

EUROPEAN EXTRAVAGANZA



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Paris to Venice Europe Coach Tour & Flights

Duration: 21 days

Stay: 18 nights hotels, 1 night ferry cabin, overnight flight

Travel style: Escorted tour with flights from Australia

Booking code: EUPVV21M

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21 Days Europe Escorted Coach Tour & Flights

About the holiday

This escorted tour of Europe is a value-packed discovery of the world's most iconic destinations!

Fly to Paris, where you'll begin the journey in the beautiful 'City of Lights'. Then cross the English Channel to reach Canterbury and the bustling metropolis of London. Travel to Harwich, where you'll embark on an overnight ferry voyage to the Netherlands. Discover delightful Volendam and the intriguing city of Amsterdam, before crossing into Germany and exploring vibrant Berlin.

After time to see the impressive palaces of Dresden, the next stop is Prague for a fantastic 2-night stay in the remarkable city. Continue through Bavaria to Munich and overnight in the charming city of Innsbruck before travelling to Zurich. Enjoy time to admire Austria's towering mountains, pristine lakes and beautiful villages with panoramic views.

The next chapter of this stunning journey leads to Italy, with the magnificent Duomo Cathedral in Milan, iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa, awe-inspiring St Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City and many wonders of Rome. Head to Florence, where the first stop will be the remarkable Piazzale Michelangelo. Then end this extraordinary European experience with a flourish in the mesmerising city of Venice.

Fast-paced and expertly planned, this European coach tour hits all the high notes without missing a beat. Ticking a bucket list? This is the tour for you!

Why you'll love this tour...

- Visit France, England, the Netherlands, Germany, Czech Republic, Austria, Switzerland and Italy
- Travel with a tour leader to get the best insight and local tips
- Flights are included from Australia on this top-value European package

Travel dates:

2024 & 2025 - See our website for departure dates from Australia

Departures are subject to confirmation at time of booking. Price will vary depending on your travel date. Please contact us for your preferred departure date.



Escorted Tour Includes:

Flights

- Return economy airfares from Australia to Paris & from Venice
- Flights include luggage and airline fees & taxes

Accommodation

- 18 nights in 3- & 4-star hotels, standard rooms based on twin share
- Overnight ferry in a standard cabin with private facilities from UK to The Netherlands

Meals

- Daily breakfast, 1 lunch in Lucerne

Transport

- Airport Transfer from Paris CDG or ORY airports to your hotel on arrival
- Comfortable, dedicated transportation throughout

Guided Tour

- Fully escorted tour with professional English-speaking tour guide
- In-depth sightseeing & entrance fees as per the itinerary

Sightseeing

- Guided tours through Paris, London, Amsterdam, Berlin, Prague, Rome, Florence, Venice
- Entrance tickets to the Eiffel Tower in Paris, diamond cutting workshop in Amsterdam, Holocaust Memorial and Berlin Wall Museum in Berlin, Prague Castle, Swarovski Crystal Museum in Innsbruck, Colosseum (November to February, pending availability) or Roman Forum (March - October), Saint Mark's Basilica and Murano Glass Factory in Venice
- Seine River Cruise and funicular ride to Montmartre district in Paris
- Vltava River cruise in Prague and cruise the islands of Venice by ferry
- Cable car ride to the picturesque Grindelwald First summit in Switzerland

Subject to confirmation by airlines, hotels, tour company & local operators.

Booking conditions & cancellation fees apply.

