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S **Spotlights** (orange itineraries) single-hotel stays. See page 27 for more details.

RC **River Cruise** (blue itineraries) tours feature intimate vessels on a variety of beautiful waterways. See page 27 for more details.

Travel Styles

L **Leisure Stay** itineraries feature multiple night stays, allowing for a more relaxed pace and time on your own.

CL **Cruise-Land** tours combine the features of our land tours with an ocean or river cruise.

Embrace the
journey

we will handle the rest.

Florence, Italy

Dear Traveller,



Welcome to Collette's 2017-2018 Europe brochure.

At Collette we consider everyone who travels with us our personal guest. From the rolling Irish countryside to the ancient cities of Italy, we are by your side. Every interaction, every photo op, every moment matters to us because we know it matters to you.

This may be because at heart we are a family owned company that has been in business for nearly 100 years. It may be because we hire people passionate about sharing their own love of travel. It may be because we don't know any other way to do what we do.

Allow your imagination to take you away, across the wonders of Europe. Savour the chance to dream. It's our job to make those dreams come true and to give you more of what makes travel special.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Daniel J. Sullivan, Jr." The signature is fluid and cursive.

Daniel J. Sullivan, Jr.
President and CEO



Collette gives you

More

This is what sets us apart. Travelling with us comes with benefits that take the guided travel experience to another level. Our inclusive tours offer you more **value** for your money while also ensuring that each element adheres to our exacting standards. With a focus on **service and quality**, we give you **more** of what makes travel special.

Collette Gives You More Value in Every Way...

More Peace of Mind

Every moment of your travel experience is important to us. Whether it's helping you select a destination, **taking you to and from the airport**, offering the security of our unrivalled **Travel Protection** plan or **24-7 support**, we are there for you every step of the way.

More Expertise

Backed by nearly a century of experience, Collette (a family-owned and award winning leader in travel) is proud to show you the world. Our passionate tour design team travels the globe, **creating new experiences** and staying ahead of the latest travel trends. Plus, with a professional **Tour Manager** at your service and **local guides** by your side you'll never miss a thing.



Embrace the Freedom of Touring

Enjoy our one-of-a-kind blend of inclusive touring and first-class guest service. We seamlessly handle each element of your tour from start to finish so you can focus on what's most important – having fun!

What's included:

- A professionally planned itinerary
- 4-star accommodation
- The services of a professional tour manager
- Expert local guides who provide insider knowledge
- Attraction and museum entrance fees with preferential access
- Chauffeur driven hometown round trip airport transfers*
- All on-tour gratuities†
- Unparalleled sightseeing
- Enriching cultural experiences
- Comfortable on-tour transportation
- Hotel-to-hotel baggage handling
- PLUS, Wifi! Wifi is available on tour 

*Within 40km drive of major Australian international airports

†Excludes on-board cruise gratuities

More On Tour

Our commitment to exceeding expectations begins with including more iconic **must-sees and cultural inclusions that deliver a deeper experience**. And that's just the beginning. We also include more **meals** in **local** restaurants and more **menu** choices. Add in carefully selected **4-star accommodation** and the stage is set for a truly amazing journey.

More Flexibility

Every traveller is different. From **pre and post nights** in the world's greatest cities to tour **extensions** to built-in free time in your destination, you can make every trip your own. With more customisation choices and **optional excursions**, every moment feels like your own personal adventure.

More Caring

Giving back is part of who we are. We care more. Since the earliest days of Sullivan family ownership, Collette has given back to the local community. Today, our global reach gives us the opportunity to help many of the places we visit.



Giving back is at the heart of everything we do!



OUR MISSION:

Through local community volunteering and support, we make an impact in the places where we work; and with our support of legacy programs in countries like Kenya, Australia, Fiji, Cambodia and Peru, we make a difference in the places where we travel. Our only goal is to give children everywhere – regardless of circumstance – the opportunity to accomplish their dreams.



it begins with family



Dan Sullivan, Jr. & Alice Sullivan

Family and that sense of personal ownership has been at the core of Collette since 1918, when Jack Collette started a tiny New England travel company dedicated to showcasing the East Coast. In 1962, Jack sold the company to his friend, Dan Sullivan, Sr., who was determined to keep family at the heart of Collette. Dan's sisters guided tours. His children worked in the mailroom. Over generations, more and more family helped shape Collette into the global tour operator it is today, bringing together a passion for travel and making the world a better place.



for our employees • for our community • for the world

one global family

MORE PEACE OF MIND

With You

Every Step
of the Way

Of all the things Collette delivers, one of the most valuable is the knowledge that everything is taken care of. Wake each morning on tour with a new experience in front of you and do it all without having to worry about a thing.



24/7 Support

Always there for you

In addition to your Tour Manager, **Collette has a team** dedicated to making sure you are always informed.



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gocollette.com**

- Sign Up for Email-only Offers and News
- See the Latest Travel Promotions
- Explore our Destination Guides
- View our Newest Travel Videos
- Book Online or Find a Preferred Travel Agent

Share Your Love of Travel





Travel Protection

Peace of mind

Our industry-leading, **worry-free Travel Protection plan** offers you a **full refund** unlike many plans that only offer a voucher. Cancel for any reason right up to the day prior to departure. (See page 161 for details.)



Private Chauffeur Drive Service

Included personal touches

Open your tour the right way and leave the hassle of getting to the airport behind. Enjoy **roundtrip home to airport chauffeur drive service**. It's the perfect way to begin (and end) your journey. (See page 159 for more details.)

“ We were picked up at our home in a sedan with a professional driver and brought home the same way. We felt well cared for and would use Collette again. ”

Jerry L.



Guaranteed To Go

Book with confidence

Choose from thousands of **guaranteed** departure dates. Reserve with complete confidence as these select departures are guaranteed to operate.



Loyalty Program

Thanking our travellers

Members of Travel Loyalty by Collette earn a \$150 credit every time they travel. Save more as you get ready for your next adventure. (See page 159 for more details.)

What's New!

New Tours

For those with more time to explore,
set out on these grand tours featuring

the best of Europe.

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to learn more!



France & Italy
*featuring Paris,
Provence, French
Riviera, Florence, Rome*

15 Days • 22 Meals
(see page 122)



**The Complete
European Journey**
*featuring Brussels, London,
Prague, Vienna, Venice,
Rome, Florence, Lucerne
and Paris*

22 Days • 32 Meals
(see page 58)



Captivating Europe
*featuring London,
Amsterdam, Lucerne,
Venice, Rome, Florence,
Nice and Paris*

19 Days • 27 Meals
(see page 60)



**Best of Britain
& Ireland**
*featuring England,
Ireland, Scotland
and Wales*

23 Days • 32 Meals
(see page 30)



**Portugal, Spain
& France**
*featuring Lisbon,
Cordoba, Madrid,
Barcelona and Paris*

16 Days • 23 Meals
(see page 62)

To see all of our new tours visit
us online at gocollette.com.

Your Feedback

Matters

We partnered with the independent reviews website, Feefo.

Used by many of the world's most trusted brands, Feefo provides an impartial platform for our guests to share feedback about their experience. We seek out reviews from guests as they return from their tour. This feedback not only helps us improve but will help you make a more informed decision on where to go next!



“Loved the total package provided. It's great just to be able to enjoy Italy and not worry about anything other than having a really great time!”

TOUR: Italian Vistas; pg. 98

Read genuine first-hand accounts from other travellers at gocollette.com

INTRODUCING



The Collette Compass App!

Hold the entire world in your hands.

The ColletteCompass app provides you with a wealth of travel knowledge. Enhance your tour with this easy to use digital companion that never leaves your side.

Stay Informed

- Review your itinerary
- Check your flight schedule*
- Find hotel and transfer* information
- Learn more about your on-tour inclusions!

Find Your Way

- Find your way around with turn-by-turn directions

Make the Most of Your Free Time

- Check out local restaurants
- Find popular attractions

Record the Fun

- Create your own trip journal
- Upload photos
- Update friends and loved ones!

Visit the App StoreSM or Google PlayTM for Android to download the app!



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MORE EXPERTISE

Professional
Tour Managers

Collette's Tour Managers are the best trained and most respected in the world. Drawing on their own rich backgrounds and extensive training, they enhance each journey. Whether it's with a bit of historical information, suggesting a special local restaurant or sharing a laugh, these travel aficionados are at your service.



Local Experts

Get a local's perspective! Having a local guide at your side enhances your experience. They know the ins and outs of the destination. These friendly faces love to share an insider's view of the places they call home.

Tour Design Team

It all starts with perfectly planned itineraries. Our tour design team travels the globe, seeking out new and authentic inclusions. Along the way they vet each element of their tours – from the accommodation to the menu choices – ensuring you have the best possible experience.

99 years of Experience

As North America's most experienced tour operator, we have built relationships all over the world. Our knowledge and connections allow us to pass the value on to you.



part tour guide, part friend, part concierge



“ Our tour manager made our tour. She had been with the company 26 years and we think that said a lot. There was no concern as to how to get to the airports, check ins, room reservations etc. We would definitely do this again. ”

— Arthur M.

MORE ON TOUR

Choice on Tour

Everyone's road is different and that's why this year, Collette is introducing **Choice on Tour**. Many of our itineraries now feature different paths you can take. On select days, choose from the INCLUDED possibilities that best suit your interests.

Enjoy a guided tour of Rome's basilicas or stroll through the city and experience its iconic spots.





On the Portugal, Spain & France tour, enjoy a walking tour of Hapsburg Madrid or take a leisurely panoramic tour with included entrance to the Prado Museum.

Hapsburg Madrid Tour



Panoramic City Tour



In Ireland, choose between a trip to the breathtaking Killarney National Park or enjoy a Muckross House Tour. What will you decide?

Killarney National Park



Muckross House Tour



On the Discover Croatia tour, spend a day on the beautiful Elaphiti Islands, or enjoy an excursion to nearby Montenegro. Two great options!

Elaphiti Islands



Montenegro Excursion

Look for the Choice on tour icon! 

MORE ON TOUR

Must-See

Inclusions

Every destination has its iconic locations that are simply a must for visitors. Collette's inclusive itineraries interweave access to what we call the "must-sees" with immersive experiences to create a richer portrait of the destination.

Come to know Gaudi's influence in Barcelona at Parc Güell.



Enjoy dinner at the Eiffel Tower and cruise along the Seine in Paris.



Move to the front of the line with an included guided tour of the Colosseum.



Ponder the mysteries of ancient Stonehenge.



Step inside London's Tower Bridge and see the Victorian Engine Rooms.

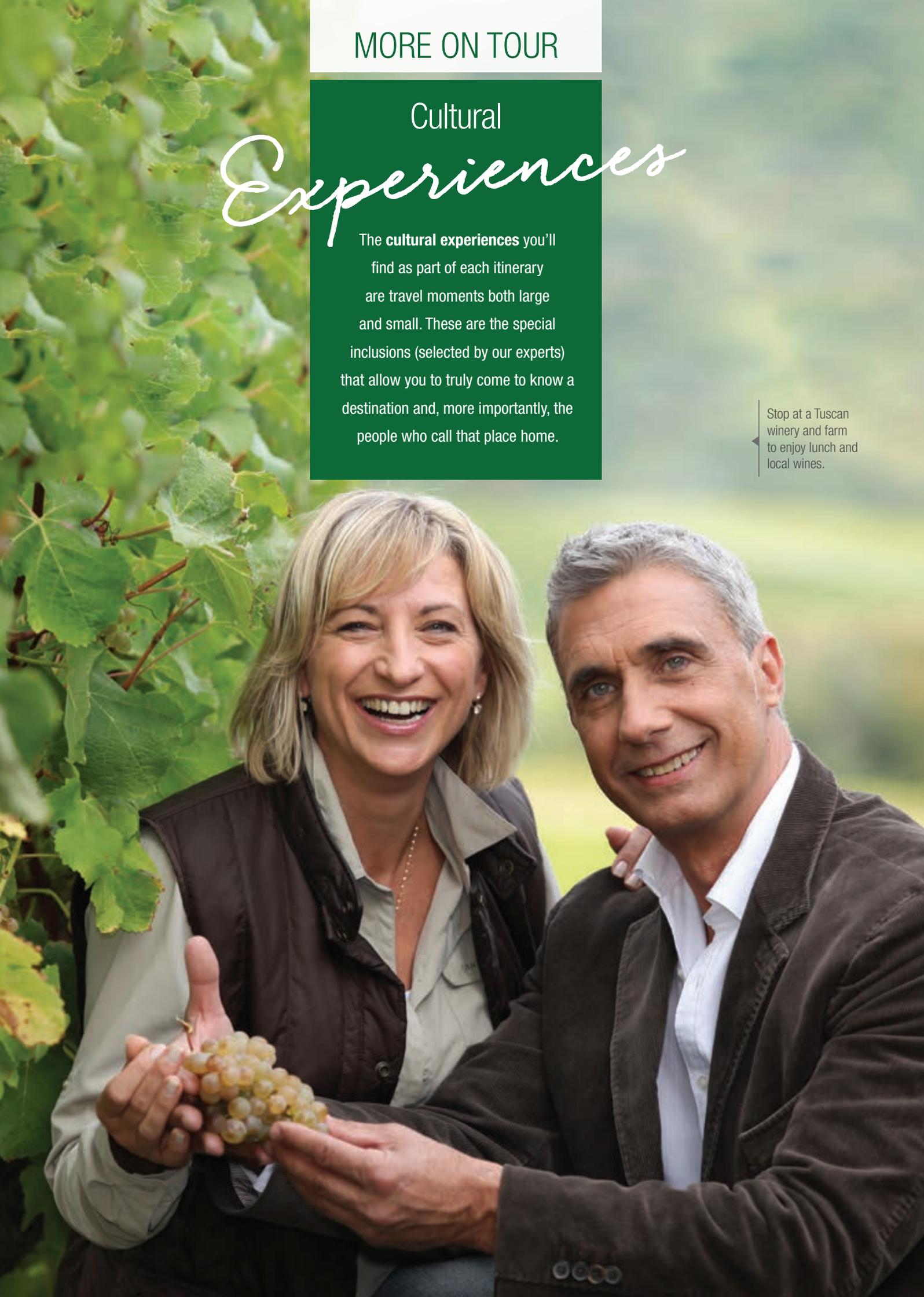
Deeper experiences at the world's most iconic sites

MORE ON TOUR

Cultural
Experiences

The **cultural experiences** you'll find as part of each itinerary are travel moments both large and small. These are the special inclusions (selected by our experts) that allow you to truly come to know a destination and, more importantly, the people who call that place home.

Stop at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and local wines.



Learn from local artisans about traditional glass-blowing on Murano, an island resting in the Venetian lagoon.



Be a part of a charming farewell dinner and cultural performance at Hall's Croft, the Jacobean home of Shakespeare's daughter.



Get hands-on and make your own Italian cuisine with the help of a chef.



© Shakespeare Birthplace Trust

Try your hand at the bagpipes on the Discover Scotland tour!



Bringing to life more of the **hidden wows** and **cultural experiences** that make travel special



Discover how the environment shapes Icelandic culture. We get you up-close to the action.

“ Next to our marriage and the birth of our children, this tour was the greatest experience my wife and I have ever enjoyed. Everything about the tour was simply incredible. ”

— Robert M.

MORE ON TOUR

Culinary

Inclusions

Food is a wonderful way to experience new cultures. Our authentic culinary inclusions take you into the destination, offering understanding and satisfying your taste buds.



your culinary adventures await

Enjoy a limoncello tasting at a family-owned business in Minori, Italy.

Roll up your sleeves and enjoy a true Italian cooking experience.



Visit a winery in Chinon, France discovering some of Europe's finest Cabernet Franc and Chenin Blanc wines.



Sample a variety of tapas in Spain.

More included meals in local restaurants & more menu choices



Choose from more complete menus for a true taste of the local food.

“ The restaurants we visited had amazing ambiance and fantastic quality of the food. ”

— Janis G.

MORE ON TOUR

Amazing *Accommodation*

Whether it's the amenities, the history, the view or the location, your accommodation often turns into highlights all their own. We carefully select each hotel to best fit into your inclusive itinerary.



Parador de León in
León, Spain

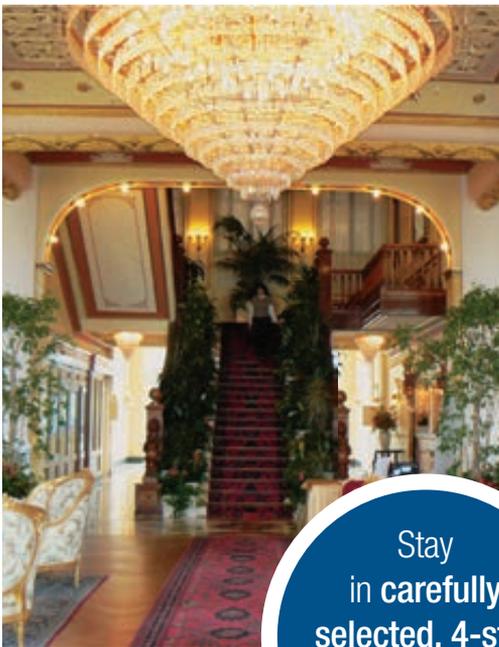


hand-picked accommodation that capture the essence of a destination



Overnight in the iconic Hotel de la Cite in the fairytale village of Carcassonne, France.

Stay at the foot of the Matterhorn at the Hotel Alex in Zermatt.



Feel like royalty during your two-night stay at Regina Palace in Stresa, Italy.

Stay in carefully selected, 4-star and above properties



Call the heart of Seville home during your stay at the glamorous Meliá Lebreros.

“ I also loved the hotels. Very centrally located with many nice perks. ”

— Kathleen W.

MORE FLEXIBILITY

Personalise

Your Adventure

Every traveller is different, so make your trip your own. We offer more ways to customise your tour. With features such as pre and post-nights stays, dine arounds and on-tour options, you can make every day a personal adventure!

*where inclusiveness
meets choice*

Pre-Tour



Included Private Chauffeur Drive Service

As one of the Collette differences, our private chauffeur drive service is available when you reserve a tour. It's the perfect way to begin your adventure. *See pg. 159*



Airfares

Upgrade your air to travel in ultimate comfort and convenience. Treat yourself to a wealth of amenities that come with a business, premium economy, or first-class ticket. Land rested, refreshed, and ready for the world's wonders. *See pg. 160*



Pre-Nights

Collette can easily add a pre-night stay to your existing itinerary and with a single phone call we can reserve tickets to your host city's best attractions. Enjoy the benefits of an early arrival and a streamlined booking process.

On Tour



Included Choice On Tour

Many tours feature the chance to choose from an assortment of included activities. Create your own touring experience by deciding what you want to do on select days.



Included Dining Experiences

On select tours and evenings, our Diner's Choice feature allows you to choose where to enjoy your included dinner. Find just the right spot from a list that includes the city's restaurants.



Optional Excursions

Every tour offers a collection of optional excursions, carefully selected to offer you a different perspective on your destination. Enhance your experience and make the most of your time out in the world.

Post-Tour



Post-Nights

Collette can also add a post-night stay to your existing itinerary along with tickets to your host city's best attractions. Stay a little bit longer and enjoy more of some of the world's best cities.



Tour Extensions

Our list of tour extensions reads like the logbook of a great adventure. These shorter excursions (which you can add before and after your tour) are the perfect way to add a few more memories.



Go Back-To-Back

Collette can help you combine two tours into one grand experience. Many of our dates line up perfectly to allow you to discover more of the world. Call for details.



MORE FLEXIBILITY

What's your
travel style?

No matter how you want to see the world, Collette can take you there. Whether you want to travel across an entire country, dive into a local culture, or come to know one of the world's great cities, Collette has the travel experience that's right for you.



CLASSIC TOURS

classics

The Collette collection of tours offers an inclusive look at a wealth of **amazing destinations**. From marvelling at the must-sees to becoming a part of new cultures to exploring on your own, these itineraries offer an **inspiring and easy** way to travel.



Florence, Italy

SMALL GROUPS

explorations

With an average of **18 guests**, these personal adventures focus on culinary experiences, **cultural immersions** and **unique accommodation** that captures the destination. Enjoy a new perspective on the world.



Inle Lake, Myanmar

SINGLE-HOTEL STAYS

spotlights

Explore and relax in the world's most remarkable destinations during a **single-hotel stay**. Immerse yourself in the fanfare of a grand city or unwind in the timeless countryside.



New York, New York

RIVER CRUISES

river cruise

These itineraries feature small, **intimate vessels for travel through a variety of beautiful waterways**. Plus, when you step off your ship with a Tour Manager by your side, you'll truly come to know the people and places along the river.



Danube River, Hungary



Stonehenge

Exploring Britain & Ireland

Experience the grand cities and historical wonders of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales

Start Early

Add an extra day in London. Jump into the culture found only in one of the world's greatest cities. Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Discover the true cultural treasures of Britain and Ireland on a comprehensive journey through England, Ireland, Wales and Scotland. Your tour opens in the regal city of London. A capital of culture and commerce, the city blends traditional with modern. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: London Discover the pageantry of London as we join a local guide for a city tour. See Big Ben, Westminster, Whitehall, Hyde Park and the Changing of the Guard (if held) at Buckingham Palace. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore this iconic city or perhaps partake in an optional excursion to Windsor Castle. (B)

Day 3: London - Stonehenge - Bath - Cardiff This morning's journey takes you to **Stonehenge**, the mysterious formation that dates back to the Stone Age. Explore various theories on how the colossal stones arrived at the location and their purpose. Continue to the elegant Georgian town of Bath to visit the Roman Bath Museum's 2,000-year-old elaborate spas. Enjoy some time to stroll through Bath's cobblestone streets and soak in its old-world atmosphere. Continue to the Welsh capital of Cardiff. (B)

Day 4: Cardiff - Ferry to Ireland - Waterford Join a local expert on a leisurely paced walking tour of Cardiff. Learn about the city's deep ties to the coal industry, its connection to ancient Rome and its famous Victorian shopping arcades. Take in the beautiful countryside of Wales en route to the coastal village of Fishguard. There, we board the ferry for Ireland, crossing the Irish Sea. Upon arrival in Rosslare,

travel to charming Waterford, your home for the evening. (B, D)

Y Day 5: Waterford - Blarney - Killarney Begin your day with a choice of two activities. You may choose to tour the House of Waterford Crystal factory featuring a fascinating visitor's centre and a retail store housing the largest collection of Waterford Crystal in the world. Or, perhaps you will opt to enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour of Ireland's oldest city and immerse yourself in its rich Viking, Norman and Cromwellian history. **Later, travel to historic Blarney Castle.** Make your way to the top of the castle, lie back and kiss the famous Blarney Stone where, legend has it, you will be blessed with



Ring of Kerry

the "gift of eloquence." **This evening it's Diner's Choice.**...tonight your dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 6: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney Behold the glorious Ring of Kerry where you'll find some of Ireland's most magical scenery. Pause for a moment at the Gap of Dunloe to browse for traditional Irish handcrafted goods. As we continue our journey, marvel at the vistas created by windswept cliffs, rugged mountains, lakes and picturesque villages. Upon returning to Killarney you will be treated to a time-honoured Irish jaunting car ride. (B)

Day 7: Killarney - Rock of Cashel - Dublin Today you'll have the opportunity to share stories with a local family when you visit their

working farm. Later, we venture through the "Golden Vale" en route to the awe-inspiring Rock of Cashel. Be amazed by its imposing facade and visit the spot where St. Patrick preached. **Tonight, give traditional Irish cuisine a modern twist during a cooking class and dinner at one of Dublin's premier culinary institutions. Top off the evening by making your very own Irish coffee!** (B, D)

Day 8: Dublin Discover Dublin's past and present on a locally guided tour highlighting the Bank of Ireland, O'Connell Street, Grafton Street, Phoenix Park and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Later, experience for yourself the welcoming nature of the Irish as you set out to explore the "Fair City" on your own. (B)

Day 9: Dublin - Ferry Crossing - Wales - Cheshire Ferry across the Irish Sea to Holyhead, Wales. As you traverse northern Wales, pass Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogerychwyrndrobwllllantysiliogogoch, the town with the longest name in the world. Make a stop at majestic Caernarfon Castle, where Charles was crowned Prince of Wales. Then, continue through the Welsh countryside and discover some of the most magnificent scenery in all of Britain. (B, D)

Day 10: Cheshire - Lake District - Gretna Green, Scotland - Edinburgh Travel north into England's scenic Lake District. Here you'll feel the inspirational appeal of the region's quintessential English villages, Lake Windermere, Ambleside and Grasmere. Crossing into Scotland, stop in the town of Gretna Green where generations of runaway couples eloped. Continue to Edinburgh, Scotland's majestic capital city. (B, D)

Y Day 11: Edinburgh Today it's your choice! You may choose to get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic city tour by coach. Or, for a different perspective, perhaps you'll opt to join a local expert and explore the city on foot. Either tour includes a visit to **Edinburgh Castle**, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and



former home of Mary, Queen of Scots. The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax or explore the city independently. (B)

Day 12: Edinburgh - York, England En route to England, visit Hadrian's Wall. Construction of this ancient structure began in A.D. 122 and since that time, it has served as the northern border of the Roman Empire. Continue to the historic city of York. Find yourself surrounded by the charms of history as you explore its quaint narrow streets. Walk on the famous "Shambles" and see the magnificent 13th-century Minster. (B)

Day 13: York - Coventry - Stratford-upon-Avon Journey to Coventry and visit its famous modern cathedral, completely rebuilt after being destroyed in World War II. Next, venture to charming Stratford-upon-Avon. Step back in time as we visit William Shakespeare's birthplace. Afterward, you may **choose one of the following**: tour Anne Hathaway's thatch-roofed cottage, the childhood home of



the author's wife; or, perhaps you'd prefer a leisurely cruise along the Avon River. This evening we gather to say farewell to this captivating region over dinner. (B, D)

Day 14: Stratford-upon-Avon - Tour Ends Depart today with many fond memories of lovely Britain and Ireland. (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour with 3 nights in Paris.

Travel on the innovative Eurostar High Speed Train to Paris, one of the world's most romantic places. Come to know the "City of Light" and nearby attractions. See page 156 for details.



Experience the **Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Show**, featuring the world's grandest collection of military musicians and performers including the British Armed Forces, the Commonwealth, and an array of International military bands and display teams.

Dates & Prices

| Month | Days | Double | Single |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| March - April 2017 | 18, 25 March | \$4109 | \$2468 |
| | 1, 3, 15, 22 April | \$4229 | \$2618 |
| | 24, 29 April | \$4989 | \$3115 |
| | 4 November* | \$4569 | \$2855 |
| | 17, 24 March* | \$4569 | \$2855 |
| | 7 April | \$4849 | \$3030 |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | 14, 16, 21, 23, 28 April | \$4989 | \$3115 |
| | 6, 13, 20 May | \$4989 | \$3115 |
| | 3, 10, 17, 24 June | \$5059 | \$3165 |
| | 15, 22 July | \$5059 | \$3165 |
| | 29, 31 July | \$5329 | \$3315 |
| | 5, 7, 12, 14 August | \$5329 | \$3315 |
| | 19, 26 August | \$5189 | \$3235 |
| | 2, 9 September | \$5189 | \$3235 |

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.
*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.

Choice On Tour

- In Waterford, choose to tour the House of Waterford Crystal factory or enjoy an included walking tour of the city.
- Set out on a locally guided panoramic tour of Edinburgh or take an expert led walking tour of the city. Both include a visit to imposing Edinburgh Castle.

Must-See Inclusions

- Ponder ancient mysteries at Stonehenge.
- Overnight in the capital cities of London, Cardiff, Dublin and Edinburgh.
- Explore the Roman Bath Museum's 2,000-year-old elaborate spas.
- Visit historic Blarney Castle where you can kiss the famous Blarney Stone.

Culinary Inclusions

- 20 meals included: 13 breakfasts • 7 dinners
- Give traditional Irish cuisine a modern twist during a cooking class and dinner.
- In Killarney choose from a 'menu' of restaurants.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Radisson Blu Edwardian, Grafton, or Grange City Hotel, London
 - Day 3** Radisson Blu Hotel, Cardiff
 - Day 4** Granville Hotel or Tower Hotel, Waterford
 - Days 5, 6** The Brehon Hotel or Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa, Killarney
 - Days 7, 8** Ballsbridge Hotel or Academy Plaza Hotel, Dublin
 - Day 9** Grosvenor Pulford Hotel, Cheshire
 - Days 10, 11** Apex Grassmarket Hotel, Edinburgh
 - Day 12** Hotel 53, York
 - Day 13** Mercure Warwickshire Walton Hall Hotel & Spa, Stratford-upon-Avon or Chesford Grange Hotel, Warwick
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports. On day 14, all of our transfers will depart from Stratford-upon-Avon for London airports. Distance to London Heathrow Airport from Stratford-upon-Avon / Warwick is approximately 2 hours. On day 14, due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. Return flights should not be booked prior to 11:00 a.m. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Giant's Causeway

NEW
TOUR

Best of Britain and Ireland

Discover it all – the exciting cities, iconic sites, and peaceful countryside

Start Early

Add an extra day in London. Have more time to explore the treasures of London. Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in London. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: London Join a local guide for a panoramic city tour. See Big Ben, Westminster, Whitehall, Hyde Park and the Changing of the Guard (if held) at Buckingham Palace. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore this iconic city or perhaps partake in an optional excursion to Kensington Palace. (B)

Day 3: London - Rail Journey - York - Choice on Tour Board a train and travel through England's scenic countryside to the medieval city of York. Upon arrival, choose how you'd like to spend the afternoon. Join a local expert for a leisurely walking tour seeing the Roman walls and the historic "Shambles." Or, perhaps you'll visit York's famous Minister, the largest Gothic Cathedral in Northern Europe. (B)

Day 4: York - Borders Region, Scotland - Edinburgh Head north through rolling fields on your way to "bonnie" Scotland. Stretching across the country you will find Hadrian's Wall, which once marked the northern border of the Roman Empire. Stop to see this ancient fortification that was begun in A.D. 122 to protect Roman Britain from the tribes of Scotland. Next, drive through Scotland's Borders region before arriving in Edinburgh, the "Athens of the North." This evening, give traditional Scottish ingredients a modern twist during a private cooking experience at a premier culinary institutions. (B, D)

Day 5: Edinburgh - Choice on Tour Today it's your choice! Perhaps you'll get acquainted

with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic city tour by coach. Or, for a different perspective, you may opt to join a local expert and explore the city on foot. Both tours include a visit to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels; and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh. (B)

Day 6: Edinburgh - St. Andrews - Pitlochry - Eastern Highlands

Travel to St. Andrews, the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf. See the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Next, stop at Pitlochry, a vibrant Victorian town. Spend time at one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries. Taste and see for yourself why Highland malt whisky is considered the world's finest. (B, D)

Day 7: Eastern Highlands - Culloden - Dunrobin Castle - Eastern Highlands

Your day begins at Culloden Battlefield. On this spot in April 1756, a half-hour battle between loyalist and Jacobite forces changed the course of history. Next, tour the majestic Dunrobin Castle. Dating back to the 1330s, its 189 rooms make it the largest house in the Northern Highlands. Experience a fascinating falconry display in the formal gardens overlooking the North Sea. (B, D)

Day 8: Eastern Highlands - Loch Ness - Urquhart Castle - Glasgow

Journey further into the Highlands. Take a cruise of famed Loch Ness. You never know when Nessie will appear! Soak up the awe-inspiring view at the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle before disembarking and exploring this historic stronghold for yourself. Continue through Scotland's stunning Great Glen before arriving at your hotel in the bustling Victorian city of Glasgow. (B)

Day 9: Glasgow - Ferry Crossing - Belfast, Northern Ireland

Cross the Irish Sea and arrive in Belfast, the cosmopolitan capital of Northern Ireland. Join a local expert for an informative city tour and learn about the struggles in this great

city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighbourhoods. (B, D)

Day 10: Belfast - Antrim Coast - Belfast

This morning, lose yourself in the natural beauty of Northern Ireland as you explore the scenic back roads of the Glens of Antrim. Marvel at the majesty and mystery of the Giant's Causeway, Northern Ireland's only UNESCO World Heritage site. Return to Belfast for an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 11: Belfast - Enniskillen - Sligo, Ireland

Depart Belfast for Ireland's stunning west coast. En route, stop in the historic town of Enniskillen before stepping into the world of Irish craftsmanship with a visit to Belleek Pottery. Tour this impressive facility and learn how traditional methods have been passed down from generation to generation. Continue to County Sligo and stop to view W.B. Yeats' grave in Drumcliffe Churchyard. In the shadow of Benbulbin, take a moment to reflect upon the profound natural beauty that was so often Yeats' inspiration. (B, D)

Day 12: Sligo - Galway - Ennis

This morning, travel to what is often called Ireland's most "Irish" city, coastal Galway. Enjoy time on your own to meander its cobblestone streets, relax in Erve Square, or visit its stunning cathedral. This afternoon, experience the customs and daily life of a traditional Irish family with a visit to a working farm. Your day ends in the charming market town of Ennis. (B)

Day 13: Ennis - Cliffs of Moher - Killarney

Your day begins at the Cliffs of Moher. Walk along their rambling edge. Ferry across the mighty Shannon into County Kerry. Arrive in Killarney where a time-honoured jaunting car ride will take you through stunning Killarney National Park. (B, D)

Day 14: Killarney - Choice on Tour

Today is yours to choose how you'd like to explore County Kerry. Perhaps you'll join a local expert on a walk through history at the impressive Muckross Estate and Gardens; stroll along the lakeshores of Killarney National Park before arriving at the majestic Torc



Waterfall. Or, perhaps you will choose to travel along one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world, the Ring of Kerry. (B)

Day 15: Killarney - Blarney - Waterford - Kilkenny Journey to historic Blarney Castle for a chance to kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with "the gift of the gab." Then it's on to the House of Waterford Crystal for a fascinating factory tour. (B)

Day 16: Kilkenny - Choice on Tour Today it's your choice! Join a local expert on a walking tour of medieval Kilkenny; unveiling the city's rich history. Or delve into Ireland's monastic past with a visit to the stirring ruins of Kells Priory, one of the largest medieval monuments in the country; then you'll visit the Dunbrody Famine Ship. (B)

Day 17: Kilkenny - Dublin - Castle Stay This morning we make our way to Dublin and join a local guide for a tour of the city. Tour Kilmainham Gaol, the historic prison that held some of Ireland's most famous political and military leaders. Next, enjoy some leisure time in Dublin. Perhaps you'll choose an optional tour of the Guinness Storehouse to learn about the brewing process. Top your day off with an overnight on the regal grounds of a 13th-century Irish castle. (B, D)

Day 18: Dublin - Ferry Crossing - North Wales, UK Ferry across the Irish Sea to Holyhead, Wales. Pause in the medieval town of Conwy for a tour of its 13th-century castle. Continue on to your castle hotel by way of Snowdonia National Park. Settle in to your Welsh castle for a relaxing 2-night stay. (B, D)

Day 19: North Wales - Choice on Tour Today it's your choice! Relax on the grounds of Ruthin Castle and enjoy a day at leisure. Or, visit to the great port city of Liverpool; a tour reveals the 800-year history of this fascinating city; afterwards, spend time on your own at the Albert Dock complex where you could explore one of the many museums including the award-winning Beatles Story. (B)

Day 20: North Wales - Ludlow - Cardiff, Wales Travel south through the English-Welsh borderlands. Stop in the medieval market town of Ludlow. Continue south to the stirring ruins of Tintern Abbey, surrendered to Henry VIII in 1536. (B)

Day 21: Cardiff - Bath - Stonehenge - Frimley This morning's journey takes you to the elegant Georgian town of Bath. Visit the Roman Bath Museum's 2,000-year-old spas. Continue on to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Stonehenge, the mysterious formation that dates back to the Stone Age. (B)

Day 22: Frimley - Stratford-upon-Avon - Frimley Venture to charming Stratford-upon-Avon. Step back in time as you visit William Shakespeare's birthplace. Afterward, it's your choice: you may tour Anne Hathaway's thatched-roofed cottage, the childhood home of the author's wife; or take a cruise along the Avon River. Return to your hotel, travelling through some of England's most beautiful countryside. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 23: Frimley - Tour Ends (B)



Experience the **Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Show**, featuring the world's grandest collection of military musicians and performers including the British Armed Forces, the Commonwealth, and an array of International military bands and display teams.

Dates & Prices

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| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 15 April | \$7469 |
| 7 May | \$7469 | | |
| 18 June | \$7599 | | |
| 9 July | \$7599 | | |
| 6 August | \$7889 | | |
| 17 September | \$7599 | | |
| 1 October | \$7329 | | |
| 29 October* | \$6999 | | |
| 18 March* | \$6999 | | |

Single Room Supplement (+) \$1990 - \$2200
Triple Room Reduction (-) \$100

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.
 *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.

Choice On Tour

- In County Kerry, tour the Muckcross Estate and stroll to the majestic Torc Waterfall, or travel along the beautiful coastal route – the Ring of Kerry.
- In Edinburgh, get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided city tour, either by coach or on foot.

Cultural Experiences

- Experience a fascinating falconry display at Dunrobin Castle.
- Learn the customs and daily life of a traditional Irish family at a working farm.

Must-See Inclusions

- Gaze at fascinating Stonehenge, dating back to the Stone Age.
- Tour the great cities of Dublin, Belfast and London.
- Marvel at the majesty and mystery of the Giant's Causeway.
- Behold the Cliffs of Moher, one of Ireland's most incredible attractions.

Culinary Inclusions

- 32 meals included: 22 breakfasts • 10 dinners
- Partake in a private cooking experience at one of Scotland's premier culinary institutions.
- Spend time at one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries for a tour and tasting.

Accommodation

- Day 1, 2** Grange Tower Bridge Hotel, London
 - Day 3** Hotel 53, York
 - Day 4, 5** Novotel City Center, Edinburgh
 - Day 6, 7** Kingsmill Hotel or the Grant Arms Hotel, Eastern Highlands
 - Day 8** Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow
 - Day 9, 10** Europa Hotel, Belfast
 - Day 11** Sligo Park Hotel, Sligo
 - Day 12** The Old Ground Hotel, Ennis
 - Day 13, 14** Killarney Avenue Hotel, Killarney Plaza Hotel, or Killarney Towers Hotel, Killarney
 - Day 15, 16** The Kilkenny Pembroke Hotel, Kilkenny
 - Day 17** Barberstown Castle, County Kildare
 - Day 18, 19** Ruthin Castle Hotel, North Wales
 - Day 20** Radisson Blu, Cardiff
 - Day 21, 22** MacDonald Frimley Hall Hotel, Frimley
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports. On day 23, all of our transfers will depart from Frimley for London airports. Distance to London Heathrow Airport from Frimley is approximately 20 minutes. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. *Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Edinburgh

NEW
TOUR

From Castles to Causeways

Discover the endless treasures of Scotland and Ireland

Start Early

Add an extra day in Edinburgh.

Set out on your adventure rested with an additional night in Edinburgh.

Call for details.

Day 1: Edinburgh, Scotland - Tour

Begins Your tour opens in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city. Tonight, experience how traditional Scottish ingredients are getting a modern twist during a welcome dinner at one of the city's popular restaurants. (D)

Y Day 2: Edinburgh Today it's your choice! You may choose to get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic tour; explore both Old Town and New Town before visiting the Palace at Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary Queen of Scots. Or, for a different perspective, perhaps you'll join a local expert for an in-depth walking tour of Edinburgh's Old Town; meander the cobbled streets and narrow alleyways before descending into the city's underground vaults. (B)

Day 3: Edinburgh - St. Andrews -

Eastern Highlands Travel to St. Andrews – the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf – to see the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Next, stop at Pitlochry, a vibrant Victorian town. Enjoy a privately guided tour at one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries. (B, D)

Day 4: Eastern Highlands - Loch Ness

- Ballachulish This morning, explore Inverness, the "Capital of the Highlands." Take a scenic cruise on Loch Ness before disembarking at the base of famed Urquhart Castle. Continue south through Scotland's stunning Great Glen before arriving at your hotel on the banks of Loch Linnhe. (B, D)

Day 5: Ballachulish - Glasgow Begin your day with a breathtaking drive in the heart of Scotland as you pass through Glencoe and Rannoch Moor. Arrive in the Victorian metropolis of Glasgow, Scotland's largest city. Take in the sights with a local expert before enjoying an evening at leisure in this bustling city. (B)

Day 6: Glasgow - Ferry Crossing - Belfast, Northern Ireland Enjoy a morning at leisure before you travel along the scenic Ayrshire coast to your ferry. Cross the famed Irish Sea as we head for Northern Ireland's capital city of Belfast. Upon arrival, settle into your city center hotel for a 2-night stay. (B)

Day 7: Belfast Enjoy a privately guided tour of Belfast, Northern Ireland's largest city. Learn about the struggles in this great city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighbourhoods. See "Samson" and "Goliath," the massive cranes of the Belfast shipyard. Complete today's tour with a visit to the award-winning Titanic Experience museum. The afternoon is yours to relax or explore the many attractions this dynamic capital offers. This evening, delight in dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8: Belfast - Glens of Antrim - Giant's Causeway - Derry Venture along the stunning Antrim Coastal Route, stopping at the Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Formed by volcanic activity millions of years ago, the causeway resembles an old cobbled road leading mystically into the sea. Then, embark on one of the world's most beautiful railway journeys along the Causeway Coast. In Derry, set out on a walking tour featuring the medieval city walls, St. Augustine's Cathedral, and the Guildhall. This evening it's *Diner's Choice*. . . tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Derry's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 9: Derry - County Donegal - Glenveagh National Park - Derry

Today's journey showcases the rugged beauty of County Donegal. Visit spectacular Glenveagh National Park, a natural wonderland. Enjoy a guided visit to stately Glenveagh Castle, set amidst the colourful splendour of one of the finest gardens in Ireland. Return to Derry with time to explore the town on your own. (B)

Day 10: Derry - Ulster American Folk Park - Dublin, Republic of Ireland

Travel to the Ulster American Folk Park where you will find collected buildings and artifacts from generations past. As you walk through the museum, learn how the Irish lived and about the tragic and triumphant experiences that awaited them in America after emigration. Pass through the scenic countryside and cross into the Republic of Ireland. (B)

Day 11: Dublin Today is yours to explore Dublin at your leisure. Perhaps you'll take time to visit The Book of Kells at Trinity College. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for some traditional entertainment during a fun-filled Irish evening. (B, D)

Y Day 12: Dublin Today you decide how you want to explore Dublin. **You may choose** to set out with a local guide on a drive to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Stephan's Green, Grafton Street, and the historic Phoenix Park. Or, choose a walking tour of the city's historic centre, exploring O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey. Spend the remainder of your day independently exploring. (B)

Day 13: Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford

Travel to Kilkenny to explore the medieval atmosphere of this city situated on the banks of the River Nore. Then, arrive in the historic city of Waterford and visit the House of Waterford Crystal. Enjoy a fascinating factory tour. Complete your day with a leisurely paced walking tour. (B, D)

Y Day 14: Waterford - Blarney Stone - Killarney Journey to Blarney Castle and embrace

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the opportunity to kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with the gift of eloquence. This afternoon you decide how you would like to explore charming Killarney. You may enjoy a jaunting car ride to beautiful Muckross House. Set out on a tour of this stately home and its gardens. Or, choose to enjoy a scenic jaunting car ride through Killarney National Park to Ross Castle; then, board a traditional boat and sail through the breathtaking lakes in the company of an expert boatman. This evening its *Diner's Choice*. . .tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 15: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney Travel along one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world, the Ring of Kerry. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for traditional Irish goods handcrafted by local artisans. Enjoy pristine ocean scenery as you move through picturesque villages. Continue on as you traverse rugged mountain passes into "Ladies View." From this spectacular vantage point, one of Ireland's finest, gaze upon the Lakes of Killarney. Tonight you may use your leisure time to sample a true taste of Irish culture. (B)

Day 16: Killarney - Limerick Today, experience the customs and daily life of a traditional Irish family during a memorable farm visit. Continue to Limerick where a panoramic city tour showcases King John's Castle and the Treaty Stone. Delve into the fascinating history of the "city of the

violated treaty." (B)

Day 17: Limerick - Cliffs of Moher - Galway - Limerick An exciting day awaits. Journey to the stunning, 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for awe-inspiring views of the mighty Atlantic. Then, travel through the vast limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. Continue past scenic countryside into Galway, where a brief city tour introduces "The City of Tribes." Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 18: Limerick - Tullamore/ Kilbeggan - Kingscourt Start your day with a cross-country journey to Irish whiskey territory. The ancient towns of Tullamore and Kilbeggan have long been associated with the whiskey industry. Become engaged in the process of whiskey making and enjoy a tasting of the final product during a visit to one of these historic distilleries. Top your day off with an overnight stay on the regal grounds of Cabra Castle where you toast the end of a fabulous trip during your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 19: Kingscourt - Tour Ends Your tour ends in Kingscourt. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Kingscourt. Delight in an extra day to enjoy the grounds and amenities of your castle.

Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic tour of Old Town and New Town or take an in-depth walking tour of Edinburgh's Old Town.
- In Dublin, set out by coach to see the iconic sites of the city or on a walking tour of the city's historic center.
- Take a tour of Muckross house or a cruise through the lakes of Killarney National Park.

Cultural Experiences

- Embark on one of the world's most breathtaking rail journeys along the Causeway Coast.
- Experience the daily life of an Irish family during a visit to a dairy farm.
- Stay overnight on the regal grounds of a castle.

Must-See Inclusions

- Travel along the spectacular Antrim Coastal Route and Giant's Causeway.
- Spend a leisurely 3 nights in the dynamic city of Dublin.
- Spend two nights on Edinburgh's iconic Royal Mile.
- Visit the award-winning Titanic Experience museum.

Culinary Inclusions

- 28 meals: 18 breakfasts • 10 dinners
- Savour regional Irish cuisine and traditional entertainment during a fun-filled Irish night.
- Try traditional Scottish ingredients with a modern twist during dinner in Edinburgh.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** G & V Royal Mile Hotel, Edinburgh
- Day 3** Grant Arms Hotel, Granttown-on-Spey or Kingsmills Hotel, Inverness
- Day 4** Ballachulish Hotel or the Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish
- Day 5** Jurys Inn, Glasgow
- Days 6, 7** Europa Hotel, Belfast
- Days 8, 9** Maldron Hotel, Derry
- Days 10 - 12** Academy Plaza Hotel, Dublin
- Day 13** Granville Hotel, Waterford
- Day 14, 15** Killarney Avenue, Killarney Towers or Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney
- Day 16, 17** Absolute Hotel, George Hotel or Savoy Hotel, Limerick
- Day 18** Cabra Castle, Kingscourt

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Tour Activity Level

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Dates & Prices

| May – October 2017 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1580 - \$1680 |
|--------------------|--------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 15 May | \$6918 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$80 |
| 12, 26 June | \$6918 | | |
| 4 September | \$6918 | | |
| 16 October | \$6458 | | |

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.



Big Ben

Spotlight on London

Come to know the city once considered the capital of the world

Start Early

Add an extra day in London.

Dive deeper into this iconic city before your tour begins.

Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Embark on a relaxing journey as you discover the colourful history and regal pageantry only found “across the pond.” Welcome to London, a sophisticated metropolis with a timeless style all its own. Its bustling city streets are lined with beautiful gardens, fascinating museums, celebrated monuments and grand theatres



Harrods

– and you’ll be a part of it all! This evening, experience a classic British pastime when you join your fellow travellers for a special welcome dinner at a traditional pub, complete with an ale tasting! (D)

Day 2: London A local expert leads you on a panoramic tour of London. See Trafalgar Square, St. Paul’s Cathedral, the Tower of London, and Buckingham Palace, the London home to Britain’s royalty since 1837. At Westminster, see the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Big Ben. End your city tour with a visit to Harrods, London’s most iconic department store. This afternoon, perhaps you will join us on an optional tour to regal Windsor Castle. Originally built to guard the city of London, the imposing castle has been the home of kings and queens for nine centuries. It remains the oldest royal residence still in use today. (B)

Y Day 3: London Start your day like a true Londoner and hop on the famous Underground, known to locals as “the Tube.” Opened in 1863, this engineering marvel was the world’s first metro system. **Next, it’s your choice!** Perhaps you will join a local guide and explore the quaint Kensington neighbourhood, known for its charming shops, cobblestone lanes and famous residents, before a visit to Kensington Palace; once the home of Queen Victoria and Princess Diana, it boasts the beautiful Kensington

Gardens. Or, perhaps you would prefer to travel to Westminster station and snap a photo in front of Big Ben before heading north on Whitehall, known as the centre of Her Majesty’s Government. Catch a glimpse of 10 Downing Street before visiting the Churchill War Rooms. (B)



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Day 4: London - Oxford - Blenheim Palace - London Travel across England’s beautiful countryside en route to the historic city of Oxford, home to the prestigious University of Oxford. Join a local expert on a privately guided walking tour which includes a visit to the college where Harry Potter was filmed! Enjoy some free time to explore the city at leisure before setting out to **visit Blenheim Palace, one of England’s most magnificent homes**, for a privately guided tour. Famous for being the birthplace



London phone booths



Tower Bridge

of Sir Winston Churchill, this UNESCO World Heritage site offers a glimpse into the life of English royalty. (B)

Day 5: London Spend your final day in London however you like. Perhaps explore Shakespeare's Globe, visit the world-renowned British Museum, or simply relax and enjoy the culture. This evening, **step inside the most famous bridge in the**

world – London's Tower Bridge. With a resident expert, explore the Victorian Engine Rooms and dare to walk across the 137 foot glass floor connecting the bridge's two towers that rise above the River Thames. Tonight, gather for a special farewell dinner and toast the end of a wonderful London getaway! (B, D)

Day 6: London - Tour Ends
Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with many pleasant memories. (B)



London Pub

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in London. Embrace the chance to take in all the sights and sounds of this marvellous place.

Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| January – April 2017 | Double | 7, 14, 21 September | \$2569 |
| 19 January* | \$1819 | 5, 26 October | \$2569 |
| 16 February* | \$1819 | 2 November | \$2369 |
| 3 March | \$1949 | 18 January* | \$2159 |
| 6, 20 April | \$2199 | 8 February* | \$2159 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 8 March | \$2299 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 5, 19 April | \$2569 |
| 4 May | \$2569 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$760 - \$1040 |
| 15 June | \$2569 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 20, 27 July | \$2569 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 17 August | \$2569 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |

Choice On Tour

- Join a locally guided tour of the quaint Kensington neighborhood or travel to Whitehall to see 10 Downing Street and visit the Churchill War Rooms.

Cultural Experiences

- Visit the college where Harry Potter was filmed.
- Soar over the River Thames on a tour of London's famous Tower Bridge.
- Enjoy a privately led tour in Oxford.

Must-See Inclusions

- Experience an eye-opening panoramic tour of London.
- Live like a local and hop on the London Underground, known as "the Tube."
- Tour Blenheim Palace, the birthplace of Winston Churchill.

Culinary Inclusions

- 7 meals included: 5 breakfasts • 2 dinners
- Gather for a special dinner at a traditional English pub.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 5 Grange City Hotel, Grange Tower Hotel, or Radisson Blu Edwardian, Vanderbilt, London

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

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- Purchase our **international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your in-flight-experience with an **air upgrade**. See page 160 for details.
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This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Christmas in London

Dates & Prices

December 2017 Double
7, 14 December \$2229

Rates are land only, per person,
Call about additional dates.

Embrace the Christmas season in beautiful London. Explore the Christmas markets, beautifully decorated department stores, and bustling streets. See the sites as they can only be seen during this time of year. Take in a Christmas show at one of London's finest theatres. Enjoy a Christmas Dinner inspired by Charles Dickens. Come to know one of the world's most iconic cities while it overflows with holiday cheer.





Savill Garden

The Gardens of London

See England's finest gardens and attend the famous Chelsea Flower Show

Start Early

Add an extra day in London.

Enjoy more time in this iconic city before your cultural adventure begins.

Call for details.



Buckingham Palace

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Join us on a journey to discover the horticultural heritage of Britain, complete with members-only day access to the Chelsea Flower Show! Your adventure begins in London, the cosmopolitan and historic capital of Britain. This evening, enjoy a welcome dinner with your fellow travellers. (D)

Day 2: London

This morning, see the quintessential sights of London with a local guide. View Buckingham Palace, the Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, and the changing of the guard (if held). The remainder of the day is free for you to explore at your leisure. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a traditional British pub. (B, D)

Day 3: Kew Gardens - Kensington Palace

Begin your day with a visit to the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Explore over 300 acres of world-renowned landscapes, including a treetop walkway that offers one-of-a-kind views over this remarkable garden. Return to London to visit Kensington Palace, a royal residence for over 300 years and former home of Queen Victoria and Princess Diana. Tour the King's

and Queen's State Apartments as well as the beautiful Palace Gardens. (B)

Day 4: London Enjoy a free day to explore London at your leisure. Perhaps you'll stop by Harrods' famous food court, visit the world-famous British



Big Ben

Museum, or simply relax. Or, you may choose to check out one of London's spectacular theatre performances!(B)

Day 5: The Savill Garden - Wisley

Your day begins at The Savill Garden, a 35-acre ornamental garden revered as one of Britain's finest.



