese-making demonstration, revealing how cheese has been made in the traditional way in these parts for many years. Following that, we'll learn about that most quirky of Dutch footwear choices - the clog - and see how these traditional shoes are carved. Stopping off at a windmill for a photo stop, you'll be able to appreciate the iconic scenery of the Netherlands. If the season is right, look out for flowers in the fields! Continuing on to the Rhine Valley, we'll board a Rhine Valley river boat and cruise the Rhine River. With the highest concentration of medieval castles in all of Europe, this is a memorable trip, especially with all the vineyards, cliff faces and medieval German towns! Once the cruise is over we'll visit a local wine merchants for an included wine tasting - if the harvest has been good, you may even get to try eiswein (ice wine), a very sweet dessert wine that is produced in very small quantities as it can only be harvested when the temperature drops below freezing. Breakfast. Dinner. Overnight accommodation

DAY 3: Innsbruck

Today, we're off to Innsbruck, Austria, taking a comfort stop in Ulm on the way. This historic German city is famous not only as the birthplace of Albert Einstein, but also for having the tallest church steeple in the world! Innsbruck is one of the few places in the world that really can lay claim to having something for everyone. It's not everywhere that offers extreme sports (thanks to the close proximity of the soaring Nordkette Alps), fascinating historical heritage (courtesy of the legacy of the Habsburgs), and vibrant modern attractions too. This is where the modern urban environment meets the outdoors, with a space-age funicular taking up into the mountains in literally a matter of minutes. Once we arrive in the afternoon, we'll have dinner, after which your time is yours to explore this fascinating Austrian city. You can take the cable car to the peak of Nordkette for stunning Alpine views, visit the famous Goldenes Dachl (Golden



Roof) in the Altstadt (old town) or quench your thirst in a historic beer hall.

Breakfast. Dinner. Overnight accommodation

DAY 4: Venice

Leaving Innsbruck behind us, we journey onward to the enchanting city of Venice. Travelling through stunning Alpine scenery, we will take a photo stop so that you can record your memories of the incredible mountain vistas spreading out before you. The timeless waterways and artistic masterpieces (more per square kilometre than anywhere else on earth) of Venice make it truly unique - this is a city that will capture your heart and imagination. Being Italian, there's no shortage of incredible food and culture either! You'll start your stay in Venice with an orientation tour to get your bearings; see St Mark's Square, the famous Rialto

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Bridge and the beautiful narrow alleyways lined with shops offering unique souvenirs. The afternoon is yours to explore this unforgettable city. If you wish to take part in the true Venice experience, your tour leader will organise a gondola ride through the enchanting waterways, under the quaint bridges and between the beautiful houses that Venezia offers in abundance.

Breakfast. Overnight accommodation



DAY 5: Lucerne region

We're on our way back into Alpine territory once again today, but first we stop off in Verona for a comfort stop. The setting for the most famous love story of all time, Romeo & Juliet, one can seek out the balcony where Romeo reportedly wooed his lover. After a short stop, we continue on to Lucerne. Renowned as one of Switzerland's most beautiful cities, this is one place you'll definitely want to have your camera at the ready! All the ingredients for the quintessentially picturesque Swiss experience are here - a cobalt lake and well-preserved old-town complete with waterfront promenades, covered bridges and perfect plazas is surrounded by the natural skyscrapers of the Swiss Alps. It's really no wonder that Goethe, Queen Victoria and Wagner savoured the stunning views that Lucerne has to offer.

There's charm and grace around every corner, but it's not all about history - there's certainly enough of a pulse here to keep things current, with carnivals, concerts and exhibitions aplenty.

Breakfast. Overnight accommodation

DAY 6: Burgundy

Before we travel onward to Burgundy, you'll have the morning to enjoy more of the Lucerne region - why not join our Mount Pilatus optional excursion? Whether you take the world's steepest cogwheel railway from Alpnachstad or the panoramic gondolas and aerial cableway from Kriens, you will travel up through lush meadows carpeted with Alpine flowers, past sparkling mountain streams and fascinating rock faces - the Mount Pilatus optional truly offers that unique Alpine experience! We then leave Switzerland behind and head west into France. If Paris is the place for romance, then Burgundy is the place for two other things the French - and France - are well-known for: great food and wine. You will be staying in the capital of Burgundy, Dijon. A place of tremendous wealth and power and one of the great European centres of art, learning and science, there is plenty to do in Dijon. Beyond the food and wine, this is also the place to soak up history, with excellent museums and fabulous Renaissance architecture helping to make this one of the most memorable parts of the entire tour!

