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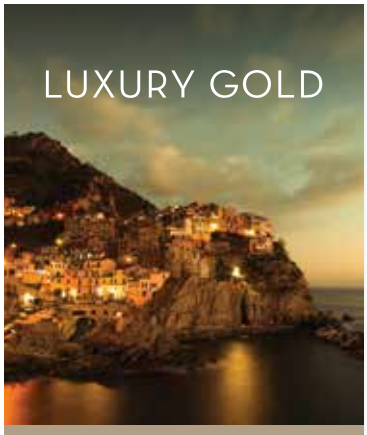
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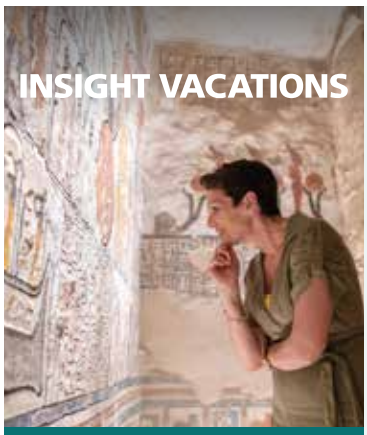
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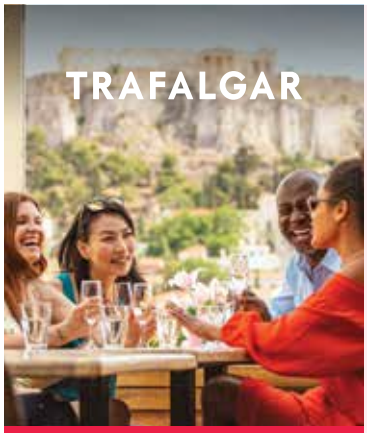
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If passports were stamped with experience instead of place, they would be imprinted with exceptional moments just like these. With virtually everything included on your journey, every day with Luxury Gold is an unmatched experience. Curated exclusively for you.

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The *Golden* Touch.

At times during your Luxury Gold journey, you will be left wondering: "How did they do that?" Like all the best magicians, we won't divulge our insider secrets – so instead sit back and enjoy your journey of a lifetime, packed with A-lister access, subtle touches and opulent experiences you'll treasure forever. Here's a selection of truly special moments from some of our best-selling tours to set your imagination on fire.

La Dolce Venice, Italy

Bustling Venice is a city of day trippers, with few experiencing the heart of this Italian gem to themselves. But with Luxury Gold, stay in Venice's historic center at the canal-side 5-star Palazzo Nani Venice, arriving by private water taxi – the preferred mode of transport of George Clooney, who is regularly photographed waving to fans from the these exact vessels. After observing the opulent waterside homes with Murano glass chandeliers, detailed wooden ceilings and bright mosaics that shine in the sun, you'll enjoy a traditional serenade from your gondolier. Continue along the Grand Canal to Piazza San Marco for a private, after-hours tour of the Doge's Palace. As you make your way through its imposing entrance, other tourists will ask: "How do you get a private visit?". Your Travel Concierge will reply: "With Luxury Gold, it is all included!" Even Clooney would be impressed. Full of historical, cultural and artistic relics, your time here culminates with an exclusive crossing of the Bridge of Sighs. *Experience on the 11-day, Ultimate Italy journey.*

Sail Through History, Egypt

After returning from a tour of the great Pyramids of Giza with our expert Egyptologist, you'll wonder how your Luxury Gold journey could get any better. But it does! You'll board the sumptuous River Tosca for a seven-day Nile cruise. Take a cooling dip in the pool and relax on a shaded cabana as the Egyptian sun begins to set. Retire to your suite with its elegant decor before a night of feasting, dancing and games, kicking off your cruise in style. In the morning, you'll enjoy a visit to the 1st-century B.C. Temple of Hathor, one of the best-preserved temples in Egypt, viewing rare images of Cleopatra VII and Caesarian, the son of Julius Caesar. Witness the Dendera Light, which some believe depicts an ancient electric light bulb. But save some energy as when dusk falls, you'll have the privilege of an after-hours, exclusive VIP visit to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Temple of Luxor. *Experience on the 11-day, Elegance of the Nile journey.*

Ascending Nature, Norway

There are few better ways to really immerse yourself in the Scandinavian landscapes than Norway's Flåm Railway. Settle into your elegant, vintage cabin adorned with delicate gold lettering, wood-paneled walls and ascending 2841 ft past snow-covered mountains, thundering cascades, dramatic fjords and picturesque red clapboard houses including a stop at Kjosfossen waterfall. As the sun sets, enjoy a well-deserved toast from your fjord view luxury room at the spectacular Union Hotel in the village of Geiranger, or relax with a dip in the magnificent pool. In the morning, enjoy your choice of a leisurely fjord cruise or, if you prefer something more adrenaline-fueled, embark on a thrilling RIB boat ride getting up close to the Seven Sisters and the Suitor series of waterfalls.

After being present in nature, take a journey back in time during a private tour of a traditional 16th Century farm perched above Geirangerfjord, owned by Annette and Willy Moll. They'll share the traditional ways of living as you sample some local delicacies – such as their scrumptious apple cake made from the farm's abundant produce. *Experience on the 12-day, Timeless Scandinavia journey.*

Culture & Cuisine, Japan

As a Luxury Gold guest, you will have unparalleled access to Japan's rich culture, heritage and history.

Zipping through the Japanese countryside at 320km an hour by bullet train past Mt Fuji, you will arrive in Hiroshima. There, in an experience only few will have, speak to a survivor who will share their moving, personal insights into the harrowing events of August 6,1945. You will also have time to wander the UNESCO Peace Memorial Park and Museum, the only structure left after the city was attacked. Arriving in Kyoto, explore the famed Golden Pavilion and Gioji Temple set in a peaceful grove of indigenous bamboo and maple trees. Later combine history and food with a traditional Kyo-Kaiseki feast. Expect sensational small courses of the best seafood, seasonal vegetables and delicate sauces presented in a highly stylized fashion, where you're the VIP guest of a Maiko, an apprentice geisha. Dressed in intricate silk kimonos, these highly skilled, respected entertainers will delight you with music and dinner games. Unique from start to finish. *Experience on the 11-day, Majestic Japan journey.*

For the full itineraries and all experiences throughout these featured tours, visit luxurygold.com



Out of South Africa

Imagine sitting in the outback of the Kruger National Park in the fresh evening, darkness all around you and above – a blanket of twinkling stars. In your hand is a crisp, cold glass of sparkling wine and on the table a magnificent celebration feast specially created for you by local chefs at the luxurious Lion Sands Lodge – where you will have spent the last few days of your adventure in South Africa. As you dine, you can reflect on the once-in-a-lifetime experience of observing lions, elephants, leopards and a whole host of other creatures in the wild.

During your time at the Lion Sands Game Reserve, part of an ecosystem boasting the largest concentration of wild animal species in the Southern Hemisphere, you will enjoy both dawn and evening game drives. Setting off as the sun begins to rise, you'll sip on fresh, hot coffee as you climb into an open-air safari vehicle driven by an expert ranger and tracker, setting off in pursuit of buffalo, rhinoceros and hippopotamus.

On return to your safari-style villa, you can relax by the plunge pool and enjoy the view over the Sabie River – Lion Sands Villa is the only private reserve to have access to the perennial stretch of water – while indulging in high tea. Or, if you are feeling more energetic, join your ranger for a bush walk. In the evening, you will set off by vehicle to a nearby watering hole to observe majestic creatures taking a last drink before sunset. Pause for a refreshing gin-and-tonic and local snacks before returning for an evening feast of slow-cooked meats, seasonal vegetables and sweet treats in your safari-style lodge.

Experience on the 9-day, Spectacular South Africa journey. For the full itinerary, visit luxurygold.com

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Our network of Local Experts illuminates your journey on a deeper level. Their expertise in their fields, including local culture, customs and history, allows them to show you the world in ways you couldn't experience on your own.

Meals & Dining

Wake up to breakfast included every morning, and an array of incredible dining experiences infused with discovery and adventure.

Experiences

With all experiences included, you can look forward to special experiences, VIP and before or after-hours access to sites threaded throughout each day of your journey.

Relaxed Start Mornings

On days with a Relaxed Start, your day of experiences starts after 9 a.m.

Accommodation

Enjoy magnificent locations, glamorous properties, and superior service always included with in-room luggage porterage.

Transport

Customized 'business class' style coaches for small groups on most journeys. Various modes of transport are included such as luxury train rides, private water taxis, or safari vehicles, depending on your itinerary.

Wi-Fi

Enjoy complimentary hotel Wi-Fi. And, on select coaches, on-board Wi-Fi is also available.

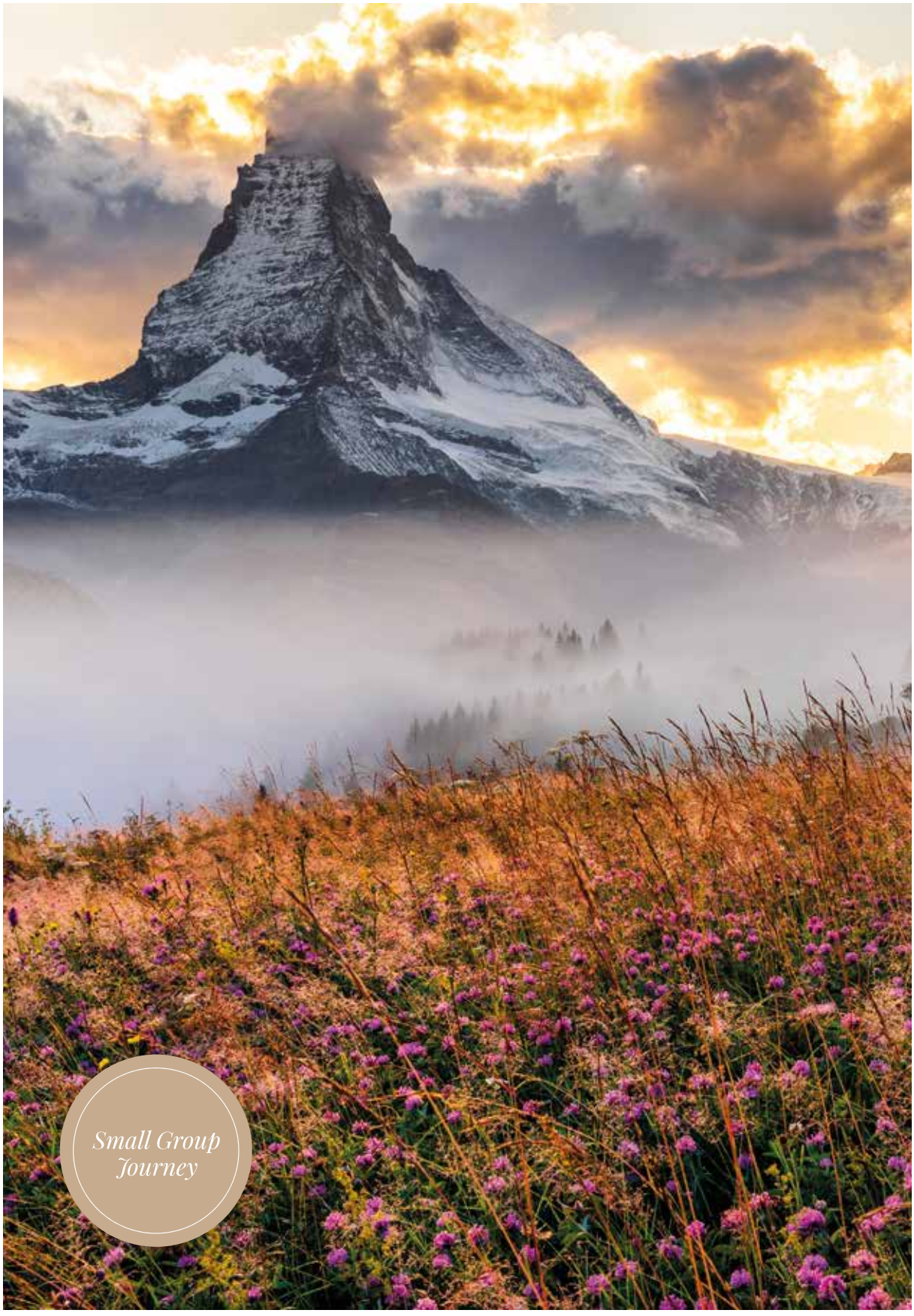
Taxes & Tipping

Hotel taxes, porterage and tips, as well as tips for included dining experiences, are included.

Private Airport Transfers

Private transfers are included upon arriving in your journey's destination airport and when departing. Private transfers are also included in your destination where additional accommodation has been booked in advance through Luxury Gold.

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Small Group
Journey

Majestic Switzerland

10 DAYS

Travel Switzerland's storybook landscape of Alpine meadows, charming villages and snow-capped peaks aboard the Glacier Express and an open-air cogwheel railway. Cruise Lake Geneva and marvel at innovations at the Swiss Transportation Museum. Paired with Michelin dining, fondue and fine chocolates, you'll savor every moment of your journey.

DAY 1

Welcome to Switzerland

Warmly greeted at the Zürich Airport, your private transfer escorts you to your hotel. Explore the winding narrow streets of Augustinergasse or the chic, tree-line boulevard of Bahnhofstrasse to browse shops including Gucci, Cartier and Prada. Pause in a shaded café to savor a coffee or a Swiss chocolate. This evening, enjoy your first taste of local cuisine with a traditional Swiss meal. D

AMERON Zurich Bellerive au Lac.

DAY 2

Vaduz and St. Moritz

Journey through picturesque Swiss countryside to Liechtenstein lined with stately medieval castles, quaint villages and dramatic mountains. Admire Vaduz Castle before ascending Julier Pass to Engadine Valley. Arriving in St. Moritz, soak in its jet-set atmosphere over dinner at Restaurant Engiadina. B, D

Grand Hotel des Bains Kempinski, St. Moritz.

DAY 3

The Roof of Europe

Experience the rich natural environment of St. Moritz. Personalize your day by joining a Swiss Mountain Guide for a gentle mountain hike through the picturesque landscape. Or enjoy an engaging conservation talk about the local wildlife, gaining an expert's insight into the resident species and their preservation. B

DAY 4

All Aboard the Glacier Express

Take a breathtaking journey through the Swiss Alps to Zermatt aboard the Glacier Express. Sit back in your first-class seat and enjoy a lunch prepared on board, soaking up sensational views from your glass-domed carriage, as you wind through tunnels and bridges past the towering Landwasser viaduct, scenic valleys, and picturesque castles rising out of the Rhine Gorge. B, L

Mont Cervin Palace, Zermatt.

DAY 5

Zermatt and Gornergrat Experience

Ascend Gornergrat Mountain on Europe's highest open-air cogwheel railway. Bask in the dramatic scenery from larch and pine forests to colorful Alpine meadows. Cross dramatic bridges and plunge through tunnels emerging into panoramic views of mountain lakes. The summit finds you standing in awe of the Matterhorn. B

DAY 6

The Swiss Riviera to Geneva

Your scenic journey with dramatic views of the Rhone valley vineyards, passes the ancient Chillon Castle and the renowned Lavaux vineyards before bringing you to the charming town of Montreux. Continue your lake-side journey along the Swiss Riviera, drinking in the grandeur of the snow-capped French Alps en route to Geneva. B, L

Hotel d'Angleterre, Geneva.

DAY 7

Highlights of Geneva

After a Relaxed Start, discover the best of Geneva on a short walking tour featuring the Floral Clock and the grand Reformation Monument. Personalize your day on a relaxing cruise across Lake Geneva or at the Red Cross Museum. The evening beckons with an elegant meal at Michelin-starred La Chaumière. B, D

DAY 8

La Gruyère and on to Lucerne

Savor gourmet delicacies beginning with a tour and tasting at famed chocolatier Maison Cailler and, in Gruyères, enjoy a sumptuous lunch of fondue. Your decadent day concludes in Lucerne with an exclusive after-hours tour of the

Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)

Rosengart Collection followed by bubbly and canapes among Picasso's masterpieces. B, L

Mandarin Oriental Palace, Lucerne.

DAY 9

Lovely Lucerne

At the Swiss Transportation Museum, learn about the future of sustainable travel in this engaging MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. As evening sets in, cruise on Lake Lucerne to Stans where a futuristic cable car will carry you up Mount Stanserhorn. Bask in the Alpine views over a sumptuous meal at a panoramic, rotating restaurant. B, D

DAY 10

Farewell Lucerne

Linger over one last luxurious breakfast on your luxury tour before bidding farewell for your transfer to Zürich Airport. B



Journey Summary

Trip Overview

10 Days
2 Countries
9 Destinations

Dining

16 meals including dinner at the Michelin-starred restaurant La Chaumière and an alpine dinner at restaurant Engiadina in St. Moritz.

Activity Level

Balanced

Cumulative daily walking of 1 to 3 miles.

Accommodations

All accommodations are included, and enjoy 5 Relaxed Start Mornings after 9 a.m.

Concierge Services, Included On Every Journey

Travel Concierge

Full-Service Porterage

Small Group Tours, 18 Guests On Average

Personalize Your Day, With Included Choices

Unique & Exclusive Experiences

Day 4

Ride the Glacier Express for unparalleled views of snow-capped mountains and charming villages in the Swiss Alps.

Day 8

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres at your after-hours tour of Lucerne's Rosengart Collection featuring paintings of Chagall, Renoir and Kandinsky.

Day 9

Cruise Lake Lucerne before ascending Mount Stanserhorn by cable car. Bask in alpine views as you dine at the summit's panoramic rotating restaurant.

Availability, Dates and Prices

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Small Group
Journey

Timeless Scandinavia

12 DAYS

Grand scenery pairs with fine dining and exquisite culture in this journey through Denmark, Sweden and Norway. Cruise up to cascading waterfalls through clear, calm waters and dine in a restaurant honored with the Michelin Sustainability Emblem. They're all hallmarks of striking Scandinavia.

DAY 1

Welcome to Copenhagen

Your Scandinavia tour begins in Copenhagen where you'll be transferred to your centrally located hotel. Settle into your home for the next two nights taking in the spaces designed with the understated elegance of minimalist style including original exposed beams. After a quiet stroll along the canal, enjoy dinner at Høst Restaurant in the heart of the city. The Danish word for "harvest," Høst will delight your palate with fresh Nordic ingredients with big flavors. D

71 Nyhavn Hotel, Copenhagen.

DAY 2

Highlights of Copenhagen

A Local Expert unlocks treasures from the Little Mermaid to the Rosenborg Castle. Visit the Museum of the Amalienborg Palaces or the Torvehallerne food market sampling smørrebrød, the famous open-faced sandwich. Feel like you've stepped back in time at Tivoli's enchanting amusement park. B

DAY 3

Scenic Vittaryd

Savor a Relaxed Start with the option of breakfast-in-bed room service. Cross into Sweden on the Øresund Bridge and tunnel, the longest combined road and rail bridge in Europe. Check in to your 19th century manor hotel in the Småland countryside. B, D

Toftaholm Herrgård, Vittaryd.

DAY 4

Cross-country to Stockholm

Enjoy stunning views of Lake Vättern en route to your 5-star luxury hotel, Hôtel Reisen in Stockholm. You are invited to attend one of Scandinavia's most visited maritime museums, displaying the almost fully intact 17th century Vasa warship. On this VIP after-hours visit, you will be warmly welcomed by a Local Expert on your private museum tour. B

Hôtel Reisen by Hyatt.

DAY 5

Highlights of Stockholm

Begin your sightseeing by viewing 18 million mosaic tiles of gold and colored glass glimmer at City Hall's dazzling Gyllene salen, the Golden Hall. Then step into the Blå hallen, site of the prestigious yearly Nobel Prize banquets before exploring the cobbled streets of the Old Town. Afterwards, explore the photography museum. Dine at the Fotografiska Restaurant, honored with the Michelin Sustainability Emblem. B, D

DAY 6

Majestic Bergen

Fly to Norway's historic port city of Bergen. Be delighted by rows of primary-colored wooden houses set against a backdrop of deep fjords and green hills before indulging in dinner, perhaps feasting on local seafood. B, D

Bergen Børs Hotel.

DAY 7

Edvard Grieg's Bergen

A Local Expert shares the sights and tastes of Bergen at the local Fish Market. Explore a former royal residence, Håkon's Hall before visiting Troldhaugen, the former summer home of renowned composer and pianist Edvard Grieg, where young artists bring passion and creativity to classic works. B

DAY 8

The Flåm Railway and Geiranger

Wind alongside snow-covered peaks, thundering waterfalls, dramatic fjords and red clapboard houses on the stunning Flåm Railway. Arrive in Geiranger at your hotel perched against a backdrop of fjords and mountains. B, D

Hotel Union Geiranger (Fjord view room).

Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)

DAY 9

Fjord Adventure

Indulge in another Relaxed Start before personalizing your day with a nature focused fjord cruise introducing you to Geirangerfjord's magnificent peaks and waterfalls, or an exciting RIB boat getting you close to cascading waterfalls of the Seven Sisters and the Suitor. Enjoy Norwegian hospitality during a visit to a traditional farmhouse preserved to represent life as it was 100 years ago. Meet with the owners Annette & Willy on a private tour of a traditional Moll Farm with exquisite mountainous views. B, D

DAY 10

Cross-country to Oslo

Sit back and relax over a smooth and scenic journey through Norway's spectacular countryside en route to Oslo. Step out and explore the Olympic and literary town of Lillehammer on your way. B

Hotel Bristol, Norway.

DAY 11

Highlights of Oslo

See the medieval spires and ramparts of Oslo's Akershus Fortress, the opulent Royal Palace, and stroll Frogner Park. Opt for a backstage tour of Oslo Opera House or take a bike ride before toasting your stylish Scandinavian journey at Oslo's renowned Grand Café restaurant. B, D

DAY 12

Farewell Oslo

Conclude your travels in Scandinavia with a private transfer to Oslo Airport for your onward journey. B



Journey Summary

Trip Overview

12 Days
3 Countries
10 Destinations

Dining

18 meals including dinner at the Fotografiska Museum in Stockholm and Nordic cuisine at Høst in Copenhagen.

Activity Level

Balanced

Cumulative daily walking of 1 to 3 miles.

Accommodations

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Day 4

Enjoy a VIP experience with a private after-hours visit to the Vasa Museum in Stockholm.

Day 8

Journey on the Flåm Railway, admiring spectacular scenery as you weave through mountains and past dramatic waterfalls.

Day 9

In Geiranger, an exciting RIB boat ride takes you close to the cascading waterfalls of the Seven Sisters and the Suitor.

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Small Group
Journey

Elegance of the Nile

11 DAYS

Egypt's captivating history is yours to exclusively discover from joining an Egyptologist to the Pyramids of Giza to viewing the Temple of Luxor on a VIP, after-hours visit. Topped off with a luxury Nile cruise and high tea at the Cataract Hotel, where Winston Churchill once dined, it's an unforgettable journey.

DAY 1

Cairo at Leisure

Your private chauffeur awaits to take you to your room at Cairo's five-star Mena House Hotel.

Mena House Hotel, Giza.

DAY 2

Giza Sightseeing

Embark on a coveted experience to one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World, the great Pyramids of Giza. Visit their guardian Sphinx and admire the hieroglyphs etched on the walls while your knowledgeable Egyptologist guides you through their fascinating history. Step up close to the Pyramid of King Zoser, the colossal statue of Ramses II and the great Alabaster Sphinx. B

DAY 3

Join your Cruise in Luxor

Delve into Egypt's history in Karnak. Walk through the avenue of ram-headed sphinxes, past the statue of Rameses II, to stand in awe among the huge columns of the vast Hypostyle Hall taking in how this daunting site was the most important place of worship in Egypt for nearly 800 years. This afternoon, board your stylish and spacious cruise ship, the River Tosca, for your luxury cruise on the Nile. B, L, D

River Tosca.

DAY 4

The Temple of Hathor and Luxor

Visit the 1st-century B.C. Temple of Hathor. Explore the complex – one of the best-preserved temples in all of Egypt – to view rare images of Cleopatra VII and Caesarian, the son of Julius Caesar. Personalize your time in Luxor joining a yoga class on the sun deck. Or, gain an inside perspective meeting the boat captain. This evening you have the privilege to enjoy an after-hours VIP visit of the Temple of Luxor. B, L, D

DAY 5

The West Bank and Valley of the Kings

Journey to the West Bank to stand in awe of the Colossi of Memnon – the gigantic twin stone statues of Amenhotep III that dominate the desert landscape. Venture to the Temple of Hatshepsut and the Valley of the Kings. Gain a unique perspective of the area meeting a family on a tour of their village. Hear stories of local life and watch them bake traditional sun bread. Savor a taste of warm bread, paired perfectly with a cup of tea, before joining in the fun at a galabeya party. B, L, D

DAY 6

A Felucca Around Kitchener's Island

Visit the double-temple of Kom Ombo. Curate your afternoon stretching out on a Nile felucca, a traditional sailboat, for a peaceful ride around Kitchener's Island or visit the lively Aswan Market and shop for local products. In Aswan, enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience as you meet the members of a local women-owned co-operative whose mission is to support vulnerable women from local villages to learn new skills and become financially independent. Later, sit down for afternoon tea at the famous Old Cataract Hotel before tonight's belly dancing performance. B, L, D

DAY 7

Aswan and High Dam

Begin your day marvelling at the modern engineering of Aswan High Dam and the ancient Granite Quarries. Cross the Nile by motorboat to walk amidst the ancient columns of the immaculately preserved Philae temple complex. Tonight, dine on Egyptian classics before a mesmerizing Sound and Light Show in Philae Temple. B, L, D

Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)

DAY 8

Relax upon the Nile

Relish a relaxing morning on board or opt to view Abu Simbel's fabulous temples carved out of the cliff side by Rameses II. Learn about the powerful women in Egypt's history such as Queen Cleopatra, Queen Hatshepsut and Nefertiti from an Egyptologist. Or, enjoy an on-deck cocktail demonstration and sampling of a delicious drink made from local herbs and ingredients some of which have been used since the time of the pharaohs. B, L, D

DAY 9

From Esna to Luxor

Unveil more of Egypt's treasures visiting the well-preserved Esna Temple. Take your time inside this fascinating and highly decorated building dedicated to the ram-headed deity Khnum, the god of creation. In the evening, indulge in a delicious dinner toasting to all you've experienced aboard the River Tosca. B, L, D

DAY 10

Luxor to Cairo

Visit the Alabaster Mosque and the Citadel of Salah El-Din. Tempt your senses at Khan El Khalili bazaar and view treasures recovered from the Tomb of Tutankhamun at the Old Egyptian Museum. B

Four Seasons Hotel Cairo at the First Residence.

DAY 11

Depart Cairo

Your Egyptian voyage ends in style with a private transfer to Cairo Airport. B



Journey Summary

Trip Overview

11 Days
1 Country
10 Destinations

Dining

25 meals including tea at the Old Cataract Hotel, where Winston Churchill once dined, and dinner onboard as you cruise the Nile.

Activity Level

Balanced

Cumulative daily walking of 1 to 3 miles.

Accommodations

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Concierge Services, Included On Every Journey

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Day 2

Join your Egyptologist to explore the impressive city of Giza, where you encounter the enigmatic Sphinx.

Day 4

Approach the Temple of Luxor along the Avenue of Sphinxes and see the ancient stones on your after-hours visit.

Day 6

Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience as you visit an organization in Aswan that provides support for hundreds of local women.

Availability, Dates and Prices

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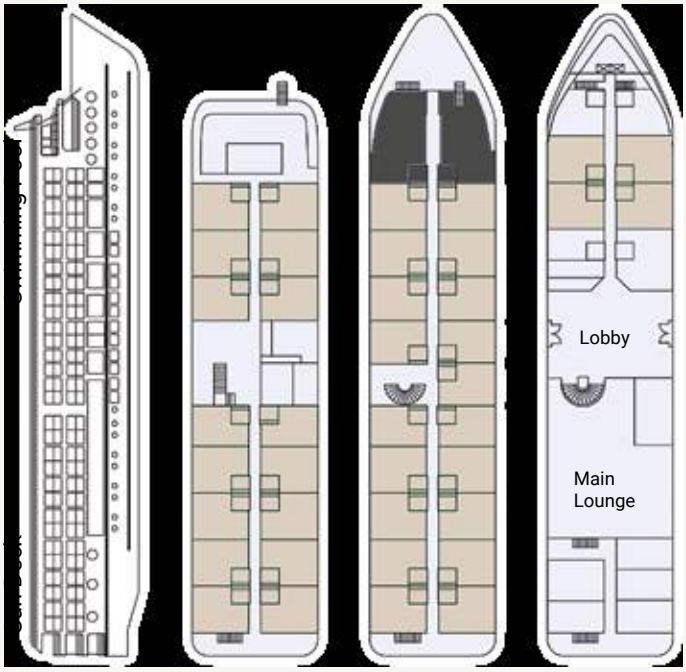
Your grand journey along the Nile takes you to ancient temples, Aswan High Dam, local markets and includes immersive experiences with locals.





All-suite River Tosca cabin plan

To illustrate your choice of a Royal Suite or Grand Suite across three deck options, with all suites featuring a French balcony.



Royal Suite 2 (651 sq ft / 60.5 sq m)

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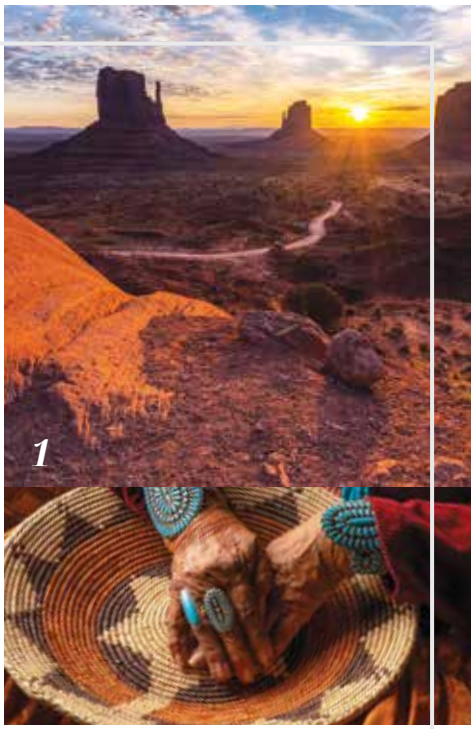
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Embark on a profound spiritual journey as you learn about the **Whirling Dervish** (pictured). This traditional form of Sufi worship, which originated in the 13th century, sees the Dervishes spin to enchanting music. Watch as they twirl for up to an hour in a meditative state and soak up the atmosphere of deep reverence. *Discover on Wonders of Turkey and Treasures of Turkey.*

SPARK YOUR CURIOSITY

Experience your chosen destination... with a twist!
Here are just a few experiences that are waiting for you...



A MEANDER TO REMEMBER

No journey to **Venice** is complete without a ride on one of the city's 400 gondolas, where your gondolier will expertly guide you through the timeless charm and romance of the city. Mastery of this skill requires approximately 400 hours of training in both the art of navigating and understanding the rich history. *Experience on Easy Pace Italy, Italian Intermezzo, and 7 other tours.*

A MONUMENTAL EXPERIENCE WITH A NAVAJO GUIDE

Discover ancient rock art, typically off-limits to independent travelers due to tribal regulations, on a captivating journey into **Monument Valley Tribal Park** (1). Explore Anasazi ruins and enjoy an education in ancient rock art with a Local Expert from the Navajo (Diné) tribe. *Experience on Wonders of the American West.*

WORLD-CLASS LUNCH WITH A WORLD RECORD HOLDER

Enjoy a lunch like no other with Martin Buser – the sled dog racing legend and four-time Iditarod champion. Expect an education into the demanding, 1,049-mile race across the harsh Alaskan wilderness as he hosts you at home in **Big Lake, Alaska**. Relive his record-setting 2002 journey where he completed the race in just eight days... and meet the remarkable dogs that made it possible. *Experience on Jewels of Alaska.*



LOVE AT FIRST BITE

Immerse yourself in the rich history of **Bran Castle** (2), the legendary home of Count Dracula. Uncover captivating tales while savoring Romanian dishes like Beef Goulash and Apple Fritters in this uniquely enchanting Romanian setting. *Experience on Treasures of the Balkans.*

MID-AIR IN METEORA

Teetering on towers of rock, prepare to be amazed at the ancient monasteries of **Meteora, Greece**. Join a Local Expert to learn about these extraordinary buildings, which are suspended at an average of 1,000 feet above the ground. *Experience on Glories of Greece, Treasures of Greece & The Islands, and Grecian Fables.*



A ROYAL EDUCATION IN MUNICH

Soak up Bavarian history while marveling at around 1,500 pieces of royal regalia at the **Munich Residenz**. Notable treasures include the Crown of the King of Bavaria (3), which features the magnificent 31.06-carat Wittelsbach Blue diamond. *Experience on Best of Germany, Christmas Markets of Germany and Country Roads of Bavaria, Switzerland & Austria.*



SAVORING SICILY

Experience the essence of Sicily through a curated evening in Palermo, where each course tells its own story. Guided by a Local Expert, you'll discover diverse eateries throughout the city as you enjoy each course in a different location, culminating in a memorable tuk tuk ride back to your hotel. *Experience on Sicily in Depth and Southern Italy, Sicily & Malta.*

A FIVE MILLION STAR EXPERIENCE

Enjoy exclusive after-hours access to Cusco's Planetarium and learn how the sky's expansive constellations influenced Andean cultures. Explore the Inca's deep connection with 'chaskas' (stars) over hot tea and peer through telescopes to marvel at the brilliant night sky. *Experience on Peru with Machu Picchu & the Nazca Lines.*

SHARPEN YOUR SKILLS

Experience a truly French day as you join a seasoned pétanque player and uncover the secrets of this classic iconic sport in the village of Saint-Paul de Vence. Learn how to elevate your game and sharpen your aim before participating in a friendly match. Enjoying a glass of pastis, a quintessential French apéritif, as either victor or gracious loser. *Experience on Country Roads of France and French Heritage.*

MACHIAVELLIAN CHARM

Explore the Tuscan villa where Niccolò Machiavelli lived in exile after 1512 and wrote "The Prince" – his influential work on political power that remains a best-seller to this day. Set within serene vineyards and olive groves, Casa Machiavelli remains a historical landmark and offers a window into the life of this pivotal thinker. *Experience on European Dream and Romantic European.*

HELP RIO'S BOTANICAL GARDENS FLOURISH

Discover another side of Rio de Janeiro at its expansive Botanical Gardens, home to an extraordinary 8,000 species of bromeliads, orchids, ancient trees, and exotic plants. Join a knowledgeable botanist to learn about its world-renowned research and conservation efforts. *Experience on Argentina, Uruguay & Brazil Discovery.*

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- Breakfast included daily.
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- Included meals are paired with wine, beer, tea and coffee.

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Easy Pace Italy

Feast on an authentic Italian meal in the Tuscan hills, cruise to Venice's Piazza San Marco by private boat and join a Local Expert in Pisa.

10 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 14 MEALS | LEISURELY



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available



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DEPARTURE MONTHS

Year-round

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/epitaly**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO THE ETERNAL CITY OF ROME

Welcome to Rome, a glorious city filled with classic antiquities, medieval buildings, Renaissance palaces and Baroque churches. Relax and settle in before joining your Travel Director and getting to know your fellow travelers over a delicious dinner with wine. **(D)**
Hotel: Room 007 Select, Rome

TRANSFERS: Depart Leonardo da Vinci airport (FCO) at 09:30, 12:30 and 15:30.