Savill Garden ©Andrew Soles



Chelsea Flower Show

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Chelsea Flower Show

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Continue on to Wisley, a stunning 60-acre estate with formal gardens and natural woodlands. As the flagship garden of the Royal Horticultural Society, Wisley houses an astounding array of common and exotic flora. **Enjoy an expert led private tour at this garden home.** (B)

Day 6: Chelsea Flower Show
Get out your cameras! **Today is members-only day at the famous Chelsea Flower Show** and you are invited to this prestigious event. Enjoy full access and be amazed at the sheer number and variety of gardens and plants on display. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for an evening cruise on

the Thames. Savour a delightful dinner and enjoy a live band as you admire some of London's most beautiful sights. (B, D)

Day 7: London - Tour Ends
Return home with memories to last a lifetime. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in London. Embrace the chance to take in all the sights and sounds of this marvellous place. Call for details.



Kew Gardens

©Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

Chelsea Flower Show - Join us as we celebrate the world's greatest flower show. Enjoy full access on members-only day at this spectacular event so tied to British culture.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|----------|--------|------------------------|------------|
| May 2017 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1520 |
| ● 19 May | \$3609 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Cultural Experiences

- Enjoy full access to the prestigious Chelsea Flower Show.
- Explore the flagship garden of the Royal Horticultural Society, Wisley.
- See the picturesque Savill Garden, revered as one of Britain's finest.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore historic Kensington Palace.
- See the quintessential sights of London with a local guide.
- Visit the stunning Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew.

Culinary Inclusions

- 9 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 3 dinners
- Savour dinner at a traditional British pub.
- Enjoy a dinner cruise on the Thames.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 6 Grange Rochester Hotel, London

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Blenheim Palace / ©Pete Seaward

England's Treasures

Travel across the idyllic Lake District, Cotswolds and Cornwall regions

Start Early

Add an extra day in London.

Open your tour with another night in the charming city of London.

Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in London, the cosmopolitan and historic capital of England. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Day 2: London This morning, see the quintessential sights of London with your local guide. View the Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace and the changing of the guard (if held). Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to explore this iconic city. (B)

Day 3: London - Stonehenge - Cornwall Bid London farewell and **travel across some of England's most beautiful countryside**

en route to Stonehenge. No trip to England would be complete without a visit to this prehistoric UNESCO World Heritage site. Come to know the mysteries of its origins and the various theories of its symbolism and purpose. Continue on to Cornwall, England's "sunny southwest." Spend two nights in this breathtaking corner of the world, so seldom explored by travellers. (B, D)

Day 4: Cornwall Enjoy a leisurely morning at your hotel before setting out for a day of discovery. See iconic St. Michael's Mount where legend says St. Michael the Archangel appeared to local fishermen in the 5th century. Travel along Cornwall's stunning coastal road to Land's End, England's most westerly point. Then, visit the popular artist colony and resort of St. Ives for an afternoon of exploration at leisure. (B)



Day 5: Cornwall - Glastonbury - Bath - Great Malvern Today, **visit the ruins of Glastonbury Abbey**, once the richest monastic community in England and the reputed home of the legendary King Arthur. Next, stop in the ancient Roman town of Bath – renowned for more than 2,000 years for its spas and natural hot springs. **Visit the Roman Baths Museum** to see the elaborate spas, valued since Roman times for their curative properties. End

your day in the spa town of Great Malvern where your hotel affords you magnificent views across the English countryside. (B, D)

Day 6: Cotswolds - Great Malvern **Discover one of England's most magnificent homes – Blenheim Palace** – birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill. Enjoy a privately guided tour of this UNESCO World Heritage site and get a glimpse into the life of English royalty. Afterward, enjoy a relaxing day touring the Cotswolds, **venturing to some of England's most charming villages**. Return to your hotel with time to relax and explore during an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Great Malvern - Liverpool - Lake District This morning, travel to the great port city of Liverpool. A private tour will reveal the 800 year history of this fascinating city. Afterward, spend time on your own at the restored Albert Dock complex. Perhaps you'll explore one of the many museums such as the Tate Liverpool Gallery, Maritime Museum, or the award-winning Beatles Story. Travel north to the scenic Lake District and your hotel on the shores of Lake Windermere. (B, D)

Day 8: Lake District Enjoy a day exploring the magnificent Lake District, England's most popular area of bucolic beauty. Stroll through the picturesque village of Grasmere, once home of and inspiration to the romantic poet William Wordsworth. Sail on the largest lake in England, Lake Windermere, and take in the tranquil backdrop of lush green mountains, serene shorelines and pristine calm waters dotted with tiny islands. This evening is at your leisure. (B)



Day 9: Lake District - Yorkshire Dales - York Take in some of England's most breathtaking scenery as you travel through the Yorkshire Dales National Park. **Stop for a visit at the Wensleydale Creamery** and learn about the history of cheese making in Yorkshire. Continue on to the medieval city of York. Join a local expert on a leisurely walking tour and see the famous Minster and "Shambles," the quaint, narrow street that appears today almost as it did during the Middle Ages. Here you'll find great shopping and a street that is so narrow in parts that you can almost reach both sides with your outstretched arms. (B)

Day 10: York - Coventry - Windsor Area Travel south to the historic city of Coventry. **Join a local guide and tour the cathedral's haunting ruins**, devastated by bombs dropped by the Luftwaffe in World War II. Then, have some free time for lunch and exploring the city. Your day comes to a close outside of London. Join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner and toast to the end of a wonderful journey. (B, D)

Day 11: Windsor Area - Tour Ends Your journey through Britain ends today. (B)



Select dates feature an additional day and a visit to Highclere Castle, the regal residence used on the award-winning television show "Downton Abbey."

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 8, 15 July | \$4709 |
| 25 March | \$3539 | 14 August | \$4709 |
| 22 April | \$3659 | 10, 24 September | \$4089 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 15 October | \$3949 |
| | | 18 March | \$3809 |
| | | 15 April | \$3949 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$970 - \$1240 |
| 21 May | \$4089 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| 23 June | \$4089 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |

Cultural Experiences

- Tour the Roman Baths Museum and see its ancient and elaborate spas.
- Spend time at Blenheim Palace, the birthplace of Sir Winston Churchill.
- Set sail on one of the largest lakes in the picturesque Lake District.
- Enjoy a private tour of Liverpool to learn of its 800-year history.
- Explore the haunting ruins of Coventry's medieval cathedral.

Must-See Inclusions

- Join a local guide for a tour of London's iconic sites.
- Behold the mysterious prehistoric formations at Stonehenge.
- Enjoy the breathtaking scenery of Yorkshire Dales National Park.
- Relax and enjoy a day of exploring the charming Cotswolds.
- Visit the ruins of Glastonbury Abbey, home of the legendary King Arthur.
- Tour the charming city of York with a local expert.

Culinary Inclusions

- 15 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Savour local cuisine during dinner at one of London's restaurants.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Radisson Blu Edwardian Vanderbilt, London
 - Days 3, 4** The Cornwall Hotel, St. Austell
 - Days 5, 6** Abbey Hotel, Great Malvern
 - Days 7, 8** Low Wood Hotel, Ambleside
 - Day 9** Hotel 53, York
 - Day 10** Radisson Blu Edwardian Heathrow (Windsor Area), London
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports. On day 11, all transfers will depart from the Windsor area for London airports. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Anne Hathaway's Cottage

British Landscapes

Come to know the best of England, Scotland and Wales

Start Early

Add an extra day in London.

Open your tour with a night in the regal city of London.

Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in London, the cosmopolitan and historic capital of England. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a traditional English pub. (D)

Day 2: London This morning, see the quintessential sights of London with your local guide. View the Tower of London, Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey, Buckingham Palace



London

and the changing of the guard (if held). Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to independently explore this iconic city. (B)

Day 3: London - Train Journey - York

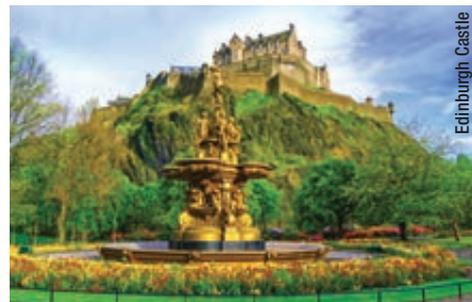
Your day begins at London King's Cross, one of England's most historic railway stations. Board a train and be whisked away to the medieval city of York. Sit back and relax on your journey through stunning countryside. Upon arriving in York, join a local guide for a walking tour of this remarkable city. See the famous York Minster and walk on the "Shambles," a quaint, narrow street that appears today almost as it did during the Middle Ages. Here you'll find great shopping and a street that is so narrow in parts that you can almost reach both sides with your outstretched arms. Tonight, stay within the city's historic walls. (B)

Day 4: York - Borders Region,

Scotland - Edinburgh Head north through the rolling fields on your way to bonnie ("lovely" in Scottish) Scotland. Stretching across the country you will find Hadrian's Wall which once marked the northern border of the Roman Empire. Stop to see this ancient fortification that was begun in A.D. 122 to protect Roman Britain from the tribes of Scotland. Next, drive through Scotland's Borders region before arriving in Edinburgh, the "Athens of the North." Discover Scotland's exciting capital city which is rich in beauty and culture. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: Edinburgh Today it's your choice!

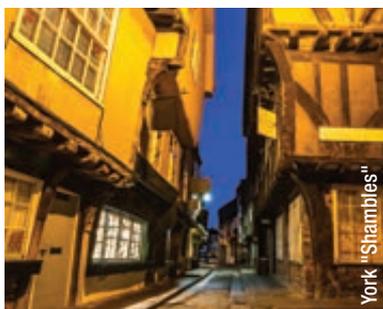
You may choose to get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic city tour via coach. Or, for a different perspective, perhaps you'd prefer to join a local expert to explore the city on foot. Both tours include visits to Edinburgh Castle, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels; and the Palace of Holyroodhouse,** the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary, Queen of Scots. The remainder of the day is free to independently explore the city. (B)



Edinburgh Castle

Day 6: Edinburgh - Lake District, England - Ruthin Castle, Wales

Our final stop in Scotland is at the border town of Gretna Green, where generations of runaway couples came to be married. Later, return to England and travel through the picturesque Lake District. In the heart of the Lake District, visit the charming village of Grasmere, home of the poet William Wordsworth. End your day



with an overnight stay in beautiful Ruthin Castle, situated in the north of Wales. (B, D)

Day 7: Wales - Stratford-upon-Avon, England Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon, your home for the next two nights and birthplace of William Shakespeare, England's most famous playwright. **Step back in time as we visit Shakespeare's birthplace.** Afterward, **it's your choice!** You may choose to tour Anne Hathaway's thatch-roofed cottage, the childhood home of the author's wife; or, perhaps you will choose to enjoy a leisurely cruise along the picturesque Avon River. (B)

Day 8: Stratford - Stonehenge - Cotswolds - Stratford Complete your visit to Britain with a trip to the mystical and fascinating Stonehenge before travelling through some of England's most beautiful countryside. Explore the picturesque villages of the Cotswolds region. Tonight, **join your fellow travellers for a private farewell dinner at Hall's Croft,** a

400-year-old Shakespeare-family home. As traditionally **costumed actors perform some of the playwright's most renowned scenes,** toast the end of a wonderful journey. (B, D)

Day 9: Stratford-upon-Avon - Tour Ends Your journey through Britain ends today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour with 3 nights in Paris. Travel on the innovative Eurostar High Speed Train to Paris, one of the world's most romantic places. Come to know the "City of Light" and nearby attractions. See pages 156 for details.



Experience the **Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Show**, featuring the world's grandest collection of military musicians and performers including the British Armed Forces, the Commonwealth, and an array of International military bands and display teams.

Dates & Prices

| January – April 2017 | Double | 1, 6, 8, 13, 15 October | \$3539 |
|--|---------------|--|--------|
| 13 January* | \$2709 | 20, 27 October | \$3399 |
| 24 February* | \$2839 | 3, 5 November | \$3259 |
| 10, 17, 19, 24 March | \$2959 | 1 December | \$3189 |
| 2, 7, 9 April | \$3089 | 26 January* | \$3189 |
| 23, 25, 28, 30 April | \$3149 | 23 February* | \$3259 |
| | | 9, 14, 16 March | \$3259 |
| | | 6, 8, 13, 15 April | \$3539 |
| | | 22, 27 April | \$3679 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement (+) \$890 - \$1380 | |
| 5, 14, 19, 21 May | \$3679 | Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30 | |
| 28 May | \$3809 | | |
| 2, 11, 18 June | \$3809 | | |
| 7, 14, 21, 23, 28 July | \$3809 | | |
| 4, 6, 13, 20 August | \$4089 | | |
| 30 August | \$3809 | | |
| 3, 6, 10, 13, 15, 20, 22, 24, 27 September | \$3809 | | |

Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.
*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.

Choice On Tour

- In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic city tour via coach or join a local expert to explore the city on foot. Both tours include visits to Edinburgh Castle and the Palace of Holyroodhouse.
- In Stratford, tour the childhood home of Ann Hathaway (Shakespeare's wife) or enjoy a leisurely Avon River cruise.

Cultural Experiences

- Take a scenic train from London to York.
- Behold the Crown Jewels of Scotland on a guided tour of Edinburgh Castle.
- Feel like a regal guest during an overnight stay in a beautiful castle situated in the north of Wales.
- Stop to see the ancient Roman fortification — Hadrian's Wall.
- Step back in time when visiting Shakespeare's birthplace.

Must-See Inclusions

- Discover the beauty of the picturesque Lake District.
- See the quintessential sights of London with a local guide.
- Venture to mystical, ancient Stonehenge.
- Stroll through the medieval city of York.

Culinary Inclusions

- 12 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 4 dinners
- Enjoy a private dinner at Hall's Croft, a 400-year-old Shakespeare family home.
- Dine like a Londoner with dinner at an English pub.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Grange City Hotel or Grange Tower Hotel, London
 - Day 3** Hotel 53, York
 - Days 4, 5** G & V Hotel, Apex Grassmarket Hotel, Apex City Hotel, Novotel Edinburgh Centre or Radisson Blu, Edinburgh
 - Day 6** Ruthin Castle, Ruthin
 - Days 7, 8** Mercure Shakespeare Hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon, The Stratford Hotel, Stratford-upon-Avon or Mercure Warwickshire Walton Hall Hotel, Walton
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive and depart from London airports. On day 9, all of our transfers will depart from Stratford-upon-Avon for London airports. Due to transfer scheduling, flights on the last day of your tour should be scheduled after 11:30 a.m. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Edinburgh

Exploring Scotland & Ireland

Set out on this Gaelic adventure, featuring Northern Ireland

Start Early

Add an extra day in Edinburgh.

Scotland's stately capital awaits your arrival. Enjoy more time to explore.

Call for details.

Day 1: Edinburgh, Scotland - Tour Begins

From rugged natural beauty to vibrant and historical cities, the diverse charms of Scotland and Ireland await. Your tour opens in Edinburgh, Scotland's capital city. Tonight, experience how traditional Scottish ingredients are getting a modern twist during a welcome dinner at one of the city's popular restaurants. (D)

Y Day 2: Edinburgh Today it's your choice! You may choose to get acquainted with this regal city on a locally guided panoramic tour; explore both Old Town and New Town before visiting the Palace at Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary Queen of Scots. Or, for a different perspective, perhaps you'll join a local expert for an in-depth walking tour of Edinburgh's Old Town; meander the cobbled streets and narrow alleyways before descending into the city's underground vaults to uncover a world unchanged since the 18th century. (B)

Day 3: Edinburgh - St. Andrews - Eastern Highlands Travel to St. Andrews – the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the

world the game of golf – to see the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous Old Course. Next, stop at Pitlochry, a vibrant Victorian town. Discover its old-world appeal as you explore this popular resort town on your own. Enjoy a privately guided tour at one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries and taste for yourself why Highland malt whisky is considered the world's finest. (B, D)

Day 4: Eastern Highlands - Loch Ness

- Ballachulish This morning, explore Inverness, the "Capital of the Highlands." **Take a scenic cruise**



Urquhart Castle

on Loch Ness before disembarking at the base of famed Urquhart Castle. Explore the ruins of this historic stronghold where acts of chivalry and defiance exhibit more than 1,000 years of Scottish history. Continue south through Scotland's stunning Great Glen before arriving at your hotel on the banks of Loch Linnhe. (B, D)

Day 5: Ballachulish - Glasgow Begin your

day with a breathtaking drive in the heart of Scotland as you pass through Glencoe and Rannoch Moor. Arrive in the Victorian metropolis of Glasgow, Scotland's largest city. Take in the sights with a local expert before enjoying an evening at leisure in this bustling city. (B)

Day 6: Glasgow - Ferry Crossing - Belfast, Northern Ireland

Enjoy a morning at leisure before you travel along the scenic Ayrshire coast to your ferry. Cross the famed Irish Sea as we head for Northern Ireland's capital city of Belfast. Upon arrival, settle into your city centre hotel for a 2-night stay. (B)

Day 7: Belfast Enjoy a privately guided tour of Belfast, Northern Ireland's largest city. Learn about the struggles in this great city's history as you pass through its distinctive neighbourhoods. See "Samson" and "Goliath," the massive cranes of the Belfast shipyard. Complete today's tour with a visit to the award-winning Titanic Experience museum. The afternoon is yours to relax or explore the many attractions that this dynamic capital offers. This evening, delight in dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8: Belfast - Glens of Antrim - Giant's Causeway - Derry

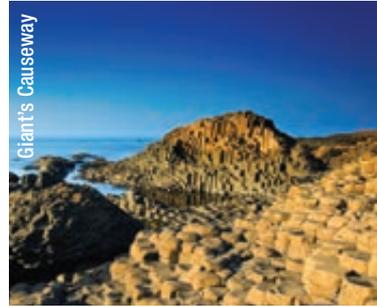
Venture along the stunning Antrim Coastal Route, **stopping at the Giant's Causeway, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Formed by volcanic activity millions of years ago, the causeway resembles an old cobbled road leading mystically into the sea. Then, embark on one of the world's most beautiful railway journeys** along the Causeway Coast. Soak up the incredible scenery before arriving in



the walled city of Derry. Set out on a walking tour featuring the medieval city walls, St. Augustine's Cathedral, and the Guildhall. This evening it's *Diner's Choice*. . . tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Derry's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 9: Derry - County Donegal - Glenveagh National Park - Derry Today's journey showcases the rugged beauty of County Donegal. **Visit spectacular Glenveagh National Park**, a natural wonderland with 40,000 acres of mountains, lakes and woodland. **Enjoy a guided visit to stately Glenveagh Castle**, set amidst the colourful splendour of one of the finest gardens in Ireland. Return to Derry with time to explore the town on your own and enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 10: Derry - Ulster American Folk Park - Dublin, Republic of Ireland Travel to the **Ulster American Folk Park** where you will find collected buildings and artefacts from generations past. As you walk through the museum, learn how the Irish used to live and about the tragic and triumphant



experiences that awaited them in America after emigration. Pass through the scenic countryside and cross into the Republic of Ireland. We end our day in the "Fair City" of Dublin. (B)

Day 11: Dublin A locally guided tour of Dublin highlights the world-renowned St. Patrick's Cathedral, O'Connell Street, Grafton Street, Phoenix Park and the city's magnificent rows of lovely Georgian town homes. Spend the rest of your day at leisure as you delve further into Dublin's cultural treasures. This evening, **toast the end of an incredible adventure with an evening of traditional Irish music** and dance, lore and legend! (B, D)

Day 12: Dublin - Tour Ends
Your tour comes to a close. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in **Dublin**. Stay a little longer in one of the world's most celebrated (and fun) cities. Call for details.



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Dates & Prices

| March - April 2017 | Double | 14, 21 August | \$4779 |
|-----------------------|--------|--|---------------------------|
| 13 March | \$3469 | 4, 11 September | \$4499 |
| 27 March | \$3599 | 2 October | \$4299 |
| 3, 24 April | \$3729 | 16 October | \$4229 |
| | | 5, 19 March | \$3949 |
| | | 9, 23 April | \$4159 |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$760 - \$1380 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | Double | | |
| 15 May | \$4499 | | |
| 12, 26 June | \$4499 | | |
| 3, 17 July | \$4499 | | |

Choice On Tour

- In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic tour and visit the Palace at Holyroodhouse or join a local expert for an in-depth walking tour of Edinburgh's Old Town.

Cultural Experiences

- Discover Glenveagh Castle, set amidst one of the finest gardens in Ireland.
- Explore the ruins of Urquhart Castle on the banks of Loch Ness.
- Embark on one of the world's most breathtaking rail journeys along the Causeway Coast.
- Spend time exploring the award-winning Titanic Experience museum.

Must-See Inclusions

- Tour the "Fair City" of Dublin with a local guide.
- Embark on a scenic cruise on beautiful Loch Ness.
- Set out on a walking tour of Derry featuring its medieval city walls.
- See the spectacular Giant's Causeway, formed by ancient volcanic activity.
- Embark on one of the world's most breathtaking rail journeys on the Causeway Coast.
- Travel to St. Andrews, home of the game of golf.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Sample the "Water of Life" at a Scottish whisky distillery.
- Join in the fun during a night of traditional Irish food and entertainment.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** G & V Royal Mile Hotel, Edinburgh
- Day 3** Grant Arms Hotel, Granttown-on-Spey or Kingsmills Hotel, Inverness
- Day 4** Ballachulish Hotel or Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish
- Day 5** Jurys Inn, Glasgow
- Days 6, 7** Europa Hotel, Belfast
- Days 8, 9** Maldron Hotel, Derry
- Days 10, 11** Ballsbridge Hotel, Dublin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

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Scottish Highlands

Discover Scotland

From the historic Highlands to vibrant cities, enjoy an inclusive Scottish experience

Start Early

Add an extra day in Glasgow.

Open your Scottish adventure with more time in this lively city.

Call for details.

Day 1: Glasgow, Scotland - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Glasgow, Scotland's Victorian capital city. Start your Scottish adventure with a **visit to the National Piping Centre**. After a demonstration and lesson with a renowned piper, it's your chance to give it a go! Then, join your fellow travellers for a lively welcome dinner at the Centre's farm to table restaurant. (D)

Day 2: Glasgow - Ballachulish

Begin your day with a cruise on famed Loch (Lake) Lomond, the largest lake in the United Kingdom. Afterward, **meet a local farmer and his family** when you visit a working Scottish farm. Over tea and scones, share tales from the farm's rich history before meeting their adorable working Border Collies. Continue on to the Highlands, through the breathtaking scenery of Glencoe and Rannoch Moor, before arriving at your hotel situated on lovely Loch Linnhe. (B, D)

Day 3: Ballachulish - Isle of Skye - Ballachulish

Take a stunning drive along the "Road to the Isles" and over the Skye Bridge to the

legendary Isle of Skye, also known in poetry and song as Eilean a' Cheò (The Misty Isle). Enjoy dramatic views of the Cuillin Hills. Then, visit Armadale Castle & Gardens and the Museum of the Isles to learn about island life and the history of Skye. Conclude your visit with views of the isle from yet another vantage point during a ferry crossing back to the mainland. Returning to Ballachulish, see Glenfinnan where Bonnie Prince Charlie rallied the clansmen for battle during the 1745 Jacobite Rebellion. (B, D)



Urquhart Castle & Loch Ness

Day 4: Ballachulish - Loch Ness - Thurso

Today, enjoy stunning and unspoiled landscapes as you journey further into the Highlands. **Take in the panorama of Loch Ness**, one of Britain's most scenic bodies of water. Keep your eyes open — you never know when Nessie will appear! Soak up the awe-inspiring view at the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle. Travel through the Great Glen, famous for its many lochs. Your day concludes in Thurso. (B, D)

Day 5: Thurso - Orkney Islands - Thurso

A day of adventure awaits as you voyage by ferry to the Orkney Islands — once a Viking stronghold off the coast of Scotland. On the crossing you'll see abundant bird life and, if you are lucky, porpoises and seals. A local guide introduces this magical place that very few visitors to Scotland get to experience. Visit Skara Brae where you will discover the remains of a Neolithic village built at the same time as the Great Pyramids in Egypt. Next, pass the prehistoric Ring of Brodgar, reported to be older than Stonehenge. Visit the town of Viking Kirkwall before returning to the mainland. (B)

Day 6: Thurso - Eastern Highlands

Today you will **visit Cullooden Battlefield**. On this spot in April 1746, a half-hour battle changed the course of Scotland's history. We also stop at the majestic Dunrobin Castle which dates back to the 1300s. Experience a fascinating falconry display in the formal gardens overlooking the North Sea. Take in the breathtaking views as you drive along the windswept cliffs of Scotland's east coast. Enjoy an overnight stay in the Eastern Highlands. (B, D)

Day 7: Eastern Highlands - Pitlochry - St. Andrews - Edinburgh

Begin your day with a visit to one of Scotland's renowned whisky distilleries. Taste and see for yourself why Highland malt whisky is considered the world's finest. Enjoy time at leisure in the vibrant Victorian town of Pitlochry before travelling to St. Andrews, the beautiful town in the Kingdom of Fife that gave the world the game of golf. See the Royal and Ancient Clubhouse and the famous



Old Course. End your day in Scotland's capital city of Edinburgh. (B)

Y Day 8: Edinburgh Today it's your choice! Perhaps you'll choose to get acquainted with this regal capital on a locally guided panoramic city tour; explore both



the Old and New towns before visiting the Palace at Holyroodhouse, the Queen's official residence in Edinburgh and former home of Mary Queen of Scots. Or, for a different perspective, maybe you'd rather join a local

expert and explore the Old Town and Royal Mile on foot; descend into the city's vast underground vaults and uncover a world unchanged since the 18th century. **Both choices include a visit to Edinburgh Castle**, home of the Scottish Crown Jewels. This evening, give traditional Scottish ingredients a modern twist. **Enjoy a lively and interactive cooking experience** at one of Scotland's premier culinary institutions. With a "wee dram" in hand, toast the end of a wonderful journey. (B, D)

Day 9: Edinburgh - Tour Ends
Your tour of Scotland comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Edinburgh. Come to know Scotland's stately capital.
Call for details.



Experience **the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo Show**, featuring the world's grandest collection of military musicians and performers including the British Armed Forces, the Commonwealth, and an array of International military bands and display teams.

Dates & Prices

| March – April 2017 | | Double | 7, 8, 14, 15 August | \$4089 |
|--|--------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| 21, 28 March | \$2649 | 4, 5, 11, 18 September | \$3679 | |
| 2, 4, 18, 23 April | \$2769 | 25 September | \$3539 | |
| 25 April | \$2839 | 2, 9 October | \$3259 | |
| 30 April | \$2959 | 16, 23 October | \$3119 | |
| | | 19 March | \$2919 | |
| | | 9, 10, 16, 17 April | \$3119 | |
| | | 23 April | \$3259 | |
| | | 30 April | \$3399 | |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | | |
| 8, 15 May | \$3399 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$480 - \$760 | |
| 5, 19 June | \$3539 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 | |
| 10 July | \$3679 | | | |
| 31 July | \$4089 | | | |

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Choice On Tour **Y**

- In Edinburgh, take a locally guided panoramic city tour that includes a visit to the Palace at Holyroodhouse or join a local expert and explore the Old Town and Royal Mile on foot. Both choices feature a visit to Edinburgh Castle!

Cultural Experiences

- Try your hand at the bagpipes during a visit to the National Piping Centre.
- Discover the remains of a Neolithic village at Skara Brae.
- Soak up the awe-inspiring view at the striking ruins of Urquhart Castle.
- Embark on a relaxing cruise on sprawling Loch Lomond.
- Reflect at Culloden Battlefield, the site of the half-hour battle that changed history.

Must-See Inclusions

- Travel to St. Andrews, the town that gave the world the game of golf.
- Search for the infamous Loch Ness monster from the beautiful shores of Loch Ness.
- Experience the Orkney Islands during a full-day guided excursion.
- Explore the legendary Isle of Skye while soaking up the dramatic views.

Culinary Inclusions

- 14 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Learn the art of producing Scotch whisky during a distillery tour and tasting.
- Enjoy an interactive cooking experience at one of Edinburgh's premier culinary institutions.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Hilton Glasgow, Glasgow
 - Days 2, 3** Ballachulish Hotel, Onich Hotel or Isles of Glencoe Hotel, Ballachulish
 - Days 4, 5** Royal Hotel, Thurso
 - Day 6** Grant Arms Hotel, Grantown-on-Spey or Best Western Palace Hotel, Inverness
 - Days 7, 8** Radisson Blu Edinburgh, Edinburgh
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level **1 2 3 4 5**

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Killarney National Park

NEW TOUR

Irish Adventure

Celebrate what it means to be alive on this joyous cultural voyage

Start Early

Add an extra day in Dublin.

Kick things off with a bonus night in the boisterous Irish capital.

Call for details.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Travel to the Emerald Isle for an incredible five-night adventure. This is your chance to experience a seldom-explored side of Ireland. From the vaults of Christchurch Cathedral to the bewitching forests of Killarney National Park, we'll bring you back to your Irish roots (even if



Guinness Storehouse

you don't have any). Welcome to Dublin, Ireland's cosmopolitan capital. Tonight, start things off right as you join your fellow travellers for a welcome reception with canapés and cocktails in the crypt of Christ Church Cathedral. Within the medieval walls of Dublin's oldest structure, surrounded by nearly 1,000 years of Irish myths and legends, toast the start of an incredible adventure.

Day 2: Dublin It's never too early for a pint of the "black stuff." Your day begins at the Guinness Storehouse where, after a privately guided tour, you'll have an opportunity to pour your own pint. **Next, meet your local guide for an immersive walking tour of Dublin.** Explore Stephan's Green, Grafton Street, and the River Liffey. Don't forget to snap a photo with the statue of Ireland's most famous fish monger, Molly Malone. This evening, put a modern twist on Irish cuisine during a cooking class at one of Dublin's premier culinary institutions. (B, D)

Day 3: Dublin - Kildare - Holy Cross Abbey - Killarney Leave the bustle of city life behind and dive into Ireland's "forty shades of green." **Visit the Irish National Stud** and learn about one of the county's most historic (and lucrative) industries – horse breeding. Continue to Holy Cross Abbey where a privately guided tour outlines the abbey's turbulent history. Reflect on the invaluable role Ireland's

monastic life played in the preservation of Western culture during the dark ages and see a relic of the True Cross. Arrive in Killarney for a relaxing two-night stay. Tonight, come to know Kerry's budding culinary scene during a farm to table dinner at one of the best restaurants in town. (B, D)

Y Day 4: Killarney National Park Today is yours to explore one of Ireland's most remarkable places – Killarney National Park. Rugged mountains, serene lakes and lush forests come together to create an otherworldly landscape that harkens back



Dublin

to ancient myths. **How you explore is up to you!** You may choose to join a local expert on a historically inspired walk through the Muckcross Estate and Gardens; meander along the lakeshore before arriving at the majestic Torc Waterfall. Or, perhaps you would



prefer to explore the park by water, travelling through Killarney's three lakes to Lord Brandon's Cottage; a guided walk on the "Kerry Way" leads you through enchanting scenery before stopping at the exact location where Queen Victoria was taken on her historic visit to Killarney. (B)

Day 5: Killarney - Cliffs of Moher - The Burren - Ennis

Cross the mighty Shannon as we arrive into County Clare. **Feel like a local** when visiting a neighbourhood grocery store. Get to know how the locals shop and learn about the foods they eat before joining your fellow travellers on a culinary scavenger hunt.

Find the perfect ingredients to prepare a picnic lunch that we will later enjoy while overlooking Clare's breathtaking scenery.

The Cliffs of Moher, one of Ireland's most iconic locations, stretches five miles along Ireland's Atlantic Coast. Stand fast as the winds blow in from the Atlantic and the sea rushes up to meet the land far below. Enjoy time to walk along the rambling edge, soaking up unparalleled views and snapping incredible photos. **Continue on to the Burren, Ireland's vast limestone landscape, for a guided hike** of this incredible natural heritage region. See its rich collection of rare wildlife and ancient monuments. Tonight, complete your journey at the Old Ground Hotel in Ennis. The time has come to raise a glass and toast the end of an incredible adventure. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Ennis - Tour Ends (B)



Dates & Prices

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| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 5 November | \$2019 |
| 14 May | \$2299 | 25 March | \$2019 |
| 25 June | \$2299 | 8, 22 April | \$2159 |
| 9 July | \$2299 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$340 - \$350 |
| 6, 20 August | \$2299 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 3, 24 September | \$2299 | | |
| 8 October | \$2159 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |

Choice On Tour

- Enjoy a walk through the Muckcross Estate and Garden or travel through Killarney's three lakes to Lord Brandon's Cottage, taking a guided walk on the "Kerry Way."

Cultural Experiences

- Enjoy a welcome reception in Christ Church Cathedral's mysterious crypt, the oldest structure in Dublin.
- At the Guinness Storehouse, enjoy privately guided tour and learn to pour the perfect pint.
- Visit the Irish National Stud and learn about one of the county's most historic industries - horse breeding.
- Set out on a guided hike across the limestone landscape of Burren.

Must-See Inclusions

- Stand fast as the winds blow in from the Atlantic at the mighty Cliffs of Moher.
- Discover Ireland's rich monastic history with a visit to Holy Cross Abbey.
- Explore Killarney's national park on foot and immerse yourself in Ireland's "forty shades of green."

Culinary Inclusions

- 9 meals included: 5 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 3 dinners
- See how the Irish live when you visit a local grocery store and search for ingredients to prepare a picnic lunch.
- Put a modern twist on traditional Irish recipes during an interactive cooking class.
- Explore Kerry's culinary scene during a farm to table dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Ashling Hotel or Academy Plaza Hotel, Dublin
- Days 3, 4** Killarney Towers, Killarney
- Day 5** Old Ground Hotel, Ennis

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level



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Shades of Ireland

This is the Ireland you have always dreamt of

Start Early

Add an extra day in Dublin.

Seize the chance to spend more time in this joyous city with a soul all its own.

Call for details.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Travel to the magical Emerald Isle. Soak in the landscape of rolling hills and feel the warmth of an Irish welcome. Visit Dublin, Waterford, Killarney and Limerick as this comprehensive tour introduces Ireland's natural beauty, rich history and most importantly, its hospitable culture. Open your tour in Dublin. Tonight, **join your fellow travellers for some traditional entertainment during a fun-filled Irish evening** including regional cuisine. (D)

Day 2: Dublin Today you decide how you want to explore Dublin. You may choose to set out with a local guide on a drive to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Stephan's Green, Grafton Street, and the historic Phoenix Park. Or, perhaps you will choose a walking tour of the city's historic centre, exploring O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey. Spend the remainder of your day relaxing or set out to independently explore more of charming Dublin. (B)

Day 3: Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford

Travel to Kilkenny to explore the medieval atmosphere of this city situated on the banks of the River Nore. Then, **arrive in the historic city of Waterford and**

visit the House of Waterford Crystal. Enjoy a fascinating factory tour and browse the retail store housing the largest collection of Waterford Crystal in the world. Complete your day with a leisurely paced walking tour of this unique city. (B, D)

Day 4: Waterford - Blarney Stone

- Killarney Today, journey to historic Blarney Castle and embrace the opportunity to kiss the famous Blarney Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with the gift of eloquence. This afternoon you decide how you would like to explore charming Killarney. You may enjoy a time-honoured jaunting car ride to beautiful Muckross House: set out on a tour of this stately home and its gardens and get a glimpse into the elegant lifestyle of the Victorian gentry as you explore the perfectly restored rooms of this magnificent mansion. Or, perhaps you'll choose to enjoy a scenic jaunting car ride through Killarney National Park to Ross Castle; then, board a traditional boat* and sail through the breathtaking lakes in the company of an expert boatman known for their local knowledge and 'craic' (amusing nature). **This evening its Diner's Choice**...tonight's dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a 'menu' of Killarney's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 5: Killarney - Ring of Kerry

- Killarney Travel along one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world, the **Ring of Kerry**. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for traditional Irish goods handcrafted by local artisans. Enjoy pristine ocean scenery as you move through picturesque villages. Continue on as you traverse rugged mountain



passes into "Ladies View." From this spectacular vantage point, one of Ireland's finest, gaze upon the Lakes of Killarney. Tonight you may use your leisure time to sample a true taste of Irish culture. (B)

Day 6: Killarney - Limerick Today, **experience the customs and daily life of a traditional Irish family during a memorable farm visit.** Continue to Limerick where a panoramic city tour showcases King John's Castle and the Treaty Stone. Delve into the fascinating history of the "city of the violated treaty." (B)

Day 7: Limerick - Cliffs of Moher - Galway - Limerick

An exciting day awaits. Journey to the stunning, 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for awe-inspiring views of the mighty Atlantic. Then, travel through the vast limestone landscape of the Burren, known for its stark beauty and Neolithic tombs. Continue past scenic countryside into Galway, where a brief city tour introduces "The City of Tribes." Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)



Day 8: Limerick - Tullamore/ Kilbeggan - Kingscourt Start your day with a cross-country journey to Irish whiskey territory. The ancient towns of Tullamore and Kilbeggan have long been associated with the whiskey industry. Become engaged in the process of whiskey making and enjoy a tasting of the final product during a visit to one of these historic distilleries. **Top your day off with an overnight stay on the regal grounds of Cabra Castle** where you

toast the end of a fabulous trip during your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Kingscourt - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Kingscourt. Stay another night in Cabra Castle and savour more time to live like royalty. Call for details.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day in Ireland and be a part of this national day of revelry.

Dates & Prices

| Month | Double | Dates | Price |
|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------------|--------|
| March - April 2017 | \$2329 | 15, 17, 19, 22, 24 October | \$2779 |
| | \$2329 | 26 October | \$2709 |
| | \$2389 | 29 October | \$2639 |
| | \$2459 | 2, 5, 9 November | \$2569 |
| | \$2519 | 1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9, March | \$2569 |
| | | 11, 13 March | \$2569 |
| | | 15 March | \$2639 |
| | | 18, 20, 22 March | \$2639 |
| | | 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 12 April | \$2709 |
| | | 13, 17, 19 April | \$2779 |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | \$2919 | 20, 22, 24, 26, 27, 29 April | \$2849 |
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| | Single Room Supplement | \$500 - \$550 | |
| | Triple Room Reduction | \$30 | |

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Choice On Tour

- In Dublin set out on a sightseeing drive with a local guide or enjoy a walking tour of the city's historic center.
- Take a tour of Muckross house or a cruise through the lakes of Killarney National Park.
- While in Killarney choose from a 'menu' of restaurants with your included Diner's Choice dinner.

Cultural Experiences

- Experience daily life of an Irish family during a visit to a dairy farm.
- Visit the House of Waterford Crystal.
- Experience the Ring of Kerry, one of the world's great coastal roads.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore Ireland's vibrant capital city — Dublin.
- Stand in awe of the stunning 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher.
- Kiss the famed Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Enjoy a hearty dinner and night of traditional Irish entertainment.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Academy Plaza Hotel, Dublin
 - Day 3** Granville Hotel, Waterford
 - Days 4, 5** Killarney Avenue, Killarney Towers or Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney
 - Days 6, 7** Absolute Hotel, George Hotel or Savoy Hotel, Limerick
 - Day 8** Cabra Castle, Kingscourt
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Shades of Ireland featuring Northern Ireland

Dates & Prices

March 2017 - April 2018

Call or visit gocollette.com for dates and rates.

Rates are land only, per person.

From vibrant and history-filled Dublin, across rolling green hills to the dramatic coast and onward to Belfast, experience all of the charms of Ireland on this 12-day magical tour of the Emerald Isle. Live like royalty during an overnight stay on the grounds of a castle. Choose from a selection of Killarney's & Derry's best restaurants with our Diner's Choice programme. See the Atlantic from the stunning 700-foot Cliffs of Moher. Tour the walled city of Derry. Stand on the awe-inspiring Giant's Causeway. Experience the world-famous beauty of the Ring of Kerry. Have coffee and scones at a working farm. See beautiful Killarney from your seat on an Irish jaunting car. Journey to historic Blarney Castle, lean back and kiss its famous stone!





Countryside of the Emerald Isle

Embrace the people and places that make Ireland special

Start Early

Add an extra day in Dublin.

Begin your trip with an extra day in exciting Dublin. Enjoy more time in one of the world's most historic (and fun) cities. Call for details.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Set out for the rolling hills, warm people and rollicking fun of the Emerald Isle. Discover the traditions and deep history of Dublin. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at one of Dublin's best local restaurants featuring farm-to-table cuisine. (D)

Y **Day 2: Dublin** Today opens with a choice of two cultural experiences. You may opt to set out on a drive with a local guide to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral



St. Patrick's Cathedral

and see St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street, and the historic Phoenix Park. Or, perhaps you will select a walking tour of the city's historic centre, exploring O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey. Spend the remainder of your day relaxing or set out to explore more of charming Dublin on your own. (B)

Day 3: Dublin - Midleton - Kinsale

Leave Dublin behind for the country roads of Ireland. Stop for photos at the impressive Rock of Cashel, where St. Patrick preached. Explore Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson's Irish Whiskey. Give it a go with a tasting of the distillery's production. Continue on to the quaint coastal village of Kinsale. Join a local expert on a walking tour of this historic port. This evening, it's *Diner's Choice*...tonight your dinner is included and you'll choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Kinsale's great restaurants. (B, D)

Y Day 4: Kinsale - Choice of Cobh or Kinsale Harbor Cruise

Today **the choice is yours!** You may opt to visit the historic coastal town of Cobh for a locally guided tour. Reflect on the site where the *Titanic* last dropped anchor before its fateful voyage; plus, learn about the port where millions of Irish left their native land forever. Or, you may choose to spend a leisurely day in beautiful Kinsale and enjoy an included cruise of the town's famed harbour. (B)

Day 5: Kinsale - Bantry - Kenmare

- Killarney Embark on a beautiful drive along West Cork's Wild Atlantic Way, one of the world's most stunning coastal routes. Take in the atmosphere of the quaint seaside villages of Timoleague and Skibbereen



Kinsale

before arriving at the regal Bantry House. During a tour of the home and gardens, you will uncover centuries of history and be awed by the inspiring grandeur of this place. Next, travel to County Kerry and the resort town of Kenmare. Enjoy free time to explore its many boutiques and cafés. Continue to Killarney and top off your day with dinner "on the town" at one of Killarney's best restaurants. (B, D)

Day 6: Killarney - Ring of Kerry -

Killarney Drive across Moll's Gap into Killarney National Park. Take in awe-inspiring views of the Lakes of Killarney and be amazed by the famed Ladies View.



At the Gap of Dunloe you will have time to browse for traditional Irish goods handcrafted by local artisans. Next, traverse the spectacular Ring of Kerry, one of Europe's great coastal roads, and discover the serene beauty of this magical land. (B)

Day 7: Killarney - Kilkenny - Home-Hosted Stay Leave the rugged southern coast behind as you travel west to Kilkenny, Ireland's medieval capital. Stroll through the elegant halls of majestic Kilkenny Castle during a guided tour before enjoying free time to explore this historic city. This evening, make yourself right at home when an Irish family welcomes you into their household for the night. Take in your surroundings and get to know the family as you enjoy a homemade traditional dinner. This is sure to be an unforgettable experience! (B, D)

Day 8: Kilkenny - Irish National Stud - County Louth or County Cavan Bid a fond Irish farewell to your newfound friends. Make a stop at the Irish National Stud to learn about the "Sport of Kings" and its long connection with this land. Head north for a relaxing 2-night stay at a regal castle. You will feel like a royal guest at this exclusive and historic castle. (B)



Day 9: Boyne Valley - County Louth or County Cavan Enjoy a leisurely morning to explore your castle's beautiful grounds. Later, visit the Neolithic monument of Newgrange. Built around 3,000 B.C., this prehistoric site pre-dates the Great Pyramid of Giza and Stonehenge. Continue through the lush Boyne Valley before returning to your magnificent castle for a memorable farewell dinner. (B, D)



Day 10: County Louth or County Cavan - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today, leaving you with the spirit of Ireland in your heart forever. (B)

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- While in Dublin set out on a sightseeing drive with a local guide or enjoy a walking tour of the city's historic center.
- Take a guided tour of the historic coastal town of Cobh or spend a leisurely day in the fishing village of Kinsale and enjoy a harbor cruise.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Old Midleton Distillery, home of Jameson's Irish Whiskey.
- Stroll through the elegant halls of majestic Kilkenny Castle.
- Come to know the locals during a home-hosted stay.
- Feel like royalty as you enjoy a 2-night stay at the regal Bellingham Castle.
- Explore the Neolithic site of Newgrange, pre-dating Stonehenge.

Must-See Inclusions

- Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Dublin.
- Partake in a historic walking tour of beautiful Kinsale.
- Travel the spectacular Ring of Kerry, one of the world's great coastal roads.
- Experience County Kerry and the resort town of Kenmare.

Culinary Inclusions

- 14 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Enjoy a tasting of Jameson's Irish Whiskey.
- Savour a dinner of your choice in one of Kinsale's great restaurants.
- Take part in an unforgettable, homemade traditional Irish dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Hampton Hotel, Dublin
 - Days 3, 4** Actons Hotel, Kinsale
 - Days 5, 6** Plaza Hotel, Killarney
 - Day 7** Home-Hosted Stay, Kilkenny area
 - Days 8, 9** Bellingham Castle, County Louth or Cabra Castle, County Cavan
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive and depart from Dublin airport. All of our transfers will arrive into and depart from Dublin airport. On day 10, due to flight schedules, you may require an early morning departure from your hotel. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 7, 21 August | \$3749 |
| 20, 27 March | \$3069 | 11, 25 September | \$3749 |
| 3 April | \$3199 | 2 October | \$3609 |
| 24 April | \$3259 | 16 October | \$3469 |
| | | 19 March | \$3329 |
| | | 9 April | \$3469 |
| | | 23 April | \$3539 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | |
| May 2016 - April 2017 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$500 - \$690 |
| 8, 22 May | \$3749 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| 12, 19 June | \$3749 | | |
| 17, 24 July | \$3749 | | |
| Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | | | |



Dromoland Castle

Elegant Ireland

Discover Ireland's luxurious Castles and Country Estates

Start Early

Add an extra day in Dublin.

Enjoy more time in one of the world's most celebrated (and fun) cities.

Call for details.

Day 1: Dublin, Ireland - Tour Begins

Days of yore and old-world elegance sparkle as you explore the Emerald Isle. Stay in some of Ireland's most luxurious estates, interact with its charming locals, and take in the inspiring beauty that has made Ireland a timeless destination. There is no better place to begin your journey than Dublin, Ireland's dynamic capital city. Discover a city brimming with history and warmth. **End your day at a rollicking "Irish Night"** complete with traditional entertainment. (D)

Y Day 2: Dublin Today opens with a choice of two cultural experiences. You may choose to set



Grafton Street

out with a local guide on a drive to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, St. Stephen's Green, Grafton Street, and the historic Phoenix Park – originally established as a royal deer park in the 17th century. Or, perhaps you'll choose a walking tour of the city's historic centre, exploring O'Connell Street, the General Post Office, and the River Liffey. With the remainder of your day at leisure, unwind near your hotel or continue to independently discover Dublin's countless cultural offerings. (B)

Day 3: Dublin - Kilkenny - Farmhouse Lunch - Castlemartyr

Leave Dublin behind to visit the country's medieval capital – Kilkenny. Meander its historic streets and soak up the unique sights of the city built on both banks of the River Nore. Visit a family-run farm and enjoy lunch while hearing about the traditions of Irish farming. Later, rejuvenate with a relaxing evening in the country at the Castlemartyr Resort. This grand manor house, which once belonged to Sir Walter Raleigh, is like something out of an ancient tale. You will even find dramatic 800-year-old castle ruins on the grounds. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Castlemartyr - Blarney

- Killarney With a leisurely morning at Castlemartyr, there are endless possibilities. Indulge in a spa treatment; cycle or stroll around the estate's 220 stunning acres. Later, a short drive brings you to the Old Middleton Distillery where an expert will lead you through while regaling you with the extraordinary story of Jameson Irish Whiskey. **Stop at historic Blarney Castle** and embrace the opportunity to kiss the Blarney

Stone. Legend has it that those who kiss the stone are bestowed with the gift of eloquence. Arrive in Killarney, your home for the next two nights. (B)



Blarney Castle

Day 5: Killarney - Ring of Kerry - Killarney

Today, travel along one of the most beautiful coastal routes in the world – the Ring of Kerry. This world-famous trail is part of an unspoiled region of Ireland that boasts beautiful beaches, plunging cliffs and miles of brilliant greenery for which the Emerald Isle is known. At the Gap of Dunloe, shop for traditional Irish goods handcrafted by local artisans. Make your way through picturesque villages and traverse rugged mountain passes into "Ladies View" to gaze upon the Lakes of Killarney. (B, D)



Day 6: Killarney - Foynes - Cliffs of Moher - Dromoland Castle Visit the Foynes Flying Boat Museum which recalls the history of aviation travel between North America and Europe. Foynes is also where Irish coffee was invented, so drink up! Then, **journey to the stunning 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher for awe-inspiring views** of the mighty Atlantic and the Aran Islands. As you are

whisked through gorgeous countryside, arrive at stately Dromoland Castle. (B)

Day 7: Dromoland Castle
Spend the entire day at leisure at Dromoland Castle. Live the life of a royal as you enjoy the amenities available on the splendid grounds. Or, perhaps you would prefer to take an optional excursion which starts at the Burren, Ireland's rocky and windswept region stretching across northern Clare; then, experience a traditional sheepdog demonstration before heading to Galway – the ancient “City of Tribes” – with free time to explore this historic city before returning to Dromoland Castle. Tonight, enjoy dinner in the castle and toast the end of an unforgettable trip! (B, D)

Day 8: Dromoland Castle - Tour Ends Your journey comes to a close in Shannon. (B)



| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 6, 13 October | \$3679 |
| 10, 24 March | \$3279 | 20 October | \$3609 |
| 19, 21, 28 April | \$3469 | 10 November | \$3329 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 23 February* | \$3189 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 9 March | \$3329 |
| 5, 19 May | \$3949 | 6, 27 April | \$3609 |
| 16, 23, 30 June | \$3949 | | |
| 21 July | \$3949 | | |
| 18 August | \$3949 | | |
| 8, 15, 22 September | \$3949 | | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$900 - \$1450 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| | | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |

Choice On Tour

- In Dublin set out on a drive with a local guide to see the “fair city’s” iconic sites or select a walking tour through its historic center.

Cultural Experiences

- Spend two nights at Dromoland Castle, one of Ireland’s most iconic hotels
- Explore Old Middleton Distillery, home of Jameson Irish Whiskey.
- Stay at Castlemaryr, a grand manor once owned by Sir Walter Raleigh, the famous adventurer.
- Kiss the famed Blarney Stone at historic Blarney Castle.
- End your day at a rollicking “Irish Night” complete with traditional entertainment.

Must-See Inclusions

- Jump into Ireland’s vibrant capital city — Dublin.
- Experience the Ring of Kerry, one of the world’s great coastal roads.
- Stand in awe of the stunning 700-foot-high Cliffs of Moher.
- Stroll the streets of the country’s medieval capital — Kilkenny.
- From the “Ladies View” gaze upon the Lakes of Killarney.
- Explore Galway, the “City of Tribes.”

Culinary Inclusions

- 12 meals included: 7 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Enjoy a dinner in Dromoland Castle, the most famous baronial castle in Ireland.
- Take part in an unforgettable, homemade farmhouse lunch.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** InterContinental, Dublin
 - Day 3** Castlemaryr Resort, Cork
 - Days 4, 5** Aghadoe Heights Hotel & Spa, Killarney
 - Days 6, 7** Dromoland Castle, County Clare
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- **Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- **Enhance your inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**.
See page 160 for details.
- **On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. International air passengers will arrive into Dublin and depart from Shannon. All transfers will arrive into and depart from these airports. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Eiffel Tower

London & Paris

Experience two of the world's finest cities on a single tour

Start Early

Add an extra day in London.

Spend more time in this historic capital city.

Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in London, the United Kingdom's cosmopolitan capital. This evening, experience a classic British pastime when you join your fellow travellers for a special welcome dinner at a traditional pub, complete with an ale tasting. (D)

Day 2: London Join a local expert

for a day of exploration in London. Begin with a panoramic tour highlighting Trafalgar Square, the Tower of London, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and the changing of the guard (if held). Enjoy a guided tour of St. Paul's Cathedral, an architectural masterpiece famously known for the "wedding of the century" – Prince Charles and Lady Diana. Spend leisure time at Harrods, the jewel in the crown of London department stores...don't miss its world-famous food hall, a diner's paradise! **This afternoon, it's your choice!**

Perhaps you'll choose to step back to wartime Britain while exploring the Churchill War Rooms, the secret underground centre of Britain's government during WWII. Or maybe you would prefer to tour Westminster Abbey, the coronation church of Britain's monarchs from William the Conqueror to Elizabeth II. (B)



Day 3: London After breakfast, enjoy a day to explore London at your leisure. You may choose to take an optional excursion to Windsor Castle. Originally built to guard the city of London, Windsor Castle has been the home of kings and queens for nine centuries and is the oldest royal residence still in use today. (B)

Day 4: London - Eurostar Train - Paris, France Sit back and relax as you depart

London and travel on the innovative Eurostar High Speed Train to France. Arrive in the "City of Light," Paris. **Tonight, celebrate your arrival in Paris with a special dinner at the Paradis Latin**, the city's oldest cabaret theatre. Enjoy a sumptuous dinner complete with wine, champagne and a delightful show. (B, D)

Day 5: Paris Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way — by coach or by metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic coach tour that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly Parisian experience, take in some of the most iconic sights by metro. Either way you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome with a local guide. Write your own story during a free afternoon. Perhaps you will choose to partake in an optional guided tour at the famous Louvre; indulge in some of the world's best shopping on the Champs-Elysees; or simply do as the Parisians do and sit at a sidewalk café and watch the beauty that is Paris go by. (B)

Day 6: Paris Today you are free to enjoy the city however you would like. Perhaps you will join an optional excursion to Louis XIV's magnificent Palace and Gardens of Versailles and relive history as you walk through the various rooms of the State Apartments, including the Queen's bed chamber and the famous



Hall of Mirrors. Tonight, **sample delicious French cuisine and witness breathtaking views during dinner at the Eiffel Tower.** Following dinner, **enjoy a romantic Seine River cruise** against a backdrop of Paris' glittering skyline. (B, D)

Day 7: Paris - Tour Ends Your tour ends, leaving you with many pleasant memories. (B)

Extend Your Tour
STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Paris. Continue your adventure with another night in glorious Paris.
Call for details.



