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WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

LONDON, PARIS & ROME



15 DAYS \$5,795

LONDON, PARIS, AND ROME WILL IMMERSE YOU IN BEAUTY, HISTORY AND CULTURE. WITH EACH PASSING MOMENT, YOU'LL FALL A LITTLE MORE IN LOVE WITH EUROPE.



DAY 1

London here we come! Today we board our overnight international flight to London

Hello London! We will be met at the airport by our guide, have an opportunity to change money into local currency and then proceed to London. We will see the outside of great icons of London, including Big Ben, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace and St. Paul's Cathedral, before heading to our hotel for the night.

A Tower with a bloody past. This morning we will experience the pomp and circumstance of the changing of the guard; each day this ritual takes place at exactly the same time as thousands of visitors look on. Following lunch we will see the Tower of London, learn about the history of the palace, and hear about the grizzly executions that took place there. The Tower is also the home of the British Crown Jewels and we will be able to marvel at the exquisite workmanship of jewel makers through the years. This evening we see a musical in London's West End.

Cheerio England, bonjour France! Our day begins with an overview of London from high atop the London Eye. Later we will explore the many wonders of The British Museum where one of the best ancient civilization



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Tower of London and a West End Musical
- Special Ceremony at American Cemetery in Normandy
- Paris! Eiffel Tower, Louvre, and Chateau de Versailles
- Venetian Scavenger Hunt
- Dinner in an Italian home in Florence
- Vatican City and St. Peters Basilica



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collections is housed. We will see the English countryside on our way to Portsmouth where we board our overnight ferry to France.

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Is that tower leaning? Today we head to the town of Pisa and learn about the extraordinary measures that have been taken to save its famous leaning tower. There will be plenty of time to pose for a photograph of you trying to hold the tower up before heading to lunch. You'll learn how to make Tuscan Pizza with a master pie maker; we will each get to try our hand at making our own pie. After lunch we drive to Florence.

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The academy and the statue of David. This morning we visit The Accademia Gallery and marvel at Michelangelo's masterpiece, The Statue of David. Afterward we will have a walking tour of the city, including the Duomo, the bronze doors of the Baptistry known as the Gate to Paradise, and the Ponte Vecchio or "old bridge". This evening we will experience Italian home cooking as we break into small groups and are invited to a home for a taste of Italian cooking.

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The Eternal City. Today we head south to The Eternal City—Rome. We start our Roman Quest by receiving a list of clues to identify famous Roman sights in the downtown area. The first group to identify all the clues gets a special prize! After lunch we will visit Mariotti's - a famous gelato maker.

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The world's smallest country. This morning we cross the border from Rome to the smallest country in the world, Vatican City. The Vatican museum contains endless galleries of art and we follow the path through the museum to the iconic Sistine Chapel. Following our visit we will proceed to St. Peter's Basilica, the most famous of all Catholic churches. After lunch we will have free time to explore Piazza Navona and its famous fountains.

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Gladiators and catacombs! Our day begins by descending to The Catacombs of San Callisto far beneath the city of Rome. The underground cemetery contains the remains of several Popes and other important dignitaries. Later we will enter the Roman Coliseum and the Roman Forum where some of the best preserved ancient Roman ruins stand in stark contrast to modern day Rome.

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Arrivederci, Roma! We bid farewell to Europe and head to the airport for our flight back to the USA.

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The Beaches of Normandy. This morning starts with a visit to The Beaches of Normandy where we will reflect on the sacrifice of the brave American soldiers who gave their lives to secure our freedom. We will experience a special tribute to our fallen soldiers who lie buried at the American Cemetery. Later we will visit the Caen Memorial, an innovative museum highlighting the Second World War, D-Day landings and the Cold War that followed.

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The Palace of the Sun King. Leaving Normandy we make our way toward Paris and will stop and visit The Chateau de Versailles. We will have an opportunity to explore the palace at our own pace and visit the beautiful gardens, including the fountains, which date back to the reign of Louis XIV and his queen Marie Antoinette.

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Voila, Paris! Our day begins with a guided tour of Paris that will include driving by the most important Parisian icons. Following our city tour we will visit the Eiffel Tower where we will marvel at the cityscape of this beautiful city. This afternoon we will visit the hilltop of Montmartre to explore the famous square where artists work and take in the vistas from below the iconic Sacre Coeur.

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Mona Lisa smile. Before leaving Paris we will have a chance to visit the most famous museum in the world—The Louvre with the Mona Lisa, Venus de Milo and the Winged Nike. Following our visit we have some free time to explore the fabulous Avenue des Champs-Élysées for shopping. Tonight we board an overnight train to Venice!

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The lions of Venice. This morning we awaken in Venice. Upon leaving the train station we will find ourselves on the Grand Canal. A short transfer and we will find ourselves at the Piazza San Marco to start a scavenger hunt where we will have to ask locals for information to solve the puzzle. Following lunch we will ride a gondola through the canals then onto a glass factory where the artisans will demonstrate their ability as they show us this ancient art.