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Package excludes:

Meals & sightseeing not specified in the inclusions or itinerary

Optional tours & activities

Local tourist tax at some hotels

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

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Highlights on tour

- **Paris** - Scenic guided tour to discover the history, main boulevards and the city's breathtaking monuments. Visit the Montmartre district and take a funicular to admire the spectacular view of Paris. Included entrance to 2nd floor of the Eiffel Tower and Seine River cruise. Return transfers to Versailles.
- **Amsterdam** - Panoramic city tour to see its narrow canals, official buildings and parks. Visit a diamond cutting workshop and Rembrandtplein, an area with many restaurants from all corners of the world.
- **Berlin** - Our journey will take us through the historic centre, Museum Island, the iconic Reichstag, and the majestic Brandenburg Gate, as well as the city's enchanting parks.
- **Prague** - Guided city tour of the main sites and monuments including a walk through Prague Castle and a boat tour on the Vltava River. Evening transfers to the "Old City" for free time to explore.
- **Zurich** - Enjoy an evening in the historic centre next to the lake with free time.
- **Grindelwald** - Take the cable car to the mountain summit with lunch included. Walk to the world's longest pedestrian suspension bridge known as the "footbridge over the empty"
- **Lucerne** - Visit one of the most beautiful cities in Switzerland with ample time to stroll around in the evening.
- **Milan** - Spend time exploring the beautiful cobbled Piazza del Duomo, part of the Centro Storico famous for its lively cafes, the Galleria Vittorio Emanuele II mall, and home to the impressive Gothic cathedral of Duomo di Milano.
- **Pisa** - Time to admire one of the most alluring and beautiful art complexes in Italy, including the well-known Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- **Rome** - Scenic tour of the main sites of "The Eternal city" including the tiny state of the Vatican with time to visit St. Peter's Basilica and included admission to the Roman Colosseum. Evening transfers to Trastevere.
- **Florence** - Meander through its charming streets and marvel at iconic landmarks such as the Ponte Vecchio and the magnificent Duomo.
- **Venice** - embark on a marvellous exploration of St. Mark's Square, a true gem of the city, and the option to experience a gondola ride.

Itinerary:

Day 1 - Fly to France

Prepare to be inspired. Depart today for your journey to Paris to commence your Great European tour.

Day 2 - Paris

Welcome to Paris! On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel where you have free time to explore the city before meeting your guide and fellow travellers this afternoon for a tour briefing.

Hotel

4-star Mercure Paris Saint Ouen or Similar

Day 3 - Paris

Today promises a day full of exciting activities. Our first highlight is a transfer to the magnificent Versailles Palace, a symbol of French royalty with ample time to discover the incredible grounds on your own (entrance to the Palace not included). Following our visit, we'll return to Paris then transfer to the charming Montmartre district. An included funicular ride will transport us to the hilltop, where we can marvel at the stunning panoramic view of Paris. Montmartre is famous for its vibrant art scene and lively cabarets, creating a magical atmosphere to enjoy during our lunch break. Afterward, a captivating guided city tour awaits, offering insights into the rich history, prominent boulevards, and iconic monuments of Paris. Once the tour concludes, we'll head back to the hotel.

For those interested, this evening optional tours to either the Moulin Rouge or the famous L' Oiseau Paradis Latin show with dinner are available to purchase on tour. See below for more details.

Optional Tours:

MOULIN ROUGE SHOW (€145pp)

And how could you miss the Parisian night by attending the oldest and most famous cabaret in the world? We talk about the "Moulin Rouge", with more than one hundred years of history. It evokes the moments of the Belle Epoque, in the Parisian district of Pigalle where the concept of the French "varieté" began through great choreographers like the famous French painter Toulouse-Lautrec. More than 100 artists on stage, including 60 dancers from around the world, gigantic aquarium, international attractions and the famous French Cancan. All with one of the fastest scene changes in the world. A show that will not be forgotten. Entry of children under 6 years is not allowed.

DURATION: 2hrs

INCLUDED:

Round-trip transport service from and to the hotel. Table reservation. Tips included. Show with 1/2 bottle of French champagne per person.