Select dates feature an additional day and a visit to Highclere Castle, the regal residence used on the award-winning television show "Downton Abbey."

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| January – April 2017 | Double | 23 August | \$3809 |
| 20 January* | \$2959 | 7, 14, 21, 28 September | \$3809 |
| 10 February* | \$2959 | 5, 12 October | \$3679 |
| 3, 10, 16, 17, 24 March | \$3149 | 19, 26 October | \$3539 |
| 30 March | \$3219 | 2, 9 November | \$3399 |
| 6, 8, 20, 27 April | \$3219 | 25 January* | \$3189 |
| | | 22 February* | \$3189 |
| | | 8 March | \$3399 |
| | | 15, 22 March | \$3539 |
| | | 5, 12, 19, 26 April | \$3679 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | | |
| 4, 11 May | \$3539 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$900 - \$1320 |
| 18, 25 May | \$3609 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) N/A |
| 8, 15, 22, 29 June | \$3809 | | |
| 6, 27 July | \$3329 | | |
| 13, 20 July | \$3809 | | |
| 3, 10, 17 August | \$3329 | | |

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Choice On Tour

- In Paris, see the iconic sites during a panoramic drive and stop at the Notre Dame Cathedral or set out and travel via the Metro.
- In London, return to the harrowing days of WWII while exploring the Churchill War Rooms or tour regal Westminster Abbey.

Cultural Experiences

- Enjoy a guided tour of St. Paul's Cathedral.
- Cruise along the Seine River against a backdrop of Paris' glittering skyline.
- Join a local expert for a day of exploration in London.

Must-See Inclusions

- A local expert leads you on a panoramic tour of London
- Cross the English Channel aboard the Eurostar Train.

Culinary Inclusions

- 9 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 3 dinners
- Savour delicious cuisine and breathtaking views dining at the Eiffel Tower.
- Dine at a traditional English pub and enjoy an ale tasting.
- Immerse yourself in Parisian culture during dinner at Paris' oldest cabaret theatre.

Accommodation

- Days 1 – 3** Grange Tower Hotel or Grange City Hotel, London
 - Days 4 – 6** Marriott Rive Gauche, Paris
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

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- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. On some dates, this tour may operate in reverse. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Amsterdam

NEW TOUR

Amsterdam & London

Enjoy a beautiful and historic combination of two cultural capitals

Start Early

Add an extra day in Amsterdam.

Begin your tour with an extra night in lively Amsterdam. Call for details.

Day 1: Amsterdam, Netherlands - Tour Begins

Arrive in Amsterdam, the 800-year-old thriving capital of the Netherlands. You'll discover an enchanting city with a network of canals and an array of historic architecture. Tonight, **get to know your fellow travellers during a delicious welcome dinner.** (D)



Hortus Botanicus

©Barbara van Amelsfort

Day 2: Amsterdam Stories of the city's past and present unfold during a guided canal cruise that brings you by the many highlights of Amsterdam's historic city centre. Afterward, you may choose to visit one of Amsterdam's quintessential fixtures – a diamond workshop. Next, **discover a natural oasis in the city: the Hortus Botanicus Amsterdam**, one of the oldest botanical gardens in the world. Originally founded in 1638 as a medicinal herb garden, today it boasts more than 4,000 plant species in gardens and greenhouses that are protected from the bustle of the city behind 300-year-old gates. (B)

Day 3: Amsterdam It's your choice!

This morning you may choose to continue to explore the city on an interesting and informative shopping tour where your local expert will show you the best markets to purchase tulip bulbs, Delft ceramics, and cheese (including a demonstration and tasting!) Or perhaps you would prefer to visit the Rijksmuseum, one of the most famous and important museums in the world, home of the Rembrandt masterpiece "The Night Watch." Either way, you'll travel like the locals on the Amsterdam metro. The afternoon is at leisure for you to explore Amsterdam independently. Or, you may choose to join an optional excursion to the countryside to explore the seaside village of Volendam. Tonight, dinner is included and you will choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Amsterdam's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 4: Amsterdam - Brussels, Belgium - Eurostar Train - London, England

Sit back and relax as you depart Amsterdam for your drive to Brussels where you will **board the innovative Eurostar cross channel high-speed train** to London! Arrive in London, the United Kingdom's cosmopolitan capital. Enjoy the remainder of your day at leisure. Perhaps you'll take a walk to Tower Bridge, stroll along the Thames River, or get a bird's-eye view of the city from the London Eye. (B)



Eurostar Train

Day 5: London Join a local expert for a day of exploration in London.

Begin with a panoramic tour highlighting Trafalgar Square, the Tower of London, Big Ben, Buckingham Palace and the changing of the guard (if held). Then you'll be treated to a guided tour of St. Paul's Cathedral, an architectural masterpiece famously known for the "wedding of the



Amsterdam souvenirs



St. Paul's Cathedral

century" – Prince Charles and Lady Diana. Spend time at Harrods, the jewel in the crown of London's department stores. Don't miss its world-famous food hall, a diner's paradise! This afternoon, it's your choice! Perhaps you'll step back to wartime Britain while exploring the Churchill War Rooms, the secret underground centre of Britain's government during WWII. Or you can choose to tour Westminster Abbey, the coronation church of Britain's monarchs from William the Conqueror to Elizabeth II. (B)

Day 6: London Today is yours to explore London your way. You may explore

the city on your own. Or, perhaps you'll choose to take an optional excursion to Windsor Castle; originally built to guard the city of London, Windsor Castle has been the home of kings and queens for nine centuries and is the oldest royal residence still in use today. **Toast the end of a wonderful trip with a farewell dinner** at a traditional British pub. (B, D)

Day 7: London - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with many pleasant memories. (B)



London Guard

Holland truly blooms in the springtime. At famous Keukenhof Gardens, marvel at more than 7 million glorious tulip bulbs. It is easy to see why this place is known as the "Garden of Europe."

Dates & Prices

| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | 27 February* | \$2919 |
|-----------------------|--------|---------------------|--------------|--------|
| 9 May | \$3259 | 3, 10, 17, 24 April | \$3259 | |
| 16 May | \$3119 | | | |
| 13 June | \$3119 | | | |
| 11 July | \$3119 | | | |
| 1 August | \$3119 | | | |
| 5, 26 September | \$3119 | | | |
| 3, 10 October | \$3119 | | | |
| 7 November | \$3119 | | | |
| 28 November* | \$2919 | | | |
| 30 January* | \$2919 | | | |

Single Room Supplement (+) \$1100 - \$1110
Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.

Choice On Tour

- In Amsterdam, set out on a shopping tour with a cheese tasting or visit the Rijksmuseum that highlights Dutch history.
- In London, return to the harrowing days of WWII as you explore the Churchill War Rooms or tour regal Westminster Abbey.

Cultural Experiences

- Travel to London on the Eurostar cross channel high-speed train.
- Take advantage of plenty of free time in each city to experience local life.
- Explore St. Paul's Cathedral with a local guide.

Must-See Inclusions

- Embark on a guided canal cruise of Amsterdam.
- Join a local guide for a tour of London highlighting Trafalgar Square, Big Ben and Buckingham Palace.
- Visit Harrods, the jewel in the crown of London's department stores.
- Discover the history of the sprawling Hortus Botanicus Gardens.

Culinary Inclusions

- 9 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 3 dinners
- Savour dinner at a traditional English pub.
- Choose the perfect spot from a "menu" of Amsterdam's great restaurants.

Accommodation

- Days 1 – 3** American Hotel Hampshire Eden, Amsterdam
 - Days 4 – 6** Grange City Hotel, London
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

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- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. On dates that include Keukenhof Gardens, the visit to Hortus Botanicus is not included. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



NEW
TOUR

Florence

The Complete European Journey

Discover Europe's diverse cultures, landscapes and cuisine

Start Early

Add an extra day in London.

Open your tour with a night in the regal city of London. Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in the capital city of London, a sophisticated metropolis featuring style, culture and history. Its bustling streets are filled with regal pageantry, beautiful gardens, fascinating museums, celebrated monuments and grand theatres. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a traditional English pub. (D)

Day 2: London - Eurostar Train - Brussels, Belgium

All aboard the Eurostar train for your journey to Brussels. Join a local guide for a panoramic tour featuring the grand royal gardens and castle, the Atomium, the Arch of Triumph, the Art Nouveau houses, and the world-famous Grand Place. Continue exploring the historic city centre on a "culinary discovery" walk. Be introduced to the flavours of the country during a beer or wine tasting in a local brewery; dinner in the local market; and dessert featuring Belgian waffles followed by a chocolate tasting. Then, cap the evening off sipping coffee at a café on the famous Grand Place. (B, D)

Day 3: Brussels - Bruges - Brussels

Take a step back in time in the Imperial city of Bruges. Narrow canals lined with charming Patrician houses bring to life the splendour of bygone days. Allow yourself to journey back to medieval times with a leisurely paced walking tour led by a local resident through one of Europe's most perfectly preserved cities.

Next, the choice is yours – continue your exploration on foot through "undiscovered Bruges" with a lace-making demonstration; or you may experience the city on a serene canal cruise. Later, enjoy free time to discover Bruges on your own. (B)

Day 4: Brussels - Rhine Cruise -

Mainz, Germany This morning travel south into the famous Rhine region of Germany. Embark on a scenic cruise through the most stunning region of the Rhine River taking in the beautiful landscapes along the way, including views of the famous Lorelei Rock. Continue by land to the lively city of Mainz where you will spend time exploring the Gutenberg Museum, learning the history of books and the printing press. (B)

Day 5: Mainz - Prague, Czech

Republic Depart for the "Golden City" of Prague. This evening you choose your dining experience! Perhaps you'll choose to be introduced to traditional Czech culture during dinner featuring local cuisine, drinks and a folklore show. Or, perhaps you will choose to have dinner in a famous local brewery and restaurant, including local beer and a tour of the brewery. (B, D)

Day 6: Prague Come to know this fairy-tale city with a local guide. Begin by stepping back in time during visits to the remarkable Hradcany Castle and the haunting St. Vitus Cathedral. Continue with a leisurely walking tour through the Old Town, showcasing the Golden Lane, the unique Astronomical Clock, and the statue-lined Charles Bridge. The afternoon is yours to explore this great city on your own. (B)

Day 7: Prague - Vienna, Austria

A scenic ride through the countryside takes you to the grand city of Vienna. Make a stop in the Cesky Krumlov, a town seemingly frozen in time. Have free time to explore the well-preserved streets lined with Baroque architecture before continuing on to Vienna. Tonight,

enjoy local entertainment and sample local wine in the picturesque winemaking village of Grinzing. (B, D)

Day 8: Vienna This morning, visit Schönbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty followed by a visit to Vienna's city centre. This afternoon you choose your activity. Perhaps you will learn about the city's musical roots during a guided walking tour highlighting Mozart and other musical masters. Or, you may choose to take a seat at an unforgettable classical music concert. (B)

Day 9: Vienna - Budapest, Hungary

Arrive in Budapest where a local expert leads you on a delightful city tour featuring Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church, Old Buda, the New Parliament and Gellert Hill. A special stop is made at Heroes' Square. (B, D)

Day 10: Budapest - Ljubljana, Slovenia

Make your way to Slovenia's quaint capital city of Ljubljana. You'll be met by a local expert who will introduce you to this lovely town. Your tour includes the impressive City Hall and a visit to the magnificent Cathedral of St. Nicholas. Enjoy some free time to explore on your own. Later, ride a funicular to Ljubljana Castle where you will savour a dinner of local specialities. (B, D)

Day 11: Ljubljana - Bled - Ponzano Veneto, Italy

Set off this morning for tranquil Lake Bled. Experience the old-world charm that comes with taking a "pletna" boat to the picturesque island in the centre of the lake. Then, it's on to the enchanting area surrounding Venice, Italy. (B)

Day 12: Ponzano Veneto - Venice - Ponzano Veneto

See Venice from the water as we board a boat (weather permitting) bound for Murano Island for a glass making demonstration. Then join a local expert who will take you on a walking tour of St. Mark's Square and the Doge's Palace and the legendary



Bridge of Sighs. Enjoy some time on your own to wander Venice's romantic streets or take a memorable gondola ride before travelling back to Ponzano Veneto by boat. (B)

Day 13: Ponzano Veneto - Rome This morning, depart for Italy's capital city of Rome. Travel through the regions of Veneto, Emilia Romagna and Tuscany, admiring the ever-changing landscape. Arrive in Rome and get acquainted with the city on a brief tour. Tonight, gather for dinner featuring local cuisine. (B, D)

Day 14: Rome Enjoy a tour of Rome featuring the Piazza Venezia, the Circus Maximus, the Arch of Constantine and the famous Piazza Navona. **Your tour continues during an in-depth visit to the Colosseum** where your guide recounts its rich history. Then it's on to the catacombs, before arriving at the mythic Pantheon and Piazza Navona. (B)

Day 15: Rome - Florence Arrive in Florence and explore this captivating city with a local expert. View the Duomo, the symbol of the city, and see the historic Piazza della Signoria and Piazza Santa Croce. The remainder of the day is free to explore. (B, D)

Day 16: Florence Today, it's your choice! Perhaps you will opt to join a local guide at the Academy Gallery where you'll see Michelangelo's magnificent sculpture of *David*. Or, you may choose to explore Pitti Palace, a cultural landmark. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 17: Florence - Lucerne, Switzerland Say farewell to Italy and travel to the city of Lucerne. Upon arrival get acquainted with the city on a short walking tour. This evening, savour the local cuisine during dinner in a quaint restaurant. (B, D)

Day 18: Lucerne Explore Lucerne your way! You may choose to take in this beautiful area by boarding a paddlewheel boat to soak up the view of the city while cruising on Lake Lucerne.

Or, perhaps you would prefer to venture by cogwheel rail to the top of majestic Mt. Pilatus. The remainder of your day is at leisure to explore the city on your own. (B)

Day 19: Lucerne - Troyes, France This morning, descend from the Alps into the charming French countryside. Take in the pastoral vistas before arriving into the medieval village of Troyes. Join a local guide for a walking tour through the narrow cobbled streets. (B, D)

Day 20: Troyes - Paris It's on to Paris, the "City of Light." **Get to know this grand city your way** – by coach or by Metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic tour via coach that includes a stop to explore Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly local experience, perhaps you'll join a local guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the Place Vendome with your local guide. The evening is yours to enjoy Paris independently or you may choose an optional dinner and show at Paris' oldest cabaret. (B)

Day 21: Paris This morning we are off to the bohemian neighbourhood of Montmartre. Taste a variety of regional specialities before we visit the iconic Sacré-Coeur Basilica. The afternoon is yours to take in the beauty of Paris. Tonight, gather for your farewell dinner at a restaurant tucked away in the medieval streets of the Latin Quarter. You are treated to a traditional feast with local wine, all accompanied by local musicians. (B, D)

Day 22: Paris - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Paris. Treat yourself to another night in the "City of Light." Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Bruges, explore "undiscovered Bruges" and enjoy a lace-making demonstration or embark on a serene canal cruise.
- In Florence, join a local guide at the Academy Gallery where you'll see Michelangelo's *David*, or explore the spectacular Pitti Palace.
- In Lucerne, board a paddlewheel boat to cruise on Lake Lucerne, or venture by cogwheel rail to the top of majestic Mt. Pilatus.

Cultural Experiences

- Embark on pletna boat cruise on Lake Bled.
- Board a boat to Murano Island for a glass making demonstration.
- Stroll the streets of Paris' bohemian neighborhood of Montmartre.
- Enjoy an in-depth visit to Rome's iconic Colosseum.

Must-See Inclusions

- Embark on a cruise through the most stunning region of the Rhine River.
- Get to know the history and traditions of Rome with a local guide.
- Discover the fairy-tale city of Prague with a local expert.
- Explore the captivating streets of Florence, with its many architectural masterpieces.
- Tour the imperial city of Vienna learning about the remarkable Habsburg dynasty.

Culinary Inclusions

- 32 meals included: 21 breakfasts • 11 dinners
- Dine at a traditional English pub.
- Savour the flavours of Belgium: beer in a local brewery; dinner in a local market; Belgian waffles and chocolate for dessert!
- Be treated to dinner in Grinzing, Vienna's wine growing district.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Grange Tower Bridge Hotel, London, England
 - Day 2, 3** Sheraton Hotel, Brussels, Belgium
 - Day 4** Park Inn Hotel, Mainz, Germany
 - Day 5, 6** Angelo Hotel, Prague, Czech Republic
 - Day 7, 8** Mercure City or Renaissance Riding School Hotel, Vienna, Austria
 - Day 9** Courtyard by Marriott, Budapest
 - Day 10** Hotel Lev, Ljubljana, Slovenia
 - Day 11, 12** Relais Villa Monaco, Ponzano Veneto, Italy
 - Day 13, 14** Hotel Cicerone, Rome, Italy
 - Day 15, 16** Starhotels Michelangelo, Florence, Italy
 - Day 17, 18** Hotel Wilden Mann, Lucerne
 - Day 19** Mercure Troyes Centre, Troyes, France
 - Day 20, 21** Marriott Rive Gauche, Paris, France
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Departure flights from Paris should be booked after 10:00 a.m. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | Triple Room Reduction |
|-----------------------|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 5 May | \$7679 | | |
| 9 June | \$7819 | | |
| 23 June | \$7399 | | |
| 7, 14 July | \$7399 | | |
| 11 August | \$7399 | | |
| 25 August | \$7679 | | |
| 15 September | \$7889 | | |
| 13 October | \$7539 | | |
| 9 March | \$6999 | | |
| 13 April | \$7539 | | |
| | | (+) \$2210 - \$2480 | |
| | | | N/A |

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Captivating Europe

Travel across England, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Italy & France

Start Early

Add an extra day in London. Spend time exploring the historic city of London. Call for details.

Day 1: London, England - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in London. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: London - Euro Rail Train - Haarlem, Netherlands - Amsterdam

Board a train to Brussels for the beginning of your journey to the Netherlands. Continue by coach to the charming town of Haarlem which lies just outside the vibrant city of Amsterdam. This afternoon, **take a cruise on the area's famous canals** before dining at one of its landmark restaurants. (B, D)

Day 3: Haarlem - Amsterdam - Haarlem

Explore Amsterdam your way! You may choose to discover stories of the city's past and present that unfold during a walking tour that highlights Amsterdam's historic Old Town, Royal Palace, and the best markets to purchase tulip bulbs, Delft ceramics, and cheese (including a demonstration and tasting)! Or, perhaps you will opt to visit the Rijksmuseum where you'll spend time discovering Holland's history and see internationally renowned works such as "The Night Watch" by Rembrandt. Your afternoon is free to further explore the city on your own. Or, you may choose to join an optional excursion to the countryside to explore the seaside village of Volendam. (B)

Day 4: Haarlem - Aachen, Germany - Luxembourg

This morning make your way to the small country of Luxembourg. En route, **stop in Aachen**, one of the oldest towns in Europe. Have some time to explore this historic town that became the coronation place for German kings. Continue to the

microstate of Luxembourg where you'll join a local guide for a walking tour. (B)

Day 5: Luxembourg - Lucerne, Switzerland

Travel to the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," the city of Lucerne. Upon arrival, enjoy a walking tour and get acquainted with the city which holds more than 800 years of history. This evening, savour local cuisine during dinner in a quaint restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Lucerne

Explore Lucerne your way! Perhaps you will take in this beautiful area by boarding a paddlewheel boat... sit back and soak up the view of the city while cruising on Lake Lucerne. Or, you may prefer to venture by cogwheel rail to the top of majestic Mt. Pilatus. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Lucerne - Liechtenstein - Innsbruck, Austria

Depart for Innsbruck. En route, make your way through Liechtenstein, a tiny country perched in the Alps between Austria and Switzerland. Upon arrival in Innsbruck, **you have the choice of one of two walking tours.** Perhaps you'll join a local guide as you discover the city's history, culture and landmarks. Or, you may choose to embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural treasures. (B, D)

Day 8: Innsbruck - Ponzano Veneto, Italy

Journey south through the beautiful Austrian and Italian Alps on your way to your hotel near Venice. Tonight, savour a dinner featuring Italian specialities and wine. (B, D)

Day 9: Venice

Today we visit the city of Venice. Board a boat (weather permitting) bound for Murano Island for an up-close glass making demonstration. Discover the secrets of this ancient art and marvel at the intricate designs of each piece. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square where you **choose how you want to see Venice!** You may choose to join a local expert who will take you on a walking tour of this famous square to view the stunning

Basilica and visit the impressive Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Or, step off the beaten path to explore the Castello Sestiere district with a local expert; get to know authentic Venice and see for yourself how the locals live as you walk canal by canal through the narrow streets. Enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 10: Ponzano Veneto - Arezzo - Rome

En route to the historic city of Rome, we'll stop in the Etruscan town of Arezzo. Stroll its charming streets during some free time to explore. **Arrive in Rome** and get acquainted with the city on a brief orientation tour seeing some of its fascinating treasures. Stop by the Spanish Steps before enjoying dinner featuring regional cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Rome - Vatican City - Rome

Your morning is free to relax or explore on your own. Have the option to join us on a tour of the Colosseum where your guide will recount its rich history. This afternoon, **spend time exploring Vatican City**, the smallest country in the world. Discover the Vatican museum including the spectacular Sistine Chapel and Michelangelo's restored mural of the Last Judgment. Then it's on to the breathtaking St. Peter's Basilica – built on the site where St. Peter was martyred – known as the grandest of the world's churches. (B)

Day 12: Rome - Siena - Florence

A scenic journey through Tuscany's graceful hills brings you to the charming Siena. Delight in its narrow streets, magnificent palaces and historic Piazza del Campo. After a walking tour with a local expert, take some time to explore. You are sure to find many surprises among its shops and outdoor cafés. Arrive in Florence and enjoy some free time before gathering for dinner. (B, D)

Day 13: Florence

In Florence – the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance" – **visit the world-famous Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's incredible statue of David.** Then, see the impressive Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the Palazzo Vecchio and the Church of Santa Croce. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)



Day 14: Florence - Genoa Travel to the bustling port city of Genoa. Join a local guide for a stroll along the maze of narrow streets. Spend the remainder of your afternoon independently exploring this city's long, rich history. (B)

Day 15: Genoa - Seborga - Monaco - Nice, France Today's journey begins in the medieval principality of Seborga, a tiny independent state that lies near the Italian border with France. This small, rural village is home to only 300 people but issues its own stamps, license plates, passports and currency. Next, head to one of Europe's most famous microstates: Monaco. Enjoy a panoramic tour of this dazzling gem on the Riviera and get to view the extravagant Casino of Monte Carlo and the spectacular 13th-century Prince's Palace. Then it's off to Nice, the renowned playground of the rich and famous. Enjoy a sumptuous dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 16: Nice This morning you'll feel like a local as you stroll through Nice's colourful and fragrant flower market. Then you're off to discover Place Massena and the lively seafront Promenade des Anglais. The rest of the day is yours to discover this magnificent town. Stroll the beautiful streets filled with shops and cafes, or meander through the narrow streets of the historic Old Town. Take in some sunshine on the beach or head up to the ancient fortification for sweeping views of the city and the Riviera. No matter what you choose, you will fall in love with this coastal gem. (B)

Day 17: Nice - Paris Climb aboard the high speed TGV train and "fly" through the beautiful French countryside on your way to Paris, the "City of Light." You'll soon discover why Paris is one of the most visited cities in the world. The evening is yours to enjoy on your own or perhaps you'll choose the "An Evening in Paris" optional tour. (B)

Day 18: Paris Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way — by coach or by Metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic tour via coach that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly local experience, you may choose to join a guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome with your local guide. Enjoy leisure time this afternoon — perhaps you will choose to explore the world-renowned Louvre or Musée d'Orsay. Celebrate the end of a fabulous trip with a special dinner at the Paradis Latin, Paris' oldest cabaret theatre. Enjoy a sumptuous dinner complete with wine, champagne and a delightful cabaret show. (B, D)

Day 19: Paris - Tour Ends (B)

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| 8 June | \$7399 | | |
| 15 June | \$7329 | | |
| 6, 20 July | \$7199 | | |
| 3 August | \$7199 | | |
| 17 August | \$7329 | | |
| | | (+) \$2070 - \$2420 | (-) \$100 |

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Choice On Tour

- In Amsterdam, join a local guide for a walking tour of Old Town or walk through history at the city's Rijksmuseum.
- In Lucerne, cruise Lake Lucerne soaking up views of the city or ascend to the top of Mt. Pilatus.
- In Venice choose your walking tour – discover famous St. Mark's Square or go off the beaten path in Castello Sestiere.

Cultural Experiences

- Discover historic Aachen, Germany, the coronation place of kings.
- See the beautiful, tiny country of Liechtenstein.
- Explore the charming Etruscan town of Arezzo.
- Venture to the tiny medieval principality of Seborga, bordering Italy and France.

Must-See Inclusions

- See Amsterdam from the water on a canal cruise.
- Visit Rome, the "Eternal City," and tour the independent Vatican City.
- Enjoy a panoramic tour of the dazzling microstate of Monaco.
- Discover the charming canals and bridges of Venice.
- See the treasures of Florence with a local expert.

Culinary Inclusions

- 27 meals included: 18 breakfasts • 9 dinners
- Savour a dinner and show at Paris' oldest Cabaret Theatre.
- Dine at one of Amsterdam's landmark restaurants.
- Enjoy regional Italian cuisine at a local restaurant in Rome.
- Immerse yourself in Swiss culture during dinner in Lucerne.

Accommodations

- Day 1** Grange Tower Bridge, London
- Days 2, 3** Carlton Square Hotel, Haarlem, Amsterdam
- Day 4** Park Inn Hotel, Luxembourg
- Days 5, 6** Hotel Wilden Mann or Waldstätterhof Hotel, Lucerne
- Day 7** Grand Europa Hotel, Innsbruck
- Days 8, 9** Relais Monaco Hotel, Ponzano Veneto (Venice area) or Hotel Bellini, Venice
- Days 10, 11** Hotel Cicerone, Rome
- Days 12, 13** Rivoli Hotel, Florence
- Day 14** Starhotel President, Genoa
- Days 15, 16** Splendid Hotel or Hotel Westminster, Nice
- Days 17, 18** Hyatt Regency Etoile, Paris

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This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

NEW
TOUR

Portugal, Spain & France

Embark on a tour that highlights three European gems

Start Early

Add an extra day in Lisbon. Learn more about this grand city of explorers during your extra night. Call for details.

Day 1: Lisbon, Portugal - Tour Begins

Explore three of the world's most influential nations throughout history – Portugal, Spain and France. Each is home to a wealth of diverse history, culture, cuisine and heritage. Welcome to Portugal, where quaint farming villages and cork & olive tree plantations dot the landscape. Your tour opens in Lisbon, Portugal's vibrant capital city. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Lisbon Get to know Lisbon as you **join a local guide for a tour of the city** featuring the Moorish Alfama Quarter, Jeronimo's Monastery (a UNESCO World Heritage site), the Monument to the Discoveries, and the Tower of Belem (UNESCO). Tonight, savour local cuisine and wine during dinner accompanied by traditional Fado music (UNESCO). (B, D)

Day 3: Lisbon - Azeitao - Seville, Spain Your day begins with time in Azeitao, an agricultural village known for its fine red wine, abundance of olive trees and charming country estates. At a centuries-old winemaker **you are treated to a tour and tasting of local wines.** We continue on and cross the border into Spain. Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager introduces you to a few key phrases of the native language before arriving in Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital." (B, D)

Day 4: Seville Begin your day with a walking tour of the quaint Santa Cruz Quarter with whitewashed

buildings and winding streets adorned with colourful flowers. Next, **see Columbus' tomb**, the ornate cathedral (UNESCO), and Giralda Bell Tower. Continue to Plaza d'España and the beautiful Maria Luisa Park, one of the loveliest in all of Europe. This evening, **take your reserved seats for an authentic flamenco show** (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers. (B)

Day 5: Seville - Cordoba - Madrid

Travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. **Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita** (UNESCO), an architectural marvel built by the Moors in the 8th century as a magnificent mosque that was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's well-preserved and historical Jewish Quarter. Later, transfer to the historic capital city of Spain – Madrid. (B, D)

Day 6: Madrid Today it's your choice!

You may choose to join a local expert who will introduce you to the architectural treasures of Madrid on a panoramic tour via coach; then continue exploring the priceless masterpieces of the Prado Museum which boasts the world's finest collection of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya. Or, perhaps you'll choose to spend your morning on a walking tour of Madrid featuring sites of the Hapsburg era: discover the Puerta Del Sol, Plaza Mayor and the famous Andalusian Tavern "La Torre del Oro"; see the Mercado San Miguel, the last remaining market constructed in forged iron, and Arco de los Cuchilleros (the Arch of the Knifemakers); and explore Plaza de la Villa with its historic Baroque and Mudéjar-style buildings. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

Day 7: Madrid - Barcelona Today's journey brings you to Barcelona, one of Europe's most beautiful and vibrant cities. You will have the afternoon at leisure to explore Barcelona's fascinating boulevards including the famous Las Ramblas, dotted with colourful bird and flower stalls. (B, D)

Day 8: Barcelona - Parc Güell - La Sagrada Familia

Become acquainted with Barcelona, a city that is considered one of the liveliest cities in all of Europe, during a locally guided tour. **Discover Parc Güell** – one of Gaudi's greatest works, it is where he let his imagination shine through amazing buildings, sculptures and tile work. Next, explore the most popular monument in Spain, Antoni Gaudi's unfinished masterpiece, La Sagrada Familia, still under construction after more than 100 years. The afternoon is at leisure to explore further or you may take an optional excursion outside the city to Montserrat, a spectacular mountaintop monastery. (B)

Day 9: Barcelona - Carcassonne, France

Cross the French border as we make our way to the hilltop town of Carcassonne. This fairy-tale village and medieval citadel is famous for its 53 watchtowers and Gallo-Roman double-walled fortifications. Enjoy free time to explore the inner ramparts, the archaeological exhibits at Château Comtal, a 12th-century fortress, or simply relax and take in the charming ambience. (B)

Day 10: Carcassonne - St. Emilion - Bordeaux

Travel to the medieval wine village of St. Emilion, one of the most famous wine regions in Bordeaux. Follow your local guide through the streets past the quaint limestone buildings and into the famous catacombs. After some free time meandering through the village, it's on to a winery where you'll get to sample some of the region's best wines, typically blended with Merlot and Cabernet Franc. **Arrive in Bordeaux**, often called "La Perle d'Aquitaine" (the pearl of the Aquitaine). Tonight, enjoy a sumptuous meal typical to the region. (B, D)

Day 11: Bordeaux Become familiar with Bordeaux during a locally guided tour. Discover the heart of this city that dates back to Gallo-Roman times,



La Sagrada Familia



Chateau Chenonceau

and learn how the name “Bordeaux” became synonymous with the best, and often most expensive, wine in the world. Visit the Place de la Bourse, the Saint-Andre Cathedral (UNESCO), and Rue St. Catherine, the longest pedestrian street in Europe. The afternoon is yours to explore this incredible city as you choose. Perhaps you’ll stroll along the river walk. (B)

Day 12: Bordeaux - Cognac - Blois (Loire Valley) Make your way north to the “Land of Chateaux” – the Loire Valley. Pause along the way to visit Cognac, a city made famous for creating arguably the world’s best brandy. Savour a visit to one of the local cognac houses to learn about the distillation process and get a chance to sample some of this fine cordial. This afternoon we visit Chinon, a medieval village straddling the Vienne River. Walk through the narrow streets and visit the towering castle, the location where Joan of Arc first met Charles VII in 1429. (B, D)

Day 13: Blois (Loire Valley) Embark on a **tour of spectacular Château de Chenonceau** perched along the banks of the Cher River and a jewel of Renaissance architecture with stunning, traditional French gardens. Proceed to the picturesque centre of Amboise. Enjoy free time to explore the colourful market street and get to know the local culture. Continue on for a tour of Château du Clos Luce, where Leonardo da Vinci spent his last three years, which showcases a display of his early inventions. (B)

Day 14: Blois (Loire Valley) - Paris Continue north through the Loire

Valley to Paris. En route, we’ll take some time to discover one of the famous wineries in Vouvray, one of the finest white wine producing regions in France. Continue on to Orleans, the site where Joan of Arc defeated the English. Free time is available to stroll these historic streets before finishing the day in Paris, “The City of Light.” You may choose to relax at your hotel or enjoy an optional dinner at Paris’ oldest Cabaret dinner theatre. (B)

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Day 16: Paris - Tour Ends You return home with many treasured memories of a spectacular trip to Portugal, Spain and France. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Paris. Spend more time exploring the world’s most romantic city. [Call for details.](#)

Choice On Tour

- In Madrid, explore the city’s architectural treasures with a local expert and visit the Prado Museum or set out on walking tour highlighting Madrid’s Hapsburg era.
- See Paris by bus or by Metro with a choice on tour!

Cultural Experiences

- Feel the energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville.
- Explore La Sagrada Familia, Antonio Gaudi’s unfinished masterpiece.
- Stay inside the medieval fortified UNESCO city of Carcassonne.

Must-See Inclusions

- Dive into Lisbon’s rich history highlighting the major monuments of the city.
- In Cordoba, take a walking tour of the Mezquita, a religious marvel.

Culinary Inclusions

- 23 meals included: 15 breakfasts • 8 dinners
- Savour French cuisine and breathtaking views of Paris as you dine at the Eiffel Tower.
- Sample world-class wines in Bordeaux and the Loire Valley.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Turim Marques Pombal Hotel, Lisbon, Portugal
- Days 3, 4** Hotel Melia Lebreros, Seville, Spain
- Day 5, 6** Courtyard Marriott Madrid Princesa Hotel, Madrid, Spain
- Days 7, 8** Crowne Plaza Barcelona-Fira Center, Barcelona, Spain
- Day 9** Hotel Le Donjon, Carcassonne, France
- Days 10, 11** Mercure Bordeaux Centre, Bordeaux, France
- Days 12, 13** Holiday Inn, Blois, France
- Days 14, 15** Hyatt Regency Paris Etoile, Paris, France

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Dates & Prices

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|--------------------|--------|--|----------------------------|
| 22, 29 May | \$6299 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1470 - \$1520 |
| 19, 26 June | \$6299 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 10, 17 July | \$5999 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 7, 14 August | \$5999 | | |
| 18 September | \$6299 | | |



Zermatt

Exploring the Alpine Countries

Discover storybook castles and mountain vistas of Austria, Germany and Switzerland

Extend Your Tour



GO FARTHER. Add 3 nights in Bratislava.

Start your adventure with a 3-night pre-tour extension in Bratislava. Take more time to explore this political, economic and cultural hub before setting out on your tour.

See page 158 for details.

START EARLY. Add an extra day in Vienna.

Fall in love with this beautiful and culturally rich city in the heart of Europe.

Call for details.

Day 1: Vienna, Austria - Tour Begins

Set out to explore three distinct Alpine cultures set amid incredible landscapes. Your tour opens in Vienna. This evening, meet your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring regional wine and a meal highlighting the local cuisine in the quaint winemaking region of Grinzing. (D)

Day 2: Vienna Come to know Vienna this morning during a locally guided tour that showcases its architectural marvels. You will visit the incredible Schoenbrunn Palace and see the impressive St. Stephen's Cathedral. This afternoon enjoy free time to explore the avenues of Vienna or visit one of its many museums. (B)

Day 3: Vienna - Salzburg After a short journey through the countryside, enjoy a lovely cruise along the Danube, one of Europe's most important waterways. Later, make a stop at the Benedictine Melk Abbey before continuing to the "City of Music," Salzburg. Tonight, sit down for dinner at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Salzburg Discover the splendour of Salzburg on a leisurely paced walking tour of the Old Town. Some of the amazing sights you will see along the way include the Cathedral, Mozart's birthplace and Mirabell Gardens. (B)

Day 5: Salzburg - Munich, Germany - Oberammergau Today you travel to Germany. In Munich, feel the energy of this lively and fascinating city during a tour that highlights Olympic Park; the world-famous Glockenspiel; and Marienplatz, a beautiful square surrounded by shops, restaurants and cafés. Later in the day, arrive at your home for the next two nights — the quaint village of

Oberammergau, renowned for wood carvings and the Passion Play. This evening, enjoy a magical dinner and a visit by a local performer from the village. (B, D)

Day 6: Oberammergau - Innsbruck, Austria - Oberammergau Enjoy the scenery of the spectacular Bavarian Alps en route to enchanting Innsbruck, located in Tyrolean Austria. Walk through the



Vienna

charming pedestrian streets and see such landmarks as The Golden Roof on a locally guided tour. As you wind through the narrow cobblestone lanes, it is easy to understand why this city was the centre of European culture and politics during the 14th century. (B)

Day 7: Oberammergau - Black Forest Today fairy tales become reality at a picture stop of Bavaria's most famous castle, King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein. Next you are off to the heart of the



stunning Black Forest, a region famous for its artisans who create authentic cuckoo clocks, Hummels and wood carvings. (B, D)

first ascent of the Matterhorn with included admission to the Matterhorn Museum. The choice is yours! The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B)

Day 8: Black Forest - Zermatt, Switzerland Welcome to Switzerland! Your first stop en route to Zermatt is at one of the most photographed castles in the world, the Château de Chillon, located on serene Lake Geneva. Later, enjoy a short train ride aboard the Matterhorn Gottard Bahn from

Day 10: Zermatt - Grimsel Pass - Lucerne Views of glaciers, crystal clear rivers and snowcapped mountains will invigorate you as you travel through the spectacular scenery of the Grimsel Pass. Your destination is the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," the city of Lucerne. (B)



Day 11: Lucerne This morning, embark on a scenic walking tour of this picturesque place, including a stroll through its romantic Old Town. The remainder of the day is yours to relax or independently explore the best Lucerne has to offer. Tonight, come together with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner featuring local specialities and toast the end of a wonderful trip. (B, D)

Tasch to the relaxing pedestrian village of Zermatt in the Swiss Alps. Take a stroll and breathe in the fresh Alpine air. (B, D)

Day 12: Lucerne - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Lucerne. (B)

Day 9: Zermatt Today you have all of Zermatt at your fingertips. You choose how you spend your day! Explore on foot during a guided walking tour of this charming city. Or, perhaps you'll choose to discover Zermatt independently and learn more about the triumph and tragedy of the

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Lucerne. Spend more time in this peaceful city on the shores of Lake Lucerne. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- Choose a guided walking tour of charming Zermatt or set out to discover the city independently with included admission to the Matterhorn Museum.

Cultural Experiences

- Make a stop at the impressive Benedictine Melk Abbey.
- Meet a Passion Play performer in Oberammergau.
- Pause at Bavaria's most famous castle, King Ludwig's Neuschwanstein.
- Behold Château de Chillon, located on serene Lake Geneva.
- Travel through the spectacular Grimsel Pass.

Must-See Inclusions

- Take a lovely cruise along the Danube River.
- Come to know Vienna and its incredible Schoenbrunn Palace.
- Discover the fascinating city of Munich and its world-famous Glockenspiel.
- Walk through Innsbruck's charming pedestrian streets.
- Relax surrounded by untouched wilderness in Germany's Black Forest.
- Stay in the village of Zermatt at the foot of the majestic Matterhorn.
- Embark on a scenic walking tour in picturesque Lucerne.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Savour a special dinner in the quaint winemaking village of Grinzing.
- Delight in dinner at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant in Salzburg.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Mercure Grand Hotel Biedermeier or Courtyard by Marriott, Vienna
- Days 3, 4** Castellani Parkhotel or Wyndham Grand Hotel, Salzburg
- Days 5, 6** Hotel Alte Post, Oberammergau Region
- Day 7** Maritim Hotel, Black Forest
- Days 8, 9** Hotel Alex or Hotel Pollux, Zermatt
- Days 10, 11** Ameron Hotel Flora or Hotel Waldstaetterhof, Lucerne
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Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Danube River Cruise is available mid-April to mid-October. Air passengers will depart from the Zurich, Switzerland airport. All transfers will depart Lucerne for Zurich. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|---|---------------|--|------------------|
| April 2017 | Double | 4, 18 August | \$4089 |
| 2, 19, 21 April | \$3299 | 1, 3, 6, 8, 10, 13, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 September | \$4089 |
| <small>Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.</small> | | | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 20 October | \$3809 |
| 5 May | \$3809 | 13, 20, 27 April | \$3809 |
| 12, 19, 26 May | \$3949 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$690 |
| 9, 16, 23, 30 June | \$3949 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) N/A |
| 14, 28 July | \$4089 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |



Discover Switzerland, Austria & Bavaria

Breathtaking vistas and rich culture in the heart of Europe

Day 1: Bern, Switzerland - Tour

Begins Set out to discover spectacular Switzerland, Austria and Bavaria. Your tour opens in Bern, the capital of Switzerland and a UNESCO World Heritage site nestled in the Swiss countryside. The cobbled Old Town section is so well preserved that residents who lived here 500 years ago would still find it familiar today. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring local cuisine such as traditional cheese fondue. (D)

Day 2: Bern Explore delightful Bern on a panoramic sightseeing tour featuring the



Golden Pass Panoramic Train

Bundeshaus (the Swiss Parliament), the famous Bear Pit, the Rose Gardens and the gothic cathedral which dominates Old Town's skyline.

Your visit to the Bear Pit will answer the question as to why bears are so revered in this enchanting city. Along the way, your Tour Manager will introduce you to both the language and culture of the region. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently or perhaps brave Europe's steepest funicular ride up Gurten Mountain. (B)

Day 3: Bern - Château de Chillon - Montreux - Train Ride

Travel along the shores of Lake Geneva to the legendary, medieval Château de Chillon. This princely residence faces the lake but puts forth the image of an imposing fortress from the mountains. Later, enjoy inspiring Alpine views with a ride on the GoldenPass Panoramic Train from Montreux to Gstaad. Discover the delightful ambience of this world-famous Alpine ski resort with its numerous traditional wood chalets. (B)

Day 4: Bern - Lucerne - Bern Set out for Lucerne, the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy a leisurely paced Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour, exploring the hidden treasures of the city. Lucerne has more than 800 years of history. Explore such medieval treasures as the covered Chapel Bridge (1833); the famous Water Tower which has served as

a prison, watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from natural rock to commemorate the heroic Swiss Guard. This evening's dinner is included at one of Bern's great restaurants. (B, D)

Day 5: Bern - Innsbruck, Austria

En route to Innsbruck you will make your way through Liechtenstein, the smallest and richest German-



Innsbruck

speaking country in the world and the only country to lie entirely within the Alps. Upon arrival in Innsbruck you have the choice of one of two leisurely walking tours: join a local guide as you discover the city's history,



culture and popular attractions including Maria Theresien Strasse, the Hofburg and the "Golden Roof"; or, you may embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. (B)

life with a picture stop at Bavaria's famous Neuschwanstein Castle. Visit Wies Church, proclaimed a UNESCO World Heritage site,



Day 6: Innsbruck - Salzburg

- Innsbruck Travel through the picturesque Austrian countryside to Salzburg. There, enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour featuring Mirabell Gardens (seen in the "Sound of Music"); the quaint Getreidegasse (birthplace of Mozart); and many other highlights of this beautiful city. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure to independently explore and enjoy Salzburg's fabulous sights. **The day concludes with a delightful dinner at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, the oldest in Austria and still owned by the monks.** (B, D)

before proceeding to the picturesque village of Oberammergau. Enjoy a brief tour and learn more about this charming place, famous for its Passion Play. Performed only every ten years to fulfil a pledge made by the villagers to God for sparing their city from the ravages of bubonic plague in 1633, the Passion Play has grown into an international event. Tonight you are treated to a farewell dinner in one of Innsbruck's most famous traditional restaurants. (B, D)

Day 7: Innsbruck Savour a free day in this beautiful city. You may choose to stroll through Old Town and shop at many of the city's outstanding stores or you may just relax and breathe in the mountain air while enjoying a beverage in one of the many cafés that dot this charming city. Later, experience the rich musical tradition of mountainous Austria during a Tyrolean folklore show hosted by a locally well-known musical family. (B)

Day 9: Innsbruck - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to an end in Innsbruck. (B)

Day 8: Innsbruck - Bavaria, Germany - Oberammergau - Innsbruck Today fairy tales come to

Choice On Tour

- In Innsbruck choose between two leisurely walking tours. You may focus on the city's history and popular attractions or explore its unique architecture.

Cultural Experiences

- Ride the GoldenPass Panoramic Train from Montreux to Gstaad.
- Walk the halls of the legendary, medieval Chateau de Chillon, located on the shores of Lake Geneva.
- Witness the musical tradition of Austria during a Tyrolean folklore show.
- Visit Wies Church, proclaimed a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Must-See Inclusions

- Spend a day exploring Salzburg's historic past and charming old town.
- Enjoy a walking tour of Lucerne's Altstadt (Old Town).
- Travel to Bavaria and see the famous Neuschwanstein Castle.
- Discover the quaint town of Oberammergau.
- Explore delightful Bern on a sightseeing tour featuring the Bundeshaus.

Culinary Inclusions

- 12 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 4 dinners
- Savour a dinner featuring local cuisine such as traditional cheese fondue.
- Enjoy traditional cuisine in one of Bern's greatest restaurants.
- Delight in dinner at the 1,200-year-old St. Peter's Restaurant, Austria's oldest.
- Dine in one of Innsbruck's most famous traditional restaurants.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 4 Hotel Bern or Hotel Baeren, Bern

Days 5 – 8 Hotel Innsbruck, Innsbruck

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Due to tour scheduling, flights must arrive prior to 4:00 p.m. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m. International air passengers will arrive into Zurich, Switzerland airport and depart from Munich, Germany airport. All transfers will depart from/return to these airports. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| April 2017 | Double | 11, 25 August | \$2989 |
| 6, 20, 23, 27 April | \$2619 | 8, 15, 22, 29 September | \$2989 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | Double | 6, 13, 20, 23, 27 October | \$2989 |
| 5, 19, 26 May | \$2989 | 3, 10 November | \$2779 |
| 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 June | \$2989 | 16 March | \$2989 |
| 7, 14, 21, 28 July | \$2989 | 6, 13, 20, 27 April | \$2989 |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$370 - \$410 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) N/A |
| Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | | | |



Imperial Cities

Explore Europe's cultural capitals: Prague, Vienna & Budapest

Start Early

Add an extra day in Prague.

Arrive early and enjoy a day of rest or exploration before your adventure begins.

Call for details.

Day 1: Prague, Czech Republic - Tour Begins

Set out on an exciting cultural experience in the Imperial Cities of Central Europe featuring traditional entertainment and a scenic cruise along the Danube River. After arriving in Prague, find out why it is called the "Golden City" or "The City of 100 Spires." You will adore the city's unique culture and architecture. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Y Day 2: Prague Your introduction to this fairy-tale city begins with a panoramic tour. Tour the majestic Hradcany Castle, including the gothic St. Vitus Cathedral. Then stroll down the quaint, colourful Golden Lane. Afterward, **discover the lovely statue-lined Charles Bridge**. This afternoon, it's your time to explore. Perhaps shop for famous Bohemian crystal or visit one of the city's many outstanding museums, such as the Lapidarium, home of stone sculptures dating from the 11th century to the present. This evening **you choose your dining experience**. You may choose to get to know traditional Czech culture during a folklore show and dinner featuring local drinks. As a special treat, meet the dancers and learn some of the moves yourself during a private dance lesson. Or, perhaps

you would prefer to dine at one of Eastern Europe's oldest breweries. Take in the traditional ambiance while sipping on a pint; then tour the brewery to see the process of making this famous beer that has been brewed for 500 years. (B, D)

Day 3: Prague Today enjoy the freedom to explore Prague on your own. Take a stroll to the Old Town square, home to the famous Orloj which functions as a clock, calendar and primitive planetarium. You may also choose to join an optional



excursion to Prague's Old Jewish Quarter to see its historic Jewish Museum and Europe's oldest surviving Jewish cemetery, founded in 1478. (B)

Day 4: Prague - Cesky Krumlov - Vienna, Austria A scenic ride through the countryside takes you from Prague into the grand city of Vienna, the former capital of the Austro-Hungarian Empire. En route, make a stop in the fairy-tale town

of Cesky Krumlov. Have free time to explore the well-preserved streets lined with Baroque architecture before continuing on to Vienna. Tonight you will enjoy dinner featuring regional wine and a meal highlighting the local cuisine in the quaint winemaking region of Grinzing. (B, D)

Day 5: Vienna This morning, join a local resident for a visit to magnificent Schoenbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty for more than 200 years. Continue on to get acquainted with Vienna's city centre. Along the way, behold the beautiful architecture, scenic parks and gothic spires that fill the city. This evening you may choose to join an optional dinner followed by an unforgettable classical music concert featuring many fine melodies from the great composers — Mozart and Strauss. (B)

Day 6: Vienna - Danube River - Melk - Vienna Travel along the banks of the Danube to the medieval town of Durnstein where you embark on a scenic Danube River cruise. "Waltz" across one of the most breathtaking bodies of water in the world, immortalised by Strauss, and travel through the historic Wachau Valley. Later, visit the 11th-century Melk Abbey, famous for its production and collection of manuscripts. A leisurely ride back to Vienna concludes this marvellous day. You have a free evening to enjoy the city. (B)

Day 7: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia - Budapest, Hungary This morning you journey to Bratislava, former coronation city and Imperial capital of the Hapsburg Empire. During your visit, get to know



the city's multilayered history on a tour with a local expert. Continue to Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube," truly one of the world's most beautiful cities. Upon arrival, drive through this majestic capital while making your way to your hotel. Have time at leisure to relax or explore before gathering for tonight's dinner in the city. (B, D)



Day 8: Budapest Join a local expert who brings the city to life. Discover Matthias Church, site of many coronations of kings. Next, be enamored by the Fisherman's Bastion with its white walls, towers and arcades for spectacular views. Continue to historic Old Buda and Gellert Hill, followed by the Parliament. At Heroes Square, admire the imposing Millennium Monument, completed

in 1904, which memorialises the 1,000th anniversary of Hungarian dominion. (B)

Day 9: Budapest - Visegrad - Budapest Begin your day with a visit to a school in Budapest where you will get a glimpse into the daily life of the locals while meeting the young students in their classroom. In the afternoon, venture outside the city to the former Renaissance capital of Visegrad for a magnificent view of the Danube Bend and the Borzsony Mountains. Travel back in time with a visit to a 14th-century castle where knights with colourful costumes and authentic weaponry recreate the days of chivalry. Then, **enjoy a special Renaissance-style dinner at the castle restaurant** and re-enact the days of medieval times. Complete your fascinating cultural journey with an evening of wine and music. (B, D)

Day 10: Budapest-Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Budapest. Explore more of one of Europe's largest and most intriguing cities.
Call for details.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------|
| January - April 2017 | Double | 2, 5 12, 14, 16, 19, 26 September | \$2919 |
| 10 January* | \$2229 | 3, 10 October | \$2919 |
| 14 February* | \$2349 | 17, 24 October | \$2779 |
| 28 March | \$2479 | 7, 28 November | \$2639 |
| 4, 18 April | \$2549 | 23 January* | \$2429 |
| 24, 25 April | \$2609 | 20 February* | \$2429 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | Double | 13 March | \$2499 |
| 2, 9, 16 May | \$2919 | 3, 10 April | \$2779 |
| 6, 13, 20 June | \$2919 | 17, 24 April | \$2919 |
| 11, 18, 25 July | \$2779 | | |
| 1, 22 August | \$2779 | | |
| 29 August | \$2849 | | |
| | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$760 - \$1100 | |
| | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 | |
| Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | | | |
| *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | | | |

Choice On Tour

- Choose either a folklore show and dinner, or dinner and brewery tour at one of Prague's most famous restaurants.

Cultural Experiences

- Enjoy a stop in the fairy-tale town of Cesky Krumlov.
- Join a local resident for a visit to magnificent Schoenbrunn Palace.
- Meet local children during a school visit in Budapest.
- Tour Prague's majestic Hradcany Castle.
- Get to know Bratislava's history on a city tour with a local expert.
- Travel to the medieval town of Durnstein.

Must-See Inclusions

- Embark on a magnificent tour of the "Golden City" of Prague.
- Board a cruise on the Danube River.
- Make a stop in Melk for a visit to the famous Abbey.
- Explore Budapest, the "Queen of the Danube," on a locally guided tour.
- View the stunning Danube Bend on a trip to Visegrad.

