

SCANDINAVIA & EUROPE TOUR



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Scandinavia & Europe Coach Tour with Flights

Duration: 28 days

Stay: 24 nights hotels, 2 nights ferries, 1 overnight flight

Travel style: Escorted tours with flights from Australia

Booking code: EUSKX28M

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28 Days Scandinavia & Europe Tour with Flights

About the holiday

Get to the heart of Scandinavia, Western and Eastern Europe on this extraordinary journey through 15 countries!

Begin with the breathtaking natural scenery, vibrant cities and Viking villages of Scandinavia. Visiting Norway, Sweden and Denmark, as well as Finland, promises many unforgettable experiences. Embrace the bustling atmosphere of capital cities Oslo and Stockholm. Admire a classic Helsinki view of beautiful islands and green parks and marvel at the fjords in Norway. See centuries-old towns, relax on two overnight cruises and try local cuisines. Journey from Copenhagen to Helsinki, travelling through lush scenery and the Scandinavian heartland along the way.

Fly to Amsterdam for the next exciting European leg of this trip, that has been designed with passionate travellers in mind. See the best of incredible countries in Western and Eastern Europe on this guided Europe Jewel tour. Experience the Dutch lifestyle in Amsterdam and cruise through Germany's beautiful Rhine Valley. Venture through the centuries-old cities of Nuremberg, Prague and the Slovakian capital of Bratislava. Enjoy a taste of traditional Italy, marvel at the natural beauty of the Swiss Alps and explore the delights of Paris. This group tour is an unforgettable way to explore Europe!

Why you'll love this tour...

- Visit all three Scandinavian countries - Denmark, Norway & Sweden
- Experience scenic overnight ferries to Norway & Finland
- Enjoy two-night stays in Amsterdam, Prague, the Swiss Alps & Paris
- Knowledgeable tour leaders & local guides will look after you all the way
- All airfares, including flights from Australia, are included

Travel dates:

2024 - See our website for departure dates from Australia

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

Early Bird options apply to this tour!

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Escorted Tour Includes:

Flights

- Return economy airfares from Australia to Copenhagen & from Amsterdam
- One-way economy airfare from Helsinki to Amsterdam
- Flights include luggage, airline fees & taxes

Accommodation

- 24 nights in 2, 3 & 4-star hotels with private facilities
- 2 nights aboard overnight ferries to Bergen & Helsinki
- *Single travellers have the option to pay a single supplement for a private room*

Meals

- 25 breakfasts, 11 dinners (as per the itinerary)
Vegetarian options available for all meals on request

Transport

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

Guided Tours

- Fully guided tours with experienced tour leaders
- Tour leader will accompany group & manage all logistical details

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:

- Enjoy a guided tour of Copenhagen; Denmark's capital city
- Explore Odense; hometown of Hans Christian Anderson
- Visit Aarhus; a captivating Danish city
- Explore Bergen; known as “the city among the seven mountains”
- Marvel at Norway’s spectacular natural scenery and magnificent fjords
- Visit Gudvangen near Norway’s most famous fjord
- Enjoy a photo stop at Borgund’s Stave Church
- See the highlights of Oslo with a local guide
- Visit Sigtuna; Sweden’s oldest town
- Explore Stockholm with a local guide
- Tuck into Swedish meatballs in Stockholm
- Explore Lidingö Island
- Catch an overnight ferry to Helsinki, Finland
- See the sights on a driving tour of Helsinki; Finland’s capital city
- Join a local guide for a walking tour of Helsinki
- Enjoy a cheese and clogs demonstration
- Marvel at the stunning scenery in Zaanse Schans
- Visit the lakeside town of Volendam
- Cruise the canals of Amsterdam
- Enjoy a wine tasting in Germany’s Rhine Valley
- Cruise down the Rhine River
- Visit the historic Bavarian city, Nuremberg
- See the best of Prague on a guided walking tour
- Taste authentic Czech cuisine
- Visit Bratislava; capital of Slovakia
- Enjoy a walking tour of Vienna; Austria's capital
- Drive along and see the best-loved sights in Budapest
- Visit Lake Balaton
- Visit Maribor in Slovenia
- Enjoy a locally guided walking tour of Ljubljana
- Explore the heart of Venice on an orientation tour
- Locally guided walking tour of Florence
- Watch an Italian leather-making demonstration
- See the Leaning Tower of Pisa
- Enjoy a scenic mountain drive to Switzerland
- Enjoy a driving tour of Paris
- Visit the port city of Ghent