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

DAY 2 | ROME SIGHTSEEING AND THE VATICAN

Enjoy the very best of the city's highlights including fast-tracked entry into the Vatican Museums with a Local Expert. Admire the Papal art collection before entering the Sistine Chapel to marvel at Michelangelo's masterpiece. Afterwards, visit St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican City. Later, cross the Tiber River to enjoy ancient Rome with your Local Expert. See the incredible Circus Maximus famous for its chariot races, and visit the iconic Colosseum. **(B)**

DAY 3 | ROME AT LEISURE

Spend another day enjoying Rome at your own pace. Stroll to the boutiques of the Via del Corso and Via Nazionale or visit the elegant designer stores near the Spanish Steps. Perhaps take an optional experience south to the ill-fated town of Pompeii, buried in 79 AD by the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius, and explore one of the greatest archaeological sites in the world. With your Local Expert, stroll into a 2,000-year-old town revealing fascinating discoveries preserved in time. With the dormant volcano of Vesuvius and panoramic views of the Bay of Naples in the background, you have a few treats in store along the way and then return to Rome, passing the formidable Abbey of Montecassino, one of the greatest shrines of Christendom and the site of an epic battle in 1944. As night falls, why not sip a glass of prosecco at a sidewalk café in Piazza Navona and enjoy life's pageantry pass by? **(B) (RS)**

DAY 4 | ON TO FLORENCE

Journey through the rolling green hills of Umbria into Tuscany and Florence, Italy's Renaissance capital with its art and architecture displayed everywhere. Explore Florence with Insight Choice. Choose to visit the Accademia Museum to see Michelangelo's David or take a stroll with your Travel Director to Piazza Santa Croce to enjoy a typical Italian treat in a local café. **(B) (RS)**
Hotel: Roma, Florence

DAY 5 | FLORENCE, BIRTHPLACE OF THE RENAISSANCE

Indulge yourself this morning by exploring Florentine luxury goods. Learn about the craftmanship involved in the local leatherwork

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RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
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during a demonstration and be entranced by the intricate creations of the goldsmiths art. Admire the rolling green hills of Tuscany and the impressive medieval towers of San Gimignano on an optional experience this afternoon. Dine with your fellow traveling companions tonight. **(B) (D) (RS)**

DAY 6 | PISA AND THE TUSCAN COUNTRYSIDE

After a leisurely morning in Florence, explore the nearby town of Pisa with a Local Expert. See the Leaning Tower, the baptistery and the colonnaded bell tower, lurching out from behind the cathedral. Visit the organic farm Il Poggio and join a guided walk to learn about olive oil and wine production. After taking in beautiful views of the rolling Tuscan hills, enjoy tasting the farm's fine wines and olive oil, in addition to an authentic Italian meal prepared with locally sourced ingredients. **(B) (D) (RS)**

DAY 7 | ON TO VENICE

Today we travel through the Emilia-Romagna region, and stop to sample the flavors of the region and learn about Italian food culture over a delicious lunch with wine. Take the autostrada east to Venice, Queen of the Adriatic. Your luxurious hotel has elegant Venetian touches and views over an unforgettably romantic city. **(B) (L)**
Hotel: Hilton Molino Stucky, Venice

DAY 8 | VENICE AND THE MAGIC OF 'LA SERENISSIMA'

Your private boat takes you on a journey of discovery past churches and palaces reflecting the architectural history of Venice from the 13th to the 18th century. Arrive close to St Mark's Square and the first sight is the pink marble of the Doge's Palace, connected to the prisons by the Bridge of Sighs. It was from here that Casanova made his daring escape. Turn the corner, and the gilded facade of St. Mark's Basilica comes into view. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience during a visit to a traditional glass-blowing workshop. See how beautiful handcrafted glass is made by expert glassblowers, safeguarding traditional skills. This afternoon there is plenty of time to explore the museums, galleries and churches or browse through the shops on the Rialto Bridge. **(B) (RS)**

DAY 9 | VENICE AT LEISURE

Who could refuse another day to take in the unique atmosphere of this wonderful city? Lose yourself in the back lanes and quiet squares, where tourists seldom tread and the Venetians go about their daily lives. Maybe visit some of the 90 churches housing masterpieces of Venetian art or explore the modern artworks in the Guggenheim? Perhaps relax at a canal-side café sipping local wine or sample delicious lagoon-fresh fish? Later, board a traditional gondola for a serenade through the romantic canals. This evening, indulge in traditional Venetian dishes that are enriched with inspiration from seasonal produce. **(B) (D) (RS)**

DAY 10 | ARRIVEDERCI VENICE

Your departure transfer arrives at Venice Marco Polo airport. **(B)**

TRANSFERS: Arrive at the airport at 08:00 and 09:30.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Rome | Experience the city through the eyes of a Local Expert as they passionately reveal how modern life thrives amidst ancient treasures.

Vatican | Visit the Vatican Museums, witness the genius of Michelangelo in the Sistine Chapel and view the splendid dome of St. Peter's Basilica.

Florence | *Insight Choice* Stroll to Piazza Santa Croce and immerse yourself in the essence of la dolce vita with a typical Italian treat in a local cafe, *or* see Michelangelo's 'David' in the Accademia Gallery, and admire the exquisite technique of Italy's most famous sculptor.

Pisa | See the marble baptistery, 11th-century cathedral and famous Leaning Tower in the Square of Miracles.

Venice | Delight in the magic of this charming city as you glide along the canals by gondola.

Venice | Witness the ancient skill of glass-blowing. Watch artisans create delicate pieces using traditional practices. This workshop directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Rome | Embrace the Lazio region's rich culinary heritage during a delightful dinner experience.

Tuscany | Visit Il Poggio to learn about organic olive and grape farming. Then enjoy a tasting and sit down to a fabulous dinner of Tuscan specialties, complemented by stunning views.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Amazing Spain & Portugal

Alhambra Palace, flamenco and a tart made from a 200-year-old secret recipe - embrace the old-world cultures of Spain and Portugal.

9 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 11 MEALS | LEISURELY



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available



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DEPARTURE MONTHS

Year-round

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/amazingspain**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO MADRID

While in Madrid, explore the elegant boulevards, expansive parks and varied architectural styles. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. **(D)**
Hotel: Canopy by Hilton Madrid Castellana/ Riu Plaza España, Madrid

TRANSFERS: Depart Madrid-Barajas (MAD) airport at 09:00, 11:30, 13:30 and 16:00.

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 | THE OLD CAPITAL OF TOLEDO AND ON TO GRANADA

Visit the fascinating city of Toledo, situated high above the River Tagus. This was Spain's capital during the Golden Era, where Arab, Jewish and Christian cultures flourished side-by-side through the Middle Ages. From here you will venture south to meet a local artisan in a Damascene workshop for a personal insight into this ancient craft, handed down by the Moors centuries ago. Then enjoy a walk within the city walls of Toledo, through the narrow cobbled streets, led by your Local Expert. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé, housing El Greco's famous painting, 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz.' Your journey continues to Granada. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Vincci Albayzín, Granada

DAY 3 | THE ALHAMBRA PALACE AND SEVILLE, CITY OF CARMEN

'Give him alms, woman, because there is nothing sadder in life than being blind in Granada,' proclaims the inscription on the walls of the Alhambra. Bathed in the morning light, the Alhambra Palace awaits - a fantasy of arabesque gardens, fountains and stone cut like lace. Explore with your Local Expert before visiting the exotic water gardens of the Generalife, the summer residence of the Spanish royals. Take a moment to relax in the sunshine as you enjoy the fine views over the town and its three verdant hills before continuing to Seville. Visit the Seville Cathedral, the burial place of Christopher Columbus. Explore the city with Insight Choice. Choose to embark on a walk through the old Jewish quarter. Alternatively, enjoy a drive with panoramic views. **(B)**
Hotel: Meliá Sevilla

DAY 4 | FREE TIME AND FLAMENCO IN SEVILLE

This day is yours to completely relax or continue exploring this fascinating city. Perhaps join an optional experience to Córdoba and visit the magnificent Mezquita, an 8th-century mosque with a Christian cathedral built inside it? Later, visit the Cristina Heeren Foundation, a private flamenco dance school and beneficiary of a TreadRight Foundation grant, for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Put your rhythm to the test during a dance lesson, before witnessing emotions come to life in a flamenco performance. **(B) (RS)**

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RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
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DAY 5 | ÉVORA AND ON TO LISBON
Continue to the lively university town of Évora, one of the best preserved medieval towns in Portugal, with architectural styles dating back to Roman Times. Visit the fascinating Capela dos Ossos, a chapel decorated with 5000 bones, before making your way to Lisbon. **(B) (RS)**
Hotel: Turim Saldanha

> *Portuguese custard tarts, pastéis de nata, only exist because of the nuns' laundry room. Egg whites were used to starch clothing and the remaining egg yolks were used to make the tarts.*
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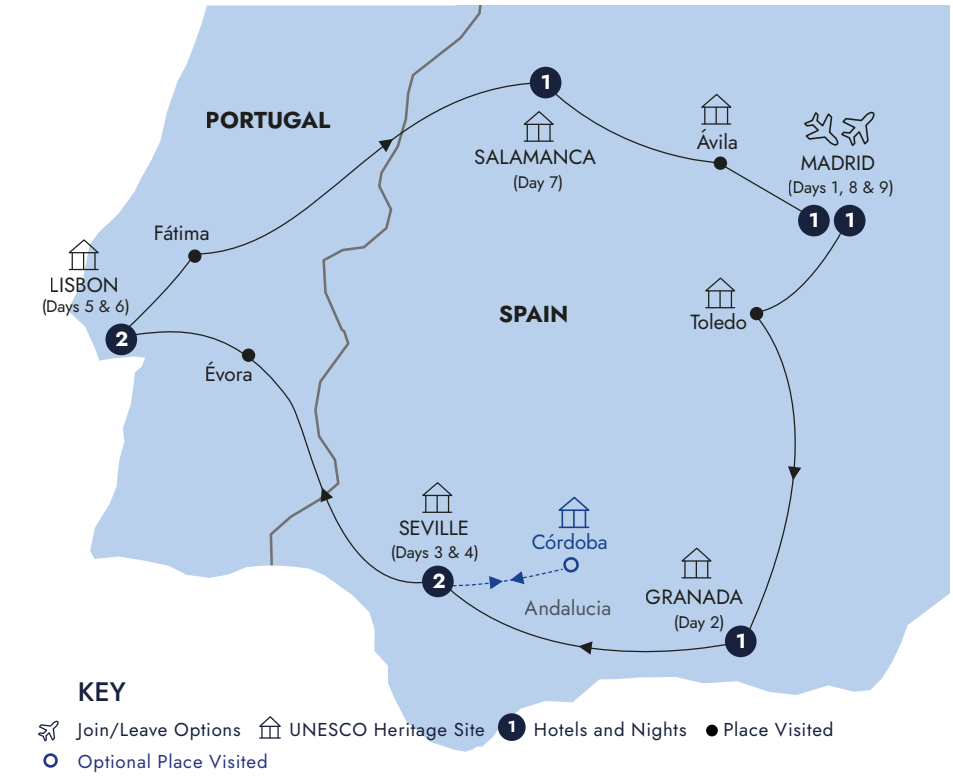
DAY 6 | LISBON AND THE AGE OF THE DISCOVERIES
During your stay, a guided orientation of the city with your Local Expert takes you to visit the Belém Quarter and enjoy a taste of Pastéis de Belém from the patisserie that has been using the same, secret recipe for almost 200 years. View the Monument to the Discoveries and the historic Belém Tower. This fortress was originally set in the middle of the river, but is now left high and dry on the riverbank. Visit the National Coach Museum. With the afternoon at your leisure, consider joining an optional experience to the beautiful Portuguese Riviera. **(B)**

DAY 7 | HOLY FÁTIMA AND SALAMANCA
Travel into the green hills north of Lisbon to visit Fátima, the most celebrated place of pilgrimage in Portugal. Visit the chapel commemorating the appearance of the Virgin Mary to three children in 1917. Cross the border, returning to Spain and continue to Salamanca, famous for its golden stone buildings and the handsome arcades of the Plaza Mayor. Across the River Tormes, see the Puente Romano with 15 of its 26 arches dating from the time of the ancient Romans. **(B)**
Hotel: Alameda Palace, Salamanca

DAY 8 | ÁVILA AND MADRID
Cross the rock-strewn hills of the Castile, to arrive at Ávila. Admire the impressive city still entirely enclosed within its 11th-century walls, a unique occurrence in Europe. Return to Madrid to explore more of the capital with your Local Expert. At a local restaurant, join your Travel Director and newfound friends for a lively dinner. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Canopy by Hilton Madrid Castellana

DAY 9 | DEPART MADRID
Today, bid a fond farewell to your memorable journey through Spain as you transfer to the airport and reflect on the experiences and adventures you've had. **(B)**

TRANSFERS: Arrive at the airport at 07:00, 09:00 and 11:00.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Toledo | At a Damascene workshop, meet a master artisan for a personal insight into the ancient craft of sword-making.

Seville | *Insight Choice* See the city's top sights on a panoramic tour with your Local Expert, *or* stroll through Barrio de Santa Cruz with a Local Expert and learn about its history.

Seville | Admire the cathedral's immense golden altarpiece and see the Tomb of Columbus held aloft by four kings.

Granada | Visit the famous Alhambra Palace and Generalife Gardens.

Évora | Stroll through charming cobblestone streets flanked by whitewashed facades and marvel at the haunting Chapel of Bones.

Lisbon | Explore with your Local Expert.

Salamanca | See the golden stone and arcades of Plaza Mayor, and learn about the unique traditions of this historic university city.

Seville | Visit the Cristina Heeren Foundation to learn flamenco steps and watch an evocative performance. This experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 4 and 11: Quality Education, and Sustainable Cities and Communities.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Madrid | Indulge in delicious food and wine at a characteristic restaurant of the city's vibrant center.

Lisbon | Delight in a taste of the famous Portuguese custard tart, Pastéis de Belém, made in a 19th-century bakery.

Madrid | Toast to your travels and enjoy local specialties in one of the city's elegant central neighborhoods.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Normandy, Brittany & The Loire Valley

Enjoy romance, glamor, gastronomy and elegance, including the fragrant gardens of Château de Villandry, one of the hidden gems of France.

8 DAYS | 1 COUNTRY | 10 MEALS | BALANCED



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Options available



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Trip code: E926

DEPARTURE MONTHS

March - October

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/normandy**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO PARIS
After checking in upon arrival, the capital is yours to explore. Meet your Travel Director for dinner at a local restaurant. **(D)**
Hotel: Le Méridien Etoile, Paris

TRANSFERS: Depart the airport at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

DAY 2 | ROUEN, HONFLEUR AND DEAUVILLE
Follow the River Seine to Rouen, capital of Normandy, to admire its ancient cathedral - a masterpiece of Gothic style and the subject of a series of paintings by Claude Monet. Wander through the narrow streets beneath the Great Clock to the Old Market Square. Here, a superb modern church memorializes the burning of Joan of Arc on this very spot in 1431. Continue to the charming fishing town of Honfleur and wander along the harbor or stroll through the colorful streets. Close by, meet a farming family who grow apples to produce local juice, cider and calvados of Normandy. Sample the local produce paired with Normandy cheese. Later, arrive at your luxurious hotel, located in the chic seaside resort of Deauville. **(B)**
Hotel: Barrière L'Hôtel du Golf, Deauville

DAY 3 | NORMANDY BEACHES AND D-DAY LANDINGS
Visit the bunkers and the Rangers Memorial at Pointe du Hoc with a Local Expert, then spend a few reflective moments at the American Military Cemetery of Saint-Laurent, near Omaha Beach. Explore Normandy with Insight Choice, visiting the D-Day Museum or alternatively visit the Bayeux Tapestry Museum, before being treated to a delightful Farm-to-Table dinner. **(B) (D)**

DAY 4 | MONT SAINT-MICHEL AND SAINT-MALO
Journey through bocage country and explore the hilltop abbey of Mont Saint-Michel with your Local Expert. Situated on an island, the abbey is reached by a bridge across the shining sands. Behind the outer ring of defenses huddles the small town – its singular street containing shops, cafés and hotels. Continue along the Emerald Coast to stunning Saint-Malo, situated on the Rance Estuary and one of the most charming places in France. A Local Expert will take you on an exploration of the City of the Corsairs. Walk through the maze of streets of Intra Muros, the walled city, home of Jacques Cartier and other celebrated voyagers. At your leisure, you can wander around the ramparts of the thick city walls, offering fantastic views over the old town and the bay. By night, the town's medieval maze of winding streets is abuzz with quaint bars and restaurants. Alternatively, you may wish to join an optional experience to Cancale, known throughout France for its oyster

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RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
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beds, for a delicious meal of fresh seafood and other Breton specialties. **(B)**
Hotel: Le Nouveau Monde, St Malo

DAY 5 | VILLANDRY EXPERIENCE

Head south to follow the valley of the Loire, passing the moated Angers Castle. Cross the Loire to Saumur, where a local vintner will guide you through tastings of the region's delicious wines. Head to Château de Villandry, the jewel of the Loire, to visit the glorious sustainable gardens on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Ensure you don't miss the water, ornamental and kitchen gardens. This stunning sea of fragrant green herbs, silvery cabbages and purple basil is grown organically to re-generate the local ecosystem. Continue to your very own castle hotel and admire its extensive gardens and potager. **(B)**
Hotel: Château de la Bourdaisière

DAY 6 | SCENIC DRIVE ALONG THE LOIRE VALLEY

Journey to the fairytale Château d'Azay-le-Rideau beautifully positioned on its own island, where your Local Expert will show you the château's decor and lightness of touch in the playful early Renaissance architecture. Return to your turreted château for relaxation. This evening, your dinner starts with a glass of local sparkling wine and continues with excellent service and delicious Farm-to-Table dishes in the most wholesome setting, ensuring the memory of your meal will linger long after you've returned home. **(B) (D)**

DAY 7 | LA BEAUCE AND CHARTRES TO PARIS, CITY OF LIGHT

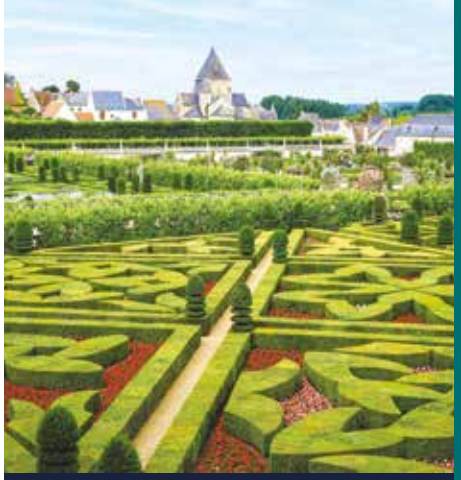
Traveling through the vast wheat fields of the the Beauce region, Chartres Cathedral, nicknamed the 'Acropolis of France' by August Rodin, looms large on the horizon. Enjoy a guided tour of this architectural delight. From here, return to the French capital where your Travel Director introduces you to the fabulous sights of Paris, including the vast Place de la Concorde, where the guillotine once stood. Travel up the Champs Élysées to Napoleon's Arc de Triomphe. After dark, the City of Light really lives up to its name, when the monuments, buildings and bridges are lit up in all their glory. For that special touch of excitement and glamor, don't miss the chance to experience a world-famous cabaret show. **(B)**
Hotel: Marriott Rive Gauche, Paris

DAY 8 | AU REVOIR PARIS

Today, bid farewell to your journey through the French countryside as you transfer to the airport. **(B)**

TRANSFERS: Arrive at the airport at 08:00 and 11:00.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Honfleur | See this charming fishing town.

Normandy | *Insight Choice* Visit the Bayeux Tapestry Museum in the heart of Old Bayeux, *or* visit the D-Day Museum in Arromanches and see the remnants of the artificial port in the bay.

Omaha Beach | With a Local Expert, spend a few reflective moments at the American Military Cemetery of Saint-Laurent.

Saint-Malo | Visit the labyrinthine streets to arrive at the cathedral. Later, enjoy the chance to walk along the fortifications and explore the city's nightlife at your leisure.

Angers | See the imposing château.

Azay-le-Rideau | During your visit to Château d'Azay-le-Rideau, your Local Expert will show you a jewel of the French Renaissance from the time of King Francis I.

Loire Valley | Discover the sustainable gardens of Château de Villandry. Now a hub for sustainability, preserving the estate's biological diversity, learn about the a sea of fragrant green herbs, silvery cabbages and purple basil grown organically to regenerate the local ecosystem. This experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 15: Life on Land.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Paris | Join your Travel Director and fellow guests at a local restaurant in the heart of the city for a delightful dinner served with wine.

Saumur | Learn about local grape varieties and regional wine-making traditions as you sample wines of the Loire Valley.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Country Roads of Bavaria, Switzerland & Austria

Ride a funicular to a mountaintop dinner at Stanserhorn, step aboard the Glacier Express for vistas of ice capped mountains and visit Neuschwanstein Castle.

12 DAYS | 3 COUNTRIES | 17 MEALS | BALANCED



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available



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Guest Review Rating

Trip code: E727

DEPARTURE MONTHS

April - October

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/crbavaria**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO VIENNA
Welcome to Vienna! Enjoy your afternoon before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers to enjoy dinner served with wine at a local restaurant. **(D)**
Hotel: InterContinental Vienna

TRANSFERS: Depart the airport at 10:00, 13:00 and 15:30.

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

DAY 2 | VIENNA AND THE HABSBURGS
Join our Local Expert on a private tour of Maria Theresa's magnificent Schönbrunn Palace and its formal gardens. Be transported to a time of opulence and extravagance, as you marvel at the intricacies of gilded Rococo frames, frescoed ceilings and crystal chandeliers. See the city's many highlights, including St. Charles' Church, the Hofburg Palace, Parliament and State Opera House. **(B)**

DAY 3 | ON TO SALZBURG
A short drive through wonderful Austrian countryside leads us to Salzburg. En route, visit Melk Abbey and Mondsee's Basilica St. Michael, easily recognizable due to its appearance in 'Sound of Music'. **(B)**
Hotel: Wyndham Grand Salzburg Conference Centre

DAY 4 | THE CITY OF MOZART
Join your Local Expert, who will show you the formal gardens of Mirabell Palace, Residenzplatz, the city's imposing fortress, and the immense cathedral in the Old Town. Visit Mozart's birthplace where you will enjoy a pianoforte demonstration and examine letters, memorabilia, and musical instruments of the great composer. In the evening, relish the authentic experience of Farm-to-Table dining. **(B) (D)**

DAY 5 | SALZBURG TO MUNICH
This morning, board a boat to explore the sites of picturesque Herrenchiemesee. Visit the palace and Fraueninsel convent. Enjoy time at leisure in the gardens over lunch before continuing by boat to Gstadt. Journey by coach to Munich, home of the world-famous Oktoberfest. This evening, revel in a truly Bavarian experience as you dine at a local beer hall. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Munich Marriott

DAY 6 | EXPLORE MUNICH AND DACHAU
Enjoy an orientation of Munich's sites including the university, Victory Arch and the Marienplatz, where crowds gather at the Town Hall to watch the antics of the Glockenspiel. Afterwards, explore with Insight Choice. Choose to join a Local Expert for a culinary walking tour in the city center. Alternatively, visit the Munich Residenz, Germany's largest inner-city palace and former seat of Bavarian royalty. Travel to Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial

INCLUDED MEALS: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)
RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
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Site for a moment of commemoration and remembrance. Reflect on the weighty history that marks the site and observe the importance of its preservation. **(B) (RS)**

DAY 7 | ON TO INNSBRUCK

Embark on an exciting visit to Neuschwanstein Castle (subject to availability), bristling with turrets and pinnacles and built as a retreat for the wildly eccentric King Ludwig II. See the extravagantly decorated apartments, including the Throne Room and Lohengrin courtyard. Continue to Oberammergau, home of the Passion Play since 1634. See the immense theater and admire the colorful painted chalets before driving on to the Tyrolean capital of Innsbruck, set in a valley of snow-capped mountain peaks. This evening, for your Dine-Around experience, choose from a fantastic selection of restaurants. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Innsbruck

DAY 8 | BEAUTIFUL INNSBRUCK

Awake to the beautiful Alpine city of Innsbruck. A Local Expert will guide you through the city to see the 14th-century houses of the Old Town, the impressive Imperial Palace and the delightful Golden Roof. Visit a nearby ski jump, set against staggering mountain vistas. Meet one of the ski jumpers and observe a demonstration jump. **(B)**

DAY 9 | THE ENGADINE VALLEY AND CHIC ST. MORITZ

Take in the stunning views of the beautiful Engadine Valley, as you enter Switzerland headed for the chic Alpine resort of St. Moritz. Enjoy the town's marvelous scenery, fresh air and maybe visit its many museums or shop for souvenirs. Perhaps experience one of Europe's outstanding train journeys over the Bernina Pass. **(B) (D) (RS)**
Hotel: Steffani/Crystal, St. Moritz

DAY 10 | ALL ABOARD THE GLACIER EXPRESS AND ON TO LUCERNE

Embark on an iconic train journey onboard the Glacier Express, taking in vistas of ice-capped mountains, stone-built villages and lush meadows. Rejoin the coach at Andermatt. Continue north, following the staggering Schöllenen Gorge through William Tell country. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience during a seasonal juice tasting. Your Travel Director will show you the beautiful and poignant Lion Monument, which honors the Swiss Guards in Lucerne. **(B)**
Hotel: Astoria, Lucerne

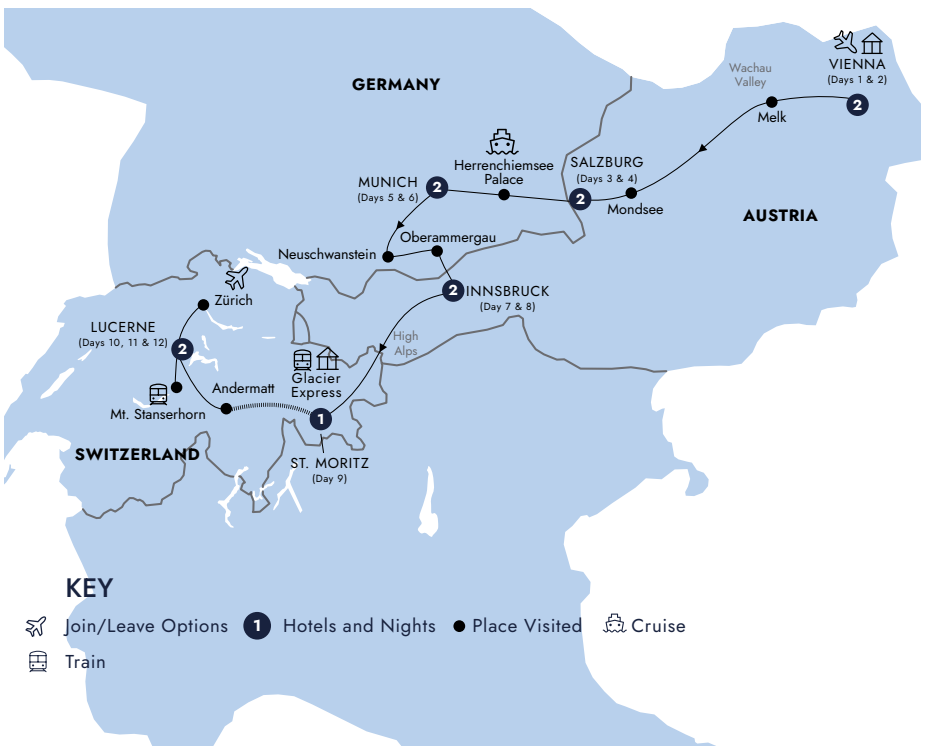
DAY 11 | DINNER AT THE 'ROOF OF EUROPE' IN STANSERHORN

Enjoy the morning at your leisure to explore the city's 14th century covered wooden bridge, painted gables, old walls and watchtower of the medieval fortifications. Stroll across the Chapel Bridge to the Jesuit Church, or use your free time to shop. Later, head to the town of Stans where you'll embark on a scenic journey by funicular railway and cable car, to the summit of the stunning Stanserhorn. On a clear day, there are views as far as Alsace in France and the Black Forest in Germany. Here amid true Alpine majesty, your journey literally peaks with an unforgettable dinner, hosted in Drehrestaurant Rondorama, located atop the mountain. Enjoy a glass of sparkling wine and admire the stunning panoramic views as the restaurant slowly rotates throughout the evening, ensuring you don't miss a thing. **(B) (D) (RS)**

DAY 12 | LEAVE LUCERNE FOR ZÜRICH

Your Alpine adventures end this morning with a transfer to Zurich airport. **(B)**

TRANSFER: Arrive at the airport at 08:00.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Salzburg | Visit the formal gardens of Mirabell Palace and Residence Square. See the imposing fortress and the immense cathedral.
Experience a Musical Demonstration at Mozart's Birthplace.

Munich | *Insight Choice* Embark on a culinary walking tour in the heart of the city, *or* visit the Residenz, the former royal palace of the Wittelsbach monarchs of Bavaria.

Oberammergau | Explore the town and see the theater where the Passion Play has been performed since 1634.

Innsbruck | Stroll the streets of the picturesque Old Town. Learn about its history and admire the Baroque and Gothic architecture.

Lucerne | See the emotive Lion Monument, Jesuit Church and Chapel Bridge.

Stanserhorn | Journey to the top of Mount Stanserhorn on a panoramic, open-top cable car powered by solar energy.

Stans | Taste a refreshing seasonal juice at a renovated Capuchin monastery producing sustainable crops from the alpine region. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Vienna | Savor traditional Viennese cuisine complemented with wine.

Innsbruck | Choose from a selection of Innsbruck's vibrant restaurants for your Dine-Around evening.

Stanserhorn | Enjoy expansive mountain views over Lake Lucerne for your special dinner.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Highlights of Eastern Europe

Meander through Berlin's Tiergarten, visit a historic brewery in Bohemia, and attend a Mozart and Strauss Concert dinner in Vienna.

14 DAYS | 6 COUNTRIES | 19 MEALS | BALANCED



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available

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DAY 1 | WELCOME TO BUDAPEST
Budapest sets the scene for a memorable journey around Eastern Europe. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers at a local restaurant for dinner, a treat of mouth-watering Hungarian specialties. **(D)**

TRANSFERS: Depart the airport at 10:00, 13:00 and 16:00.

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

Hotel: Kempinski Corvinus Budapest

DAY 2 | DELVE INTO BUDAPEST
Visit the *Liszt Academy of Music for a guided tour, followed by an enchanting recital. Stroll through the alleys of the Old Town of Buda with a Local Expert to admire the façade of Matthias Church and take in the views from the Fisherman's Bastion. In the evening, perhaps choose an Optional Experience to see this fairy-tale city as you cruise along the Danube and enjoy a meal of Hungarian specialties. (*On some occasions, the Liszt Academy will be replaced by an organ recital at the Matthias Church.) **(B) (RS)**

DAY 3 | THE MOUNTAINS TO KRAKÓW
Travel through Slovakia, passing the breathtaking Low Tatra Mountains. Stop at scenic Donovaly. See Oravský Hrad Castle before continuing to historic Kraków. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Mercure Kraków Stare Miasto

DAY 4 | THE DAMSELS AND DRAGONS OF KRAKÓW
Join a Local Expert to explore Kraków and ascend Wawel Hill to visit the cathedral. Walk through the Old Town, to Europe's largest and most beautiful town square and see the medieval Cloth Hall. Visit the 14th-century St. Mary's Basilica before enjoying time to explore at leisure. Why not join an optional experience and journey into a glistening subterranean world at the 600-year-old Wieliczka Salt Mines? In a maze of tunnels deep below the surface, witness unique salt sculptures, sunken lakes and even a glorious cathedral carved entirely out of rock salt. **(B) (RS)**

DAY 5 | AUSCHWITZ AND ON TO WARSAW
Join a Local Expert for a visit to Auschwitz, infamous for its role during the Holocaust. Spend reflective moments amid the remains of the concentration camp and the memorials. Continue across the Polish plains to the capital, Warsaw. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: The Westin Warsaw

DAY 6 | THE POLISH CAPITAL OF WARSAW
Join a Local Expert in the morning to see the Old Town, Royal Castle and Palace of Culture. Visit the Chopin Memorial in the Łazienki Park. Pay your respects at the Monument to the Ghetto Heroes and then enjoy a free afternoon to explore at your own pace. **(B) (RS)**

INCLUDED MEALS: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)
RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
HOTELS: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: E958

DEPARTURE MONTHS

April - October

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/highlightseasterneurope**

DAY 7 | WIELKOPOLSKA TO BERLIN
Your route leads westward, across the rolling farmlands of the central plains, over the Oder River to enter Germany. **(B)**
Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton Berlin Ku'damm

DAY 8 | THE SPIRIT OF BERLIN
Join a Local Expert for a drive through the leafy Tiergarten to the refurbished Reichstag building and see the Brandenburg Gate. On the eastern side, take the Unter den Linden past the State Opera House to Museum Island. **(B) (RS)**

DAY 9 | DRESDEN AND GOLDEN PRAGUE
In Dresden, see the reconstructed Frauenkirche and the 'Procession of the Princes' on the wall of the Royal Palace. Explore around the Catholic cathedral to view the tiered façades of the opera house and the Baroque Zwinger Palace. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Hermitage Prague

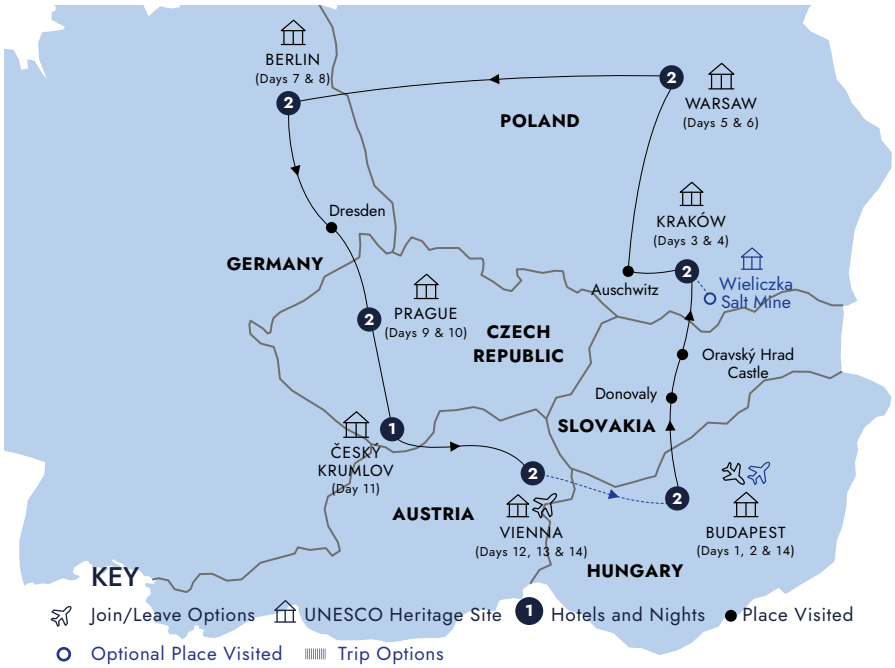
DAY 10 | PRAGUE, CITY OF A HUNDRED SPIRES
Explore Prague with your Local Expert. Walk the courtyards of the castle and visit the imposing St. Vitus Cathedral. The city is then yours to explore. Perhaps take a river cruise through the heart of the city or walk in the footsteps of kings along the Royal Route. Czechs are passionate about their beer, so be sure to try the local pilsners, paired with hearty Czech cuisine. **(B)**

DAY 11 | BOHEMIAN ČESKÝ KRUMLOV
Travel to the medieval town of Český Krumlov to walk the narrow cobbled streets and visit the centuries old castle. Visit a historic brewery to sample the beer and discover the secrets of this golden vintage. After the day trippers have left, soak up the unique atmosphere of this UNESCO World Heritage Site at a local restaurant. Enjoy a traditional Czech dinner of local specialties. **(B) (D) (RS)**
Hotel: Old Inn, Český Krumlov

DAY 12 | STATELY VIENNA
Cross the border into Austria and enjoy a delightful journey to Vienna. The afternoon is free for you to explore this stately capital. **(B) (RS)**
Hotel: Hilton Vienna Plaza, Hilton Vienna Park

DAY 13 | THE HABSBURGS OF VIENNA
Join your Local Expert for a private visit of Maria Theresa's Schönbrunn Palace and its formal gardens. Take some great photos on a circuit of the Ring Road that showcases architectural masterpieces such as the Opera House, Hofburg Imperial Residence, Austrian Parliament Building and Karlskirche. Explore Vienna with Insight Choice. Choose between a visit to a traditional Viennese café to enjoy local specialties of coffee and Sachertorte or alternatively, join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience during an inclusive workshop and take to the floor in a Viennese Waltz dance workshop designed to support the visually impaired community. Enjoy a delicious meal of traditional Austrian fare with drinks at a local restaurant, before sitting down to an extraordinary concert of Viennese classical music. **(B) (D)**

DAY 14 | DEPART VIENNA OR BUDAPEST
Transfer to Vienna International airport this morning, or continue to Budapest, arriving at the Budapest International airport in the early afternoon. For those extending their stay, a stop is also made at the Kempinski Hotel Budapest. **(B)**
TRANSFER: Arrive to Vienna International airport at 8:00.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Budapest | Enjoy a tour of the Liszt Music Academy, followed by an enchanting recital performed by a student.

Berlin | Drive along the Ku'Damm, passing the Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church and through Tiergarten to the Reichstag building.

Cesky Krumlov | Explore the medieval streets of this fairy-tale town.

Vienna | Join your Local Expert for a private visit of Maria Theresa's Schönbrunn Palace and its formal gardens. Tour the Ring Road to see the Hofburg Imperial Residence, Opera House, Parliament Building and Karlskirche.

Vienna | *Insight Choice* Learn the Viennese Waltz in an inclusive workshop designed to support the visually impaired community. 'Dancing without Barriers' takes place in a specially designed sensory studio, promising a unique experience for all your senses, *or* visit a traditional coffeehouse to enjoy Viennese specialties of coffee and Sachertorte.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Cesky Krumlov | Experience South Bohemian flavors and hospitality when you choose from a selection of regional specialties in a local restaurant in the town center.

Cesky Krumlov | Tour a local brewery to discover the secrets of how the golden vintage of beer is made, followed by a sampling.

Vienna | Delight your senses as you savor an Imperial Viennese dinner, then take in a classical music concert paying homage to the genius of Strauss and Mozart.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Spectacular Rockies and Glaciers of Alberta

with Rocky Mountaineer Option

Discover Jasper and Banff National Parks, and sleep in a glacial view hotel. Cruise across Maligne Lake and take a forest walk with a First Nations Cree Iroquois Guide.

