# UNITED KINGDOM & EUROPE TOUR



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Great Britain & Europe Coach Tour with Flights Duration: 23 days Departs: 2023 & 2024 Stay: 21 nights hotels Travel style: Escorted tour from London with flights from Australia Booking code: UKEUT23M

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# 23 Days UK & Europe Escorted Coach Tour with Flights

# About the holiday

Join our exciting three-week tour of Europe and Britain!

Start in London and travel to Cambridge, where you can take park in the age-old tradition of punting down the river. Visit Hadrian's Wall and journey to Edinburgh. Behold Loch Ness, try a single malt at one of Scotland's oldest whisky distilleries and roam through the Scottish Highlands. Visit the picturesque Lake District that's inspired many renowned poets, writers and artists. End the the first week of your touring holiday with visits to Liverpool and Wales.

After two more nights to explore London, cross the English Channel to begin a spectacular journey on the Continent. Experience bucket-list attractions in Paris before travelling to the Swiss Alps. Explore the Italian delights of Tuscany, Rome and Venice. Travel through Bavaria and enjoy dinner in a traditional Germany beer hall. End on a high note, as you cross through the Rhine Valley and visit the capital of the Netherlands, Amsterdam. With an almost endless list of highlights and memorable experiences, this combined United Kingdom and Europe tour package offers the trip of a lifetime!

Why you'll love this tour...

- The price! It's great value for a worry-free holiday packed with inclusions
- Enjoy free days to explore London, Edinburgh, Paris, the Swiss Alps & Rome
- Must-do activities, such as cruising the Rhine in Germany & Amsterdam's canals

# Travel dates:

Departs Australia in 2023 & 2024 - please see our website for details

Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price may vary depending on your travel date. Please contact us for current rates.

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# **Escorted Tour Includes:**

## Flights

• Return economy airfare to London from Australian capital cities

# Accommodation

- 21 nights in twin share hotel rooms with private en-suite facilities
- Single travellers have the option to pay a single supplement to ensure a private room on tour

# Meals

- 19 breakfasts, 1 lunch, 8 dinners
  - Vegetarian options available for all meals on request

# Transport

- Modern air-conditioned coach with reclining seats and toilet onboard
- Any public transport used as part of the tour days (excludes free days)

# **Escorted tour**

• Services of your English-speaking tour leader

# Package excludes:

Airport transfers

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Personal items, such as drinks, snacks, laundry, WiFi etc.

Gratuities for guides, representatives & drivers

Travel insurance is essential

Prices are based on twin share, please contact us for single rates

# Subject to confirmation by airlines, hotels, tour company & local operators. Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.

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# Top Experiences on Tour:

- Explore London's top sights on a driving tour
- Enjoy dinner at a traditional British Pub
- See the highlights of Paris on a driving tour
- Visit Burgundy; a French wine region
- Marvel at the views on a scenic Swiss mountain drive
- Enjoy a photo stop at the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Explore Florence with your tour leader
- Explore Venice on an orientation tour
- Discover Munich on an orientation tour
- Say prost in a traditional German beer hall
- Enjoy a Rhine River Cruise
- Enjoy an Amsterdam canal cruise
- Visit Bruges; a medieval Belgian city
- Enjoy a punting trip along the River Cam in Cambridge
- Explore the historic streets of York
- Tuck into a traditional British roast dinner in York
- See the Angel of the North; an impressive steel sculpture
- Visit Hadrian's Wall; an ancient Roman fortification
- Wander the picturesque streets of Jedburgh
- Experience Edinburgh; Scotland's captivating capital city
- See the historic Culloden Battlefield
- Explore Loch Ness; home to the mythical Loch Ness Monster
- Sip on Scottish whisky in Fort William
- Visit Glen Coe; a scenic Scottish valley
- Drive through Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park
- Visit Gretna Green; a picturesque Scottish border town
- Experience the English Lake District
- Embark on a driving tour of Liverpool
- See Liverpool spots connected to The Beatles
- Explore Stratford-Upon-Avon; home of Shakespeare
- Enjoy a photo stop at a medieval Welsh Castle
- Experience Cardiff on a driving tour
- Explore bath; home to history and fine architecture

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# **Itinerary:**

#### DAY 1: Depart Australia on flights to England.

#### DAY 2: Arrive London

Welcome to London. On arrival make your way to the hotel for one night pre-tour. The remainder of the day is free to explore London at leisure.