Culinary Inclusions

- 14 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Enjoy dinner and sample regional wine in picturesque Grinzing.
- Savour a Renaissance-style dinner at a medieval castle restaurant near Budapest.

Accommodation

- Days 1 - 3** Hotel Yasmin, Prague
- Days 4 - 6** Hotel Am Konzerthaus MGallery Collection, Imperial Riding School Renaissance Hotel or Mercure Grand Hotel Biedermeier, Vienna
- Days 7 - 9** NH Budapest, Budapest

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your in-flight-experience with an **air upgrade**. See page 160 for details.
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Berlin

Magnificent Cities of Central & Eastern Europe

Explore Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Budapest, Krakow & Warsaw

Start Early

Add an extra day in Berlin.

Begin your adventure with a pre-night in Berlin. Enjoy some additional time in this grand German capital. [Call for details.](#)

Day 1: Berlin, Germany - Tour Begins

Arrive in Germany's capital city of Berlin. This city blends a deep history, a modern flare and multi-cultural influences. Tonight, join your fellow passengers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Y Day 2: Berlin Today, see Berlin your way! You may **choose a city tour that introduces you to the city's rich history:** you'll see Charlottenburg Palace, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, Schoenberg City Hall, Kurfuerstendam and the Reichstag Building. Or, perhaps you'll join a **"Cold War" focused tour** that includes a visit to the Berlin Wall Museum followed by a walk through the area that was once "Checkpoint Charlie," and see what remains of the Berlin Wall. This afternoon you have the opportunity to join an optional excursion outside the city to visit Potsdam and the famous Sans Souci Palace. (B)

Y Day 3: Berlin - Dresden - Prague, Czech Republic Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager shares a few key phrases of the local language. Then, depart Berlin for the "Golden City" of Prague. En route, make a stop in

Dresden, the capital of Saxony, with time to explore this lovely town on the banks of the River Elbe. This evening you **choose your Prague dining experience.** You may choose to get to know traditional Czech culture during a folklore show and dinner featuring local drinks. As a special treat, meet the dancers and learn some of the moves yourself during a private dance lesson. Or, dine at one of Eastern Europe's oldest breweries. Take



Prague

in the traditional ambiance as you dine while sipping on a pint. Then, tour the brewery to see the process of making this famous beer that has been brewed for 500 years. (B, D)

Day 4: Prague Your introduction to this fairy-tale city opens with a visit to the remarkable Hradcany Castle and the haunting St. Vitus Cathedral. Continue with a leisurely walking tour through the old town, showcasing the Golden Lane, the unique Astronomical Clock and the statue-lined Charles Bridge. The afternoon is yours to independently explore this great city. (B)

Day 5: Prague - Vienna, Austria

Leaving the Czech Republic, arrive in colourful and vibrant Vienna, the "musical city." After a short orientation drive through the city, your afternoon is at leisure to relax. Later, enjoy an evening in one of Vienna's most beloved restaurants where dinner mixes with local cultural flavour to create an unforgettable night. (B, D)

Day 6: Vienna This morning, experience the city on a tour showcasing some of its architectural marvels, including the lavish Schoenbrunn Palace and the summer retreat of the Habsburg dynasty. The remainder of the day is yours to explore independently. Perhaps you will visit one of the famous museums, sip a Viennese coffee at a local coffee house, or simply relax in this capital of Austria. Tonight you may choose to enjoy an optional Mozart concert and dinner in the city. (B)

Day 7: Vienna - Budapest, Hungary

Sit back, relax and enjoy the picturesque Hungarian countryside en route to historic Budapest. Upon arrival, a local expert provides an informative city tour featuring Fisherman's Bastion, Matthias Church, Old Buda, the New Parliament and Gellert Hill. A special stop is made at Heroes' Square, a unique monument to the many diverse leaders of Hungary. (B, D)

Day 8: Budapest The beautiful city of Budapest is often referred to as "the Queen of the Danube." Today is yours to discover this city divided by the Danube with historic Buda on one side and cosmopolitan Pest on the opposite bank. Relax in the city or perhaps join an

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13 Days from \$3469



Viennese Coffe



Dresden

optional excursion to a traditional Hungarian horse farm where riders perform amazing feats, followed by a typical lunch in the "Puzsta." (B)

Day 9: Budapest - Donovaly, Slovakia - Krakow, Poland

Take in the picturesque landscapes en route to Poland. Make a stop in the hidden village of Donovaly, nestled in the Low Tatras mountain range of Slovakia. Your



Krakow

home for the next two nights is the lively city of Krakow, which still offers an old-world charm. (B, D)

Day 10: Krakow Discover Krakow's historic Old Town on a city tour featuring stops at the Market Square, St. Mary's Church and the University; you'll also view Wawel Castle, a former residence of Polish kings. The afternoon is at leisure for you to enjoy the city on your own. (B)

Day 11: Krakow - Auschwitz - Warsaw

Today you embark on a poignant journey through history as you travel to witness the camps of Auschwitz. A local expert guides you through the former concentration camp where you will learn firsthand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls. Afterward, travel through the Polish countryside en route to Warsaw, the reconstructed and modern capital of this rejuvenated country. The evening is yours to relax or explore. Browse one of the city's art galleries or fascinating museums, or simply relax at an outdoor café. (B)

Day 12: Warsaw The moving history of Warsaw, both joyous and tragic, is yours to embrace as you embark on a locally guided tour of this capital city. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of a memorable trip. (B, D)

Day 13: Warsaw - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Warsaw. Stay an extra night and see more of this exciting and inspiring city. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- Select a traditional dinner and folklore show in Prague or choose to dine at one of the city's most famous breweries.
- In Berlin choose between tours that explore the city's cultural history or its Cold War past.

Cultural Experiences

- Join a local expert to discover Budapest's treasures.
- Take a poignant journey through history at the camps of Auschwitz.
- Set out on a locally guided tour of a rejuvenated Warsaw.

Must-See Inclusions

- Come to know Vienna's architecture, including the lavish Schoenbrunn Palace.
- The fairy-tale city of Prague reveals the remarkable Hradcany Castle.
- Explore one of the largest town squares in Europe on a tour of Krakow.
- Explore the lovely city of Dresden on the banks of the River Elbe.

Culinary Inclusions

- 18 meals included: 12 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Dine at one of Vienna's most beloved restaurants.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Intercontinental Hotel or Crowne Plaza Potsdamer Platz, Berlin
- Days 3, 4** Yasmin Hotel or Designhotel Elephant, Prague
- Days 5, 6** Mercure Grand Hotel Biedermeier or Mercure Wien City, Vienna
- Days 7, 8** Art'Otel, Budapest
- Days 9, 10** Holiday Inn City Centre, Krakow
- Days 11, 12** Westin, Warsaw

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|---|---------------|---|----------------------------|
| March - April 2017 | Double | 7, 21, 28 August | \$3469 |
| 27 March | \$3369 | 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25 September | \$3679 |
| 3, 23, 24 April | \$3369 | 2, 9 October | \$3679 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. | | 16 October | \$3539 |
| Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 5, 6 November | \$3469 |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | Double | 9, 16, 23 April | \$3609 |
| 8, 15, 22, 29 May | \$3609 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1100 - \$1450 |
| 11, 12, 18, 25 June | \$3609 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| 10, 17, 24 July | \$3469 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |



Christmas Markets

Classic Christmas Markets

Embrace the joy of a classic European winter holiday

Day 1: Black Forest, Germany - Tour Begins

Embark on a glorious holiday adventure that includes Europe's finest Christmas markets. Your tour begins in the Black Forest. Here you will relish the peacefulness of the surrounding forested mountains. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner at your hotel. (D)

Day 2: Black Forest - Strasbourg, France - Black Forest

Travel the picturesque valleys of the Black Forest and country roads of the

Alsace to the provincial capital of Strasbourg, France where centuries of Roman, French, German and Alsatian influences blend together to lend this city its unique character. Enjoy a guided tour of the Old Quarter, "Petite France," featuring the Cathedral of Notre Dame, considered one of the noblest achievements of Western architecture. Mingle with the locals as you explore the Christmas market featuring local crafts and traditional food and drink before returning to Germany. (B)

Day 3: Black Forest - Würzburg

Depart the Black Forest for the quaint Franconia region of Germany. Your destination is Würzburg. Stroll through the streets with your expert local guide and discover the city's history. This ancient wine town is rich in historic sites, including the magnificent 18th-century residence of the prince-bishops, boasting the largest ceiling fresco in the world; and the ornate Alte Mainbrücke, the oldest bridge on the River Main. You will have time to browse for local specialties in the lively Christmas market. (B, D)

Day 4: Würzburg - Nuremberg - Würzburg

Start your day with a city tour of historic Nuremberg. Learn about the old town's 900-year-old



Nuremberg



Nutcracker

ramparts that surround the city; the Imperial Castle; and the Justice Palace, where the War Crimes Tribunal sat in 1946. Your city tour concludes with a visit to the historic Nuremberg Christmas Market, one of the



oldest and most famous markets in Germany dating back to 1628. Here you can spend time sipping Gluhwein and sampling roast sausages. Over 200 wooden stalls have given the Christmas market its name - "Little Town from Wood." You can find items like Nuremberg spicy gingerbread, fruit loaves, bakery goods, sweets, Christmas tree angels and toys. (B)

Day 5: Würzburg - Rothenburg - Oberammergau Begin your day with a stop in lovely Rothenburg, one of the most well-preserved medieval walled towns in all of Germany. After some free time to explore the town, continue on to Oberammergau, a perfect picture of a Bavarian Alpine village. Step back in time as you stroll the streets past old-world cottages and shops covered in colourful frescos. It is the ideal place to shop for cuckoo clocks, nutcrackers and Hummel figurines. (B, D)

Day 6: Oberammergau - Innsbruck, Austria - Oberammergau Traverse the Bavarian landscape to the Tyrolean town of Innsbruck, nestled in the heart of the mountains. **Today you have the choice of one of two leisurely walking tours:** you may join a local guide as you discover the city's history, culture and popular attractions including Maria Theresien-Strasse, the Hofburg and the Golden Roof; or, perhaps you would prefer to embark on a tour focusing on Innsbruck's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. The remainder of the day is at leisure to shop

in the many speciality stores and the cosy Christmas market. (B)

Day 7: Oberammergau - Munich - Oberammergau This morning, travel to Munich and be introduced to this exciting city with a panoramic tour featuring the Marienplatz, the Glockenspiel and Olympic Park. Enjoy leisure time to independently explore Munich's historic area and the Christmas market. Later, return to Oberammergau where you will have time to stroll about the village, perhaps shopping for the intricate woodcrafts the town is known for. This evening, enjoy a magical farewell dinner featuring a visit by local entertainers from this village, famous for its Passion Play. (B, D)



Day 8: Oberammergau - Tour Ends (B)

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--------------------------|--------|---|-----------|
| November – December 2017 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$280 |
| 26 November | \$2429 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 3, 10 December | \$2429 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |

Choice On Tour

- Enjoy one of two leisurely walking tours in Innsbruck, featuring either the city's most popular attractions or its architectural heritage.

Cultural Experiences

- Experience the 600-year-old holiday spirit of "Christkindlesmarkets" in Germany, Austria and France.
- See historic sites such as the magnificent 18th-century residence of the prince-bishops.
- View the ornate Alte Mainbrücke, the oldest bridge on the River Main.
- Stroll the Nuremberg Christmas Market – one of the oldest in Germany dating back to 1628.

Must-See Inclusions

- Discover Strasbourg, "Petite France," featuring the Cathedral of Notre Dame.
- Explore Würzburg, the ancient wine town rich with marvellous historic sites.
- Visit Rothenburg, one of the most well-preserved medieval towns in all of Germany.
- Traverse the Bavarian landscape to the Tyrolean town of Innsbruck.
- Stroll the streets of the picture-perfect Bavarian Alpine village of Oberammergau.

Culinary Inclusions

- 11 meals included: 7 breakfasts • 4 dinners
- Savour a magical farewell dinner featuring a visit by local entertainers.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Maritim Titisee, Black Forest
 - Days 3, 4** Maritim Hotel, Würzburg
 - Days 5 – 7** Alte Post Hotel, Oberammergau
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your in-flight-experience with an air upgrade.
See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. International air passengers will arrive into Zurich, Switzerland airport and depart from Munich, Germany airport. All transfers will depart from/return to these airports. Due to tour scheduling, flights must arrive prior to 4:00 p.m. You may require an early morning departure from the hotel on the last day. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Spotlight on Paris

Immerse yourself in life in Paris with an extended stay in this dynamic city

Extend Your Tour

Add an extra day in Paris.

Have time to settle in before your Parisian adventure.

Call for details.

Day 1: Paris, France - Tour Begins

Set out for captivating Paris. Come to know this city famous for its world-renowned art, food and fashion. Its rich history will astound you while its style dazzles.



Dinner at Eiffel Tower

Arrive in the “City of Light.” Tonight, your adventure begins with breathtaking views of the city while you **enjoy dinner featuring delicious French cuisine and wine at the Eiffel Tower.** Following dinner, **get a different perspective of the city during a Seine River cruise.** Admire Paris’ glittering skyline as you glide along. (D)

Y Day 2: Paris Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way — by coach or by Metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic coach tour that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly local experience, you may prefer to join a local guide who will take you to some of Paris’ most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you’ll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome with a local guide. The afternoon is at leisure. You may choose an optional tour that takes you to the bohemian neighbourhood of Montmartre; join a local guide on a walking tour and get to know the culture, food and history of this eclectic neighbourhood, and see its crown jewel – the iconic Sacré-Coeur Basilica. (B)

Day 3: Paris - Louvre Museum Join a local expert exploring the priceless treasures of the world famous Louvre Museum, with a collection of more than one million works of art. Originally a palace and now a landmark of Paris, the Louvre displays an

array of works of art ranging from ancient times up to the mid-19th century. Behold some of the museum’s most famous pieces by some of the greatest artists the world has seen including Raphael, Botticelli and Titian, and see the renowned statue of *Venus de Milo* and Leonardo da Vinci’s *Mona Lisa*. The remainder of the day is at leisure for you to explore Paris’ many hidden



Louvre

treasures on your own, or join us for an optional tour that showcases “Paris behind the scenes.” (B)

Day 4: Paris - Day at Leisure Enjoy a day at leisure to relax and explore on your own. You may take an optional excursion to Champagne country which includes a visit to ancient Reims for a walking tour;



then, stop in Epernay and visit a champagne cellar for a tour and tasting. (B)

Day 5: Paris - Versailles

Explore the history, architecture and gardens of Versailles, one of the world's most magnificent royal palaces and finest, most complete example of 17th-century architecture. Your local guide will recount the history of the palace and lead you through the various rooms of the State Apartments. Discover its immeasurable opulence and see its treasures including the Queen's bedchamber and the famous Hall of Mirrors. You then have time to explore the incredible gardens, some of the most famous in the world, which took over 40 years to complete. Tonight, celebrate the end of a fabulous trip

with a sumptuous dinner accompanied by French wine at one of Paris' oldest brasseries. (B, D)

Day 6: Paris - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. Head home with many wonderful memories of Paris, the "City of Light." (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Paris. Continue your adventure with another night in glorious Paris.

Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| February – April 2017 | Double | 11, 18 October | \$3189 |
| 15 February* | \$2199 | 8 November* | \$2779 |
| 8, 15 March | \$2269 | 21 February* | \$2779 |
| 5 April | \$2389 | 7 March* | \$2779 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 21 March | \$2919 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 11 April | \$2919 |
| 3, 24 May | \$3329 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$880 - \$1380 |
| 7, 27 June | \$3329 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 19, 26 July | \$2919 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 9 August | \$2919 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 20 September | \$3329 | | |

Spotlight on Paris

6 Days from \$2779

Choice On Tour

- Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way - by coach or by metro!

Cultural Experiences

- Join your local guide for a tour of the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral.
- Explore the treasures of the Louvre Museum with an expert.

Must-See Inclusions

- Tour the spectacular Versailles palace and gardens with a local guide.
- Admire Paris' glittering skyline on a Seine River cruise.

Culinary Inclusions

- 7 meals included: 5 breakfasts • 2 dinners
- Dine on delicious French cuisine and wine at the Eiffel Tower.
- Savour dinner accompanied by French wine at one of Paris' oldest brasseries.

Accommodations

Days 2 – 6 Le Meridien Etoile, Paris

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.†
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- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour. Arrival flights should arrive prior to 4pm on the first day of the tour.

Spotlight on Paris Holiday

Dates & Prices

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Nov - Dec 2017 | Double |
| 28 November | \$2779 |
| 5, 12 December | \$2779 |

Single Room Supplement (+) \$970

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Revel in the magic of Paris during Christmas Time. Come to know its famous art, food, decorations, Christmas markets, and world-class shopping. Savour dinner at the Eiffel Tower featuring wonderful French cuisine and breathtaking views of Paris decked out in holiday lights. Glide down the Seine River on a romantic river cruise surrounded by the glittering city skyline. Shop at the Christmas Market on the Champs-Elysees. Visit the city's most famous department stores with dozens of elegant window displays. Spend a day in Reims discovering this ancient city and its provincial Christmas market, followed by a Champagne tasting and tour of a famous cellar. Embrace French Christmas culture with a traditional Parisian holiday dinner and music.





Le Mont St. Michel

France Magnifique

Experience Paris, Châteaux, Medieval Cities and the TGV Train

Start Early

Add an extra day in Paris.

Who can resist the romance of Paris?
Treat yourself to another night in the “City of Light.”
Call for details.

Day 1: Paris, France - Tour Begins Your tour opens in beautiful Paris. Celebrate the beginning of a fabulous trip with a sunset river cruise past famous glittering landmarks along the River Seine, which divides the north from the south of Paris into what is known as the right bank and the left bank. Then, we’ll head to one of Paris’ brasseries for a delightful French dinner. Enjoy sumptuous food and wine set amongst an Art Nouveau background reminiscent of the Jazz and Hemingway-era of Paris. (D)

Y Day 2: Paris Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way — by coach or by Metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic tour that includes a stop for a short walking tour inside the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly local experience, perhaps you will choose to join a guide who will take you to some of Paris’ most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you’ll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome. Write your own story during a free afternoon. Perhaps you will choose to partake in an optional guided tour at the famous Louvre. (B)

Day 3: Paris - Caen - Huppain Port-en-Bessin Set off for the Normandy coast. During WWII, the largest invasion in history took place here. Enjoy an insightful visit to the Memorial Peace Museum, built to commemorate those who died in the epic battle of Normandy in 1944. Later, see the remains of the

artificial Mulberry port built near Arromanche-les-Bains — where the allies resupplied their lines during the liberation of France — before making your way to the hotel. Tonight, enjoy a dinner at a local bistro in the charming village of Port-en-Bessin. (B, D)

Day 4: Huppain Port-en-Bessin - D-Day Landing Sites This morning visit the Omaha Beach Cemetery with time to stop by the new interpretive centre and see the American flag raised over the graves of the valiant soldiers who gave their lives in the Battle of Normandy. Then, walk through Pointe du Hoc Ranger Memorial and see where the 2nd Ranger Battalion scaled 100-foot cliffs on D-Day to seize the fortified enemy position. Next, make your way to Sainte Mère Eglise, the heart of the American Airborne operations on D-Day, and visit its parachute-shaped Airborne Museum. You will also visit other landing beaches, such as Utah and Juno. (B)

Y Day 5: Huppain Port-en-Bessin - Dinan - Saint-Malo Travel back in history when you stand before the impressive UNESCO Bayeux Tapestry, a 230-foot embroidered cloth depicting the events leading up to the Norman conquest of England. Next, journey to Dinan, one of the best-preserved medieval villages in France. You choose your tour! Join a local guide for a walking tour along cobbled streets and discover the city’s fortified walls. Or, you may choose to meet a local guide at the quaint port of Dinan, the entry point for resupplying the Duke of Dinan during the Hundred Years’ War, and walk up the famous Rue de Jerzuel hill to the town centre. Either way, you’ll fall in love with the streets lined with half-timbered houses and the ramparts that overlook this picture-perfect port village. Then it’s off to Saint-Malo, Brittany’s famous coastal village. Here you’ll be immersed in the beautiful beaches, striking blue water, and views of the fortified Old Town where you’ll enjoy a wonderfully prepared local dinner. (B, D)

Day 6: Saint-Malo - Le Mont St. Michel - Saint-Malo Travel to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Le Mont St. Michel, the “Wonder of the West.” Resting on the border between Normandy and Brittany, this world-famous pilgrimage site sits on the edge of the sea and becomes an island at high tide. Take in the breathtaking views as you stroll through the old city at the base of the village before exploring one of the most beautiful abbeys in France, dating back to the 11th century. Return to Saint-Malo and enjoy time to relax or explore independently. (B)

Day 7: Saint-Malo - Chinon - Fontevraud Journey south to the Loire Valley, a UNESCO World Heritage site brimming with châteaux and parks, once the setting for the French court. Arrive in the medieval village of Chinon set on the banks of the Vienne River. Visit the renowned Royal Fortress of Chinon where Joan of Arc first met young Charles VII and shared her vision that he would defeat the English during the Hundred Years’ War. Next, visit a local winery to discover some of Europe’s best Cabernet Franc and Chenin Blanc wines. This afternoon, check into your hotel within the magnificently renovated abbey of Fontevraud. Delve into the history of this site which was home to one of the largest orders in Europe during medieval times and serves as the final resting place of King Richard the Lionheart. Tonight’s dinner is set amongst flying buttresses, chiseled arches and ancient stone. (B, D)

Day 8: Fontevraud - Amboise - Fontevraud Embark on a tour of spectacular Château de Chenonceau, perched along the banks of the Cher River and a jewel of Renaissance architecture with stunning, traditional French gardens. Proceed to the picturesque centre of Amboise. Enjoy free time for exploring and getting to know the local culture. Continue on for a tour of Château du Clos Luce — where Leonardo da Vinci spent his last three years



– which showcases a display of his early inventions. (B)

Day 9: Fontevraud - Paris - TGV Train - Avignon Climb aboard the high speed TGV Train and “fly” through the French countryside on your way to Avignon, Provence. Upon arrival, come to know Avignon during an evening walking tour with a local resident. On your delightful tour of this walled city, discover its legacy of being the centre of European religion for 70 years when the Papacy moved there in 1309. Then, explore some of the 25 rooms of the 14th-century papal palace, Palais des Papes, the largest Gothic palace in the world. Filled with priceless frescoes and home to nine Popes, the palace will amaze you. (B)

Day 10: Avignon - L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue - Gordes - Avignon Start your day with a visit to a colourful open-air market in L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue. Meet local artisans and discover traditional crafts, hand-made ceramics, and local foods like sausages, breads, cheeses and a vibrant bounty of freshly grown produce. Later, make your way through Luberon National Park before arriving in the picturesque hilltop village of Gordes. Feel like you have stepped back in time as you gaze upon its 16th-century château and scenic cobblestone

streets. Continue on to the Lavender Museum to learn about this beloved flower, its unique distillation process and uses throughout history. Return to Avignon for a free afternoon before your farewell dinner at a local restaurant, complete with a cocktail reception and crème brulee demonstration. (B, D)

Day 11: Avignon - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

GO FARTHER. Add 3 nights in the French Riviera. Set out for the sparkling city of Nice. Enjoy the Mediterranean sunshine and live the life of the rich and famous in Monte Carlo. See page 157 for details.

EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour in Avignon. Continue your love affair with the French lifestyle with another night in charming Avignon. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- Come to know Paris by coach or by Metro! Take a panoramic tour that includes a stop at the Notre Dame Cathedral or join a guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by Metro.
- In Dinan, join your local guide for a walking tour or explore the quaint port, making your way up the famous Rue de Jerzuel hill to the town center.

Cultural Experiences

- “Fly” through the French countryside on the high-speed TGV train.
- Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the River Seine as you drift past famous landmarks.
- Travel back in history when you stand before the impressive UNESCO Bayeux Tapestry.
- Discover Dinan, one of the best-preserved medieval villages in France.
- Tour Château de Chenonceau, a jewel of Renaissance architecture.
- Stroll the famous Sunday Market of L'Isle-sur-la-Sorgue.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore Avignon and step inside its 14th-century papal palace.
- Ponder history at Normandy's Memorial Peace Museum and Omaha Beach Cemetery.
- Enjoy magnificent views of Le Mont St. Michel village and abbey.

Culinary Inclusions

- 15 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Dine at a local restaurant in Avignon, featuring a crème brulee demonstration.
- Delight in a tour and tasting at a local winery.
- Enjoy a delightful French dinner at one of Paris' brasseries.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Hyatt Regency Etoile, Paris
Days 3, 4 Mercure Omaha Beach, Port-en-Bessin
Days 5, 6 Hotel Oceania, Saint-Malo
Days 7, 8 Fontevraud L'Hôtel, Fontevraud
Days 9, 10 Mercure Pont d' Avignon or Mercure Hotel Cite Des Papes, Avignon
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will depart from Marseilles airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from Avignon to Marseilles airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| Month | Double | Single Room Supplement | Triple Room Reduction | (+) \$1010 - \$1860 |
|------------------------------|--------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| March – April 2017 | | | | |
| 3, 10, 17 March | \$3539 | 8, 15, 22 September | | \$4439 |
| 31 March | \$3789 | 29 September | | \$4299 |
| 2 April | \$3789 | 6, 13, 20 October | | \$4229 |
| 21, 23, 30 April | \$3849 | 3 November* | | \$3949 |
| | | 16 March* | | \$3949 |
| | | 30 March | | \$4299 |
| | | 6 April | | \$4299 |
| | | 13, 20, 27 April | | \$4439 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | | | |
| 5, 19, 26 May | \$4369 | | | |
| 9, 16 June | \$4369 | | | |
| 21, 28 July | \$4229 | | | |
| 11 August | \$4229 | | | |
| 1 September | \$4849 | | | |

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Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

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Eiffel Tower

Treasures of France

Relax as you embark on a cultural journey featuring art, food and wine!

Start Early

Add an extra day in Paris.

Spend more time exploring the world's most romantic city.

Call for details.

Day 1: Paris, France - Tour Begins Your tour begins in Paris, the "City of Light." Tonight, sample delicious French cuisine and witness breathtaking views during dinner at the Eiffel Tower. Following dinner, get a different perspective on the city during a Seine River cruise. As you glide along, admire Paris' glittering skyline. (D)

Day 2: Paris Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way — by coach or by metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic coach tour that includes a stop for a short walking tour inside the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly local experience, perhaps you will choose to join a guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by Metro. Either way you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Elysees, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendome. Write your own story during a free afternoon.

Perhaps you would enjoy an optional excursion to the magnificent palace and gardens of Versailles for a glimpse into the lifestyle of French Kings and Queens in the 17th century. This evening, an optional dinner and show at Paris' oldest cabaret is offered. (B)

Day 3: Paris The entire day is yours to enjoy the city as you like. You may choose to relax or explore the surrounding countryside on your own. This morning, you may join an optional tour, "Paris



Chateaufort-du-Pape

Behind The Scenes" — a local guide will take you by metro and by foot off the beaten path to magnificent places throughout the city including the ancient Marais neighbourhood, Place des Vosges, The Palais Royal, and through some of Paris' most beautiful covered passages. Or, perhaps you will join an optional excursion to the world-renowned Louvre museum, home to the iconic *Mona Lisa*. (B)

Day 4: Paris - TGV Train - Aix-en-Provence

Climb aboard the high speed TGV Train and "fly" through the beautiful French countryside on your way to Provence. Delve into the Provencal landscape during a visit to the picture-perfect village of Gordes and the beautiful lavender fields. Visit the Lavender Museum and learn about this precious plant, its unique distillation process, and its uses throughout history. Later, travel to Aix-en-Provence and tour this wonderful city, including the atelier (workshop) of the famous painter Cézanne. Relax this evening and enjoy fine French dining at its best at your hotel's elegant restaurant. (B, D)

Day 5: Aix-en-Provence - Nimes - Aix-en-Provence

The city of Nimes reveals its deep history during a tour that includes a visit to the elliptical Roman amphitheatre, the best preserved in France and still used as a bull fighting arena to this day. Visit the Maison Carrée (Square House), a small Roman temple; the 18th-century Jardins de la Fontaine (Gardens of the Fountain), built around the Roman Thermae ruins; and the Tour Magne (Great Tower), a ruined Roman tower. This afternoon, return to Aix-en-Provence for time at leisure to explore this lovely town, once frequented by Hemingway and the inspiration to many artists. (B)

Day 6: Aix-en-Provence - Saint-Rémy - Chateaufort-du-Pape - Aix-en-Provence

Depart for Saint-Rémy where you will



enjoy a visit to the bustling morning market in the city square – a Provencal tradition! Next, your journey brings you to the famous wine region of Chateauf-neuf-du-Pape. An expert guide leads you through the mysteries of wine and chocolate at a private tasting. Arrive in Avignon for a delightful tour of this historic walled city. Avignon, often called the “City of Popes,” acted as a centre of European religion for 70 years when the Popes moved there in 1309. Take a moment at the famous Roman “Bridge of Avignon” before enjoying some time for independent exploration. Complete your day with a cooking demonstration and fine French cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: Aix-en-Provence - Antibes - Grasse - Nice Journey to Antibes to rub shoulders with Europe’s elite in this Riviera getaway. After some free time to explore, continue to Grasse, the world’s centre of perfume making. Learn the secrets of perfume making, from extraction to distillation, while visiting a famous perfumerie. Then participate in a special workshop where you will create your own fragrance. Take home a unique and personal souvenir from this memorable hands-on experience. Then it’s off to Nice, the renowned playground of the rich and famous. (B)

Day 8: Nice - Monaco - Nice This morning you’ll feel like a local as you

stroll through the colourful and fragrant flower market in Nice. Then you’re off to discover Place Massena and the lively seafront Promenade des Anglais. Your journey takes you to witness the splendour of Monaco, the dazzling gem of the Riviera. A panoramic tour highlights the famous and extravagant Casino of Monte Carlo and the spectacular 13th-century Prince’s Palace. Pause to see the Cathedral of Monaco, where Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace are buried. (B)

Day 9: Nice Revel in a day of leisure. Spend your day discovering Nice’s world-class shopping; sample the many French delicacies found in the south of France; or simply relax and take in the laid-back atmosphere along the Riviera. This evening, enjoy a farewell dinner at a quaint restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10: Nice - Tour Ends Depart for home with many wonderful memories. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Nice. Relax after your tour with another night on the French Riviera.

Call for details.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|--|----------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 6 October | \$4369 |
| 10 March | \$3539 | 20 October | \$4089 |
| 21, 28 April | \$3789 | 16 March | \$4159 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 6 April | \$4229 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 20 April | \$4369 |
| 5 May | \$4439 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1080 - \$2620 |
| 9 June | \$4439 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 - \$70 |
| 7 July | \$4299 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 1 September | \$5059 | | |
| 15 September | \$4499 | | |

Choice On Tour

- In Paris, see the iconic sites during a panoramic drive and stop at the Notre Dame Cathedral or set out and travel via the Metro.

Cultural Experiences

- Admire Paris’ glittering skyline during an evening Seine River cruise.
- Tour the atelier (workshop) of the famous painter, Paul Cézanne.
- Stroll through the bustling morning market in the city square of Saint-Rémy.
- Create your own fragrance during a special perfume workshop.

Must-See Inclusions

- Embark on a walking tour of the historic walled city of Avignon.
- Get to know the deep history of Nimes on a tour featuring its Roman amphitheater.
- Stroll through the colorful flower market in Nice.
- Witness the splendor of Monaco, the dazzling gem of the Riviera.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 4 dinners
- Savour French cuisine and enjoy spectacular views while dining at the Eiffel Tower.
- An expert guide leads a wine and chocolate tasting in Châteauf-neuf-du-Pape.
- Partake in a cooking demonstration of fine French cuisine at a local restaurant.

Accommodation

- Days 1 - 3** Hyatt Regency Etoile, Paris
 - Days 4 - 6** Grand Hotel Roi René, Aix-en-Provence
 - Days 7 - 9** Westminster Hotel & Spa or Hotel Nice Riviera, Nice
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



HOTEL UPGRADE AVAILABLE: During your stay at the Westminster Hotel and Spa,* Nice, you can choose to enjoy spectacular sea views by upgrading your accommodations to a Sea View room.

*Upgraded rooms are not available at the Hotel Nice Riviera. Call for details.

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Carcassonne

Journey through Southern France

Taste the food and wine and come to know the local culture

Start Early

Add an extra day in Paris.

Spend more time exploring the world's most romantic city.

Call for details.

Day 1: Paris, France - Tour Begins

Join us as we travel from the cultural hub of Paris to Bordeaux, the world's most renowned wine region, and on to colourful Provence. Along the way, this laid-back French adventure is sure to dazzle your senses. Your tour opens in Paris, the "City of Light." With your hotel just blocks from the Eiffel Tower, you are right in the centre of the magic that is Parisian life. This evening, see some of Paris's most iconic sights at night while en route to a welcome dinner at a Parisian café. (D)

Day 2: Paris - Bordeaux Experience the ingenuity of the nation's modern rail system as you take the high speed TGV train to the city of Bordeaux. Join your local guide as you discover this incredible city, often referred to as "La Belle Endormie" or "The Sleeping Beauty," due to its charm that often gets overlooked by Paris and Provence. After walking through the heart of the city, visit the newly-opened "Cit  du Vin" wine museum in Bordeaux, already referred to as the Guggenheim of wine. This sensory adventure takes you on a fascinating discovery of wine culture and history, ending with a glass of wine overlooking a 360-degree view of Bordeaux. Tonight, let the charm and romance of the city capture your heart as you meander through the narrow streets on your way to a "tucked away" local restaurant. Here a

chef's tasting menu is carefully prepared with the day's freshest ingredients; this will be a culinary moment to remember. (B, D)

Day 3: Bordeaux - M doc - Bordeaux

This morning, head to the M doc wine region. Travel along the stunning "Route des Ch teaux," viewing the historic wine estates of the region. Along the way, stop at one of these ch teaux to learn about the growth and popularity of wine production in the Bordeaux region. Savour three delicious wines along with regional snacks on the winery grounds, and learn how the regional cuisine and terroir play together to develop this perfect harmony. The afternoon is your last opportunity to enjoy the sights and sounds of Bordeaux - be sure to save time to stroll down the longest pedestrian street in Europe. (B)

Day 4: Bordeaux - Saint- milion - Dordogne Valley

Travel to the prominent wine region of Saint- milion. Your guided tour takes you through this well-preserved medieval city's fascinating underground monuments and to the original settlement. You will also see the Trinity chapel, the catacombs, and the unique limestone monolithic church, the largest church of its kind in Europe. Continue on before stopping to discover an iconic ch teau winery, its vineyards and renowned wine. Then, arrive for your 2-night stay on the grounds of a beautiful ch teau in the Dordogne Valley. (B, D)

Day 5: Dordogne Valley A scenic drive is in store as you make your way to the charming local market in Eymet, one of Southern France's iconic "bastides" (fortified towns) built in the Middle Ages. Your travels continue to Issigeac, another bastide. Enjoy some leisure time to stroll through the ancient narrow streets and browse the small shops. Later,

discover a beautiful renaissance ch teau, home to a wine co-operative. Enjoy the sweeping views of the fertile valley and discover the clear differences of the wine in this region compared to those of Saint- milion and the M doc. Arrive back at your ch teau this evening to relax. (B)

Day 6: Dordogne Valley - Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val - Albi - Toulouse

Bid farewell to the Dordogne Valley as you make your way to Toulouse, the pink city and home of the French aerospace industry. En route, spend time in the incredibly charming village of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val, set in the middle of a beautiful gorge, and made famous by the hit movie *The Hundred-Foot Journey*. Join a local guide who will share stories as you walk the same narrow streets featured in the film. **Then it's off to Albi, the UNESCO World Heritage site** often referred to as "The Episcopal City." Enjoy a tour in the heart of the city including a visit to the largest brick cathedral in the world, and the museum dedicated to the famous artist, Toulouse-Lautrec. Settle into your perfectly located hotel in Toulouse, a former 17th-century convent overlooking the grand palace. Tonight, enjoy a special dinner where you'll learn about the regional cuisine of cassoulet, foie gras, and Gaillac wine, the oldest in France. (B, D)

Y Day 7: Toulouse This morning it's your choice and you get to choose how to experience Toulouse. Perhaps you'll head out on foot with a local guide to the city's open-air market, followed by a walking tour of some of the city's most beloved landmarks. Or, maybe you'd prefer to choose an exciting tour of the Airbus facility, maker of the world's largest passenger airliner, and the only major competitor to Boeing. The remainder of the day is yours to relax and discover the city on your own; perhaps



you will wander the streets of its enchanting Vieux Quartier lined with churches, shops and cafes. (B)

Day 8: Toulouse - Carcassonne

Today we are off to the fairy-tale village of Carcassonne. A local expert will guide you through the old city. This storybook setting comes complete with drawbridges, towers and cobbled streets. Feel like you have stepped into the pages of history with a guided stroll through its medieval alleyways. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore independently. No doubt you will want to soak up as much of this city as you can. Spend the night surrounded by old-world ambiance and ultimate comfort in your iconic hotel situated along the walls of this picturesque, fortified village perched above the valley. (B)

Day 9: Carcassonne - Pont du Gard - Avignon - Saint-Rémy

This morning you'll journey to Provence and the incredible village of Avignon. En route, marvel at the **Pont du Gard**, the greatest surviving stretch of aqueduct remaining from Roman times. Later, spend time learning the history of Avignon, often called the "City of Popes," and get an inside look at the town of Avignon with your local guide. **Revel in the beauty as you visit the dramatic Palace of the Popes**, a centre of European religion for 70 years when the Popes moved there in 1309. Tonight, enjoy a special dinner at a local restaurant, complete with a crème brulee demonstration. (B, D)

Day 10: Saint-Rémy Today immerse yourself in the best of Provence on a journey

to some of the sights that inspired artists such as Cézanne, Renoir, Van Gogh, Matisse and Picasso. Begin with a visit to the beautiful lavender fields in Gordes and learn about this special flower at the Lavender Museum. Then head to Aix-en-Provence to discover the city that inspired Cézanne and enjoy a visit to his workshop. After free time for lunch, take a drive to the Sainte-Victoire Mountain, often a muse of Cézanne, to view Château de Vauvenargues, one of Picasso's former residences and his final resting place. The remainder of the day is yours to relax and take in the many amenities of your luxurious hotel. (B)

Day 11: Saint-Rémy - Les Baux-de-Provence - Saint-Rémy

Let your senses take over during the famous Wednesday market. Sample the fresh delicacies of this truly authentic Provençal market filled with local residents. From there, head up the scenic roads through the Alpilles mountain range to the hilltop town of Les Baux-de-Provence. As you navigate its winding medieval streets, you'll be captivated by its charm. At the imposing fortress, stand in awe of the recreated giant medieval catapults. Then, enter the caves at the nearby ancient quarries for a mesmerizing sound and light show featuring projections of magnificent works of art. Tonight, prepare your senses for your farewell farm-to-table dinner with wine at your award-winning hotel. (B, D)

Day 12: Saint-Rémy - Tour

Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Toulouse, head out on a walking tour with a local guide or a tour of the Airbus facility, maker of the world's largest passenger airliner.

Cultural Experiences

- See the Medoc wine region, along the stunning Route des Châteaux.
- Spend time in the charming village of Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val.
- Walk alongside the famous Roman aqueduct Pont du Gard.
- Enter caves near Les-Baux-de-Provence for a mesmerizing light show.

Must-See Inclusions

- Join your local guide for a walking tour of Bordeaux, "The Sleeping Beauty."
- Walk through the fairy-tale village of Carcassonne with a local expert.
- Get an inside look at the town of Avignon with a local guide.
- Discover the city that inspired Cézanne - Aix-en-Provence and visit his workshop.
- Visit "Cite du Vin" wine museum, referred to as the Guggenheim of Wine.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Enjoy dinner of Provençal cuisine complete with a crème brulee demonstration.
- Savour the delicious wines of Bordeaux, St. Emilion, Medoc and Dordogne Valley.
- Stop to discover an iconic chateau winery, its vineyards, and renowned wine.

Accommodations

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| Day 1 | Mercure Tour Eiffel, Paris |
| Day 2, 3 | Mercure Bordeaux Centre, Bordeaux |
| Days 4, 5 | Château des Vigiers, Dordogne Valley |
| Days 6, 7 | Grand Hotel de L'Opera, Toulouse, France |
| Day 8 | Hotel de La Cite, Carcassonne |
| Days 9 - 11 | Le Vallon de Valrugues, Saint-Rémy-de-Provence |

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.*
- **Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- **Enhance your in-flight-experience** with an **air upgrade**.
See page 160 for details.
- **On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will depart from the Marseilles airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from your hotel in Saint-Rémy to the Marseilles airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. *Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

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|------------------------------|---------------|--|----------------------------|
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 15 October | \$6439 |
| 7 May | \$6439 | 15, 22 April | \$6439 |
| 23 July | \$6439 | | |
| 20 August | \$6439 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1510 - \$1580 |
| 10, 17, 24 September | \$6509 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 1 October | \$6509 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |



Alhambra

Spain's Classics

Immerse yourself in a colourful pageant of art, history and culture

Start Early

Add an extra day in Madrid.

Enjoy more time to stroll along the city's grand boulevards as you come to know its distinct culture. Call for details.

Day 1: Madrid, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Madrid, Spain's lively capital and largest city. Tonight, enjoy a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Madrid - Royal Palace - Toledo

- Madrid During a locally guided tour of Madrid's historic centre, see the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor, where events have been held since the 17th century.

An expert-led tour of the monumental 18th-century Royal Palace reveals lavish halls, banquet rooms, the throne room, royal armoury and the impressive



Mezquita

courtyard. This afternoon travel to Toledo, a UNESCO site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. A comprehensive tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral and the 13th-century synagogue, a testament to Toledo's Jewish heritage. Also stop in the Church of Santo Tome to view El Greco's masterpiece painting, *The Burial of Count Orgaz*. (B)

Day 3: Madrid - Cordoba - Seville

Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Then, travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita. This UNESCO site, an architectural marvel built by the Moors in the 8th century as a magnificent mosque, was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's well-preserved and historical Jewish Quarter. Later, journey to Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital." (B, D)

Day 4: Seville Today you will see Columbus' tomb, the ornate cathedral (UNESCO), and its Giralda Bell Tower. **Enjoy a walking tour of the quaint Santa Cruz Quarter** with its bright flowers, white-washed buildings and winding streets; then continue to Plaza de España and the beautiful Maria Luisa Park, one of the loveliest in all of Europe. This evening, **enjoy an authentic flamenco show** (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers. (B)

Day 5: Seville - Granada Travel along the picturesque Sierra Nevada to Granada, the last great

Moorish capital in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. **Join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra**, the immense hilltop



Flamenco

palace recognized by UNESCO. Also tour the Generalife, meaning "garden of the architect," where the gardens are beautifully adorned with flora, waterfalls, courtyards and peaceful secret gardens. (B, D)

Day 6: Granada - Valencia Today you travel through Spain's amazing landscape viewing rolling hills dotted with picturesque olive groves while en route to the Mediterranean coast. Arrive in the city of Valencia, a treasure trove of Roman and Arabic architecture, surrounded by citrus groves. (B)

Y Day 7: Valencia - Paella Experience - Valencia It's your choice today! You may take a walking tour of historic Valencia to see the ornate 14th-century Serranos Tower and imposing



15th-century Quart Tower; then arrive at the bustling central market, one of the largest in Europe, where you'll shop side by side with the locals before concluding your tour at the impressive 13th-century Gothic cathedral. Or, perhaps you would prefer to explore the impressive City of Arts & Science, an ultramodern, multi-faceted educational institution, followed by an informational tour of Lladro, City of Porcelain to discover the creative process. Later, gather together and travel to the area where paella cuisine originated. A "paella experience" features a boat ride on the canals surrounding



rice field plantations; a visit to a traditional fisherman's home known as a "barraca"; a paella-making demonstration and an authentic paella lunch. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B, L)

Day 8: Valencia - Barcelona

Travel to Barcelona, one of Europe's most beautiful and exciting cities. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Barcelona's fascinating boulevards including the lively Las Ramblas, filled with shops, artists, street performers and more. (B)

Day 9: Barcelona Today, get an in-depth look at vibrant and lively Barcelona. Your locally guided tour showcases the Columbus Monument and the Parc de Montjuic, plus Antoni Gaudi's UNESCO World Heritage sites including La Sagrada Familia, Parc Guell, Batllo House and the unconventional Casa Mila building. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain! (B, D)

Day 10: Barcelona - Tour Ends
You return home with vivid memories of a spectacularly beautiful land with an old, rich and diverse cultural heritage. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Barcelona. Unwind after your tour and give yourself the gift of another night in this dynamic city.
Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- Set out on a walking tour of historic Valencia or explore the Lladro City of Porcelain.

Cultural Experiences

- Feel the energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville.
- In Cordoba, take a walking tour of the Mezquita, a religious marvel.
- Explore Madrid's Royal Palace, the official residence of the royal family.
- Join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra palace.

Must-See Inclusions

- Step back in time in Toledo, the former capital of the Spanish Empire.
- Marvel at Antonio Gaudi's architectural masterpieces in Barcelona.
- Get to know Seville's quaint, old Santa Cruz Quarter.

Culinary Inclusions

- 14 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Savour a "paella experience" including a paella-making demonstration and lunch.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Hotel Melia Galgos, Madrid
 - Days 3, 4** Hotel Melia Sevilla or Melia Lebreros, Seville
 - Day 5** Hotel Melia Granada, Granada
 - Days 6, 7** Hotel Tryp Oceanic or AC Valencia, Valencia
 - Days 8, 9** Hotel Colon, Crowne Plaza Fira Center or Gallery Hotel, Barcelona
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. The walking tours of Toledo (day 3) and the Alhambra (day 6) are considered to be more strenuous in nature due to the uneven walkways, number of steps and some uphill walks that are required in order to see the historic sights. On some dates, this tour operates in reverse. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|---|--------------------------|
| February – April 2017 | Double | 6, 13, 15, 22 October | \$3469 |
| 10 February* | \$2649 | 3, 5, 10 November | \$3189 |
| 5, 19, 26 March | \$2819 | 25 February* | \$2919 |
| 2, 23 April | \$2889 | 11 March | \$3059 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 18 March | \$3189 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 8, 15, 20, 27 April | \$3469 |
| 3, 21, 28 May | \$3259 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$620 - \$830 |
| 18, 25 June | \$3259 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 9, 16 July | \$3119 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 27 August | \$3469 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29 September | \$3469 | | |



Madrid

Spain's Classics & Portugal

Embrace a complete Iberian adventure across two culturally rich countries

Start Early

Add an extra day in Lisbon.

Learn more about this grand city of explorers during your extra night.

Call for details.

Day 1: Lisbon, Portugal - Tour Begins

Welcome to Portugal, where quaint farming villages and cork & olive tree plantations dot the landscape. Enjoy Lisbon, Portugal's vibrant capital city. Tonight, begin your journey with a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Lisbon A tour of Lisbon features the Moorish Alfama Quarter, Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO World Heritage site), the Monument to the Discoveries, and the Tower of Belem (UNESCO). Tonight, enjoy a dinner complete with local cuisine, wines and Fado music (UNESCO). (B, D)

Day 3: Lisbon - Fatima - Nazare - Obidos - Lisbon Your day on Portugal's "Silver Coast" begins in the pilgrimage town of Fatima. View the Batalha Monastery (UNESCO), an example of Manueline architecture, then travel to the quaint seaside town of Nazare and the charming medieval walled town of Obidos. (B)

Day 4: Lisbon - Madrid, Spain Depart Lisbon and cross the border into Spain. Enjoy your day

viewing the countryside of Portugal and Spain before arriving into the capital city of Spain – Madrid. (B, D)

Day 5: Madrid - Royal Palace - Toledo - Madrid

During a locally guided tour of Madrid's historic centre, see the Puerta del Sol and Plaza Mayor, where events have been held since the 17th century.

An expert-led tour of the monumental 18th-century Royal Palace reveals lavish halls, banquet rooms, the throne room and the impressive courtyard. This afternoon travel to Toledo, a UNESCO site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. A comprehensive tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral and



Monument to the Discoveries, Lisbon

the 13th-century synagogue, a testament to Toledo's Jewish heritage. Also stop in the Church of Santo Tome to view El Greco's masterpiece painting, *The Burial of Count Orgaz*. (B)

Day 6: Madrid - Cordoba - Seville Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Then, travel to the extraordinary Moorish city of Cordoba. Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita. This UNESCO site, an architectural marvel built by the Moors in the 8th century as a magnificent mosque, was converted into the city's cathedral in the 16th century. Continue your exploration of Cordoba in the city's well-preserved and historical Jewish Quarter. Later, transfer to Seville, considered Spain's "cultural capital." (B, D)

Day 7: Seville Today you will see Columbus' tomb, the ornate cathedral (UNESCO), and the Giralda Bell Tower. Enjoy a walking tour of the quaint, old Santa Cruz Quarter with its bright flowers, white-washed buildings and winding streets; then continue to Plaza de España and the beautiful Maria Luisa Park, one of the loveliest in all of Europe. This evening, enjoy an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers. (B)

Day 8: Seville - Granada Travel along the peaceful Sierra Nevada mountains to Granada, the last great capital of the Moors in Spain before it fell to the Catholic monarchs in 1492. Join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra, the immense hilltop palace that is a UNESCO site. Also tour the Generalife, meaning "the leisure gardens of the kings," where the grounds are beautifully designed with waterfalls, courtyards and smaller secret gardens. (B, D)



Day 9: Granada - Valencia

Today you travel through Spain's amazing landscape viewing rolling hills dotted with the famous Valencian oranges along with a large variety of fruits while en route to the Mediterranean coast. Arrive in the city of Valencia, a treasure trove of Roman and Arabic architecture, surrounded by citrus groves. (B)

Y Day 10: Valencia - Paella Experience - Valencia It's your choice today! You may take a walking tour of historic Valencia to see the ornate 14th-century Serranos Tower and imposing 15th-century Quart Tower; then arrive at the bustling central market, one of the largest in Europe, where you'll shop side by side with the locals before concluding your tour at the impressive 13th-century Gothic cathedral. Or, perhaps you would prefer to explore the impressive City of Arts & Science, an ultramodern, multi-faceted educational complex, followed by a tour of the Lladro City of Porcelain to learn about the history and creative process of the world-famous, handmade Lladro figurines. Later, gather together to travel to the area where paella cuisine originated. A "paella experience" features a boat ride on the canals surrounding rice field plantations; a visit to a traditional fisherman's home known as a "barraca"; a paella-making demonstration and an authentic paella lunch. The remainder

of the day is at leisure. (B, L)

Day 11: Valencia - Barcelona

Travel to Barcelona, one of Europe's most beautiful and exciting cities. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Barcelona's fascinating boulevards including the lively Las Ramblas, filled with shops, artists, street performers and more. (B)

Day 12: Barcelona Today, get an in-depth look at vibrant and lively Barcelona. Your locally guided tour showcases the Columbus Monument and the Parc de Montjuic, plus Antoni Gaudi's UNESCO World Heritage sites including La Sagrada Familia, Parc Guell, Batllo House and the unconventional Casa Mila building. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip to Spain and Portugal! (B, D)

Day 13: Barcelona - Tour Ends

You return home with vivid memories of a spectacularly beautiful land with old, rich and diverse cultural heritages. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Barcelona. Give yourself the gift of another night after your tour ends in this dynamic city. Call for details.

Choice On Tour Y

- In Valencia, take a walking tour featuring the city's grand architecture and bustling market, or explore the City of Arts & Science and tour the Lladro City of Porcelain.

Cultural Experiences

- Feel the energy of Spain at a flamenco performance in Seville.
- In Cordoba, take a walking tour of the Mezquita, a religious marvel.

Must-See Inclusions

- Step back in time in Toledo, the former capital of the Spanish Empire.
- Join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra Palace.
- Get to know Seville's quaint, old Santa Cruz Quarter.
- Barcelona reveals Antonio Gaudi's architectural masterpieces.

Culinary Inclusions

- 19 meals included: 12 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 6 dinners
- Savour a "paella experience" including a paella-making demonstration and lunch.
- Dine on traditional Portuguese cuisine and enjoy Fado music.

Accommodation

- Days 1 - 3** Altis Grand Hotel, Lisbon or Turim Marques Pombal Hotel, Lisbon or Pousada de Queluz, Queluz
 - Days 4, 5** Hotel Melia Galgos, Madrid
 - Days 6, 7** Hotel Melia Sevilla or Melia Lebreros, Seville
 - Day 8** Hotel Melia Granada, Granada
 - Days 9, 10** Hotel Tryp Oceanic or AC Valencia Hotel, Valencia
 - Days 11, 12** Gallery Hotel, Hotel Colon or Crowne Plaza Fira Center, Barcelona
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Dates & Prices

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|--|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| March - April 2017 | Double | 5, 12, 19, 26 October | \$4229 |
| 23 March | \$3509 | 2 November | \$4089 |
| 20, 27 April | \$3639 | 9 November | \$3949 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 8 February* | \$3809 |
| | | 8, 15 March | \$4089 |
| | | 12, 19, 26 April | \$4229 |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$880 - \$1450 |
| 4, 11, 18, 25 May | \$3949 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| 8, 15 June | \$3949 | | |
| 6 July | \$3879 | | |
| 31 August | \$3949 | | |
| 7, 14, 21, 28 September | \$4229 | | |

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.
*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.