8 DAYS | 1 COUNTRY | 11 MEALS | DYNAMIC



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available

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DEPARTURE MONTHS

May - September

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/alberta**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO BANFF
Your stay at a historic mountain resort in Banff awaits. After your arrival at Calgary airport, if you have purchased an airport transfer, your driver will transport you to the hotel. Built in the distinctive Canadian Château style, it is one of the earliest examples of the country's grand railway hotels. Tonight, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner. **(D)**
Hotel: Fairmont Banff Springs, Banff National Park

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 | EXPLORING BANFF
Connect with nature as you join a memorable MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience with a First Nations Cree Iroquois Local Expert. Discover First Nations culture on a guided walk through the Boreal Forest, learning about the significance of plants and animals, such as bears. This afternoon, choose to discover the history and culture of the Rocky Mountains of Canada at the Whyte Museum or learn about the history of the Fairmont Banff Springs from knowledgeable ambassadors. **(B)**

DAY 3 | A TRIP TO LAKE LOUISE
The Three Sisters Peak or Mt Assiniboine will impress on this morning's optional helicopter flights (weather dependent). Make your way to Moraine Lake (seasonal) – the largest glacially fed lake in Canada – for a photo stop before a decadent lunch at Chateau Lake Louise. Marvel as you're surrounded by soaring peaks and the majesty of the Victoria Glacier. Capture a photo or two of the turquoise Lake Louise and rugged backdrop of one of the most famous mountain vistas in the world before returning to Banff and enjoying the rest of your day at leisure. This evening, opt for a scenic end to your day by taking the Banff Gondola ride. **(B) (L) (RS)**

DAY 4 | LAKES, MOUNTAINS AND GLACIERS
Glaciers, waterfalls, and peaks are revealed on this morning's visit to Yoho National Park. Your journey includes photo opportunities at Emerald Lake (seasonal) before taking the Icefields Parkway, one of the most beautiful drives on the planet. Admire the dramatic scenery of the Rockies with plenty of photo opportunities. A warm welcome greets you at the country's first and only glacier-view resort over a Champagne reception and nibbles. Before dinner, take advantage of the long daylight hours and set out for an after-hours visit to the Columbia Icefield Skywalk, a glass-floored walkway above the Sunwapta Valley featuring waterfalls and wildlife. After your Skywalk visit, indulge in a delicious, Canadian-inspired, locally sourced dinner, sip cocktails and marvel at the spectacular glacier views surrounding the restaurant. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Glacier View Lodge, Jasper National Park

INCLUDED MEALS: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)
RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
HOTELS: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

DAY 5 | GLACIER ADVENTURE
Before other travelers arrive, venture onto the Athabasca Glacier in a massive Ice Explorer for your special, before-hours visit. Join your Local Expert and walk on the frozen flow of ice. Discover the beauty and immensity of the glacier as you learn about the history and geology of the region. Continue along the magnificent Icefields Parkway further into Jasper National Park with its soothing mineral hot springs, colorful meadows and majestic mountains. **(B) (RS)**
Hotel: Forest Park Hotel, Jasper National Park

> *Canada has more lakes than the rest of the world combined. You will have the chance to visit a few of the most significant ones.*
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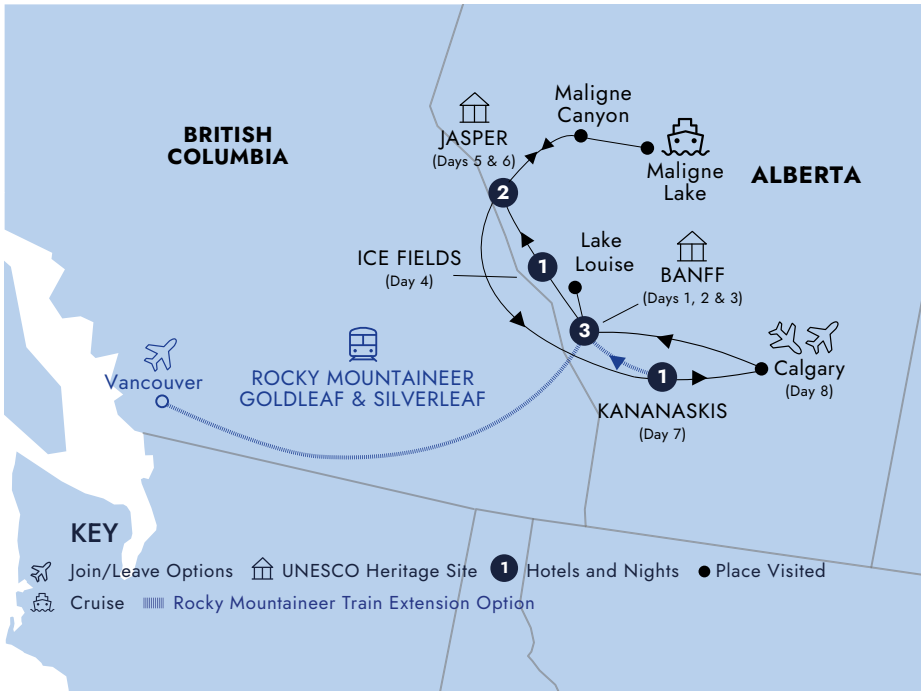
DAY 6 | EXPLORING JASPER
Enjoy a relaxed start this morning or join the fun and experience an optional easy rafting, scenic float trip down the Athabasca River, a designated Canadian Heritage River. A National Park licensed guide will provide commentary on the human and natural history of Jasper while navigating you along the same route used by the "fur traders" over 2 centuries ago. Don't worry, the guides do all the rowing; you sit back and enjoy while exploring all the spectacular scenery. There is always a chance of seeing various wildlife including elk, deer, moose, coyotes, wolves, eagles, ospreys, mountain sheep and bears. Later, join your Travel Director on an informative walk in Maligne Canyon, the deepest gorge in Jasper National Park. As you cruise across the crystal waters of magical Maligne Lake (seasonal), fed by the glaciers of Jasper National Park and glide past the jagged mountain peaks, you'll discover why it's been declared the "Best Boat Cruise in Canada." **(B) (RS)**

DAY 7 | JOURNEY TO KANANASKIS
This morning, enjoy a scenic drive down to Kananaskis, often kept as a secret mountain sanctuary for locals, away from the masses that visit neighboring Banff National Park. Enjoy the late afternoon to yourself to discover the local trails surrounding your upscale hotel nestled in the wilderness, or head to the Nordic Spa located steps away from the lodge. Tonight, come together with your fellow travelers for a festive dinner and toast to your wonderful trip in the Canadian Rockies. **(B) (D)**
Hotel: Pomeroy Kananaskis Mountain Lodge, Autograph Collection

DAY 8 | FAREWELL CANADA
After breakfast, you are transferred to Calgary Airport where your journey comes to an end. **(B)**
TRANSFER: Arrive the airport at 12:00.

Rocky Mountaineer Option

Customize your vacation by adding a two-day Rocky Mountaineer post-extension.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Banff | *Insight Choice* Discover history and culture at the Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies, *or* learn about the history of Fairmont Banff Springs, discover highlights and stories that took place around the iconic hotel.

Moraine Lake | Enjoy a scenic stop at a glacier-fed lake.

Icefields Parkway | Enjoy an after-hours visit to the amazing Glacier Skywalk. Step onto the cliff-edged, glass-floored walkway rising 918 ft (280 meters) above the valley. See glaciers and soaring mountain peaks on one of the most scenic drives in North America.
Enjoy a before-hours visit onto the Athabasca Glacier.

Maligne Canyon | Walk on the trails of the deepest canyon in Jasper National Park.

Maligne Lake | Relax on board a narrated cruise on serene waters as you glide past jagged mountain peaks to Spirit Island.

Banff | Join a First Nations Cree Iroquois Local Expert and take a walk in the Boreal forest. Learn how their ancestors survived off the land and used the plants as medicines. Listen to amazing stories about First Nations culture and their relationship with local nature and wildlife. Your experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 5 & 11: Gender Equality & Sustainable Cities and Communities.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Banff | Enjoy dinner at Fairmont Banff Springs Hotel.

Icefields Parkway | Dine at the Glacier View Lodge, where a seasonal menu tempts your tastebuds.

Kananaskis | Dine on fresh, regional ingredients at Kananaskis Mountain Lodge.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Peru with Machu Picchu & the Nazca Lines

Fly above the Nazca Lines, tour the ancient Koricancha temple and adventure through Machu Picchu and the ruins at Ollantaytambo.

13 DAYS | 1 COUNTRY | 25 MEALS | DYNAMIC



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available



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DEPARTURE MONTHS

March - November

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/perunazca**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO LIMA
Arrive in Lima for the first day of your journey. In the evening meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers at the hotel bar for a dinner and drinks. **(D)**
Hotel: MGallery Manto, Lima

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 | EXPLORE LIMA
Explore the colorful capital of Peru this morning with your Local Expert. Delve into its colonial past and see key attractions. Visit Casa Aliaga, an impressive mansion that has been home to the Aliaga family for 17 generations. For those with an appreciation for art, head to Museo Larco, a private museum located in Lima's Pueblo Libre District. It is the highest-rated museum in South America and houses one of the largest collection of Pre-Columbian art. Indulge in a lunch in a stunning garden setting. After lunch, meet a Local Expert who will take you around the Museo Larco and share the museum's private collection with you. Delve into Peruvian culture, its ancient history and the country's religious beliefs. **(B) (L) (RS)**

DAY 3 | LIMA TO SACRED VALLEY
After a morning flight to Cusco, begin your exploration with a tour of the Sacred Valley, while taking in impressive views on your scenic drive along the way. Enjoy lunch at Altar Inca, surrounded by some of the most stunning sights of the region. Arrive at your hotel for a leisurely evening where you can rest and adjust to the altitude in total comfort and anticipate another exciting day in the Sacred Valley. **(B) (L)**
Hotel: Aranwa Sacred Valley Hotel & Wellness, Urubamba

DAY 4 | EXPLORE SACRED VALLEY
Begin the day with a visit to the stunning Maras salt pans before heading to an Incan laboratory in Moray, located on an archaeological site close to Cusco. Then join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience and visit a local traditional Quechua weaver where you will learn first-hand about ancient weaving techniques and the importance these textiles have in shaping both personal and regional identities. Make your way to Laguna Piuray where you'll enjoy your lunch of Pachamanca, a traditional Peruvian feast. In the evening, transfer to Hacienda Huayoccari, a gem of the Sacred Valley. Explore its grounds and sit down for a special dinner made with local farm-grown produce. **(B) (L) (D) (RS)**

DAY 5 | EXPLORE MACHU PICCHU
Board and prepare to be stunned for your 360° Inca Rail train ride that takes you through countless stunning sights of Peru. On the way, visit the Ollantaytambo ruins and stop at a local house in the village to meet the family living there for fantastic local insight into the region. In the afternoon, it is finally time to visit Machu Picchu, where you'll meet Local Experts for a

INCLUDED MEALS: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)
RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
HOTELS: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

guided visit in small groups. They will take you through the countless ruins and explain their historical and archaeological significance, as well as the importance of their location. End your day with a relaxing dinner and drinks at your hotel. **(B) (D) (RS)**
Hotel: Sumaq Machu Picchu, Aguas Calientes

DAY 6 | MACHU PICCHU AT LEISURE

Take in the beauty and history of Machu Picchu for a second time, spending your morning exploring at your own pace. The afternoon is yours at leisure to continue your explorations. Then in the evening head to a fantastic dinner with your fellow travelers. **(B) (D) (RS)**

DAY 7 | ON TO CUSCO

After breakfast, return by train to Ollantaytambo, where you will transfer to the ancient city of Cusco. Once you arrive, head out on a walking tour with a Local Expert. Visit its cathedral and the Koricancha temple, the most important temple in the Inca Empire. The evening is yours at leisure. **(B) (RS)**
Hotel: JW Marriott El Convento, Cusco

DAY 8 | EXPLORING CUSCO

Start your day with a walking tour of Sacsayhuaman. Afterwards, explore with Insight Choice. Choose to join a Local Expert on a guided hike of the Inca ruins at Puca Pucara. Alternatively, you can explore the lively and colorful San Pedro Market. Later, make your way to the city's planetarium for a private, after-hours tour, sample some local delicacies and hot wine as you gaze at the night sky. **(B) (L) (RS)**

DAY 9 | LEISURE TIME IN CUSCO

Today, explore Cusco at your own pace. Perhaps head out on an optional visit to the ChocoMuseo to learn about chocolate making. Another active option is a hike to the Rainbow Mountain. Or maybe relax and unwind at your hotel, set in a beautiful 16th-century building.

In the evening, join your fellow travelers for a memorable dinner at Inka Grill. **(B) (D) (RS)**

DAY 10 | FROM THE ANDES TO THE COAST

Depart Cusco and fly to Lima. From here, enjoy a leisurely coastal drive to the beach town of Paracas. Known for its sandy beaches, wildlife and the Paracas Candelabra geoglyph. With the rest of your evening free, take the opportunity to relax at your beautiful resort right on the beach. Take a cooling dip in one of their two swimming pools or stroll through the fragrant gardens. **(B) (L)**
Hotel: A Luxury Collection Resort, Paracas

DAY 11 | PARACAS & THE NAZCA LINES

This morning meet a local fisherman to learn about their daily life and routine. Afterwards, take in the area from above with an aircraft ride over the mysterious Nazca Lines. This is truly the best way to experience this stunning UNESCO World Heritage Site in all its glory. **(B) (D)**

DAY 12 | BALLESTAS ISLANDS AND PERUVIAN WILDLIFE

Have your cameras at the ready as you head out on a scenic cruise to the Ballestas Islands famous for their rock formations and marine life. Explore this beautiful area before heading to visit a pisco distillery for a tasting of the local spirit. Then head to Ica, stop at a local museum where you'll learn more about the city's culture. **(B) (L)**

DAY 13 | CHINCHA AND RETURN TO LIMA

Embark on your return to Lima, stopping at Hacienda San Jose. You'll get a tour of the plantation and learn more about a dark chapter in Peruvian history and the area's heart-breaking past of slavery in the cotton business. End your tour in Lima. **(B) (L)**

TRANSFER: Arrive at the airport at 18:00.





HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Lima | Tour Museo Larco's collection of Pre-Columbian art.

Sacred Valley | Visit Moray where you'll learn how the Incas determined the ideal altitude to grow crops.
Visit the Maras Salt Mine.
Visit the Ollantaytambo ruins built in the 1400s.

Machu Picchu | Enjoy a guided visit with a Local Expert.
Journey in style on your 360° IncaRail train ride.

Cusco | *Insight Choice* Explore San Pedro Market, *or* join a guided hike of the Inca ruins in Puca Pucara.

Cusco | Enjoy an after-hours Planetarium visit to learn how the Incas interpreted the stars.
Explore the Incan archeological site of Sacsayhuaman.

Paracas | Take to the skies to see the iconic Nazca Lines.
Delve into the history of the nation's beloved drink, pisco during a tasting at a local distillery.
Enjoy a scenic cruise to the Ballestas Islands.

Sacred Valley | Visit a local traditional Quechua weaver in the Sacred Valley for a private textile presentation. Your experience advances UN Global Goals 5 & 10: Gender Equality & Reduced Inequalities.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Lima | Indulge in Peruvian cuisine amidst the lush garden setting at Museo Larco.

Sacred Valley | Enjoy a lunch of Pachamanca, a traditional Peruvian feast.

Cusco | Savor a slow-cooked Cusquenian lunch in the courtyard of a historic mansion.

For all inclusions see tour page online.

Classical India with Nepal

Meet women who have summitted Everest in Kathmandu. Gain fascinating insights into the Mughal Empire in Old Delhi. Experience a spectacular sunrise cruise on the River Ganges.

12 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 20 MEALS | BALANCED



SMALL GROUP TOUR
Options available



Trip code: A505

DEPARTURE MONTHS

January - April + September - December

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/indianepal**

DAY 1 | WELCOME TO KATHMANDU

Welcome to Nepal! On arrival at Tribhuvan International Airport you will be greeted by a representative and transferred to your hotel. Meet your Travel Director and venture out in Thamel on a rickshaw ride. Later, head to a local restaurant for dinner and drinks. **(D)**
Hotel: The Soaltee, Kathmandu

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.

DAY 2 | KATHMANDU THE CITY OF BEAUTY

Start with a morning visit to the city of Kathmandu and see the tranquil Swayambhunath temple. Later, stop in Patan, the third-largest city in Nepal, for lunch. In the afternoon, explore the city's stunning architecture with a Local Expert. Highlights include the Golden Temple, Durbar Square and Mul Chowk. Enjoy the flavors of the region in the evening with an indulgent dinner. **(B) (L) (D)**

DAY 3 | KATHMANDU'S SPIRITUAL HISTORY

Delve into Kathmandu's spiritual history with a morning visit to the Pashupatinath Temple on the banks of the Bagmati River and take in the impressive Boudhanath Stupa. Next you'll head to the city of Bhadgaon, before visiting a local pottery workshop, where a local craftsman will provide a demonstration. In the evening, head to an inspirational talk by a woman who summited the Earth's highest mountain above sea level, Mount Everest. **(B)**

DAY 4 | ON TO VIBRANT DELHI

Head to the airport for your flight to Delhi, India. On arrival, you'll be taken to your modern hotel. Later, join your group and Travel Director for a trip to the Akshardham Temple. Also known as Swaminarayan Akshardham, this Hindu temple is a spiritual and cultural campus dedicated to devotion, learning and harmony. **(B)**
Hotel: Le Méridien, New Delhi

DAY 5 | EXPLORING NEW AND OLD DELHI

This morning, head on an exciting sightseeing tour of Old Delhi and New Delhi. Enjoy a rickshaw ride through the Chandni Chowk bazaar in Old Delhi and drive past the Red Fort, the main residence of the Mughal dynasty until 1856. In the afternoon, visit a Sikh temple and its community kitchen, a place preparing and serving free vegetarian meals to those in need. Later, drive past the Presidential Palace, India Gate and Parliament House, before ending the day with a tour of Humayun's Tomb. **(B) (RS)**

DAY 6 | THE PINK CITY

Move on to Jaipur, more affectionately known as the Pink City. Before lunch, enjoy a visit to the Heritage Transport Museum in Haryana, a fascinating showcase of the evolution of transport in India. Later, join your Travel

INCLUDED MEALS: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)
RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
HOTELS: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Director for an evening visit to a flower and spice market. Dine at the esteemed Dera Amer, an ethical sanctuary for animals. Situated in the wilderness close to Jaipur, this outdoor dining experience truly connects you to nature under the stars. **(B) (L) (D) (RS)**
Hotel: ITC Rajputana, Jaipur

DAY 7 | DELVE INTO JAIPUR
Ascend by jeep to Amber Fort. Built in 1592 by Raja Man Singh, its royal halls mesmerize with their ivory, mirrors, glass and exquisite paintings. Experience India's spiritual majesty, with a special blessing ceremony. In the afternoon, take a city tour of Jaipur and see the Hawa Mahal, the Palace of Winds, and visit the City Palace Museum. Explore Jaipur with Insight Choice. Choose to visit the royal observatory and see Jantar Mantar, featuring the world's largest stone sundial. Alternatively, join your Local Expert for a walk through the city's old lanes and see artisans working with age-old techniques. **(B) (D)**

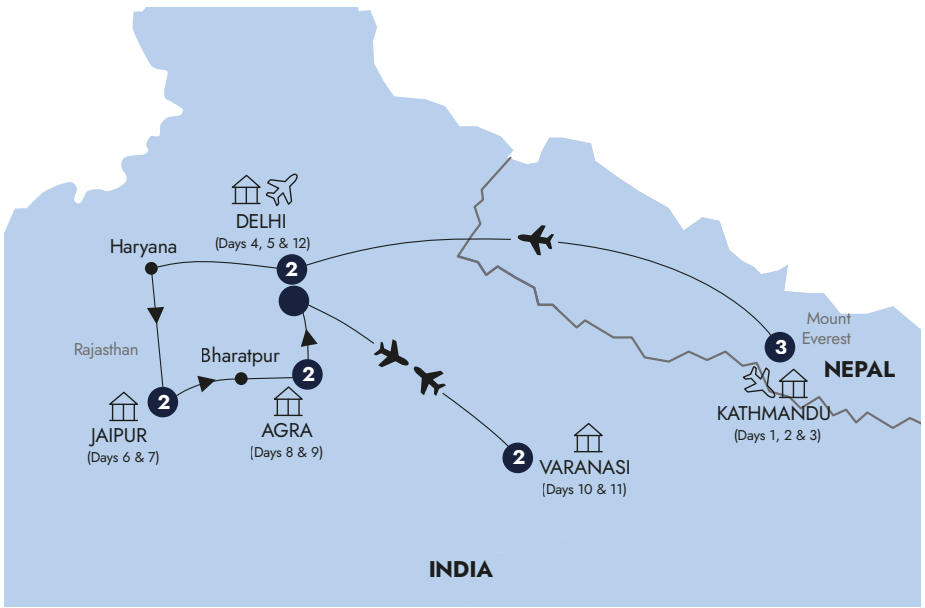
DAY 8 | JAIPUR TO AGRA
In the morning depart for Agra, home to the spectacular Taj Mahal. Along the way stop for lunch at the beautiful Laxmi Niwas Palace in Bharatpur. When you arrive in Agra, the evening is yours at leisure. Why not make the most of the amenities at your hotel. **(B) (L)**
Hotel: Jaypee Palace, Agra

DAY 9 | THE TAJ MAHAL
Wake early for a visit to the Taj Mahal in its best light, and continue on to Agra Fort. Explore Agra with Insight Choice. Choose to join a guided walk through Kachhpura to discover the life of local farmers. Enjoy tea and pakora on a rooftop with views of the Taj Mahal. Alternatively, join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience and visit the 'Sheroes' Café. This local business supports female victims of acid attacks who refuse to give up and instead fight for a better life. Catch up with your fellow travelers over dinner at your hotel this evening. **(B) (D)**

DAY 10 | ON TO VARANASI
Travel to Delhi and take a flight to Varanasi, one of the holiest cities in Hinduism. On arrival you'll be checked into your luxury hotel, the Taj Ganges. In the evening, participate in an Aarti on the ghats, where you'll offer prayers to the River Ganges. This spiritual ceremony is performed daily to honor the River Goddess Ganga. It is a Hindu ritual of worship and involves hundreds of diyas and flowers released onto the river. **(B)**
Hotel: Taj Ganges, Varanasi

DAY 11 | THE HOLY CITY OF VARANASI
Wake early for a sunrise boat cruise on the River Ganges, followed by a visit to an Akhara. Return to your hotel for breakfast before heading on a tour of Varanasi. See the Sarnath, a sacred deer park where Gautama Buddha first taught the Dharma and the Buddhist Sangha first came into existence through Kondanna's enlightenment. Later, enjoy a delicious dinner at your hotel. **(B) (D)**

DAY 12 | LEAVE VARANASI FOR DELHI
End your trip with a relaxing early morning yoga session at your hotel, before breakfast. Transfer to the airport and head back to Delhi before your onward flights. Please do not schedule flights before 9pm. **(B)**



KEY

Join/Leave Options · Included Flights · UNESCO Heritage Site · 1 Hotels and Nights · Place Visited



HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

Premium Experiences

Kathmandu | Visit sacred Swayambhunath, known as the Monkey Temple after its mischievous inhabitants.
Visit the colossal stupa, Boudhanath.
Hear an inspirational talk led by a woman who summited Mount Everest.

Delhi | See the Red Fort and Qutub Minar. Drive along the Rajpath to view the India Gate and Parliament House.

Jaipur | Ascend by jeep to stroll through the sprawling complex of courtyards and halls of Amber Fort.

Jaipur | *Insight Choice* visit the royal observatory and see Jantar Mantar, a collection of 18th century architectural astronomical instruments, *or* walk through the city's old lanes and see artisans working with age-old techniques.

Varanasi | Join a Local Expert in India's religious rituals to learn more about the colorful candlelit tradition of Aarti chanting music.
Take a dawn cruise past the Ghats on the Ganges River - an experience never to be forgotten.

Agra | Visit the 'Sheroes Café', a local business run by women survivors of acid attacks. Your visit supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 5: Gender Equality and UN Sustainable Development and Goal 10: Reduced Inequalities.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

Premium Dining

Jaipur | Enjoy a special dining experience at the Dera Amer, the venue's purpose is to maintain an area of natural beauty, while protecting its wildlife.

Agra | Dine for lunch at the beautiful Laxmi Niwas Palace in Bharatpur.

Varanasi | Toast to your travels over dinner at your hotel.

For all inclusions see tour page online.



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Guests being greeted by Benny the bagpiper, Ashford Castle



EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum, Dublin

"It all starts with a name, your name, your family's name. Then our experts walk you through time and help find the unfindable.

DAVID CLEARY | DIRECTOR OF SALES, EPIC

The story in a name

For anyone lucky enough to have Irish roots, a visit to EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum in Dublin is a must. This multi-award-winning, family-friendly attraction tells the story of the 10 million Irish people that emigrated over a 1,500-year period through 20 interactive galleries.

Just upstairs is the Irish Family History Centre, where individual stories can be brought to life through genealogy sessions. "It all starts with a name, your name, your family's name." says David Cleary, the Director of Sales at EPIC. "Our experts walk you through time and help find the unfindable. From parish records of births, marriages and deaths to pet records and court appearances."

Uncovering details from the past or deepening your understanding of your family history is an immesurably meaningful experience that should not be missed.

Experience EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum on: Enchanting Ireland p.52.



A storied castle

For 800 years, Ashford Castle has looked out onto the waters of Lough Corrib. Once the home of Irish brewing royalty, the Guinness family, it is now one of the most sought-after destinations in the Celtic Isles.

A stay at Ashford is an immersion in luxury, history and Irish culture. Experience a rousing bagpipe greeting across the lichen-flecked bridge. Stay in individually designed, elegantly appointed rooms, dine in the grandeur of the George V Dining Room or take a hawk for a walk at Ireland's oldest falconry school.

This remarkable 350-acre estate is a place where time halts its march, allowing you to engage, indulge and relax in the finest of comforts, while becoming a welcome addition to the castle's enduring legacy.

Stay at Ashford Castle on these trips: Focus on Ireland (online) and Ashford Castle & Ireland's Icons p.56

Stories forged by nature

On the famed Ring of Kerry, there's a man with a plan to teach people about one of Ireland's most prolific plants: Seaweed. John Fitzgerald, the guide and educator at the Deluxe Coastal Seaweed Experience introduces people to this amazing algae, and how protecting coastal ecosystems is vital for our future.

"Seaweeds have formed the first step in the food chain around our shores. They play a key role in the production of everything from skincare products to non–toxic fertilizer. Over 50% of our oxygen comes from algae, so we need to protect it. It's like the Amazon rainforest, only way, way bigger."

Learn how to find, identify and sustainably harvest a range of seaweeds fresh from the rocks, try some seaweed toast and other seaweed foodstuffs, all while taking in the incredible Kerry coast scenery.

This MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience is available on: Irish Elegance (online), Enchanting Ireland p.52 and Romantic Britain & Ireland (online).



John Fitzgerald, Deluxe Coastal Seaweed Experience, Derrynane



High tea at Ardgowan Estate, Scotland



George V Dining Room, Ashford Castle

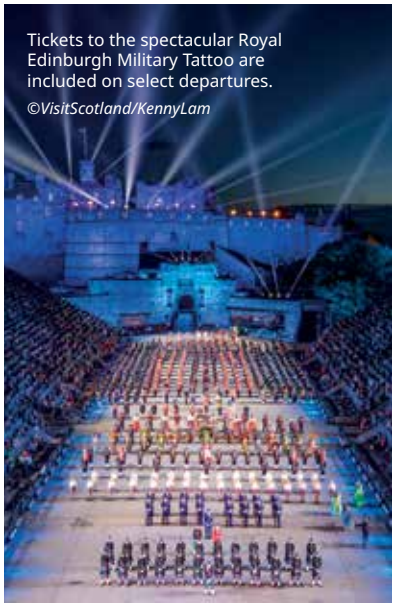
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The joy in being a Travel Director is proudly showing off our corner of the world to our guests. We love to share the who, why, where and when behind every place we go and add a local twist.

BARBARA LONG | TRAVEL DIRECTOR, IRELAND



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Jaunting Car, Killarney



Whisky tasting, Scotland



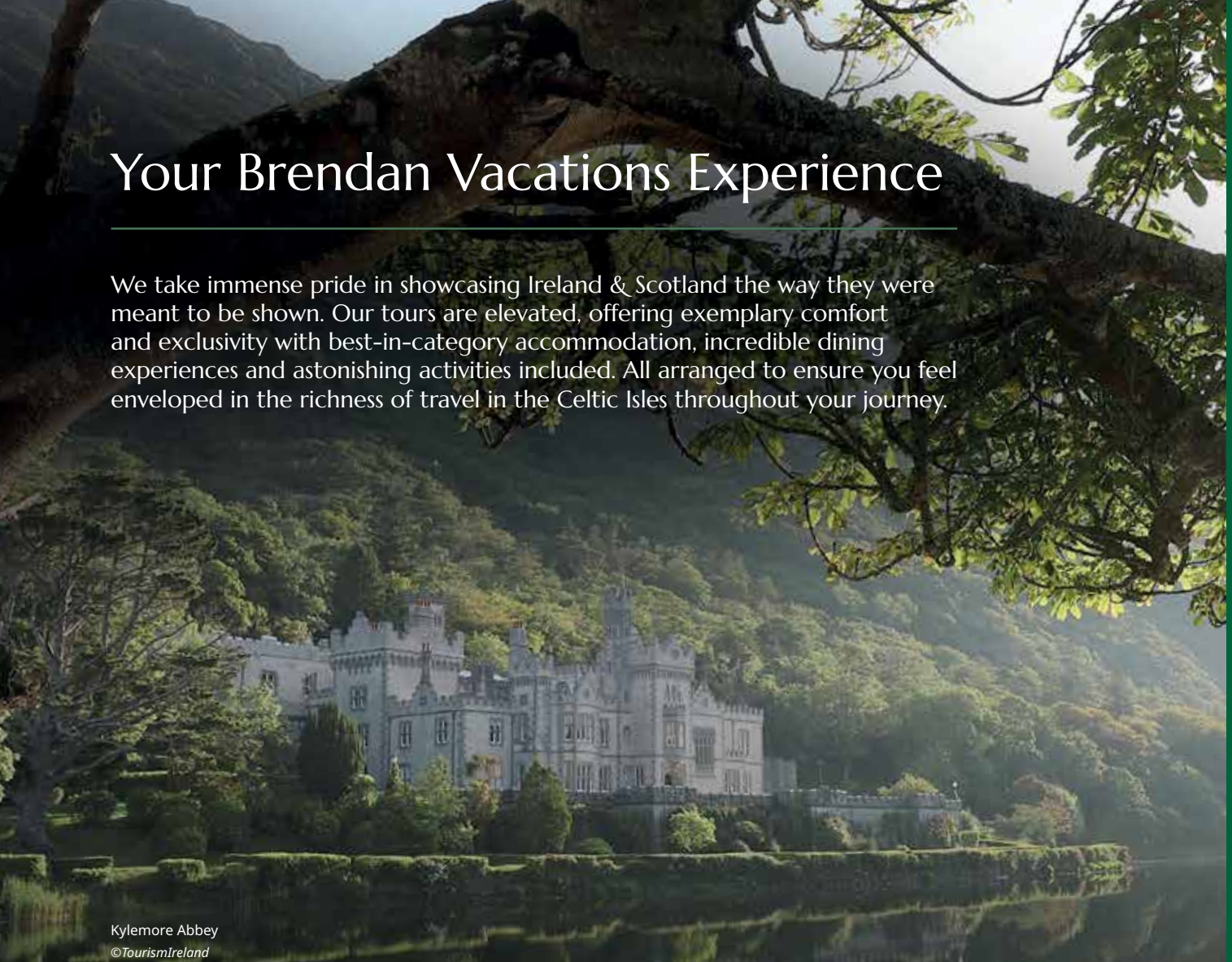
Local Specialist, Edinburgh Castle

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Expert guidance
A dedicated Travel Director is on hand throughout your trip, armed with fascinating insights and local secrets.

Top-rated experiences
Exclusive activities (often with VIP access) chosen to connect you with our history, culture and traditions.

Authentic dining
Dine on fresh, local and seasonal flavors in top-rated restaurants. In select locations, enjoy Dine-Around experiences, with a choice of dining options to suit your culinary cravings.

Brendan choice
Select trips offer a choice of equally enriching ways to experience exciting locations.

(Leg)room with a view
New coaches, customized for smaller groups with more legroom, wider window views and complimentary Wi-Fi.

Travel that matters
Culturally vivid MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences designed to make positive, lasting impacts on locals and communities.

Exemplary accommodations
Enjoy warm Celtic hospitality and immaculate service at personally-vetted accommodations from top-rated hotels to grand castles.

Relaxed starts
On select days, enjoy free time in a location before heading out for the day's scheduled itinerary.

GROUP SIZE
Classic Group size at a maximum of 40 guests as standard and Small Group size on select departures at a maximum of 24 guests.

PACE
Trips are marked as leisurely, balanced or active pace, allowing you to identify what level of activity you're comfortable with.

WHEN TO GO
Trips are marked with operating months allowing you to pick the time of year that works best for you.

CLASSIC GROUP

Enchanting Ireland

Delve into Ireland on this 8-day guided tour of the Emerald Isle. Dine inside Dublin's Irish Emigration Museum, indulge your curiosities at Kylemore Abbey and stand atop the towering Cliffs of Moher. Also, visit the iconic Blarney Castle and Kilkenny Castle to get up close and personal with Ireland's rich heritage and history.

8 DAYS | 11 MEALS | DUBLIN TO DUBLIN | APR-OCT | BALANCED



DAY 1 | HELLO DUBLIN
The Emerald Isle has lured the most curious of travelers for centuries and its dynamic capital is a modern multi-cultural city that embraces its past and exudes an enduring sense of fun. Your Local Expert reveals the best of the city on a guided tour past the Georgian Squares and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Delicious cuisine and history merge this evening over drinks and canapes at EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum where you'll discover the stories of Irish emigrants who became scientists, politicians, poets, artists and even outlaws all over the world. **Hotel: Camden Court**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 14:00.

DAY 2 | EXPERIENCE IRISH HISTORY & ON TO SLIGO
The beauty of an Irish country house springs to life at Strokestown Park House and Gardens. After soaking in its beauty, go from grand homes to history visiting the onsite Irish Famine Museum to delve into the stories of the 1840s famine. Learn the history behind the Irish Potato Famine, the most catastrophic event in Ireland and one of the worst famines in history. View rare 19th-century photographs, witness accounts, sketches, newspapers and maps before continuing to Sligo. In the evening, consider an optional cruise on the River Shannon and admire the rolling countryside of the Emerald Isle. **(B,D) Hotel: Sligo Park**

DAY 3 | JOURNEY TO WESTPORT & GALWAY
The seaside town of Westport on Ireland's west coast will charm any traveler. Your Local Expert leads you on a walk to learn about the town's heritage from its settlement 5,000 years ago to today. Continue to indulge your curiosity at Kylemore Abbey, a treasure trove of picture-perfect scenery and the oldest of the Irish Benedictine Abbeys. You could enhance your day with an Optional Experience, a Galway Walking Tour featuring the Lynch Memorial Window, Church of St. Nicholas, Spanish Arch and Eyre Square, dedicated to the late US President, John F. Kennedy. You'll love hearing intriguing stories of this bustling medieval port followed by a traditional Irish pub dinner. **(B) Hotel: Connemara Coast**

DAY 4 | ICONIC CLIFFS OF MOHER & ONWARDS TO KILLARNEY
Embark on an up close and personal encounter with Ireland's nature at the towering Cliffs of Moher. Perched at 700ft, take in views of the Clare Coast and the pounding Atlantic. Gain insights into the cliffs' geology and history before crossing the Shannon Estuary by ferry from Killimer to Tarbet. Head to Killarney where you'll relive the highlights of the day over a Dine-Around evening of local cuisine. You also have your pick of Optional Experiences including a Celtic Steps performance or a Gaelic Roots show of song and dance. **(B,D) Hotel: Great Southern**



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★★★★★ GUEST REVIEW RATING



Deluxe Coastal Seaweed Experience

Top-rated Experiences

DUBLIN | Embark on an interactive discovery of the 70 million people who claim Irish ancestry at EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum.

KYLEMORE ABBEY | Neo-Gothic Kylemore Abbey is a sight to behold. See its striking Victorian Walled Garden and turreted Church.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

DELUXE COASTAL SEAWEED EXPERIENCE | Embark on a guided foraging walk to learn about the versatility of seaweed and how the fragile ecosystem of the wild Atlantic coast is protected. (Day 5)

Authentic Dining

KILLARNEY | Choose from a fine selection of local restaurants on your Dine-Around evening.

DUBLIN | Cross the River Liffey and venture to a local restaurant to toast the culmination of your travels over dinner. *Sláinte*.

Brendan Choice

BLARNEY | Take your turn to kiss the Blarney Stone, the famous stone of eloquence sourced from 330-million-year-old limestone, or explore the gardens of the Blarney Castle estate which is brought to life on a guided tour with a senior gardener. (Day 6)

DAY 5 | A DAY ON THE RING OF KERRY
Famous for its 'forty shades of green,' the Irish nature at the Ring of Kerry has inspired writers and poets for centuries. Drink in the beauty of the coastal drive lined with beaches, colorful seaside villages and views of the Atlantic Ocean. On an insightful **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience,** meet John, a seaweed advocate and educator for a seaweed foraging walk. **(B)**

DAY 6 | VENTURE TO BLARNEY & MEDIEVAL KILKENNY
With Brendan Choice, choose to explore one of the icons of Ireland, Blarney Castle. See the Witch's Kitchen, Wishing Steps gardens and of course, the infamous stone that's said to bestow the 'gift of the gab' upon whoever kisses it. Or, don't miss your chance to amble the 1,500-acre grounds including the raised board walk, surrounded by water loving plants and waterfalls. The Carnivorous Courtyard features plants that with colorful, fluid-filled leaves while the Fern Garden features trees brought from the other side of the world that are survivors of the Jurassic period. **(B,D) Hotel: Kilkenny**

DAY 7 | RETURN TO LIVELY DUBLIN
12th-century Kilkenny Castle is full of curiosities dating back to when it was the principal seat of the butlers, earls, marquesses and dukes of Ormond. On your exploration of its vast parkland, learn how the castle was remodelled in the Victorian style and restored and updated several times before being formally taken over by the Irish State in 1969. Return to Dublin and finish your incredible tour with a memorable dinner at a traditional Irish pub. **(B,D) Hotel: Camden Court**

DAY 8 | FAREWELL IRELAND
It's time to close the chapter on an unforgettable tour of the Emerald Isle as we bid our newfound friends and Travel Director a fond farewell. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at the airport at 07:00, 09:00 and 10:30.