Itinerary:

DAY 1: Depart Australia

DAY 2: Start of tour in Copenhagen

Welcome to the start of one of the most exciting Scandinavia tours! Arrive in Copenhagen, Denmark, and head to the hotel. Meet up with your tour leader and your group this morning. Later this afternoon, meet with an expert local guide for a walking tour of the highlights of the Danish capital. To round off the first day of the tour, enjoy an included dinner to get to know your fellow travellers and your tour leader. Get ready to continue to explore Scandinavia over the next 13 days!

Included Experiences

Guided tour of Copenhagen: Enjoy a walking tour of Copenhagen with a local guide. Highlights include the famous Nyhavn Waterfront, Rosenborg Castle, the Town Hall, the Little Mermaid statue and Amalienborg Palace.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Dinner

DAY 3: Copenhagen: Free Day

Enjoy a free day to explore Copenhagen at your own pace. Choose to join today's optional excursion and learn more about Copenhagen's history. This excursion also includes a canal cruise and lunch at Reffen market! Alternatively, explore on your own and visit the Tivoli Gardens, which is a famous amusement park, and the Rundetaarn - an astronomical observatory that offers fantastic views of the city and is known worldwide for its unique equestrian staircase (a ramp to allow for a horse and carriage to access the library at the top of the tower). You could also visit Freetown Christiania - a commune in the east of the city that was established by squatters in 1971 and attracts nonconformists from around the world.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursion

Copenhagen: Learn, Eat & Explore

Discover Danish history at the Freedom Museum, admire the sights on a canal cruise through Copenhagen and visit vibrant Reffen for lunch.

€ 60 approx.

DAY 4: Copenhagen - Odense - Aarhus - Hirtshals (ferry port)

Enjoy the beauty of the Danish countryside as the tour travels towards the coastal town of Hirtshals. Depart Copenhagen in the morning and head towards today's first stop; Odense! This is the third-largest city in Denmark and birthplace of the fairytale writer Hans Christian Andersen.

Enjoy an orientation tour around the town plus free time to explore. Next, travel to Aarhus - Denmark's second-biggest city which is home to an old town open-air museum, contemporary artwork and buildings, Viking museums and more! Enjoy an orientation tour before hopping back on the coach and travelling to Hirtshals. Arrive and board the overnight ferry which will arrive in Bergen, Norway tomorrow.

Included Experiences

Orientation tour of Odense: Explore the highlights of Odense, the hometown of Hans Christian Andersen. Join your tour leader and learn more about Odense's history as well as its most famous inhabitant. Try and see if you can identify some of the inspiration for his fairytales!

Orientation tour of Aarhus: Enjoy a tour and learn more about the bustling city of Aarhus. Aarhus is home to Den Gamle By, an Old Town that doubles as an open-air museum offering insight into the Danish way of life from centuries ago.

Overnight ferry to Norway: Arrive in Hirtshals seaport and hop aboard the ferry. Get ready to enjoy an overnight cruise to Bergen, Norway.