Spotlight on Barcelona

Stay in the heart of this world-class cultural centre

Day 1: Barcelona, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Barcelona, Spain's second largest city and capital of the Catalunya region. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Barcelona - Parc Güell - La Sagrada Família

Get acquainted with one of



the liveliest cities in all of Europe on your locally guided tour. Discover Parc Güell, one of the most impressive public parks in the world and one of Gaudí's masterpieces where he let loose his imagination with amazing buildings, sculptures and tile work. Next, explore the most popular monument in Spain, Antoni Gaudí's unfinished masterpiece La Sagrada Família, still under construction after more than 100 years. Also see the Columbus Monument, Parc de Montjuïc, and several UNESCO World Heritage sites linked to Antoni Gaudí including the unconventional Casa Mila building and Batlló House. The afternoon is at leisure to relax, explore independently or perhaps take an optional excursion to Montserrat, a spectacular mountaintop monastery. (B)

Y Day 3: Barcelona - Choice of Walking Tours Today it's your choice of locally guided walking tours! You may choose to begin at the 14th-century basilica of Santa Maria del Mar, created in pure Catalan Gothic style, followed by

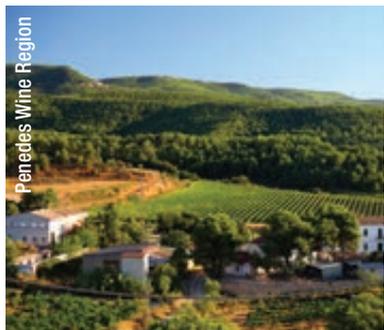
a leisurely paced walking tour of Barcelona's historic Gothic Quarter, a beautifully preserved neighbourhood with medieval squares set inside a labyrinth of streets



leading to the 13th-century La Seu Cathedral. Or perhaps you will choose to meet the locals while exploring La Boqueria, Barcelona's largest and oldest



open-air market, portions of which date back to the Middle Ages; then head to Las Ramblas Boulevard, the most famous walking street in Barcelona; discover famous landmarks such as Gran Teatre del Liceu, Plaza Real, Palau de la Virreina, and one of



Antoni Gaudí's architectural treasures – Güell Palace. The afternoon is free to explore intriguing Barcelona on your own. You may opt to visit the Picasso Museum, home to more than 3,800 of his works. Or maybe take a stroll along one of Barcelona's grand boulevards.(B)

Day 4: Barcelona - Penedès Wine Region - Cooking Class

- Sitges Your journey brings you to the Penedès, the land of wine and cava – Spain's celebrated sparkling wine. Arrive in the small town of Sant Sadurn d'Anoia, the birthplace of cava. Take in the sights, smells, tastes,

sounds, textures and sensations during a fun-filled interactive cooking class followed by a delightful lunch of Catalan specialities. Later, tour the beautiful Codorniu cellars, the world's largest producer of cava. Be immersed in the Art Nouveau style of architecture, along with the history, traditions and innovations of winemaking. Sample a variety of wines before proceeding to the whitewashed coastal town of Sitges, known for its beaches, compact old town, classic Art Deco buildings and the seafront promenade. Enjoy free time exploring this delightful town before returning to Barcelona. (B, L)

Day 5: Barcelona Enjoy a day at leisure to create your own adventure in this fascinating city. You may choose an optional excursion to Figueres and the famed Dalí Theatre-Museum for insight into the surrealist world of Salvador Dalí. This evening, toast the end of a memorable trip with the popular local drink *chupito de hiervas*, followed by a sumptuous farewell dinner featuring local wine and a selection of tapas including some traditional favorites – *pulpo a la gallega* (octopus Galician style), *gambas al ajillo* (garlic prawns), and *pan con tomate* (Spanish style bruschetta). (B, D)

Day 6: Barcelona - Tour Ends
Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Dates & Prices

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|--|---------------|---|--------------------------|
| February – April 2017 | Double | 3, 10 September | \$2709 |
| 5 February* | \$2179 | 8 October | \$2709 |
| 26 March | \$2299 | 5 November | \$2499 |
| 23 April | \$2369 | 4 February* | \$2369 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 4 March | \$2499 |
| 14, 28 May | \$2709 | 22 April | \$2639 |
| 11 June | \$2639 | | |
| 9 July | \$2569 | | |
| 13 August | \$2569 | | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$620 - \$970 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| | | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |

Choice On Tour

- Discover the historic Gothic Quarter & 13th-century cathedral or stroll through La Boqueria, Barcelona's oldest open-air market.

Cultural Experiences

- Admire the classic Art Deco buildings of colorful Sitges.
- Discover Antoni Gaudí's masterpieces including the most popular monument in Spain, La Sagrada Familia.

Must-See Inclusions

- See the Columbus Monument, Parc de Montjuic, and several UNESCO World Heritage sites.
- Enjoy a day at leisure to create your own adventure in this fascinating city.

Culinary Inclusions

- 8 meals included: 5 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 2 dinners
- Taste the area's famous sparkling wine known as cava.
- Learn the secrets of Catalan cuisine during a private cooking class.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 5 Avenida Palace Hotel, Barcelona

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.[†]
- **Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- **Enhance your inflight-experience** with an air upgrade.
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This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts.
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Costa del Sol

Spain's Costa del Sol & The Portuguese Riviera

Come to a place where cultural treasures meet sparkling shores

Start Early

Add an extra day in Madrid.

Enjoy more time to celebrate the city's expansive love of history, art and food.

Call for details.

Day 1: Madrid, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Madrid, Spain's dynamic capital city. Tonight, enjoy a charming welcome dinner. (D)

Y Day 2: Madrid Today, you choose your tour! You may choose to join a local expert who introduces you to Madrid's architectural treasures on a panoramic tour; then, explore the priceless masterpieces of the Prado Museum which opened in 1819 and boasts the world's finest collection of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya. Or, perhaps you would prefer a walking tour of Madrid featuring sites of the Hapsburg era: discover the Puerta Del Sol, Plaza Mayor and the famous Andalusian tavern "La Torre del Oro;" the Mercado San Miguel, the last remaining market constructed in forged iron; Arco de los Cuchilleros (the Arch of the Knifemakers); and Plaza de la Villa with its historic Baroque and Mudéjar-style buildings. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

Day 3: Madrid - High-Speed Train - Cordoba - Costa del Sol Sit back and enjoy

stunning landscapes as you travel via high-speed train to the Moorish city of Cordoba. Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Originally built as a mosque, it was converted into the city's cathedral when the Christians conquered the region in 1236. Enjoy a tour through the streets of the historic Jewish quarter. **Continue on to Spain's Costa del Sol and enjoy a 3-night stay by the sea** at Parador Málaga Golf. (B, D)

Day 4: Costa del Sol Enjoy a day at leisure to relax and experience your hotel's direct beach access



or pristine 18-hole golf course. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to help you plan your day. (B, D)

Day 5: Costa del Sol - Granada - Costa del Sol Take a day trip to Granada, the last great capital of the Moors in Spain. Travel past rolling hills dotted with olive groves, capturing the

country's classic beauty. Upon arrival, **join a local expert for a tour of the world-famous Alhambra**, a hilltop palace and UNESCO site. Tour the palatial Generalife, and behold its waterfalls, courtyards and secret gardens. (B)

Day 6: Costa del Sol - Ronda - Seville

Travel to Ronda, one of the loveliest and most historic towns in Andalucía. Join a local expert to explore Ronda's old town full of twisting narrow streets, the 18th-century Puente Nuevo (New Bridge) over the El Tajo gorge, and La Alameda Park with its wonderful panoramic views of the surrounding countryside and mountains. Then, continue to Spain's "cultural capital" – Seville. (B, D)

Day 7: Seville In Seville, see Columbus' tomb, the ornate cathedral (UNESCO), and the bell tower, Giralda. Take a walking tour of the quaint Santa Cruz Quarter with its cascading bright flowers, whitewashed buildings and winding streets. Continue to Plaza de España and the beautiful Maria Luisa Park – one of the loveliest parks in all of Europe. (B)

Day 8: Seville - Azeitao, Portugal - Cascais Depart Spain and travel through the Portuguese countryside to Azeitao – an agricultural village known for red wine, olive trees and country estates. **Enjoy a tour and tasting of local wines** when you visit a centuries-old winemaker. Later, arrive in Cascais, the famous and picturesque coastal resort on the Portuguese Riviera. (B, D)



Day 9: Cascais - Lisbon - Cascais This morning it's your choice!

You may choose to join a panoramic Lisbon city tour – via coach - featuring Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO), Belem Tower (UNESCO), and the Monument to the Discoveries, capped off with a visit to the National Museum of Coaches. Or, perhaps you will select a walking tour of the Alfama District, Lisbon's most symbolic quarter; step back in time as you explore this residential neighbourhood which is considered a village within a city; stroll through its medieval alleys, narrow streets, tiny squares, and by beautiful churches and whitewashed houses with tile panels and wrought-iron balconies adorned with pots of flowers; then, climb the hill to explore the castle that has the most breathtaking panorama of the city. Your afternoon is at leisure in Cascais... perhaps walk the beach promenade or shop for ceramics, hand-woven works and tapestries. (B)

Day 10: Cascais - Ericeira - Sintra - Cascais Visit the impressive Mafra Palace and Monastery, one of the largest Baroque buildings in Portugal. A guided tour takes you through the domed basilica, the royal apartments decorated in 18th-century furniture and paintings, and the magnificent Baroque library, one of the finest in Europe. Enjoy some free time to explore

the fishing village of Ericeira, perched on cliffs overlooking the Atlantic. Its unique narrow streets, lined with whitewashed chapels and white houses edged in blue, are the perfect place for thoughtful wandering. Continue on to the town of Sintra, a UNESCO site and the favourite summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Here, peruse speciality shops filled with Portuguese handicrafts. (B)

Day 11: Cascais - Obidos - Nazare - Fatima - Cascais

Travel Portugal's Silver Coast, a region filled with sleepy villages, rich vineyards



and centuries-old castles. Stop in charming Obidos, protected by medieval city walls. Continue to Nazare, a coastal fishing village. Then, visit Fatima, the world-famous Marian pilgrimage site. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a wonderful farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Cascais - Tour Ends (B)

Choice On Tour

- In Madrid, join a local expert on a panoramic architectural tour and visit the Prado Museum or take a walking tour that features the sites of the Hapsburg era.
- In Lisbon, join a panoramic tour featuring a drive among the city's landmarks and a visit to the National Museum of Coaches or take a walking tour of the historic Alfama District.

Cultural Experiences

- Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita, a religious marvel.
- Travel to Ronda, one of Spain's loveliest and most historic towns.
- Visit the impressive Mafra Palace and Monastery.
- Stop in charming Obidos, protected by medieval city walls.
- Journey on the thrilling AVE High-Speed Train.

Must-See Inclusions

- Enjoy a day at leisure in the picturesque Costa del Sol.
- Take a day trip to Granada, the last great capital of the Moorish.
- Tour the world famous Alhambra, a hilltop palace.
- View Lisbon's impressive Belem Tower on your city tour.
- Experience Portugal's beautiful town of Sintra, a UNESCO site.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Enjoy a tour and tasting of local wines at a centuries-old winemaker.
- Savour regional wines with every included dinner!

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Melia Galgos Hotel, Madrid
- Days 3 – 5** Parador Malága Golf, Malaga
- Days 6, 7** Melia Sevilla or Melia Lebreros, Seville
- Days 8 – 11** Vila Gale Cascais, Cascais

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your in-flight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will depart from Lisbon, Portugal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Cascais to Lisbon airport (approximately a 40 minute drive). Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 6, 13, 20 October | \$3809 |
| 10, 17 March | \$2929 | 27 October | \$3679 |
| 24 March | \$3049 | 3 November | \$3679 |
| 31 March | \$3119 | 23 February* | \$3609 |
| 21, 28 April | \$3179 | 2, 9 March | \$3679 |
| | | 13, 20, 27 April | \$3949 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$690 - \$900 |
| 12, 19 May | \$3809 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 - \$50 |
| 16 June | \$3949 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 7 July | \$3949 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 15, 22 September | \$3949 | | |



Seville: Plaza Mayor, Madrid

Madrid, Seville & Lisbon

Set out on an adventure across the Iberian Peninsula

Start Early

Add an extra day in Madrid. Open your tour in one of Spain's most vibrant cities. Call for details.

Day 1: Madrid, Spain - Tour Begins

Delve into three grand cities of the Iberian Peninsula; each filled with unique treasures to uncover. You will have plenty of time to explore, and become acquainted with their charms and savour the atmosphere of each of these magnificent cities. Welcome to Madrid, Spain's dynamic capital city. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

📍 Day 2: Choice of Prado Museum or Hapsburg Madrid Walking Tour

Today you choose your tour! Join a local expert who introduces you to Madrid's architectural treasures on a panoramic tour. Then it's off to explore the priceless

masterpieces of Madrid's Prado Museum which opened in 1819 and boasts one of the world's finest collections of art by masters such as Velazquez and Goya. Or, perhaps you will opt for a walking tour of Madrid featuring sites of the Hapsburg era. Discover the Puerta Del Sol, Plaza Mayor and the famous Andalusian tavern "La Torre del Oro;" Mercado San Miguel, one of the last remaining market constructed in forged iron; Arco de los Cuchilleros (the Arch of the Knifemakers); and Plaza de la Villa with its historic Baroque and Mudéjar-style buildings. Your afternoon is at leisure. (B)

Day 3: Madrid - AVE High-Speed Train - Cordoba - Seville

Sit back and enjoy stunning landscapes as you travel via high-speed train to the Moorish city of Cordoba. Embark on a walking tour of the Mezquita, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Originally built as a mosque, it was later converted into the city's cathedral when the Christians conquered the region in 1236. Enjoy a stroll through the streets of the historic Jewish Quarter. Later, arrive in charismatic Seville, the city of *Carmen*, *Don Juan* and *Figaro*. (B, D)

Day 4: Seville - Royal Alcázar - Tapas Lunch - Seville

Join a local expert in discovering the intriguing myths, stories and legends of Seville. You will be impressed by this historic city's Mudéjar architecture. Tour the Royal Alcázar (UNESCO), where you can stroll through its beautifully decorated courtyards featuring columns and exquisite plasterwork. Then, walk through the sprawling and colourful Alcázar gardens discovering one garden

after another. Next, see the Giralda Bell Tower and the majestic Seville Cathedral (UNESCO). Continue on to the winding narrow streets and quaint courtyards of Barrio Santa Cruz, the old Jewish Quarter of Seville, with its bright flowers and whitewashed buildings. **Join a local flamenco dancer for a traditional "tapas lunch"** (small plates) and discuss the history and artistry of flamenco. Your afternoon is at leisure. This evening you have reserved seats for an authentic flamenco show (UNESCO) featuring Seville's top performers. (B, L)

Day 5: Seville Enjoy a day to discover Seville as you choose. Seville exudes an immeasurable beauty and has a rich culture that is sure to dazzle your senses. Take a stroll along the banks of the Guadalquivir River, explore the lively popular quarter of Triana with its charming narrow streets, or enjoy the peaceful serenity of the beautiful Maria Luisa Park, one of the loveliest in all of Europe. Your choices are endless. (B)

Day 6: Seville - Evora, Portugal - Lisbon

Say adios to Spain! Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key words of the Portuguese language. Travel through beautiful countryside, as you cross Alentejo's limitless plains and vineyards to historic Evora, Portugal (UNESCO). Known as the "Museum City of Portugal," **a leisurely paced walking tour reveals a true open-air museum inside Evora's medieval walls.** A 2nd-century Roman temple of Diana and well-preserved monuments set the scene. Your day comes to a close in Lisbon, the capital of Portugal and one of Europe's most beautiful and cosmopolitan cities. Renowned for



Prado Museum



Flamenco Dance



Madrid

its warm and sunny disposition, Lisbon is home to a wealth of historic monuments and world-class museums. (B)

Y Day 7: Choice of Lisbon Panoramic City Tour or Alfama District Walking Tour
This morning it's your choice! You may choose to join a panoramic Lisbon city tour



Belem Tower

featuring Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO), Belem Tower (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and is capped off with a visit to the National Museum of Coaches. Or, perhaps you will choose to take a walking tour of the historic Alfama District, Lisbon's most symbolic quarter: step back in time as you explore this residential neighbourhood which is considered a village within a city; stroll through its medieval alleys, narrow streets and small squares; pass by beautiful churches and whitewashed houses with tile panels and wrought-iron balconies adorned with pots of flowers; then, climb the hill to

explore the Sao Jorge's Castle that has the most breathtaking panorama of the city. Your afternoon is at leisure. This evening, enjoy the captivating sounds of Fado music (UNESCO) that accompanies your dinner featuring local cuisine. (B, D)

Day 8: Lisbon - Calouste Gulbenkian Museum - National Tile Museum - Lisbon

Start the day exploring the Calouste Gulbenkian Museum, one of the world's great museums with a priceless private art collection that includes both Western and Eastern art. The worldwide collection spans 4,000 years – from the ancient Egyptian period to the late 20th century. Then it's on to the delightful National Tile Museum. Home to five centuries of decorative ceramic tiles (azulejos), it's the only collection of its kind in the world. Marvel at the spectacular blue and white composition of 1,300 tiles of Lisbon's cityscape made in 1738. Enjoy another afternoon at leisure. Gather this evening for a delightful farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Lisbon - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Lisbon. Set out to discover a city known for its great explorers. Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|---|------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 22 October | \$3469 |
| 12 March | \$2949 | 5 November | \$3329 |
| 2 April | \$3069 | 18 February* | \$3189 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 18 March | \$3329 |
| | | 22 April | \$3469 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$690 |
| 7 May | \$3329 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 25 June | \$3329 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 9 July | \$3329 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 11, 24 September | \$3469 | | |
| 15, 22 October | \$3469 | | |

Choice On Tour

- In Madrid choose a panoramic city tour with a guided visit to the Prado Museum or enjoy a Hapsburg Madrid walking tour.
- Join a panoramic Lisbon city tour featuring several UNESCO World Heritage sites or take a walking tour of the historic Alfama District highlighting Sao Jorge Castle.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore the monumental compound of the Royal Alcázar of Seville.
- Embark on a walking tour of the Cordoba's Mezquita, a religious marvel.
- See one of the world's finest private art collections at the Calouste Gulbenkian Museum.
- Spend time learning about "azulejos" at the National Tile Museum in Lisbon.

Must-See Inclusions

- Take your seat at an authentic flamenco show.
- Journey on the thrilling AVE high-speed train.
- Explore the charming streets and courtyards of Barrio Santa Cruz, Seville.
- Discover the "Museum City of Portugal," Evora, on a walking tour.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Join a local flamenco dancer for a traditional "tapas lunch."
- Dinner of typical Portuguese cuisine features captivating Fado music.
- Enjoy regional wines with every included dinner!

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Melia Galgos Hotel, Madrid
- Days 3 – 5** Melia Sevilla, Seville
- Days 6 – 8** Turim Avenida Liberdade, Lisbon

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
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Northern Spain & Portugal

Dive deep into the culture while staying in small, luxurious and historic hotels

Day 1: Toledo, Spain - Tour Begins

Welcome to Toledo, a national monument to Spain's art and history, and a treasure trove of El Greco's artwork. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Toledo Get acquainted with Toledo, a UNESCO World Heritage site and the capital of medieval Spain until 1560. Toledo was known as the city of three cultures, where Christians, Jews and Arabs lived together in harmony. A walking tour highlights the magnificent Gothic cathedral, the medieval castle and towers, and Europe's oldest synagogue, the Santa Maria La Blanca Synagogue. Stop at the Church of Santo Tome to see El Greco's masterpiece painting, The Burial of the Count of Orgaz. Walk along the labyrinth of lanes winding through the medieval walled town and view the city's stunning Moorish, Mudéjar, Gothic and Renaissance architecture. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore on your own. (B)

Day 3: Toledo - Ribera del Duero -

Burgos Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Travel to Ribera del Duero, one of Spain's foremost wine-producing regions. **Make a stop for a tour and tasting of its famed red wine** at the spectacular winemaking facility of Bodegas Portia. Continue on to historic Burgos. Discover the beautiful town centre and the famous 13th-century Burgos Cathedral, a UNESCO World Heritage site and masterpiece of Gothic architecture. (B)

Day 4: Burgos - Bilbao - Guggenheim Museum - Old Quarter - Burgos

Continue through the culturally and linguistically unique

Basque country to Bilbao, recognised as a leader in architecture and contemporary art in Europe. **Tour the Guggenheim Museum**, a masterpiece of 20th-century architecture designed by architect Frank Gehry. This spectacular building is covered in titanium panels and has its own remarkable private art collection.

Next, enjoy the local favourite — a "txikiteo" (bar crawl) in Bilbao's colourful Old Quarter. Enjoy a light lunch of various "pintxos" – the Basque equivalent of the Spanish tapas – and drink the local cider. Later, an exciting experience awaits when you **visit the Vizcaya Bridge (UNESCO)**, the first transporter bridge of steel structure in the world. Opened in 1893, it's considered the engineering marvel of its time. Cross to the other side aboard the hanging gondola offering great views of the extraordinary panorama of the estuary. (B, L)

Day 5: Burgos - León Traverse the picturesque countryside to León, the ancient seat of the Reconquista during the Middle Ages. Upon arrival, **join a local guide for a visit to the magnificent 13th-century cathedral**, one of Spain's most beautiful buildings, with its sculpture-covered façade and impressive stained glass windows. Continue on for a tour of the city featuring the Basilica of San Isidoro and the adjoining Royal Pantheon, the resting place of León's ancient kings. This magnificent crypt has been described as the Sistine Chapel of Spanish Romanesque art. Pause to marvel at Casa de Botines, designed by the famous architect Gaudí. Then, settle into your Parador accommodations. (B, D)

Day 6: León - Santiago de Compostela

Your travels continue to Santiago de Compostela, one of the most popular pilgrim destinations since the Middle Ages, and where the tomb of the Apostle St. James was miraculously discovered. Join a local expert for a leisurely paced walking tour that features the

city's world-famous cathedral and Praça do Obradoiro, a monumental square of pure grandeur in granite, home to some of Europe's finest historical buildings. **Arrive at your hotel, the impressive Parador Hostal dos Reis Catolicos**, considered to be the oldest continuously operating hotel in the world and one of the most luxurious. (B, D)

Day 7: Santiago de Compostela - Guimarães, Portugal Your morning is at leisure to relax or explore the city on your own before saying farewell to Spain. Cross the border into Portugal and **travel to medieval Guimarães (UNESCO)**, the first capital of Portugal and birthplace of the nation's first king. (B, D)

Day 8: Guimarães - Cooking Class

Today you explore Guimarães. Your local guide will lead you on a tour featuring the imposing 10th-century Guimarães Castle; the Palace of the Dukes of Bragança, with 39 unusual brick chimneys; and the town's superbly restored buildings. Later in the day, **learn the secrets of Portuguese cuisine during an interactive cooking class**; this is followed by dinner featuring local food and wines. (B, D)

Day 9: Guimarães - Porto - Guimarães

Travel to the charismatic city of Porto (UNESCO). This ancient port is known for its striking contemporary monuments and Baroque carvings, and is the birthplace of the legendary Prince Henry the Navigator. Join a local expert to discover the sights and sounds of Porto's riverfront district. Make stops at Church of Sao Francisco to gaze at its spectacular golden adornments that line its walls and ceiling, and the Stock Exchange Palace to marvel at its exuberant interior. Along the way, see the 18th-century fortress-like Clerigos Tower; the impressive Dona Maria Pia Bridge, designed by



Gustave Eiffel; and the medieval quarter with traditional boats floating by the riverbanks. Then, get a taste of the region at a local winery. Learn about the wine making process on a tour, then sample its famous port wine. (B)

Day 10: Guimarães - Vista Alegre Porcelain - Coimbra - Queluz Discover the traditional art of handmade Portuguese porcelain during a visit to Vista Alegre, in operation since 1824. Journey to Coimbra, home to one of the world's first universities, and explore the city with your guide. See the Baroque Library, lined with 300,000 books; the 12th-century Old Cathedral; and the 16th-century aqueduct. Next we continue to Queluz. Feel like a member of European royalty with a 3-night stay at the Baroque-style Pousada de Queluz. (B, D)

Day 11: Queluz - Lisbon Panoramic City Tour or Alfama District Walking Tour This morning you choose! You may choose to join a panoramic Lisbon city tour (via coach), or perhaps you'd prefer a walking tour of Lisbon's historic Alfama District. The Lisbon city tour features Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO), Belem Tower (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and you'll cap it off with a visit to the National Museum of Coaches. The Alfama District is Lisbon's most

symbolic quarter. On this walking tour, step back in time and explore this residential neighbourhood – considered a village within a city. Stroll through its medieval alleys, narrow streets and tiny squares; and pass by beautiful churches and whitewashed houses with tile panels and wrought-iron balconies adorned with pots of flowers; then, climb the hill to explore the castle that has the most breathtaking panorama of the city. (B)

Day 12: Queluz Enjoy a day at leisure. Perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to the Portuguese Riviera featuring picturesque Sintra (UNESCO); Cabo da Roca, the westernmost point on the European continent; and charming Cascais with its cobblestone streets, ocean side promenade and a wealth of picture-perfect views. Tonight, **gather for a wonderful farewell dinner** celebrating the end of a memorable trip to northern Spain and Portugal. (B, D)

Day 13: Queluz - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Queluz. Continue your adventure in your luxurious hotel in the outskirts of Lisbon. Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| March – April 2017 | | Double | 2, 30 August | \$5679 |
|---|--|--------|---|--------------------|
| 15 March | | \$4679 | 13, 27 September | \$5679 |
| 22, 26 April | | \$4869 | 11 October | \$5679 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. | | | 8 November | \$5189 |
| Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | 14 March | \$5189 |
| | | | 18, 25 April | \$5539 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$830 - \$1100 |
| 17 May | | \$5679 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 14 June | | \$5679 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 12 July | | \$5679 | | |

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Lisbon, choose your city tour: see it all by coach, or take a walking tour of Lisbon's historic Alfama District and explore the castle overlooking the city.

Cultural Experiences

- Stop at the Church of Santo Tome to see El Greco's masterpiece painting.
- Cross Vizcaya Bridge aboard a hanging gondola.
- See Leon's magnificent 13th-century cathedral.
- Discover the art of handmade Portuguese porcelain at Vista Alegre.
- Feel like European royalty staying at the Baroque-style Pousada de Queluz.

Must-See Inclusions

- Get acquainted with Toledo on a walking tour highlighting its Gothic cathedral.
- Visit the world-class Guggenheim Museum, a spectacular structure.
- Discover the sights and sounds of Porto's riverfront district on your tour.
- Join a local expert for a walking tour of Santiago de Compostela.

Culinary Inclusions

- 21 meals included: 12 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 8 dinners
- Enjoy a tour and tasting at the spectacular winemaking facility of Bodegas Portia.
- Participate in a local favourite - a "txikiteo" (bar crawl) in Bilbao's Old Quarter.
- Learn the secrets of Portuguese cuisine during an interactive cooking class.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Parador de Toledo, Toledo
- Days 3, 4** Hotel Palacio de los Blasones, Burgos
- Day 5** Parador Hostal de San Marcos, León or Parador de Benavente, Benevente
- Day 6** Parador Hostal dos Reis Católicos, Santiago de Compostela
- Days 7 – 9** Pousada Mosteiro de Guimarães, Guimarães
- Days 10 – 12** Pousada Palacio de Queluz, Queluz

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive into Madrid airport and will be transferred to Toledo (approx. 1 1/2 hour drive). Our international air passengers will depart from Lisbon, Portugal airport. All of our transfers will depart from Queluz to Lisbon airport (approximately a 20 minute drive). Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Sunny Portugal

Warm your soul along the Estoril Coast, in Alentejo and the Algarve

Day 1: Cascais, Portugal - Tour Begins

Portugal — a historic land of renowned explorers — is waiting for your own exploration. Discover ancient castles, Roman ruins, groves of almond and cork, quiet whitewashed villages, and kind, gentle people. Your tour opens in Cascais, a scenic coastal resort on the “Portuguese Riviera” and your home for three nights. The mansions scattered about Cascais and nearby Monte Estoril hint at its history as a haven for exiled European royals and nobility. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Choice of Lisbon

Panoramic City Tour or Alfama

District Walking Tour This morning it's your choice! You may choose to join a panoramic Lisbon city tour by coach featuring Jeronimo's Monastery (a UNESCO World Heritage site), Belem Tower (UNESCO), the Monument to the Discoveries, and capped off with a visit to the National Museum of Coaches. Or, perhaps you will choose to take a walking tour of the historic Alfama District, Lisbon's oldest and most symbolic quarter: step back in time as you explore this residential neighbourhood which is considered a village within a city; stroll through its medieval alleys, narrow streets and small squares; pass by beautiful churches and whitewashed houses with tile panels and wrought-iron balconies adorned with pots of flowers; then, climb the hill to explore the castle that has the

most breathtaking panorama of the city of seven hills. Later, enjoy leisure time in Cascais. Stroll its narrow cobblestone streets, walk the wide oceanside promenade or shop for ceramics, lace, filigree, hand woven works and tapestries. This evening, savour excellent Portuguese cuisine and wine while local artists perform traditional Fado (UNESCO). (B, D)



Day 3: Cascais - Sintra - Obidos -

Fatima - Cascais Begin your day exploring the picturesque town of Sintra (UNESCO), the favourite summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Travel to Portugal's beautiful “Silver Coast,” a spectacular region filled with sleepy villages, rich vineyards and age-old castles. Proceed to picture-perfect Obidos where white washed houses are held snug by medieval city walls. Later, visit Fatima, the world-famous Marian pilgrimage site. (B)

Day 4: Cascais - Evora - Monsaraz

- Alentejo Travel through beautiful Portuguese countryside and stop in historic Evora (UNESCO), known as the “Museum City of Portugal.” Inside this medieval walled city lies a 2nd-century Roman temple to Diana. Next, journey to the hilltop, walled village of Monsaraz, a “jewel in the crown” of the Alentejo. This small medieval town has carefully preserved its original charm. From the 13th-century castle you'll enjoy amazing panoramic views of the countryside. Then, indulge in a winery tour portraying the full-bodied character of the region's wines. **Enjoy your stay in the heart of Alentejo's countryside during an overnight at a country resort** set among 3,000 acres of farm land, vineyards and cork trees. (B, D)

Day 5: Alentejo - Sagres - Lagos -

Algarve

Travel to the famous Algarve and **discover the secrets of the 16th-century fortress at Sagres**, home of Prince Henry's School of Navigation and the “compass rose.” You will also garner magnificent views of beautiful Cape of St. Vincente where 200-foot cliffs plunge into the Atlantic at the most southwesterly point of Europe. Next, explore the historic resort town of Lagos, where Moorish and Renaissance influences abound. Here, the famous voyager, Prince Henry the Navigator, began his explorations and from the harbour, Vasco da Gama sailed in 1499 on his epic voyage of discovery. Stroll through the fortress and historic buildings while taking in the surrounding ocean views during some leisure time. (B, D)



Fado Music



Cascais

Day 6: Algarve The entire day is yours to independently experience the beautiful Algarve. Geraniums, camellias and oleanders grow alongside fig, orange and almond trees while brightly coloured fishing boats bob on the seas. Protected by hills to the north and warmed by the sea, the Algarve's mild climate and beautiful beaches attract vacationers from all over the world. (B)

Day 7: Algarve - Faro - São Brás de Alportel - Algarve Journey to Faro, gateway to the Ria Formosa protected lagoon landscape. Explore the city's historic center with 9th-century Roman walls, dramatic golden coastline, and its archaeological and architectural gems. In historic São Brás de Alportel, a presentation by a local liqueur maker is followed by a tasting of some of the many varieties produced in the region. Portugal is the world's number one producer of cork. Visit a local cork factory to learn about its importance to the local economy and its many uses. Your day comes to an end with dinner featuring local delicacies and wine. (B, D)

Day 8: Algarve - Azeitao - Lisbon En route to Lisbon, make a stop in Azeitao, a charming agricultural

village known for red wine, olive trees and beautiful country estates. Spend time at the centuries-old Jose Maria da Fonseca Winery. Embark on a tour followed by a tasting of local wines, including moscatel. Next, meet local artisans at a family-run shop that demonstrates how azulejos, the famous hand-painted Portuguese tiles, are made. Later, bid "adeus" to Portugal during a dinner celebrating the end of a wonderful tour. (B, D)

Day 9: Lisbon - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour in Madeira. Set out for Madeira Island, the "Pearl of the Atlantic." Explore the picture perfect vistas and welcoming traditions of this charming gem.
See page 156 for details.

| Dates & Prices | |
|---|--------------------------|
| February – April 2017 | Double |
| 11, 18 February* | \$2039 |
| 4, 11, 18, 25 March | \$2159 |
| 1, 22, 29 April | \$2289 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double |
| 13, 20 May | \$2429 |
| 10 June | \$2569 |
| 9, 13 September | \$2779 |
| 20, 27, 30 September | \$2569 |
| 7, 11, 14, 18, 21, 28 October | \$2499 |
| Single Room Supplement | (+) \$410 - \$690 |
| Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |

Choice On Tour

- In Lisbon, hop aboard the coach for a panoramic city tour or choose a walking tour of the historic Alfama District.

Cultural Experiences

- Stop in historic Evora, known as the "Museum City of Portugal."
- Venture to Lagos, where Prince Henry the Navigator began his explorations.
- Discover the secrets of the 16th-century fortress at Sagres.
- Visit Fatima, the world-famous Marian pilgrimage site.

Must-See Inclusions

- Spend three nights on the sunny coast of the Algarve.
- Stay for three nights in the "Portuguese Riviera's" coastal resort of Cascais.
- Tour Lisbon, Portugal's capital that overlooks the Tagus River.
- Enjoy time exploring on Portugal's beautiful "Silver Coast."
- Explore Sintra, the summer residence of Portuguese kings for centuries.

Culinary Inclusions

- 14 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Experience local cuisine and wine while immersed in the moving sounds of Fado.
- Indulge in a winery tour and a tasting of the Alentejo region's wines.
- Savour regional wine with every included dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1 – 3** Hotel Vila Gale, Cascais
 - Day 4** Hotel Clube de Campo & Country Resort, Beja, Alentejo
 - Days 5 – 7** Hotel Vila Gale Lagos, Algarve
 - Day 8** Turim Marques Pombal Hotel, Lisbon
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an **air upgrade**.
See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our air passengers will arrive into Lisbon, Portugal airport. All transfers will depart from Lisbon airport for Cascais (approximately a 40 minute drive). Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Portugal & Its Islands

Discover charming coastal villages, remote islands and lively Lisbon

Day 1: Lisbon, Portugal - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Lisbon where Old World traditions continue to thrive. Your journey will introduce you to medieval towns, coastal villages, natural landscapes, Portuguese cuisine, regional wines and folkloric entertainment. Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Lisbon - Sintra - Cascais -

Estoril - Lisbon Your tour of Lisbon features the Moorish Alfama Quarter, Jeronimo's Monastery (UNESCO World Heritage site), the Monument to the Discoveries, and the Tower of Belem (UNESCO). Later, **explore the town of Sintra** (UNESCO), the summer residence of Portuguese kings for six centuries. Continue to Cascais and Estoril, coastal resorts on the Portuguese Riviera, dotted with speciality shops. This evening, savour Portuguese cuisine and wine while professional local artists perform traditional Fado (UNESCO). (B, D)

Day 3: Lisbon - Fatima - Nazare -

Obidos - Lisbon Travel to Portugal's "Silver Coast," a region of sleepy villages, rich vineyards and age-old castles. You'll visit three distinct villages, each with its own cultural character. **Begin in the pilgrimage town of Fatima.** Discover the beauty of the famous Basilica and the magnificent Batalha Monastery (UNESCO). **Continue to Nazare**, a popular seaside community. According to legend, the town gets its name from a small wooden statue of the Virgin Mary that arrived here in the 4th century. And then it is on to picture-perfect Obidos, where white-washed houses are guarded by a hilltop castle and medieval city walls. (B)

Day 4: Lisbon - St. Michael, Azores - Ponta Delgada

Fly to St. Michael, the largest of the nine volcanic islands that form the Azorean archipelago. A brief walking tour of Ponta Delgada's

town centre features the "Portas da Cidade" (The City Gates), Saint Christ's Church, St. Sebastian Church with 17th-century painted tiles, and the seashore promenade. **Later, gaze at the twin lakes of Sete Cidades** (Seven Cities), one of the region's most beautiful natural settings. Composed of two lakes inside a volcanic crater, it is the island's most popular national park. From the edge of the crater, one lake appears blue (reflecting the sky) and the other looks green (reflecting the ground). Your day concludes with a magnificent view of the coastal village of Mosteiros. (B, D)

Day 5: Ponta Delgada - Terra Nostra Botanical Park - Furnas Valley

It is your choice this morning! You may choose to take a stroll through the Terra Nostra Botanical Park, home to the world's largest collection of camellias. Or, perhaps you would prefer to experience the sensation



of rest and relaxation in the park's mineral rich thermal water pool. **In Furnas Valley, experience a "cozido das furnas" lunch** in which meat and vegetables are stewed in the heat of the volcanic earth for 6 hours. Afterward, explore Caldeiras das Furnas, the town's

famous hot springs area. Your day comes to a close at a tea plantation where you will learn about timeless methods of production. (B, D)

Day 6: Ponta Delgada - Cooking Demonstration

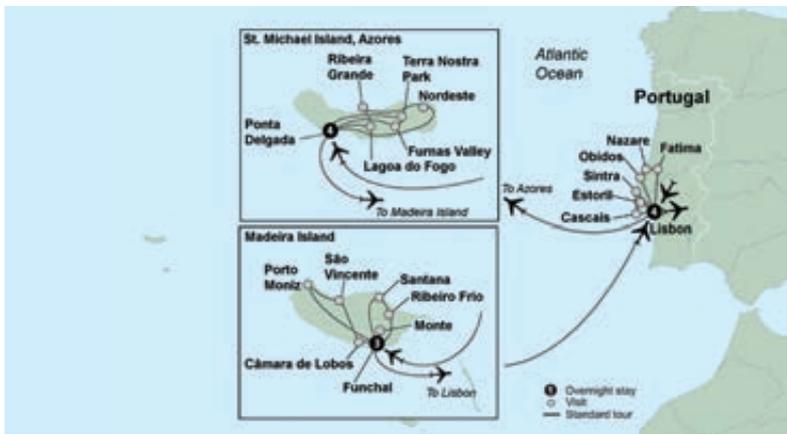
Enjoy a morning at leisure to explore Ponta Delgada or perhaps take an optional tour... maybe you will choose to swim with dolphins, take a whale watching boat trip, or kayak at Sete Cidades. Late afternoon, **discover the secrets of Azorean cuisine** with an interactive cooking demonstration at one of the island's most popular restaurants. Your evening concludes with a sumptuous dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Ponta Delgada - Lagoa do Fogo - Ribeira Grande - Nordeste

Witness the art of hand-painted ceramics during a studio visit. Next, take in the beautiful vistas of Lagoa do Fogo (Fire Lake), a mystical lake surrounded by mountains. Journey to Ribeira Grande, known for its historic 16th- and 17th-century buildings. See City Hall, Church of Our Lady, and the eight-arch bridge, a symbol of the town. Then, stop at family-owned liqueur shop to taste several all natural local liqueurs. Continue to the highest part of the island, scenic Nordeste, where you will explore the natural beauty of Ribeira dos Caldeiros Natural Park with its waterfalls, watermills and unique vegetation. Your final stop today is at a pineapple plantation where an expert will lead you through the farm's greenhouses to explain their traditional production methods. (B)

Day 8: Ponta Delgada - St. Michael, Azores - Funchal, Madeira - Monte

Fly to Madeira Island, the "Pearl of the Atlantic." Madeira boasts a subtropical climate, majestic mountain ranges and volcanic caves. Stop in Monte, perched on the hills overlooking scenic Funchal. **Visit the Botanical**



Garden of Madeira with its vast collection of more than 2,500 plants from all continents. Discover Madeira's history during a panoramic tour of Funchal's charming plazas, Colonial mansions, 15th-century cathedral and the local market. (B)

Day 9: Funchal - Câmara de Lobos - São Vicente - Porto Moniz

Begin your day with a visit to Câmara de Lobos, a traditional village with a picture-perfect bay. Continue along mountain roads, passing banana plantations and vineyards en route to Cabo Girão, the world's second-highest cliff. Make a stop in São Vicente, a charming agricultural town that boasts dramatic views of the coast and surrounding villages. In the lively fishing village of Porto Moniz, enjoy free time for a swim (weather permitting) in the natural volcanic pools. (B)

Day 10: Funchal - Ribeiro Frio - Trout Farm or Levada Walk - Santana

Wind through the mountains to Poiso to visit the island's third-highest point, Pico do Arieiro. **Then it's your choice!** At Ribeiro Frio (Cold River), you may choose to explore the natural beauty of the fascinating trout farm. Or, perhaps you would prefer to join an exhilarating levada

walk and follow the irrigation channels that flow through the mountain. Next, **continue to Santana**, a village characterised by small triangular homes thatched with straw. Make a stop at a family-owned embroidery shop where you'll meet local artisans who will give you a first-hand look at their delicate craft. Then, it's time to sample some world-famous Madeira wine. Celebrate your Madeira adventure with a traditional dinner known as "espetada." Folk dancers and music entertain as you feast on a local dish of beef marinated in herbs and cooked over an open fire. (B, D)

Day 11: Funchal - Lisbon

Return to the lively city of Lisbon and enjoy the remainder of the day at leisure. Later, bid "adeus" to Portugal during a farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 12: Lisbon - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Lisbon. Unwind after your tour with more leisure time in Portugal's charming capital. Call for details.

Madeira Flower Festival: The island is in full bloom. While in Funchal, enjoy an energetic atmosphere featuring music, floral designs, food and more.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 16, 23 September | \$4369 |
| 11, 25 March | \$3629 | 7, 14 October | \$4229 |
| 1 April | \$3629 | 4 November | \$4089 |
| 22, 29 April | \$3689 | 10 March | \$4089 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 14, 21, 28 April | \$4229 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$820 - \$1040 |
| 6 May | \$4089 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 17 June | \$4229 | Rates are land only, per person, and include the internal flights on tour. International air is not included. Call about additional dates. | |
| 15 July | \$4369 | | |
| 12 August | \$4369 | | |

Choice On Tour

- In Terra Nostra Botanical Park, take a leisurely stroll or relax in the park's mineral rich thermal water pool.
- At Ribeiro Frio, explore the natural beauty of a trout farm or join an exhilarating levada walk.

Cultural Experiences

- Discover the beauty of Portugal's Riviera with visits to Cascais and Estoril.
- Spend time in the lively fishing village of Porto Moniz with natural volcanic pools.
- Gaze upon the pristine twin lakes of Sete Cidades.
- Discover the bountiful crops of the region at pineapple and tea plantations.
- Visit the vast collection of exotic birds at the Botanical Garden of Madeira.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore the island of Madeira, known as the "Pearl of the Atlantic."
- Take in the beautiful vistas of the Lagoa do Fogo (Fire Lake).
- Tour Lisbon and discover its treasures including the impressive Tower of Belem.
- Discover stunning St. Michael, the largest of the Azorean Islands.
- Explore Caldeiras das Furnas, famous for its hot springs.

Culinary Inclusions

- 18 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 6 dinners
- Experience a truly unique "cozido das furnas" lunch in Furnas Valley.
- Learn secrets of the Azorean cuisine with an interactive cooking demonstration.
- Celebrate your Madeira adventure with entertainment and a traditional dinner known as "espetada."

Accommodation

- Days 1 – 3** Grand Hotel Altis, Lisbon
 - Days 4 – 7** Royal Garden Hotel, Ponta Delgada, Sao Miguel, Azores
 - Days 8 – 10** Pestana Casino Park Hotel, Funchal, Madeira Island
 - Day 11** Grand Hotel Altis, Lisbon
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price. International air is not included. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Rome

Italian Vistas

Embrace everything you always wanted in a trip to Italy

Start Early

Add an extra day in Rome.

When in Rome... come early and enjoy all that the "Eternal City" offers.

Call for details.

Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins Arrive in Rome and join your fellow travellers for a special welcome dinner featuring regional delicacies and Italian wines. (D)

Day 2: Rome - Classical Rome City Tour A locally guided tour of Classical Rome features such sights as the Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum, the Circus Maximus and the Arch of Constantine. During an in-depth visit to the Colosseum, your guide recounts its rich history. The catacombs, burial place



The Pantheon

of early Christians, the mythic Pantheon, and Piazza Navona are also featured. (B)

Day 3: Rome Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore Rome's cultural treasures independently. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions. Perhaps a trip to Vatican City, with an optional tour to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, will be on your personal sightseeing list. (B)

Day 4: Rome - Pompeii - Sorrento Coast After a short lesson on the local language, journey south towards the brilliant Bay of Naples where charming villages are built into hillsides above a sparkling blue sea. Soak in 2,000 years of history during your discovery of the excavated ruins of Pompeii. A local guide provides an in-depth view of this remarkably preserved archaeological site. Continue to the scenic resort town of Sorrento and take some time to explore the city independently. You may wish to visit the Duomo, a Romanesque cathedral with inlaid woodwork, a famous local Sorrento craft. End your day on the breathtaking Sorrento Coast. (B)

Day 5: Sorrento Coast - Isle of Capri - Sorrento Coast A scenic boat ride brings you to the enchanting Isle of Capri. Upon arrival, take a panoramic ride to the island's highest town, Anacapri. Spend time in Capri town with its world-famous piazzetta and explore this island paradise of chic boutiques, lush vegetation and outdoor cafés before returning to the Sorrento Coast. (B, D)

Day 6: Sorrento Coast - Florence Tuscany unfolds with its panorama of vineyards

and olive groves. Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance," awaits and offers Italy's best art and architecture. Visit the Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's magnificent sculpture of David. Tonight, enjoy regional Italian cuisine at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: Florence A locally guided tour highlights the Piazza del Duomo, with its Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, and the famous Gates of Paradise on the



Capri

Baptistry of St. John. You also view the magnificent Piazza della Signoria with its imposing Palazzo Vecchio. (B)

Day 8: Florence - Pisa - Venice Visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa to discover the Piazza Dei Miracoli, the Duomo (Cathedral), and the famous Leaning Tower. A special stop is made at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and sample local wines and specialities. Next, cross the Apennine Mountains en route to Venice where 117 islands are connected by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. (B, L)



Day 9: Venice - Murano Island - Venice Embark on a boat trip (weather permitting) to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square where you choose how you want to see Venice! You may choose to join a local expert who will take you on a walking tour of this famous square to view the stunning Basilica and visit the impressive Doge's Palace and the legendary Bridge of Sighs. Or perhaps you would prefer to go off the beaten path to explore the Castello Sestiere district with a local expert; get to know authentic Venice and see for yourself how the locals live as you walk canal by canal through the narrow streets lined with churches and historic buildings of this very unique city. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently. (B)

Day 10: Venice - Verona - Stresa Depart Venice for Verona to stroll the streets that were the backdrop for Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet. Arrive in the resort town of Stresa in the breathtaking Italian Lakes District, your home for the next two nights, and admire the beautiful views of Lago Maggiore. (B, D)

Day 11: Stresa - Locarno, Switzerland - Isola dei Pescatori, Italy - Stresa Today, cross into Switzerland and the picturesque lakeside resort of Locarno for magnificent views, excellent shopping and charming cafés. Tonight, we travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner while surrounded by beautiful scenery. (B, D)

Day 12: Stresa - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

EXPLORE MORE. Add 2 nights in Milan. Customise your tour with two more nights in sparkling Milan, a chic and sophisticated metropolis filled with historic architecture.
See page 156 for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Venice, choose from two expert led tours. Explore St. Mark's Square and visit the Doge's Palace along with the Bridge of Sighs or step off the beaten path and stroll through the Castello Sestiere district.

Cultural Experiences

- Get an in-depth tour of the famous Colosseum.
- Relax on a scenic boat ride to the enchanting Isle of Capri.
- Visit the Academy Museum in Florence to see Michelangelo's famous statue of David.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.
- Stroll the streets of Verona – the backdrop for Romeo and Juliet.
- Enjoy the magic of the Italian lakes in the captivating resort of Stresa.

Must-See Inclusions

- Set out on a locally guided tour of Classical Rome.
- Discover the excavated ruins of Pompeii with a local expert.
- Explore the popular and charming seaside resort town of Sorrento.
- Witness the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 11 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 5 dinners
- Stop at a Tuscan winery and farm to enjoy lunch and local wines.
- Travel by boat to Isola dei Pescatori for a farewell dinner.
- Enjoy regional Italian wines with every included dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1 – 3** Grand Hotel Palatino, Rome
- Days 4, 5** Towers Hotel, Sorrento Coast, or Michelangelo Hotel, Sorrento
- Days 6, 7** Grand Hotel Baglioni, Florence
- Days 8, 9** Hotel Bellini, Venice
- Days 10, 11** Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

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- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.**
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- On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will depart from Milan airport. All of our return transfers will depart from Stresa for Milan airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| January – April 2017 | | Double | | |
|--|--|--------|---|---------------------------|
| 24 January* | | \$3849 | 2, 9 October | \$5329 |
| 21 February* | | \$3849 | 11, 16 October | \$5189 |
| 5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21 March | | \$3979 | 23 October | \$4919 |
| 26, 28 March | | \$4419 | 30 October | \$4779 |
| 2, 18, 21, 24, 25, 27 April | | \$4419 | 6, 8 November | \$4639 |
| 23 April | | \$4249 | 27 November* | \$4299 |
| 30 April | | \$4739 | 4 December* | \$4159 |
| | | | 29 January* | \$4159 |
| | | | 26 February* | \$4299 |
| | | | 5, 12, 19 March | \$4499 |
| | | | 26 March | \$4779 |
| | | | 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23 April | \$4919 |
| | | | 25 April | \$5059 |
| | | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$770 - \$1250 |
| | | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| | | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates | |
| | | | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | | |
| 8, 15 May | | \$5189 | | |
| 22, 29 May | | \$5329 | | |
| 5, 12, 19 June | | \$5329 | | |
| 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 July | | \$4779 | | |
| 7, 14, 21 August | | \$4779 | | |
| 28 August | | \$5059 | | |
| 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 25, 27 September | | \$5329 | | |



Reflections of Italy

Live *La Dolce Vita* on this Italian cultural adventure

Start Early

Add an extra day in Rome.

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Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Welcome to Rome, the "Eternal City." This evening, join your fellow travellers for a special welcome dinner at a popular local restaurant featuring regional delicacies and fine Italian wines. (D)

Day 2: Rome This morning you'll come to know the history and traditions of Rome while on a locally guided panoramic tour featuring the impressive Piazza Venezia, the Circus Maximus, the Arch of Constantine, the famous Piazza Navona, and a visit to the Colosseum. The remainder of the day is at leisure. Perhaps a trip to Vatican City, with an optional tour to the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica, will be on your personal sightseeing list. (B)

Day 3: Rome - Assisi - Perugia/Assisi

Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager shares a few key Italian phrases. Travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. **Take in the old-world atmosphere on a guided walking tour** of the old city,

including the Basilica of St. Francis. Then you are off to medieval Perugia, the historic capital of Umbria. Behold one of the grandest squares in Italy – the Piazza IV Novembre – and delight in the medieval palaces and ornate cathedrals. (B)

Day 4: Perugia/Assisi - Siena -

Florence A scenic journey through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills brings you to the mystical city of



Siena. Delight in its narrow Gothic streets, magnificent palaces and historic Piazza del Campo. After a walking tour with a local expert, take some time to explore the medieval corners of Siena. You are sure to find many surprises among its shops and outdoor cafés. **Arrive in Florence** and enjoy some free time before gathering for dinner. (B, D)

Day 5: Florence In Florence – the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance" – **visit the world-famous Academy Gallery to see Michelangelo's incredible statue of David.** During your cultural tour of Florence you'll also view the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, the Palazzo Vecchio and the Church of Santa Croce. The remainder of the day is at leisure to enjoy this fascinating city on your own. (B)

Day 6: Florence - Venice Start your day with a **visit to a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region.** In the shadow of its 12th-century castle, learn about the winery's famed Tuscan wines and enjoy a light lunch filled with local specialties. This afternoon, journey through central Italy, crossing the wooded Apennine Mountains towards the Valley of the Po. Enchanting Venice awaits with 117 tiny islands and its latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Venice - Murano Island - Venice See Venice from the water this morning as we board a boat (weather permitting) bound for Murano Island for an up-close glass making demonstration. Discover the secrets of this ancient art and marvel at the intricate designs of each one-of-a-kind piece. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square where you **choose how you want to see Venice!** You may choose to join a local expert who will take you on a walking tour of this famous square to view the stunning Basilica and visit the impressive Doge's Palace and the legendary Bridge of Sighs. Or perhaps you would prefer



to go off the beaten path to explore the Castello Sestiere district with a local expert; get to know authentic Venice and see for yourself how the locals live as you walk canal by canal through the narrow streets lined with churches and historic buildings of this very unique city. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore independently. (B)

Day 8: Venice - Milan

Malpensa Today you travel to Milan. Take in some of the city's amazing sights on a locally guided walking tour; view the

Opera House La Scala and Vittorio Emanuele Gallery, and **visit the Duomo** – this magnificent Gothic cathedral is the third largest church in Europe. Later, perhaps you will indulge in some shopping at the “Quadrilatero della Moda,” Milan's high-fashion district. Continue to Milan Malpensa for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip. (B, D)

Day 9: Milan Malpensa - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Milan Malpensa this morning. (B)



| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| January – April 2017 | Double | 26 October | \$3609 |
| 25 January* | \$2579 | 7, 9 November | \$3259 |
| 15 February* | \$2709 | 21 November | \$3119 |
| 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23 March | \$2839 | 28 November* | \$2919 |
| 28, 30 March | \$2959 | 12 December* | \$2919 |
| 4, 6 April | \$3089 | 25 January* | \$2919 |
| 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25 April | \$3349 | 27 February* | \$3119 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 6, 8, 13, 15 March | \$3259 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 20, 22 March | \$3399 |
| 4, 11, 18, 25 May | \$3949 | 27 March | \$3539 |
| 1, 6, 8, 22 June | \$3949 | 3, 5 April | \$3539 |
| 11, 25 July | \$3679 | 10, 12, 17, 19, 20 April | \$3679 |
| 8 August | \$3539 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$510 - \$1040 |
| 5, 7, 12, 19, 21, 28 September | \$3949 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 - \$50 |
| 3 October | \$3949 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24 October | \$3809 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |

Choice On Tour

- In Venice, choose from two expert led tours. Explore St. Mark's Square and visit the Doge's Palace along with the Bridge of Sighs or step off the beaten path and stroll through the Castello Sestiere district.