SHOW PARADIS LATIN WITH DINNER (€165pp)

With the show L'Oiseau Paradis, the Paradis Latin immerses the spectators in a magical world. Performed in a historic room from the Napoleon era and restored by the engineer Gustave Eiffel, the show begins at the entrance hall of the cabaret, where the artists immerse the guests in a surreal and striking atmosphere. This is followed by an hour and a half show during which creatures, dancers, actors, singers, comedians and acrobats in a succession of exceptional scenes enhanced by special effects. A cast signed by Alain Lagrande, renowned creator of sets for operas, musicals and plays. More than 500 costumes created by the Parisian haute couture house "On Aura tout vu". This modern show respects the codes of the cabaret and the Parisian revue that privilege the glamour and the French cancan. Upon arrival you will have dinner accompanied by live music, the menu prepared by the prestigious restaurateur Guy Savoy, ambassador of French gastronomy, then you will enjoy the 1.5-hour show.

DURATION: 2 hrs show

INCLUDED:

Transfer to and from the hotel. Table reservation. Tips included. Show with dinner included.

Note: Optional tours are bookable directly while on tour. Minimum numbers may apply for certain tours to operate. Prices are indicative only, subject to change.

Hotel

4-star Mercure Paris Saint Ouen or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 4 - Paris - Rouen

Our day begins in the heart of Paris, specifically the area surrounding the iconic Eiffel Tower. Here, you'll have the incredible opportunity to ascend to the second floor of this impressive metal structure (ticket included). Afterward, we'll embark on a delightful boat cruise along the River Seine, offering picturesque views as we navigate between the northern and southern parts of Paris. Following the cruise, you'll have a free afternoon to explore the city at your own pace.

Late this afternoon, we'll bid farewell to Paris and make our way to Rouen, a captivating city known as a living museum. With its charming half-timbered houses, narrow streets, and gothic churches, Rouen exudes a historical ambiance that is truly enchanting. We'll settle into our accommodations in the city, ready to immerse ourselves in its rich heritage.

Hotel

3-star Ibis Rouen Center Champs De Mars or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 5 - Rouen - Canterbury - London

Our day begins with a leisurely stroll through the centre of Rouen, where we'll marvel at its magnificent cathedral and wander through the charming streets of the historic centre. Once we've taken in the beauty of Rouen, we'll embark on a journey to the north of France.

Our mode of transportation will be a ferry as we cross the English Channel to reach Canterbury, known as the religious capital of England and boasting a captivating historic centre. Here, you'll have the opportunity to explore the city's attractions and soak in its allure.

Next, we'll continue our journey to the bustling metropolis of London, where we'll arrive with ample time to discover its many treasures. Marvel at the illuminated Tower Bridge and take in the sight of modern architectural marvels that adorn the city's skyline. Afterward, we'll make our way back to the hotel, ensuring a comfortable end to the day's adventures.

Hotel

4-star Ibis London Earls Court or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 6 - London

Embark on a captivating exploration of London with a knowledgeable local guide, who will unveil the city's unique blend of style, culture, and history. Prepare to be amazed as we visit iconic landmarks such as the Houses of Parliament, the majestic River Thames, the historic Tower of London, and the grandeur of Buckingham Palace, where we may have the chance to witness the renowned "Changing of the Guard" ceremony, depending on the season.

Following the guided tour, you'll have the afternoon to yourself, allowing for personal leisure and further exploration of the city. Optional tour to Thames Valley and Windsor available this afternoon which can be booked while on tour. See below for more details.

As evening descends, join us for a delightful stroll through vibrant Leicester Square, lively China Town, and trendy Soho, where the atmosphere is electric with theatres and entertainment venues. Take your pick from the array of restaurants available, offering diverse cuisines to satisfy your dining preferences. Finally, we'll return to the hotel, ensuring a comfortable conclusion to the day's adventures.

Optional Tour

THAMES VALLEY AND WINDSOR TOWN (€35pp)

One of the most impressive and best-preserved castles in the United Kingdom, the Queen's favourite residence. Following the Thames Valley, we will leave London behind crossing the countryside until arriving in the historic town of Windsor whose architecture is immersed in the atmosphere of the Tudor, Georgian and Victorian styles. We will visit the famous Eton College, founded in 1440 for poor children and, today, one of the most exclusive and traditional in the country where the princes of

England study. We will visit the castle from the outside. It has always been the residence of the English Crown and it is intimately connected with the history of this country. On the days when Her Majesty holds official receptions, some areas are closed to the public.