Meals - Breakfast

DAY 5: Overnight ferry - Bergen

It's time to explore Norway! Arrive in Bergen and enjoy an orientation driving tour of the city. Norway's second-largest city is known as "the city among the seven mountains" and is the gateway to Norway's magnificent fjords. The UNESCO World Heritage-listed Bryggen Quay is a top attraction in the city, while Norway's famous fjords are just a short journey away - seeing the fjords is a highlight of any Norway tour package! Embark on an orientation tour before enjoying free time to relax or explore on your own. Alternatively, choose to join the optional excursion and experience Norway's historic fishing villages before digging into a traditional Norwegian dinner!

Included Experiences

See Norway's fjords: Cruise to Norway on the overnight ferry and marvel at views of the country's famous fjords as you arrive in Bergen. Norway is home to over 1,000 fjords! The striking, winding waterways offer views which are guaranteed to leave you speechless!

Orientation tour of Bergen: Become familiar with this city that is known as "the city among the seven mountains" on an orientation tour with your tour leader. There are great things to see and do in Bergen including an acclaimed aquarium as well as a UNESCO World Heritage Site-listed quay.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursions

Coastal Norway: Fishing Villages & Norwegian Dinner

Discover some hidden coastal gems around Bergen to get a taste of peaceful village life. Enjoy an authentic Norwegian dinner at a historic restaurant.

€ 70 approx.

DAY 6: Bergen: Free Day

Enjoy a free day to explore the beautiful Norwegian city of Bergen and the surrounding area. To explore Bergen in depth, join the Bergen+ excursion which includes an orientation tour, a ferry trip, a guided tour of Bryggen, a trip to the top of Mount Fløyen on the Fløibanen, and a drink at Bergen's Magic Ice Bar. This is how to see the best of Bergen in one day! Alternatively, explore at your own pace and discover more of Bergen's classic medieval architecture, markets and warehouses. Adventure definitely awaits today!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursions

Bergen+

Explore Bergen with your tour leader. Enjoy a scenic ferry ride, a Bryggen tour, a ride on the Fløibanen funicular and a drink at the Magic Ice Bar!

€ 100 approx.

DAY 7: Bergen - Gudvangen - Flam - Borgund - Oslo

Explore Norway's scenic heartland today. Depart Bergen and travel to Gudvangen, a village located at the end of Nærøyfjord, arguably Norway's most famous fjord. Here, you'll have the chance to join our optional excursion which visits a Viking village followed by a sightseeing cruise along the Nærøyfjord and Aurlandsfjorden fjords to Flam, where you will meet up with the coach again. Still blue water is framed by towering cliffs and dramatic waterfalls - making for a truly incredible sight! Scenes like these are a highlight of Scandinavian travel. Next, enjoy a stop at Borgund's famous Stave Church. Continue on with the journey to Oslo. Arrive in the late evening and enjoy an included dinner at the hotel.

Included Experiences

Experience Norway's scenery: Enjoy a scenic trip through the Norwegian countryside. Look forward to views of mountains, forests and fjords!

Visit Gudvangen: Make a stop in Gudvangen, a village nestled at the end of one of the most famous fjords in Norway. When you arrive in Gudvangen, you will have the opportunity to join the Viking Village and Sightseeing Fjord Cruise optional excursion.

See Borgund's Stave Church: Enjoy a stop at this famous Norwegian church. Have your cameras ready as the striking building offers great opportunities for photos.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

Optional On Tour Excursion

Viking Village and Norwegian Fjords Cruise

Travel back in time and visit the Viking village Njardarheimr in Gudvangen. Then, cruise along the UNESCO World Heritage fjords to Flam!

€ 120 approx.

DAY 8: Oslo - Karlstad

Enjoy a morning to explore the Norwegian capital with a local guide on a walking tour. Along with being Norway's capital city, Oslo is home to Norway's royal family. See highlights including Akershus Castle and the Royal Palace. Enjoy some free time after the walking tour to take in the atmosphere of this cultured city or join the Oslo+ optional excursion and visit some of the city's beautiful green spaces and museums. Later this afternoon, travel onwards to Karlstad in Sweden, which is the destination for this evening. Arrive in the city, which is located exactly between Oslo and Stockholm. Karlstad sits on the shores of Lake Vänern and offers fun outdoor activities plus great Swedish cuisine and culture.