#### DAY 3: London - Cambridge - York

Welcome to this incredible 7-day tour of Great Britain! Today, head to the English countryside for fresh air and scenic landscapes. Arrive in Cambridge and embark on a punting trip along the river in a traditional riverboat, taking in the stunning scenery and historic buildings in the most relaxing way. The final stop for the day is York. This city is a mecca for history buffs and lovers of fine architecture and culture. Enjoy an orientation walking tour with your tour leader and gain a fascinating insight into the stories and history of the city. Tonight, enjoy a traditional roast dinner at a local restaurant in York - toast to the first night of this week-long tour of Great Britain!

#### Experiences

Cambridge punting trip: Take part in the age-old Cambridge tradition of punting down the river on a punt (a long flat-bottomed boat). Cruise down the River Cam and take in the sights and surroundings along the way.

Orientation tour of York: Take an orientation tour around this historic walled city with your tour leader. York was founded by ancient Rome, and is filled with intriguing medieval architecture. See highlights including Micklegate Bar, the city walls, Ouse, The Shambles, York Chocolate Story, Swinegate, Barley Hall and York Minster.

Dinner in York: Sit down for an authentic meal, delight in traditional dishes like roast beef and Yorkshire pudding! Dessert is included and vegetarian options are available.

#### DAY 4: York - Hadrian's Wall - Jedburgh - Edinburgh

Depart York and arrive at today's first stop: the impressive Angel of the North statue. Next stop is Hadrian's Wall - an ancient Roman fortification built in 122 AD during Emperor Hadrian's reign. Not too far away lies the border town of Jedburgh, famed for its links to royalty and historical warfare. Visit this Scottish border town and take in the amazing architecture. Travel on through Scotland - the capital city is waiting! Arrive in Edinburgh, and set off on an evening driving and walking orientation tour of the city with your tour leader. It's a great introduction to a wonderful city! Enjoy an included dinner at an award-winning Italian restaurant with the group in Edinburgh tonight.

#### Experiences

Visit the Angel of the North: Make some memories with a photo stop at the Angel of the North statue and appreciate this fascinating sculpture. This is one of North England's top attractions!

Experience Hadrian's Wall: Marvel at the defensive wall, built by ancient Rome during Emperor Hadrian's reign, which acted as the north west frontier of the Roman Empire for nearly 300 years. Crafted by hand in 122 AD, it's one of the most visited cultural landmarks in the UK.

Visit Jedburgh: Visit this picturesque Scottish border town and enjoy some free time to explore. The pretty Royal Borough is home to beautiful sights and architecture. A visit to the Jedburgh Abbey ruins is highly recommended!

Orientation tour of Edinburgh: Join your tour leader as they take you on a driving and walking tour through Edinburgh. Scotland's capital city is home to incredible Gothic architecture, an impressive hilltop castle, cobble-stoned streets in the Old Town and New Town, as well as lively pubs and shopping streets!

#### DAY 5: Edinburgh: Free Day

Today, the city is yours to explore. Known as the cultural capital of Scotland, Edinburgh is blessed with stunning architecture, art galleries and memorials. Take a step back in time, and wander around the unchanged cobbled streets of the Royal Mile. If there are clear skies, hike up to Arthur's Seat for some incredible views. Or, join your tour leader on a Conquer the Capital optional excursion for an unforgettable exploration of Edinburgh! This full-day tour takes you to Edinburgh Castle, Calton Hill and more. Tonight, you have the option of joining a traditional Scottish dinner and show for a taste of Scottish culture and maybe even a bite of haggis!

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Conquer the Capital Edinburgh

Discover the highlights of Edinburgh with your tour leader! Visit Edinburgh Castle, Calton Hill, Princes Street Gardens and more.

#### Spirit of Scotland Show

Enjoy an evening of Scottish entertainment, including traditional music and Highland dancers, along with a four-course meal!

#### DAY 6: Loch Ness - Whisky Distillery - Glencoe - Scottish Highlands

Just over halfway through this Great Britain tour, it's time to journey into the Scottish Highlands. The first stop is the historic Culloden Battlefield. Next, visit Loch Ness - home to the mythical Loch Ness monster.

During the visit, join an optional one-hour cruise of Loch Ness, take in the impressive ruins of Urquhart Castle and see if you can spy 'Nessie' in the water! Once back on the road, spot Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain. Whilst in the region, visit one of Scotland's oldest, licensed whisky distilleries in Fort William for a distillery tour and whisky tasting. Next, visit Glen Coe - a spectacular glen (Scottish word meaning deep valley) with a bloody past - before continuing on to the hotel in the Scottish Highlands for the night.