Hotel

4-star Ibis London Earls Court or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 7 - London - Colchester - Overnight Ferry

Following breakfast, our first stop will be the esteemed British Museum, a treasure trove of history and artefacts, renowned as one of the oldest museums globally. As lunchtime approaches, we'll make our way to Camden, a district celebrated for its vibrant and eclectic street market, offering a fascinating array of cultural relics from around the world. Take advantage of some leisure time to explore and immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere.

This afternoon we'll continue our journey to Colchester, recognized as the oldest city in England, where a delightful stroll awaits us. Subsequently, we'll embark on a ferry in Harwich, embarking on a captivating overnight voyage to the Netherlands.

Please note: Due to limited cabin availability on the ferry, there is a possibility of modifications to this stage of the journey. It may involve travelling from London to Amsterdam via a day ferry, with an overnight stay in Antwerp, or potentially by train or plane to Amsterdam. Confirmation will be available prior to departure.

Hotel

Overnight Ferry or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 8 - Amsterdam

By approximately 8:00 in the morning, our journey will bring us to the Netherlands, specifically Hoek Van Holland. Here, we will make a delightful stop in Volendam, a charming and picturesque fishing village renowned for its scenic beauty. Afterward, we will continue our travels to Amsterdam, where we will embark on a panoramic tour of the city. Prepare to be enchanted by its network of narrow canals, admire its distinguished official buildings, and revel in the tranquillity of its parks. Additionally, we will have the opportunity to witness the intricate art of diamond cutting.

As evening approaches, we will make our way to Rembrandtplein, a bustling area teeming with a multitude of restaurants offering delectable cuisine from around the globe. Situated in proximity to the renowned red-light district, this location provides a vibrant atmosphere for a memorable evening.

Hotel

3-star Ibis Amsterdam City West or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 9 - Amsterdam - Hamelin - Marienborn - Berlin

Our departure from Amsterdam will mark the beginning of our journey into Germany. Our first destination is Hamelin, a charming German town that will transport us into the captivating legend of The Pied Piper. As we stroll through its streets and explore its delightful shops, we will feel the enchantment of this beloved children's story, famously written by The Grimm Brothers.

Continuing our German adventure, we will make a stop in Marienborn, a significant location situated on the former border that once divided east and west Germany until the year 1990. Here, we will have the opportunity to visit a museum dedicated to providing deeper insights into this historical period.

Lastly, we will make our way to the vibrant city of Berlin, where we will arrive in the evening. Prepare to immerse yourself in the rich history, culture, and energy of this captivating metropolis.

Hotel

4-star Mercure Berlin Tempelhof or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 10 - Berlin

Immerse yourself in the vibrant local culture as we embark on a guided tour of Berlin, Germany's captivating capital. Our journey will take us through the historic centre, Museum Island, the iconic Reichstag, and the majestic Brandenburg Gate, as well as the city's enchanting parks.

To gain a deeper understanding of Berlin's tumultuous history during the 20th century, we will make stops at the Holocaust Memorial and the Berlin Wall Museum.

These poignant visits will provide valuable insights into the city's challenging past.

After our guided tour, you will have free time to explore the city at your own pace. Alternately you may wish to join one of the below optional excursions that are bookable while on tour. See below for further information.

In the evening, we recommend that you experience the lively ambiance of Kantstrasse, a district renowned for its diverse range of ethnic restaurants. Whether you prefer Indian, Oriental, Italian, German, or any other cuisine, you will find a delightful dining option to satisfy your palate.