B Breakfast **L** Lunch **D** Dinner **RS** Relaxed Start Start Location End Location Visited Location Route Day Trip Route Ferry / Cruise

CLASSIC GROUP

Scenic Ireland

Ireland's scenery will captivate any curious traveler. Stand atop the Cliffs of Moher, admire the 40 shades of green on the Ring of Kerry, and enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience Seatrails Coastal Walk inspired by William Butler Yeats. Savor local delicacies on a Westport foodie tour and uncover history at Blarney Castle and Kilkenny Castle, enriching your Irish journey.

10 DAYS | 14 MEALS | DUBLIN TO DUBLIN | MAY-SEP | BALANCED



DAY 1 | WELCOME TO DUBLIN
With soul-stirring landscapes of rugged cliffs and rolling hills, the Emerald Isle has lured the most curious of travelers for centuries. Get your bearings and discover Dublin's past and present on an insightful orientation tour with your Local Expert past the Georgian Squares and St. Patrick's Cathedral. After an afternoon celebrating the icons of Dublin, embrace its fine cuisine over dinner. **(D) Hotel: Riu Plaza The Gresham**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

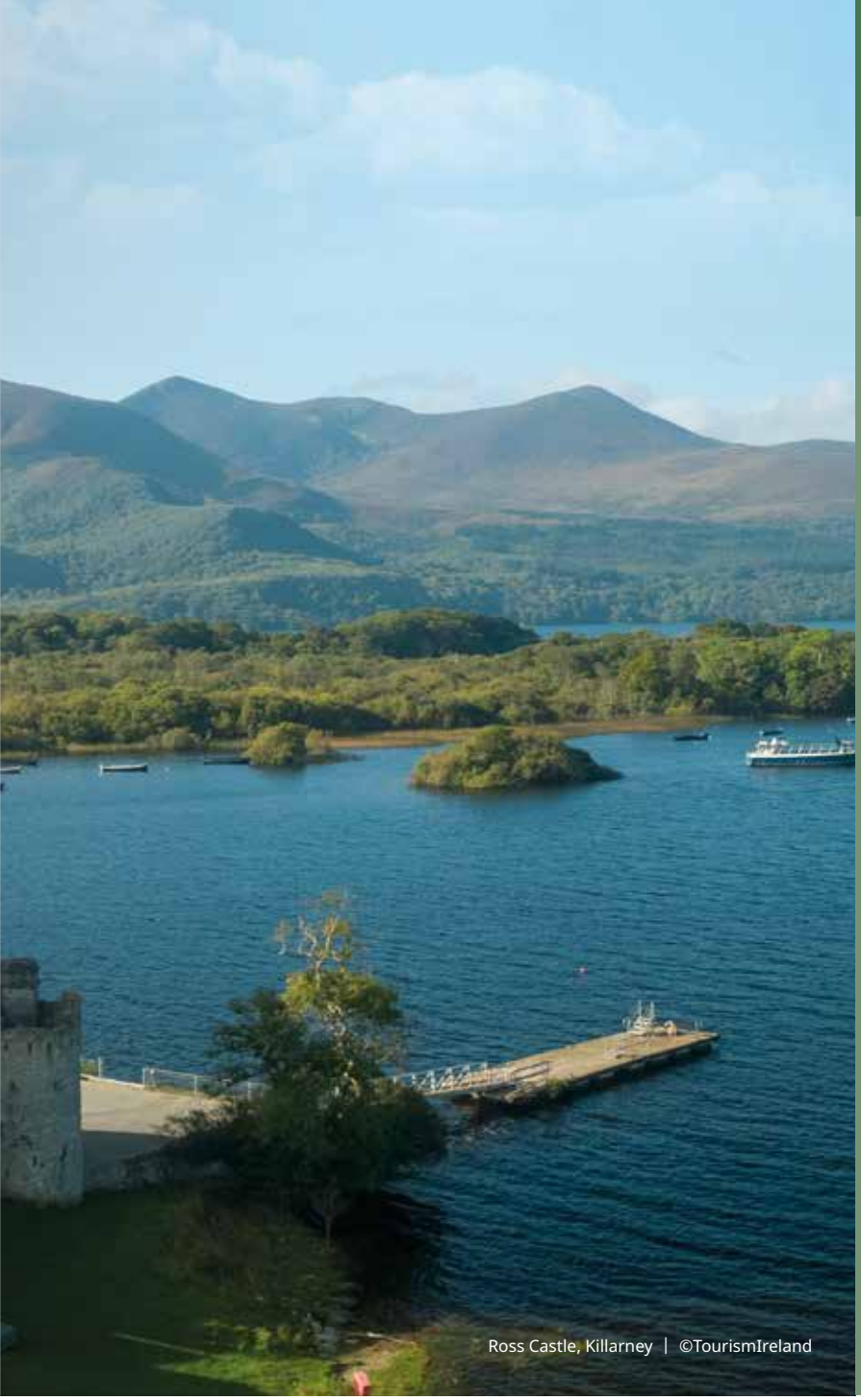
Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 14:00.

DAY 2 | DUBLIN & KILKENNY
Learn the story behind the name at the Guinness Storehouse where you'll sip your way through a history that started with the founder, Arthur Guinness, signing a 9,000 year lease on the St. James's Gate Brewery in Dublin. After an enlightening morning, arrive in the medieval city of Kilkenny, with its majestic castle and river walk. Browse the medieval mile showcasing the hub of Ireland's arts and crafts scene along its narrow lanes on an orientation. Visit Kilkenny Castle, founded after the Norman conquest of Ireland and rebuilt, extended and adapted over 800 years. **(B) Hotel: Kilkenny**

DAY 3 | BLARNEY & KILLARNEY
Steeped in centuries of Irish folklore and legend, Blarney Castle is famous for its enchanting grounds and the legendary Blarney Stone. See why visitors from around the world come to kiss the stone, believed to bestow the 'gift of the gab' on your visit. Next, head to Killarney, gateway to the famous Ring of Kerry, that has been welcoming travelers who appreciate the spectacular scenery of woodlands and lakes, for over 250 years. Enjoy an orientation with your Travel Director and relive the highlights of the day over a Dine-Around evening of local cuisine. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Killarney Oaks**

DAY 4 | KILLARNEY
This morning, take in Killarney with Brendan Choice. Choose to join a memorable ride on a horse-drawn jaunting car with the local jarveys. Alternatively, admire incredible scenery on a gentle hike with a Local Expert along the lake shore and past the grounds of the 15th-century Ross Castle. Famous for its 'forty shades of green,' the Ring of Kerry has inspired writers and poets for centuries. Drink in the beauty of the coastal drive lined with beaches, colorful seaside villages and views of the Atlantic Ocean. **(B,D)**

DAY 5 | KILLARNEY TO GALWAY
All aboard the Ferry from Tarbert to Killmer bringing you to an up close and personal encounter with the towering Cliffs of Moher. Take in views of the Clare Coast and the pounding Atlantic, where puffins find sanctuary in its nooks and crannies. Gain insights into the cliffs' geology and history before driving through the rocky landscape of the Burren to Galway Bay. Upon arriving in Galway, your Travel Director will lead an orientation tour to help you get acquainted with the city. In the afternoon, you can join a Galway Walking Tour to visit notable sights such as the Lynch Memorial, Church of St. Nicholas, Spanish Arch and Eyre Square, dedicated to the late U.S. President John F. Kennedy. End your day with a delightful dinner at a local restaurant featuring live music. **(B,D) Hotel: Clayton Galway**



Ross Castle, Killarney | ©TourismIreland

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Seatrails Coastal Walk | ©TourismIreland

Top-rated Experiences

DUBLIN | See Dublin's elegant Georgian squares, O'Connell Street and the Custom House with a Local Expert.

BLARNEY | Take your turn to kiss the Blarney Stone, the famous stone of eloquence sourced from 330-million-year-old limestone.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

SEATRAILS COASTAL WALK | Amble along a coastal promenade with your Local Expert. Learn about Sligo's connection to the sea, its shipping history and about the Yeats family. (Day 8)

Authentic Dining

DUBLIN | Cross the River Liffey and venture to a local restaurant with your Travel Director for a warm and friendly dinner, embracing the opportunity to get to know each other over a meal and toast your unforgettable travels. *Sláinte*.

WESTPORT | Embark on a food exploration of the town, meeting the locals and savoring the local delicacies.

Brendan Choice

KILLARNEY | Explore the scenery of Killarney National Park on a horse-drawn jaunting car ride with the local jarveys, or join a Local Expert for a gentle hike. (Day 4)

DAY 6 | GALWAY FREE DAY
The cultural center and the festival capital of Ireland, Galway hosts 122 festivals per year. One might say the city's artistic side is reflected in actor Peter O'Toole, who has a strong connection with Galway. O'Toole claimed that he was born in Galway before being taken to England as a baby and built a house outside Clifden in the county. You'll feel Galway's fun, bohemian vibe come to life over your free day at leisure to discover this bustling port city. You could join an Optional Experience to the iconic Aran Islands, a must-see of scenic Ireland. **(B,RS)**

DAY 7 | GALWAY TO SLIGO
The seaside town of Westport will charm any traveler. Your Local Expert leads you on a culinary walk for a tasting of the local favorites and to learn about the town's heritage from its settlement 5,000 years ago to today. The town is famous for its sustainability and Westport House, a heritage home museum celebrating 300 years of Irish heritage, a quaint stone bridge, Rockfleet Castle and Burrishoole Abbey tied to the 16th-century pirate queen Grace O' Malley. Meaning 'abounding in shells,' the town of Sligo will enchant the most curious of travelers. An orientation tour introduces you to the charms of the town. Later, perhaps join an Optional Experience along the scenic shores of Sligo Bay. **(B,RS) Hotel: Sligo Park**

DAY 8 | SLIGO
Embark on an insightful **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** to Rosses Point, a small maritime village near the intriguing town of Sligo under the guidance of a Local Expert and maritime archaeologist. With the afternoon free in Sligo, take the opportunity for an in-depth look at one of the historic houses, museums or the Yeats memorial building, a gathering space for literary culture and the arts in the heart of Sligo. Its permanent exhibition and contemporary exhibitions give you local insights into this land that was an inspiration for Yeats. **(B,RS)**

DAY 9 | SLIGO TO DUBLIN
Depart Sligo this morning to conclude your scenic Ireland tour in Dublin. Your journey finishes with a memorable dinner. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Camden Court**

DAY 10 | DEPART DUBLIN
Your journey comes to an end after breakfast. **(B)**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 07:00, 09:00 and 10:30.

B Breakfast **L** Lunch **D** Dinner **RS** Relaxed Start Start Location End Location Visited Location Route Day Trip Route Ferry / Cruise

CLASSIC GROUP

Ashford Castle & Ireland's Icons

Get up close and personal with the icons of Ireland on this 10-day guided tour. Bask in Connemara's wild beauty, stand atop the 700ft Cliffs of Moher and marvel at the Ring of Kerry's 40 shades of green. Enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at Powerscourt Gardens, then enjoy a luxurious stay at Ashford Castle, former home of the Guinness family.

10 DAYS | 15 MEALS | DUBLIN TO DUBLIN | MAY-SEP | BALANCED



DAY 1 | HELLO DUBLIN
Kick off your journey along the walled gardens and rambling walks of Powerscourt Gardens on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. This evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner. **(D) Hotel: Camden Court**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 14:00.

DAY 2 | DISCOVER DIVERSE DUBLIN
Join a Local Specialist to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral. Admire the Georgian Squares and stroll along the cobbled courtyard of Trinity College and see the Book of Kells. **(B)**

DAY 3 | ADMIRE COUNTY KILKENNY & ON TO CORK
Embark on an excursion to get up close and personal with Ireland's thoroughbred industry at the Irish National Stud. Next up is Cork, a fusion of castles, gardens and foodie haven that will enchant curious travelers. Your Travel Director orients you to the sights, sounds and flavors of the circa-18th- century English Market lined with local cheeses, fresh seafood and handmade chocolate, then on to Cork City Gaol, a museum offering insight into Cork's history. Cork is also home to the biggest jazz festival in Ireland and with the evening at leisure, take in the city's musical culture by joining an Optional Experience of Irish entertainment with local musicians including a hearty pub dinner. **(B,RS) Hotel: The Kingsley**

DAY 4 | JOURNEY TO BLARNEY & ON TO KILLARNEY
Today's Brendan Choice gets you up close and personal to one of the icons of Ireland, Blarney Castle. See the Witch's Kitchen, Wishing Steps gardens and the infamous stone said to bestow the 'gift of the gab' upon whoever kisses it. Alternatively, go beyond the castle and don't miss the chance to amble the 1,500-acre grounds. After your visit, head west to Killarney ushering you into the beauty of the Ring of Kerry. Tonight's Dine-Around evening invites you to enjoy your pick of Irish specialties. Finish your day with an Optional Experience of traditional Irish song, music, and dance. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Aghadoe Heights Hotel & Spa**

DAY 5 | A DAY ON THE RING OF KERRY
Join a Local Expert for a scenic guided walk at Torc Waterfall then circle the scenic Ring of Kerry. **(B,D)**

DAY 6 | ONWARDS TO THE CLIFFS OF MOHER & GALWAY
Begin the day with a ferry crossing before arriving at the towering Cliffs of Moher. Perched at 700ft, take in views of the Clare Coast and the pounding Atlantic, where colonies of puffins make their homes. The area is home to Guillemot and Razorbills, Peregrine Falcon, Kittiwake and Fulmar as well as endangered bird species including Choughs. Full of fascinating insights, make your way through the rocky landscape of the Burren to Galway. **(B,D) Hotel: Radisson Red**


Ashford Castle

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Powerscourt Gardens | ©TourismIreland

Top-rated Experiences

CLIFFS OF MOHER | Visit the Exhibition Center and look out over the Wild Atlantic Way from these majestic cliffs that rise over 700ft. Gain insights from your Travel Director into the cliffs' geology, history and the species that find sanctuary in its nooks and crannies.

KYLEMORE ABBEY | Neo-Gothic Kylemore Abbey is a sight to behold. See its Victorian Walled Garden and turreted Church.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

POWERSCOURT GARDENS | Stroll through 47 acres of manicured formal gardens and terraces of the Powerscourt Estate in County Wicklow, passing striking statues, lakes and secret hollows. (Day 1)

Authentic Dining

KILLARNEY | Choose from a fine selection of local restaurants on your Dine-Around evening.

ASHFORD CASTLE | Dine on delicious farm-to-table fare in a stylish setting at the iconic George V Dining Room.

Brendan Choice

BLARNEY | Take your turn to kiss the Blarney Stone, the famous stone of eloquence sourced from 330-million-year-old limestone, or explore the gardens of the Blarney Castle estate which is brought to life on a guided tour with a senior gardener. (Day 4)

Ashford Castle

The magnificent former home to the Guinness family is now an award-winning hotel boasting antique furniture, sumptuous suites and glorious grounds. Ashford Castle is proud to adhere to important sustainability measures, and is the first hotel in Ireland to achieve the GREENMark Plastic Smart Standard Award.

DAY 7 | GALWAY
The cultural center and the festival capital of Ireland, Galway hosts 122 festivals per year. One might say the city's artistic side is reflected in actor Peter O'Toole, who has a strong connection with Galway. O'Toole claimed that he was born in Galway before being taken to England as a baby and built a house outside Clifden in the county. You'll feel Galway's fun, bohemian vibe come to life over an orientation tour. Your Travel Director introduces you to the sights including Eyre Square, dedicated to the late US President, John F. Kennedy. With the rest of the day at leisure, continue to explore this bustling port city on your own or join an optional Galway Waking Tour with pub dinner. **(B)**

DAY 8 | KYLEMORE ABBEY & ASHFORD CASTLE
Full of curiosities, Kylemore Abbey is a treasure trove of picture-perfect scenery and a storied past as the oldest of the Irish Benedictine Abbeys. Discover more on a Lough Corrib Cruise, where you'll explore one of County Galway's natural jewels and learn about its historical significance. Conclude another grand day arriving at five-star, award-winning, Ashford Castle where a lone piper escorts you over the drawbridge. Your exquisite hotel provides a romantic backdrop in superior surroundings, offering both relaxation and comfort you've come to enjoy on your Ireland tour. Feel history come alive with past owners including Benjamin Lee Guinness, Lord and Lady Ardilaun and hotelier Noel Huggard who transformed the estate into a hotel in 1939. In addition, celebrities such as John Lennon and Brad Pitt and even royal patrons including King George V have luxuriated at Ashford Castle. **(B,D) Hotel: Ashford Castle**

DAY 9 | RETURN TO LIVELY DUBLIN
Time for a last-minute stroll on the Ashford Estate. Perhaps take in more of the splendid scenery by joining a leisurely walk with the resident Irish wolfhounds. Afterwards, cross the Hidden Heartlands, a beautifully unspoilt part of Ireland where life moves at its own pace. Return to the capital where the remainder of the day is free. Dinner awaits tonight, where you'll raise a glass and toast with your new friends. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Camden Court**

DAY 10 | JOURNEY HOME
As the curtain falls on a memorable journey with new friends, we say a fond *slán go fóill* to Dublin and the Emerald Isle. **(B)**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 07:00, 09:00 and 10:30.

B Breakfast **L** Lunch **D** Dinner **RS** Relaxed Start Start Location End Location Visited Location Route Day Trip Route Ferry / Cruise

CLASSIC GROUP

Scenic Scotland

Scotland's diverse landscapes will leave you spellbound. Appreciate its natural beauty on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at Dundreggan Rewilding Center alongside a conservation expert. Enjoy morning tea at Ardgowan House with Sir Ludovic Shaw Stewart. Delve into Scottish royal history at Stirling Castle and Edinburgh Castle, enriching your journey through this captivating country.

8 DAYS | 12 MEALS | GLASGOW TO EDINBURGH | MAY-SEP | BALANCED



DAY 1 | WELCOME TO GLASGOW
Glasgow, the undisputed capital of Scottish culture, offers endless opportunities for the curious traveler. As Scotland's largest city, Glasgow boasts more than 20 museums and art galleries that may tempt you upon arrival. After you meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers, celebrate your first night of your tour over dinner. **(D) Hotel: Voco Grand Central**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 08:00, 11:00 and 13:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 14:00.

DAY 2 | GLASGOW FULL DAY
Embark on a City Tour Orientation drive with your Travel Director who reveals Glasgow's grand public buildings including George Square and St. Mungo's Cathedral. The morning continues with a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** at Ardgowan House where Sir Ludovic Shaw Stewart welcomes you to his family castle set on a 10,000-acre coastal estate. Not only do you get to dine with a Baronet, but your host even gets involved with the food preparation. Work up an appetite walking amid the beech trees while learning about the Shaw Stewart family. Then return to the castle for a sumptuous afternoon tea of finger sandwiches made with locally sourced ingredients, freshly baked scones, cream, jam and cakes. **(B,L,RS)**

DAY 3 | TRAVEL TO OBAN
Discover centuries old history at Stirling Castle. This majestic structure rises above the River Forth and is a symbol of Scottish national pride, once home to Scottish royals including Mary, Queen of Scots. Explore its halls, chapels and bedrooms, see the famous 'Stirling Heads' and admire the poignant Wallace Monument and battlefield of Stirling Bridge from its 16th-century walls. After a morning exploring the lives of royals, arrive in scenic Scotland's Loch Lomond for an Optional Cruise and lunch on the 'Queen of Scottish Lochs' according to historian and novelist Sir Walter Scott. The evening finds you in the resort town and seafood capital of Scotland, Oban, where you can opt to sample the local fare over a seafood dinner. **(B,RS) Hotel: Isle of Glencoe Hotel & Leisure Center / Ballachulish Hotel**

DAY 4 | OBAN
Scenic Scotland conjures up images of green highlands and wind-whipped seas. Encounter them for yourself today on a ferry from Oban to Craignure, the main ferry port on the Isle of Mull, Argyll and Bute. Afterwards, make your way to the Isle of Iona for a visit to Iona Abbey. Your curiosity will be piqued on this tiny island that has been a vibrant center of Christian worship. It's even rumored that the Book of Kells was made at Iona Abbey. Before returning to Oban, view Rèilig Odhrain, the final resting place of many Scottish kings. **(B,D)**



Glasgow Cathedral | ©VisitScotland/KennyLam

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Top-rated Experiences

STIRLING CASTLE | Delve into the insights of Stirling Castle, one of the largest and most important castles in Scotland.

ISLE OF MULL | Travel to the Isles of Mull and Iona, visiting Reilig Odhrain, the sacred burial ground of 48 Scottish Kings.

EDINBURGH | Visit Edinburgh Castle to view the Scottish Crown Jewels, Mons Meg and other artifacts with your Local Expert.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

ARDGOWAN HOUSE | Join Sir Ludovic for a private tour of his family home, Ardgowan Estate, learn about preservation initiatives and savor a traditional Scottish tea made from local ingredients. (Day 2)

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE

DUNDREGGAN REWILDING CENTER | Learn about the reintroduction of native tree and animal species such as the lynx, red squirrel and beaver to this region of Scotland's Caledonian Forest. (Day 5)

Authentic Dining

GLASGOW | Immerse yourself in the vibrant atmosphere of Glasgow's city center as you indulge in a carefully curated selection of local flavors and traditional delights.

EDINBURGH | Enjoy a dinner of modern Scottish cuisine in the heart of Edinburgh.

Brendan Choice

SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS | Learn the fascinating process of Scottish whisky production at a local distillery and malting facility, complete with a *wee* dram, or soak up the scenery and hear intriguing tales of Nessie during a cruise on one of Scotland's most famous lakes. (Day 5)

Alternatives

SCENIC SCOTLAND - WOMEN ONLY | On this women-only version of Scenic Scotland, join your fellow travelers and female Travel Director for an incredible 8-day adventure from Glasgow to Edinburgh. Meet the Piper to the Lord Provost of Edinburgh since 2006 and Julie Hill, the only woman ever to have won the International Sheepdog Championship. Commemorate your trip by making your own Scottish handbag. This small group women-only tour has been specially created for women, by women. For more details scan the QR code.

DAY 5 | TO THE HIGHLAND CAPITAL OF INVERNESS
Take your Scotland tour to a deeper level with a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** in Dundreggan, home to a pristine and fragile ecosystem, at Dundreggan Rewilding Center. Meet a conservation expert to learn about the ecology of the Highlands and the connection between nature and regenerating the Gaelic cultural heritage. After an illuminating morning, the afternoon finds you tailoring your time with Brendan Choice. Choose between a relaxing Loch Ness Cruise or a tour of Glen Ord Distillerey. **(B,D,RS)**
Hotel: Hotel B&B, Inverness

DAY 6 | BLAIR CASTLE & EDINBURGH
Full of curiosities, Blair Castle is a treasure trove of history and fine 18th-century interiors. Join an Optional Experience to learn how it has been home to the Atholl family for over seven centuries with a history of both turbulent and peaceful times. Even the gardens surrounding Blair Castle, featuring a 9-acre walled garden, wooded grove, and extensive deer park, will have you reflecting on the castle's past. Continue to Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city, where you could opt to experience the best of Scottish tradition at Ghillie Dhu Georgian hall for Scottish dining and live music. **(B) Hotel: Virgin Hotel Edinburgh**

DAY 7 | EDINBURGH CASTLE & ORIENTATION
Edinburgh offers endless possibilities for the curious traveler. Discover the sights and insights of the city with your Local Expert as you travel along Princes Street to see the ornate Scott Memorial, the neoclassical Georgian facades of New Town and the official Scottish residence of the King, the palace of Holyroodhouse, in the Old Town. Your Local Expert then guides you inside the walls of Edinburgh Castle for the sights and insights into the lives of the royals. With the afternoon free, you are at leisure to continue exploring as you wish. Stroll past the charming buildings on the Edinburgh Mile or join an Optional Experience of Royal Edinburgh with a Local Expert who brings its ancient stories to life. In the evening, join your fellow travelers for dinner of delicious local cuisine and wine. **(B,D)**

DAY 8 | DEPART EDINBURGH
It's time to close the chapter on a memorable Scotland tour as we bid our newfound friends and Travel Director a fond farewell. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at the airport at 07:00 and 09:00.

Note: *Select departures include tickets to the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. See brendanvacations.com for details.*

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CLASSIC OR SMALL GROUP

Best of Ireland & Scotland

Discover Northern Ireland, Ireland and Scotland on this 14-day guided tour. In Dublin, visit Trinity College and the ancient Book of Kells. Experience Gaelic history with high tea at Ardgowan Estate, see the Palace of Holyroodhouse and cruise Loch Ness. Enjoy whisky tasting in the Highlands and tour Edinburgh's Royal Mile. An unforgettable journey through rich heritage and stunning landscapes.

14 DAYS | 20 MEALS | DUBLIN TO EDINBURGH | APR-SEP | BALANCED



DAY 1 | WELCOME TO DUBLIN
Relax at your hotel before joining your Travel Director for a warm and friendly dinner, a great opportunity to get to know your fellow travelers. **(D)**
Hotel: Clayton Charlemont

Transfers: Depart the airport at 08:30, 11:00 and 13:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 | IN DUBLIN'S FAIR CITY
You Local Expert takes you past the Custom House to see the Guinness Storehouse, Christchurch Cathedral and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Walk through the cobbled courtyards of Trinity College and gain an insight into its history. Enjoy entry into its famed library and the 9th-century Book of Kells exhibition. **(B)**

DAY 3 | KILDARE & CORK
Witness life behind the scenes of the National Stud Farm, where many legendary racehorses are bred. Then see the finest Japanese gardens in Europe, where the gardens portray the symbolism of life and trace the journey of a soul, designed by master horticulturists, Tassa and Minoru Eida. Travel along Grand Parade to see Cork's City Hall and Opera House. **(B) Hotel: Maldron South Mall/The Kingsley**

DAY 4 | BLARNEY CASTLE & KILLARNEY
Visit the partially ruined 15th-century Blarney Castle, home of the famous Stone of Eloquence that's once kissed, never forgotten. Afterwards head to Killarney. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Killarney Plaza Hotel & Spa**

DAY 5 | RING OF KERRY EXPERIENCE
Explore Killarney with Brendan Choice. Choose a memorable ride on a horse-drawn jaunting car with the local jarveys. Alternatively, join a gentle hike with a Local Expert along the lake shore through the National Park. Tour the superb seascapes, towering cliffs and spectacular mountains of the Ring of Kerry. Follow the narrow road as it winds through delightful villages like Sneem and admire Queen Victoria's Ladies View. Return mid-afternoon for time at leisure. **(B)**

DAY 6 | THE CLIFFS OF MOHER
Begin the day with a short ferry ride across the Shannon estuary. Enjoy magnificent views of the Clare coast, as you journey to the Visitors' Center at the 700ft Cliffs of Moher. Join your Travel Director in Galway to see the infamous Lynch Memorial and the Church of St. Nicholas. Continue on to your hotel, located at the heart of the Wild Atlantic Way. **(B)**
Hotel: Connemara Coast

DAY 7 | GLORIOUS GALWAY TO SLIGO BAY
Tour the wild Connemara region, a scenic wonderland of rivers, lakes and silent hills. Drive along the scenic shores of Sligo Bay. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Clayton Sligo**

DAY 8 | WALK IN THE GIANT'S STEPS
Cross into Northern Ireland to visit Derry~Londonderry and experience sightseeing with one of Northern Ireland's best storytellers, Ronan. Journey to the iconic Giant's Causeway for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. Learn how the National Trust is enabling farming and biodiversity to work together, supporting both wildlife and quality food production. Continue along the Antrim coast road to your hotel. **(B,D) Hotel: Ballygally Castle**



Irish National Stud, Kildare

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Ardgowan House

Top-rated Experiences

BLARNEY | Take your turn to kiss the Blarney Stone, the famous stone of eloquence sourced from 330-million-year-old limestone.

LOCH NESS | Soak up the scenery and hear intriguing tales of Nessie during a cruise on one of Scotland's most famous lakes.

INVERNESS | At the Culloden Visitor Center, discover why the Battle of Culloden changed the Highland way of life forever.

GIANT'S CAUSEWAY | Join a Local Expert and experience the sights, sounds and kinetic energy of the Giant's Causeway. Delve into legend and learn how your visit helps conserve this iconic landmark. (Day 8)

ARDGOWAN HOUSE | Join Sir Ludovic for a private tour of his family home, Ardgowan Estate, learn about preservation initiatives and savor a traditional Scottish tea made from local ingredients. (Day 9)

Authentic Dining

DUBLIN | Join your Travel Director for a warm and friendly dinner, an opportunity to get to know each other over a meal.

Brendan Choice

KILLARNEY | Explore the scenery of Killarney National Park on a horse-drawn jaunting car ride with the local jarveys, or by joining a Local Expert for a gentle hike. (Day 5)

DAY 9 | HIGH TEA AT ARDGOWAN ESTATE
Set sail across the Irish Sea this morning, heading for the land of the brave. Arrive at the Ardgowan Estate, where Sir Ludovic Shaw Stewart welcomes you to his family castle, set on a 10,000-acre coastal estate. Explore the history of the area and learn the Shaw Stewart family's conservation efforts to protect the land on this **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**, followed by delightful traditional Scottish tea and scones. Continue to Glasgow to see the city's grand public buildings. **(B) Hotel: Radisson Blu**

DAY 10 | GLENCOE & LOCH NESS
A scenic drive takes you along the banks of Loch Lomond and the dramatic landscape of Glencoe, before reaching The Great Glen. Experience a journey of discovery on a Loch Ness cruise. Soak up the scenery and intriguing tales of Nessie. **(B,D,RS) Hotel: Kingsmills**

DAY 11 | A HIGHLANDS EXPERIENCE
Enjoy an orientation of Inverness, before driving out to the Culloden Moor Visitor Center, where Bonnie Prince Charlie's Jacobite army was finally defeated. Savor a *wee* dram during a visit to a local distillery, as you delve into the fascinating world of the single malt. **(B,D,RS)**

DAY 12 | ST ANDREWS & EDINBURGH
A scenic drive takes you through the Grampian Mountains passing Blair Castle. Cross the Tay to visit St Andrews and see the famous Old Course at the home of golf since its creation in the 15th-century, before enjoying free time to explore. Continue to Edinburgh. In the evening, select departures will attend The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. **(B) Hotel: Sheraton Grand Hotel & Spa**

DAY 13 | SCOTLAND'S CAPITAL OF CULTURE
Join a Local Expert to see the highlights of the city. Drive along Princes Street to the ornate Scott Memorial, then see the 18th-century New Town with its neoclassical Georgian facades. In the Old Town, see the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the official Scottish residence of the King. Venture up the Royal Mile to visit Edinburgh Castle, home of Mons Meg and Scotland's Crown Jewels, the Honours of Scotland. Join your friends for a dinner of modern Scottish cuisine. **(B,D)**

DAY 14 | FAREWELL EDINBURGH
Your journey comes to an end after breakfast with transfers arriving to Edinburgh airport. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at the airport at 06:15 and 08:00.

Note: *Select departures include tickets to the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, one of the most spectacular military concerts on earth. Enjoy a colorful mix of pipes and drums, dance and display, set against the floodlit backdrop of Edinburgh Castle.*

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For example, in Florence, Italy you will of course experience the highlights of the Renaissance city. But with Trafalgar, we'll take you beyond the tourist trail to the home of Giada Landi (1) on *Real Italy*, who will welcome you to her home — the 18th Century Tuscan Estate 'Villa il Leccio'. Eight generations of her family have lived in the property, farming the surrounding vineyards and olive groves. Guests will explore the property and surrounds while learning about the family's connection to the region. Then, in Olympia, Greece after exploring the ancient relics, you'll be welcomed to their olive oil and vineyard owned by the Karabelas Family (2) on the *Best of Greece,* You'll taste wines and oils straight from the barrel before settling in for a meal and Greek dancing. In Portugal, join hosts Tiago and Vera at their rural stud ranch in the Alentejo region on the *Best of Portugal.* You'll explore the property and see a performance of their stunning white Lusitanian horses. Guests will also hear the tragic story of unrequited love of their ancestor, Jacinto, who fell in love with the (married!) Queen of Portugal when she visited the farm in the 18th century. There's also Fergus Wood's property on the lakes of Loch Ard, Scotland, where legend has it this farm is where the famed Scottish hero, Rob Roy, came of age — Fergus and his son Gregor will treat you to a traditional 'session' — singing that will transport you to the myths and tales of ancient Scotland.

We also know our guests want to enjoy unique experiences in incredible destinations while giving back at the same time. MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experiences allow just that. For example, brothers and eco-warriors, Tom and Danny Falzon (13), owners of Earth Sanctuary World Nature Centre in Alice Springs, Australia, which is fully wind and solar-powered, will teach you about climate change and sustainability over a BBQ under the stars on *Outback Australia*. In Peru, you'll meet Nilda Callañaupa Alvarez, a master Quechua weaver (9) On *Highlights of Peru*, you'll meet an ambassador for Andean traditions and preservation of this ancient craft. And in Rotorua, New Zealand, discover Māori traditions at the Te Ra experience on *New Zealand Uncovered*, where you'll watch carvers and weavers at the Māori Arts and Crafts Institute (6) while hearing the stories passed down from their ancestors.

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"We had many surprises along the way. Especially enjoyed the Be My Guest, and locally hosted events. We commend Trafalgar for becoming involved with locals to support their businesses with our visits – enhancing our experience, too."

Shared by our guest Joyce, on *Best of Portugal.*





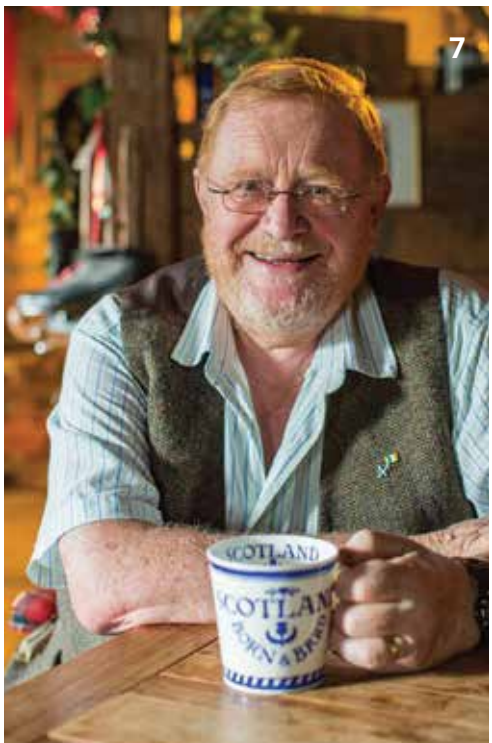




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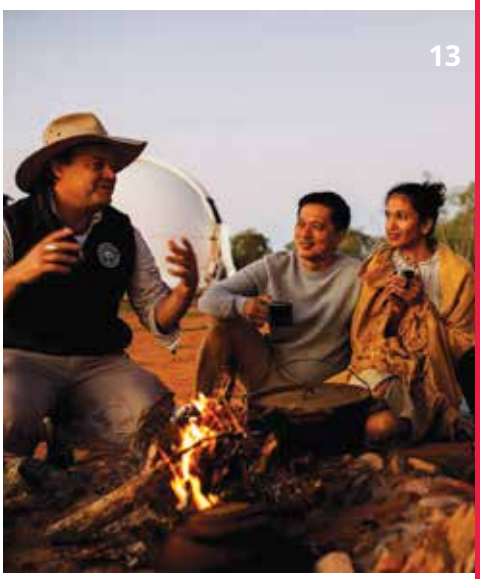

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The Bucket List Moments

Our Guests' Top Must-Sees

You'll tick off not-to-miss iconic sights, local culture and unmissable natural wonders. These experiences are all handpicked, planned and vetted by our Travel Experiences team who carefully craft your tour behind the scenes. Get ready to unlock the best of every place you visit and learn secrets from our Local Experts along the way. Here are just a few of the hundreds of must-sees that are waiting for you. Read more real guest stories at trafalgar.com/gueststories.