#### Experiences

Visit Culloden Battlefield: Step back in time at the historic Culloden Battlefield. Back in 1746, this was the site of the last battle and the tragic defeat of the Jacobite Rising rebellion by British government troops.

Visit Loch Ness: Enjoy free time to explore Scotland's most famous loch! Enjoy the views from the banks of the loch and keep an eye out for 'Nessie'; the mythical loch ness monster!

Whisky distillery tour in Fort William: Visit one of Scotland's oldest whisky distilleries for a tour and whisky tasting. Whisky lovers should be sure to try the fantastic single malt.

Photo stop at Glen Coe: Capture some exquisite views in Scotland's most scenic valley which comes with a tragic and bloody history. Glen Coe was the site of the Massacre of Glencoe which took place in 1692. The massacre is a sad but important part of Scotland's history.

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Loch Ness Cruise Search for the mysterious Loch Ness monster as you cruise on the famous loch!

#### DAY 7: Gretna Green - Lake District - Liverpool

Today, travel towards Liverpool, home of The Beatles and world-famous football clubs! En route, drive through Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park, enjoy a visit to Greta Green and a stop in the picturesque Lake District. Next up, Liverpool! Enjoy a driving tour of the city on the way to the hotel and arrive in the late afternoon. For Beatles fans, there are many significant locations in the city including spots that inspired songs such as 'Strawberry Fields' and 'Penny Lane'. The Beatles played hundreds of shows at the Cavern Club, the perfect place to enjoy a good meal tonight! Liverpool is home to a number of great restaurant and pub options for dinner.

#### Experiences

Drive through Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park: Enjoy the views on the drive through the Scottish Highlands en route to Liverpool.

Stop at world-famous Gretna Green: Stop off at this parish on the Scottish side of the border between England and Scotland. Years ago, young lovers would use this spot to get married without their parents' permission!

Visit the English Lake District: This is your chance to experience lunch with a view enjoy the scenery of this beautiful part of England, and enjoy lunch while surrounded by a scenic landscape. The beauty of the English Lake District inspired many renowned poets and writers such as William Wordsworth and Beatrix Potter.

Driving tour of Liverpool: Enjoy seeing some of Liverpool's top sights on a driving tour of the city. Highlights include Anfield football stadium, Liverpool Cathedral, and the Albert Docks.

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Windermere Cruise and Steam Train

Discover the stunning scenery around Windermere Lake with a lakeside lunch, cruise and ride on a traditional steam train.

#### DAY 8: Stratford-Upon-Avon - Wales

This morning, see some top sights connected to The Beatles before departing Liverpool. Next, venture on to the birthplace of William Shakespeare; Stratfordupon-Avon. Enjoy some free time to explore on your own. For those who wish to delve into the life of Shakespeare more intimately, join the optional excursion to visit the home where he grew up as a child and lived with his wife as newlyweds. Sliding into south Wales, take the chance to see a medieval Welsh castle before heading onwards to the Welsh capital of Cardiff for a driving tour en route to the hotel. Tonight, enjoy an included dinner with the group.

#### Experiences

Liverpool Beatles driving tour: Hop aboard the coach to see and learn about a variety of locations connected to The Beatles on an early morning Beatles Magical Mystery Tour!

Visit to Stratford-Upon-Avon: Make a stop in this quaint town, which is the birthplace of William Shakespeare. Wander the city during your free time, and view many of the Shakespearean attractions, including the 16th-century house where the famous writer grew up.

Castle photo stop: On the road to Cardiff, enjoy the chance for a short stop at the medieval Raglan Castle and capture some photos.

Orientation driving tour of Cardiff: Arrive in the Welsh capital, and go on a driving tour of the city. Your tour leader will show you all the best highlights before you head back to the hotel.

## **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Shakespeare's Birthplace

Explore the home where William Shakespeare grew up and, later, spent the first five years of his married life.

#### DAY 9: Bath - Stonehenge - London

The last day of the tour is jam-packed with excitement! The first stop is the historic town of Bath. Take an orientation tour of the town, learn about its history, and see popular sights. You'll have free time to explore, or take an optional tour of the Roman Baths. Next up is a trip to the mysterious Stonehenge! Join the Stonehenge optional excursion for a closer look at these stones shrouded in myth and legend. Afterwards, board your tour coach for the last time, and take this chance to exchange contact details and share photos with new friends and fellow travellers, before the tour finishes in London. Overnight London.