Optional Tours:

POTSDAM (€50pp)

Small capital city of the state of Brandenburg located near Berlin, next to the river Havel, seat of the Conference in which Stalin, Truman and Churchill determine the destinies of humanity, from the end of World War II until the fall of Berlin Wall. It is also famous for its palace of Sanssouci where we will take a walk through the wonderful gardens of the "German Versailles", a World Heritage Site by UNESCO, we will also visit externally the Cecilienhof Palace where the treaties of Potsdam were signed. We will cruise on Lake Wannsee where on January 20, 1942, the Nazi government approved the "final solution" of the Jewish question, crossing the

wonderful residential area of Berlin with its old mansions owned by former high officials of the regime, located at along several lakes that lead us to the famous "Bridge of the Spies". NOTE: Excursion only offered from May to September (both included) for boat availability.

DURATION: 5 hrs

INCLUDED:

Local guide from Berlin. Visit to the gardens of Sansucci Palace and Cecilienhof Palace. Boat tour with explanations from our local guide.

SACHSENHAUSEN CONCENTRATION CAMP (€45pp)

In this visit we will know a piece of our contemporary history. It is a concentration camp and not an extermination camp. When it was created in 1936, it became the "university" for SS members who then had to control other fields. In it we will see an example of what the barracks were where the prisoners lived poorly, isolated cells of punishment, the dispensary of death, the use he had during the entire Nazi period and in successive times. NOTE: Entry of children under 12 years is not allowed

DURATION: 4hrs

INCLUDED:

Round-trip bus service from Berlin. Visit and explanations with local guide.

Note: Optional tours are bookable directly while on tour. Minimum numbers may apply for certain tours to operate. Prices are indicative only and subject to change.

Hotel

4-star Mercure Berlin Tempelhof or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 11 - Berlin - Dresden - Prague

Today we leave Berlin and embark on a scenic journey through picturesque forests as we make our way to Dresden. This city has gained renown as one of Germany's top tourist destinations, thanks to its remarkable architectural and artistic heritage. Take your time to explore the city's impressive palaces and indulge in a delightful lunch at one of its many charming restaurants and coffee shops.

Later, we continue our adventure as we head towards the Czech Republic. Our destination is Prague, where we arrive and make our way to the captivating Old Town Square. This vibrant and bustling area serves as a perfect introduction to Prague, brimming with energy and a wide array of tourist activities.

This evening, take the included transfer to the Old Town Square for an evening of leisure.

For dinner, you have the freedom to choose from a variety of international cuisines available at the local restaurants then we return to our hotel, ready to rest and rejuvenate for the next day's exploration.

Hotel

4-star Clarion Congress Hotel Prague or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 12 - Prague

On this day, we will explore the captivating capital city of Prague, often referred to as the Baroque jewel of Europe. Accompanied by a knowledgeable local expert, we will embark on a comprehensive city tour that will showcase the city's exceptional monuments and highlights.

Our tour will take us through the majestic Prague Castle, where we will have the opportunity to admire its grandeur and immerse ourselves in its rich history (admission included). Afterward, we will embark on a delightful boat tour along the picturesque Vltava River, allowing us to appreciate Prague's stunning vistas from a different perspective.

In the afternoon, you will have some free time to wander and explore the city at your own pace, soaking in its unique ambiance and discovering its hidden gems. In the evening, we will have more time to savour the charm of the historic city centre. After a fulfilling day of exploration and cultural immersion, we will return to our hotel, where you can relax and unwind, cherishing the memories created during our time in this remarkable city.

Hotel

4-star Clarion Congress Hotel Prague or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 13 - Prague - Munich - Innsbruck

Departing Prague early, we will embark on a journey to Bavaria, ultimately reaching the vibrant city of Munich. Upon arrival, you will have ample free time to explore the monumental city centre, taking in its architectural wonders and immersing yourself in its rich history. Don't miss the opportunity to indulge in a traditional Bavarian meal at one of the renowned beer houses, experiencing the authentic flavours of the region.

In the afternoon, our adventure continues as we make our way to Austria. As evening falls, we will arrive in the charming city of Innsbruck, where you will have the opportunity to explore the historic Old Town on your own. An optional dinner this evening is available which can be booked while on tour. See details below.