Mykonos, Greece

Explore the dreamy island of Mykonos known for its windmills, sunsets, and beaches. You'll love to stroll along the cobble streets past whitewashed houses with brightly colored shutters and doors. Experience on *Greek Island Hopper* and *Best of Greece with cruise option.*



Matterhorn Mountain, Switzerland

Zip through the Alps on the world-famous Glacier Express. Enjoy lunch on board as you journey past lakes and glaciers to Zermatt, at the foothills of Matterhorn Mountain. Experience on *Contrasts of Switzerland.*



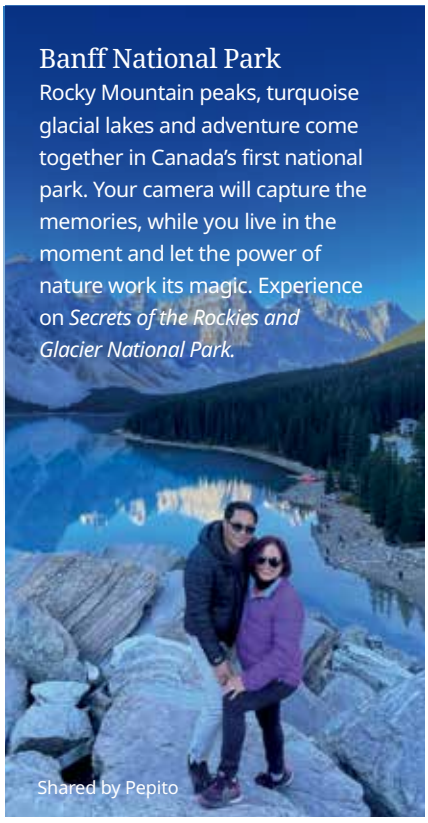
Bryce Canyon National Park

You'll see the rusty red limestone spires rising from the desert floor to meet Utah's brilliant skies and think there's nowhere else on Earth like this. Stop and take it all in at the many viewpoints and hike the trails into the canyons. Experience on *Five Epic National Parks.*



Amsterdam Canals, Holland

Get ready to fall in love with Amsterdam's enchanting canals. Wander through the streets and enjoy a coffee at one of the many charming cafés. Then, you'll take an evening cruise through the iconic waterways, gliding past bridges, houseboats, and canal-side houses. You'll really get to know the heart and soul of this iconic city. Experience on *Best of Holland.*



Banff National Park

Rocky Mountain peaks, turquoise glacial lakes and adventure come together in Canada's first national park. Your camera will capture the memories, while you live in the moment and let the power of nature work its magic. Experience on *Secrets of the Rockies and Glacier National Park.*



Kylemore Abbey, Ireland

Wander through Kylemore Abbey in Ireland, and uncover the history of this grand Victorian castle turned Benedictine monastery. You'll marvel at the Neo-Gothic architecture and explore the Abbey, where each artifact brings its story to life. Let the serene views of the peaceful lake captivate you. Experience on *Best of Ireland, Irish Experience, and more tours.*

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Best of Italy

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As rated by Past Guests

13 Days | 2 Countries | 18 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Departure months: Year-round

Discover the Best of Italy, from the ancient treasures of Rome to Renaissance Florence and everything in between. Imagine lapping up the chic lifestyle on Capri, and taking a private guided visit to Pompeii to see a Roman city frozen in time.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Explore this imperial city of emperors and senators, gods and goddesses before joining your Travel Director for an introduction to the 'Eternal City'. Arrive at Basilica Santa Maria in Cosmedin for a private after-hours visit to the Mouth of Truth. See the church, crypt and relics of the famous saint of love, Valentine, and learn about the legend of the Mouth of Truth. This evening, enjoy dinner with your travel companions. **(D) Hotel: Una**

Transfers: Depart Leonardo da Vinci Airport (FCO) at 09:30, 12:30 and 15:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

DAY 2 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a **Local Specialist** for an included sightseeing tour in the Vatican Museums. Admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, then see the marble masterpiece of the Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. Venture to Ancient Rome to view the Circus Maximus and visit the Colosseum during the city tour. **(B) Hotel: Cicerone/Una**

DAY 3 Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento Journey south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Join a **Local Specialist** who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. **(B, D) Hotel: Grand Vesuvio Sorrento**

DAY 4 Cruise to the Isle of Capri Cross the Bay of Naples by ferry to the Isle of Capri and join a **Local Specialist** for a guided walking tour in Capri town, before returning to the mainland. **(B) Hotel: Grand Cesare Augusto/Johanna Park**

DAY 5 Onwards to Assisi See the Benedictine Abbey of Cassino perched high on the mountain peak, known as the site of the Battle of Monte Cassino in 1944. Continue north, where you'll meet a **Local Specialist** for a visit of the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi. **(B, D) Hotel: Grand Assisi**

DAY 6 Venture to Verona and Venice Travel through Emilia-Romagna, a region famed for its gastronomy. Later, arrive into Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic', and spend time admiring this unique city. **(B) Hotel: Biasutti Lido**

DAY 7 St. Mark's and More in Venice Cruise through Venice by private launch, soaking up the sights and sounds of this historic port. Enjoy a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** with master craftspeople. Continue past the Bridge of Sighs and the Doge's Palace to St. Mark's Square, where you'll view the impressive square and Basilica. **(B)**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Discover the ancient skill of Venetian glass-blowing and play a part in preserving this traditional craft. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 8 Stroll Around Milan Cross the lush green plains of Lombardy to sophisticated Milan, Italy's capital of design and fashion is our destination. An orientation tour takes us past the intricate Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the famous Galleria. Later arrive in the Italian Lakes where we'll enjoy a dinner with your fellow traveling companions. **(B, D) Hotel: Simplon**

DAY 9 On to Como and Scenic Lake Maggiore Indulge in a free day at your leisure in the Italian Lake District. Time to explore Como's historical quarter, savor delicious gelato, or consider a serene cruise on the lake. This evening, venture by private boat to a secluded island on Lake Maggiore for your **Be My Guest experience**. **(B, D)**

Be My Guest
Join the Cinque family for dinner and wine at Villa Toscanini, and learn about the intriguing history of their home and Lake Maggiore, the hideaway of conductor Arturo Toscanini, one of the most influential musicians of the 19th century.



DAY 10 Admire Pisa and on to Florence Tuscany lures you past the marble quarries of Carrara to Pisa and its Square of Miracles where you'll view the Leaning Tower. Your next stop is Florence. **(B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

DAY 11 Experience Art and Architecture in Florence Your **Local Specialist** unlocks the history of the Medici family as you visit Piazza della Signoria. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views of Florence's beautiful skyline, dominated by the elegant Duomo and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio, from Piazzale Michelangelo. **(B)**

DAY 12 Treasures of San Gimignano and Return to Rome This morning, stop at the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial before visiting the Tuscan hill-town of San Gimignano. This evening in Rome, enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers. **(B, D) Hotel: Shangri-La**

DAY 13 Farewell Rome Bid a fond ciao to your newfound friends as your discovery of the best of Italy comes to an end. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at Leonardo da Vinci Airport (FCO) at 07:00 and 09:30.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ITBO/WTBO

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi and Florence

Discover on City Orientations
Venice, Milan and San Gimignano

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica, the Colosseum and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, a glass-blowing factory in Venice, Lake Como and the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial

View Must-see Landmarks
Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the Duomo in Florence

Travel by Scenic Journeys
Ferry to the Isle of Capri, private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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Best of Britain

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As rated by Past Guests

14 Days | 3 Countries | 19 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Departure months: Apr - Oct

Explore the Best of Britain on this incredible trip across England, Scotland and Wales, and travel over the sea to the Isle of Skye. Imagine life as a Benedictine monk at Buckfast Abbey, feel the hope of brave pilgrims in Plymouth and be inspired by the beauty of Lake Windermere.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to London London's vibrant city streets are your launch pad to an epic journey through the iconic sights of Britain. **Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank**

DAY 2 Explore Historic London Join a **Local Specialist** today for a city tour. See the imposing Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace, the official UK residence of the British sovereigns since the mid-19th century. **(B)**

DAY 3 Journey to Stonehenge, Bath and Exeter Journey through the rolling landscapes of rural Wiltshire to the ancient megaliths of Stonehenge. Continue to UNESCO-listed Bath for your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** before arriving in the historic cathedral city of Exeter. **(B, D) Hotel: Mercure Southgate**

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director for an early morning departure.

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Visit the well-preserved Roman Baths. Discover 2000 years of history and learn how this hub of culture is pioneering new educational investments to benefit the community. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 4: Quality Education.

DAY 4 Plymouth and More in the Southwest Stop in Plymouth to see the Royal Citadel and consider an Optional Experience cruise. Step back in time in the delightful village of Polperro before continuing along the brooding moorland of Dartmoor. Gain insights into how Benedictine monks have lived and prayed for over 1,000 years at Buckfast Abbey. **(B)**

DAY 5 Onwards to Glastonbury and Cardiff Enjoy a scenic drive and visit the ruined Glastonbury Abbey. Head to Somerset for an unforgettable **Be My Guest experience** with your hosts, the Dyer family. Our final stop today is Cardiff, where your Travel Director shows you the city's iconic sites. **(B, L) Hotel: Leonardo Bristol City/ Leonardo Cardiff**

> **Be My Guest**
> Ian and Ann Dyer are your hosts on their modern-day dairy farm. See the ancient manor house and learn what life is like in the rural countryside over a lunch featuring family favorites.

DAY 6 Explore Tudor History and on to Liverpool Explore Tudor history in Ludlow and Chester this morning, enjoying views of Chester's medieval city walls and red sandstone Cathedral. Join a **Local Specialist** later in Liverpool to gain insight into the city's musical history. **(B) Hotel: Leonardo Manchester Piccadilly/Leonardo Liverpool**

DAY 7 Venture to the Romantic Lake District and on to Glasgow Travel along the shores of Windermere through countryside made famous by the poet William Wordsworth. Stop in Gretna Green on the Scottish border, where many eloping couples have tied the knot, before arriving in Glasgow for an orientation tour. This evening, enjoy regional flavors in a local restaurant. **(B, D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza/Novotel**

DAY 8 On to Fort William and the Scottish Highlands Journey along Loch Lomond, whose Bonnie Banks were immortalized in song. In Glencoe, remember the 1692 massacre then visit the World War II Commando Memorial near Fort William. Admire views of Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis, then finish your day in beautiful surrounds with a cozy dinner at your hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Craiglynne/Laggan**

DAY 9 Discover the Isle of Skye Travel to the coast this morning to the Isle of Skye where a **Local Specialist** takes you on a journey to admire the remarkable Cuillin Mountains. Cross back to the mainland to view Eilean Donan Castle and travel through the Scottish Highlands to your Highland hotel. **(B, D)**

DAY 10 Journey to Enchanting Edinburgh Stop in Pitlochry before heading to St. Andrews. See the famous 18th hole before crossing the Firth of Forth to Edinburgh. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. **(B) Hotel: Delta by Marriott**

DAY 11 Uncover Edinburgh's Treasures Ramble up the Royal Mile today and see the city's iconic sights. The elegant Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament feature on your sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist**. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Consider an Optional Experience this evening, including traditional song, dance and Scottish fare. **(B)**

DAY 12 Continue to York Explore the medieval market town of Alnwick this morning. Then it's on to Northumberland and York for an orientation walk past The Shambles and York Minster. Enjoy a final dinner together to bring our memorable journey to a close. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Centre**

DAY 13 Onwards to Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon and London Shakespeare's legacy and life are celebrated during your visit to Stratford-upon-Avon. Later, travel back to London for an evening at leisure. **(B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank**

DAY 14 Cheerio London Say a fond farewell to London and your newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable journey. **(B)**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: BBOB

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
London, Liverpool, the Isle of Skye and Edinburgh

Discover on City Orientations
Bath, Plymouth, Cardiff, Chester, Glasgow and York

Visit Must-see Landmarks
The ancient stone circle at Stonehenge, the Roman Baths in Bath, Polperro, Buckfast Abbey, Glastonbury Abbey, the town of Ludlow, the Isle of Skye, Edinburgh Castle, and Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon

View Must-see Landmarks
Eilean Donan Castle, Alnwick Castle used as Hogwarts in the Harry Potter films, York Minster in York and Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage in Stratford-upon-Avon

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Spain, Morocco and Portugal

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As rated by Past Guests

16 Days | 3 Countries | 22 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Year-round

Every day is an adventure on this Spain, Portugal and Morocco trip, whether you're celebrating Portugal's proud seafaring heritage or venturing deep within the ancient Medina of Fes to find treasures to take home.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Hola Madrid Kick off your unforgettable journey in the fiery Spanish capital of Madrid. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for dinner and an orientation drive past some of the city's most iconic sites. **(D) Hotel: Meliá Castilla/ NH Collection Eurobuilding**

Transfers: Depart Madrid-Barajas Airport at 10:30, 13:00 and 15:30.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.

DAY 2 Explore Fiery Madrid Join your **Local Specialist** on this day of discovery, including views of the iconic Cibeles fountain and Paseo de la Castellana. **(B)**

DAY 3 Onwards to Toledo and Granada Join your **Local Specialist** for a walking tour of Toledo, during which you'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé and the synagogue. Dive into Culture at a local steel and Damascene workshop, before continuing to Granada. **(B, D) Hotel: Occidental**

DAY 4 Journey to the Sunny Costa del Sol Admire the impressive palatial city of the Alhambra. Join a **Local Specialist** for a guided visit, then continue to the Costa del Sol. **(B) Hotel: NH Marbella/Melia Costa del Sol**

DAY 5 Cross the Strait of Gibraltar to Fes Travel along the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean and cross to North Africa by ferry. A memorable drive past the Rif Mountains brings you to Fes, your home for the next two nights. **(B, D) Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace**

DAY 6 The Medina and More in Fes Join a **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour through the cultural and spiritual center of Morocco. Spend the rest of your afternoon at leisure. Visit a non-profit veterinarian center on your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. Tonight, maybe join an Optional Experience Arabian dinner in a traditional riad. **(B)**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Visit the non-profit American Fondouk and speak with the volunteer veterinarians. This experience supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land.

DAY 7 Off to Vibrant Marrakesh Departing Fes, journey west through the golden landscape that deepens to rusty red as we approach vibrant Marrakesh. Past and present collide in the world-famous Jemaa el-Fnaa Square. **(B) Hotel: Grand Mogador Menara**

DAY 8 Discover Marrakesh Visit Dar El Bacha with a **Local Specialist**. See Jemaa el-Fnaa Square in the Old Quarter. Visit a traditional Moroccan pharmacy and Dive into Culture as you learn about the art of blending creams and cosmetics with regional ingredients. **(B)**

DAY 9 Continue to Casablanca and Rabat Journey north to Casablanca and enjoy a visit to the Hassan II Mosque with your **Local Specialist**, before arriving in the country's capital city. **(B) Hotel: Impérial Boutique Rabat**

DAY 10 Continue to Tangier Explore Rabat with your **Local Specialist**, stop at the opulent Mohammed V Mausoleum and admire the cityscape. Later, continue to Tangier, a gateway between Africa and Europe. Your unique **Stays With Stories** is an iconic hotel overlooking the Bay of Tangiers and the sparkling Mediterranean beyond. **(B, D) Hotel: El Minzah**

> **Stays with Stories**
> Immerse yourself in the proud heritage of El Minzah Hotel, a famous Hispano-Moorish hotel in the heart of the city commissioned by the fourth Marquis of Bute in the 1930s.

DAY 11 Sail the Strait to Seville Crossing the Strait of Gibraltar by ferry, return to Spain and journey past the region of Jerez, renowned as the origin of Spanish sherry. Drive through Andalucía and arrive in Seville. **(B) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros**

DAY 12 Explore Spectacular Seville Join your **Local Specialist** for a tour which will take you past Giralda Bell Tower. Admire the Maria Luisa Park and see the imposing Plaza de España. Visit the ornate tomb of Christopher Columbus, then enjoy a walk through the historic Jewish Quarter. **(B)**

DAY 13 Venture to Évora Head to Alentejo, where the Brito Paes family await your arrival for a special **Be My Guest experience** on their traditional stud ranch. Afterwards, continue to Évora for a tour with your **Local Specialist**. Tonight, enjoy dinner at your hotel. **(B, L, D) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas**

> **Be My Guest**
> Saddle up for a superb stud farm visit, the tragic story of unrequited love, and a traditional home-cooked lunch with Tiago and Vera in Portugal's beautiful Alentejo.

DAY 14 On to Lively Lisbon Enjoy a sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** in Lisbon today. Visit the Belém Quarter and view the exterior of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. Enjoy a taste of Pastéis de Belém. **(B) Hotel: VIP Grand Lisboa**

DAY 15 Lisbon Your Way Consider joining an Optional Experience to Cascais and Sintra today. In the evening, enjoy dinner with your newfound friends and your Travel Director. **(B, D) Hotel: Olissippo Oriente/ Olissippo Marquês de Sá**

DAY 16 Journey Home Your epic journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal comes to an end this morning. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at the airport at 07:00 and 09:30.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: SMAP/WSMP

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Madrid, Toledo, Fes, Marrakesh, Casablanca, Rabat, Seville, Évora and Lisbon

Discover on City Orientations
Tangier

Visit Must-see Landmarks
The Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo, the Alhambra in Granada, Dar El Bacha and a Moroccan pharmacy in Marrakesh, the Cathedral in Seville and the Belém Quarter in Lisbon

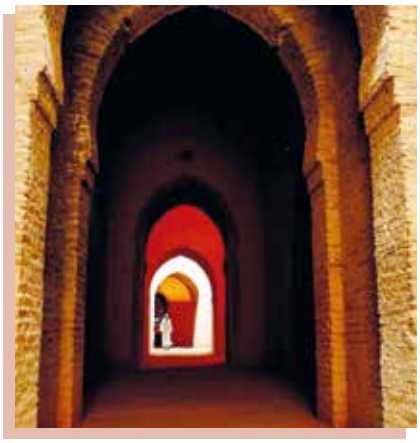
View Must-see Landmarks
The Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca, the Royal Palace in Rabat and the Belém Tower in Lisbon

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Contrasts of Switzerland

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As rated by Past Guests

8 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Zürich Zürich is your springboard to a spectacular journey through Switzerland. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers to explore the city's ancient heritage and modern verve during your orientation tour this afternoon. This evening, meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers to launch your Swiss experience for dinner. **(D)**
Hotel: Mövenpick Airport

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 15:15.

DAY 2 Onwards by Train to St. Moritz Our love affair with the snow-capped peaks of Switzerland begins on a scenic train journey via Chur to the stylish resort of St. Moritz, set against the beautiful backdrop of Lake St.Moritz. Admire the inspiring natural setting and perhaps travel on one of Switzerland's most spectacular rail routes across the Bernina pass this afternoon, before enjoying dinner at your hotel tonight. **(B, D) Hotel: Reine Victoria**

DAY 3 Catch the Glacier Express to Zermatt Watch the epic alpine landscapes drift past as you chug along one of the world's most unforgettable rail journeys from the comfort of the Glacier Express (subject to availability). Cross hundreds of bridges and the Oberalp Pass at 6,700 feet (2,044 m) above sea level. Enjoy an included lunch on board as you journey to the resort town of Zermatt - your **Stays with Stories** destination. Upon arrival, your Travel Director will take you on an orientation of the town. **(B, L) Hotel: Ambassador**

Stays with Stories
Enjoy panoramic views of the unique mountain landscape of the Alps at the Hotel Ambassador in Zermatt.

DAY 4 Zermatt at Leisure Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air and panoramic vistas. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views. **(B)**

DAY 5 A Train Journey to Lakeside Geneva Travel by train to Geneva and continue to La Ferme Enchantée for a memorable **Be My Guest experience** over lunch. This sustainable farm also hosts beehives, and you'll even meet the beekeeper during a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. This afternoon you return to Geneva where the orientation will include views of the Old Town, Jet d'Eau and the Flower Clock. Later, explore the city on your own. Stroll through the ancient maze of medieval streets and quiet squares or consider a cruise – enjoying views of the lakeside villages. **(B, L)**
Hotel: Royal Manotel

Be My Guest
La Ferme Enchantée, located on a hill in the middle of the vineyards, welcomes you with Swiss hospitality and local produce.



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Meet the passionate beekeeper of Apidae, a local organization raising awareness and promoting education on bees, wildflowers and pollinators, for a talk on bees and biodiversity in Geneva County. This experience supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land.

DAY 6 Journey on the Golden and Brünig Pass to Interlaken and Lucerne Picture-perfect landscapes are your constant companion as you journey from Geneva along the Golden Pass route. Stop at Interlaken in the heart of the Swiss Alps, located at the foot of a trio of famous peaks – the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. Spend some time at leisure and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. Follow the Brünig Pass to the lakeside town of Lucerne in central Switzerland, where you will stay for the next two nights.. See the Iconic Chapel bridge and the poignant Lion Monument, built in memory of the Swiss Guards who bravely defended Louis XVI during the French Revolution on your orientation tour. The evening is free to spend as you wish, but you could choose to show off your vocal talents and learn how to yodel during an optional fun-packed Swiss folklore show with fondue dinner. **(B)**
Hotel: Radisson Blu

DAY 7 Explore Medieval Lucerne Mountain peaks surround you as you spend a day at leisure in beautiful lakeside Lucerne. Later consider an Optional Experience to a nearby mountain peak or explore the Old Town and shop for delicious Swiss chocolate. Tonight, join our Travel Director and fellow travel companions for dinner in a local restaurant. **(B, D)**

DAY 8 Journey Home Say a fond farewell to Switzerland and newfound friends at the end of a remarkable vacation. Your Travel Director will give you tickets for the short train journey from Lucerne to Zürich Airport, which can be used at your convenience for your onward journey on the final day of your tour. Alternatively, join a coach transfer to Zürich Airport. **(B)**

Transfer: Arrive at the airport at 09:00.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: STGV

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Discover on City Orientations
Zürich, St. Moritz, Zermatt, Geneva and Lucerne

View Must-see Landmarks
The Matterhorn (weather permitting), the Jet d'Eau in Geneva, the Swiss Alps in Interlaken, the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne

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Imperial Europe

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10 Days | 5 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Year-round

The towering spires of Imperial Europe may seem to touch the sky, but you'll want to keep your feet on the ground so you don't miss any of the many travel highlights and heart-warming surprises delivered on your visits to Prague, Salzburg, Budapest and Vienna.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Munich The sophisticated city streets of Munich kick off your adventure through the capitals of Imperial Europe. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director this evening for an orientation tour, including views of the Marienplatz and its iconic Glockenspiel, before enjoying dinner together. **(D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark**

Transfers: Depart the airport at 10:00 and 13:00.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 15:00.

DAY 2 Journey to Medieval Regensburg and Prague This morning visit Regensburg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and an unspoilt medieval gem. Cross the Czech border and head to Prague, your home for the next two nights. Join a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** - an educational lecture with a local bee expert. You'll have the evening to spend your way. Consider joining an Optional Experience to explore beautiful Prague by night with a **Local Specialist**. **(B) Hotel: Vienna House by Wyndham Andel's Prague**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Join Jindřiška Hinge for a fun workshop on beekeeping and the rooftop bee projects in Prague. Your experience supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land.

DAY 3 Discover Colorful Prague Delve into centuries of history as you join a **Local Specialist** for a guided sightseeing tour of Prague. View the impressive architecture of St. Vitus Cathedral in the grounds of the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle. Cross the river on your walking tour to the Old Town Square to see the Astronomical Clock, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. The afternoon is yours to explore the city on your own. Perhaps take a relaxing cruise on the beautiful River Vltava as we tell you about the legends, myths, culture and hidden secrets of this enchanting city while you enjoy a lunch of local specialties. **(B)**

DAY 4 Onwards to Slovak Bratislava and Budapest Cross the lush landscapes of Moravia and stop in Bratislava to admire its eclectic Gothic, Baroque and Art Deco architecture. Continue across the Hungarian border before arriving in Budapest, the 'Paris of the East'. **(B) Hotel: Novotel Danube**

DAY 5 Explore Riverside Budapest Admire all the highlights of Budapest on a guided sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist**. See the famous Chain Bridge which connects two ancient settlements that straddle the Danube, and the UNESCO-listed Castle Hill district. Spend the rest of the day at leisure or join an Optional Experience visit to Szentendre, a picturesque medieval town located on the banks of the Danube. Afterwards, perhaps strike a bargain in the shops that sell beautiful Hungarian embroidery, ceramics and paprika. Later, you'll join the local winery owners for a **Be My Guest experience**. **(B, D)**

> **Be My Guest**
> Join the Schieszl family for a hearty Hungarian dinner and the story of their winery that dates back to the 19th century.



DAY 6 Venture to Vienna A leisurely start to your morning could see you joining an Optional Experience guided tour of the magnificent Parliament Building. Cross the hilly landscapes of Transdanubia stopping in Győr to soak up its medieval atmosphere. Arrive in Vienna for an evening at leisure to indulge in the captivating melodies, art and architecture of a city that was once home to famous composers. **(B) Hotel: Holiday Inn South**

DAY 7 See the Sights of Vienna Join a **Local Specialist** and explore the imperial splendor of Vienna. Admire the Hofburg Palace, the grand State Opera House and Ringstrasse, then see the ornate colorful roof of St. Stephen's Cathedral, one of the city's most beloved icons. Perhaps consider a visit to the Baroque Schönbrunn Palace with its tranquil gardens or enjoy Vienna's musical talents at one of the performances for which the city is famous. **(B)**

DAY 8 Off to Picturesque Salzburg See the Benedictine Melk Abbey perched on a rocky outcrop above the Danube. Arrive in Salzburg later and embark on a walking tour with a **Local Specialist**. Dine in your hotel this evening. **(B, D) Hotel: Arcotel Castellani**

DAY 9 Return to Munich Leave Austria behind, bound for the Bavarian Capital, Munich. This evening, we celebrate an unforgettable journey through some of Europe's most memorable cities during dinner with your travel companions and Travel Director. **(B, D) Hotel: Leonardo Royal**

DAY 10 Farewell Munich Say a fond auf Wiedersehen to Germany, at the end of your exhilarating European experience. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at the airport at 07:00 and 09:00.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: CEOX/WEOX

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Prague, Budapest, Vienna and Salzburg

Discover on City Orientations
Munich, Regensburg, Bratislava and Győr

View Must-see Landmarks
The Marienplatz in Munich, St. Vitus' Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague, the Imperial Boulevards of Vienna

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11 Days | 4 Countries | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Jun - Jul

Bring history to life on your European travels as you learn about life as a Roman gladiator and try your hand at pizza-making on an epic European family trip. Visit grand cities and see ancient sites. Fill your days with carnival masks, medieval castle banquets and tons of fun for the whole family.



Key: Start End Overnight Optional Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Rome Buckle up Bambini – we're off on a grand adventure through Europe, launching our Family Experience in the 'Eternal City' of Rome. This evening we Dive into Culture with a Family Fun experience and learn how to make pizza followed by dinner. **(D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's**

Transfers: Depart Leonardo da Vinci Airport (FCO) at 09:30, 12:30 and 15:00.

DAY 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Colosseum Join a **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour to the Colosseum before crossing the Tiber into Ancient Rome and see Circus Maximus. **(B)**

DAY 3 Admire Siena and Florence Explore the medieval playground of Siena, home to the festive Palio bareback horse race. Arrive in Florence this afternoon where you'll enjoy an exclusive **Be My Guest experience** at the 12th-century Castle of Trebbio. **(B, D) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**

Be My Guest
Meet Anna and Alberto at Castle of Trebbio to explore its cellars and indulge in olive oil and wine tasting before savoring a traditional Tuscan buffet.

DAY 4 Explore Florence Join a **Local Specialist** for a walking tour of the city. Visit the Piazza della Signoria, and view the magnificent marble Duomo. Spend the afternoon at leisure pounding the pavements in search of the city's tastiest gelato. **(B)**

DAY 5 Journey to Bologna and on to Venice Cross the Apennine Mountains to the city of Bologna where you will join a **Local Specialist** to view the city's Kissing Towers and Il Gigante. Indulge in the delicious flavors of what is widely regarded as the gastronomic capital of Italy. Arrive in the island city of Venice later for some leisure time or enjoy an Optional Experience gondola ride. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana**

DAY 6 Discover the Floating City of Venice Enjoy an unforgettable **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** as you witness first-hand the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glass-blowing. Take to the water and cruise by private launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. Join your Travel Director to see the iconic and unexpected highlights of the city - the ornate Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Basilica and the Campanile with its five bells. Then, join a **Local Specialist** for a Family Fun experience to learn about the great Venetian tradition of Carnival masks, with an opportunity to create your own colorful alter egos. **(B)**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Discover the ancient skill of Venetian glass-blowing and play a part in preserving this traditional craft. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 7 Onwards to Lake Como and Engelberg We travel through the Italian Lake District and enjoy some free time for lunch in the laid-back lakeside town of Como. We continue through alpine landscapes next, past Lugano and through the St. Gotthard tunnel into central Switzerland, before arriving in Engelberg. **(B) Hotel: H+ Hotel & Spa**

DAY 8 Uncover Lucerne's Treasures Walk across the flower-lined 14th-century wooden Chapel Bridge and into a land of lakes and lions. See the giant lion hewn from sandstone rock to commemorate the heroism of the Swiss Guards. Ascend one of the magnificent surrounding mountains during an Optional Experience or spend the afternoon sampling the rich flavors of delicious Swiss chocolate. **(B, D)**

DAY 9 Off to Magical Paris From Switzerland, we cross the mighty Rhine River and into France, traveling through the famous Burgundy wine region en route to the 'City of Light'. **(B) Hotel: Novotel Centre Bercy**

DAY 10 Explore Paris's Sights Join a **Local Specialist** on a guided sightseeing tour which includes a drive along the Champs-Élysées with views of the magnificent Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower. Now, take to the water for a leisurely cruise on the Seine River with spectacular views of the city's bridges and life on the river. Enjoy a free afternoon to discover Paris. This evening, celebrate with our travel companions and Travel Director at a special dinner. **(B, D)**

DAY 11 Farewell Paris For now, it's time to say au revoir to your fellow travelers at the end of an unforgettable experience. **(B)**

Transfer: Arrive at Charles de Gaulle Airport at 08:00.

Optional Eurostar™ Extension

Consider extending your vacation with a visit to London. Includes a one-way Eurostar™ train ticket from Paris to London Standard Class, London accommodations at the Crowne Plaza Kings Cross hotel and station transfers. See trafalgar.com for details.

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Rome, Florence, Bologna and Paris

Discover on City Orientations
Siena, Venice and Lucerne

Visit Must-see Landmarks
A glass-blowing factory and a mask-making studio in Venice

View Must-see Landmarks
The ancient sites of Rome, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, scenic Lake Como, the spectacular alpine scenery of Switzerland, the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne and the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

Travel by Scenic Journeys
By private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice and along the Seine River in Paris

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: FSPL

Highlights of Turkey

4.5/5 feefo
As rated by Past Guests

10 Days | 1 Country | 17 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Mar - Oct

Travel along the age-old trading routes that linked East and West, where the Highlights of Turkey are revealed. Haggle in Istanbul's Grand Bazaar, daydream through the fairy-tale landscapes of Cappadocia and walk in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks in Ephesus.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Istanbul Meet at the crossroads of East and West – the effervescent capital of Istanbul launches your journey of discovery through centuries of turmoil and triumph. Spend the day exploring after being transferred to your hotel. Later, you'll meet your Travel Director and travel companions for dinner. **(D)**
Hotel: Novotel Istanbul Zeytinburnu

Transfers: Depart Istanbul Airport (IST) at 13:30 and 16:30.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:30.

DAY 2 Discover Colorful Istanbul
Delve into the treasures of the Ottoman Empire, strolling through the exquisite Topkapi Palace with its spellbinding views of the Bosphorus. Visit Hagia Sophia, the Byzantine Hippodrome to see where thundering chariots once raced to victory before viewing the Blue Mosque – its six minarets and beautiful blue Iznik tiles are a sight to behold. Join a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** at the museum of Classical Turkish Music. The evening is yours to further explore the city. **(B)**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Visit the house of Turkey's greatest classical composer, Dede Efendi and experience a private concert by Music Conservancy students. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 4 and 11: Quality Education and Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 3 Journey to Gallipoli and Çanakkale
Remember the heroism of the many thousands of men who fought bravely at Gallipoli. You'll see Lone Pine Cemetery and the battlefields that today still hold special significance for the Turkish, Australian and New Zealand nations. Spend a quiet moment commemorating the lives lost at Anzac Cove and Chunuk Bair, where some of the fiercest fighting took place during World War I. This evening stay in Çanakkale where tonight you'll dine at the hotel. **(B, D)**
Hotel: Kolin

DAY 4 Off to Troy and Izmir Visit a land of Trojan legends, an ancient city immortalized by Homer. Admire the archaeological excavations at Troy revealing nine separate periods of settlement and the symbolic replica wooden Trojan horse commemorating the epic war machine constructed by the Greeks to end a lengthy siege. This afternoon, Connect With Locals over lunch in the village of Demircidere at a **Be My Guest experience**. Travel to the broad boulevards of seaside Izmir later and dine in your hotel this evening. **(B, L, D)**
Hotel: Kaya Izmir Thermal & Convention

> **Be My Guest**
> Meet the most liberated women in Turkey in the village of Demircidere and learn how to bake traditional bread.

DAY 5 Admire the Ruins of Ephesus and on to Pamukkale Journey into antiquity and explore the ruins of the ancient Greek city of Ephesus admiring the well-preserved façade of the Library of Celsus and its famous Temple of Artemis. Visit the House of the Virgin Mary, the Temple of Hadrian guarded by Medusa's head, and the Great Theater, built by the Romans in the 2nd-century and still in use today. You'll learn about the intricate heritage and art of carpet weaving during a visit to a Turkish carpet emporium. Relax and enjoy the blissful thermal pools at your hotel in Pamukkale. **(B, D) Hotel: Colossae Thermal**

DAY 6 Onwards to Hierapolis and Konya
This morning, enjoy a leisurely visit to the ancient ruins of the Holy City of Hierapolis, imagining ancient patrons seeking revival and rest within their limestone-laden thermal springs. Visit the Mevlana Museum and Mausoleum in Konya, a former dervish lodge of the Mevlevi order, which reveals the origins of Sufism. Your last stop today is Konya where tonight you'll dine at the hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Dedeman**

DAY 7 Continue to Cappadocia Continue your journey to Cappadocia, you'll see a 13th-century caravanserai and underground city of Saratli. Then Dive into Culture to learn about the art of pottery making in Avanos. Tonight, enjoy a **Stays with Stories** experience as you overnight in a hotel hewn out of the surrounding rock and houses. **(B)**
Hotel: Exedra

> **Stays with Stories**
> Exedra Hotel's rooms, carved from rock, feature unique designs and display handcrafted antiques. During construction of the hotel, a chapel was discovered, inspiring the name 'Exedra' – a meeting place in ancient Rome.

DAY 8 A Day to Explore Spectacular Göreme The whimsical landscapes of Cappadocia take center stage today as you embark on a full-day excursion that will see you visit the Göreme Open-Air Museum, the Paşabağı and Kizil Vadi valleys. Join your fellow travelers for an included dinner this evening. **(B, D)**

DAY 9 Return to Istanbul This morning, take a short flight to Istanbul and Dive into Culture at the Grand Bazaar, one of the world's largest covered markets. The rest of the day is yours to explore. Visit the vibrant Spice Market, stroll through historic Sultanahmet, or relax at a rooftop café with views of the iconic skyline. Tonight, join your Travel Director and companions for dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Istanbul Zeytinburnu**

DAY 10 Farewell Istanbul Say a fond farewell to Turkey as you depart. **(B)**

Transfers: Arrive at Istanbul Airport (IST) at 06:00 and 12:00.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: THOT

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Istanbul

Visit Must-see Landmarks
The Topkapi Palace, Byzantine Hippodrome and Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Anzac Cove and the War Cemeteries at Gallipoli and the Göreme Open-Air Museum

View Must-see Landmarks
The Wooden Horse at Troy and the Blue Mosque

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Wonders of Ancient Egypt

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12 Days | 1 Country | 25 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Year-round

The enduring buzz of Cairo's bustling city streets and imposing Great Pyramids of Giza launch your discovery of Ancient Egypt. Cruise down the Nile to Kom-Ombo, past Luxor, and explore the Valley of the Kings.



Key: Start End Overnight Optional Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Cairo Delve into the antiquities of Egypt on this epic journey. As you transfer to your hotel for a day at leisure, you'll feel the intoxicating buzz of this lively city. **Hotel: Ramses Hilton**

DAY 2 Admire the Wonders of Giza Immerse yourself during a full-day excursion to the old kingdom of Egypt. See the Colossus of Ramses II and the Alabaster Sphinx at Memphis. Visit the Step Pyramid at Saqqara, then marvel at the Great Pyramid of Giza and the mighty Sphinx. **(B)**

DAY 3 Fly to Luxor and Embark on Your Nile Cruise Fly to Luxor this morning and embark on a guided tour of the Karnak Temple Complex, before boarding your cruise in time for lunch. Later, marvel at Luxor's Temple and visit the Luxor Museum to see an astounding collection of archaeological treasures, including items from Tutankhamun's tomb. Your **Stays with Stories** experience takes you on a cruise along the Nile, which continues to play a crucial role in the Egyptian economy and biodiversity. **(B, L, D)**
Hotel: Nile Cruise

> **Stays with Stories**
> Nile cruises emerged in the early 19th century as travelers sought to explore Egypt's ancient wonders by boat. Take in the cultural and historic significance of the Nile as you drift along the famous river during your seven-night cruise.

DAY 4 Explore Ancient Dendera Pay tribute to the Goddess Hathor at Dendera Temple. You'll learn about Dendera's role as one of the major capitals of ancient Upper Egypt before sailing to Kom-Ombo. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 5 Journey to Aswan Today, we travel to Aswan, which for centuries held the important strategic role of being Egypt's southern frontier and gateway to the rest of Africa. Today it is a tranquil, modern city, most known for its High Dam, Nubian villages and Philae Temple, built to honor Egyptian goddess Isis. We arrive in time for dinner, watching the buzz of the city from the comfort of our boat. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 6 The High Dam and More in Aswan During your sightseeing in Aswan, you'll see how the ancient Egyptians chose a stunning place to honor the goddess of love. Our final stop today is a visit to the High Dam. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 7 Onwards to Philae and Kitchener's Island Today could see you join a once in a lifetime Optional Experience to Abu Simbel, carved into a solid rock cliff in Egypt's Nubian Valley. As you approach the Great Temple, you'll marvel at the four-seated colossi on either side of the entrance and the elaborate engravings depicting great victories and paying homage to the gods. Meet the members of a local women-owned co-operative on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER ® Experience**. Later, you'll set sail in a traditional felucca around the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island. **(B, L, D)**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Meet the ladies behind the local women's co-op and see scrap materials come to life as they are being turned into fine handicrafts. The organization provides an important source of income for vulnerable people. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 5: Gender Equality.