Included Experiences

Guided tour of Oslo: Join a local guide for a walking tour of Oslo. On the tour, gain deeper insight into the city and its history. Highlights include the Oslo Opera House, Kvadraturen, the Parliament building, Akershus Castle and the Royal Palace.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursion

Oslo+

Explore top Oslo sights with your tour leader! Visit Vigeland Sculpture Park, the scenic Bygdøy peninsula and the Fram and Kon Tiki museums.

€ 55 approx.

DAY 9: Karlstad - Sigtuna - Stockholm

See more of Sweden today! This first stop is Sigtuna - a picturesque medieval town that was founded in the 900s making it Sweden's oldest town! Enjoy an orientation tour of the town and free time to explore on your own or find a spot to grab lunch. Afterwards, continue to explore Scandinavia and travel to Stockholm - Sweden's dynamic capital city! Arrive and enjoy a driving and walking tour of the city with an expert local guide.

See the highlights including the Royal Palace and the AF Chapman ship, before enjoying a walk through Gamla Stan (Stockholm's Old Town). This evening, enjoy an included dinner in the city centre with the group, before checking into the hotel for the night.

Included Experiences

Visit Sigtuna: Enjoy a visit to Sweden's oldest town! Founded by King Erik the Victorious in 970 AD, Sigtuna is home to the oldest Main Street in the country.

Guided tour of Stockholm: Join a local guide and see the top sights of Sweden's capital city. Highlights of this cosmopolitan Scandinavian city include the Royal Palace, the AF Chapman ship as well as the old town Gamla Stan which is the beating heart of the city.

Swedish meatballs for dinner: It's time to tuck into a Swedish classic - meatballs! Join the group and enjoy this included dinner tonight.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 10: Stockholm: Free Day

Enjoy this free day to explore more of Stockholm! Gamla Stan is the old town and this amazing destination is filled with red, orange and terracotta-coloured buildings overlooking narrow cobblestone streets. The numerous islands that make up the town offer fascinating walks, especially through the Djurgården, where you can visit Skansen, the open-air Swedish history museum. Alternatively, join the Royal Sweden & Vasa Museum optional excursion on which you will enjoy a scenic drive, see the spectacular Drottningholm Palace and visit the world-famous Vasa Museum. There is no shortage of incredible things to do today!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursion

Royal Sweden & Vasa Museum

Experience Sweden's royalty and history! Visit Drottningholm Palace, including the Chinese Pavilion, and the Vasa Museum to see the warship Vasa.

€ 80 approx.

DAY 11: Lidingö island - Overnight ferry to Helsinki

Today, travel onwards towards Helsinki in Finland. Along the way, take a late morning drive to Lidingö Island and enjoy free time to explore the stunning surroundings. Take time to wander through the Millesgården and admire the sculptures.

Next, travel onwards to the port and get ready to catch the overnight ferry to Helsinki. You'll be treated to some onboard entertainment and an optional buffet dinner featuring delicious Swedish dishes.

Included Experiences

Explore Lidingö Island: Visit the island located in the inner Stockholm archipelago and enjoy a driving tour as well as free time to explore. Did you know that Lidingö Island is home to Millesgården - an outdoor sculpture park and museum?

Overnight ferry to Helsinki: Cruise your way to a new country - Finland! Catch an overnight ferry ride from Sweden, to Helsinki in Finland. Enjoy the onboard entertainment plus an optional buffet dinner this evening.

Accommodation - Ferry

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursion

Ferry Buffet Dinner

Indulge in a delectable Swedish buffet dinner aboard the overnight cruise during the trip from Stockholm to Helsinki!

€ 40 approx.