Optional Tour:

FOLKLORIC TIROLES WITH DINNER (€60pp)

This show is one of the most colourful and attractive in Europe with its rhythmic and happy music, its dances and the varied musical instruments of medieval origin (horn and mountain range) that will allow us to get closer to one of the most conservative and traditional cultures in Europe. We propose you to discover this rich folklore in Tiroler Alpenbuhne, a show with dinner included lasting just over 2hours

DURATION: 2hrs

INCLUDED:

Return transfer from hotel. Entrance, dinner and a drink included.

Note: Optional tours are bookable directly while on tour. Minimum numbers may apply for certain tours to operate. Prices are indicative only and subject to change.

Hotel

3-star Tivoli Hotel Innsbruck or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 14 - Innsbruck Swarovski Crystal Museum - Zurich

Start your day with a captivating visit to the prestigious Swarovski Museum, a world-renowned destination showcasing the brilliance of crystals. Explore the museum's captivating gardens and gain insight into the intricate process of crystal production. Afterward, take a leisurely stroll to soak in the surroundings before embarking on a delightful journey to Zurich, Switzerland, through the breathtaking landscapes of Tyrol.

Upon reaching Zurich, prepare for an enchanting evening in the heart of the city's historic centre, nestled alongside the picturesque lake. Indulge in a culinary experience of your choice at one of the many restaurants offering a diverse range of cuisines, including Indian, Oriental, Italian, International, and authentic Swiss fare. Relish the atmosphere in this charming setting, surrounded by the allure of Zurich's rich cultural heritage.

Hotel

3-star H+ Hotel Zurich or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 15 - Zurich - Grindelwald - Lucerne - Zurich

Embark on a captivating journey today, as we traverse through breathtaking landscapes adorned with towering mountains and pristine lakes. The region of Interlaken presents a stunning panorama that will leave you in awe. Our first stop is in the charming village of Grindelwald, where we will take a delightful break to enjoy a cup of coffee, invigorating ourselves for the adventures ahead.

Prepare for an exhilarating experience as we ascend the mountain via cable car. A winding path awaits us, leading to the awe-inspiring "footbridge over the empty."

With glaciers surrounding us, we'll walk across this remarkable bridge, immersed in the splendour of the scenery. Take in the majestic views that stretch as far as the eye can see.

For lunch, we'll savour a delightful meal amidst the mountain's beauty (included in the tour). Afterward, our journey continues to Lucerne, renowned as one of Switzerland's most exquisite cities. In the evening, take your time to explore and wander through the captivating streets, soaking in the charm of this enchanting city. Before returning to our hotel in Zurich, indulge in a delectable dinner, savouring the culinary delights that Lucerne has to offer.

Hotel

3-star H+ Hotel Zurich or Similar

Meals

Breakfast, Lunch

Day 16 - Zurich - Lugano - Morcote - Milan

Our journey begins as we depart from Zurich in the early morning, embarking on a scenic route that cuts through the majestic Alps, revealing awe-inspiring vistas of sparkling lakes and snow-capped mountains. Our destination is Lugano, located in the Italian-speaking region of Switzerland. This cosmopolitan capital, nestled beside a stunning lake, awaits our arrival. Take your time to leisurely explore the city and enjoy a delightful stroll with time for lunch.

Next, our adventure takes us to the enchanting town of Morcote, renowned for its charming stone houses adorned with vibrant flowers. Immerse yourself in the beauty of this picturesque town before we continue our journey into Italy. Our arrival in Milan marks the next chapter of our exploration. Our knowledgeable guide will lead us to the impressive Duomo Square, where the grandeur of the magnificent Duomo Cathedral captivates the senses. In this vibrant square, you'll find a plethora of dining options for you to choose for dinner.

Afterward, we will transfer to our hotel, where you can relax and unwind, reflecting on the delightful experiences of the day.