#### Experiences

Bath Orientation tour: Join your tour leader for a tour of this historic city, which is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, featuring some of the finest architecture in Europe. Highlights include Bath Abbey and Pulteney Bridge.

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Stonehenge

Uncover the many mysteries of Stonehenge and get up close with this 5,000-year-old UNESCO World Heritage Site. This is definitely bucket list-worthy!

#### Roman Baths

Explore the remains of the great temple and bathing complex of the Roman Baths, once the finest religious spas in northern Europe!

#### DAY 10: Tour of London, UK

Today is officially the first day of the Classic Europe tour and this morning meet up with the Tour Leader and tour group. The adventure starts with a city tour of London. Tick seeing landmarks such as Tower Bridge and St Paul's Cathedral off of your travel bucket list before free time for lunch in central London! Then, arrive in Westminster; this borough is home to the iconic Big Ben and Westminster Abbey. Wave to the royal family from the gates of Buckingham Palace before taking in more highlights of London as the group travels to a local pub for an included dinner. This is the perfect chance to get to know your new travel buddies and try some classic British pub food!

#### Experiences

Driving tour of London: See London's top sights and learn more about its history on a driving tour of the city! London is home to rich history, royal relics and buzzing modern areas!

See some of the city's most popular boroughs, keep an eye out for landmarks like Tower Bridge, St. Paul's Cathedral and the Cutty Sark, and enjoy free time for lunch. Plus, enjoy an included tour of Westminser - this borough is home to London icons such as Big Ben, Westminster Abbey and the Palaces of Westminster. You'll also get to tick "See Buckingham Palace" off your bucket list too!

Dinner in a traditional British pub: Tonight enjoy an included welcome dinner at a historic local pub, where you can try typical British dishes like fish and chips, bangers and mash (sausages and mashed potato) or a seasonal vegetarian dish.

#### DAY 11: London - Paris

This morning, it's time to travel from London to Paris. Cross the English Channel and travel through to the French capital. Arrive and enjoy a driving tour of "The City of Lights" which showcases the city's best landmarks including the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe and more! In the evening, sit down for a group dinner at a restaurant in the city. This is the perfect time to plan what you'd like to see on tomorrow's free day. Be sure to get some rest tonight - there is a full day of travel adventure waiting to be enjoyed tomorrow!

#### Experiences

Driving tour of Paris: See the highlights of this famous destination on a driving tour. Arrive in the city and set off. See the Eiffel Tower, the River Seine, the Tuileries Gardens, l'Île de la Cité, the Louvre Museum, Arc de Triomphe, the Lovers Bridge, Sacré Coeur, Montmartre, Pigalle (the Red Light District) and the Moulin Rouge!

#### DAY 12: Paris: Free Day

The wonderful thing about Paris is that there is so much to experience, regardless of the time of day, or season! Explore on your own and soak up the city or join a full day of exploration in Paris! The Paris+ excursion showcases the iconic sights and experiences this city is famous for including the Arc de Triomphe, Champs-Élysées, Opéra Garnier and more! A macaron tasting and perfume museum tour are included too. You will also cruise down the River Seine with an included lunch and get a bird's eye view of the city from the Montparnasse Observation Deck. In the evening, choose to join an evening tour of the beautiful Montmartre area and watch a fabulous cabaret show!

#### **Optional O Tour Excursions**

Paris+

Spend the day ticking off Parisian highlights! Today includes top attractions, macarons, perfume, a River Seine Cruise and much more.

#### An Evening in Montmartre

Explore the vibrant Montmartre neighbourhood by night! See the Moulin Rouge and the Sacré-Cœur basilica and indulge in a three-course French dinner.

#### Parisian Cabaret with drinks

Be amazed by colours, costumes and cancan at one of Paris' top cabaret venues!

# DAY 13: Paris - Burgundy - Swiss Alps

Au revoir Paris! Today, it's time to sample a taste of small-town France with a lunch stop in Burgundy. Explore the town of Beaune and visit the beautiful Hospices de Beaune or try wine that the region is famous for! After lunch, take a long scenic drive across the border into Switzerland and head towards the Swiss Alps. Admire the alpine forests, beautiful lakes and dramatic mountains! Arrive in the Swiss Alps home for the next two days!

#### Experiences

Visit Beaune in Burgundy: Enjoy a stop in Beaune, a UNESCO World Heritage site and famous wine-producing region. Take some free time to explore the beautiful medieval town centre and try some local food and wine.