DAY 8 Off to Ancient Kom-Ombo We visit the roofless Temple of Kom-Ombo, a highlight along the Nile, where we'll learn how the temple was built to honor two gods, Horus the Elder and Sobek. The Temple has a perfectly symmetrical design, the two sides mirroring each other with one side dedicated to the crocodile god, the other to the falcon god. You'll learn all about the mythical link and why the Nile crocodile was of such importance to the ancient Egyptian priests. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 9 Sail to Stunning Luxor Watch how the river gives life to an arid landscape and the people who live within it as you sail down the Nile towards Luxor, once an ancient Egyptian capital. Head to the Sundeck for the best views and thrilling experience of passing through Esna Lock before continuing your journey. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 10 Disembark and Fly to Cairo Disembark at Luxor to explore the fascinating complex of mortuary temples and tombs, including Queen Hatshepsut's Temple, the Colossi of Memnon and the Valley of the Kings. Connect With Locals as you enjoy a traditional **Be My Guest experience**. Fly to Cairo and enjoy an evening at leisure to soak up the buzzing atmosphere for which the city is famous. **(B)**
Hotel: Ramses Hilton

> **Be My Guest**
> Meet the El Boerey family as they share stories about family life in a typical Luxor village. Savor a culinary tradition of warm mint tea and freshly baked local bread.

DAY 11 Discover Colorful Cairo Your sightseeing tour today will include a visit to the Hanging Church of St. Mary and the Sultan Hassan Mosque in Old Cairo, see the ancient Citadel, the Alabaster Mosque. This afternoon, Dive into Culture when you visit the Egyptian Museum. **(B)**

DAY 12 Farewell Cairo Our expedition at its end, say a fond farewell to your newfound friends. **(B)**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used. Trip code: EGWE/WEGW

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Luxor and Cairo with an Egyptologist

Visit Must-see Landmarks
The temples of Karnak, Luxor Museum, the temple dedicated to Goddess Hathor at Dendera, Luxor Temple, the Temple of Isis on the island of Philae, the Temple at Kom-Ombo, Queen Hatshepsut's Temple and the Colossi of Memnon in Luxor, the Valley of the Kings and the Egyptian Museum in Cairo

View Must-see Landmarks
The Step Pyramid in Sakkara, the Great Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza, the High Dam and the Unfinished Obelisk in Aswan, the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island, the Citadel, Alabaster and Sultan Hassan Mosques in Cairo

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Five Epic National Parks

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9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: May - Oct

Ticking off five National Parks in just nine days, delve into the Old West from the peaks of the Grand Tetons, geysers at Yellowstone National Park and spires of Bryce Canyon. Cap it off with a relaxing tram ride through Zion National Park and a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in the Grand Canyon.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Howdy Jackson Your journey through the Old West and epic national parks begins in the intrepid adventurer's town of Jackson. Check in to your hotel and enjoy an afternoon strolling the art galleries in town before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Dinner this evening. **(D) Hotel: 49'er Inn & Suites**

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 Go Wild in Grand Teton National Park See Grand Teton National Park with the shimmering peaks of the Teton range rising up above alpine forests and lakes. The park is famous for its 45-mile-long Teton Mountain Range, including eight peaks over 3,658 m in elevation. Several glacier carved lakes dominate the park's landscape, Jenny Lake being the most popular. Grand Teton a top-notch destination for wildlife sightings including black bears, gray wolves, eagles and river badgers. This afternoon, opt to sail into the sky on an aerial tram ride to the peak of Rendezvous Mountain offering 360-degree views of the Tetons, Jackson Hole and the Snake River Valley. **(B)**

DAY 3 Delve into the wild Scenery of the West If the season is right, today is your chance to get out on the water for some adventure. Rise early to float down the Snake River on an optional, scenic wilderness float trip. It's the most relaxing way to experience the river as you learn about its history, geology, and wildlife from an expert guide. Explore the alpine landscapes of Grand Teton National Park keeping your camera at hand to capture the mountain meadows and towering peaks that provide a picturesque backdrop for today's drive to West Yellowstone, the gateway to the world's oldest national park and a boon for outdoors enthusiasts of all ages. **(B) Hotel: Gray Wolf Inn & Suites**

DAY 4 Admire The Geysers of Yellowstone Journey to Yellowstone, America's first national park, where you'll encounter a geothermal wonderland of spouting geysers, bubbling mudpots and turquoise hot springs. Pay a visit to Old Faithful, watching as its geysers arc high into the air, and try to spot the park's resident bison, grizzlies and elk as you navigate scenic drives and valleys during this full day of sightseeing. **(B)**

DAY 5 Salt Lake City and Swore Farms Travel south to Utah's capital, the center of the Mormon religion. Delve into history at the Salt Lake City Temple Square and take this time to explore at your leisure. We take a lunch break in Pocatello, Idaho for a special **Be My Guest experience**. Meet Wendy, mother, farmer and award-winning author to get a glimpse of her life at Swore Farms and her family's passion for farming and living a rural lifestyle. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a dinner at your hotel. **(B, L, D) Hotel: Sheraton Salt Lake City**

Be My Guest
At family-owned and operated Swore Farms you'll take a ride through the farm before enjoying lunch in the greenhouse.

DAY 6 Unmask Bryce Canyon National Park The eerie hoodoo landscapes of Bryce Canyon National Park are our first stop today. Admire its fairytale castles, cathedrals and secret hideaways amidst an amphitheater of rusty red limestone spires. Continue to Zion National Park with its towering cream, pink and red cliffs and unusual biodiversity. **(B) Hotel: Hampton Inn & Suites Springdale/ Zion National Park**

DAY 7 A Scenic Ride Through Zion Canyon Zion Canyon promises soaring canyon walls and the winding Virgin River, and your private tram ride along the valley floor will have you delving into some of the park's most treasured spots. Next up, we stop at Desert Viewpoint for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** to explore exhibits showcasing the rich culture of Native Americans from 11 traditionally associated tribes of the Grand Canyon. These exhibits offer a deep dive into their history and artisanry. Your day ends with a **Stays with Stories** experience in historic Williams just steps away from Route 66. **(B) Hotel: Grand Canyon Railway**

Stays with Stories
Step into a bygone era at refurbished Grand Canyon Railway Hotel which was built to serve passengers on the Santa Fe Railroad in 1908.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
At Desert Viewpoint, learn about the 11 Grand Canyon tribal communities. Your visit supports the ongoing development of the Inter-tribal Cultural Heritage Site and advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 10 & 11: Reduced Inequalities & Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 8 Visit the Grand Canyon Visit one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World and a UNESCO World Heritage site, Grand Canyon National Park. Experience the park on an optional morning flightseeing ride. Then, take in views on the ground as you learn about this natural spectacle. Celebrate your journey with a Farewell Dinner at Fred Harvey restaurant. Enjoy the restaurant's railroad atmosphere complete with entrées inspired by recipes used on classic American railroads. **(B, D)**

DAY 9 One Last Scenic Desert Drive Slice through desert landscapes bound for the desert playground of Las Vegas where you will be transferred to Las Vegas Harry Reid International Airport or consider extending your stay. **(B)**

Transfer: Arrive at the airport at 13:00.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: DPRK

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Wendy Swore from Swore Farms

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Jackson, Yellowstone National Park, Grand Canyon National Park, Glen Canyon Dam, Grand Teton National Park, Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon National Park, Williams, Cameron Trading Post

View Must-see Landmarks
Grand Canyon of Yellowstone, Desert Viewpoint, Old Faithful

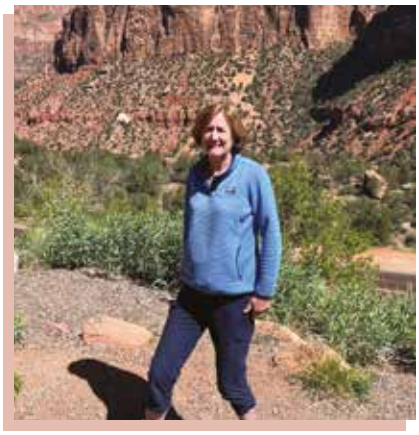
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Hawaiian Explorer

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Departure months: Year-round

Waikiki and Maui, Pearl Harbor and the volcanic energy of Hawaii Volcanoes National Park are yours to discover. Sip a fragrant brew at a Kona coffee plantation and visit Punalu'u Beach Park – home to black sand and sea turtles basking in the sun – topped off with a classic Hawaiian luau.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Island Greetings In Honolulu, Oahu Ease into the warm embrace of Hawaii's Aloha spirit, donning a flower lei on arrival to kick-start your love affair with the Pacific islands. Explore the golden beaches of Waikiki before gathering for a Hawaiian-style dinner with your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening. **(D)**
Hotel: The Twin Fin Waikiki – Moderate (City View), First Class (Partial Ocean View), Premier (Ocean View)

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 Discover the History of Honolulu Today we visit Pearl Harbor National Memorial and the USS Arizona Memorial as well as the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific. Also today in downtown Honolulu, see the Iolani Palace, King Kamehameha I Statue and State Capitol Building before spending the rest of the afternoon at leisure. **(B)**

DAY 3 See the Volcanic Beauty of Hawaii Volcanoes National Park Fly to the Big Island of Hawaii, on arrival in the charming town of Hilo you will have time to explore and enjoy lunch on your own. Next visit the UNESCO listed Hawaii Volcanoes National Park and learn about the geology of the Islands. We continue along the coast to Punalu'u Beach park, famous for its black sand and Hawaiian green sea turtles.
(B) Hotel: Outrigger Kona Resort & Spa – Moderate (Mountain View), First Class (Partial Ocean View), Premier (Ocean View)

Stays with Stories
Admire unrivaled views from your hotel, perched above the lava cliffs of Keauhou Bay on 22 acres of Kona coastline, then take a dip in the multi-level fantasy pool or enjoy an on-site hula or ukulele lesson.

DAY 4 Experience the Sights, Flavors and Wildlife of Hawaii Unlock the secrets of marine life learning about the Mobula alfredi manta rays, the second largest in the world, that come to the Kona shores to feed each day. Next up, enjoy a **Be My Guest experience** at Kona Sea Salt, the island's only salt farm. Continue your cultural discovery at a coffee plantation, learning how some of the world's best coffee is grown and roasted. Enjoy a coffee tasting as you take in some of the most scenic views in Hawaii. **(B, L)**

Be My Guest
Born in Hilo and raised on the homestead of Keaukaha, Ipo is the Tour Director and Ambassador of Aloha at Kona Salt Farm. Tour the farm with Ipo and learn about the importance of salt in Hawaiian culture and its production from the deep ocean. Indulge in your food truck lunch with tempting options like Dim Sum Box or Katsu Chicken with Furikake Rice and Somen Noodles.



DAY 5 Unwind and Play in Kona Get ready to embrace your outdoor adventurer on an invigorating day exploring the Big Island on your own or with an Optional Experience. You could take in Kohala's beauty and history on a fun, off-road adventure and relaxed trail walk to a hidden waterfall and scenic overlook of Pololu Valley. You'll love trekking across bridges and past bright green taro terraces. Finish the adventure cooling off in a waterfall. Or, discover what's beneath these gorgeous waters with a snorkelling trip in the pristine Pu'uhonua O Honaunau (The Place of Refuge) and Kealakekua Bay (Captain Cook's Monument) featuring lava tubes and sea caves. Or choose a Night Manta Experience viewing the incredible feeding frenzy in the warm waters of the Pacific Ocean. This evening, lose yourself in the moment as you embrace the tradition of the Hawaiian Luau over dinner of local flavors and tropical cocktails. **(B, D)**

DAY 6 High Country Maui Maui. An island where dormant volcanos, black sand beaches and whale watching lure explorers just like you. Fly from Kona to Maui this morning with a free afternoon to settle into your surroundings. This evening, as the sun sets over the Pacific, take a walk to nearby Whalers Village or enjoy a relaxing beach stroll. **(B) Hotel: Hyatt Regency Maui Resort and Spa – Moderate (Resort View), First Class (Partial Ocean View), Premier (Ocean View)**

DAY 7 Enjoy Free Time In Maui Indulge in a full day on your terms to do as little or as much as you want in paradise. Rise before dawn for sunrise or live your passions exploring art, culture and heritage in picturesque surrounds. This evening, celebrate an encounter with Hawaii's unforgettable landscapes and dynamic culture by joining your travel companions for a lively dinner. **(B, D)**

DAY 8 Farewell Maui Make your way to Kahului Airport or consider extending your stay in Maui. **(B)**

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
A local coffee plantation on Big Island of Hawaii and the wonders of Manta Rays in Keauhou Beach

Discover on City Orientations
Honolulu, Kailua-Kona

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Pearl Harbor National Memorial, USS Arizona Memorial, Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Punalu'u Beach – Hawaii's most famous black sand beach frequented by sea turtles basking in the sun

View Must-see Landmarks
Iolani Palace, King Kamehameha Statue, State Capitol Building

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Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: DHSM/F/P

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9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Apr - Oct

Offering the best of all things Eastern Canada, take in cosmopolitan cities, French and British heritage and majestic landscapes. See a traditional Pow Wow dancing in Ottawa, watch the cascading waters of Niagara Falls and learn about a day in the life of a professional hockey player from a coach.





Key: Start End Overnight Optional Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Toronto Canada's multi-cultural metropolis of Toronto launches your journey across Eastern Canada. Relax after your journey, then meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner this evening. **(D) Hotel: Sheraton Centre Toronto**

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 Toronto The day begins unlocking the best of Toronto with an orientation tour. Consider joining an optional experience to CN Tower for panoramic views across Toronto. You'll have a full free day to explore the city on your terms. **(B)**

DAY 3 Travel on to Niagara Falls Embrace Canada's national winter sport, learning the secrets and superstitions of hockey players as a professional coach walks you through a day in the life of a player. Go inside the players' dressing room and put on full hockey gear, then grab your stick and it's onto the ice where you'll learn how to score the big goal. Sample some of Niagara's regional cuisine paired with their delicious vintages over a **Be My Guest experience** at Ravine Winery. Continue to Niagara Falls. Embark on an exhilarating boat ride to the base of Horseshoe Falls, which plunges dramatically into Lake Ontario. Later, you have the option of joining a helicopter flight before overnighting at Niagara Falls with plenty of time to take in the area's natural beauty. **(B, L) Hotel: Crowne Plaza Niagara Falls-Fallsview**

Be My Guest
Learn about wine production and sustainable growing practices of small batch wines at this humble and inviting family farm of rustic charm.



DAY 4 Journey back in time to Kingston Continue to Kingston, a 17th-century former French trading post and gateway to Ontario's Thousand Islands. See how the city is in a league of its own joining an optional 1000 Islands Discovery Cruise. Relax on the water as you cruise by the must-sees including National Historic Sites including Fort Henry, Canada's Royal Military College, and the imposing Kingston Penitentiary. Conclude your day in arriving in Ottawa, Canada's capital. **(B) Hotel: Sheraton Ottawa**

DAY 5 Onwards to Ottawa Enjoy a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** before arriving in Ottawa to embark on a tour of Canada's capital. You'll have a full afternoon to discover the city on your terms. Consider joining an optional cruise on the Ottawa River or taking in the "Oh Canada Eh? Dinner Show" to unlock the famous stories and people of Canada. Or, explore on your own with a visit to one of the city's museums or discover the range of amazing local cuisine. **(B)**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Join your Indigenous Cultural Ambassadors at Mādahòkì Farm for a guided visit that outlines the diversity of First Nations cultures across Canada. This experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 10 & 11: Reduced Inequalities & Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 6 Travel to Québec City See how the cuisine of Canada is in a league of its own. The sticky, rich flavors of Canada's traditional maple syrup will linger long after your lunch at a local "Cabane a Sucre" (Sugar Shack). After feasting on favorites such as ham, bacon, sausages, baked beans, scrambled eggs, pancakes and sugar pie, continue to Québec City to begin your love affair with the city's French Canadian 'joie de vivre' and your hotel in Old Québec. Tonight's **Stays with Stories** overnight finds you at the Claredon Hotel. **(B, L) Hotel: Clarendon**

Stays with Stories
Québec City's oldest hotel dating back to 1870 features Art Deco elegance and more than a century of history, giving it an atmospheric charm.

DAY 7 Enjoy Québec City Embark on a captivating walk through the narrow streets of Old Québec City, joining your **Local Specialist** for an in-depth discovery of this UNESCO-listed place exuding all the charm of a European city. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring La Vieille Capitale on your terms. **(B)**

DAY 8 Discover Vibrant Montréal Visit modern downtown Montreal, the colorful port area and Place Jacques-Cartier, with your **Local Specialist**. Then discover the history of Notre-Dame, the first neo-Gothic church in Canada. It stands as a foundational part of Montréal, with breathtaking architecture, gold leaves, thousands of stars and exceptional stained-glass windows. After unlocking the heart of the city, join your fellow travelers for a dinner in Old Montréal. **(B, D) Hotel: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal**

DAY 9 Au Revoir Montréal or Toronto Bid a fond au revoir to newfound friends as you depart Montreal at your leisure or head to Toronto International Airport. **(B)**

Transfer: Arrive at the airport at 16:00.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: DBEC

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
UNESCO listed Quebéc City, Montréal, Oakville Hockey Academy, Sugar Shack

Discover on City Orientations
Toronto, Ottawa

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Kingston, Niagara Falls, and Notre Dame de Montreal, the first neo-gothic church in Canada

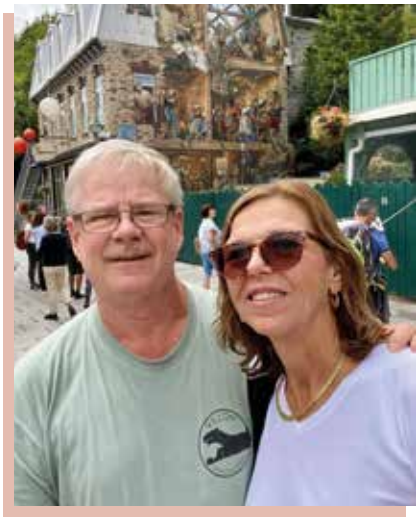
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"Toronto was great, Niagara Falls and Quebec were a highlight. We ate poutine for the first time in Ottawa and loved it!

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Costa Rica Eco Adventure

4.7/5 feefo
As rated by Past Guests

8 Days | 1 Country | 17 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Departure months: Jan - Jul + Sep - Dec

Capture the natural highlights of this biodiverse country as you glide through tree-lined waterways and relax in thermal pools. Sample chocolate made from the world's best cacao and journey back in time with a native Quaker in Old Town Monteverde.



Key: Start End Overnight Optional Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to San José Learn the secrets of Pura Vida – Costa Rica's inimitable zest for life that will linger throughout your effortlessly delivered encounter with a land that boasts no artificial ingredients. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow expeditioners for dinner. **(D) Hotel: Sheraton San Jose**

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 Discover the Natural Beauty of Tortuguero National Park Journey to San Isidro de Heredia where you'll Dive into Culture with master chocolatiers Julio Fernandez and George Soriano to learn about the history of chocolate and its production at this small workshop. Then, it's on to Siquirres where we embark on a river journey through protected wetlands and on to secluded Tortuguero, gliding through canals, lagoons and lowland rainforest. Visit the Village of Tortuguero for a culturally enriching **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. Then continue to your **Stays with Stories** experience at Laguna Lodge. **(B, L, D) Hotel: Laguna Lodge**

> **Stays with Stories**
> Enjoy a remote 15-acre retreat surrounded by towering trees, exotic plants and vast gardens teeming with birds and butterflies.

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Learn about sustainability efforts shaping the community's environmental perceptions from the first pioneers of Tortuguero. This experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 10 & 11: Reduced Inequalities & Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 3 Visit the wildlife of Tortuguero National Park Cruise the canals and streams of the park today with a **Local Specialist** as howler monkeys watch from the treetops, toucans and egrets fly through the air and crocodiles ply the cool waters. Visit the Village of Tortuguero. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 4 Sample heart of palm in Sarapiquí Bid adiós to Tortuguero and head back to the mainland where we'll enjoy lunch before meeting the Tico family for a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience** at their palm plantation. There you'll learn about and sample the delicate heart of palm. Tonight you'll enjoy dinner with the owners of your hotel as they prepare a special barbecue meal just for you. **(B, L, D) Hotel: La Quinta Sarapiqui Lodge**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Meet the Tico family at their palm plantation to learn about and sample the delicate heart of palm surrounded by tropical forest. Your experience directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 12: Responsible Consumption and Production.

DAY 5 Mingle with Locals in Saripiqui Get up close and personal with Costa Rica's exquisite nature during a leisurely walk. We Connect With Locals this afternoon, enjoying a **Be My Guest experience** with lunch at an eco-friendly hacienda built by the Quintana family as a retirement project. **(B, L) Hotel: Arenal Paraiso Resort and Spa**

> **Be My Guest**
> Discover how the Quintana family reduces their carbon footprint and supports the local community.



DAY 6 Immerse in the stories of Monteverde Cloud Forest Our soul-stirring encounter with Costa Rica's natural wonders continues after a morning at leisure. Straddle the Continental Divide and touch the sky in Monteverde Cloud Forest, where you'll have an opportunity to explore this biodiverse sanctuary, renowned for its collection of orchid species – more than in any other single place. Tonight, you will Dive into Culture as you meet descendants of native Quaker, and a **Local Specialist**, who will share stories of Old Town Monteverde and delve into the history of the American Quakers who settled in the area in the 1950s. This evening, relish some of the best views as you enjoy dinner. **(B, D) Hotel: El Establo Mountain**

DAY 7 Wander the Monteverde Cloud Forest Ascend treetops high above the jungle floor along the Sky Walk suspension bridges before toasting to your eco-adventure over dinner. **(B, D)**

DAY 8 Depart Liberia or San José Depart Liberia or San José. **(B)**

Transfer: Arrive at the airport at 11:00.

Guanacaste Beach Option

Extend your vacation with a stay at Guanacaste Beach, famous for its fishing, swimming, diving, surfing and sun.

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Cocoa farm with Master Chocolatier, explore Monteverde with Quaker Pioneer descendants, and hike through Monteverde Cloud Forest

View Must-see Landmarks
Arenal Volcano

Travel by Scenic Journeys
Cruise the canals of Tortuguero National Park

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Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: LCRE

Highlights of Peru

4.7/5 feefo
As rated by Past Guests

8 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Year-round

Explore Inca treasures, wild landscapes and ancient legends, topped off with a chance to sample Peruvian pisco sour. Step back in time at Machu Picchu, enjoy the buzz of a local market in Lima and learn about textile art from a Quechua scholar.



Key: Start End Overnight Optional Sightseeing

DAY 1 Arrive Lima The Capital of the New World extends a warm welcome on your epic voyage through the iconic and unexpected highlights of Peru. Meet your local host and transfer to your hotel in the upscale shopping district of Miraflores. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for dinner this evening. **(D) Hotel: Iberostar Hotel Lima**

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

DAY 2 Experience the Sights and Flavors of Lima Connect with the colonial heritage of Francisco Pizzaro's 'City of Kings', admiring the colonial splendor of Lima's UNESCO-listed Historic Center, with your **Local Specialist**. See the Church of San Francisco and discover its hidden catacombs. You'll visit a local market before continuing to Chef Ignacio's cooking school for a **Be My Guest experience** with lunch before spending the rest of the day at leisure. **(B, L)**

Be My Guest
Meet Chef Ignacio for a visit to one of Lima's local markets. Weave past colorful and fragrant stalls as you dive into the city's culinary character, then enjoy a special lunch served at Chef Ignacio's cooking school.



DAY 3 Journey to the Sacred Valley On your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience,** visit Manos de la Comunidad, a Weaving Center where you'll uncover the traditions of the Sacred Valley. Learn more about the artisans meeting Nilda Callañaupa Alvarez, a master Quechua weaver and ambassador for Andean traditions. Settle into your Stays with Stories experience at a former monastery and enjoy an evening at leisure. **(B, L) Hotel: Sonesta Posadas del Inca Yucay**

Stays with Stories
Admire your idyllic setting within the Sacred Valley and take in the 18th-century colonial-style features of this former monastery, complete with plazas and cobbled streets.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Visit Manos de la Comunidad weaving center, step inside a private area to discover one of the traditions of the Sacred Valley called "lindaje". Then enjoy an exclusive lunch at a beautiful outdoor space near the Weaving Center. The experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 10 & 11: Reduced Inequalities & Sustainable Cities and Communities.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Learn about traditional weaving practice using natural dyeing techniques and its importance to the community's identity and culture. The experience advances United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 5 & 10: Gender Equality & Reduced Inequalities.

DAY 4 Explore iconic Machu Picchu We visit the famous Sacred Valley stronghold of Ollantaytambo, before boarding the Vistadome train for our epic journey to Machu Picchu, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. **(B, D) Hotel: El MaPi**

DAY 5 The Sites of Machu Picchu and Cusco The ancient ruins of Machu Picchu beckon again and we have an opportunity to re-connect with this ancient wonder. Board a train to the Sacred Valley later, then head to the colonial city of Cusco, stopping en route at a local chicheria where you'll Dive into Culture and enjoy the sweet flavors of chicha as you learn how this Peruvian corn beer is brewed by the local women. **(B) Hotel: Novotel Cusco**

DAY 6 Step Back in Time in Cusco Embark on a sightseeing tour of the sacred city of Cusco this morning, admiring the 16th-century Spanish colonial buildings that stand on the foundations of former Inca temples and palaces. See the baroque Cathedral on the Plaza de Armas and 17th-century Church of Santo Domingo. Visit the ruins of the Sacsayhuaman fortress and see nearby warehouses where the Incas once stored their grain. The afternoon is free to explore on your terms. **(B)**

DAY 7 Delve into Pre-Columbian Art in Lima A leisurely start to our day sees us return to Lima this afternoon. Meet a **Local Specialist** at the Larco Museum, which houses one of the largest private collections of pre-Columbian art in the world. This evening we join our travel companions for dinner in the museum's garden restaurant. **(B, D) Hotel: Iberostar Hotel Lima**

DAY 8 Depart Lima Transfer to the airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

Peruvian Amazon and Galápagos Islands Cruise Options

Customize your vacation by adding a 5-day extension to the Peruvian Amazon, or a 6-day extension to Quito with a Galápagos Islands cruise.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: LHPA

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Lima, Machu Picchu and the Larco Museum

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Ruins at Ollantaytambo, Cusco and the 15th-century fortress of Machu Picchu, historic Sacsayhuaman

Travel by Scenic Journeys
Drive through the Sacred Valley and in Peru's Andean highlands, Scenic Train Ride to Machu Picchu aboard the Vistadome train

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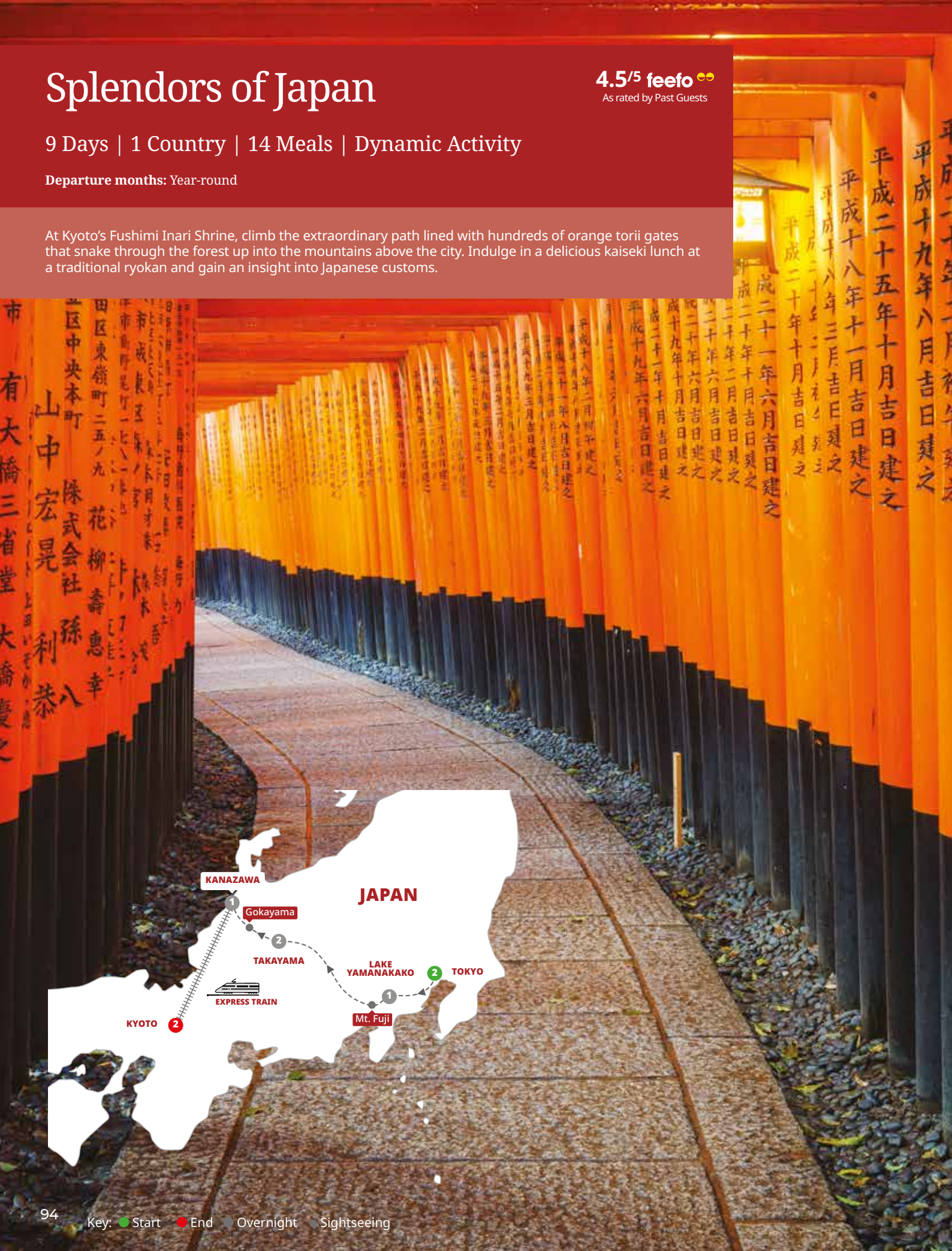
Splendors of Japan

4.5/5 feefo
As rated by Past Guests

9 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Departure months: Year-round

At Kyoto's Fushimi Inari Shrine, climb the extraordinary path lined with hundreds of orange torii gates that snake through the forest up into the mountains above the city. Indulge in a delicious kaiseki lunch at a traditional ryokan and gain an insight into Japanese customs.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Konnichiwa Tokyo Your in-depth exploration of Japan begins in Tokyo, a city where ancient traditions meet cutting-edge innovation. On arrival at Narita or Haneda Airport, take a shuttle bus transfer to your centrally located hotel, where you'll join your Travel Director and fellow guests for a welcome drink and local appetizers. **Hotel: New Otani Garden Tower**

DAY 2 Explore Vibrant Tokyo Your city tour begins in Asakusa where you'll encounter the Sensoji Buddhist Temple, Tokyo's oldest temple site. Stroll down Nakamise and admire the wooden dolls and colorful chiyogami (origami paper). Later, ascend Tokyo Skytree broadcasting and observation tower for panoramic views of the city and spend the rest of the day at leisure. **(B)**

DAY 3 Off to the Five Lakes District Your first stop today is at the Imperial Palace Plaza with the opportunity to explore the leafy Imperial Palace East Gardens. At the Tokyo National Museum browse collections of Japanese art, then continue to the Ginza district where you'll learn how to make sushi with a professional sushi chef. Venture to the Five Lakes District next, keeping a keen eye out for the UNESCO-listed Mt. Fuji which dominates the landscape. **(B, L, D) Hotel: Fuji Marriott Yamanakako**

DAY 4 Majestic Mt. Fuji and Timeless Takayama Visit the small rural village of Oshino Hakkai, then ascend Mt. Fuji by road to the 5th station. Ride up Mt. Tenjo on the Kachikachiyama Ropeway for jaw-dropping views (weather permitting) of Mt. Fuji and Lake Kawaguchiko. Your final stop for the day is the beautiful hillside town of Takayama in the Japanese Alps. **(B, D) Hotel: Associa Takayama Resort**

DAY 5 Experience Gokayama and on to Kanazawa Walk through the Edo-style streets of Takayama's Old Town, indulging in a local lunch specialty - Hida-gyu beef. Then, journey back in time and visit the UNESCO-listed Gokayama, a mountain village set amidst five valleys. Meet a local family on your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**, observing local artisans making washi paper. **(B, L) Hotel: Kanazawa Tokyu**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience
Help support a local business with a visit to a washi paper workshop. You'll watch the family at work and test your paper-making skills for yourself. Your experience directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities.

DAY 6 Traditional Kanazawa Join a **Local Specialist** this morning to learn the secrets of painting gold leaf, then continue to the gardens of Kenroku-en, shaped over a hundred years. Take a short walk through the Omicho market next and enjoy an insider's view of everyday life in a busy coastal town. Continue to Nagamachi District with its beautifully preserved samurai houses and gain insights into samurai life during a visit to the Nomura house. **(B)**

DAY 7 Onwards to Kyoto Board an Express train to Kyoto, where you'll connect with locals at a traditional ryokan on your **Be My Guest experience**. You'll learn about local Japanese customs before visiting the UNESCO-listed Kinkakuji Temple with its famous Kinkaku (Golden Pavilion). **(B, L) Hotel: The Hotel Higashiyama**

Be My Guest
Learn about local Kyoto customs over a kaiseki lunch with Nakamura Family at a traditional Japanese ryokan.



DAY 8 Discover Enchanting Kyoto The blazing orange torii gates of Fushimi Inari Shrine guide your path through the forest to this sacred site. Continue to Sanjusangen-do Hall and admire the 1,001 "thousand-handed" goddesses of mercy, then stroll through the Gion area. This evening, indulge in dinner with your Travel Director and fellow guests. **(B, D)**

DAY 9 Sayonara Japan Take a transfer by airport shuttle service to Kansai International Airport or Osaka Itami Airport for your onward flight. Alternatively, continue to Hiroshima by choosing the 13-day Splendors of Japan with Hiroshima itinerary. **(B)**

Takayama Festival Option

Celebrate the Takayama Festival on select departures. Enjoy the parades, events and festivities of one of Japan's most beautiful festivals. See trafalgar.com for details.

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: JPNL

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Tokyo and Kyoto

Visit Must-see Landmarks
The Sensoji Temple, the Skytree Observation Tower, the Edo Tokyo Museum in Tokyo, Mt. Fuji 5th Station, the Kinkakuji Temple and Fushimi Inari Shrine and Sanjusangen-do Hall in Kyoto

View Must-see Landmarks
Mt. Fuji

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Classic China

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Departure months: Apr - Oct

Follow in the footsteps of the ancients – up the ornate steps of the Forbidden City and to the ramparts of the Great Wall and through the winding ancient alleys of Beijing's hutongs to learn about Chinese traditions.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Say Ni hao to China Transfer to your Beijing hotel where you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow guests for a traditional Chinese dinner, be sure to try their famous Kung Pao Chicken. **(D) Hotel: Novotel Peace**

DAY 2 Discover the Icons of Beijing Begin your encounter with the remnants of centuries-old dynasties in the world's largest public space, Tiananmen Square. Pass through the south gate to the UNESCO-listed Forbidden City, then continue to the tranquil Temple of Heaven, another UNESCO Heritage Site. This evening, enjoy the salty, sweet flavors of succulent Peking Duck at a Regional Dinner. **(B, L, D)**

DAY 3 Journey to the Great Wall We leave the city behind, bound for the iconic Great Wall of China, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, at Juyongguan. Standing on its ramparts, we look down on the Chinese countryside which its walls successfully defended against marauding nomadic invaders. Watch it snake thousands of miles into the distance as you imagine how these man-made fortifications were built and rebuilt from the 5th century B.C. to the 16th century. Then, walk the Sacred Way past the imposing stone statues that guard the Ming Tombs and remains of 13 emperors of the Ming Dynasty. **(B, L)**

DAY 4 Explore Beijing A leisurely start to our morning sees us embark on a rickshaw tour around the ancient narrow alleyways of the courtyard Hutong residences. Connect with the local culture as you join a family for a delicious lunch of traditional Chinese cuisine at a **Be My Guest experience**. Next, visit a tea house, where a **Local Specialist** prepares and serves tea, explaining the historic tea-making ritual. This afternoon, you'll indulge in a relaxing foot massage at the Foot Reflexology Center. **(B, L)**

Be My Guest
Visit a local family in their Beijing hutong home for lunch and gain a fascinating glimpse into their lifestyle.