Hotel

4-star iH Hotels Milano Lorenteggio or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 17 - Milan - Pisa - Rome

Our journey continues as we make our way to the captivating city of Pisa. Aboard a charming tourist train, we will be transported to the renowned Piazza Dei Miracoli, also known as the Square of Miracles. Here, you will have ample time to marvel at one of Italy's most enchanting and remarkable art complexes, which includes the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa. Take in the awe-inspiring architecture and soak up the historical significance of this mesmerising site.

After our exploration of Pisa, we will proceed on our voyage to the eternal city of Rome, arriving towards the end of the day. As we approach our destination, anticipation builds for the wealth of cultural treasures and historical wonders that await us in this magnificent city.

Hotel

4-star NH Roma Villa Carpegna or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 18 - Rome

In the morning, we will embark on a delightful scenic tour that will serve as a captivating introduction to the renowned "Eternal City" of Rome. Our first stop will be the magnificent Vatican City, the spiritual and cultural hub of Christianity. Here, you will have the opportunity to visit the awe-inspiring St. Peter's Basilica, a grand testament to architectural brilliance and religious significance. Next we will visit either the Colosseum (November to February, pending availability) or Roman Forum (March to October)

This afternoon is at leisure to explore the "Eternal City" on your own. Alternately you may wish to join one of the below optional excursions which are bookable while on tour. See more details below.

As the evening approaches, we have arranged a transfer to the charming Trastevere area, where you can leisurely wander through its narrow, picturesque cobblestone streets. This enchanting district holds hidden treasures, including modest medieval churches and quaint shops displaying intriguing objects that offer glimpses into daily life. After enjoying a delightful evening, we will return to our hotel, filled with memories of the wonders Rome has to offer.

Optional Tours:

THE BAROQUE ROME. A TOUR AROUND THE MOST BEAUTIFUL SQUARES AND FOUNTAINS (€35pp)

This excursion is essential to complete your stay in Rome. You can enjoy the great Rome of Bernini and Borromini, the great baroque Rome with its beautiful fountains, squares and obelisks. That Rome that the Popes created. We will make a complete tour knowing: Lungotevere, Ara Pacis, Porta Pinciana, Via Veneto, Plaza de España with its wonderful fountain of the boat and its staircase Trinidad de los Montes, Fontana de Trevi where you can fulfill the rite of throwing your coin, Piazza Colona, Pantheon, possibly the best preserved archaeological temple of ancient Rome and we will finish in the extraordinary Piazza Navona. An important part of this excursion is done on foot enjoying the centre and heart of Rome.

DURATION: 2 hrs 30 min

INCLUDED:

Transportation by bus starting from St. Peter's Square to Piazza di Spagna, the starting point of the walking tour. Walking tour conducted by a specialized guide. Audio devices to ensure that all participants can hear the guide throughout the tour.

VATICAN MUSEUMS, SISTINE CHAPEL AND ST. PETER'S BASILICA (€55pp)

Accompanied by an expert guide, we will visit the most important rooms of the Vatican Museums: gallery of tapestries, sculptures, paintings and other rooms in which we will have the opportunity to appreciate some of the most important works of art of classical and Renaissance antiquity. Our highlight will be the Sistine Chapel, dazzling after its brilliant restoration. Finally, we will visit the Basilica, where we can see Michelangelo's Pieta, the Baldachin of San Pedro and the dome of Michelangelo.

DURATION: 3 hrs

INCLUDED:

Skip-The-Line entrance ticket to the Vatican Museum and St. Peter's Basilica. Visit conducted by an authorized and specialized guide. Audio devices to ensure that all participants can hear the guide throughout the tour

Note: Optional tours are bookable directly while on tour. Minimum numbers may apply for certain tours to operate. Prices are indicative only and subject to change.

Hotel

4-star NH Roma Villa Carpegna or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 19 - Rome - Florence

Today, we bid farewell to Rome and embark on a journey towards the enchanting city of Florence in northern Italy. As we traverse this route, we will be treated to breathtaking landscapes that will leave us in awe.