Cultural Experiences

- Behold medieval Perugia, the historic capital of Umbria.
- Make a scenic journey through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills.
- Come to know Florence with a tour of the city's treasures.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.

Must-See Inclusions

- Experience the beauty of Rome on a tour including the famous Colosseum
- Step to the front of the line to see Michelangelo's famous statue of *David*.
- Travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis.
- Explore the mystical city of Siena.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Visit one of Chianti's treasured wineries, complete with a special lunch.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Mediterraneo Hotel, Rome
 - Day 3** Sangallo Palace Hotel, Perugia or Grand Hotel Dei Congressi, Assisi
 - Days 4, 5** Albani Hotel, Florence
 - Days 8, 9** Carlton on the Grand Canal Hotel or Santa Marina Hotel, Venice
 - Day 10** Crowne Plaza Malpensa, Malpensa
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Tuscan Countryside

Italy's Treasures

Savour the artistic, culinary and historic side of Italy

Start Early

Add an extra day in Stresa.

Enjoy more time on the shores of Lake Maggiore in Stresa. [Call for details.](#)

Day 1: Stresa, Italy - Tour Begins Begin in Stresa, on the shore of Lago Maggiore. Visit a wine shop and enjoy a cocktail party, tasting some local specialities. A boat transports you to your welcome dinner on Isola dei Pescatori, the most picturesque of the Borromean Islands. (D)

Day 2: Stresa Today, visit an ancient village nestled in the mountains where you'll stop at a local farm to sample their artisanally produced cheeses paired with the region's delicious wines. The remainder of your day in Stresa is at leisure. Perhaps you will investigate the piazzas, flower-lined cobblestone streets and lakeside promenades; or, relax on an optional cruise on this scenic lake and take in the breathtaking surroundings. (B)

Day 3: Stresa - Orta - Italian Riviera Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Depart the Italian Lakes region for Sestri

Levante on the Ligurian coast. Stop at Lake Orta and take a boat to Isola di San Giulio. Walk the grounds of this charming island with its working convent. Experience the outdoor cafés and shops of this lakeside resort. Continue on to the Italian Riviera. (B, D)

Day 4: Italian Riviera - Cinque Terre Spend your day discovering the colourful Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage site. **Travel by rail through the medieval villages of the Cinque Terre**, perched on the edge of the sea. Traverse the rugged



coastal area dotted with terraced vineyards, arriving at this nearly inaccessible string of fishing villages tucked between the mountains and the Mediterranean. Feel like you have stepped back in time. Spend an afternoon independently exploring this magical place. Your Tour Manager will be on hand to help you plan your adventure. (B)

Day 5: Italian Riviera - Lucca - Tuscan Villa Drive to the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century Renaissance walls. Then you'll choose the way you discover Lucca: on foot or by bicycle. Either way, you'll visit the Cathedral of San Martino, the Piazza Napoleone and the Piazza dell'Anfiteatro. Then, set off to get a taste of the region by sampling some seasonal, local delicacies at speciality food shops. End the day in a historic Tuscan villa and begin a relaxing 4-night stay. (B, D)

Day 6: Florence Get to know Florence with a walking tour of the city's treasures and monuments, including the Piazza del Duomo, the centre of religious life in medieval Florence, and the Piazza della Signoria. Visit the Museo della Casa Fiorentina Antica, housed in the 14th-century Palazzo Davanzati. Explore independently before returning to your villa. (B)

Day 7: Siena Travel to Siena for an expert-led walking tour. Visit the town's dramatic cathedral, a stunning example of Romanesque and Gothic architecture. **Stroll through narrow medieval streets** as you experience life in this historic cultural centre. Return to your villa for a relaxing afternoon. (B, D)

Day 8: Tuscan Countryside Visit a winery in the heart of Tuscany that showcases the wine cellar, family estate, vineyards and olive groves. Participate in a Tuscan cooking lesson given by the winery's own chef. Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Choice On Tour

- In Lucca, set out on foot or by bike to explore the local sites and sample regional delicacies.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Lake Orta, one of Italy's hidden treasures.
- Experience medieval life at the Palazzo Davanzati.
- Discover the colourful Cinque Terre, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration.

Must-See Inclusions

- Spend two wonderful nights in romantic Venice.
- Get to know Florence with a tour of the city's treasures.
- Explore Lucca's piazzas and medieval streets.
- Discover the beautiful Tuscan countryside.
- Stroll through the narrow medieval streets of Siena.

Culinary Inclusions

- 17 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 6 dinners
- Travel by boat to your welcome dinner on Isola dei Pescatori.
- Participate in a Tuscan cooking lesson given by an expert chef.
- Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch expertly paired with wines produced on site.
- Attend a cocktail party in Stresa, and sample some local products.
- Savour regional wines with every included dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Regina Palace Hotel, Stresa
- Days 3, 4** Grand Hotel dei Castelli, Italian Riviera or Hotel Astor, Viareggio
- Days 5 – 8** Villa Lecchi, Villa Baldelli, Villa Sanpaolo or Villa San Lucchese, Tuscany
- Days 9, 10** Hotel Bonvecchiati, Hotel Ca' dei Conti or Hotel Santa Marina, Venice

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Bologna wine tasting



St. Mark's Square, Venice

expertly paired with wines produced on-site. Return to the villa for some leisure time. At dinner, continue your sampling of Tuscan cuisine in one of Tuscany's traditional restaurants. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Tuscany - Bologna - Venice Depart for Venice. En route, stop in Bologna where we take a guided walking tour of the centre, virtually unchanged since the Renaissance. We'll also sample local delicacies at speciality food shops. Later, arrive in romantic Venice for your 2-night stay. (B)

Day 10: Venice Enjoy a boat trip to Murano Island for a fascinating glass-blowing

demonstration. Return to St. Mark's Square for a locally guided walking tour featuring the Clock Tower, St. Mark's Basilica, the Bridge of Sighs, and a visit to the Doge's Palace. Tonight, partake in a celebratory farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 11: Venice - Tour Ends Wake up in Venice and depart for home. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Venice. Complete your tour with another night in enchanting Venice. Call for details.



Lake Orta

Dates & Prices

| January – April 2017 | | Double | | |
|--|--------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 15 January* | \$4109 | 1, 8 October | \$5469 | |
| 12 February* | \$4359 | 15, 22 October | \$5329 | |
| 5 March | \$4419 | 29 October | \$5129 | |
| 19 March | \$4489 | 5 November | \$4919 | |
| 2, 4 April | \$4679 | 3 December* | \$4569 | |
| 18, 23, 25 April | \$4739 | 11, 18 March | \$4989 | |
| | | 8 April | \$5189 | |
| | | 15, 22 April | \$5329 | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$510 - \$1040 | |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 | |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | | |
| 7, 14, 21 May | \$5469 | | | |
| 4, 11, 18, 25 June | \$4569 | | | |
| 9, 16 July | \$5329 | | | |
| 6, 20, 27, 29 August | \$5329 | | | |
| 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26 September | \$5329 | | | |

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Colosseum

Spotlight on Rome

Fall in love with all the “Eternal City” offers

Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Join us on an adventure through the art, history and culture of Rome, the “Eternal City.” Your tour opens in Rome. You will be captivated by its old-world charm



St. Peter's Basilica

blending with lively cosmopolitan energy. This evening, meet your fellow travellers for dinner at a local restaurant. (D)

Y Day 2: Rome Today the choice is yours! You may choose to discover the beauty of the sophisticated ancient art of mosaics with a local guide who leads you to some of Rome's churches that are bursting with mosaic masterpieces; gaze at the amazing works of art in the Basilica di San Clemente, Basilica di Santa Maria Maggiore and Basilica di Santa Prassede. Or, perhaps you will choose to join a local expert for a walking tour of the city that culminates at the famous Fontana di Trevi – legend holds that if you toss a coin in the fountain, you'll be certain to return to Rome. The remainder of the day is yours to uncover more of the city's treasures on your own. (B)

Day 3: Rome Today we will explore Rome's culinary treasures. First, set off on a walking tour

through the “Eternal City” to the famed Campo dei Fiori Market. Shop side-by-side with the locals as you browse this medieval open-air market. Next, we're off to



Rome, Market

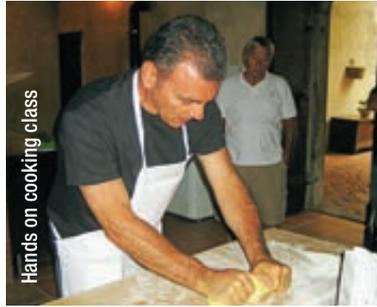
discover the secrets of Italian cuisine during a chef-led cooking class. Learn how to prepare three types of pasta! Next, sit back and savour regional delicacies during a delicious lunch. (B, L)

Day 4: Rome This morning you'll come to know the history and traditions of ancient Rome. Imagine the energy

Roman Forum



Vatican Museum



Hands on cooking class

of 80,000 spectators cheering during your visit to the Colosseum, once home to gladiatorial combat and wild animal fights dating back to the first century A.D. This afternoon, continue exploring Rome's artistic treasures during a guided visit to the Vatican Museums. You will be in awe of the opulence at the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. (B)

Day 5: Rome Your day is at leisure to relax, shop or explore the city your way. Perhaps you'll visit one of Rome's many remarkable museums including the Capitoline Museum or the Borghese Gallery.

Or, you may decide to explore the Capuchin Crypt beneath the church of Santa Maria della Concezione, containing the skeletons of approximately 4,000 friars. Tonight, join your fellow travellers at a special farewell dinner where you'll be serenaded with music from local musicians. (B, D)

Day 6: Rome - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

St. Peter's Basilica



Dates & Prices

| February – April 2017 | | Double | 4, 11 October | \$2779 |
|--|--------|--------------|--|-------------------|
| 21 February* | \$1849 | 1 November | \$2499 | |
| 7 March | \$2009 | 6 December* | \$1949 | |
| 21 March | \$2079 | 17 January* | \$1949 | |
| 4, 18 April | \$2269 | 14 February* | \$1949 | |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | 7, 14 March | \$2299 |
| | | | 11, 18 April | \$2569 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$380 - \$970 |
| 10, 17 May | \$2779 | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 7 June | \$2779 | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 5, 12 July | \$2569 | | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 16 August | \$2369 | | | |
| 6, 13, 20 September | \$2779 | | | |

Spotlight on Rome

6 Days from \$1949

Choice On Tour

- Explore Rome's mosaic masterpieces or join a local expert on a walking tour.

Cultural Experiences

- Browse the medieval open-air Campo dei Fiori Market.
- Enjoy a guided visit to the Vatican Museums.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore ancient Rome featuring the extraordinary Colosseum.
- Stand in awe of the opulence at the Sistine Chapel.
- Marvel at the majestic St. Peter's Basilica.

Culinary Inclusions

- 8 meals included: 5 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 2 dinners
- Discover the secrets of Italian cuisine during a chef-led cooking class.
- At a special farewell dinner you will be serenaded by local musicians.
- Enjoy regional wine with every included dinner.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 5 Hotel Dei Borgia, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

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- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

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Cinque Terre

Tuscany & the Italian Riviera

Experience all the charms found in two of Italy's great regions

Day 1: Italy - Tuscan Estate - Tour Begins

Set out to experience two of Italy's great regions. Begin your trip with a relaxing 3-night stay in a traditional Tuscan estate. Prior to enjoying an authentic Tuscan dinner expertly paired with wines produced on site, experience an interactive pasta-making demonstration with the winery's chef. (D)



Pasta Making Demonstration

Day 2: Tuscan Estate - Florence - Tuscan Estate

In Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance," join a local guide for a walking tour of this fascinating city and see Florence's Cathedral of Santa Maria Del Fiore and the Palazzo Vecchio. Then, the choice is yours! You may select either the world-famous Uffizi Gallery where a local expert will bring to life some of the most important works from the Renaissance period; or, perhaps you'll choose the Leonardo da Vinci Museum where a local expert will introduce you to the world of this brilliant engineer, inventor, anatomist, painter, sculptor, architect, botanist, musician and writer. Next, gather together for an informative explanation of Florentine gold and the interesting techniques behind it at a local gold shop. Later, enjoy time at leisure to relax or discover this thrilling city on your own. (B)

Day 3: Tuscan Estate - Siena - Tuscan Winery - Tuscan Estate

A scenic journey

through Tuscany's graceful low-lying hills brings you to the lovely medieval city of Siena. Delight in its narrow Gothic streets, magnificent palaces and historic Piazza del Campo. After a walking tour with a local expert, take some time to explore the medieval corners of Siena with



Siena

its great shops and outdoor cafés. Continue to one of the oldest wine estates in the Monteriggioni region and sit down with a family member to hear about



their wine and taste their creations along with other local products. Return to your countryside estate where you may take time to explore the Medici Villa on site. Tonight, a local musician will serenade you at dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Tuscan Estate - Lucca - Pisa - Italian Riviera As you head towards Italy's picturesque Riviera, make a stop in the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century Renaissance walls. A guide takes you on an informative tour including a visit to the Cathedral of San Martino and the Piazza Napoleone. Next, visit the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa to discover the Piazza Dei Miracoli, view the Duomo (Cathedral) and, of course, the famous Leaning Tower. Continue on to the Italian Riviera, your home for three spectacular nights. (B, D)

Day 5: Italian Riviera - Cinque Terre - Italian Riviera Spend a day exploring the Cinque Terre with its rugged coastline dotted with terraced vineyards. Travel by rail through this nearly inaccessible string of fishing villages nestled between the mountains and the Mediterranean. Your Tour Manager is on hand to help plan your day and make the most of your time in these five towns. (B)

Day 6: Italian Riviera-Santa Margherita Ligure-Portofino-Italian Riviera Travel to the seaside town of Santa Margherita Ligure for a boat ride to glamorous Portofino. Take in the town's colourful harbour, dotted by fishing boats and yachts, set against a backdrop of pastel-coloured buildings. Return to Santa Margherita Ligure for free time to peruse its charming streets and boutiques. Tonight,



cap off an unforgettable journey at a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 7: Italian Riviera - Tour Ends Today you depart for home. (B)

Choice On Tour

- In Florence explore either the world-famous Uffizi Gallery or the Leonardo da Vinci Museum.

Cultural Experiences

- Experience a guided tour to Lucca including a visit to the beautiful Cathedral of San Martino.
- Marvel at the magnificent architecture of the Piazza Dei Miracoli.
- Travel to the seaside town of Santa Margherita Ligure for a boat ride to Portofino.

Must-See Inclusions

- Journey to Florence for a tour of the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."
- Explore the medieval city of Siena.
- Stop in the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century walls.
- Witness the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Explore picturesque Cinque Terre with its stunning rugged coastline.

Culinary Inclusions

- 10 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 4 dinners
- Enjoy an authentic Tuscan dinner expertly paired with locally produced wines.
- Partake in an interactive pasta-making demonstration.
- Savour regional wines with every included dinner.

Accommodation

- Days 1 – 3 Hotel Paggeria Medicea, Tuscany
 - Days 4 – 6 Grande Hotel Sestri Levante, Italian Riviera
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive into and depart from Florence or Pisa airport. All of our arrival transfers will depart from the Pisa or Florence airport to the Tuscan villa. All of our transfers will depart from the Italian Riviera to Florence or Pisa airports. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| March – April 2017 | | Double | 9, 16, 23 September | \$2849 |
|--|--|--------|---|-----------------|
| 11 March | | \$2389 | 30 September | \$2569 |
| 1 April | | \$2449 | 7 October | \$2569 |
| 20 April | | \$2479 | 4 November | \$2429 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | 24 March | \$2429 |
| | | | 14, 28 April | \$2569 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) 310 - \$410 |
| 13 May | | \$2779 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 17, 24 June | | \$2779 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 19 August | | \$2779 | | |



Orvieto

Tuscan and Umbrian Countryside

Fall in love with Italy's charming hill towns

Start Early

Add an extra day in Rome.

Add some extra time to your idyllic adventure to explore the "Eternal City" of Rome. Call for details.

Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins Meet your fellow travellers in Rome for a welcome dinner in a local restaurant. Join in an interactive and fun presentation on Italy's wines given by the restaurant's sommelier. Indulge in a traditional four-course meal paired with some of the country's finest wines. (D)

Day 2: Rome - Orvieto - Umbria Travel to the Etruscan hill town of Orvieto, known for its white wine and Gothic cathedral housing a Signorelli fresco. Upon arrival, join a local expert on a walking tour to discover Orvieto's treasures, including a visit to the cathedral. Take time to explore this town on your own or perhaps enjoy a leisurely lunch. Spend the next four nights in a pristine Umbrian hill town. (B, D)

Day 3: Umbria - Spoleto - Cooking Class - Umbria Embark on a guided walking tour of historic Spoleto. See medieval palaces, the ornate Duomo of Santa Maria Assunta, and the magnificent Ponte delle Torri, an aqueduct dating back to the 13th century. Enjoy free time to peruse the

town's shops and cafés. Pay a special visit to a country restaurant housed in a 16th-century farmhouse where the chef provides a hands-on Umbrian cooking lesson. Indulge in an early dinner in the countryside. (B, D)

Day 4: Umbria - Montefalco - Winery - Bevagna - Olive Oil Factory -

Umbria Travel to Montefalco, nicknamed the "Balcony of Umbria" for its unobstructed views of the Umbrian countryside. Feel like you have stepped back in time as you independently explore this charming



Monteriggioni

medieval town. Then, it's on to a local winery to sip some of this region's most prized wine, the Sagrantino, before enjoying lunch featuring typical Umbrian dishes. Continue to Bevagna where you will join a local expert for a walking tour featuring Roman and medieval

archaeological and architectural marvels. Cap off your day by learning about another local product – olive oil – at a local factory in the area of Trevi. (B, L)

Day 5: Umbria - Home-Hosted Lunch - Assisi - Umbria

After a leisurely morning, an Umbrian family welcomes you to their country home as they prepare a delicious home-cooked meal. Afterwards, travel to Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis, for a guided walking tour of the old city, including the Basilica of St. Francis and its medieval streets. Take time to explore the city independently. (B, L)

Day 6: Umbria - Winery - Tuscany

Journey from Umbria through southern Tuscany. Admire the picturesque Renaissance landscape of hills and villages of the Val D'Orcia region. Make a stop at a winery to discover the wine cellar, family estate, vineyards, olive groves and stunning views. **The winery's chef prepares an authentic Tuscan lunch, expertly paired with wines produced on-site.** Make yourself at home in Tuscany in your restored palazzo for the next four nights. (B, L)

Day 7: Tuscany - Florence - Tuscany

Set out on a short journey to Florence, "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance." Begin with a guided walking tour of the city sights, viewing the cathedral of Santa Maria Del Fiore, located in the religious centre of the Piazza Del Duomo and the Palazzo Vecchio. Join your local guide in exploring the unique qualities of the city, focusing on Florence's local artisans and visiting their workshops.

Tuscan and Umbrian Countryside

10 Days from \$3949

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Embark on a guided walking tour of Spoleto.
- Marvel at the ornate Duomo of Santa Maria Assunta.
- Behold the magnificent Ponte delle Torri, a 13th-century aqueduct.
- Visit one of the most famous Etruscan museums, the Guarnacci Museum.

Must-See Inclusions

- Venture to the Etruscan hill town of Orvieto.
- Journey to Florence, the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."
- Explore historic Siena to see the piazza famous for the Palio Horse Race.
- Stroll along the quaint streets of Monteriggioni, a town frozen in time.
- Travel to San Gimignano, known as the "City of Beautiful Towers."

Culinary Inclusions

- 16 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 3 lunches • 4 dinners
- Savour a traditional four-course meal paired with the country's finest wines.
- Participate in a cooking class in a 16th-century Umbrian farmhouse.
- Experience a home-cooked meal at one of Umbria's country homes.
- Enjoy an authentic Tuscan lunch, paired with locally produced wines.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Hotel Imperiale, Rome
Days 2 – 5 Hotel Antica Dimora Alla Rocca, Trevi, Umbria or Hotel Dei Duchi, Spoleto, Umbria
Days 6 – 9 UNA Palazzo Mannaioni, Montaione, Tuscany
 On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Spend some free time shopping and investigating Florence on your own. Return to Montaione. (B)

Day 8: Tuscany - Siena - Monteriggioni - Tuscany Travel to the city of Siena. Whilst on a walking tour, visit the historic piazza famous for the Palio Horse Race. Continue to the walled town of Monteriggioni for a stroll along the quaint streets of this town, seemingly frozen in time. Take an afternoon break and try some local snacks before returning to Montaione for the evening. (B)

Day 9: Tuscany - Volterra - San Gimignano - Tuscany Spend your morning in Volterra, a former Etruscan

city which sits high above the Tuscan countryside. **Visit the Guarnacci Museum, one of the most famous Etruscan museums in Italy.** Afterwards, stop to witness an alabaster carving demonstration at a local workshop. Travel to San Gimignano, known as the "City of Beautiful Towers," and look for the town's fourteen medieval towers that date back to the 13th century. Enjoy a stroll along Piazza del Duomo and Piazza della Cisterna. Tonight, gather for a farewell dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D)

Day 10: Tuscany - Tour Ends
 Your journey comes to a close in Montaione. (B)



| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|--|-------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 20 August | \$4229 |
| 19 March | \$3599 | 3, 10, 13, 17, 24 September | \$4229 |
| 2 April | \$3789 | 8, 11 October | \$4229 |
| 19, 23, 26, 30 April | \$3849 | 15, 22 October | \$4159 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 18 March | \$3949 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 15, 22 April | \$4159 |
| 14, 21 May | \$4229 | 29 April | \$4229 |
| 17 May | \$4369 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$510 - \$550 |
| 11 June | \$4229 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| 9 July | \$4229 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |



Florence

Spotlight on Tuscany

Experience all the character and charms of Italy's Heartland

Day 1: Montecatini Terme, Italy

- Tour Begins Rolling landscapes, savoury wines, delicious food and stunning architecture...this can only be Tuscany. On this special journey you will enjoy walking tours in Italy's most charming towns, visit magnificent historic monuments, and sample mouth-watering cuisine and wines. Your tour opens in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme, your home for the next seven nights. This evening, get acquainted with your fellow travellers during a welcome dinner where regional foods and Italian wines kick off your Tuscan adventure. (D)



Lucca

Day 2: Florence A cultural tour in the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance" showcases the beautiful city of Florence. A local Florentine guide highlights many of the city's priceless treasures including a visit to the Academy Gallery – which houses Michelangelo's monumental statue of *David*. At the Piazza del Duomo, which is the centre of religious life in medieval Florence, you will see the impressive Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the gilded bronze doors of the Baptistery dedicated to St. John. The remainder of your day is at leisure to explore this unparalleled city as you choose. (B)

Day 3: Lucca - Borgo a Mozzano - Gothic Line

Set out on a guided visit to Lucca, Tuscany's best-kept secret. Offering Renaissance walls, Romanesque churches, medieval streets flanked by towers, and delightful squares, Lucca is sure to charm you. Visit the Basilica di San Frediano before stopping to explore the home of well-known composer Giacomo Puccini where you will see the piano on which he composed *Turandot*. Enjoy some leisure time for lunch and independent exploration. Afterwards, depart for Borgo a Mozzano and view the remarkable Ponte del Diavolo (Devil's Bridge). Next, view the Gothic Line – built by the Germans, it was one of their last lines of defence during WWII. Visit the Museum of Liberation and see the actual fortifications and bunkers. (B)

Day 4: Siena Discover charming Siena with a local guide. Embark on a lovely walking tour through its narrow Gothic streets. Behold stunning palaces, mansions and the historic Piazza del Campo along the way. **Your day continues with a special visit to a Tuscan winery** where you'll meet the people behind some of Chianti's finest wines. Learn from experts as



Ponte del Diavolo

you savour a selection of the local varieties and find out why Tuscany still shines on the international wine stage. During your visit, learn about the art of winemaking and the process of making Italian olive oil. (B, D)

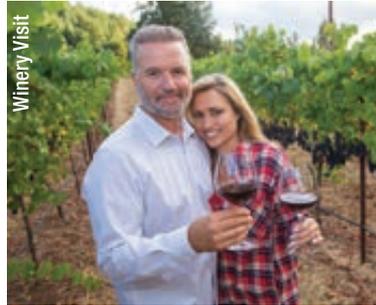
Day 5: Pisa Explore the many historic sites in the ancient maritime Republic of Pisa, including the Piazza dei Miracoli ("Field of Miracles") – a UNESCO World



Tuscan Countryside



Pisa



Winery Visit

Heritage site. Be sure to have your camera handy for a stop at the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa so you, too, can take a picture that makes it appear as if you are holding this iconic structure up! (B)

Day 6: Montecatini Terme The day is yours to relax and experience the local flavour. Take this opportunity to shop at the local boutiques and dine at one of the many fine local restaurants. Or, perhaps you will choose an optional excursion to Cinque Terre with its rugged coastline dotted with terraced vineyards to visit its nearly inaccessible string of fishing villages nestled between the mountains and the Mediterranean. (B)

Day 7: Cheese Factory Visit - San Gimignano Begin your day

with a visit to a cheese factory where you'll learn how the famous pecorino cheese is made. Then, sample it for yourself during a cheese tasting. Afterwards, travel to the hilltop village of San Gimignano, one of the most picturesque places in Tuscany. Explore this enchanting medieval town, from its famous 14 towers to its magnificent vistas overlooking the vineyards of Tuscany. Enjoy free time and perhaps indulge in some famous Italian gelato before visiting some of the town's shops. A delightful experience awaits this evening when **you attend a Tuscan feast featuring traditional cuisine and savoury wines in the magical Tuscan countryside.** (B, D)

Day 8: Montecatini Terme - Tour Ends Your tour ends today. (B)



Sienna

Dates & Prices

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|--|---------------|---|--------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 20, 27 October | \$2369 |
| 10, 24, 31 March | \$1989 | 1, 3, 8, 10 November | \$2229 |
| 5, 12, 19, 21, 28 April | \$1999 | 1 December* | \$2089 |
| 11 April | \$2159 | 26 January* | \$2089 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 23 February* | \$2089 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 21, 23 March | \$2229 |
| 12 May | \$2369 | 6, 13, 20 April | \$2299 |
| 9 June | \$2369 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$190 - \$280 |
| 7 July | \$2229 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 8, 15, 22, 29 September | \$2499 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 6, 11, 13 October | \$2499 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |

Cultural Experiences

- Visit the Academy Gallery and Michelangelo's famous statue of *David*.
- Stay in the famous spa resort town of Montecatini Terme for seven nights!
- See the Gothic Line, one of the Germans' last lines of defense during WWII.
- Visit the Museum of Liberation and see WWII fortifications and bunkers.

Must-See Inclusions

- Journey to Florence for a tour of the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance."
- Stop in the medieval city of Lucca, encircled by 16th-century walls.
- Explore the mystical city of Siena with a local guide.
- Witness the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa.
- Travel to the village of San Gimignano, overlooking picturesque vineyards.

Culinary Inclusions

- 10 meals included: 7 breakfasts • 3 dinners
- Sample delectable wines during a wine tasting in the Chianti region.
- Spend time at a cheese factory to taste flavorful pecorino cheese.
- Enjoy regional wines with every included dinner.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 7 Hotel Ercolini & Savi, Montecatini Terme

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- **Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your **inflight-experience** with an **air upgrade**.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. Our air passengers will arrive and depart from Florence or Pisa airports. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Bridge of Sighs, Venice

Venice, Florence & Rome

Set out on a fast-paced and fun tour showcasing Italy's finest

Start Early

Add an extra day in Venice.

Reward yourself with more time to enjoy life in the world's most unique city.

Call for details.

Day 1: Venice, Italy - Tour Begins

Welcome to Venice, referred to as "La Serenissima" (the most serene) of cities. This evening, meet your fellow travellers over dinner at a local restaurant. (D)



Murano Glass Blowing

Day 2: Venice Explore enchanting Venice with 117 tiny islands surrounded by its latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. Your Venetian adventure opens in Murano Island for a glass-blowing demonstration. Then we make our way to St. Mark's Square, the lively hub of the city's activity and events. A local expert will guide you on a walking tour through the area highlighting St. Mark's Basilica and the Clock Tower with its famous Moors. The remainder of the day is yours to explore this enchanting city. Perhaps you will take an optional gondola ride. (B)

Day 3: Venice - Florence Board your high-speed train to Florence and zip through the beautiful Veneto and Emilia Romagna regions. In Florence, meet a local expert for an introduction to this great city. On your leisurely paced walking tour, your guide will highlight the Piazza del Duomo, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and the Baptistry. You also visit the Piazza della Signoria with its impressive Palazzo Vecchio. End your day with an informative explanation of the fascinating techniques used in creating stunning Florentine gold jewellery at a local shop overlooking the Church of Santa Croce. (B, D)

Day 4: Florence Today you'll spend time at the Academy Gallery. Explore this amazing museum,



Florence

home of the most famous sculptures in the world – including Michelangelo's David – at your own pace. The remainder of the day is yours to continue exploring the city's cultural riches on your own. (B)

Day 5: Florence - Rome Today we journey to Rome. This afternoon, meet a local guide and get to know the history of this fascinating city on a panoramic tour that introduces you to the city's countless treasures. Conclude at the Colosseum where your guide



Florence Café



Vatican Museums

will take you on a walk through the halls of this previous home of gladiatorial combat and wild animal fights that dates back to the first century A.D. (B)

Day 6: Rome The morning is at leisure to explore the city your way. **Later, you'll be treated to a visit to Vatican City.** Meander through the various intriguing exhibits on your guided tour of the fascinating Vatican Museums. You'll be awed by the intricate artwork that adorns the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica. The remainder of your day is at leisure to discover all of Rome's treasures independently. Gather tonight to

toast the end of your Italian adventure at your farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 7: Rome - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. You will depart with many fond memories of incredible Italy. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Rome. Make the most of your Italy adventure and stay an extra night in the "Eternal City." Call for details.



Colosseum

Dates & Prices

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| March – April 2017 | Double | 5, 12 November | \$2709 |
| 5, 26 March | \$2459 | 3 December* | \$2429 |
| 2 April | \$2649 | 28 January* | \$2429 |
| 23 April | \$2709 | 25 February* | \$2429 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 4, 18 March | \$2709 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 15 April | \$3059 |
| 14 May | \$3259 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$420 - \$970 |
| 4 June | \$3259 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 15 July | \$3059 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 6 August | \$3059 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 3, 24 September | \$3329 | | |
| 8, 22 October | \$3329 | | |

Cultural Experiences

- Zip through the beautiful countryside on your high-speed train to Florence.
- Embark on a walking tour featuring Florence's artistic and architectural gems.
- Learn the techniques used in creating Florentine gold jewellery at a local shop.

Must-See Inclusions

- A local expert will lead you on a tour of the Colosseum.
- Explore Venice, one of Italy's most unique cities, with a local expert.
- Visit the Academy Gallery to view the extraordinary Michelangelo's *David*.
- Join a local guide on your panoramic tour featuring Rome's treasures.
- Discover the intricate artwork that adorns the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica.

Culinary Inclusions

- 9 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 3 dinners
- Dine in true Italian-style with wine at every included dinner!

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Hotel Santa Marina, Venice
- Days 3, 4** Mediterraneo Grand Hotel, Florence
- Days 5, 6** Romanico Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Langhe Vineyards

Northern Italy featuring the Treasures of Piedmont

Embrace the treasures of Piedmont... Wine, Hazelnuts, Truffles and more

Day 1: Lago Maggiore, Italy - Tour Begins

Set out on a tour of the fascinating Piedmont region. Dazzle your senses in a land of prestigious wines – Barolo, Barbera and Barbaresco. This is where the “slow food” movement began in 1986 and is the home of the world-famous Nutella! Your tour opens on the tranquil shores of breathtaking Lago Maggiore, straddling the border between Italy and Switzerland. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Lago Maggiore - Borromean Islands - Lago Maggiore Cruise on scenic Lago Maggiore past the Borromean Islands, villas and historic palaces. Stop along the way for a guided tour of the colourful lakeside town of Pallanza. Perched on the edge of the pristine waters, take a stroll down the promenade featuring buildings adorned with charming terraces and balconies. The town centre is a latticework of ancient streets lined with ornate historic buildings. This afternoon, visit a local shop for a tasting and a sampling of some local delicacies. (B)

Day 3: Lago Maggiore - Province of Vercelli - Serralunga di Crea - Bra

Travel to the province of Vercelli, an area that is one of Europe’s leading rice producers. Pass spectacular panoramas of rice paddies before making a stop at a traditional rice farm. Learn about the production process and the history of this unique place. Then, try some of the creamy home-cooked risotto at lunch.

Continue to Sacro Monte di Serralunga di Crea, one of the nine Sacred Mountains in Italy and a UNESCO World Heritage site where 23 chapels adorn the forest. Next, it’s on to Langhe-Roero & Monferrato, recently added to the UNESCO World Heritage site list. This area’s enchanting rolling hills are home to many of Italy’s hidden treasures and are strewn with castles and vineyards. It is best known for its wine making heritage, which can be traced as far back as the 5th century B.C. (B, L)

Day 4: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area Begin exploring the Langhe area with a stop in the small hilltop village of La Morra. Take in the breathtaking panoramas of the valley — and the



vineyards famous for producing Barolo wine — with the Alps on the horizon. Have some time to discover its medieval streets before joining your guide for a walk through vineyards and country roads (UNESCO). Along the way, see the small but striking Cappella del

Barolo (chapel) painted with an array of bright colours in geometric shapes. Then it’s off to the quaint village of Barolo who gave its name to the wine it produces. Savour some leisure time for lunch or to indulge in a wine tasting at one of the many wineries. Later, venture down Piedmont’s “hazelnut road” to learn about Tonda Gentile, Northern Italy’s prized hazelnut that is hailed as the world’s best. Spend time at a family-run hazelnut farm and take a stroll through the hazelnut grove. **Learn about the process of shelling and roasting** and see how they transform the nut into decadent sweets before indulging in a tasting. (B, D)

Day 5: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area

Discover the world’s most celebrated underground mushroom – the truffle. Venture into the woods to meet a “trifolao” (truffle hunter) and their hunting dog. Get to know the techniques used in gathering truffles during a hunting demonstration. Then, have the opportunity to sample this rare delicacy. Next, travel to Alba to independently explore this culinary mecca renowned for white truffles and chocolates. Afterward, continue on to the town of Canelli, known as Italy’s largest producer of sparkling white wines. These wines are stored in elaborate cellars known as “underground cathedrals” (UNESCO) that possess the perfect environment to age wine. **Visit a winery and tour one of these unique masterpieces of architecture** before sampling their wines. (B)

Day 6: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area

This morning take a **step back in time at the**



Castle of Monticello, one of the best-preserved medieval castles in the region and surprisingly still lived in. Stand in awe of its romantic English-style gardens with tree-lined pathways and serene ponds. **Continue to a family run “agriturismo” (small farm)** for a delightful home-hosted lunch. Then it's on to Barbaresco, a small picturesque village frozen in time. Here you'll sample the delicious Barbaresco wine, recognised as one of the world's finest. (B, L)

Day 7: Langhe-Roero & Monferrato Area - Turin Set out for the foothills of the Alps and **arrive in the regal city of Turin**, Italy's first capital city. Join a local guide who will lead you on an exploration featuring the many treasures of this elegant city. Along the way you will be enchanted by the beauty of its tree-lined avenues and cobblestone streets. Get a glimpse of the grand lifestyle of the House of Savoy at the impressive Royal Palace. As you stroll through the exquisite, gilded rooms you are sure to be awed by the opulence. Then, delight in an exclusive private tour of the Royal Kitchens. Learn about the foods that were on the tables of kings and queens and see the equipment they used to create the regal cuisine. The remainder of the day is yours to explore. (B)

Day 8: Turin Relish a full day at leisure to wander the city and find your

own adventure. You may choose to visit the Cinema Museum or the Egyptian Museum — the best of its kind outside Egypt — or relax at one of Turin's historic cafes. Perhaps you will join an optional tour to the magnificent 18th-century hunting lodge at Stupinigi, the Palazzina di Caccia di Stupinigi (UNESCO); this extravagant building is designed with a towering centre with two immense wings that encircle an intricately manicured courtyard, and has an interior that will take your breath away. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a special farewell dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 9: Turin - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. You are sure to depart with wonderful memories of this captivating region and its culinary treasures. (B)



| Dates & Prices | | | |
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| April 2017 | Double | 19 August | \$3879 |
| 2 April | \$3539 | 9 September | \$4019 |
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| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 28 October | \$3949 |
| 13 May | \$3949 | 7 April | \$3879 |
| 17 June | \$3949 | | |
| 8 July | \$3879 | | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$500 - \$690 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 - \$50 |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |

Travel with no more than 24 guests

Cultural Experiences

- Explore the magnificent “underground cathedrals” of Canelli.
- Meet a truffle hunter and learn about the “king” of mushrooms.
- Stop at a traditional rice producer in the province of Vercelli.

Must-See Inclusions

- Revel in a 4-night stay in the historic wine region of Langhe-Roero & Monferrato.
- Spend two nights along the tranquil shores of breathtaking Lago Maggiore.
- Explore the regal city of Turin with a local guide.
- Visit the Sacro Monte di Serralunga di Crea, one of Italy's Sacred Mountains.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 2 lunches • 3 dinners
- Taste some of the best wines in all of Italy along your journey.
- Enjoy a delightful home-hosted lunch at a family run “agriturismo.”
- Try the amazing food — truffles, hazelnuts and creamy home-cooked risotto.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2 Zacchera Hotels, Lago Maggiore

Days 3 – 6 Hotel Cantine Ascheri, Bra

Days 7, 8 Turin Palace Hotel, Turin

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Our international air passengers will arrive into and depart from Milan, Italy airport. All of our departure transfers will depart from Turin to Milan airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Rome & the Amalfi Coast

Bask in striking landscapes and rich flavours on a journey across Italy

Start Early

Add an extra day in Rome.

Open your tour with more time in the "Eternal City."
Fall in love with every iconic site and side street.

Call for details.

Day 1: Rome, Italy - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in Rome, the "Eternal City," with thousands of years of history and world-renowned for its art, architecture and culture. Journey through



Arch of Constantine

southern Italy and experience its rich scenery, art, culture, food and wine! Witness the breathtaking scenery of the Amalfi Coast, discover the ruins of Pompeii, and explore the most well-preserved Greek temples outside of Greece while in Paestum. This evening, **join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring local delicacies and wines.** (D)

Day 2: Rome This morning you may wish to participate in an optional tour to the magnificent treasures of the Vatican Museums and St. Peter's Basilica. Later, we set out on a panoramic tour of Classical Rome featuring the Piazza Venezia, the Roman Forum, the Circus Maximus, and the Arch of Constantine, followed by an in-depth guided visit of the spectacular Colosseum. Contemporary Rome is highlighted through the legendary Piazza Navona. (B)

Day 3: Rome - Montecassino - Amalfi Coast Depart Rome and journey to the Amalfi Coast. En route, ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Make a stop at the Benedictine monastery of Montecassino, perched on a mountaintop south of Rome. You'll discover its rich history while

exploring the monastery's ornate chapel, peaceful courtyards, and fascinating museum. (B, D)

Day 4: Amalfi Coast - Sorrento - Amalfi - Minori - Amalfi Coast Begin your day exploring the popular and charming seaside resort



Limoncello

town of Sorrento. This afternoon, travel to the delightful town of Amalfi where you have time to explore. Next, continue to Minori where you will have the opportunity



to sample some of the local specialities at a family-owned limoncello factory. You'll also enjoy a typical Italian afternoon break at a local café and pastry shop. Your evening is at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Amalfi Coast - Paestum - Amalfi Coast After breakfast, discover one of Italy's most surprising products during a tour of a local buffalo milk mozzarella factory. Your day continues with a visit to Paestum where a local guide will escort you through some of the best-preserved Greek temples outside of Greece. End your day with dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Amalfi Coast Enjoy a day at leisure to take in the beautiful scenery of the Amalfi Coast. You may wish to sign up for an optional boat trip (weather permitting) to the wonderful Mediterranean island of Capri, where a local guide will provide an interesting tour of this paradisiacal island. (B)

Day 7: Amalfi Coast - Pompeii - Winery - Amalfi Coast Today, experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius. Soak in the history of the preserved original buildings of a typical Roman town 2,000 years ago. A local guide will provide an in-depth tour of this

remarkable archaeological site. **Stop at a local winery at the foot of Mt. Vesuvius to savour the famous Lacryma Christo wines** and enjoy a typical Neapolitan lunch. (B, L)

Day 8: Amalfi Coast - Naples - Rome Bid farewell to the Amalfi Coast this morning and proceed to colourful and vibrant Naples. Enjoy a visit to the fascinating National Archaeological Museum, one of the finest in the world. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating the completion of a marvellous trip to Italy. (B, D)

Day 9: Rome - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close, leaving you with a lifetime of memories of this joyous part of Italy. (B)



| Dates & Prices | | | |
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| March – April 2017 | Double | 6, 13, 20 October | \$3809 |
| 3 March | \$2709 | 27 October | \$3749 |
| 10, 17 March | \$2839 | 3, 10 November | \$3469 |
| 24, 31 March | \$2959 | 10 December* | \$3259 |
| 2, 3 April | \$3089 | 26 January* | \$3189 |
| 20, 21, 23, 28, 30 April | \$3149 | 25 February* | \$3259 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$820 - \$890 |
| 5, 12, 19, 26, 28 May | \$3809 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 - \$50 |
| 9, 16, 23 June | \$3809 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 14, 21, 28 July | \$3809 | *Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 18, 25 August | \$3809 | | |
| 1, 3 September | \$3809 | | |
| 8, 10, 15, 17, 22 September | \$3879 | | |

Cultural Experiences

- Explore the fascinating National Archaeological Museum in Naples.
- Discover the amazing mountain top monastery of Montecassino.
- Enjoy a stop at a winery located at the foot of Mt. Vesuvius.

Must-See Inclusions

- Marvel at the spectacular Colosseum on an in-depth guided visit.
- Spend a leisurely five nights on the breathtaking Amalfi Coast.
- Discover the excavated ruins of Pompeii with a local expert.
- Explore the popular and charming seaside resort town of Sorrento.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Sample delicious limoncello made at a family-owned factory.
- Savour a typical Neapolitan lunch with Lacryma Christo wines.
- Enjoy regional wines with every included dinner.

Accommodations

- Days 1, 2** Imperiale Hotel, Rome
Days 3 – 7 Raito Hotel, Vietri sul Mare, or Graal Hotel, Ravello, Amalfi Coast
Day 8 A.Roma Lifestyle Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.



HOTEL UPGRADE AVAILABLE: During your stay at the Raito Hotel, Amalfi Coast, you may choose to enjoy spectacular sea views by upgrading your accommodation to a Superior or Deluxe Sea-View room. Call for details.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Alberobello

Southern Italy & Sicily

Explore Taormina, Matera, Alberobello, the Amalfi Coast and more

Start Early

Add an extra day in Palermo.

Come to know more about this ancient city founded by the Phoenicians in 734 BC.

Call for details.

Day 1: Palermo, Sicily - Tour Begins

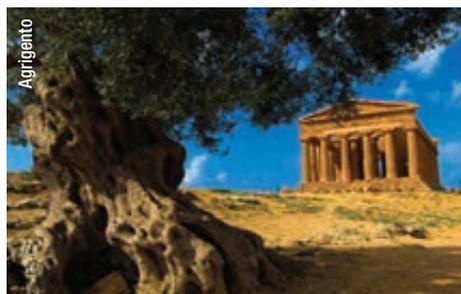
Join us in exploring the hidden treasures of Southern Italy and Sicily. Enjoy breathtaking scenery, historic cities, centuries-old hilltop villages and wonderful cuisine. Your tour opens in Palermo, the capital of Sicily. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner featuring traditional Sicilian cuisine. (D)

Day 2: Palermo - Monreale - Palermo

A cultural tour of Palermo features the lovely squares of Quattro Canti, Piazza Pretoria and Piazza Bellini. Note the exotic mixture of Moorish, Norman and Spanish Baroque styles that make this city special. View the Palace of the Normans, La Martorana church, and the cathedral which houses the Imperial Crown of Constance of Aragon. **In the nearby town of Monreale, visit the 12th-century cathedral with its dazzling interior of multicoloured marbles, paintings, mosaics and cloisters.** The remainder of your day is at leisure to relax or perhaps visit the city's museums and shops. (B)

Day 3: Palermo - Agrigento - Giardini Naxos Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager offers up a few key phrases of the native

language before travelling through the countryside with rolling hills and working farms towards the town of Agrigento. Upon arrival, explore the stunning Valley of the Temples, one of the most important archaeological sites in the world and a UNESCO World Heritage site. From ancient times to the present day, the Valley of the Temples' ruins, landscape and colours have inspired poets, writers and painters. Here you get an up-close



view of the temples of Juno, Concordia, Hercules and Jupiter. Continue on to Giardini Naxos, the "garden of Sicily," for your 3-night stay. (B, D)

Day 4: Giardini Naxos - Taormina - Giardini Naxos

This morning, travel to beautiful Taormina, known for its charming atmosphere, significant monuments and flowering gardens. Join a local guide for a tour introducing you to the city. You will see Corso Umberto and the bountiful public gardens and visit the Greek Theatre. Enjoy some free time to independently explore this delightful town. (B)

Day 5: Giardini Naxos - Catania - Mt. Etna - Giardini Naxos

Journey to

vibrant Catania. The choice is yours! You may join a local guide to visit the cathedral and view the main sights of this historic and Baroque city (UNESCO). Witness the daily spectacle of bartering for fresh fish and produce when you visit the local market. Or, perhaps you would prefer to visit the Museo dello Sbarco (Allied Landing Museum). This fascinating museum is dedicated to the Allied landing on the southern coast of Sicily in 1943. Later, everyone comes together to **discover the impressive Mt. Etna Volcano National Park with a local expert** and take in the spectacular landscapes sculpted by nature. Return to Giardini Naxos. (B)

Day 6: Giardini Naxos - Matera

Travel to Messina where you will take a short ferry ride to Villa San Giovanni on Italy's mainland. Travel through the beautiful and unspoiled region of Calabria and into the Basilicata region. This afternoon you'll **visit one of the area's local wineries for a wine tasting and informative walk through the cellars and vineyards.** Linger over a delicious regional dinner in the winery's own "agriturismo" restaurant. (B, D)

Day 7: Matera - Alberobello - Matera

Today, explore the "Sassi di Matera," an ancient settlement of carved cave dwellings. A local guide will help you learn the history of this site and why it has recently caught the eye of many film producers. Afterward, stop at a local shop for a chance to sample some regional produce. Enjoy some free time in Matera to browse the shops or taste the local cuisine before heading to the mystical town of Alberobello. See some of the most unusually built homes (UNESCO)—known



as *trulli*—that have cone-shaped roofs. Surprisingly, no mortar is used to hold the stones together. Return to your hotel for dinner. (B, D)

Day 8: Matera - Salerno - Sorrento Peninsula Today, travel towards Campania and the Bay of Naples, one of the most breathtaking areas of



Italy. Make a stop in Salerno to explore the historical city centre at leisure. Take a moment to gaze at its impressive cathedral, considered to be the most beautiful medieval church in Italy. Arrive at the Sorrento Peninsula in the late afternoon. Sit back and take in the views of this magical place. (B, D)

Day 9: Sorrento - Amalfi Coast Drive - Amalfi - Minori - Sorrento Peninsula Take time to discover the lovely seaside resort town of Sorrento on your own. Then, begin your adventure experiencing the breathtaking

Amalfi Coast. Make a special stop in the charming town of Amalfi where you will have time to explore. Then it's off to Minori where you have the opportunity to sample some of the local specialities at a family-owned limoncello factory. You'll also enjoy a typical Italian afternoon break at a local café and pastry shop. Your evening is at leisure. (B)

Day 10: Sorrento Peninsula - Pompeii - Rome Drive along the Bay of Naples and experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius. Soak in the history of the preserved original buildings of a typical Roman town 2,000 years ago. A local guide will provide an in-depth view of this remarkable archaeological site. Later, travel to Rome where you will spend your last evening. Celebrate the end of your journey with a farewell dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Rome - Tour Ends
Your tour ends today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Rome. Fall in love with the thrilling city where Roman monuments stand side by side with a modern metropolis.

Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Catania join a local guide on a city tour or visit the fascinating Museo dello Sbarco (Allied Landing Museum).

Cultural Experiences

- Tour a vineyard, sample the wine, and dine at its agriturismo restaurant.
- Travel to "Sassi di Matera," an ancient town known for its cave dwellings.
- In mystical Alberobello, marvel at some of the most unusually built homes—known as *trulli*.

Must-See Inclusions

- Experience the excavated ruins of Pompeii at the foothills of Mount Vesuvius.
- Marvel at the Valley of the Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Discover the impressive Mt. Etna Volcano National Park.
- Be amazed by the Greek Theatre in Taormina.
- Learn Catania's history as you explore the city's amazing sites.
- Explore Palermo—Sicily's vibrant and welcoming capital.