DAY 5 Travel to Xi'an We fly to Xi'an, which reveals its role as the ancient departure point of the Silk Road. Visit the Great Mosque, one of the oldest, largest and best-preserved mosques in China. According to historical records it was built in 742 during the Tang Dynasty and is a combination of Islamic art and traditional Chinese architecture. **(B) Hotel: Wyndham Grand Xi'an South**

DAY 6 Uncover Xi'an's Treasures Descend into Emperor Qin Shi Huang's subterranean tomb to see his terracotta army for the afterlife, another UNESCO-listed site. For lunch, enjoy a traditional meal of Chinese noodles, then continue with a visit to a Jade factory, the favored stone of emperors and more precious to the Chinese people than gold. **(B, L)**

DAY 7 Onwards to Shanghai This morning, your choice of activities gives you an opportunity to mimic the graceful movements of a skilled T'ai Chi **Local Specialist**, or consider joining a cycle tour around part of the ancient City Wall of Xi'an. Watch a demonstration in the art of making dumplings, with an opportunity to sample these for lunch, before your flight to Shanghai. Ascend to the 88-storey Jinmao Tower for panoramic views over the most populous city on earth , then settle in to enjoy a **Stays with Stories** experience. **(B, L) Hotel: The Kunlun Jing An**

Stays with Stories
In 1988, The Kunlun Beijing opened as Shanghai's first Chinese-designed five-star hotel, hosting dignitaries and international guests. Relax at The Kunlun Jing An, a landmark hotel in Shanghai's vibrant Jing An district.

DAY 8 Experience Shanghai Stroll down Shanghai's famous 'Bund' with a **Local Specialist**, admiring the neoclassical colonial buildings that have lined this city's renowned waterfront since the early 1900s. Learn how this marshland was transformed into one of the world's most important trading hubs. Then, continue to the winding streets and vibrant markets of Old Shanghai to discover how the customs and traditional lifestyle of this area have remained relatively unaltered. Enjoy some free time for lunch and shopping in the Old Town before we Dive into Culture during a visit to a silk museum. This evening, indulge in a performance by the Shanghai Acrobatic Troupe. **(B)**

DAY 9 Shanghai Your Way Spend a day exploring the Paris of the East on your terms – shop for delicate Chinese ceramics, or consider joining an Optional Experience to Zhujiajiao, an ancient water town founded more than 1,700 years ago. In its heyday, Zhujiajiao was a bustling market town. Today, old historical buildings such as rice shops, banks, spice stores and even a Qing Dynasty post office can still be found as you stroll down its ancient streets and wander across the many stone bridges that crisscross its canals. This afternoon, you'll have some free time to explore the city or simply relax before joining your travel companions for dinner. **(B, D)**

DAY 10 Farewell Shanghai Take a transfer to Shanghai Airport for your onward flight. **(B)**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: CLC

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City, Temple of Heaven, the Great Wall of China at Juyongguan, the Sacred Way in Beijing, Hutong residences, Great Mosque, the Terracotta Warriors in Xi'an, the 'Bund' waterfront and Jin Mao Tower in Shanghai

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New Zealand Uncovered

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17 Days | 1 Country | 29 Meals | Balanced Activity

Departure months: Year-round

The perfect New Zealand tour to bring New Zealand's North and South Islands to life across land and sea, taking in both cities and small towns. You'll traverse epic landscapes, indulge in fresh food and delicious wine, experience farming and Maori culture firsthand, and meet welcoming locals with stories to share.



Key: Start End Overnight Sightseeing

DAY 1 Welcome to Auckland Welcome to the 'City of Sails', (flights to arrive prior to 4pm). Meet your Travel Director over dinner at The Grill. **(D) Hotel: Horizon by SkyCity**

DAY 2 Sights of Auckland Begin your day diving into Auckland's maritime history over an exclusive America's Cup tour at the New Zealand Maritime Museum. Learn even more on a city highlights tour. **(B)**

DAY 3 Rotorua, Center of Maori Culture Journey into the countryside for an exclusive family-style **Be My Guest experience** in the Red Barn on a dairy farm. The next hot-spot is Rotorua. Explore a Thermal Reserve, a staggering valley where geysers pop and thermal springs jettison skywards. **(B, L) Hotel: Millennium**

DAY 4 Experience Rotorua for Yourself Today, choose your own adventure. This evening, dive deep into Indigenous culture and traditions at Te Pa Tu Maori Experience. **(B, D)**

DAY 5 Wellington the Cool Capital Traverse the volcanic Central Plateau to New Zealand's cool little capital of Wellington, set on a pretty harbor. **(B, D) Hotel: Rydges**

DAY 6 Wellington, Yours to Explore The city is known for its uber-cool cafés and with a coffee in hand, you'll head out on a city-sights tour, before a free afternoon and evening. **(B)**

DAY 7 Kaikoura on the Coast Cruise the Cook Strait to Picton and on to Kaikoura. Meet the founder of Kaikōura Wildlife Center Trust at a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. **(B, D) Hotel: Sudima**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> You'll meet Sabrina Luecht, whose ambitious goal is to establish a world-class wildlife hospital to treat injured and ill animals in this biodiversity hotspot.

DAY 8 From Country to City, Christchurch Follow the coast and Canterbury Plains to Christchurch, home to some of the country's most innovative architecture, art institutions and restaurants. **(B) Hotel: Distinction**

DAY 9 Through Breathtaking Scenery to Twizel Connect with locals over a **Be My Guest experience**. Your sweet tooth satisfied, you'll arrive in your destination, Twizel. **(B, D) Hotel: Distinction Mackenzie Country Hotel**

> **Be My Guest**
> Join your hosts, former farmers Angie and Stan Taylor, for a Pavlova afternoon tea in their home on the shores of Lake Tekapo.

DAY 10 Dunedin, City of Scottish Heritage Oamaru has a rich history and proud heritage. Explore the shops, galleries and traditional crafts before landing in Dunedin. **(B, D) Hotel: Scenic Southern Cross**

DAY 11 Te Anau, Gateway to Fiordland Venture through sheep-filled farming land, winding your way up into the Fiordland National Park to Te Anau. A truly memorable thrill awaits you next on a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**. This afternoon perhaps opt to explore the glittering glowworm caves. **(B, D) Hotel: Distinction Te Anau Hotel & Villas**

> **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience**
> Enjoy an exhilarating jet boat ride on Lake Manapouri, home to Pomona Island, where you'll help conserve a sanctuary for native plants and animals.

DAY 12 Queenstown, Adventure Playground Your journey through Fiordland National Park passes native rainforests, mirrored lakes and thundering waterfalls. Your Milford Sound/Piopiotahi cruise provides enough drama to last an entire year! **(B) Hotel: Millennium**

DAY 13 Queenstown Free Time, Your Time Discover for yourself why Queenstown has earned its reputation as New Zealand's adventure capital with a full day to explore. Your day ends with a cruise across Lake Wakatipu on the historic TSS Earnslaw. At Walter Peak High Country Farm, you'll feast on a gourmet barbecue before an entertaining farm show. **(B, D)**

DAY 14 Franz Josef, Untamed Natural Wilderness Nature rules and alpine scenery tiers into rainforest. Welcome to Franz Josef/Waiau, home to Franz Josef Glacier/Ka Roimata O Hine Hukatere. **(B, D) Hotel: Scenic Franz Josef Glacier**

DAY 15 Punakaiki, Home to a Coastal Forest Explore the small but lively Franz Josef/Waiau village, before venturing to Hokitika, home of the native jade greenstone. Then you're off to Punakaiki to view the Pancake Rocks and Blowholes. Spend the night at the eco-friendly, waterfront Scenic Hotel Punakaiki, with views of the thundering surf just steps away. **(B, D) Hotel: Scenic Punakaiki**

DAY 16 All Aboard the TranzAlpine Embark on a unique self-guided journey on the Ponaumu Pathway, an inspiring cultural experience. After you've wet your whistle at a pub-style lunch, board the TranzAlpine train to Christchurch. Celebrate with your Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. **(B, L, D) Hotel: Distinction**

DAY 17 Farewell Christchurch After breakfast, you are transferred to Christchurch Airport (flights anytime). **(B)**

Included meals: Breakfast **(B)** Lunch **(L)** Dinner **(D)**
Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

Trip code: ZAAC

Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore with Local Specialists
Auckland, Rotorua and Milford Sound

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Wellington, Christchurch, Queenstown, Dunedin, Arrowtown and Franz Josef

Visit Must-see Landmarks
Bastion Point in Auckland, Geothermal Valley in Rotorua, Huka Falls in Taupo, Lake Te Anau, Fiordland National Park and Pancake Rocks and Blowholes at Punakaiki

View Must-see Landmarks
Queen Charlotte Sound and the Southern Alps

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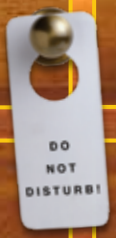
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TURN BACK THE CLOCK

Martin Luther King famously said: "We are not makers of history. We are made by history." And what better time to learn from the past than while soaking up a new destination? Here's some cultural and historical stops that stand out.

EDINBURGH CASTLE EXPERIENCE

Edinburgh Castle is one of the most attacked fortresses in the world. Yet this ultimate battleground still stands proud in the center of the Scottish capital. Dive into its complex history – witnessing the crown jewels and the epic halls of the National War Museum of Scotland on this gripping tour. **Experience on Britain and Ireland Delight, Majestic Scotland, and 3 other tours.**

TA PROHM TEMPLE

You'll be wowed as you explore Ta Prohm, the ancient Angkor temple and UNESCO World Heritage Site, that is famously where Tomb Raider was filmed. Over generations, this ancient gem has been swallowed up by the surrounding jungle. It has to be seen to be believed. **Experience on Vietnam and Cambodia Adventure.**

WASHINGTON ILLUMINATION TOUR

Soak up some of the most important buildings and monuments in the world at night in this alternative tour of Washington D.C. Marvel at the illuminated sights of the Capitol, the White House, and the Jefferson Memorial and enjoy a rooftop walk at the Kennedy Center. **Experience on Road Trip USA Coast to Coast and The Big Apple Niagara and Washington DC.**

SIP 'N DIP

Food (and drink!) is the way to many people's hearts. Indulge your soul in a delicious feast during your tour. Calories don't count on holiday, right?

AUTHENTIC ARGENTINE IMMERSION

After a welcome drink and appetizers, get hands-on making empanadas – learning the special sealing technique after picking your delicious fillings. Bake and enjoy! Hopefully you'll still be hungry as next is a 24-hour perfected steak washed down with an exquisite Malbec from Mendoza. Sublime. **Choose this on South America Samba and South America Discovery.**









OLD DELHI FOOD TOUR AND DINNER

Prepare for sensory overload in the heart of Old Delhi. Stop at Khari Baoli, Asia's biggest spice market, and watch traders who have worked there for generations while inhaling aromas of the region. Cap it off with dinner at Karim known for its authentic Mughlai specialties. **Choose this on Highlights of Northern India with Mumbai.**

FRANSCHHOEK WINE TRAM

Set off through the lush vineyards of Franschhoek on a hop-on, hop-off vintage-style Wine Tram. You can pick one of eight unique routes that crisscross across the region, visiting some of its most celebrated wineries. Dive into tastings of crisp Sauvignon Blancs or savor full-bodied reds such as Shiraz and Merlot. **Choose this on Icons of Southern Africa.**

JUST... WOW!

Prepare to be amazed! No holiday would be complete without making time for some truly sensational experiences and getting your heart racing. Here's some of the best.

SYDNEY HARBOUR BRIDGECLIMB

Strap in for an experience of a lifetime, climbing one of the world's most famous landmarks – Sydney Harbour Bridge. Over three-and-a-half-hours, you'll scale a number of catwalks and ladders as you ascend to the summit, 134 meters above the harbor with sensational views. Thrilling! **Choose this on Bucket List Australia and Bucket List New Zealand & Australia.**



HOBBITON DAY TOUR

New Zealand has provided the stunning backdrop to a number of Hollywood movies – including, of course, the Lord of the Rings and The Hobbit trilogies. Experience the real Middle-earth at the Hobbiton Movie Set, where you can step into the lush pastures of the Shire. **Choose this on Bucket List New Zealand and Australia.**

RED ROCK CANYON CLASSIC PINK JEEPS TOUR

Discover the untamed beauty of the Red Rock Canyon – just minutes away from the Las Vegas Strip. Climb aboard a funky pink jeep and marvel at the rugged landscape's sheer natural beauty in the company of an expert guide. **Choose this on Best of the West.**

10KM RAINBOW MOUNTAIN HIKE

As you take on this rigorous climb, enjoy a feast for the eyes at the diversity of South American camelids, lakes and beautiful landscapes and at the summit, the colorful Vinicunca mountain. Be sure to snap a few shots! Breakfast & lunch included. **Choose this on Peru Explorer.**

SUPERFLY ZIPLINES

Experience the ultimate thrill of speeding along two of Canada's longest ziplines that soar 600 feet above the ground and are a kilometer long. Soak up the stunning mountain wilderness from a truly unique perspective at speeds of up to 100 km/h. **Take the leap on Panoramic Canadian Rockies.**

GRAND CELEBRATION HELICOPTER TOUR

Catch unbeatable views of the Hoover Dam, Lake Mead, the Colorado River, and the Mojave Desert during your sky-high tour of the Grand Canyon West. Touch down at the very bottom of the Canyon and savor a light picnic and a glass of champagne before hopping on a return flight. **Take flight on Road Trip USA Coast to Coast and Best of the West.**

MOVE 'N GROOVE

Get into the groove with these funky experiences that will bring to life the beating heart of the host city.

CELTIC STEPS

Ready for a night that'll stick with you long after? An evening packed with authentic Irish music, song, and dance awaits! Dive into the rich Irish culture and watch some top-notch local dancers and musicians who'll bring the spirit of Kerry and its surroundings to life. **Choose this on Irish Wonder and Britain and Ireland Explorer.**

GOLD RESTAURANT WITH DJEMBE DRUMMING

Feel the beat as your experience starts with a hands-on djembe drumming session. You'll then indulge in a 14-dish tasting menu while entertained by a Mali puppet show with vibrant storytelling through singing and dancing. It's a dive into Cape Town's cultural tapestry. **Feel the beat on Icons of Southern Africa and Wonders of the Western Cape.**

TRADITIONAL GREEK TAVERNA MEAL WITH ENTERTAINMENT

Soak up the spirit of Greece on this trip to a traditional taverna. Dive into the rich tastes of Greek cuisine as you soak up live dance and music that bring the local culture to life. Stick around after the show to mix and mingle with the locals for a genuine Athenian night of fun. **Choose this on Greek Island Explorer, and 3 other tours.**

BORN TO BE WILD

Embrace nature and indulge your wild side with one of these unforgettable encounters with animals.

MONTEVERDE CLOUD FOREST NIGHT WALK

Step into the mystical Monteverde Cloud Forest Biological Reserve after dark and immerse yourself in a nocturnal adventure. With a Local Guide, learn about this unique ecosystem, uncovering the secrets of the plants and animals that thrive here. **Choose this on Costa Rica Adventure.**

SWAMP AND BAYOU TOUR

Take a fascinating pontoon boat journey into the heart of the Louisiana swamps and bayous, cruising through the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park. Your guide will unlock the secrets of this mysterious landscape as you spy the nesting grounds of alligators, egrets and raccoons. **Choose this on Rhythms of the South and Road Trip USA Coast to Coast.**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® CHOICE EXPERIENCE – TURTLE SANCTUARY

Discover the Glyfada Turtle Rehab, the Mediterranean's first turtle sanctuary. Hang with the wildlife heroes who care for these creatures and spread the word on why they deserve our protection. **Choose this on Greek Island Explorer, and 1 other tour.**





BEAR VIEWING SAFARI IN WHISTLER OLYMPIC PARK

The Whistler Olympic Park offers a unique opportunity to observe black bears against the stunning Canadian landscape. On this experience, you'll also journey to the top of the iconic Olympic Ski Jump for a gold-medal-worthy view that spans panoramic mountains and valleys. **Choose this on Panoramic Canadian Rockies.**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® CHOICE EXPERIENCE – JOURNEY THROUGH BIRD PARADISE



Step into a world where feathers flutter and birdsong fills the air at this family-owned sanctuary for over 900 native birds spanning 150 species. Wander through lush subtropical forests and venture into aviaries for an intimate encounter with these winged wonders. **Choose this on South America Discovery and South America Samba.**

TAKE TO THE WATER

Wade into these watery experiences and bring another dimension to your visit.

VICTORIA WHALE WATCHING EXCURSION

Spring and summer are the best times of the year for whale-spotting off the coast of Victoria. Join this three-hour excursion to potentially see orcas, humpback whales, minke, and gray whales. If you're out of season, keep an eye out for bald eagles, porpoises or seals playing in the water. **Experience this on Panoramic Canadian Rockies and Wonders of the Canadian Rockies.**

DOURO CRUISE AND DINNER

Sip on a glass of fine port as you gently cruise the Douro River, taking in the stunning views of two UNESCO-listed medieval cities and marveling at its five iconic bridges. You'll round off your sightseeing adventure with a traditional meal in the medieval Ribeira Quarter. **Experience this on Picturesque Portugal.**

JOURNEY TO TIGRE DELTA

Escape to the peaceful Tigre Delta, a verdant oasis on the northern fringe of Buenos Aires. This beloved retreat



is where city dwellers flock for the weekend. Discover a slice of Argentine life far removed from the urban hustle and bustle. **Experience this on South America Discovery and South America Samba.**

SEINE CRUISE AND PARIS ILLUMINATIONS

The City of Lights is arguably most spectacular from the water. Hop on a leisurely cruise down the River Seine, where the Grand Palais and the Eiffel Tower come to life in a whole new light (pardon the pun!). **Experience this on Highlights of France, European Experience, and 13 other tours.**



GET ZEN

Chill out and embrace these cultural experiences that highlight the importance of slowing down.

UBUD YOGA EXPERIENCE

Bali and yoga go hand in hand. Held at the Yoga Barn in the heart of Ubud, come and stretch out with friendly teachers who'll embrace your ability – be it expert or total beginner. Namaste. **Choose this on Magical Bali.**

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® CHOICE EXPERIENCE – TRADITIONAL TEA IN WAZUKA VILLAGE

Wazuka village in Kyoto is famous for its exquisite matcha green tea. Step into the world of a family-run farm and uncover the deep-rooted significance of tea in local culture and how its owners promote employment, education, and tourism in the area. Complete your visit with a tea tasting session. **Choose this on Japan Discovery.**





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Countries	Days	Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Rome: View the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Guide

Pisa: Visit the Square of Miracles

Florence: See the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio with a Local Guide

Verona: View the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony

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> **Carmen**

DAY 1. ARRIVE ROME

Buongiorno! Rome kicks off your epic Italian trilogy. After checking in to your hotel, spend the rest of the day relaxing or pound the pavements to discover why Rome so deserves its title, the 'Eternal City'. Later, you'll meet up with your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a glimpse into what lies ahead. There's even time for a leisurely stroll to one of the city's thronging piazzas to people-watch or to join a Choice Experience dinner in a Roman trattoria. Embrace life lived the Italian way – to the fullest. Hotel: Raganelli

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.

CHOOSE **Unleash your inner Audrey: experience Italy with authentic cuisine, wine and live music at a local trattoria.**

DAY 2. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

With so much to see and do, you could explore Rome for an eternity without getting bored. Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Guide. See St. Peter's Basilica before crossing the Tiber to view the mighty Colosseum and the countless other ancient sites which featured prominently in the days of the powerful Roman Empire. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Walk the 'Sacred Way', see where the Roman Senate once met, and where Mark Antony delivered his immortal speech.**

OR

CHOOSE **Admire the Arch of Constantine and tread in the footsteps of gladiators and Roman soldiers.**

DAY 3. ROME - PISA - FLORENCE (PRATO)

A mesmerizing journey through the rolling vineyards and olive groves of Tuscany awaits. Visit Pisa and its Square of Miracles, one of the most beautiful architectural complexes in the world. Yield to peer pressure and snap a few strategic photos featuring you and the extraordinary Leaning Tower of Pisa. You'll have some time for souvenir shopping before continuing to Florence. This evening, there's an opportunity to head into the Tuscan Hills for dinner on an unforgettable Choice Experience. **(B)** Hotel: I Gigli

CHOOSE **Fulfil your Florentine dreams with a delightful dinner at a regional restaurant in the Tuscan Hills.**

DAY 4. FLORENCE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Now's your chance to experience it in all its glory with your Local Guide at your side. View the Baptistery, Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower and Ponte Vecchio before paying a visit to Piazza della Signoria and witnessing a demonstration revealing the centuries-old Florentine trade of leatherwork. Later on, why not visit San Gimignano as part of a Choice Experience? **(B, D)**

CHOOSE **Discover Michelangelo's masterpiece, David, with a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts.**





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CHOOSE **Travel to San Gimignano's impressive hilltop and savor the creamiest authentic Italian gelato.**

DAY 5. FLORENCE - VERONA - VENICE (MESTRE)



Journey across the dramatic Apennine Mountains to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers. View the vast Roman Arena, where concerts are still held several centuries after it was built to entertain the citizens of this fair city. Juliet's Balcony is a further highlight, revealing the tragic story of the Montague and Capulet family feud. Your journey continues to Venice, for the next two nights. Time on your own means an opportunity to head out to the islands in the Venice lagoon and explore one of the world's most romantic cities, watching the busy traffic on its canals over a crisp glass of Aperol Spritz, or to embark on a Choice Experience taking a water taxi into Venice and a gondola ride along its narrow waterways. Salute! **(B, D)** Hotel: LH Sirio Venice

CHOOSE **Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.**

DAY 6. VENICE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, in the heart of Venice. All the main attractions are within walking distance of the Piazza San Marco so you can take snapshots of the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Spend your time wandering the calle of Venice, then watch talented masters at work engaged in the same craft as their ancestors from centuries ago. Witness the beautiful glass creations that are characteristic of Venice, being made during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Consider a Choice Experience cruise across the lagoon to the colorful island of Burano. **(B)**

CHOOSE **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE Climb through history at the monumental Palazzo Pisani to enjoy a roof with spectacular views.**

OR

CHOOSE **Get lost in Venice's labyrinthine streets with a Local Guide who'll dish on the city's history.**

DAY 7. DEPART VENICE

Brief and jam-packed, this memorable encounter with Italy's favorite cities has been brimming with culture, history and culinary delights. We hope you tossed a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your speedy return to Rome, but if you didn't, you'll have a heart full of fond memories that will stay with you forever. For now, it's arrivederci, but not farewell forever as you say goodbye to your Travel Director and newfound friends. **(B)**

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Trip departure months

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Trip code: IJWL/WJWL

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BRITAIN AND IRELAND DELIGHT

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ESSENTIALS BY US

5	10	11
Countries	Days	Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

York: View York Minster and the Shambles

Glasgow: View Glasgow Cathedral and George Square on your orientation tour

Edinburgh: Sightseeing with your Local Guide to Princes Street, the Royal Mile and the Castle

Dublin: Sightseeing with your Local Guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral and Trinity College

Waterford: Visit the Waterford Crystal Showroom

plus more

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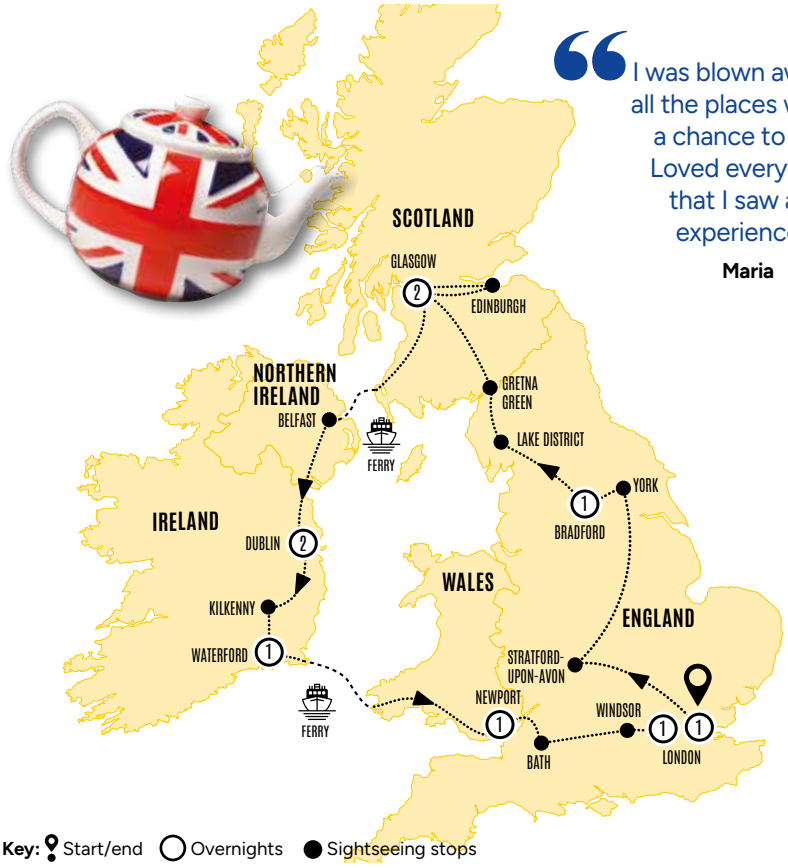
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The best of Britain and Ireland is served up on this 10-day adventure crisscrossing five countries. See landscapes that have inspired poetry, medieval monuments and stony fortresses that housed royals and soldiers. You'll wind your way through the Yorkshire Dales, wander down Edinburgh's Royal Mile and discover a bit of craic in Dublin, before Waterford crystal and a fairy-tale castle or two complete your journey.

DAY 1. ARRIVE LONDON

Your whirlwind journey launches in Great Britain's exhilarating capital. After checking in, explore this multicultural city your way, embracing all the pomp and pageantry of Britain's capital. Visit one of the many museums that reveal the history and culture of the world, pay your respects to His Majesty or pop into your neighborhood 'local' for a pint or two to kick-start your exploration of Britain and Ireland in style. Hotel: Holiday Inn Brentford Lock

DAY 2. LONDON - STRATFORD-UPON-AVON - YORK - BRADFORD

This morning, meet your Travel Director and fellow travel companions. Visit Stratford-upon-Avon, where you'll come face-to-face with the legacy of England's beloved bard before heading to York. Your Travel Director will take you for an orientation walk through its medieval streets to the sacred York Minster. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before you continue to your hotel in Bradford. **(B, D)**
Hotel: Leonardo

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director for an early morning departure.

DAY 3. BRADFORD - LAKE DISTRICT - GRETNA GREEN - GLASGOW

You're in for a serene start to your morning as you wind your way through the Yorkshire Dales to England's Lake District. Board an optional cruise on Lake Windermere, then cross the Scottish border and stop in Gretna Green. Continue to Glasgow for an afternoon orientation including views of the cathedral, the River Clyde and George Square. **(B)**
Hotel: Ibis City Centre

CHOOSE **Cruise on Windermere to see neo-Gothic Wray Castle, lakeside wildlife and awe-inspiring scenery.**

DAY 4. EDINBURGH EXCURSION

Your Local Guide will reveal all the highlights of Edinburgh. View the Royal Mile, the Palace of Holyroodhouse in the shadow of Arthur's Seat and Edinburgh Castle. You'll have some time to explore Edinburgh your way or consider joining one of two special Choice Experiences. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Join our Local Guide in a Rosslyn Chapel adventure, unravelling mysteries and conspiracies!**

OR

CHOOSE **Explore Edinburgh Castle to see the Honours of Scotland and the National War Museum of Scotland.**

DAY 5. GLASGOW - BELFAST - DUBLIN

Your visit to Scotland culminates in a scenic drive along the Ayrshire coast. Pass Ailsa Craig, the figurative stepping stone from Scotland to Ireland, before boarding your short ferry crossing to Northern Ireland. See Belfast's City Hall, Queen's University and the dock where the ill-fated Titanic was built. Then head south to Dublin, where you could enjoy an optional dinner at one of its most popular gastropubs. **(B)** Hotel: Travelodge Plus City Centre/Dublin One

CHOOSE **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE**
Cruise on an electric canal boat on the river Liffy, while enjoying a lovely dinner with locally-sourced produce.

OR

CHOOSE **Discover Dublin's famed hospitality with an evening of food and drink in a locally loved gastropub.**





DAY 6. DUBLIN SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

You're in for a 'grand' time in the Irish capital this morning as your Local Guide shows you Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral. See the stately Georgian Squares then spend the rest of the day exploring the city your own way. This evening, an optional dinner and Irish show will have your toes tapping. **(B)**

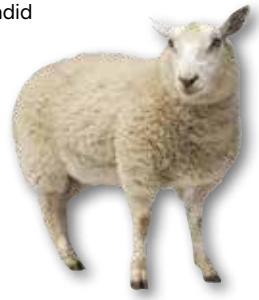
CHOOSE **Uncover the magic at a 6th-century monastic site in Glendalough in the stunning Garden of Ireland.**

&

CHOOSE **Get your toes tapping and taste buds tingling with a night of dining, comedy, song and dance in Dublin.**

DAY 7. DUBLIN - KILKENNY - WATERFORD

Continue through the splendid countryside of Kildare bound for Kilkenny. Later you'll arrive in Waterford where a visit to the Waterford Crystal Showroom will reveal a wonderland of delicate crystal. Dinner tonight is at your hotel. **(B, D)**
Hotel: Treacy's



CHOOSE **Enjoy the craic! Sip local drafts, sing and dance to live fiddle, tin whistle and bodhrán drum music.**

DAY 8. WATERFORD - NEWPORT

Cross St. George's Channel to Wales and its capital, where you'll view the Millennium Center, the National Assembly and the historic castle at its heart. This evening could see you venture into the Welsh countryside for dinner at a 14th-century inn or enjoy a Choice Experience evening of Welsh music, culture and humor. Then continue to your hotel in Newport. **(B)** Hotel: Mercure Newport

CHOOSE **Climb the Norman Keep for stunning views over the city on a private tour of Cardiff Castle.**

DAY 9. NEWPORT - BATH - WINDSOR - LONDON

Cross the Severn Estuary into England and venture to Bath with its elegant Georgian architecture. Head to Windsor to view the world's oldest and largest continuously inhabited castle. There's time for a quiet stroll along the banks of the river before arriving in London later. **(B)** Hotel: Holiday Inn Brentford Lock

DAY 10. DEPART LONDON

Saying goodbye to your new friends as preparing for your return journey home, take a moment to reflect on the unforgettable experiences and memories you've gathered along the way. **(B)**

READY TO GO?

Trip departure months

Year-round

Trip code: BIDE/WBID

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LONDON TO ROME HIGHLIGHTS

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ESSENTIALS BY US

5	10	11
Countries	Days	Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Paris: View the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower on your sightseeing tour

Lucerne: Orientation includes views of the Chapel Bridge and a visit to the Lion Monument

Venice: Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing workshop

Florence: See Piazza Santa Croce

Rome: See Vatican City and view the Colosseum

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>
> **Julia**

Key: Start/end ○ Overnights ● Sightseeing stops

Short on time, but big on appetite to see all the highlights from London to Rome? This 10-day journey including Italy's iconic Venice, Florence and Rome is the perfect fit for you. You'll see the Eiffel Tower in Paris, admire the tranquility of Lake Lucerne, Burgundy vineyards and soul-stirring Tuscany until the 'Eternal City' caps your epic encounter with Europe.

DAY 1. ARRIVE LONDON

Savor your first taste of Europe's highlights as you arrive in London with a free day to experience much of what this cosmopolitan capital has to offer. Whether you choose to explore the city on foot or hop on a London red bus crisscrossing the capital, you're in for an exhilarating adventure. Hotel: Lincoln Plaza Curio Collection By Hilton

DAY 2. LONDON FREE TIME

Take your time to dig deep and make the most of every minute in the British capital. You'll have a full free day to explore the city your way. There's plenty to do and see in London and you won't need permission to fill your day to the brim with special experiences. **(B)**

DAY 3. LONDON - PARIS

This morning meet your Travel Director and fellow traveling companions to board your coach and set off from London. Your journey to the continent begins today. Traveling south through the pretty Kent countryside to Dover. Board your ferry to Calais and leave the chalky White Cliffs behind. Arriving in Paris, you'll have time to explore the 'City of Lights' on your own. The French capital glows bright both day and night, but consider a Choice Experience on the Seine this evening to make your introduction even more special. **(B)**
Hotel: Mercure Paris Porte d'Orleans

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director for an early morning departure

CHOOSE **Cruise the Seine and admire historic landmarks - the Grand Palais, Eiffel Tower and more!**

DAY 4. PARIS SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Your sightseeing tour conducted by your Travel Director will take you past the Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and the 'Iron Lady' herself, the Eiffel Tower. Relish the afternoon to do as you please. That could mean channelling your inner Parisian and sitting in a leafy park with a baguette and some cheese and wine, or consider exploring the heights of Montmartre. Tonight, colorful Can-Can girls will entice you with their remarkable outfits should you choose to join a Choice Experience cabaret show. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Explore the winding streets, charming art galleries, and the lively Artists' Square of Montmartre with a Local Guide.**

&

CHOOSE **Experience the glamor of Nouvelle Eve, an icon of Parisian elegance. Enjoy dinner and French Cancan cabaret.**

DAY 5. PARIS - LUCERNE REGION



Head through vineyards and valleys as you journey to Lucerne where a brief orientation will see you view the 14th-century Chapel Bridge spanning the Reuss River. Visit the poignant Lion Monument, hewn from rock to honor the brave Swiss Guards who died defending King Louis XVI during the French Revolution. There's time later to shop for all your Swiss souvenirs. **(B, D)**
Hotel: Ibis Kriens

DAY 6. LUCERNE REGION - VENICE (ORIAGO)

With your head in the clouds, you'll journey via the scenic St. Gotthard Pass into Italy. On your journey south, the soul-stirring landscapes of the Italian lakes stretch ahead as you venture to Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. The Winged Lion of St. Mark stands guard over the city. There's no better way to see the sights than gliding gracefully through its canals on a gondola – a Choice Experience that captures the essence of Venice like none





other. **(B)** Hotel: Campanile Venice Mestre/LH Sirio Venice

CHOOSE **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE Ride an old-time railway and the world's only Cabrio cable car to Mt. Stanserhorn's peak for breath-taking panoramic views.**

&

CHOOSE **Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.**

DAY 7. VENICE ORIENTATION - FLORENCE

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square and view the city's iconic sights, including St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace and Piazza San Marco. Stand in the center of the square and capture the historic panorama which Napoleon once called 'the drawing room of Europe'. You'll see master craftspersons engaged in the centuries-old glass-blowing craft at a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Consider an opportunity to visit the colorful fisherman's island of Burano for an optional meal with drinks before heading to Florence. **(B, D)**
Hotel: Starhotels Vespucci

CHOOSE **Step aboard your private boat to discover multi-colored houses and the fresh seafood of Burano.**

DAY 8. FLORENCE - ROME

No expense was spared to exalt the glory of Florence through art and architecture and you'll see first-hand how this city paved its way to a modern age. Explore the treasures left behind by the Medici dynasty and famous artists like Da Vinci and Michelangelo during an orientation tour which includes a visit to Santa Croce Square, where some of the most famous sons of the Renaissance are buried. Enjoy time to shop for souvenirs or the city's famous gold and leathercraft before departing for Rome, the 'Eternal City'. **(B)**
Hotel: Ergife Palace

CHOOSE **Explore Rome's charming piazzas and fountains with a Local Guide. Bring a coin to toss in the Trevi Fountain!**

DAY 9. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Make the most of your time in Rome as your Local Guide takes you on a guided visit of the ancient sites of Rome. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Embrace la dolce vita during dinner with a light-hearted evening of delectable Italian dishes and Roman music.**

DAY 10. DEPART ROME

Get your final fix of Rome before you prepare for your return journey. Say arrivederci to your newfound friends as the curtain closes on an epic journey from London to Rome. **(B)**

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Trip departure months

Mar - Oct

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CANYON COUNTRY SHOWCASE

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The American southwest features some of the most stunning landscapes. Your journey through the Canyonlands takes you from Las Vegas onto Route 66 to the Grand Canyon, off-roading in Monument Valley, chasing hoodoos in Bryce Canyon, and awe-inspiring cliffs of Zion National Park.