Upon arrival in Florence, our first stop will be the remarkable Piazzale Michelangelo, offering panoramic views that will leave an indelible mark on our memories. Here, we can soak in the beauty of the cityscape and appreciate its stunning architecture. In the evening, we will be accompanied by a knowledgeable local expert who will guide us through the historic centre of Florence. As we meander through its charming streets, we will have the opportunity to marvel at iconic landmarks such as the Ponte Vecchio, the magnificent Duomo, and the captivating Plaza della Signoria. Florence itself is like an open-air museum, with its rich history and artistic treasures that are sure to captivate us.

This evening, feel free to explore the city further on your own, immersing yourself in its vibrant atmosphere and discovering its hidden gems.

Hotel

4-star Raffaello Hotel or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 20 - Florence - Venice

Today, we embark on a scenic journey through the breathtaking Apennine Mountains, where stunning mountain landscapes will accompany us along the way. Our destination is the enchanting city of Venice, renowned for its unique charm and beauty. Upon our arrival, we will board a boat and gracefully cross the Giudecca to reach the captivating Island of Venice. Accompanied by a knowledgeable local guide, we will embark on a marvellous exploration of St. Mark's Square, a true gem of the city. We will have the privilege of entering the splendid St. Mark's Basilica, where we can admire its exquisite architecture and rich historical significance (entrance fee included). Our journey continues with a visit to the renowned Murano Glass Factory, where we will have the opportunity to witness the captivating process of creating this ancient and delicate glass art. The technique and craftsmanship involved in the production of Murano glass are truly fascinating to behold.

Following these enriching experiences, you will have some leisure time to immerse yourself in the captivating atmosphere of Venice. An optional gondola ride is available today which can be booked on tour. See more details below. As the day draws to a close, we will find accommodation in the Mestre district, providing a comfortable and convenient base for our stay.

Optional Tours:

GONDOLA RIDE IN VENICE WITH MUSICIAN (€40pp)

A gondola ride along the Canals of Venice is on the wish list of every traveller who visits “the city of the water streets”. For any mythomaniacs, a gondola ride in Venice is nothing but a romantic dream coming true. There is only one Venice, and the gondola ride is the unique opportunity to get to know the city from the right perspective, the water line. So, get ready for an unforgettable ride in the narrow canals of a city that has existed for more than 1,200 years. This boat, the gondola, is undoubtedly one of the most emblematic images of Venice and one of the most recognisable icons in the world. In the past it was the symbol of elegance and extravagance, why almost every king in Europe wanted gondolas in the lakes and canals of their palaces. For our gondola excursion, we have chosen a special route that runs along part of the Canal Grande, the most elegant avenue in the city. But we will also enter the small canals, of which many are only accessible by boat. In these narrow straits, we will get the best opportunity to see the gondolier, in his traditional uniform, demonstrate his skills to navigate the vessel around sharp corners and under beautiful bridges. To make the excursion perfect, our procession of gondolas will be accompanied by musicians who with their traditional songs will create the soundtrack for your visit to Venice.

DURATION: 30 mins

INCLUDED:

Gondolas reserved in advance to avoid waiting time. 30 minutes canal cruise in shared gondola up to 5 persons in each gondola. Gondola ride accompanied by two musicians in separate vessel

Note: Optional tours are bookable directly while on tour. Minimum numbers may apply for certain tours to operate. Prices are indicative only and subject to change.

Hotel

4-star Novotel Venezia Mestre Castellana or Similar

Meals

Breakfast

Day 21 - Venice - Home

After enjoying a delightful breakfast, your tour comes to an end at your hotel. A departure transfer to the airport can be booked at an additional charge. We hope you have enjoyed your journey and have memories to last a lifetime.

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Please note: The day by day descriptions are intended as an indicative guide only. Travel by nature is unpredictable. Weather patterns, road conditions, public holidays, travel restrictions and many other factors may necessitate itinerary changes that are ultimately for the client's benefit. It is essential that clients are flexible in this regard.

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