DAY 12: Arrive in Helsinki

Welcome to Finland! The capital Helsinki is a vibrant seaside city known for its beautiful islands and lush green parks. Arrive and enjoy a driving tour of the city. Settle in at your harbourside hotel, and meet up with a local guide this evening for a walking tour. Encounter some of the city's most famous sights including the likes of the Havis Amanda, as well as the Senate Square and Helsinki Cathedral. Not to mention Uspenski Cathedral and Kauppatori Market! There is so much to see and experience! Enjoy an included dinner this evening.

Included Experiences

Driving tour of Helsinki: Arrive in Finland's capital city and enjoy a driving tour of the city's top sights and attractions.

Guided tour of Helsinki: Join a local guide for an insightful walking tour of Helsinki. Visit the Havis Amanda, the famous art nouveau fountain which is said to symbolise the birth of the city of Helsinki. See Senate Square, Helsinki Cathedral; Finland's most photographed building, Uspenski Cathedral, the largest orthodox church in Western Europe and finish with a walk through Kauppatori Market, the ideal place to pick up some keepsakes and well-priced Finnish crafts!

Helsinki dinner: This evening, enjoy a delicious dinner at the hotel in Helsinki.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 13: End of tour in Helsinki & Fly to Amsterdam

After nearly two weeks of exploring the best of Scandinavia, the tour comes to an end this morning. Enjoy breakfast and catch a taxi to the airport. Fly to Amsterdam and upon arrival, catch a taxi to your overnight hotel to start your Europe coach tour. The remainder of the day is free to explore Amsterdam at leisure.

Meals - Breakfast

Accommodation - Hotel

DAY 14: Start of tour in Amsterdam

Welcome to Amsterdam and the start of the Europe Jewel tour! Meet up with your tour leader this morning and start the adventure with a visit to a cheese farm for a demonstration on the traditional ways of making cheese and clogs. Next, enjoy some free time for lunch in the lakeside town of Volendam. Then it's time to head to Zaanse Schans, known for its historic windmills and wooden houses. After arriving back in Amsterdam later, enjoy a complimentary Amsterdam canal cruise. This is one of the best ways to be introduced to Amsterdam! End the first day with a delicious group dinner.

Included Experiences

Cheese and clogs demonstration: This family-run farm is over 160 years-old and gives you a behind-the-scenes look at how Dutch cheese and clogs are made.

Visit Volendam: Enjoy some seafood from the vendors in the beautiful harbour as you explore the lakeside Dutch town.

Visit Zaanse Schans: This is the place to see the scenery that the Netherlands is famous for - windmills, wooden houses and green hills.

Amsterdam Canal Cruise: Sail along Amsterdam's stunning canals at twilight - a perfect introduction to Amsterdam as you cruise past famous landmarks from the atmospheric canals.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Dinner

DAY 15: Amsterdam - Rhine Valley

Continuing on to the picturesque Rhine Valley in Germany. Arrive and visit a local wine merchant for an included wine tasting. If the weather has been good during the harvest season, you may even get to try *eiswein* (ice wine)! It is a very sweet dessert wine that can only be harvested when the temperature drops below freezing. Next, board a riverboat and sail from Boppard to St Goar. With the highest concentration of medieval castles in all of Europe dotted along the riverbanks, this will be a boat cruise to remember!

Included Experiences

Rhine Valley wine tasting: Visit a local wine merchant in one of Germany's most famous wine-growing regions, and sample several types of delicious German wine. Riesling, Pinot Noir and Spätburgunder are popular varieties. If it is the right time of year and the harvest has been good, you may even be able to try *eiswein* (ice wine); a sweet dessert wine made of grapes which need to be harvested in the freezing winter months!