Scenic Swiss Mountain Drive: Admire the spectacular views as the coach drives through mountain passes and alongside lakes, breathtaking mountain vistas and scenic views of quaint Swiss towns.

## DAY 14: Swiss Alps: Free Day

It's a guaranteed snow day! For 365 days of the year, the summit of Jungfraujoch is covered in snow. Your tour leader can arrange a full-day optional excursion to the "Top of Europe" - see the spectacular glacier and enjoy the incredible views! The journey up the mountain is a highlight in itself, providing panoramic views of mountains, lakes and glaciers. Alternatively, spend the day exploring at a lower altitude. Explore the local town, enjoy sight-seeing, souvenir shopping and don't miss your chance to indulge in Swiss chocolate! Spend your free day wandering and breathing in that crisp, fresh, Alpine air! Join the optional Swiss dinner tonight to tuck into traditional Swiss food!

# **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Jungfraujoch: Journey to the Top of Europe Travel to the "Top of Europe" - Jungfraujoch, the highest train station in Europe! Enjoy exceptional views, year-round snow and a magical ice palace.

#### Swiss Fondue Dinner

Get an authentic taste of Switzerland and warm up with an authentic Swiss fondue dinner! Is there anything better than a pot of melted cheese?

# DAY 15: Swiss Alps - Pisa - Tuscany

It's time to swap snow for gelato as this European tour continues! Leave the mountain adventures behind and travel towards stunning Italian vistas. Capture your iconic shots at the Leaning Tower of Pisa!

A World Heritage UNESCO Site, this famous building is visited by tourists from every corner of the globe and is one of the most popular cultural European landmarks. Next, continue onwards to the exquisite Tuscan region - famous for wine, food, art and architecture. Arrive and settle in Montecatini Terme, a spa town north-west of Florence. Time for a local wine or two!

#### Experiences

View the Leaning Tower of Pisa: This is the chance to check an item off your bucket list and see the world-famous Leaning Tower of Pisa, or even take some iconic pictures of you 'holding up' the tower.

On Tour Excursions

#### An Evening in Montecatini

Ride the Montecatini Funicular and admire the views of Montecatini Terme before enjoying a delicious, three-course Tuscan dinner.

#### DAY 16: Tuscany - Florence - Rome

Continue the journey through the beautiful Tuscan region. Today's first stop is Florence. Enjoy an orientation tour of this captivating Renaissance city that is famous for its art and history. Following Florence is Italy's capital city - Rome! Arrive and enjoy free time to explore this fascinating and ancient city. Meet up with the group in the early evening and enjoy an included dinner.

#### Experiences

Orientation tour of Florence: Explore this historic city which is famous for its Renaissance art with your tour leader today. See highlights such as the Ponte Vecchio, Piazza Della Signoria, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the replica statue of Michelangelo's David.

#### DAY 17: Rome: Free Day

Today is a free day for you to experience Rome's ancient history, exquisite culture and delicious food. Why not use your free time to visit the Vatican City to explore the smallest country in the world, see the famous Sistine Chapel (don't forget to look up and marvel at the famous ceiling painted by Michelangelo!) and much more? You also have the option of joining our 'Conquer the Capital' excursion, seeing sights including the Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain and Pantheon, and enjoying a delicious lunch and gelato tasting.

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Rome Conquer the Capital

See Rome's iconic sites on a bucket-list treasure hunt through the city! See the Trevi Fountain, Pantheon and more. Plus, enjoy lunch and a gelato tasting.

#### DAY 18: Rome - Venice

Enjoy the marvellous diversity of the Italian landscape as the tour travels onwards to Venice! A truly unique city, Venice is perched across 118 islands and is known for its canals, gondolas, Venetian masks, piazzas, art, and traditional glass and lace making. Get to know the city on an orientation tour and see the world-famous St. Marks Square, Grand Canal and Rialto Bridge. The evening is yours to wine and dine as you wish. Top the night off by exploring Venice the traditional way - from the canals! Your tour leader can arrange gondola and water taxi rides that give you a completely different perspective and appreciation for the amazing floating city!

#### Experiences

Orientation tour of Venice: Your tour leader will take the group into the heart of this unique floating city perched across 118 islands for an orientation tour. Start off by tasting some gelato and then set off to see St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica, St. Mark's Museum, Campanile, Doge's Palace, Rialto Bridge and Scuola Grande di San Rocco.

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Venice Water Taxi

See Venice from the water in comfort and style as you cruise along Venice's famous Grand Canal in a classic water taxi and see the main sights!