Breakfast. Dinner. Overnight accommodation

DAY 7: Paris

The city of lights is our next stop, as we take in the home of some of the world's most famous cultural landmarks, museums that feature some of the world's most important artworks, cafes, galleries, boutiques and more. Trying to see it all is futile, but wherever you explore will leave an impression you're likely to forget anytime soon. Whether you're strolling the boulevards, visiting stylish boutiques, admiring the artwork, exploring the famous neighbourhoods that have been home to so many of the world's great thinkers and artists or simply sitting at a street-side cafe and watching the world go by, Paris is unforgettable. To help you make the most of your time, your tour leader can organise queue jump tickets to the River Seine Cruise and a visit to the Montparnasse tower, offering incredible views of the Paris skyline, including the Eiffel Tower! For the uniquely Parisian experience, join your tour leader on a visit to an incredible Cabaret show!

Breakfast. Lunch. Overnight accommodation

DAY 8: Paris - Amsterdam

On our way back to the Dutch capital we stop in Brussels for a comfort stop and the chance to explore the Belgian capital. Sample typical Belgian fare (moules et frites, countless varieties of beer, and of course, that famous chocolate), or wander around. Perhaps grab some last-minute souvenirs for the folks back home? We will also take a photo stop at the incredible Atomium. Originally built for the 1958 World's Fair, this unique structure makes for a truly incredible selfie opportunity! After our comfort stop, we continue on to Amsterdam, where our tour officially ends. We hope you've enjoyed this whirlwind tour of Europe!

Breakfast. Overnight accommodation

DAY 9: Free day in Amsterdam

Today is all yours. You can visit museums or galleries, spend your day shopping or exploring the most famous sights in Amsterdam. You can also take one of our optional escorted or private tours and visit sights in or around Amsterdam. Breakfast. Overnight accommodation

DAY 10: Amsterdam

After breakfast get ready for your private transfer which will take you to the airport. In case your flight is leaving later in the afternoon or in the evening you could take in more of Amsterdam's sights or do some last minute shoppings. Breakfast. Overnight accommodation

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 9 nights' accommodation in twin rooms with private en-suite facilities. Single travellers have the option to pay a single supplement to ensure a private room.
- 9 breakfasts, 1 Lunch, 4 dinners
- Return private airport transfer on the first and the last day.
- All taxes and fees
- Any public transport used as part of the tour (excludes free days)
- Modern air conditioned coach with reclining seats, TV for showing DVDs, and toilet.
- 13 Experiences (including guided walking tours, orientation walks, driving tours of cities plus other exciting experiences)
- A complimentary memorable gift of your once in a lifetime trip.

ACCOMMODATION

Amsterdam

Hampton by Hilton Schipol Airport
Holiday Inn Express Schipol Airport
Park Inn Plaza Amsterdam Airport
Crowne Plaza Amsterdam Schiphol
Lake land Hotel

Rhine Valley

Rheinlust
Ibis Bonn
Hotel Weiland
InterCity Bonn

Innsbruck

AlpinPark Hotel Innsbruck

Venice

Elite Residence Hotel
NH Laguna Palace
Hotel Complex Ambasciatori & Delfino
Hotel Venezia

Lucerne

Hotel Stanserhof

Burgundy

Ibis Dijon Clemenceau
Campanile Dijon Centre Gare

Paris

Ibis la Defense
B&B Porte Des Lilas
B&B Paris Malakof
Ibis Paris La Villette Cité des Sciences
B&B Paris Italie Porte de Choisy
B&B Hôtel Orly Chevilly



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19-May-18	28-May-18	£1,148
2-Jun-18	11-Jun-18	£1,148
16-Jun-18	25-Jun-18	£1,148
30-Jun-18	9-Jul-18	£1,148
14-Jul-18	23-Jul-18	£1,148
28-Jul-18	6-Aug-18	£1,148
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