Cruise down the Rhine River: Admire the beautiful scenery as you cruise. This area is home to the largest concentration of Gothic castles in all of Europe; Sterrenberg, Liebestein, Katz and Fortress Rheinfels.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 16: Nuremberg - Prague

Today the tour travels to Prague. First, enjoy a visit to the Bavarian city of Nuremberg. Heavily bombed during WW2, Nuremberg was rebuilt, and today has been returned to some of its former glory. Later, arrive in Prague and get to know the city on a walking tour with a local guide. Prague is a beautiful city known for its art and architecture. This destination will keep your camera clicking! The quirky bars and cobbled lanes add to the city's European charm. Prague is also known for its brilliant beer and abundance of art. Taste some authentic Czech cuisine at tonight's group dinner. *Na zdraví* as they say in Czech!

Included Experiences

Orientation tour in Nuremberg: Your tour leader will show you all the iconic sights in this Bavarian city. Start at Kaiserburg and finish in Hauptmarkt.

Prague guided walking tour: This evening, enjoy a locally guided walking tour of the capital city of the Czech Republic. See the Old Town Square, Wenceslas Square, Charles Bridge, Church of Our Lady before Týn, Rudolfinum (concert hall) and a view of Prague Castle.

Prague dinner: Experience authentic Czech cuisine at a local restaurant. You will also have the option to try local Czech beer.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 17: Prague: Free Day

Explore more of this beautiful European city on today's free day in Prague. Often described as the jewel in the crown of Central Europe. Join the Prague+ optional to discover more about the intriguing history and magnificent sights in the city. See the dramatic story of Prague reflected in the beauty of its churches, opera houses,

concert halls and Prague Castle. Tonight, experience traditional Czech culture during an optional evening excursion filled with great food, music and dancing!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursions

Prague+

Tour the incredible Prague Castle, wander through the charming Mala Strana neighbourhood, cruise the Vltava River, enjoy a buffet lunch and more!

€ 60 approx.

Traditional Czech Folk Music & Dance Evening

Enjoy a delicious three-course Czech dinner with unlimited drinks while delighting in a traditional folk show complete with Czech music and dancing!

€ 55 approx.

DAY 18: Bratislava - Vienna

It's time to head to the grandeur of Vienna, visiting Bratislava, Capital of Slovakia, along the way. Surrounded by mountains, vineyards, ski runs and unbridled wilderness. Bratislava is a charming city. Spot the medieval castle overlooking the old town and marvel at recent Socialist-era architecture. Next stop, the beautiful Austrian city of Vienna! Arrive and enjoy a guided walking tour of the UNESCO-credited city centre. See sights like the Hofburg Palace and St Stephen's Cathedral. Dinner is included tonight and afterwards and choose to enjoy an orchestra performance. What could be better than experiencing music in one of the city's concert halls?

Included Experiences

Bratislava orientation tour: Join your tour leader for an orientation tour of Bratislava to see some of the landmarks and historic sights of the city. Catch a glimpse of the magical Bratislava Castle, which overlooks the city.

Walking tour of Vienna: On the drive into Vienna, Austria's capital city, you will see the Schonbrunn Palace before reaching the Inner City and one of the best vistas from Belvedere Hill. Vienna is known as the 'City of Music' due to its classical heritage and the prodigies that worked there including Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert and Brahms to name a few as your local guide on your walking tour will tell you. The tour starts at the Golden Mile on the Ring Strasse (Parliament, City Hall, Burgtheater). Then discover the courtyards and passages around the Hofburg (Imperial Castle) and St. Stephen's Cathedral which is Vienna's geographic and historic centre.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

Optional On Tour Excursion

Vienna Classical Music Concert

Enjoy a classical concert held in a beautiful Viennese concert hall. The orchestra will play classics from the Strauss dynasty and Mozart.

€ 75 approx.

DAY 19: Vienna - Budapest

Wave farewell to Vienna as the tour makes its way to the striking Hungarian capital of Budapest. Sitting astride the Danube River, this scenic city is known for its singular mix of Baroque, Neoclassical and Art Nouveau architecture. On arrival in Budapest, get an overview of this historic city on a driving tour, guided by a local guide. The trip will start on the Buda side of the river and include glimpses of the Houses of Parliament, St Stephen's Basilica and more. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city and all of its delights however you please. Choose to join an optional dinner cruise along the Danube this evening. It's a memorable way to complete the day in Budapest!