#### Venice Gondola Ride

No visit to Venice is complete without a traditional gondola ride! Experience an ancient Venice tradition as you cruise the city's famous canals.

#### DAY 19: Venice - Munich - Nuremberg

Guten Tag! It's time to travel to Germany. Today's first stop is Munich which is the vibrant capital of Germany's Bavaria region. While Munich is most well known for being home to Oktoberfest, the city has a long, storied past filled with fascinating history. Enjoy an orientation tour of Munich with your tour leader to see the highlights and learn more about the modern and ancient history of this city. Tuck into dinner in a traditional German beer hall this evening. Tonight's overnight stop is Nuremberg - a deeply historic German city that was largely rebuilt after WWII.

#### Experiences

Munich orientation tour: Explore Munich with your tour leader on an orientation tour. Learn more about this wonderful German city and see highlights like Karlsplatz and Marienplatz.

Dinner in a German beer hall: Say prost and eat and drink like the locals do in a traditional German beer hall. Try classic German cuisine and sip on German beer.

## DAY 20: Nuremberg - Rhine Valley - Amsterdam

The German adventure continues this morning! Leave the historic sights of Nuremberg behind and head towards the enchanting Rhine Valley. Arrive in one of the most picturesque areas along the Rhine River and enjoy an included lunch. After lunch, you'll have time for a spot of shopping. Take a look at handcrafted cuckoo clocks and beersteins - great souvenir ideas! Next up, enjoy a stunning cruise along the Rhine River. This part of the valley is home to the most concentrated stretch of castles in Europe! Take in the views of the striking cliffs, medieval castles and historic vineyards along the river banks. Afterwards, the journey continues to Amsterdam. Arrive in Amsterdam later tonight. Get a good night's rest tonight for a full free day of exploring tomorrow!

#### Experiences

Rhine River Cruise: Hop aboard and enjoy a cruise along the Rhine River in Germany. This area is home to truly breathtaking scenery, take it all in and learn about the history of this marvellous region of Germany as you cruise. See Gothic castles including Sterrenberg, Liebestein, Katz and Fortress Rheinfels.

#### DAY 21: Amsterdam

Get ready to explore the delights of Amsterdam today! Get acquainted with the city's highlights on a canal cruise this morning. Sit back and relax, enjoy sightseeing from the water and learn more about Amsterdam as you cruise. The rest of the day is yours to spend as you wish. You could wander through the streets of Amsterdam at your leisure, explore the colourful neighbourhoods, try out the local food scene or experience the city's world-famous museums including the Rijksmuseum and the Van Gogh Museum. For something different, join the optional Dutch countryside tour featuring cheese, clogs and windmills - all things Dutch! Complete your day of Dutch adventure and choose to join the optional group dinner this evening in Amsterdam.

#### Experiences

Amsterdam canal cruise: Cruise through Amsterdam's iconic canals. The city is famous for its waterways. Enjoy a unique way of sightseeing while you admire the city's top landmarks from the water.

#### **Optional On Tour Excursions**

Dutch Countryside Tour

Experience the Dutch countryside! Enjoy cheese and clog-making demonstrations, visit Volendam and see the windmills of Zaanse Schans.

#### Moco Museum & House of Bols

Visit two iconic Amsterdam museums! Admire contemporary artworks at the Moco Museum and take a sensory tour of the House of Bols.

#### **Diversely Dutch Dinner**

Enjoy a delicious two-course dinner and wine tasting with diverse dishes at Traverse House in Hoofddorp, Amsterdam.

#### DAY 22: Amsterdam - Bruges - London

Say farewell to Amsterdam as the tour continues. Today's first stop is in the medieval city of Bruges, in Belgium. Enjoy free time in the city; take a stroll along cobblestone streets, admire the historic buildings, stock up on Belgian chocolate or indulge in a Belgian waffle (or two). After Bruges, it's time to continue the last leg of the journey back to London. Cross the English Channel and arrive back in London towards the end of the day.

#### Experiences

Visit Bruges: Enjoy a stop and some free time in Bruges. This beautiful medieval city is home to well-preserved historic buildings, picturesque canals and quaint cobblestone lanes! Belgium is also famous for its beer, chocolate and waffles so be sure to sample some (or all!) while you visit.

#### DAY 23: End of tour in London

After two incredible weeks, the tour comes to an end this morning. Enjoy breakfast with the group at the hotel where you can say goodbye to your newly made travel friends. We hope to welcome you back on the road again soon!

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