ESSENTIALS BY US

1	7	4
Country	Days	Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Grand Canyon: Experience this stunning UNESCO-listed Site

Monument Valley: Explore the famed valley with a Navajo Local Guide

Horseshoe Bend: Visit one of the most photographed areas on the Colorado River

Bryce Canyon National Park: Stare in awe at the multicolored hoodoos

Zion National Park: Revel in one of the most scenic canyons

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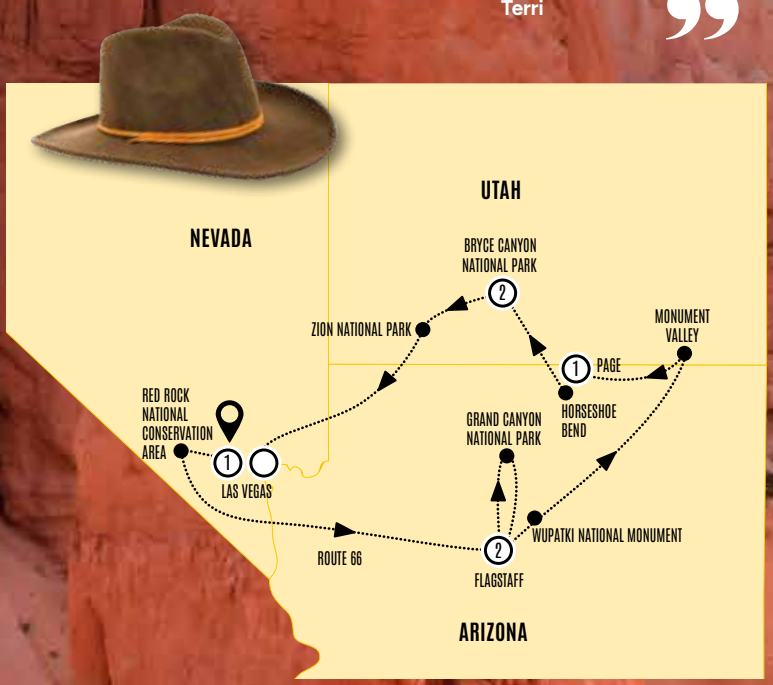
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> **Terri**



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DAY 1. ARRIVE LAS VEGAS

The entertainment capital of the world, Las Vegas is famed for its glittering casinos, all-you-can-eat buffets and shotgun weddings ordained by none other than Elvis himself! Take a walk through the downtown Fremont District, or head to The Strip, where the city's finest hotels and casinos can be found. Hotel: Golden Nugget & Casino

DAY 2. LAS VEGAS - FLAGSTAFF

Kick off your first full day visiting Red Rock Canyon National Conservation Area. Learn about the park's 250-million-year-old geological history at the Visitor Center before embarking on the Scenic Loop Drive. Get your kicks on Route 66 as you head east on this iconic highway, stopping off at Seligman and Kingman on the way for a taste of all things Americana, before finishing today in friendly Flagstaff. Hotel: Days by Wyndham Flagstaff

DAY 3. GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK SIGHTSEEING

Arrive at Grand Canyon National Park, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. At an astonishing 445 km long, 29 km wide and 1.6 km deep, the Grand Canyon is the second most visited national park in the USA. You will have the afternoon to discover the best of the Grand Canyon starting at the Visitor Center. Perhaps take a stroll to Mather Point to take in views of the South Rim. For those seeking a bit more adventure, take the 3.2 km hike to the Yavapai Geology Museum to learn about the canyon's unique geological history. Explore this 2-million-year-old feat of nature or better yet, treat yourself to a Choice Experience that could see you flying in a helicopter or aircraft over the North and South rims.

CHOOSE **Experience the grandeur of the Grand Canyon South Rim on a 45-minute aerial tour offering unobstructed views.**

OR

CHOOSE **Experience the Grand Canyon's best views on a thrilling 40-minute helicopter sightseeing adventure.**

OR

CHOOSE **The Grand Canyon opens up before you on a memorable 25-minute helicopter experience over its northern rim.**

DAY 4. FLAGSTAFF - MONUMENT VALLEY - PAGE

This morning, enjoy an iconic breakfast at Charly's Pub & Grill. Located in the historic Weatherford Hotel in downtown Flagstaff, Charly's Pub has been part of Flagstaff since the early 1900s. Continue to Wupatki National Monument, a landscape dotted with over 2,700 pueblo ruins built by the ancestors of the Hopi, Zuni and Navajo people. After a stop at Cameron Trading Post, join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience exploring Monument Valley in an open-air vehicle with a Navajo Local Guide. Immortalized as the setting for countless movies and TV shows, Monument Valley is an emblem of the Wild West, with its rusty red spindles and grand buttes. **(B)** Hotel: Super 8 by Wyndham Page/ Lake Powell





DAY 5. PAGE - BRYCE CANYON

Wake in Page with the chance to join an optional helicopter flight that combines remarkable views of Horseshoe Bend from the air with an exclusive Tower Butte landing. Perhaps enjoy a lunch and cultural heritage performance at Red Heritage, before you set your course for Horseshoe Bend, a horseshoe-shaped sandstone cliff formed over 5 million years ago. The 2.4 km round-trip walk to the overlook will bring to you to the top of the 305-meter-deep canyon offering you dramatic views of the Colorado River and sweeping canyon vistas. Hotel: Bryce View Lodge

CHOOSE **Explore Rattlesnake and Owl Slot Canyons with a Navajo Local Guide keeping an eye out for resident owls.**

OR

CHOOSE **Combine remarkable views of Horseshoe Bend from the air with an exclusive Tower Butte landing.**

DAY 6. BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK SIGHTSEEING

Venture into Bryce Canyon National Park, where repeated freezes and thaws of the park's landscape over millions of years have created fascinating formations. Stand in amazement in front of the multicolored 'hoodoos' and vast amphitheaters, then take a stroll along one of the many juniper-lined trails to the viewpoints hugging the rim of the Paunsaugunt Plateau. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Saddle-up for a horseback ride through Bryce Canyon's Amphitheater and Bristlecone Pine Ridge.**

&

CHOOSE **Giddy up and get ready for an evening of old-fashioned fun, music and great cowboy food at Ebenezer's.**

DAY 7. BRYCE CANYON - ZION NATIONAL PARK - DEPART LAS VEGAS



Traveling back to Vegas, you'll make one final stop at Zion National Park. Marvel at the soaring red and white cliffs and vast canyons that stand in stark contrast to the soft wildflower meadows and hanging gardens that can also be found here, as a result of the park's lower elevation compared to others. Continue along the Virgin River Gorge for your final drive, reflecting on the incredible sights and experiences you've witnessed over the past seven days. Your trip ends at Harry Reid International Airport, arriving at approximately 5.00 p.m. or at the Golden Nugget Hotel and Casino for those extending their stay in Sin City. **(B, L)**

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Trip departure months

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ESSENTIALS BY US

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Country	Days	Meals

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Bangkok: Visit Wat Pho, the Grand Palace and enjoy a khlong tour

Kanchanaburi: Visit the Thailand-Burma Railway Center, the War Cemetery, the infamous Death Railway and the Bridge on the River Kwai

Chiang Rai: Visit Wat Rong Khun - the White Temple

Mae Kachan: Relax in natural hot springs

Chiang Mai: Visit the Night Market and the temples of Wat Phra Singh and Wat Chedi Luang

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>
> **Manuela**

Diving into Thailand's rich history and fascinating culture, experience the contrasts between the bright lights, glittering skyscrapers and vibrant street markets of Bangkok and the lush green landscapes and peaceful rural life of northern Thailand.

DAY 1. ARRIVE BANGKOK

Your trip will kick off in buzzy Bangkok, an urban wonder boasting all the soaring skyscrapers and glistening malls of any capital city, but with a distinctly Thai touch. At your hotel, you'll meet up with your Travel Director to get a glimpse of what's to come, then dinner tonight will have you sampling some of Thailand's tasty cuisine while you get to know your fellow travelers **(D)** Hotel: Galleria 10

DAY 2. BANGKOK SIGHTSEEING

Get ready for a full day of sightseeing in Bangkok. We'll show off Bangkok's best cultural and spiritual delights, starting at Wat Pho, Bangkok's most ancient temple. Set eyes on the hugely impressive Reclining Buddha, the largest in Thailand, before moving on to the Grand Palace, a former royal residence. The intricate architecture of this massive complex never ceases to amaze and be sure to see the

jewel in its crown, the Temple of the Emerald Buddha. We'll make a pit stop for lunch at a local restaurant then board a private boat and take to the maze of canals (klongs) that snake through the city. Kick back and enjoy the ride as you pass by traditional stilted family homes and soak up the quiet river lifestyle of those who work and live on the water. **(B, L)**

DAY 3. BANGKOK FREE DAY

Today is all yours to explore Bangkok your way and the adventures are limitless. This afternoon, you can join our optional visit to Jim Thompson's House, an exquisite example of traditional Thai residential architecture, where you'll find an incredible collection of Asian art. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Visit Bang Pa-In Palace and Ayutthaya Historic Park, then enjoy a buffet lunch while cruising back to Bangkok.**

OR

CHOOSE **Explore Bangkok's "green lung," Bang Krachao, on a bike tour through lush landscapes and city skyline views.**

DAY 4. BANGKOK - KANCHANABURI

Travel to Kanchanaburi town, where you'll jump into the action with a visit to the Thailand-Burma Railway Center and the War Cemetery. Capture gorgeous views on a train ride across wooden viaducts, then visit the famous Bridge over the River Kwai. **(B, L)** Hotel: Royal River Kwai Resort and Spa/Felix River Kwai

DAY 5. KANCHANABURI FREE DAY

With the day ahead of you, what will you do? Kanchanaburi town is yours to explore your way, and you'll be delighted at what awaits. **(B)**



DAY 6. KANCHANABURI - SUKHOTHAI

We'll be up bright and early this morning to travel north, to Sukhothai. Along the way we have a treat in store, in the form of a visit to Rock Buddha, an impressive figure of a seated buddha, incredibly carved out of the hillside. Also stopping for a local lunch en route, we'll arrive into Sukhothai later this afternoon. **(B, L, D)** Hotel: Le Charme Sukhothai Historical Park Resort

DAY 7. SUKHOTHAI SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Being known as the birthplace of Thai civilization is a big reputation to uphold, but Sukhothai does it with ease. Still historically significant to this day, we'll start our adventures today with a visit to the UNESCO-listed Sukhothai Historical Park, where we'll get to explore the centuries old temples and palace ruins. This afternoon is all about exploring your way. **(B)**





CHOOSE **Dig into the world of Thai cuisine at Baan Suan Suda with your friendly hosts and home-grown ingredients.**

DAY 8. SUKHOTHAI - CHIANG RAI

The dramatic mountain beauty of Chiang Rai awaits us today, so we'll be up early to travel further north. Along the way, we'll make a stop at Khaw Phayao Lake, the largest freshwater lake in the North, before heading on to Wat Rong Khun, otherwise known as the White Temple. Unlike many Thai temples, Wat Rong Khun is unique in the fact that it was only built in 1977. Finally, we'll complete today's journey with a short drive to Chiang Rai. **(B, L, D)** Hotel: Wiang Inn Chiang Rai

DAY 9. CHIANG RAI FREE TIME

Today is free for you to explore Chiang Rai as you choose. You may wish to journey to the heart of the Golden Triangle. This morning hop on board a boat that will take you cruising along the mighty Mekong River to the exact spot where the borders of Thailand, Myanmar (Burma) and Laos collide. You'll have time to step out onto dry land in Laos and head into the Don Sao Island Markets where you can browse all the handicrafts and local snacks on offer. It's the only part of Laos that can be visited without a visa, so make the most of it! Next, we'll stop for lunch at a local restaurant, before heading to the self-proclaimed 'edutainment' Hall of Opium. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Cruise to the Thailand, Myanmar and Laos border, explore Don Sao Island and visit the Hall of Opium.**

DAY 10. CHIANG RAI - CHIANG MAI

Our first stop today will be the lovely Mae Kachan Hot Springs. Feeling refreshed, we'll grab lunch in a local restaurant before traveling on to the bustling city of Chiang Mai. This afternoon we'll be exploring both Wat Phra Singh temple and Wat Chedi Luang temple, a charming wooden creation famous for its huge Lanna style chedi. This evening we head out to visit the city's iconic night markets. **(B, L)** Hotel: The Empress Chiang Mai

DAY 11. CHIANG MAI FREE DAY

It's our last full day of the trip, and we won't miss a second of making it nothing less than incredible. This evening perhaps join our optional Khantoke dinner with cultural show. **(B)**

CHOOSE **Learn about life of a local hilltribe at Hmong Nong Hoi Village and Queen Sirikit Botanic Garden.**

DAY 12. DEPART CHIANG MAI

Your incredible journey through Thailand's cities, rivers, mountains, temples and markets has come to an end. You've encountered diverse cultures, tasted all kinds of Thai foods and experienced the warmth of Thai hospitality and we're sure you'll be leaving with the iconic Thai smile on your face! **(B)**

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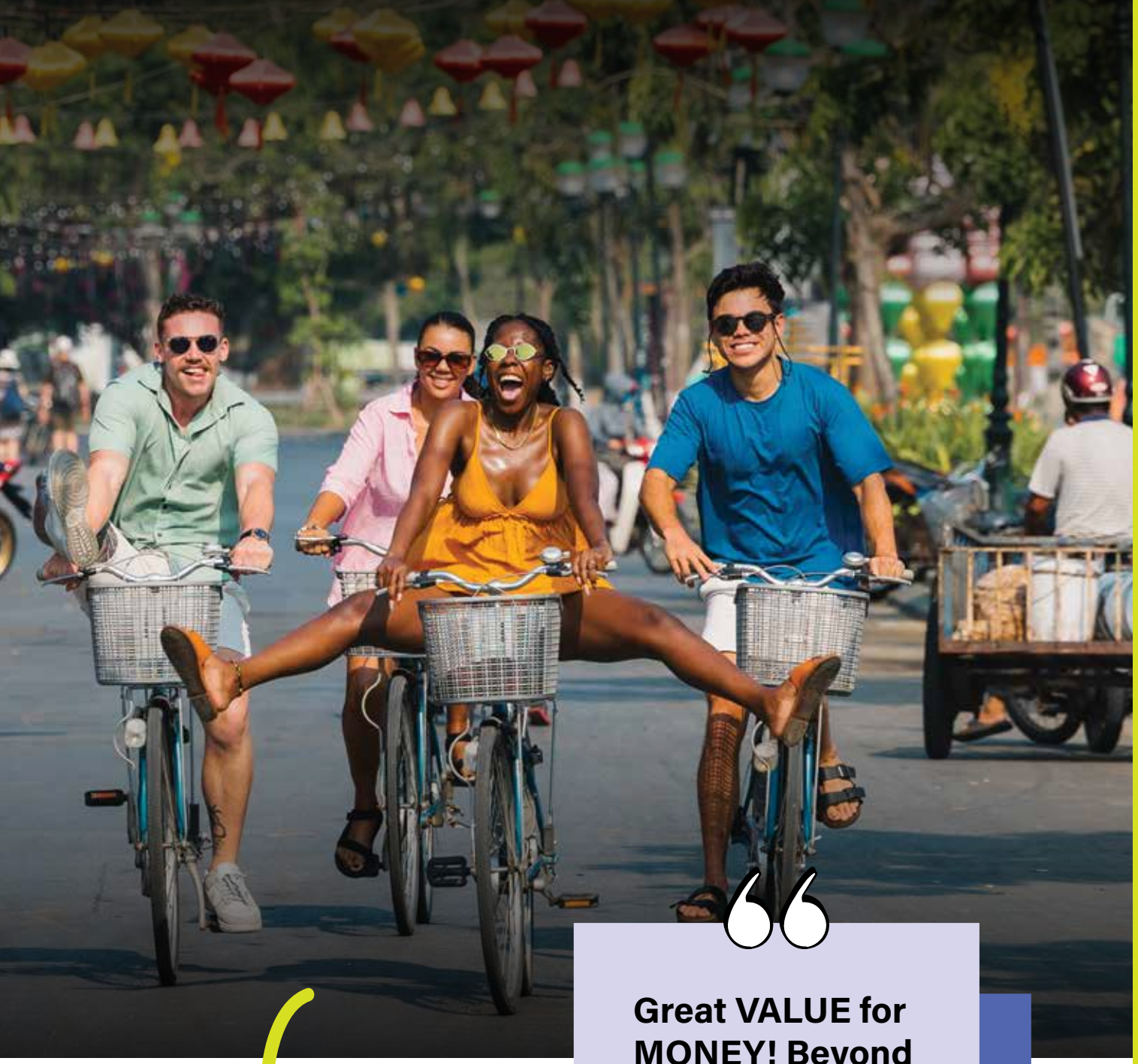
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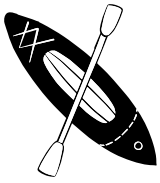
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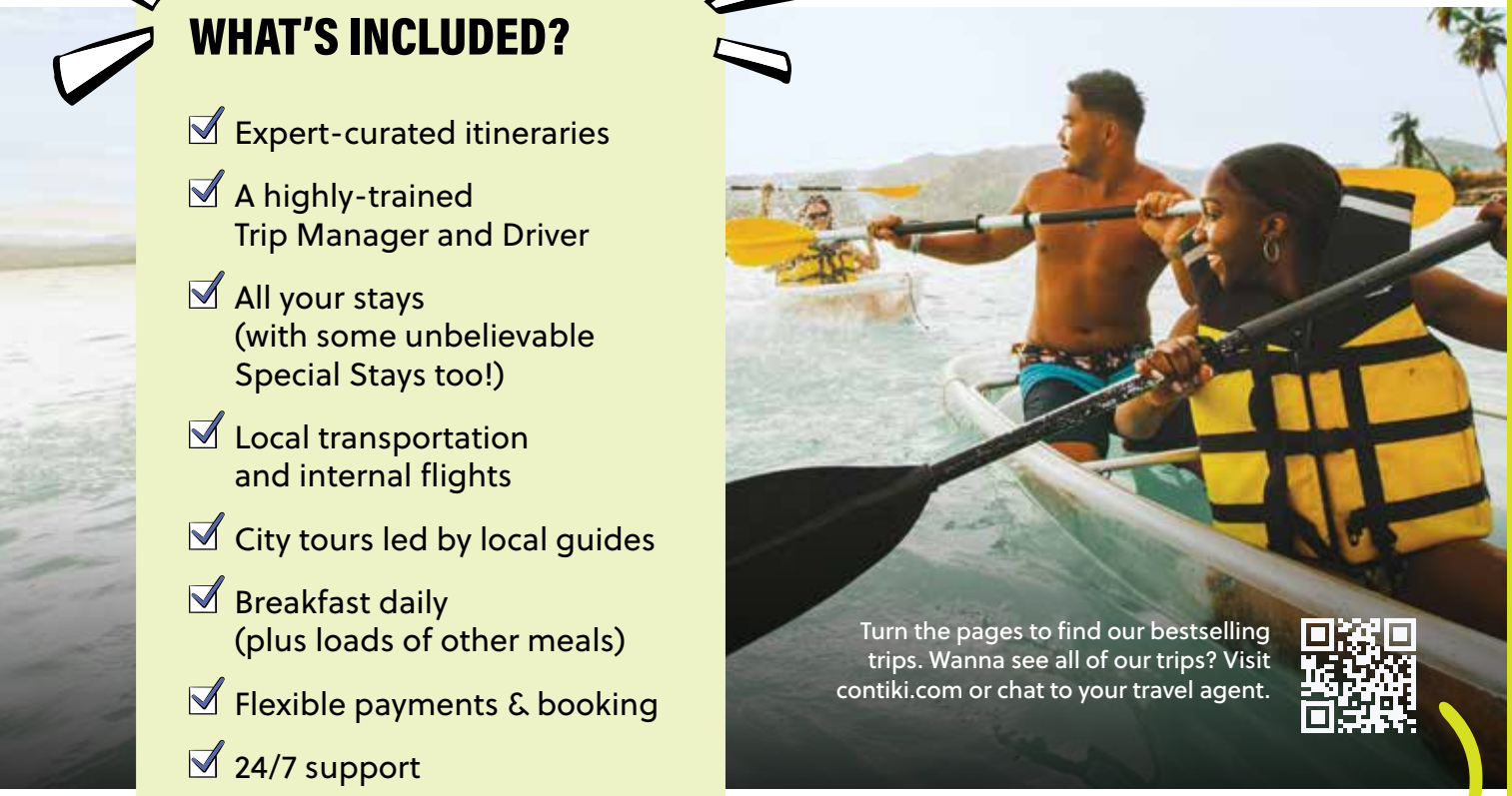
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PARIS TO ROME BY TRAIN

THE ONE THAT RIDES THE RAIL FROM PARIS TO ROME WITH STOPS IN MILAN & VENICE & LAUSANNE

9 DAYS, 3 COUNTRIES

8 NIGHTS IN HOTELS

8 BREAKFASTS 2 DINNERS

TRANSPORT: TRAIN

GROUP SIZE: 24 AVERAGE

EXPERT TRIP MANAGER + DRIVER TEAM + LOCAL GUIDES

VISIT YOUR TRAVEL AGENT OR **CONTIKI.COM/TOURS/PARIS-TO-ROME-BY-TRAIN** TO SEE PRICES, DATES & THE BEST DEALS AVAILABLE



Peruse the prettiest streets in Paris, France

Trip starts in Paris and ends in Rome. This trip also operates in winter. Check out contiki.com/tours/paris-to-rome-by-train or talk to your Travel Agent for all our dates. If you are traveling solo, we can pair you with a same-sex roommate at no extra cost. Single room supplement available.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

You'll tick off five of Europe's prettiest destinations from your list, with plenty of free time to explore, and you'll travel like a local with LOTS of scenic views.

TOP INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

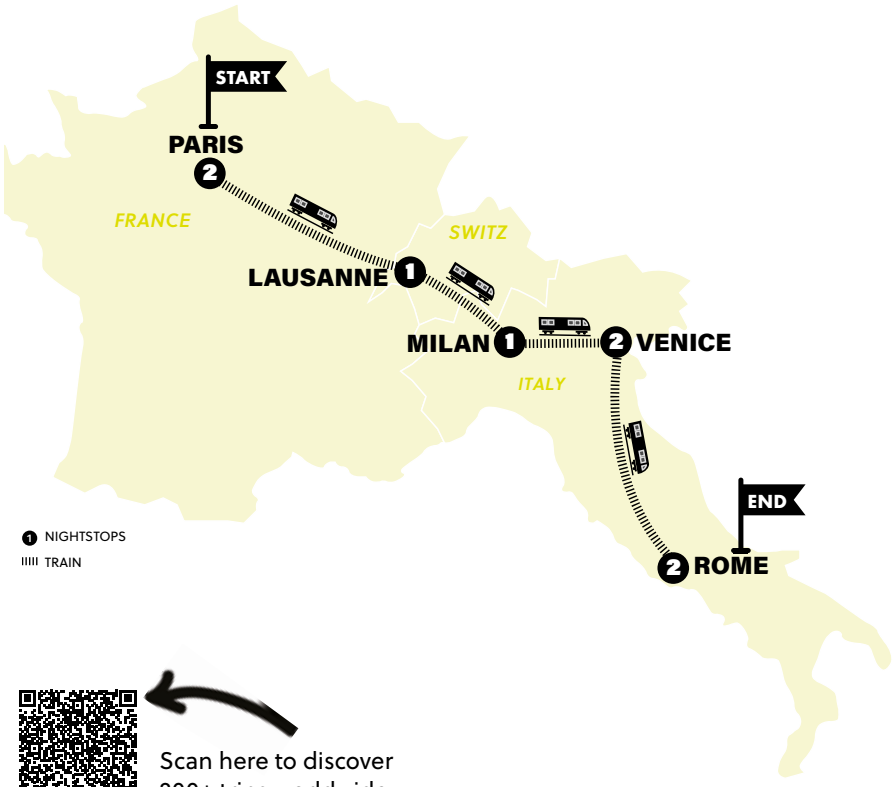
- Take a cruise on the River Seine and discover the historic heart of Paris
- Get the best views of the Alps as you ride the world-famous Simplon rail route
- Join a guided walking tour of Rome and check off the most iconic landmarks
- Cruise on a Motoscafo to Venice and bask in the glorious views

TOP FREE TIME ADD-ONS

- Discover the patisseries of Paris and get the chance to try out all your faves
- Take a food walking tour and taste your way through Rome's decadent flavors
- Visit the Roman Forum & Palatine Hill and discover Rome's ancient wonders
- Eat fondue with mountain views as you tuck into a cheesy dinner in Switzerland

TOP MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCES

- Learn the history & skills of one of Venice's most iconic professions with a gondolier training experience. Discover the ancient history of gondoliering & learn the basics of maneuvering the traditional wooden boats - with a local guide on hand to help you navigate those iconic Venetian canals.





View the Colosseum IRL in Rome



Pose like a pro in Venice

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Discover the awesome architecture of Milan, Italy



Cruise along the canals of Venice, Italy



Take a culinary tour of Rome, Italy



Make your gelato dreams come true

NEW TRIP

ANCIENT WONDERS ROME, ATHENS, CAIRO

THE ONE THAT'S AN AWE-INSPIRING ODYSSEY OF ANCIENT CIVILIZATIONS

10 DAYS, 3 COUNTRIES

9 NIGHTS IN HOTELS

9 BREAKFASTS 3 DINNERS

TRANSPORT: INTERNAL FLIGHTS, PUBLIC TRANSPORT AND COACH

GROUP SIZE: 24 AVERAGE

EXPERT TRIP MANAGER + DRIVER TEAM + LOCAL GUIDES

VISIT YOUR TRAVEL AGENT OR **CONTIKI.COM/TOURS/ANCIENT-WONDERS-ROME-ATHENS-CAIRO** TO SEE PRICES, DATES & THE BEST DEALS AVAILABLE



See the Great Pyramids in real life, Egypt

Trip starts in Rome and ends in Athens. This trip also operates in winter. Check out contiki.com/tours/ancient-wonders-rome-athens-cairo or talk to your Travel Agent for all our dates. If you are traveling solo, we can pair you with a same-sex roommate at no extra cost. Single room supplement available.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

You'll discover 3 historical heavyweights (across 2 continents), you'll fly between them, and you'll get a perfect blend of sightseeing, food & nightlife.

TOP INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

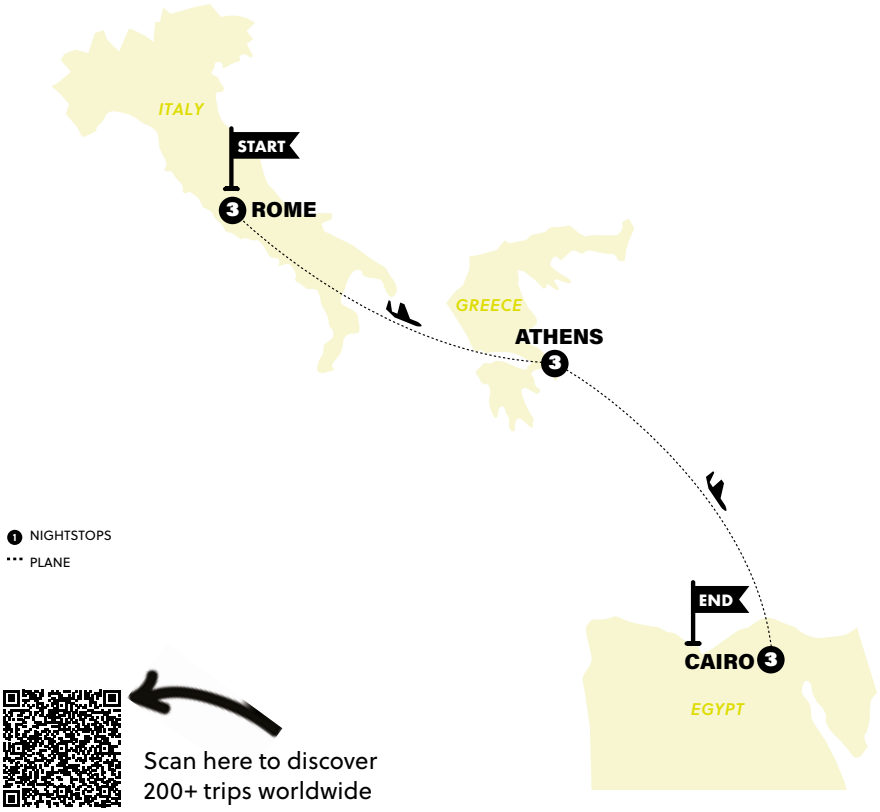
- Get your Greek history fix on a locally guided tour of Athens and the Acropolis
- Discover over 120,000 ancient Egyptian antiquities at the Egyptian Museum in Cairo
- Marvel at the legendary Great Pyramids of Giza (have your camera ready!)
- Tour the Vatican city to see Renaissance masterpieces, and the Sistine Chapel too

TOP FREE TIME ADD-ONS

- Taste your way through Athens on an unforgettable culinary adventure
- Hop on an island cruise to discover some of Greece's mightiest islands
- Take a pasta cooking class in Rome, guided by a local chef
- Take a nighttime cruise down the Nile and enjoy a buffet dinner too

TOP MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCES

- Eat dinner at La Trattoria de Gli Amici! Here you'll kick back with your Contiki crew and feast on some yummy Italian cuisine - served at a local restaurant working to train and provide jobs for members of the community who are living with disabilities.





Visit the best museums in Cairo, Egypt



Discover the Pantheon in Rome, Italy

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Explore your favorite ancient cities with local guides



Gobble up local cuisine in Athens, Greece



Marvel at the Acropolis of Athens, Greece



Marvel at the Great Pyramids of Egypt

4.8/5 FEEFO REVIEWS

VIVA COSTA RICA

THE ONE THAT SEES YOU RAFT, SNORKEL & ZIPLINE YOUR WAY ACROSS LUSH LANDSCAPES

9 DAYS, 1 COUNTRY

8 NIGHTS IN HOTELS

8 BREAKFASTS 4 DINNERS

TRANSPORT: COACH

GROUP SIZE: 30 MAXIMUM

EXPERT TRIP MANAGER + DRIVER TEAM + LOCAL GUIDES

VISIT YOUR TRAVEL AGENT OR **CONTIKI.COM/TOURS/VIVA-COSTA-RICA** TO SEE PRICES, DATES & THE BEST DEALS AVAILABLE



Discover the wonderful Cloud Forests of Montverde

Trip starts and ends in San Jose. Talk to your Travel Agent or check out contiki.com/tours/viva-costa-rica for all dates and to find out more. If you're traveling solo, we can pair you with a same-sex roomate at no extra cost (twin share room). Single room supplement is available.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

You'll get a variety of landscapes and take on some of the best active adventures in Costa Rica - think white water rafting, ziplining, kayaking & more.

TOP INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

- Hike through the rainforest and marvel at the world-famous Arenal volcano
- Live the cocoa-bean dream in Arenal and learn how local chocolate is made
- Hike through the jungle to the La Fortuna waterfall, and cool off in the pool afterwards
- Visit a family-run coffee farm and learn about the source of your fave Flat White

TOP FREE TIME ADD-ONS

- Spike your adrenaline levels as you go white-water rafting in Sarapiqui
- Take a catamaran cruise on the turquoise waters of Playa Tamarindo
- Make waves as you learn to surf with a qualified instructor (all levels welcome)
- Walk along the hanging bridges of Monteverde and get the best forest views

TOP MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCES

- Plant trees! Wanna do your bit to help the planet while you travel? This is your chance. Join SINAC to help support the local ecosystem. As you work, you'll learn all about the local trees, and the benefits that replanting them has for the ecosystem and the wildlife that lives here.



What an amazing experience! The whitewater rafting, the canyoneering, hot springs and ziplining – and such an amazing group of people too.

- Krystina



Try your hand at canyoneering in Arenal

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Take a walk through the trees in Monteverde



Marvel at La Fortuna waterfall @movingmillenuial



Go white water rafting in Sarapiqui



Soak up all the nature in Jaco @callmelexie421

4.5/5 FEEFO REVIEWS

THAI ISLAND HOPPER EAST

THE ONE THAT DELIVERS A TROPICAL BLEND OF HEAVENLY BEACHES, DIVINE FOOD AND FULL MOON FUN

9 DAYS, 1 COUNTRY

5 NIGHTS IN HOTELS, 2 NIGHTS IN BUNGALOW, 1 NIGHT IN OVERNIGHT TRAIN

8 BREAKFASTS, 2 DINNERS

TRANSPORT: MINI-COACH, FERRY

GROUP SIZE: 24 AVERAGE

EXPERT TRIP MANAGER LOCAL GUIDES

VISIT YOUR TRAVEL AGENT OR **CONTIKI.COM/TOURS/THAI-ISLAND-HOPPER-EAST** TO SEE PRICES, DATES & THE BEST DEALS AVAILABLE



Bask in the coastal views and iconic cliffs

Trip starts in Bangkok and ends in Koh Samui. Check out contiki.com/thai-island-hopper-east or talk to your Travel Agent for all our dates. If you're traveling solo, we can pair you with a same-sex roommate at no extra cost (twin share room). Single room supplement is available.

WHY YOU'LL LOVE IT

You'll discover Bangkok and some stunning Thai islands in less than 10 days - with sunsets, snorkeling & unbelievable nightlife.

TOP INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

- Relax and enjoy a tranquil beachside dinner in Koh Tao (cue dreamy sunset!)
- Spice up your life and feast on an island-style dinner in Koh Pha Ngan
- Celebrate with sunset cocktails over a stunning infinity pool on Koh Pha Ngan – simply perfect

TOP FREE TIME ADD-ONS

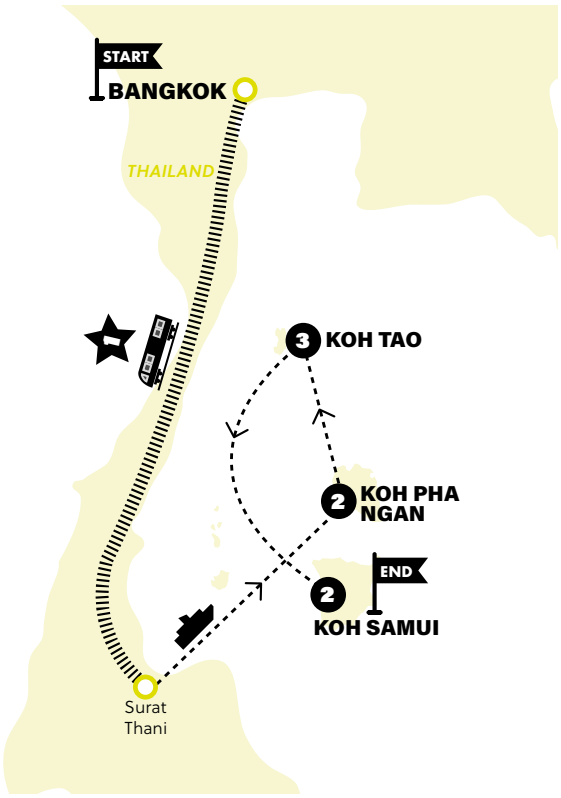
- Take an in-depth tour of Koh Samui on an ex-army jeep
- Join a half-day island cruise and snorkeling adventure in Koh Tao
- Discover one of the best diving spots in Thailand with a local guide in Koh Tao

Our Trip Manager was genuinely spectacular. If I could give him infinite stars I would, and I'm positive my whole group would agree.

- Annabelle



Bask in the clear waters of Koh Pha Ngan



- PLACES VISITED
- NIGHTSTOPS
- SPECIAL STAY
- START/END CITY
- BOAT
- TRAIN

My first and definitely not my last Contiki trip. An overall amazing experience and my next trip is already booked!

- Riccardo

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Try the tastiest Thai food



Kick back by the seafront
@inlovewithwanderlust



Soak up the scenery in Koh Samui
@bronte_barratt

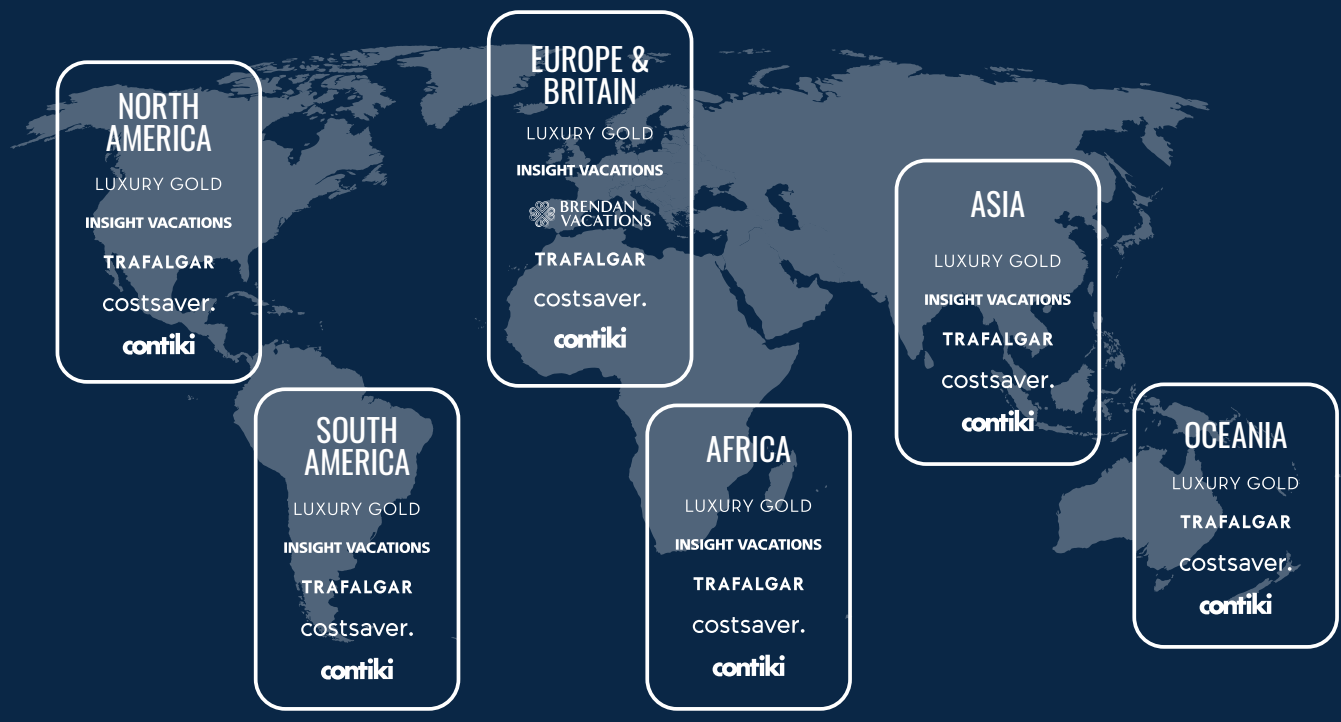


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