Included Experiences

Driving tour of Budapest: Get an eyeful of must-see attractions like Budapest Parliament, St Stephen's Basilica, the state opera, the castle district, and more on this driving tour lead by a local guide.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursion

Danube Dinner Cruise

Indulge in a traditional Hungarian feast as you admire Budapest's top sights from the water with a night time cruise along the Danube River.

€ 60 approx.

DAY 20: Lake Balaton - Maribor - Ljubljana

Leave Budapest and visit an iconic holiday destination in Hungary - the beautiful Lake Balaton. With nearly 200km of shoreline, it is the largest lake in Central Europe and popular summer holiday spot! Next, visit Maribor in Slovenia. While here, enjoy free time for lunch. Then on to the final stop of the day, the Slovenian capital Ljubljana. It's filled to the brim with incredible sights. There's a fairytale castle, beautiful architecture and plenty of natural beauty! An expert local guide will lead a walking tour to point out all the must-see attractions. Afterwards, explore the city on your own or join an optional Slovenia Evening excursion before heading back to the hotel for the night.

Included Experiences

Visit Lake Balaton: Meander around the beautiful Lake Balaton and tick the largest lake in Central Europe off your bucket list!

Visit Maribor: Explore the beautiful city of Maribor in Slovenia and enjoy free time to find a great spot to enjoy lunch.

Guided walking tour in Ljubljana: Join an expert local guide for a tour of Ljubljana - the City of Dragons! Encounter the inimitable scenery of the medieval old town, Preseren Square, City Centre, the Riverfront, Dragon Bridge and Cobblers Bridge. When the formal tour is done, there will still be some time to explore on your own. We recommend that you make your way to the 13th-century St. Nicholas Church - it's Baroque architecture is truly spectacular!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursion

Slovenian Evening

Enjoy an evening of traditional live Slovenian music and dance along with a delicious three-course Slovenian dinner!

€ 50 approx.

DAY 21: Ljubljana - Venice

Venice is the next stop; a city immortalised in literature, film and art for centuries. Its timeless waterways and artistic masterpieces (more per square kilometre than anywhere else on earth) 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. Get to know the city on an orientation walk, ticking off sights like the world-famous Piazza San Marco, Basilica di San Marco, Palazzo Ducale and more. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore this unforgettable city - don't miss the opportunity to take a gondola and water taxi to explore Venice from the water!

Included Experiences

Orientation tour of Venice: Your tour leader will take you into the heart of this unique floating city for an orientation to help you explore and see Piazza San Marco, Basilica di San Marco, Palazzo Ducale, Campanile di San Marco museum, Rialto Market and Scuola Grande di San Rocco.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

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!

€ 25 approx.

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.

€ 25 approx.

DAY 22: Florence - Tuscany

Leaving Venice is never easy, but luckily the hills of Tuscany are calling! Marvel at the countryside as the coach travels towards Florence. On arrival, enjoy a panoramic view of the city from Piazzale Michelangelo - gorgeous! Then, take a fascinating walking tour of the city with a local guide. Learn about the history of this Renaissance city and see its best historical landmarks. Some of these landmarks date back to Roman times! Watch a traditional leather-making demonstration before free time this afternoon. Enjoy a traditional Italian meal at a local restaurant in Florence tonight. After exploring, travel to the Tuscan countryside for tonight's overnight accommodation.

Included Experiences

Locally guided walking tour of Florence: A local guide will take you on a walking tour to introduce you to the main sights, including the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Ponte Vecchio, Piazza Della Signoria and the replica statue of David.

Italian leather-making demonstration: Learn about the traditional art of leather-making at Leonardo Leather & Gold.