Culinary Inclusions

- 16 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Wine is included with every meal.
- Savour a delicious regional dinner in a winery's "agriturismo" restaurant.
- Sample some local specialties at a family-owned limoncello factory.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Hotel Federico II Central Palace, Palermo
- Days 3 – 5** Hellenia Yachting Hotel, Giardini Naxos
- Days 6, 7** Hotel del Campo, Matera
- Days 8, 9** Towers Hotel Stabiae, Sorrento Coast or Michelangelo Hotel, Sorrento
- Day 10** Donna Laura Palace Hotel, Rome

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an **air upgrade**.
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- On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| January – April 2017 | Double | 18, 22, 29 August | \$3539 |
|--|---------------|---|------------------------------|
| 13 January | \$2799 | 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 22, 29 September | \$3609 |
| 17 February | \$2799 | 6, 13, 17 October | \$3609 |
| 3, 17 March | \$2929 | 20, 27 October | \$3539 |
| 21 March | \$3289 | 3, 10 November | \$3399 |
| 24 March | \$2989 | 5 December | \$3119 |
| 4 April | \$3119 | 26 January | \$3119 |
| 21, 25, 28 April | \$3179 | 23 February | \$3119 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 9, 16 March | \$3259 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 6, 10, 13 April | \$3469 |
| 12, 26 May | \$3539 | 20, 27 April | \$3539 |
| 16, 30 June | \$3539 | Single Room Supplement | (+ 440 - \$550) |
| 14 July | \$3539 | Triple Room Reduction | (- \$30) |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. | Call about additional dates. |



Siracusa

Splendid Sicilia

Embrace life in Sicily's most vibrant cities and delightful countryside

Day 1: Palermo, Italy - Tour Begins

Your exploration opens in Palermo — Sicily's vibrant and welcoming capital. In 2015, the historic architectural masterpieces of Arab-Norman Palermo were added to the UNESCO World Heritage list. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Palermo - Monreale - Palermo

This morning set out on a comprehensive panoramic tour of Palermo featuring the historic squares of Quattro Canti, Piazza Pretoria and Piazza Bellini. Discover the city's exotic blend of Moorish, Norman and Spanish Baroque styles. Be awed by the Palace of the Normans



Medieval Palace visit

and La Martorana Church, and visit the cathedral that houses the impressive Imperial Crown of Constance of Aragon. Then, venture to the nearby town of Monreale where you will visit the 12th-century cathedral that dazzles from the moment you step inside. Return to Palermo and immerse yourself in the culture when exploring one of its colourful markets and sampling its famous "street food." (B)

Day 3: Palermo Spend a morning at leisure savouring your stay in this fascinating city. Take time to visit one of the city's great museums or stroll its streets lined with fancy boutiques and inviting cafés. Or you may choose to partake in an optional excursion to the medieval town of Erice. This afternoon, visit a **medieval palace where a countess welcomes you on a tour of her family's home.** Experience the life of the nobility as you join her for an aperitif and hors d'oeuvres in one of the palace's historic chambers. This evening, gather for dinner at a local restaurant where you'll join a local entrepreneur to discuss the notorious Sicilian Mafia and what ordinary Sicilians are doing to stand up to them. (B, D)

Day 4: Palermo - Cefalù - Sicilian Countryside - Palermo Journey to the seaside town of Cefalù, home to one of the most magnificent cathedrals in Sicily. After strolling through its medieval streets, proceed to a family farm in the



Palermo

countryside. **Learn about a day on a Sicilian farm and the typical products created there.** A farmer demonstrates how to make a Sicilian favourite — ricotta cheese! Watch a chef prepare local specialities and enjoy a hearty lunch featuring the farm's own products and recipes. Return to Palermo for an evening at leisure. (B, L)

Day 5: Palermo - Agrigento - Catania Depart Sicily's capital for Agrigento. Start your day at the Valley of the Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy a guided tour and learn about the rich history as you walk around the temples of Juno, Concordia, Hercules and Jupiter. Journey through the beautiful Erei Mountains to Sicily's Ionian Coast. Spend the next four



nights in Catania, a coastal city at the foot of Mount Etna and a UNESCO World Heritage site. (B, D)

Day 6: Catania This morning a local guide shares Catania's history. Explore the city's stunning cathedral and get acquainted with the various sites throughout the city. Witness the daily spectacle of bartering for fresh fish and produce when you visit the local market. Enjoy free time in Catania's elegant centre. Afterward, you may wish to sign up for an optional excursion to Mount Etna. (B)

Day 7: Catania - Siracusa - Catania Depart Catania and venture farther south to Siracusa. Reflect on the grandeur of ancient Greece during an included excursion to the historical sites in Siracusa, boasting archaeological treasures rivalling those in Athens. A local expert guides you through the Archaeological Park of Neapolis which features an impressive collection of Greek and Roman antiquities. Afterward, make a stop at a rural estate. Feel like you have stepped back in time as you explore the stunning gardens and landscape; then enjoy a regional treat with the owners. (B)

Day 8: Catania - Taormina - Catania Explore Taormina, the jewel of Sicily, perched above the Ionian Sea. During a guided tour you will be amazed by the Greek Theatre, the Duomo and the

spectacular public gardens. Spend the afternoon dining at a sidewalk café or shopping in the town's boutiques. On your return to Catania, travel along the Cyclops Coast, passing vineyards, citrus groves and charming fishing villages. This evening,



enjoy a farewell dinner in one of Catania's charming trattorie serenaded by music from local musicians. (B, D)

Day 9: Catania - Tour Ends Your tour of Sicily comes to a close as you return home with many cherished memories. (B)

Cultural Experiences

- Visit a medieval palace where a countess welcomes you.
- Be amazed by the Greek Theatre and the Duomo in Taormina.
- Stop in Monreale to visit the stunning 12th-century cathedral.
- Journey to the beautiful seaside town of Cefalù.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore Palermo — Sicily's vibrant and welcoming capital.
- Learn Catania's history as you explore the city's amazing sites.
- Marvel at the Valley of the Temples, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Reflect on the sheer grandeur of historical sites in Siracusa.
- Explore Taormina, the jewel of Sicily, perched above the Ionian Sea.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 4 dinners
- Enjoy a hearty lunch featuring a Sicilian farm's own products.
- Savour a farewell dinner in one of Catania's charming trattorie.
- Enjoy regional wines with every included lunch and dinner.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 4 Grand Hotel Piazza Borsa, Palermo

Days 5 – 8 UNA Hotel Palace, Catania

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

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Dates & Prices

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|--|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 5 November | \$2989 |
| 18 March | \$2799 | 10 December | \$2779 |
| 1, 22 April | \$2849 | 21 January | \$2779 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 25 February | \$2779 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 11 March | \$2919 |
| 21 May | \$2989 | 8 April | \$2989 |
| 11 June | \$2989 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$510 - \$630 |
| 9 July | \$2849 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 17, 24 September | \$3119 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 8, 22 October | \$3119 | | |



Chianti Vineyard

**NEW
TOUR**

France & Italy

Explore the history and culture of two of Europe's most captivating countries

Start Early

Add an extra day in Paris. Spend more time exploring the world's most romantic city.

Call for details.

Day 1: Paris, France - Tour Begins

Journey through the best of France and Italy as you explore lively Paris, romantic Provence, delightful Nice, spectacular Florence, and enchanting Rome, making many fascinating discoveries along the way. Your tour begins in Paris, the "City of Light." Tonight, **enjoy a wonderful cruise along the Seine River** to see the city's glittering landmarks. Then we head into the heart of the city to savour sumptuous French cuisine and wine inside a beautiful, historic Parisian brasserie. (D)

Y Day 2: Paris Come to know the dramatic highlights of Paris your way - by coach or by metro! You may choose to take a splendid panoramic coach tour that includes a stop to explore the impressive Notre Dame Cathedral. Or, for a truly local experience, you may prefer to join a local guide who will take you to some of Paris' most iconic sights by metro. Either way you'll see the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame Cathedral, Champs-Élysées, Place de la Concorde, and the magnificent Place Vendôme with a local guide. The evening is yours to enjoy the glittering skyline of Paris independently or you may choose an optional dinner and show at Paris' oldest cabaret. (B)

Day 3: Paris This morning we make our way to the bohemian neighbourhood of Montmartre to share in its culture, history and food. Walk the streets that inspired the famous artwork of Van Gogh, Picasso and Toulouse-Lautrec. Taste regional specialities

at different shops before visiting the iconic Sacré-Coeur Basilica. The afternoon is yours to take in the beauty of Paris; perhaps you will explore one of Paris' famous museums. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a traditional restaurant tucked away in the medieval streets of the Latin Quarter, complete with local wine and accompanied by local musicians. As you bask in the warm hospitable glow, sit back, relax and soak up some truly authentic French culture. (B, D)

Day 4: Paris - Avignon, Provence Climb aboard the high-speed TGV train and "fly" through the French countryside to Provence. Join a local expert for a walking tour of Avignon and discover the legacy of this walled city, the centre of European religion since the 14th century. Tour the Palais des Papes (Papal Palace), the largest gothic palace in the world. (B)

Day 5: Avignon - Saint-Rémy - Chateauneuf-du-Pape - Avignon Depart for the inspiringly beautiful town of Saint-Rémy-de-Provence where Van Gogh painted "Starry Night". Discover the famous Wednesday market for a chance to interact with local producers and artisans. Then head to the famous wine region of Chateauneuf-du-Pape, where you will discover how the fine red wines of this area combine with sumptuous French chocolates. Finish your day savouring fine French cuisine at a local restaurant, complete with a crème brûlée demonstration. (B, D)

Day 6: Avignon - Nîmes - Avignon Discover the city of Nîmes' deep Roman history during a tour that includes a visit to the elliptical amphitheatre, the best preserved in France and still used as a bull fighting arena to this day. Visit the Maison Carrée (Square House), a small Roman temple; the 18th-century Jardins de la Fontaine (Gardens of the Fountain), built around the Roman Thermae ruins; and the Tour Magne (Great Tower), a ruined Roman

tower. The remainder of the day is at leisure to enjoy the wonderful pleasures of Provence. (B)

Day 7: Avignon - Grasse - Nice Travel to Grasse, the world's centre of perfume making. Learn the secrets of perfume making, from extraction to distillation, while visiting a famous perfumery. Continue to Nice, the renowned playground for the rich and famous. Later, explore Place Massena and the lively seafront Promenade des Anglais. Tonight, enjoy a wonderful dinner at a quaint restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8: Nice - St. Jean-Cap-Ferrat - Monaco - Nice Take in the breathtaking views of the spectacular coastline, passing the charming town of Villefranche-sur-Mer en route to St. Jean-Cap-Ferrat, the crown jewel of the French Riviera. **Visit the impressive Rothschild Villa and Gardens**, a stunning seaside palace overlooking the Mediterranean Sea. Later, a panoramic tour of Monaco will introduce you to the famous Casino of Monte Carlo, the Place des Armes, Prince's Palace, Avenue des Beaux Arts, and the Cathedral of Monaco, where Prince Rainier III and Princess Grace are buried. (B)

Day 9: Nice - Santa Margherita, Italy - Florence This morning we depart for Florence, Italy - the "Cradle of the Italian Renaissance." Drive along the Italian Riviera, where the rugged shorelines meet colourful seaside villages. Stop along the way in picturesque Santa Margherita. Enjoy free time to get to know the local culture or browse the quaint shops and boutiques. **Continue on to captivating Florence**, a UNESCO World Heritage site and one of the most beautiful cities in the world. (B, D)

Y Day 10: Florence Today the choice is yours! Perhaps you'll choose to join a local guide for a cultural walking tour of Florence and discover its spectacular architecture that are works of art themselves; see the



iconic Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore with its famous terracotta dome; stroll through the city's epicenter, the Palazzo Vecchio; and gaze at the magnificent Church of Santa Croce. Or, maybe you'd prefer to join an expert to explore the world-famous architectural masterpiece and symbol of Florence – the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore; step inside this religious centre and the stunning stained glass, massive frescos, and towering archways will mesmerize you on your in-depth discovery; learn about its treasures and history, and spend time exploring its fascinating Museo dell'Opera del Duomo that houses masterpieces from some of the greatest Italian artists including Donatello and Michelangelo. (B)

Day 11: Florence Travel through the Tuscan countryside of gentle green hills dotted with vineyards of grapes and olives to a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region. Lying in the shadow of a 12th-century castle, learn about the winery's history, taste famed Tuscan wines, and enjoy a light lunch featuring local specialities. Return to Florence for a free afternoon to explore Florence's many treasures or simply relax over a cappuccino and watch the world go by. (B, L)

Day 12: Florence - Assisi - Rome Depart for the "Eternal City" of Rome. Make a stop en route in charming Assisi, birthplace of St. Francis. Take in the old-world atmosphere on a guided walking tour through the old city featuring the Basilica of St. Francis. Your day comes to a close in Rome, a city that blends ancient architecture with a lively cosmopolitan energy. (B, D)

Day 13: Rome Come to know the history and traditions of Rome on a guided panoramic tour featuring the impressive Piazza Venezia, the Circus Maximus, the Arch of Constantine, and the famous Piazza Navona. Continue on and tour the impressive Colosseum, once home to gladiatorial combat and wild animal fights dating back to the first century A.D. This afternoon is yours to do as you choose. Available to you is an optional tour to the spectacular Vatican Museums* and the awe-inspiring St. Peter's Basilica. (B)

Day 14: Rome The day is yours to relax, shop or explore the city your way. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers for a special farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 15: Rome - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today with wonderful memories of these amazing countries. (B)

Extend Your Tour

EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour for 2 nights in Venice. Experience one of the world's most unique cities and visit St. Marks Square, see the Bridge of Sighs, explore the famous canals and more.

See page 157 for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Florence, join a local guide for a cultural walking tour of Florence or join an expert to explore the world-famous Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore.
- In Paris, join a local guide for a tour of the city by either coach or by metro!

Cultural Experiences

- Visit the bustling morning market in the city square of Saint-Remy.
- Enjoy an in-depth visit to Rome's iconic Colosseum.
- Learn the secrets of perfume making while visiting a famous perfumery.
- Stroll the streets of Paris' bohemian neighborhood of Montmartre.

Must-See Inclusions

- Get to know the history and traditions of Rome with a local guide.
- Explore captivating Florence's streets with its many architectural masterpieces.
- Capture the essence of Paris as you cruise the Seine River.
- Join a local expert for a walking tour of the walled city of Avignon.
- Explore Nice's Place Massena and the lively seafront Promenade des Anglais.

Culinary Inclusions

- 22 meals included: 14 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 7 dinners
- Visit a historic winery in the heart of the Chianti region for a tasting and lunch.
- Dine in Paris' historic Latin Quarter enjoying a traditional gourmet feast.
- Discover fine red wines of Chateauneuf-du-Pape and French chocolates.
- Savour French cuisine and wine inside a beautiful, historic Parisian Brasserie.

Accommodation

- Days 1 - 3** Marriott Rive Gauche, Paris, France
- Days 4 - 6** Novotel Avignon Center, Avignon, France
- Days 7, 8** Hotel Nice Riviera or Hotel Splendid, Nice, France
- Days 9 - 11** Grand Hotel Adriatico, Starhotels Michelangelo or Grand Hotel Mediterraneo, Florence, Italy
- Days 12 - 14** Hotel Albani, Rome, Italy

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Dates & Prices

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|------------------------------|--|----------------------------|--------|
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 17 March | \$5329 |
| 6 May | \$5879 | 7 April | \$5679 |
| 27 May | \$5999 | 21 April | \$5879 |
| 10, 24 June | \$6199 | | |
| 9 September | \$6369 | | |
| 23 September | \$6199 | | |
| 7 October | \$5999 | | |
| | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1380 - \$1720 | |
| | Triple Room Reduction | N/A | |
| | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | | |



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Alpine Lakes & Scenic Trains

Embrace the scenic and cultural wonders of the Alps

Day 1: Lucerne, Switzerland - Tour Begins

Breathtaking Alpine vistas paint the canvas of your trip of a lifetime through Switzerland and Italy. Experience dramatic views while aboard railways and lake cruises, and enjoy cultural experiences in charming villages in the heart of Europe. Arrive in Lucerne and take some free time to explore this lakeside town on your own. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner in the city. (D)

Day 2: Lucerne Today, explore the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake." Enjoy an Altstadt (Old Town) walking tour that follows the ancient pathways of the



Lucerne

city. Over 800 years of history lives on with such treasures as the covered Chapel Bridge (1333); the famous Water Tower that once served as a prison; the watchtower and treasury; the Renaissance-style Town Hall; the Baroque Jesuit Church; and the Lion Monument, carved from sandstone to commemorate the heroic soldiers who were protecting King Louis XVI in 1792. (B)

Day 3: Lucerne - GoldenPass Train - Montreux - Zermatt

This morning, travel to Gstaad where you climb aboard the GoldenPass panoramic train to enjoy breathtaking Alpine views along the route to Montreux. Upon arrival, have free time in this legendary town on the shores of Lake Geneva. Then, continue on to the pedestrian village of Zermatt. (B, D)

Day 4: Zermatt Today you have all of Zermatt at your fingertips. You choose the way you spend your day! You may decide to explore on foot during a guided walking tour of charming Zermatt. Or, perhaps you'll choose to discover Zermatt independently and learn more about the triumph and tragedy of the first ascent of the Matterhorn with included admission to the Matterhorn Museum. The remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

Day 5: Zermatt - Glacier Express Train - St. Moritz

Traverse bridges and tunnels while aboard the world-renowned narrow gauge Glacier Express, the most charming express train in the world. Enjoy the natural beauty of this route through the heart

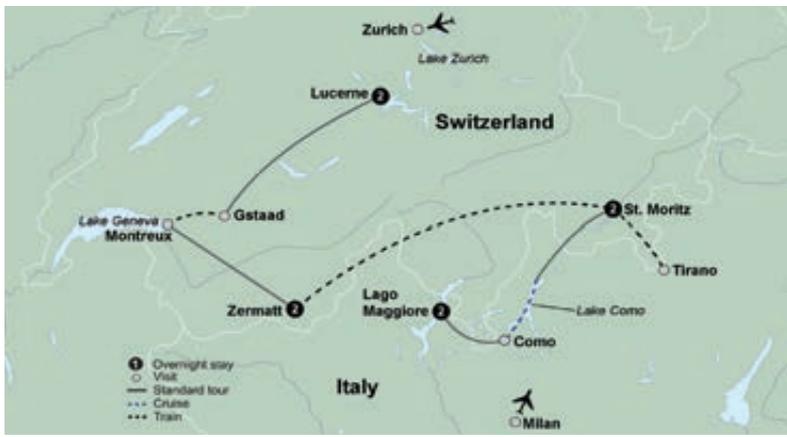


Zermatt

of the Swiss Alps. Filled with forests, fragrant meadows, gurgling streams and deep valleys, it's a mountain dream come to life. Arrive in St. Moritz for your 2-night stay. Tonight, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Alpine Lakes & Scenic Trains

9 Days from \$4369



Day 6: St. Moritz - Bernina Pass Train - St. Moritz Embark on a journey through the Bernina Pass while travelling along one of the most scenic railway lines in the world en route to Tirano, Italy. Enjoy striking views of the Swiss and Italian Alps throughout your adventure, including the famed Morteratsch Glacier. Upon your return to St. Moritz you can relax at your hotel or perhaps make use of your included St. Moritz lift pass to take the cable car to the top of Mt. Diavolezza where you can enjoy stunning views of Piz Bernina. (B)

Day 7: St. Moritz - Lake Como, Italy - Lago Maggiore Today you make your way back to Italy with a drive to Lake Como. A ferry ride across the waters of Lake Como introduces you to its stunning beauty. Drive along the picturesque shores to the town of Como. You will have free time to

explore this famous resort before continuing to Lago Maggiore, a tranquil resort area with crystal clear waters against the backdrop of the Alps. (B)

Day 8: Lago Maggiore Today we make our way to an ancient village nestled in the mountains. Stop at a family farm where you will learn about the artisan cheeses they produce. Then, sample their delicious creations and learn how to pair them with the region's local wines. Return to your hotel for a free afternoon. Your evening begins with a cocktail party in a wine shop before boarding your lake boat for a cruise to Isola dei Pescatori, the most beautiful of the Borromean Islands, for your traditional farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 9: Lago Maggiore - Tour Ends Your thrilling Alpine journey ends today in Lago Maggiore. (B)

Choice On Tour

- Choose a guided walking tour of charming Zermatt or discover Zermatt independently and enjoy included admission to the Matterhorn Museum.

Cultural Experiences

- Cruise Lake Como on a traditional open-air commuter ferry.
- Stroll the lakeside boulevards of Lucerne, St. Moritz and Como.
- Journey through the Bernina Pass on one of the world's most scenic railways.
- In St. Moritz, take a cable car to the top of Mt. Diavolezza.

Must-See Inclusions

- Enjoy stunning Alpine views on the GoldenPass panoramic train.
- Soak up the mountain air with two nights in the Alpine village of Zermatt.
- Explore the "Swiss Paradise on the Lake," Lucerne.
- Walk along the streets of Montreux, located on the shores of Lake Geneva.
- Board the world-renowned narrow gauge Glacier Express.

Culinary Inclusions

- 12 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 4 dinners
- Savour a wine and cheese pairing at an Italian family farm.
- Relish a traditional dinner on the Isola dei Pescatori in Italy's Lago Maggiore.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Ameron Flora or Hotel Waldstaetterhof, Lucerne
 - Days 3, 4** Hotel Alex or Hotel Pollux, Zermatt
 - Days 5, 6** Hotel Steffani, St. Moritz
 - Days 7, 8** Zacchera Hotels, Lago Maggiore
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an **air upgrade**. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. International air passengers will arrive into Zurich, Switzerland airport and transfer to Lucerne, and depart from Lago Maggiore, Italy and transfer to Milan airport. All of our transfers will depart from/return to these airports. Due to tour scheduling, flights on Day 1 should arrive into Zurich prior to 4:00 p.m. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| May – October 2017 | Double | 5, 19, 26 September | \$4369 |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 2, 9 May | \$4369 | 10, 17 October | \$4369 |
| 6, 20 June | \$4369 | | |
| 11, 18 July | \$4369 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$690 |
| 15, 22 August | \$4369 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.



Romantic Road & Fairy Tale Road

Discover castles, cities, and legends on this grand tour of Germany

Start Early

Add an extra day in Berlin.

Get a jump on exploring Germany with an extra night in exciting Berlin.

Call for details.

Day 1: Berlin, Germany - Tour Begins

This enchanting journey will take you to see the best of Germany as you travel to some of the country's most iconic cities and through its stunning countryside. Your tour opens in Berlin, Germany's capital. This city blends a deep history, a modern flare and multi-cultural influences. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Berlin This morning enjoy a **traditional city tour** that features Charlottenburg Palace, Kaiser Wilhelm Memorial Church, the Schoenberg City Hall, Kurfuerstendamm, the Reichstag building and a stop at "Checkpoint Charlie," the best-known Berlin Wall crossing point between East and West Berlin during the Cold War. This afternoon you may choose to join an optional excursion outside the city to visit Potsdam and the famous Sanssouci Palace. (B)

Day 3: Berlin - Lübeck - Hamburg Travel to Hamburg, "the Venice of the North," with winding canals and an impressive harbour that made it a centre for trade for centuries. En route, make a stop in the medieval Hanseatic League town of Lübeck, the famed birthplace of marzipan and a UNESCO World Heritage site; join a local guide for a tour of the town and have a chance to visit Café Niederegger to shop for the marzipan they have been making for 200 years. Arrive in Hamburg. Prior to tonight's dinner in town, enjoy a

walking tour of the Reeperbahn area, Hamburg's red light district, immortalised as the place where the Beatles cultivated their fame in the early 1960s. Join in the fun with your "singing and ukulele playing local Beatles expert" and travel down memory lane. (B, D)

Day 4: Hamburg Come to know the city on a panoramic tour that showcases the Rathaus (Town Hall), the Alster, St. Michaelis church, the city centre, the beautiful Jungfernstieg promenade and, of course, the Port of Hamburg, dubbed the "gateway to the world." **Later, you choose your cruise!** You may choose to board a harbour boat for a narrated cruise around the massive Hamburg shipping port highlighting the key maritime sights. Or, perhaps you would prefer to embark on a relaxing boat cruise on Alster Lake to take in stunning views of the shoreline dotted with the homes of Hamburg's elite. (B)

Day 5: Hamburg - Bremen - Hamelin Today's first stop is in Bremen, at the beginning of the Fairy Tale Road. Join a local guide for a walking tour of the quaint town featuring the musicians of Brothers Grimm fame, the Town Hall (UNESCO), and ending in the medieval Schnoor district. After free time for lunch, travel to Hamelin, made famous by the Pied Piper legend from the stories of the Brothers Grimm. Feel like you have stepped into a storybook when the "Pied Piper of Hamelin" plays delightful tunes while he leads you on a discovery walk through Hamelin with its charming Tudor-style architecture. (B)

Day 6: Hamelin - Trendelburg and Sababurg castles - Kassel - Marburg This morning you are transported back to childhood as you come face to face with the real life places that inspired the fairy tale classics. First, meet a local storyteller at the famed "Rapunzel's Castle" –

Trendelburg. Continue on to Reinhardswald, home to Sleeping Beauty's castle – known as Sababurg. Have time to explore the enchanting grounds before travelling to Kassel, home to the Brothers Grimm Museum. At the museum, an expert will lead you on a tour through the interactive displays that bring you through the life of the Grimm Brothers. Journey to the medieval university town of Marburg with its endless alleys and stairways that lead to the castle perched above. (B, D)

Day 7: Marburg - Würzburg - Rothenburg ob der Tauber Journey to the perfectly preserved medieval town of **Rothenburg ob der Tauber**, located in the middle of the famous Romantic Road and in the heart of the Franconia wine region. En route, make a stop in Würzburg, a Bavarian wine town known for its lavish Baroque and Rococo architecture. You will enjoy time to explore the town on your own before continuing to Rothenburg, located high on a plateau overlooking the Tauber River. Arrive at your city centre hotel, the perfect location to discover this captivating town. Take an evening stroll to a local restaurant where you'll enjoy a tasting of local wines followed by a traditional German dinner. Later, join a colourfully costumed local expert for the famous "Night Watchman" walking tour of the medieval town. (B, D)

Day 8: Rothenburg ob der Tauber It's your choice today! Perhaps you will join in a walk to a local bakery to make "schneeball" pastries – snowballs – the local's favourite treat! Or, you may choose to tour the Medieval Crime and Justice Museum. Later, we gather to spend time at the famous Käthe Wohlfahrt Christmas Museum where you will be treated to a private tour, enjoy an ornament-making demonstration, and shop for handmade Christmas ornaments. The remainder of the day is yours to do as you choose. (B)

Romantic Road & Fairy Tale Road

11 Days from \$3679



Day 9: Rothenburg ob der Tauber - Neuschwanstein Castle - Munich Leave Rothenburg behind and make your way through mountains and along winding country roads for a **tour inside the famous Neuschwanstein Castle**. Built by the “crazy” King Ludwig II, it is the most photographed castle in Germany. Next, continue to Munich, the exciting capital of Bavaria. Your evening is free to explore the city on your own. (B)

Day 10: Munich Come to know the energy of this lively and fascinating city during a panoramic walking tour that highlights the world-famous Glockenspiel and Marienplatz – a beautiful square surrounded by shops, restaurants and cafés. This afternoon, explore the area your way! You may choose to join a local guide and venture to the innovative BMW World to learn the history of this dynamic global automaker; then, ride to the top of the Olympic Tower to take in stunning views of

the Munich cityscape. Or, perhaps you'll choose to embark on a poignant journey through history as you travel* to the Dachau Memorial; a local expert guides you through the former concentration camp where you will learn firsthand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls. The remainder of your day is at leisure. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a beer tasting followed by a farewell dinner in one of Munich's most famous restaurants. (B, D)

Day 11: Munich - Tour Ends
This morning your tour comes to a close. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Munich. Spend more time in the captivating city of Munich.

Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|--|---------------------------|
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 3 November | \$3679 |
| 12 May | \$3679 | 13, 20 April | \$3679 |
| 2 June | \$3679 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$960 - \$1180 |
| 14 July | \$3679 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 18 August | \$3679 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |
| 1, 8 September | \$3809 | | |
| 13, 20 October | \$3679 | | |

Romantic Road & Fairy Tale Road featuring Christmas Markets

Dates & Prices

| | |
|-----------------------|---------------|
| Nov - Dec 2017 | Double |
| 30 November | \$3679 |
| 7 December | \$3679 |

Single Room Supplement (+) \$960

Rates are land only, per person.
Call about additional dates.

Step into a magical land that shines bright during the holidays. Come to know the allure of Germany's beautiful cities and charming landscapes. Tour Berlin with a local guide. Visit a café in Lubeck, birthplace of marzipan. Spend a night in Hamelin located on the enchanting Fairy Tale Road. Immerse yourself in fairy tales at Rapunzel's and Sleeping Beauty's castles and visit the Brothers Grimm Museum. Stay two nights in charming Rothenberg on the Romantic Road and delight in a “night watchman” tour. Explore stunning Neuschwanstein Castle. Indulge in a wine tasting in a cellar restaurant. Sample local beer in one of Munich's most famous restaurants and much more. Along the way, discover the charms of its many Christmas markets and their captivating atmosphere.

Choice On Tour



- In Rothenburg, make “snowball” pastries or tour the Medieval Crime and Justice Museum.
- In Munich, visit the innovative BMW World or take an excursion to Dachau.
- In Hamburg, take a narrated cruise around its shipping port, or embark on a relaxing boat cruise on Alster Lake.

Cultural Experiences

- Join a local guide who leads you on a Beatles tour in Hamburg.
- Embark on a guided tour of Hamelin with a flute-playing “Pied Piper.”
- Explore the Hanseatic town of Lubeck, famous for marzipan.
- Immerse yourself in fairytales at Rapunzel's and Sleeping Beauty's castles.

Must-See Inclusions

- Tour Berlin and Munich's famed landmarks with a local guide.
- Tour Neuschwanstein Castle – right from the pages of a storybook.
- Discover Rothenburg ob der Tauber, a medieval gem in the heart of Franconia.

Culinary Inclusions

- 15 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Indulge in a wine tasting in a cellar restaurant.

Accommodation

| | |
|---|--|
| Days 1, 2 | Crowne Plaza Potsdamer Platz, Berlin |
| Days 3, 4 | Reichshof Hamburg, Curio Collection by Hilton, Hamburg |
| Day 5 | Stadt Hotel, Hamelin |
| Day 6 | Hotel Vila Vita Rosepark, Marburg |
| Days 7, 8 | Hotel Alte Brauhaus, Rothenburg ob der Tauber |
| Days 9, 10 | Sheraton Hotel Arabellapark, Munich |
| On some dates alternate hotels may be used. | |

Tour Activity Level



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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

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Magical Christmas Markets

Step back in time and experience a timeless holiday tradition

Day 1: Innsbruck, Austria - Tour Begins

Discover the unique charm of Austria and Germany, alive with holiday cheer and adorned with bustling "Christkindlesmarkt" – festive Christmas markets. Arrive in the Tyrolean town of Innsbruck,



nestled in the heart of the mountains — your home for the next five nights. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Innsbruck - Seefeld - Innsbruck

Today you have a choice of city tours. You may choose to join a local guide to discover Innsbruck's history, culture and popular attractions including Maria Theresien-Strasse, the Hofburg and the "Golden Roof." Or, perhaps you would prefer to embark on a tour focusing on the city's unique architectural structures including its famous ski jump. This afternoon, **venture into the mountains to the breathtaking Alpine village of Seefeld.** Enjoy stunning views as you travel by train 3,600 feet above sea level to this charming Tyrolean town. Known as one of the world's great ski resorts, Seefeld is home to miles of walking trails, lakes, fine shopping, dining possibilities and pure fresh Alpine air. Warm yourself, meet the locals with a glass of schnapps, and enjoy a traditional carriage ride before shopping in some of the quaint village shops. (B)

Day 3: Innsbruck - Munich, Germany - Innsbruck

This morning you cross the border into Germany while en route to the exciting city of Munich.



First you'll be introduced to its history on a panoramic tour featuring the Marienplatz, the Glockenspiel and Olympic Park. Then, enjoy leisure time to independently

Magical Christmas Markets

6 Days from \$1879



explore Munich's historic area and the Christmas market. Later, return to Innsbruck where the remainder of your day is at leisure. (B)

Day 4: Innsbruck - Salzburg

- Innsbruck Journey through the Austrian countryside to Salzburg, a city filled with beautiful gardens and wondrous architecture. Upon arrival, enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour featuring the Mirabell Gardens, a filming location for *The Sound of Music*, and Mozart's birthplace – the quaint Getreidegasse. Enjoy a free afternoon to mingle with the locals as you explore Salzburg's Christmas markets featuring local crafts and traditional food and drink. **Your day concludes with a delightful dinner at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant**, located in the historic city centre. (B, D)



Day 5: Innsbruck - Neuschwanstein, Germany - Oberammergau - Innsbruck

Begin your day with a stop to view Neuschwanstein Castle, the fairy-tale retreat of Ludwig II of Bavaria. **Continue on your journey to Oberammergau**, a picture-perfect Bavarian Alpine village. Step back in time as you stroll the streets past old-world cottages and shops covered in colourful frescos. Have some time to explore the village, perhaps shopping for the intricate woodcrafts the town is known for. Conclude your tour with a festive farewell dinner this evening. (B, D)

Day 6: Innsbruck - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



Choice On Tour

- Join a local guide to discover Innsbruck's history, culture and popular attractions or embark on an architectural tour focusing on the city's unique structures.

Cultural Experiences

- Experience the 600-year-old holiday tradition of the "Christkindlesmarkt."
- Venture by train to Seefeld for a carriage ride and schnapps tasting.
- Relax and shop for handmade crafts in the heart of the Alps.
- Pause at Neuschwanstein Castle, a fairy-tale Bavarian castle.

Must-See Inclusions

- Discover Munich's Marienplatz, the Glockenspiel and Olympic Park.
- Salzburg reveals beautiful gardens and wondrous architecture.
- Journey to Oberammergau, a picture-perfect Bavarian Alpine village.

Culinary Inclusions

- 8 meals included: 5 breakfasts • 3 dinners
- Delight in dinner at the centuries-old St. Peter's Restaurant in Salzburg.

Accommodation

Day 1-5 Hotel Innsbruck or Hotel Grauer Bar, Innsbruck

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. International air passengers will arrive into and depart from Munich, Germany airport. All of our transfers will depart from/return to this airport. Approximate travel time between Innsbruck and Munich is 2 hours. You may require an early morning departure from the hotel on the last day. In this case, a boxed breakfast will be provided. Return flights should not be booked prior to 10:00 a.m. Due to tour scheduling, flights arriving on the first day of the tour must arrive prior to 4:00 p.m. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

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|--------------------------|--------|---|-----------|
| November – December 2017 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$350 |
| 26 November | \$1879 | Triple Room Reduction | N/A |
| 3, 10 December | \$1879 | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |



Krakow

Discovering Poland

Experience Warsaw, Krakow, Wroclaw, Torun & Gdansk

Start Early

Add an extra day in Warsaw.

Start your tour early in the cultural capital of Warsaw. Savour more time in one of Europe's hidden gems. Call for details.

Day 1: Warsaw, Poland - Tour Begins

Your journey through Poland, a land of amazing castles, poignant history and welcoming culture, begins upon arrival in Warsaw! The city has a blend of old-world charm and a modern energy. Tonight, join your fellow passengers for a welcome dinner. (B)

Day 2: Warsaw Embrace the moving history of Warsaw, a city reborn after WWII, as you embark on a locally guided tour. Your journey through this capital city



includes a stop at what remains of the Warsaw Ghetto. The afternoon is at leisure to take in the alleyways, the quaint cafés in Warsaw's Old Town, explore a museum or simply relax. (B)

Day 3: Warsaw - Czestochowa -

Krakow Travel south to Krakow, an enchanting city famous for its well-preserved town centre. En route, stop in Czestochowa, the spiritual capital of Poland, where each year over 5 million pilgrims journey to pay their respects to the famous Black Madonna. Housed in the Jasna Góra monastery, journey inside for an up-close look at this miraculous image. Arriving in Krakow, enjoy some free time to get acquainted with the city. This evening you are introduced to traditional Polish culture during a folklore show and dinner, complete with wine and beer. (B, D)

Day 4: Krakow This morning we explore the city on a tour with a local expert that includes visits to Market Square, St. Mary's Church and the university. You will also see the famous Wawel Castle, the former residence of Polish kings. The rest of your day is at leisure. Perhaps you'll stroll the quaint side streets of Krakow's famous Old Town, have coffee in one of the largest squares in Europe or walk along the river for views of the new sections of the city. You may also visit the Schindler Museum or join your fellow travellers on an optional excursion. (B)

Day 5: Krakow - Auschwitz - Wroclaw Today you embark on a poignant journey through

history as you travel to Auschwitz. A local expert guides you through the former concentration camp where you will learn firsthand about the terrors as well as the resilience of the human spirit that occurred within those walls. Later this afternoon, arrive in the ancient city of Wroclaw. Tonight, join your travelling companions for



some locally-brewed beer and a traditional "home-style" dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 6: Wroclaw A morning tour of Wroclaw brings you up close and personal to this large and ethnically diverse city. It could be the only location where you can find a Stare Miasto (Old Town) with a Synagogue, a Lutheran church, a Roman Catholic church and an Eastern Orthodox church standing near each other. The remainder of the day is at leisure to savour Wroclaw's idyllic parks and captivating culture. (B)

Day 7: Wroclaw - Torun Today you travel to the town of Torun, a UNESCO World Heritage site and birthplace of Nicolaus Copernicus, the famous astronomer. Torun remains one of the best-preserved



medieval towns in all of Europe and is one of the "Seven Wonders of Poland." On arrival, walk past Copernicus's house before stepping back into history while baking



and sampling your very own gingerbread according to a 500-year-old recipe. (B)

Day 8: Torun - Gdansk This morning, join a local expert for a walking tour of this unspoiled town. Next, travel to the port city of Gdansk. Make a stop at the Gdansk Shipyards, site of the creation of the anti-Communist Solidarity movement in 1980 that helped liberate Poland from Soviet rule. (B, D)

Day 9: Gdansk This morning, join a local expert for an introduction to this strategic and remarkable city. Get to know its deep history on your tour which highlights City Hall and St. Mary's Church. Later, the choice is yours. Perhaps you will choose to join your Tour Manager on an excursion to the seaside resort town of Sopot. Or, perhaps



you'll choose to remain in Gdansk and join a local guide on an educational shopping excursion during which you'll learn about Polish amber at a demonstration, followed by the opportunity to purchase the stone. The evening is at leisure. Perhaps you will take a stroll through a beautiful square, shop for local handicrafts or soak in the seaside atmosphere. (B)

Day 10: Gdansk - Marienburg Fortress - Warsaw Your journey through Poland comes full circle with your return to Warsaw. En route, stop in the town of Malbork, home to Marienburg Fortress, the largest castle in the world. A guided tour of this 700-year-old structure introduces you to the world of the Knights of the Teutonic Order.

This evening, join your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner celebrating a fantastic journey. (B, D)

Day 11: Warsaw - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Warsaw. Relax after your adventure and take some time to explore more of this historic city. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- Choose a trip to the resort town of Sopot or select a shopping excursion to learn about Polish amber.

Cultural Experiences

- Visit the Jasna Góra monastery to witness the world-famous Black Madonna.
- Discover the docklands of Gdansk, site of the 1980 Solidarity uprising.
- Explore the poignant history of Auschwitz.

Must-See Inclusions

- See Wawel Castle, the former residence of Polish kings.
- A journey through Warsaw includes a stop at the remnants of its ghetto.
- A tour of Wroclaw brings you up-close to this ethnically diverse city.
- Overnight in medieval Torun, a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- In Malbork, visit Marienburg Fortress, the largest castle in the world.

Culinary Inclusions

- 15 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Immerse yourself in Polish culture during a folklore show and dinner.
- Learn how to make gingerbread according to a 500-year-old recipe.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Mercure Warszawa Grand, Warsaw
- Days 3, 4** Holiday Inn Krakow City Center Hotel, Krakow
- Days 5, 6** Art Hotel or Novotel Wroclaw Centrum, Wroclaw
- Day 7** Hotel Bulwar, Torun
- Days 8, 9** Radisson Blu Hotel Old Town, Gdansk
- Day 10** Mercure Warszawa Grand, Warsaw

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

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- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts.
[†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|---|---------------|--|--------------------------|
| March - April 2017 | Double | 6, 13, 20 October | \$2779 |
| 31 March | \$2599 | 3 November | \$2569 |
| 21, 28 April | \$2599 | 16 March | \$2569 |
| | | 13, 20 April | \$2779 |
| <small>Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.</small> | | | |
| May 2017 - April 2018 | Double | | |
| 19, 26 May | \$2779 | | |
| 9, 23 June | \$2779 | | |
| 7, 21 July | \$2779 | | |
| 18, 25 August | \$2779 | | |
| 1, 8, 22 September | \$2779 | | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$760 - \$900 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) N/A |
| | | <small>Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.</small> | |



Dubrovnik

Discover Croatia, Slovenia & the Adriatic Coast

Explore one of Europe's hidden cultural gems

Day 1: Opatija, Croatia - Tour Begins

Join us and explore Croatia and the countries of the Adriatic. This is a "must see" region filled with ancient cities, medieval architecture, unique cultures, rolling hills and stunning coastal scenery. Your tour begins in the seaside resort of Opatija. This evening, get to know your fellow travellers during a special welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Opatija Opatija, known as "Croatia's Riviera," was once the summer retreat for Roman Caesars and Hapsburg Monarchs. Spend the day exploring the town on your own. (B)

Day 3: Opatija - Plitvice Lakes

After breakfast, **travel to Croatia's most beautiful national park, Plitvice Lakes.** This UNESCO World Heritage site promises inspiring scenery as you travel among its 16 terraced lakes and dense forests. A series of waterfalls and free flowing cascades connects each lake to the other. Complete the experience with a short



Opatija

cruise that takes you into the heart of this natural wonder. (B, D)

Day 4: Plitvice Lakes - Dubrovnik

This morning, continue south through the heart of Croatia, towards the medieval city of Dubrovnik. Along the way, enjoy magnificent views of the sparkling blue waters of the Adriatic Sea. (B, D)

Day 5: Dubrovnik Join an expert local guide on a tour of "Old Dubrovnik,"

a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit the Franciscan Monastery, where Europe's oldest pharmacy lies, and see Rector's Palace, the City Walls, and many more historical sites. During your stay in Dubrovnik you have the special opportunity to personalise your tour and partake in one of two inclusions: Elaphiti Islands cruise (today) or Montenegro excursion (tomorrow). This afternoon features either your first choice or leisure time to relax or independently explore Dubrovnik on your own. Those who have chosen today's option will set out on a cruise around the Elaphiti Islands, stopping along the way at a local fishing village to get a taste of island life. The name of these islands comes from the ancient Greek word for deer, which used to inhabit the islands in large numbers. Roman author Pliny the Elder was the first to mention the islands by name in his work, *Naturalis Historia*, published in the 1st century. Today, they remain an oasis of traditional Croatian coastal living just off the bustling coast. (B)

Day 6: Dubrovnik For those who selected the Elaphiti Islands cruise yesterday, today is a day at leisure to relax or independently explore Dubrovnik.

Those who have chosen the Montenegro excursion will leave in the morning to cross the border to Montenegro's Bay of Kotor (or "the Boka"). Once known as Europe's southernmost fjord, it is in fact a ria (a long, narrow inlet). Your guide will introduce you to the deep history of the region and will share stories of the many cultures and empires that have left their marks here. Enjoy some free time before returning to Dubrovnik.



Montenegro

This evening, travel to the culturally-rich Konavle region to Cilipi for a family-style dinner in a locally-owned restaurant. **Whilst visiting with the local family you'll learn about life in the Croatian heartland and sample regional wines.** At dinner, servers introduce you to a culinary feast, prepared in the way of their ancestors. (B, D)

Day 7: Dubrovnik - Split Today, savour stunning sea views as you travel up the winding coastal road, hugging the sheer cliffs that drop into the aquamarine Adriatic Sea. Enjoy a stop in a quaint village in the Croatian countryside. You will have time to taste the local specialities and perhaps walk through the village square. Upon arrival in Split, **set out on a**



walking tour featuring the impressive **Diocletian's Palace**, one of the most significant late-Roman historical monuments and a UNESCO World Heritage site. In addition, see the peristyle of the palace and the Temple of Jupiter. Then, continue to your hotel located in the centre of Split. (B)

17th-century cathedral, St. Mary's Church, and the "wishing bell." Enjoy some time to stroll the quiet paths of this lakeside community at your own pace. (B)

Day 10: Ljubljana - Zagreb, Croatia Today you travel to Zagreb, the capital of Croatia, and embark



on a fascinating tour. Continue your exploration your way with free time this afternoon. Tonight, celebrate the end of an unforgettable trip with dinner in one of Zagreb's most famous restaurants. (B, D)

Day 11: Zagreb - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close in Zagreb this morning. (B)

Day 8: Split - Ljubljana, Slovenia Your adventure continues as you travel up the coast, into Slovenia, and on to today's destination – the quaint capital of Ljubljana. During the drive, take in the spectacular scenery. Later, arrive in Ljubljana and enjoy your afternoon at leisure to relax. This evening, soak up the stunning views of the city as you ride a funicular to Ljubljana Castle where you will savour a dinner of local specialities within the castle walls. (B, D)

Day 9: Ljubljana - Lake Bled - Ljubljana This morning you will be met by a local expert who will introduce you to this lovely town nestled along the banks of the river. Your tour includes the impressive City Hall and a visit to the magnificent Cathedral of St. Nicholas. After free time for lunch, drive a short distance to tranquil Lake Bled. **Experience the old-world charm that comes with taking a "pletna" boat to the picturesque island in the centre of Lake Bled. Spend time exploring the**

Choice On Tour

- During your stay in Dubrovnik set out on an Elaphiti Islands cruise or choose a Montenegro excursion.

Cultural Experiences

- Enhance your stay in Dubrovnik with a choice of excursions.
- Visit the Franciscan Monastery, where Europe's oldest pharmacy lies.
- Board a "pletna" boat to the picturesque island in the center of Lake Bled.
- Stroll through Split to see the famous Diocletian's Palace.

Must-See Inclusions

- Spend three nights in Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic."
- Fall in love with coastal views of Slovenia and its capital, Ljubljana.
- Experience the wonder of 16 cascading lakes at Croatia's Plitvice Lakes National Park.
- Experience Opatija, "Croatia's Riviera," a retreat for Hapsburg Monarchs.
- Embark on a fascinating tour of Zagreb, the capital of Croatia.
- Enjoy an expertly led tour of "Old Dubrovnik."

Culinary Inclusions

- 16 meals included: 10 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Enjoy dinner with a local family in the Konavle region outside Dubrovnik.
- Dine in one of Zagreb's most famous restaurants.
- Ride a funicular to Ljubljana Castle to dine within the walls.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Bristol Hotel, Opatija
- Day 3** Jezero Hotel, Plitvice
- Days 4 – 6** Valamar Lacroma Resort or Hotel Valamar President, Dubrovnik
- Day 7** Hotel Atrium, Split
- Days 8, 9** Hotel Lev, Ljubljana
- Day 10** Sheraton Hotel, Zagreb

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Due to itinerary scheduling, arrival flights must arrive into Venice, Italy airport by 2:30 p.m. in order to transfer across the border to your overnight accommodations in Croatia. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

| Dates & Prices | | | |
|--|---------------|--|----------------------|
| January – April 2017 | Double | 1, 8, 15 October | \$3119 |
| 29 January* | \$2459 | 5 November* | \$2709 |
| 26 February* | \$2459 | 3 December* | \$2709 |
| 12, 26 March | \$2579 | 28 January* | \$2709 |
| 2, 23 April | \$2709 | 18 February* | \$2709 |
| 30 April | \$2839 | 11 March | \$2849 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 – April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 8, 22 April | \$2989 |
| | | 29 April | \$3119 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | \$570 - \$970 |
| 7, 14, 21, 28 May | \$3259 | Triple Room Reduction | \$30 |
| 11, 25 June | \$3259 | Rates are land only, per person. Call for additional dates. | |
| 9, 16, 23 July | \$3469 | Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel. | |
| 13, 27 August | \$3469 | | |
| 3, 10 September | \$3469 | | |
| 13, 17, 20, 24 September | \$3259 | | |



Exploring Greece and Its Islands

Set out on a complete adventure that includes the mainland and islands

Start Early

Add an extra day in Athens.

Begin your tour with an extra night in Greece's ancient capital.

Call for details.

Day 1: Athens, Greece - Tour Begins

Your tour begins in the capital city of Athens. This evening, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner in Athens' historic Plaka district. In a traditional taverna, **feast on local cuisine and wine while enjoying Greek entertainment.** (D)

Y **Day 2: Athens** Enjoy a panoramic tour of the highlights in Athens showcasing the city's ancient and glorious monuments, such as the Temple of Zeus, the Royal Palace, the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, and the Olympic Stadium. Next, **choose to explore the city your way.** Perhaps you will select a comprehensive tour of the incredible Acropolis. Or, you may choose to embark on a walking tour of some of the city's hidden gems, including Pnyx – where democracy was formed in Greece – and the Temple of Hephaestus. (B)

Day 3: Athens - Thermopylae -

Metéora - Kalambaka Ease your way into the local culture as your Tour Manager teaches you a few key phrases of the native language. Travel north through central Greece to Thermopylae. Stop to see a monument dedicated to Leonidas, who died defending the city against the Persians. **Arrive in**



Metéora and visit two remote monasteries situated in a unique landscape of limestone rock "towers" that extend nearly 900 feet into the air. Over 600 years ago, Byzantine monks chose to build their monastic community perched atop these virtually inaccessible rocks. End your day in Kalambaka, a typical Greek town at the foot of the Pindos Mountains, and enjoy dinner at a family-owned restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4: Kalambaka - Delphi - Arachova

This morning, visit a local studio to see painters at work creating beautiful Byzantine icons. Continue to the ancient city of Delphi, one of Greece's most important religious centres during Classical times. A local expert guides you on a visit to the Sanctuary of Apollo, the Doric Temple, theatre and the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artefacts. It was here that the famous Oracle was consulted to foretell the destiny of Man. Continue on to charming Arachova, a popular ski resort town with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and valleys. (B, D)

Day 5: Arachova - Olympia Travel along the Gulf of Corinth, crossing into the Peloponnese to the historic city of Olympia, a testament to the grandeur of ancient Greek civilisation. Learn how to cook some of the region's best dishes as you **partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience** followed by a traditional Greek lunch. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Olympia Your guided visit to ancient Olympia includes a tour of the sanctuary of Zeus, the Olympic Stadium – where the first Olympic Games were held in 776 B.C. – and the Museum. Next, visit a local farm in the countryside and meet with the owners to learn about everyday life. Following the tour, enjoy a tasting of local wines, olive oil, homemade jams, marmalades and sweets. This evening, **broaden your**



knowledge of traditional Greek musical instruments and folkloric dances with a delightful Greek dance class. (B, D)

Day 7: Olympia - Mycenae - Tolo

Enjoy spectacular scenery as you cross the Arkadian Mountains en route to the ancient city of Mycenae for a guided visit of the excavations featuring the Beehive Tombs and the Lion Gate. Your day ends in the picturesque seaside resort of Tolo. (B)

Day 8: Tolo - Athens - Mykonos

This morning, transfer* to the port of Athens for the high-speed ferry ride to Mykonos, the whitewashed jewel of the Cyclades Islands. Enjoy magnificent views as you sail across the brilliant Aegean Sea to this island paradise. (B, D)

Day 9: Mykonos

Enjoy a relaxing day to independently explore the charms of Mykonos. Don't miss Mykonos Town, where mazes of narrow streets link the whitewashed buildings and traditional life continues amidst the bustling activity. (B)

Day 10: Mykonos - Santorini

Sail to the most spectacular destination in the Mediterranean, the fabled island of Santorini. (B, D)

Day 11: Santorini

Begin your day with a visit to the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, the most important prehistoric settlement found anywhere in the Eastern Mediterranean. Known as the "Minoan

Pompeii," the flourishing town was at once destroyed and preserved by a volcanic eruption around 1450 B.C. Next, travel through a fascinating landscape of vineyards, whitewashed chapels and volcanic cliffs to the spectacular town of Oia, where the best views of the crater are found. End your day with a visit to a local winery that produces the unique and famous wines of Santorini. (B)

Day 12: Santorini Your day is at leisure to relax or independently explore Santorini, considered one of the most spectacular and stunning landscapes in the world. Shop in Thira's charming town centre, take in the breathtaking scenery, visit a local museum or simply enjoy the amenities of your hotel. (B)

Day 13: Santorini - Athens

Bid farewell to the Greek Islands and fly back to Athens for your overnight stay. Celebrate the end of a memorable trip to Greece with a delightful farewell dinner. (B, D)

Day 14: Athens - Tour Ends

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Athens. Spend more time exploring the cultural treasures of this epic city.

Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| | | | |
|--|---------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| March – April 2017 | Double | 10, 13, 19, 22 September | \$4644 |
| 27 March | \$3574 | 28 September | \$4364 |
| 24, 27 April | \$3634 | 1, 4, 7 October | \$4364 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | 10, 18, 21, 24 April | \$4364 |
| | | 27 April | \$4644 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$760 - \$1660 |
| 8, 17, 23 May | \$4364 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$30 |
| 5, 11, 19 June | \$4644 | | |
| 10, 23 July | \$5054 | | |

Rates are land only, per person, and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates.

Choice On Tour

- In Athens join a comprehensive tour of the incredible Acropolis or embark on a walking tour of some of the city's hidden gems, including the Temple of Hephaestus.

Cultural Experiences

- Come to know two breathtaking Byzantine monasteries in Meteora.
- Experience the Delphi Museum with its priceless collection of ancient artifacts.
- Broaden your knowledge of traditional Greek music with a delightful Greek dance class.
- Explore the excavation site of ancient Akrotiri, known as the Minoan Pompeii.

Must-See Inclusions

- Join a local expert to explore Athens and its famed sites.
- Explore the grandeur of Olympia, birthplace of the Olympic Games.
- Enjoy a day to explore Mykonos, the whitewashed jewel of the Cyclades Islands.
- Travel to the spectacular town of Oia that boasts the best views in beautiful Santorini.

Culinary Inclusions

- 22 meals included: 13 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 8 dinners
- Feast on local food and wine at a traditional "taverna."
- Partake in a Mediterranean cooking experience followed by a traditional Greek lunch.
- Sample the finest wines in Greece during a winery tour in Santorini.

Accommodation

| | |
|---------------------|---|
| Days 1, 2 | Crowne Plaza City Center or Holiday Inn Attica, Athens |
| Day 3 | Famissi Eden Hotel, Kalambaka |
| Day 4 | Domotel Anemolia Mountain Resort, Arachova |
| Days 5, 6 | Europa Hotel, Olympia |
| Day 7 | Hotel King Minos, Tolo or Apollon, Tolo |
| Days 8, 9 | San Marco Hotel, Mykonos |
| Days 10 – 12 | El Greco Resort, Aegean Plaza Hotel, or Santorini Palace Hotel, Santorini |
| Day 13 | Crowne Plaza City Center, Athens |

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

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Personalise Your Journey

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- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
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- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Due to the ferry schedule on day 8 of some departures, you may be required to depart the hotel in Tolo as early as 4:00 a.m. Should this be the case, a boxed breakfast will be provided in place of the regular hotel breakfast. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price of your tour. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



The Western Wall

Israel: A Journey to the Holy Land

Embark on an epic journey through the ancient past

Start Early

Add an extra day in Tel Aviv.

Begin your tour of Israel's ancient wonders with a taste of its modern side in Tel Aviv.

Call for details.