Dinner in Florence: Indulge in a delicious Italian meal at a local restaurant in Florence.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 23: Pisa - Swiss Alps

Departing Tuscany, head for one of Europe's most famous buildings. Make sure your camera is charged as we head to Pisa! Learn the story behind the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa and be sure to take some photos! Then it's time for a change of scenery as the tour crosses over to the Alps. Look forward to breathing in that fresh mountain air! Enjoy a scenic mountain drive and take in the beauty of the snow-capped mountains and the greenery around you. Arrive at the accommodation for the next two nights in the Swiss Alps. Is there a better way to enjoy the magic of Switzerland than staying in a typical Swiss village? Enjoy an included group dinner tonight.

Included Experiences

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

Scenic Mountain Drive: Enjoy spectacular views as we drive through mountain passes and alongside lakes, breath-taking mountain vistas and scenic views of quaint Swiss towns.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 24: Swiss Alps: Free Day

The Swiss Alps are yours to explore today! Make the most of time in nature by taking a leisurely stroll through the local villages or along crystal-clear lakes. The Jungfrauoch: Journey to the Top of Europe optional excursion is highly recommended! Enjoy a visit to the highest train station in Europe and spend the day playing in the snow, visiting the Sphinx Observatory, exploring the ice palace, admiring the glacier views and more! This evening, partake in a classic Swiss experience with a delicious fondue dinner optional.

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursions

Jungfrauoch: Journey to the Top of Europe

Travel to the “Top of Europe” - Jungfrauoch, the highest train station in Europe! Enjoy exceptional views, year-round snow and a magical ice palace.

€ 195 approx.

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?

€ 40 approx.

DAY 25: Swiss Alps - Paris

It's an early start today as the tour journeys out of the mountains. It's time for the city of lights and love: Paris! Arriving in the afternoon, embark on a riveting driving tour of the French capital. Get your cameras ready - this tour includes views of some of the city's most treasured landmarks including the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe! Take note of places to visit on tomorrow's free day. After the driving tour, sit down for an included group dinner at a restaurant in the city before travelling back to the hotel later tonight.

Included Experiences

Driving tour of Paris: Enjoy a driving tour upon arrival - spot the Tuileries Gardens, The River Seine, l'Île de la Cité, the Louvre Museum, Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, Lovers Bridge, Sacre Coeur, Montmartre, Pigalle (the Red Light District) and the Moulin Rouge!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast, Dinner

DAY 26: Paris: Free Day

Embrace the magic of Paris on this free day! Choose to delve deeper into what makes Paris a long-term favourite with travellers on the Paris+ optional excursion which includes a visit to a world-famous macaron shop, a perfume museum tour, photo stops at the Champs-Élysées and Opéra Garnier, a sightseeing cruise on the River Seine and a visit to the Montparnasse Tower Observation Deck. Later, choose to stroll the romantic streets of the Montmartre neighbourhood and enjoy a Parisian dinner. Complete the night with an optional cabaret show. This is how to do Paris in a day!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

Optional On Tour Excursions

Paris+

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

€ 60 approx.

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.

€ 45 approx.

Parisian Cabaret with drinks

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

€ 85 approx.

DAY 27: Paris - Ghent - Amsterdam

It's the last day already! Depart Paris, sit back and relax as the tour travels to today's first stop - the Belgian city of Ghent. Enjoy some free time to explore the medieval city centre and grab a bite to eat. Afterwards, it's time to drive back to Amsterdam where the tour comes to an end. Be sure to take the time to exchange contact details with your fellow travellers before heading home! Overnight Amsterdam

Included Experiences

Visit Ghent: The port city of Ghent is home to a beautiful medieval city centre. As a university town today, it's teeming with culture and energy!

Accommodation - Hotel

Meals - Breakfast

DAY 28: Fly Home

Check out of your hotel this morning, then make your own way to Amsterdam airport by taxi for flights home.

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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