Day 1: Tel Aviv, Israel - Tour Begins

- Jaffa - Tel Aviv Your tour begins in Tel Aviv, a bustling city brimming with culture and history. Tonight, join your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner at a popular local restaurant in the ancient port city of Jaffa. (D)

Day 2: Tel Aviv - Caesarea - Haifa -

Acre - Tiberias Travel along the Mediterranean



Mt. of Beatitudes

coast to the ruins of the ancient Roman capital of Caesarea, built by Herod the Great around 22 B.C. Pause to visit the Roman theatre, aqueduct and fortress. Travel the Valley of Armageddon to the fascinating excavation site of Tel Megiddo. Next, take in the breathtaking panorama of Haifa and the Baha'i Shrine and Gardens on Mount Carmel (a UNESCO World Heritage site). Then, feel like you have stepped back in time with a visit to the ancient Crusader city of Acre (UNESCO). Your day comes to a close in Tiberias. (B, D)

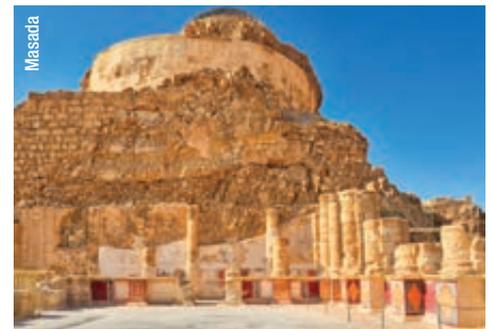
Day 3: Tiberias - Cana - Nazareth - Tabgha - Capernaum - Sea of Galilee

This morning, get to know some important biblical locations. Begin with a visit to Cana, considered to be the site of the First Miracle, where Jesus turned water into wine. Next, travel to Nazareth to visit the Church of the Annunciation and Mary's Well. Afterward, visit the Mt. of Beatitudes, site of the Sermon on the Mount; and Tabgha, site of the Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes. Your visit to Capernaum is followed by a stop at the Galilee Boat Museum to see the display of the boat that sailed the Sea of Galilee approximately 2,000 years ago during the time of Jesus. Later, **enjoy a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee**. Get a taste of the local flavour during lunch at a communal settlement, known as a kibbutz. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Tiberias - Beit Shean - Jericho - Qumran - Dead Sea

Begin the day by

stepping into Roman times with a visit to Beit Shean to see the well-preserved ancient theatre. **Continue along the Jordan River Valley to Jericho**. Over 2,000 years old, it is considered to be the oldest city on earth. Journey to Qumran, the location of one of the



Masada

most important archaeological finds of all time – the discovery of the ancient Dead Sea Scrolls. Afterward, **proceed to the lowest place on earth, the Dead Sea**. Perhaps you'll choose to "float" in the tranquil, healing waters; experience the natural buoyancy due to its high salt concentration and the benefits of its minerals to beauty and health. The remainder of the day is at leisure. (B, D)

Day 5: Dead Sea - Masada - Bethlehem - Jerusalem

Today's route leads you to the former palatial fortress of Masada (UNESCO). **Ascending the ancient walls of Masada by cable car**, a visit



to Herod's Palaces, the Roman Camp and the Synagogue await. A stop in the biblical city of Bethlehem, spread along the Judean Hills, allows for a **visit to the Church of the Nativity** – the birthplace of Jesus and the first church ever built. Tonight you arrive in one of the holiest cities in the world, Jerusalem. (B, D)

Day 6: Jerusalem Drive to Mount of Olives to take in the vast panoramic view of the city of Jerusalem and the surrounding area. Proceed to the Church of Ascension and the Garden of Gethsemane. Discover the Kidron Valley and the tombs of Mary, Absalom, Zachariah and James. Continue on to St. Peter in Galicantu and Mt. Zion where you will see the room of The Last Supper and the tomb of King David. See the Shrine of the Book at the Israel Museum to view the display of the Dead Sea Scrolls. Then, visit the Garden Tomb. (B)

Day 7: Old City, Jerusalem
A magnificent **tour of the Holy City of Jerusalem** begins with a drive to the old walled city. Whilst walking through the four quarters that make up the Old City (UNESCO), you will visit the Western (Wailing) Wall, the Temple area, the Dome of the Rock (outside view only), the Pool of Bethesda, and the Church of St. Anne. Next, walk the path of the Stations of the Cross as you traverse the

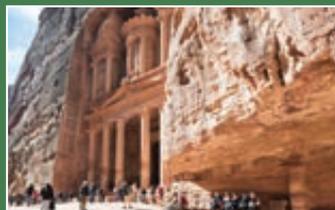


Via Dolorosa, beginning at Pilate's Judgment Hall and ending at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. In the afternoon, continue exploring the city independently or explore the sights, sounds and aromas of the world-renowned Mahane Yehuda Market, known to everyone as the *shuk* (open-air market). (B)

Day 8: Jerusalem Your day is at leisure to explore independently or simply relax. This evening, join your fellow travellers for dinner at one of Jerusalem's most popular restaurants. (B, D)

Day 9: Jerusalem-Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Extend your tour with 4 nights in Jordan. Set out for the Kingdom of Jordan. From the stone city of Petra to the sparkling sands of the Wadi Rum, this ancient land holds many surprises. See page 158 for details.

Single Room Supplement (+) \$1010 - \$1310
Triple Room Reduction (-) \$30

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

*Value Season Departures: These select off-season dates allow you to experience more for less. Plus, you'll enjoy smaller crowds. It's a wonderful time to travel.

Cultural Experiences

- See the ruins of the ancient Roman capital of Caesarea, built by Herod the Great.
- Visit the ancient Crusader city of Acre (UNESCO).
- See a boat that sailed the Sea of Galilee around 2,000 years ago.
- Ascend the ancient walls of Masada by cable car.
- Journey to Cana, considered to be the site of the First Miracle.

Must-See Inclusions

- Discover the ancient cities of Nazareth and Bethlehem.
- Explore the oldest city in the world — the ancient ruins of Jericho.
- At the Israel Museum, view the display of the Dead Sea Scrolls.
- Come to know the holy city of Jerusalem.

Culinary Inclusions

- 15 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 1 lunch • 6 dinners
- Explore Jerusalem's open-air market, a culinary feast for the eyes and taste buds.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Isrotel Tower Hotel, Tel Aviv
Days 2, 3 Leonardo Plaza Hotel, Tiberias
Day 4 Isrotel Ganim, Dead Sea
Days 5 – 8 Prima Royale Hotel, Jerusalem

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our **chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers** in your hometown.†
- **Purchase our international air** with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
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- **On Tour Options** pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Due to flight schedules, you may require a very early morning departure from the hotel on the last day (Day 9). Travel distance from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv's Ben Gurion airport is approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes. It is recommended that you arrive at Ben Gurion airport approximately 3 hours prior to departure. Our air passengers will depart from Tel Aviv airport and all transfers will depart from Jerusalem for Tel Aviv airport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| February – April 2017 | | Double | | |
|------------------------|--|--------|-----------------|--------|
| 2, 9, 16, 23 February* | | \$2839 | 2, 9 October | \$3539 |
| 2, 9, 16, 30 March | | \$3219 | 2, 9 November | \$3539 |
| 13 March | | \$3469 | 30 November* | \$3189 |
| 24, 27 April | | \$3349 | 8, 15 February* | \$3059 |
| 3 April | | \$3219 | 8, 15 March | \$3539 |
| | | | 12, 26 April | \$3609 |
| May 2017 – April 2018 | | Double | | |
| 11 May | | \$3539 | | |
| 8 June | | \$3469 | | |
| 31 August | | \$3399 | | |
| 7 September | | \$3399 | | |

Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation.



Gullfoss Falls

Iceland: Land of Fire & Ice

Find inspiration on your personal Icelandic adventure

Start Early

Add an extra day in Reykjavik. Take more time to explore the colourful city of Reykjavik, Iceland's cultural hub. [Call for details.](#)

Day 1: Reykjavik, Iceland - Tour

Begins Begin in the capital city of Reykjavik. Join a local expert for a walking tour of the city's old section featuring Hallgrímskirkja church, city hall, the harbour and Reykjavik's oldest building, home of the Kraum Icelandic design centre. Tonight, get to know your fellow travellers during a sumptuous Icelandic dinner at a popular local restaurant. (D)

Day 2: Reykjavik - Golden Circle - Reykjavik

Travel the memorable Golden Circle, a route encompassing many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders: waterfalls, glaciers, geysers, lava fields, and volcanos. Begin at Thingvellir National Park, where Icelanders gathered in A.D. 930 and established one of the world's first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley. This UNESCO World Heritage site marks the crest of the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Next, marvel at

the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Stop at the famous thermal area of Geysir to admire the hot spring Strokkur's explosive vertical spout that reaches a height of up to 90 feet. Your day concludes with a visit to Friðheimar greenhouse cultivation centre to learn how the locals grow delicious, pesticide-free tomatoes and cucumbers with the aid of Iceland's geothermal energy. (B)

Day 3: Snæfellsnes-Cave/ Lava Field Tour-Breidafjörður Cruise-Stykkishólmur Experience the otherworldliness of the Snæfellsnes Peninsula.

Take in the dramatic landscapes of black and

and descend 100 feet below ground to an 8,000-year-old lava tube where you'll experience total darkness and see amazing rock pigments, lava formations, stalagmites, stalactites, and more. Or, perhaps you'd prefer to walk the lava field and put your camera to work snapping photos of nature's artwork of varying textures, colours and arrangements of this dramatic landscape. Next, we continue on and pause at Kirkjufell, acclaimed to be the most photographed mountain in Iceland. Your day concludes with a nature cruise in Breidafjörður Bay. Experience countless birds like puffins, cormorants, kittiwakes and the majestic white tailed eagle soaring amongst basalt rock columns. Whilst cruising, try delicious fresh scallops and sea urchin roe straight from the ocean. Seafood simply doesn't come fresher than this! (B, D)



white sand beaches, stunning cliffs, mountains peaks, volcanic craters, soaring waterfalls, rocky coastlines, intimate fishing villages, and its remarkable Snæfellsjökull glacier. **This afternoon it's your choice!** You may choose a guided Vatnshellir Cave tour

Day 4: Stykkishólmur - Vík Embark on a true Icelandic cultural adventure as you spend time with a family that keeps alive a 400-year-old tradition of catching and preserving Greenland shark.

See the fishing boat utilised by their grandfather; the tiny farmer's church; and explore the museum to learn more about Iceland's deep relationship with this trade. Before leaving, taste "hakare," cured shark meat. Continue the adventure travelling Iceland's south coast. Learn about geothermal renewable energy with a visit to Hellisheiði. Make a picture stop at Waterfall Seljalandsfoss, one of few waterfalls providing you with a walkway for views from the inside out. Arrive in Vík, Iceland's most southerly village and one of the most visited sites in Iceland. (B, D)



Day 5: Vik - Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Centre - Skogar Museum - Vik

Drive along the scenic south shore to Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Centre. Learn about a family's struggle to adapt during and following the dramatic 2010 explosion of the infamous Eyjafjallajökull Volcano that brought European flights to a halt. Visit Skogar Museum which contains an outstanding collection covering viking history including farm and domestic artefacts, as well as turf-built houses. Nearby is the impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of the largest in Iceland. Then, view Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt columns and cliffs scattered with caves and rich bird life including the fulmar, black guillemot, razorbill, gannet and various types of seagulls. Later, see the unique natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey. (B, D)

Day 6: Vik - Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon - Skafafell - Vik

Set sail among the impressive icebergs in the picturesque scenery of Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon. Get to taste the 1,000-year-old ice and possibly see some seals. Later, stop at Skafafell, gateway to Vatnajökull National Park, the largest national park in Europe. Marvel at the Alpine environment of Iceland's highest mountains and the Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest glacier. (B, D)

Day 7: Vik - Blue Lagoon or Whale Watching - Reykjavik

Choose how to enjoy your last day in Iceland! Perhaps you'll embark on a drive to the Reykjanes Peninsula, known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, numerous hot springs, and home to the Blue Lagoon; take a dip in the pleasantly warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the middle of a dramatic lava field. Or maybe you'd prefer to further explore the wonders of Iceland's waters during an informative whale watching adventure in the bay of Faxaflói; have your camera ready for minke and humpback whale sightings, along with white-beaked dolphins and harbour porpoises in their natural habitat. Later, gather with your fellow travellers for a local dining experience and share stories of your days in Iceland. (B, D)

Day 8: Reykjavik - Tour Ends

Depart for home with many incredible Icelandic memories. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Reykjavik. Keep your Icelandic adventure going with another night in this vibrant capital. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- Set out on a lava cave adventure or enjoy a walk through stunning lava fields.
- It's your choice — Blue Lagoon or whale watching cruise.

Cultural Experiences

- Learn about the 400-year-old tradition of catching and preserving Greenland shark.
- Explore Skogar Folk Museum, covering all aspects of Icelandic life.
- Cruise on the ice-strewn Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon, gliding past icebergs.

Must-See Inclusions

- Travel to the Golden Circle, one of many of Iceland's natural wonders.
- Journey to the spectacular Gullfoss waterfall.
- Witness Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest glacier.

Culinary Inclusions

- 13 meals included: 7 breakfasts • 6 dinners
- Savour Icelandic cuisine at a popular restaurant.
- Try an Icelandic delicacy — cured "hakare."

Accommodation

Days 1, 2 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
Day 3 Hotel Stykkishólmur, Stykkishólmur
Days 4 – 6 Hotel Katla Hofdabrekka, Vik
Day 7 Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Due to flight schedules, a pre or post night may be required in some Iceland Air gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please enquire at time of reservation. Arrival flights must arrive prior to 10am on the first day. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one

Dates & Prices

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|------------------------------|---------------|---|------------------------------|
| May 2017 – April 2018 | Double | 11 September | \$3949 |
| 8, 15, 22 May | \$3949 | 18, 25 September | \$3809 |
| 29 May | \$4299 | 2, 16 October | \$3609 |
| 5 June | \$4299 | 9, 16, 23 April | \$3609 |
| 12, 19, 26 June | \$4439 | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$690 - \$1100 |
| 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 July | \$4439 | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| 7, 14, 21 August | \$4439 | Rates are land only, per person. | Call about additional dates. |
| 28 August | \$4299 | | |
| 4 September | \$4299 | | |



Northern Lights

Iceland's Magical Northern Lights

Experience the Northern Lights and Icelandic culture this winter

Start Early

Add an extra day in Reykjavik.

Come to know this culturally rich city before your tour begins.

Call for details.

Day 1: Reykjavik, Iceland - Tour Begins

Arrive in Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Steaming lava fields and massive glaciers sculpt mountains and valleys, leaving thundering waterfalls and plunging fjords. In this land of many natural wonders, enjoy the rare opportunity to see the aurora borealis — one of nature's most dazzling light displays, also known as the northern lights.



Reykjavik

Day 2: Reykjavik Get acquainted with old town Reykjavik on a walking tour featuring Hallgrímskirkja church, city hall, the harbour and Reykjavik's oldest building, now home to the Kraum Icelandic design centre. Tonight, gather with your fellow travellers at a popular restaurant for dinner, featuring Icelandic cuisine. Then, **take an exhilarating northern lights cruise**. Leave behind the bright city lights and sail into the darkness of Faxaflói Bay in search of the aurora borealis – or northern lights – one of nature's wonders. When revealed you will be dazzled by the flickering display of light bursting with colour that unfolds before your eyes. (B, D)

Day 3: Reykjavik - Golden Circle - Seljalandsfoss Waterfall - Vik Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area. Icelanders gathered here in A.D. 930 and established what is considered one of the world's first parliaments. Find yourself standing upon one of the globe's most geologically significant landscapes, Thingvellir's rugged rift valley, a UNESCO World Heritage site marking the point where the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates meet. Experience the eruptive energy of the Icelandic landscape with a stop at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur. Then, marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls) waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Next, see the beautiful Seljalandsfoss, one of Iceland's most famous and picturesque

waterfalls with a walkway behind it. Continue southeast to Vik, the southernmost village in Iceland, surrounded by beautiful valleys, beaches, cliffs and mountains. After



Seljalandsfoss Waterfall

dinner, amidst the peace and stillness of rural Iceland, search for the aurora borealis – the elusive northern lights. (B, D)

Day 4: Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Centre - Skogar Museum - Vik Drive along the scenic south shore to the Eyjafjallajökull Volcano Visitor Centre. Learn about a family's struggle to live during and following the dramatic 2010 explosion of the infamous Eyjafjallajökull volcano that brought European flights to a halt. **Visit Skogar Folk Museum** which contains an outstanding collection covering all aspects of Icelandic life including farm and domestic artefacts, as well as turf-built homes. Nearby is the

Iceland's Magical Northern Lights

7 Days from \$2709



impressive Skógafoss waterfall, one of the largest in Iceland. Later, view Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach surrounded by basalt formations, cliffs scattered with caves and rich bird life including the Fulmar, Black Guillemot, Razorbill, Gannet and various types of seagulls. See the unique natural rock formations at Dyrhólaey. After dinner,

to Vatnajökull National Park. The largest national park in Europe, Vatnajökull is known for having Iceland's highest mountains; an Alpine environment; and the Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest. After dinner, continue searching for the shimmering northern lights dancing across the night sky. (B, D)



gaze at the sky in search of the northern lights, a truly spectacular sight. (B, D)

Day 5: Jökulsárlón Glacial Lagoon - Skaftafell National Park - Vik Travel to Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs. Explore this extraordinary landscape and perhaps see some seals swimming in Arctic waters. Travel to Skaftafell, gateway

Day 6: Vik - Blue Lagoon - Reykjavik Drive to the Reykjanes Peninsula, known for its rugged landscape, lava fields, numerous hot springs, and home of the Blue Lagoon. Take a dip in the pleasantly warm, mineral-rich waters of the geothermal pool, located in the middle of a dramatic lava field. Return to Reykjavik for your farewell dinner and overnight stay. (B, D)

Day 7: Reykjavik - Tour Ends Depart for home with many incredible memories. (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Reykjavik. Reward yourself with more time to explore Iceland's dynamic capital. Call for details.

Dates & Prices

| January – March 2017 | | Double | Itinerary featured is for October 2017 - March 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | Double |
|----------------------|--------|---|--|--------------------------|
| 8 January | \$2429 | October 2017 – March 2018 | 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, 31 October | \$2709 |
| 15, 18 January | \$2269 | | 4, 7, 11, 14, 21, 25, 28 November | \$2709 |
| 22 January | \$2569 | | 2, 5, 8, 9, 12, 15 December | \$2709 |
| 7, 10 February | \$2429 | | 10, 15, 20, 25, 27 January | \$2709 |
| 13, 21, 26 February | \$2269 | | 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, 17, 24 February | \$2709 |
| 18, 24 February | \$2709 | | 1, 3, 10, 14, 17, 20, 21 March | \$2709 |
| 5 March | \$2269 | | | |
| 7, 10 March | \$2429 | | | |
| 12 March | \$2579 | | | |
| 14 March | \$2429 | | | |
| 17 March | \$2569 | | | |
| 19 March | \$2269 | | | |
| 29 March | \$2429 | | | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | | (+) \$310 - \$690 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | | (-) \$30 |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | | |

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Skogar Folk Museum and learn about historic Icelandic life.
- Experience the energy at the geothermal fields of Geysir and Strokkur.
- Learn about the local's struggles during the 2010 volcanic explosion.
- Stop at Reynisfjara, a black volcanic sand beach with dramatic basalt formations.

Must-See Inclusions

- Embark on a nightly search for the northern lights, a dazzling astronomical phenomena.
- Search for nature's dazzling display on a northern lights cruise.
- See Jökulsárlón glacial lagoon, filled with floating icebergs.
- Relax in the warm, mineral-rich water of the Blue Lagoon.
- Travel the Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders.
- See the beautiful Seljalandsfoss, one of Iceland's most famous waterfalls.
- Witness Vatnajökull glacier, Europe's largest glacier.

Culinary Inclusions

- 11 meals included: 6 breakfasts • 5 dinners
- Savour gourmet Icelandic cuisine at a popular local restaurant.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
 - Days 3 – 5** Hotel Katla, Hofdabrekka, Vik
 - Day 6** Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Due to flight schedules, a post night may be required in some Iceland Air gateway cities (at an additional cost). Please enquire at time of reservation. The northern lights are in the Northern Hemisphere from September through April and only visible when the sky is clear and free of clouds. **As this tour is weather dependent, sightings of the northern lights are not guaranteed.** Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.



Fjord cruise

Norwegian Coastal Voyage & Scandinavian Capitals

Set out on an extraordinary journey that brings you to a special part of the world

Start Early

Add an extra day in Stockholm. Spend more time in this city of art galleries, museums and fantastic restaurants. Call for details.

Day 1: Stockholm, Sweden - Tour

Begins Set out for Scandinavia, one of the world's most incredible regions. Explore the fascinating capital cities of Stockholm, Copenhagen and Oslo. See majestic mountains, fjords, fishing villages, historic towns, and experience a true milestone when your ship sails across the Arctic Circle to the very top of Europe. Your tour opens in captivating Stockholm, a perfect blend of old and new. Gather this evening with your fellow travellers for a welcome dinner in the old town at Fem Sma Hus. This stunning restaurant is comprised of five connected timber-framed houses from the 17th century and captures the flavour of a bygone era. (D)

Y Day 2: Stockholm This morning it's **your choice!** You may choose to embark on a tour of Stockholm's city sights, showcasing the city's greatest vistas and fascinating attractions including the Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace and the Parliament, concluding with a visit to Stockholm's City Hall. Or, perhaps you would prefer to explore the narrow streets of Gamla Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour with a stop at one of Sweden's sweetest traditions, a candy cane-making factory, for a demonstration. Later, we make a **stop at the one-of-a-**

kind Vasa Ship Museum to learn about its shocking maiden voyage, when it sank in one nautical mile. This ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised 334 years later from the bottom of the harbour. Perfectly preserved, it offers a rare glimpse into the amazing craftsmanship of the 17th century. Your afternoon is at leisure to explore Stockholm independently. (B)

Day 3: Stockholm - Copenhagen, Denmark Take a morning flight* to delightful Copenhagen, the capital of Denmark. Later, join a local expert on an engaging city tour. View Denmark's centre of Parliament, known as Christianborg; Amalienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish royal family; and the Royal Theatre. **See the Little Mermaid Statue**, a 1913 sculpture honouring Hans Christian Andersen's famous fictional character. (B)

Day 4: Copenhagen Today you may choose to spend your day at leisure in Copenhagen or perhaps join an optional excursion to Frederiksborg Castle, formerly the residence of the Danish royal family. (B)

Day 5: Copenhagen - Oslo, Norway Fly* to Norway, a land of intense natural beauty and famous for its deep fjords, steep mountain roads, Viking legends and well-preserved historical sites. Upon arrival, your tour of regal Oslo features the remarkable Viking Ship Museum, Karl Johan Street, a view of the Royal Palace, City Hall and the new Opera building. Then it's on to Vigeland Park where you will find the collection of statues and sculptures that comprise Gustav Vigeland's life's work. (B)

Day 6: Oslo - Myrdal - Flåm Railway - Gudvangen - Voss - Bergen Today you embark on the legendary "Norway in a Nutshell" tour! **All aboard the Bergen Railway** to experience Europe's most scenic rail journey. Have your camera ready as this legendary tour takes you through Norway's most breathtaking fjord and mountainous terrain on its way to Bergen. Switch trains in Myrdal and travel 12 miles on the famous Flåm Railway, a masterpiece of engineering, taking you 2,800 breathtaking feet in 55 minutes to the village of Flåm on Sognefjord, Norway's longest (120 miles) and deepest (more than a mile) fjord. **Next, cruise Nærøfjord** (UNESCO), the narrowest fjord in Europe with stunning views of waterfalls and small farms clinging to the steep mountainsides. In Gudvangen, your journey continues by bus with the breathtaking Stalheimskleiven hairpin road (available May through September only), a thrilling ride around 13 hairpin bends. In Voss, board the train for Bergen, one of Norway's oldest and most iconic cities. (B, D)

Day 7: Bergen - Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Board Ship Join your fellow travellers on a leisurely paced walking tour of Bergen. Explore the picturesque, old Bryggen Wharf (UNESCO) with its tiny wooden houses and narrow streets. Mingle with the locals at the fish market, located in the "heart" of the city. Then prepare for your memorable 6-night cruise – the "World's Most Beautiful Voyage" – sailing along the stunning Norwegian coastline. This evening board your Hurtigruten ship. Sit back and take in the treasure trove of landscapes, scenery, sights and sounds that surround you. (B, D)



Day 8: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

This morning's view from the ship will be of either the tranquil Stadthavet Sea or the majestic Geirangerfjord as we make our way to the charming village of Alesund. Take a stroll through the fairy-tale streets of Alesund, a vibrant town known for its colourful art nouveau architecture and its stunning setting at the entrance of the Geirangerfjord. Then it's on to Molde for a brief stop at this trading and cultural hub dating back to medieval times. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Today, enjoy some time in the historic city of Trondheim. Founded by Viking King Olav in A.D. 997, it was the location of the first capital of Norway and is still the city where new kings receive their ceremonial blessings. Later, continue towards the Land of the Midnight Sun, passing rugged coastlines en route to Rovik which sits among 6,000 islands. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Today you become one of a select few as our cruise ship crosses the Arctic Circle on our way to Bodo. Gaze at the distant rugged peaks and to the infinite sky...keep an eye out for white-tailed sea eagles found in this region. Continue sailing, crossing the stunning Vestfjord and past the breathtaking Lofoten Islands before pausing briefly at the villages of Stamsund and Svolvær. Later, sail on past the majestic Trollfjord. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Take in the serenity as we sail past a chain of islands on our way to the small town of Harstad. Stop here for a moment before continuing on to Tromsø, capital of the Arctic. Find yourself immersed in beautiful fjords and mountains. Located 220 miles north of the Arctic Circle, Tromsø is home to the world's northernmost

university, botanical garden and cathedral. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Northbound

Your voyage continues along Norway's northernmost region, pausing briefly along the way at sleepy villages and busy ports surrounded by breathtaking panoramas. Have some time in the peaceful town of Honningsvåg, the capital of North Cape, situated closer to the North Pole than it is to Oslo. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Norwegian Coastal Voyage - Kirkenes - Disembark Ship - Oslo

Early this morning we arrive in Kirkenes, home to the Sami people who have herded reindeer for centuries. Disembark your ship and fly* back to Oslo. Gather this evening for a farewell dinner celebrating the end of an unforgettable trip filled with the breathtaking scenery and cultural treasures of Scandinavia. (B, D)

Day 14: Oslo - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Add a bit more to your "Viking" experience with three days in Iceland. From Reykjavik, explore this land of fire and ice. See page 157 for details.

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Oslo. Enjoy another exciting night in Norway's thriving capital. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Stockholm, embark on a tour showcasing the city's greatest sites or explore the narrow streets of Gamla Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour.

Cultural Experiences

- Explore Bryggen, Bergen's old Hanseatic wharf, and a UNESCO World Heritage site.
- Experience the Bergen Railway, Europe's most scenic rail journey.
- Tour Oslo and explore the remarkable Viking Ship Museum.
- Stroll through the fairytale streets of Alesund, at the entrance of the Geirangerfjord.

Must-See Inclusions

- Unpack once for a truly unforgettable 6-night Norwegian cruise.
- Cross the Arctic Circle and sail along Norway's northernmost region.
- Cruise the stunning Nærøfjord, the narrowest fjord in Europe.
- Ride the wonderful Flåm Railway, an engineering masterpiece.

Culinary Inclusions

- 27 meals included: 13 breakfasts • 5 lunches • 9 dinners
- Savour Swedish cuisine at the 17th-century Fem Sma Hus.

Accommodation

- Days 1, 2** Scandic Grand Central Hotel, Stockholm
 - Days 3, 4** Admiral Hotel, Copenhagen
 - Day 5** Hotel Bristol, Thon Hotel Opera or Thon Hotel Slottsparken, Oslo
 - Day 6** First Hotel Marin, Bergen
 - Days 7 – 12** MS Nordnorge, MS Nordlys, MS Polarlys, MS Nordkapp, MS Trollfjord, MS Richard With, Hurtigruten
 - Day 13** Hotel Bristol, Oslo
- On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.†
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your in-flight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
- On Tour Options pre book a free time activity to enhance your tour.

Enquire for full details or visit gocollette.com to learn more.

Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Some dates will feature an overnight stay in Voss rather than in Bergen. Confirm at time of reservation. The internal flights on this program are included in the land price. Cabins are assigned by Hurtigruten; stateroom numbers will be supplied upon arrival at the ship in Bergen, Norway. †Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| March – April 2017 | Double Inside | Double Outside | 3 September | \$8854 | \$9684 |
|--|---------------|----------------|--|--------|--------|
| 20 March | \$8304 | \$9324 | 16 September | \$8434 | \$8849 |
| 17 April | \$8424 | \$9444 | 6 October | \$7814 | \$8229 |
| Itinerary featured is for May 2017 - April 2018 tour departures. Departures prior to this date will vary. Please confirm at time of reservation. | | | 5 November | \$7054 | \$7469 |
| | | | 9 March | \$7474 | \$7889 |
| | | | Single Room Supplement (+) \$2075 - \$5115 | | |
| | | | Triple Room Reduction N/A | | |
| | | | Rates are land only, per person, and include the internal flights on tour. Call about additional dates. | | |
| May 2017 – March 2018 | Double Inside | Double Outside | | | |
| 19 May | \$9194 | \$10439 | | | |
| 9, 16 June | \$9814 | \$11334 | | | |
| 7, 21 July | \$9404 | \$10924 | | | |
| 4 August | \$9194 | \$10439 | | | |



Spectacular Scandinavia

Explore the cultural traditions of Denmark, Sweden and Norway

Start Early

Add an extra day in Copenhagen.
Reward yourself with an extra night in Denmark's intriguing capital. Call for details.

Day 1: Copenhagen, Denmark - Tour Begins

Your tour opens in the beautiful city of Copenhagen. Take some time to explore on your own and come to know this cosmopolitan capital, dubbed the "gastro capital of Scandinavia." Tonight, meet your fellow travellers at a welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Copenhagen Join a local expert for an engaging city tour. View Denmark's centre of Parliament, known as Christianborg; Amalienborg Palace, the residence of the Danish royal family; and the Royal Theatre. You'll also see the Little Mermaid Statue, a 1913 sculpture honouring Hans Christian Andersen's famous fictional character. The afternoon is at leisure. Perhaps you'll join us for an optional excursion for lunch and a visit to Frederiksborg Castle; begin with lunch at a local restaurant featuring seasonally inspired cuisine before touring the castle, formerly the residence of the Danish royal family. (B)

Day 3: Copenhagen - Vaxjo, Sweden

Cross the famous Oresund Bridge into Sweden. Later, travel to Vaxjo – gateway to Sweden's famous "glass

kingdom," home to the well-known brand Kosta Boda. **Discover the genuine Swedish tradition of glassblowing** at Sweden's oldest operating glassworks factory, established in 1742. (B)

Day 4: Vaxjo - Stockholm Continue north to Sweden's capital city of Stockholm. En route, stop to explore the one-of-a-kind Vasa Ship Museum and learn about its shocking maiden voyage when it



sank in one nautical mile. This ship, commissioned in the 1600s by King Vasa, was raised 334 years later from the bottom of the harbour. Perfectly preserved, it offers a rare glimpse into the amazing craftsmanship of the 17th century. This afternoon, **it's your choice!** Choose to explore the narrow streets of Gamle Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour with a stop

at one of Sweden's sweetest traditions, a candy cane making factory. Or you may choose to see the city on a panoramic city tour via coach viewing the Riddarholm Church, the Royal Palace and the Parliament, as well as a visit inside Stockholm's beautiful city hall. Tonight, enjoy dinner in the old town at Fem Sma Hus. This stunning restaurant, comprised of five connected timber-framed houses from the 17th century, captures the flavour of a bygone era. (B, D)

Day 5: Stockholm The day is yours to explore Stockholm at your leisure. Take some time to discover its strikingly colourful architecture and sample its innovative cuisine. Perhaps you will choose to join an optional excursion that immerses you in natural beauty on a privately guided tour of Stockholm's spectacular archipelago. (B)

Day 6: Stockholm - High Speed Train

- Oslo, Norway All aboard! Sit back, relax and enjoy as you **travel through Sweden's picturesque countryside aboard the innovative high-speed train.** Cross the Norwegian border and arrive in Oslo, one of Europe's fastest-growing cities, nestled between the Oslofjord and forested hills. Norway's capital since 1814, Oslo is the centre of Norwegian government and home to its royal family. You'll find a vibrant, cosmopolitan hub with an abundance of world-class museums, restaurants and art. (B, D)

Day 7: Oslo A tour of Oslo begins at the remarkable Viking Ship Museum, home of three



Norway Fjord



Glass Blowing

ancient Viking ships. Continue along Karl Johan Street and view the Royal Palace and city hall in quaint downtown Oslo. Next, visit Vigeland Park which holds the collection of statues and sculptures that comprise Gustav Vigeland's life's work. Later this afternoon, enjoy time to relax or explore independently. (B)

Day 8: Oslo - Flam Depart Norway's capital and travel north to the majestic fjord region. Visit the Borgund Stave Church. This intricate structure, built in 1180, is dedicated to the Apostle Andrew. Arrive in the quaint village of Flam, nestled at the entrance to the stunning Aurlandsfjord. **Embark on one of the world's steepest train rides — the renowned Flam Railway** — to ascend 3,000 feet, passing mighty waterfalls, towering mountains and amazing valleys. Journey to the mountain plateau of Myrdal and cascade down to the fjord of Flam offering breathtaking views each way. (B, D)

Day 9: Flam - Loen This morning travel across the dramatic Sognefjord to the Brikksdal Glacier, considered to be one of the most beautiful glaciers in Norway. Ascend the glacier in a traditional "troll" car before arriving in stunning Loen for a relaxing stay in the heart of Norway's fjord region. Tonight, join the hotel's chef for an introduction to traditional Nordic cuisine prior to dinner. (B, D)

Day 10: Loen - Geiranger - Fjord Cruise - Loen Spend the day enchanted by the inspiring landscape of the fjord region of Norway. Journey to Geiranger, a UNESCO World Heritage site, and embark

on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise, taking in some of the most beautiful scenery in Norway along the way. Known as one of the most famous fjords in the world, Geirangerfjord is where you find Norway's mighty waterfalls: the Seven Sisters, the Bridal Veil and the Suitor. Homesteads are a continued presence on the steep sides of the mountains, where farms have been kept for centuries. (B, D)

Day 11: Loen - Bergen Take in Norway's most impressive landscapes en route to Bergen, known as the gateway to the fjords. Bergen was founded with Viking roots and today is known for its old-world charm and scenic landscape. (B)

Day 12: Bergen Join your fellow travellers on a guided walking tour of Bergen. Walk along the historic and iconic harbour front, known as Bryggen, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy the afternoon at leisure and reunite with your fellow passengers for an atmospheric farewell dinner to celebrate your Scandinavian memories. (B, D)

Day 13: Bergen - Tour Ends (B)

Extend Your Tour

STAY LONGER. Add an extra day in Bergen. Complete your tour with another night on Norway's beautiful west coast. Call for details.

Choice On Tour

- In Stockholm, explore the narrow streets of Gamle Stan (Old Town) during a guided walking tour and stop at a candy cane factory or a panoramic city tour with a visit to Stockholm's city hall.

Cultural Experiences

- Stop at the Vasa Ship Museum to learn of its shocking maiden voyage.
- Visit Borgund Stave Church, an intricate structure built around 1180.
- Witness the scenic wilderness along the Flam Railway.
- Explore the Viking Ship Museum, home of three ancient Viking ships.
- Embark on an exhilarating Geirangerfjord cruise.

Must-See Inclusions

- Enjoy a remarkable guided walk along Bergen's harbour front.
- Immerse yourself in Oslo's rich history on a city tour.
- Join a local expert for an engaging city tour of Copenhagen.
- Tour Stockholm's greatest attractions and gaze at its amazing vistas.
- Travel across the dramatic Sognefjord to the magnificent Brikksdal Glacier.

Culinary Inclusions

- 19 meals included: 12 breakfasts • 7 dinners
- Savour Swedish cuisine in Stockholm's old town.

Accommodation

| | |
|--------------------|---|
| Days 1, 2 | Tivoli Hotel, Copenhagen |
| Day 3 | PM & Vänner Hotel, Vaxjo |
| Days 4, 7 | Scandic Grand Central Hotel, Stockholm |
| Days 8, 9 | Hotel Bristol, Oslo |
| Day 10 | Fretheim Hotel, Flam |
| Days 11, 12 | Hotel Alexandra, Loen or Union Hotel, Geiranger |
| Days 13, 14 | First Hotel Marin, Bergen |

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade.
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Gratuities are included in the price of your tour.

This trip requires a passport. Included breakfasts are buffet breakfasts. [†]Chauffeur drive service is valid within 40km drive of all major international Australian airports. Destination transfers with international air are included on day one and last day only of the tour.

Dates & Prices

| May – October 2017 | Double | 22, 29 September | \$5189 |
|--------------------|--------|---|----------------------------|
| 5 May | \$5129 | 6 October | \$4989 |
| 19 May | \$5189 | | |
| 9, 16 June | \$5329 | | |
| 7, 14, 21 July | \$5329 | | |
| 11, 18 August | \$5329 | | |
| 15 September | \$5329 | | |
| | | Single Room Supplement | (+) \$1380 - \$1450 |
| | | Triple Room Reduction | (-) \$50 |
| | | Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates. | |



Amsterdam

Legendary Waterways of Europe

Sail the waters of the Rhine, Moselle, Main, and Danube rivers

Day 1: Amsterdam, Netherlands - Tour Begins - Board Ship Join us on the legendary waterways that define the true soul of Europe. Your tour opens in Amsterdam where you **board your ship for a relaxing 14-night river cruise.**

Your ship offers the newest technology; panoramic deck; panorama salon and bar; excellent cuisine, including unlimited wine and beer with dinners; and outstanding service. Meet your fellow travellers for a welcome cocktail followed by a typical Dutch folklore show. (D)

Day 2: Amsterdam A local expert leads you on a leisurely paced tour of Amsterdam highlighting its 500 bridges, intricate canal system, charming churches and 16th-century homes. Later, glide along the canal on a



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cruise through the city centre before you set sail from Amsterdam this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Cologne, Germany - Koblenz Cruise the scenic Rhine River to Cologne, one of Germany's oldest cities. A guided tour through the old part of the city highlights the twin steepled, 13th-century Gothic cathedral. Continue to Koblenz, at the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle rivers. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Koblenz - Rudesheim Enjoy exploring the quintessential German town of Koblenz on your own before continuing your cruise through a beautiful stretch of the Rhine. Sail past the dramatic Rhine Gorge, dotted with hilltop castles. You will see the legendary Lorelei Rock before arriving in Rudesheim, a charming Rhine Valley wine town. The **"Winzerexpress" mini-train takes you to Siegfried's Mechanical Musical Instrument Museum for a guided tour.** Explore the historic pedestrian street Drosselgasse on your own before returning to the ship. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Miltenberg - Wertheim Today you disembark in Miltenberg where you will have an included walking tour followed by free time to discover the city including its enchanting market square. Next, continue to Wertheim where you will visit the famous Wertheim Glass Museum. Before returning to the ship, enjoy time on your own to stroll the cobblestone streets lined with gabled, half-timbered houses. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Würzburg Arrive in Würzburg, the "Pearl of the Romantic Road." Nearly destroyed during

WW II, Würzburg has been rebuilt into a beautiful Franconian town. **Visit fascinating sights including the magnificent Prince-Bishops Residence, a UNESCO World Heritage site.** Continue cruising through the pastoral Franconian wine region. (B, L, D)



Koblenz

Day 7: Bamberg Enter the Main-Danube Canal at Bamberg, a UNESCO World Heritage site. Disembark and enjoy a guided tour to discover the history of this medieval gem, founded in 902. Later, continue to sail along the canal on your way to medieval Nuremberg. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Nuremberg - Kelheim Depart on a guided tour of picturesque Nuremberg, Bavaria's second largest city. You will be awed by the 900-year-old ramparts, the Imperial Castle and the Justice Palace. Later, arrive at the highest point of your cruise before descending through the impressive stair-step locks. (B, L, D)



Day 9: Kelheim - Regensburg

Cruise through the final stretch of the Main-Danube Canal before arriving in magnificent Regensburg. Founded 2,000 years ago, Regensburg stands as one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities. A city walk features the old Town Hall, the 12th-century Stone Bridge, St. Peter's Cathedral and the Porta Praetoria. Tonight, feel like a local at a typical Bavarian evening onboard the ship. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Passau - Linz, Austria

Arrive in Passau, where the rivers Inn and Ilz join the Danube. Get acquainted with this beautiful city on a walking tour. Discover its gems including St. Stephan's Cathedral and the world's largest church organ. Cruise to stunning Linz, a favourite of Mozart, who dedicated his Linz Symphony to this town. Take a stroll through the city with a local expert before reboarding the ship. (B, L, D)

Day 11: Wachau Valley -

Vienna Relax and enjoy the surrounding scenery as you cruise past Melk Abbey, a magnificent 900-year-old Benedictine Abbey and one of Europe's largest Baroque monasteries. This afternoon, continue cruising through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with magnificent castles and small riverside towns. You arrive in Vienna, Austria's beautiful capital city, in the early evening. (B, L, D)

Day 12: Vienna

Join a local expert exploring Vienna's Imperial architecture, including the Hofburg Palace, the Vienna Opera House, the Ringstrasse and St. Stephen's Cathedral. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore the city as you choose. Tonight, cruise to Slovakia. (B, L, D)

Day 13: Bratislava, Slovakia

Tour Slovakia's remarkable capital, Bratislava, and discover the city's celebrated sites including the 13th-century castle, Old Town, St. Martin's Cathedral, Michael's Gate and the Archbishop's palace. The afternoon is at leisure. Tonight, you are invited to attend the Captain's Gala Dinner before departing for Hungary. (B, L, D)

Day 14: Budapest, Hungary

Embark on a tour of Budapest, Hungary's lovely capital, featuring its historic Buda Castle area, Fisherman's Bastion and 500-year-old St. Matthias Church. Enjoy splendid views as you sail between the twin cities of Buda and Pest, nestled on opposing banks of the river. Tonight, gather onboard with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. After dinner, take in the essence of the region during an evening cruise to view Budapest's stunning night skyline followed by a fun-filled folklore show. (B, L, D)

Day 15: Budapest - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends



Dates & Prices

| May - October 2017 Double | Lower Deck (Haydn) | Middle Deck (Strauss) | Upper Deck (Mozart) | Amadeus Suite (Mozart) |
|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 11 May | \$6669 | \$8049 | \$8739 | \$13984 |
| 22 June | \$6529 | \$7909 | \$8599 | \$13844 |
| 12 October | \$6119 | \$7224 | \$7914 | \$13159 |

See page 154 for ship deck plans.

Single Room Supplement (+) \$4410 - \$4970 Triple Room Reduction N/A

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Cultural Experiences

- Discover Wertheim and the famous glass museum.
- Embark on a tour of Budapest featuring its historic Buda Castle.
- A city walk of Regensburg reveals one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities.
- See the famous Rhine Gorge, dotted with hilltop castles.

Must-See Inclusions

- Explore the famous Franconian wine region.
- Marvel at Slovakia's remarkable capital, Bratislava.
- Cruise to Passau, where the rivers Inn and Ilz join the Danube.
- Discover Würzburg, "The Pearl of the Romantic Road."
- Explore Cologne, one of Germany's oldest cities, on a guided tour.
- Admire Amsterdam, home to 500 bridges, countless canals and charming churches.

Culinary Inclusions

- 41 meals included: 14 breakfasts • 13 lunches • 14 dinners
- Savour dinner and a Dutch folklore show.
- Attend the Captain's Gala Dinner.
- Feel like a local at a typical Bavarian evening onboard the ship.

Accommodation

Days 1 - 14 MS Amadeus Princess

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 159 for details.

Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
- Enhance your inflight-experience with an air upgrade. See page 160 for details.
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Classic Danube

Set out on the definitive Danube experience, featuring a 7-night river cruise

Day 1: Würzburg, Germany - Tour Begins

Sail past breathtaking scenery, pausing along the way in quaint villages and lively cities on a timeless trip down the Danube River. Discover the town of Würzburg, an ancient Franconian wine town rich in historic sites. Here, at your riverfront hotel, meet your fellow travellers at tonight's welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Würzburg - Munich - Würzburg

Journey to Munich. Feel the energy of this lively and fascinating city during a tour that highlights Olympic Park, the world-famous Glockenspiel, and Marienplatz, a beautiful square surrounded by shops, restaurants and cafés. Later, return to Würzburg for a free evening to relax or explore the town. (B)



Munich

Day 3: Würzburg - Rothenburg - Vilshofen - Board Cruise Ship

This morning, join a local guide on a leisurely paced walking tour of Würzburg. Visit the Prince-Bishops' Residence which boasts the largest ceiling fresco in the world; and the ornate Alte Mainbrücke, the oldest bridge on the River Main. Proceed to lovely Rothenburg, one of the most well-preserved medieval walled towns in all of Europe. Enjoy free time to explore the town's hidden treasures before continuing on to Vilshofen to meet your cruise ship. Unpack for a relaxing 7-night Danube River cruise aboard your lovely ship. This vessel offers the newest technology, a panoramic deck, terrace café, panorama salon and bar, excellent cuisine, outstanding service and unlimited wine and beer with every dinner onboard. This evening, enjoy a cocktail reception followed by a welcome aboard dinner. (B, D)

Day 4: Regensburg A guided walking tour of magnificent Regensburg reveals one of Germany's grand medieval cities with nearly 1,400 historic buildings. Some of the architectural highlights you may view include the first stone bridge built over the Danube, a 1,400-foot-long span built in the 12th century; the old Town Hall; and the Porta Praetoria, one of only two remaining Roman gates in Germany, built in A.D. 179. This afternoon, take a stroll through Old Town. Tonight, partake in a delightful Bavarian evening onboard. Your ship departs for Passau late this evening. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Passau - Linz, Austria Wake this morning surrounded by scenic valleys and charming riverside towns en route to Passau, set at the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. Enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour of this 2,000-year-old fairy-tale city, exploring the ornate Baroque architecture,



St. Stephen's Cathedral

the quaint cobblestone streets, and St. Stephen's Cathedral, home to Europe's largest church organ. You will have leisure time to independently explore the town. This afternoon, continue on to the charming riverside town of Linz where you will enjoy an included walking tour of the city with a local guide. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Wachau Valley - Emmersdorf - Vienna View the picturesque landscape as you cruise to the charming town of Emmersdorf. Relax and enjoy the scenery. This afternoon you **continue**



cruising through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with magnificent castles and small riverside towns. Arrive in Vienna, Austria's beautiful capital city, in the early evening. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Vienna Join a local expert exploring Vienna's Imperial architecture including the lavish Hofburg Palace, the impressive Vienna Opera House, the majestic Ringstrasse, and the awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Vienna's Baroque elegance, stroll along the Karntner Strasse, or sample some of Vienna's famous pastries. If you wish, you may join an optional excursion to the opulent Schönbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Hapsburg dynasty. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Vienna - Bratislava, Slovakia Tour Slovakia's remarkable capital, Bratislava, and discover the city's most celebrated sites including the 13th-century castle, the old town, St. Martin's

Cathedral, Michael's Gate, and the Archbishop's palace. The afternoon is at leisure. Tonight, you are invited to attend the Captain's Gala Dinner before departing for Hungary. (B, L, D)

Day 9: Budapest, Hungary Embark on a tour of Budapest, Hungary's lovely capital, featuring the historic Buda Castle area, Fisherman's Bastion and the 500-year-old St. Matthias Church. Enjoy splendid views of the twin cities of Buda and Pest, nestled on opposing banks of the river. Tonight, gather onboard with your fellow travellers for a farewell dinner. After dinner, take in the essence of the region during an evening cruise to view Budapest's stunning night skyline followed by a fun-filled folklore show. (B, L, D)

Day 10: Budapest - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends After breakfast, disembark the ship as your tour comes to an end. (B)



Cultural Experiences

- Take a walking tour of Passau, a 2,000-year-old fairy tale city.
- Discover Slovakia's remarkable capital, Bratislava.
- Partake in a fun-filled Hungarian folklore show.
- View Budapest's stunning night skyline on your final evening aboard your ship.

Must-See Inclusions

- Cruise through the stunning Wachau Valley.
- Overnight in Würzburg, Germany, "the jewel of the Main River."
- Spend time in the lovely medieval town of Rothenburg.
- Journey to Munich for a fascinating city tour featuring Marienplatz.
- Explore Vienna's Imperial architecture including the Hofburg Palace.
- Tour Budapest, Hungary's lovely capital, featuring Buda Castle.

Culinary Inclusions

- 23 meals included: 9 breakfasts • 6 lunches • 8 dinners
- Attend the Captain's Gala Dinner.
- Savour a delightful Bavarian evening onboard.

Accommodation

Days 1, 2 Maritim Hotel, Würzburg

Days 3 - 9 MS Amadeus Princess

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

- Add our chauffeur drive roundtrip airport transfers in your hometown.[†]
- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
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Dates & Prices

| September 2017 Double | Lower Deck (Haydn) | Middle Deck (Strauss) | Upper Deck (Mozart) | Amadeus Suite (Mozart) |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 14, 19, 28 September | \$4499 | \$5469 | \$5949 | \$9124 |

See page 154 for ship deck plans.

Single Room Supplement (+) \$3030 - \$4065 Triple Room Reduction N/A

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

river cruise
Beyond The River



Cochem

Magical Rhine and Moselle

Savour every moment as you cruise along the picturesque Rhine Valley

Day 1: Amsterdam, Netherlands - Board Ship - Tour Begins Join us for an exciting tour featuring Strasbourg and the romantic Rhine Valley. This journey brings you through one of the most historic and dramatic regions in all of Europe. Your tour opens in Amsterdam where you will **board your**

outside staterooms, unlimited wine with every dinner, and daily onboard musical performances. This evening, meet in the lounge for a cocktail reception followed by a “welcome aboard” dinner. (D)

Day 2: Amsterdam Today, join a local expert for a city tour of Amsterdam including a cruise along the city’s centuries-old canal system. Board your canal boat and cruise by charming cafés and famous 16th-century row houses stacked side-by-side. (B, L, D)

Day 3: Cologne, Germany As you glide down the river this morning, pass through the picturesque German landscape dotted with medieval towns. Your journey brings you to Cologne where you will **join a guide for a walking tour of the city’s Old Town** with its narrow, cobbled streets. Admire the Cologne Cathedral, as well as the Roman Dionysus mosaic and the Romanesque church of St. Martin. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Moselle River - Cochem Set sail on the Moselle River to Cochem where you will join a guided tour through this lovely town and Reichsburg Castle. The castle is set on a precipitous rock high above the town and offers breathtaking

views of the Moselle Valley. End your tour of Cochem with a visit and introduction by a local winemaker to one



Koblenz

of Cochem’s wine cellars where you will taste regional Mosel wines. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Koblenz - Rudesheim Continue on to Koblenz and get to know this 2,000-year-old city on a walking tour. See such sights as the town’s old quarter, which was badly damaged during World War II and then rebuilt, as well as the Schaengel Fountain at the town hall. Your next stop is Rudesheim. **Set out on a tour of the city and its famous Siegfried’s Mechanisches Musikkabinett** (or Mechanical Music



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cruise ship for a 7-night cruise along the Rhine River. Your ship offers an array of amenities including



Wine tasting



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Museum) where you will be treated to the music of barrel organs and medieval mechanical instruments. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Mannheim - Speyer The river takes you to Mannheim where you will have free time to explore the city on your own. Or, perhaps you will join an optional excursion to the town of Heidelberg. Later, sail to **Speyer, one of Germany's oldest cities**, and step back in time on a walking tour to explore such places as the Old Gate and the Jewish baths. A wonderful evening of food, music and entertainment awaits you at the Captain's Gala Dinner. (B, L, D)

Day 7: Strasbourg, France Your journey takes you to Strasbourg, a provincial capital of France that blends centuries of Roman, French, German and Alsatian influences together, creating a unique character. **Discover the history of the city on a guided tour of the old quarter, "Petite France,"** featuring the Cathedral of Notre Dame. Highlights also include Place de la République and Place d'Austerlitz. You will have free time to explore this perfectly preserved town before returning to your cruise ship. (B, L, D)

Day 8: Disembark Ship, Basel, Switzerland - Colmar, France - Black Forest, Germany - Basel Today is filled with exploration! Disembark your ship in Basel and travel to the Alsace wine region to spend time in

beautiful Colmar. Step back in time with a local guide on a walking tour of the Old Town highlighting its many architectural landmarks. Enjoy some free time to explore this charming city on your own. Next, drive to Titisee, a German resort town nestled alongside its picturesque lake hidden deep in the Black Forest. Savour some leisure time to browse the shops for the region's famous cuckoo clocks. Prior to dinner you'll have an opportunity to meet a local artisan who demonstrates how these cuckoo clocks are made with traditional techniques. Then, enjoy a dinner of Black Forest regional specialities before returning to your hotel in Basel. (B, D)

Day 9: Basel - Tour Ends Your tour comes to a close today. (B)



Cuckoo Clock

Dates & Prices

| August – September 2017 Double | Lower Deck (Haydn) | Middle Deck (Strauss) | Upper Deck (Mozart) | Amadeus Suite (Mozart) |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 26 August | \$4459 | \$5429 | \$5839 | \$9014 |
| 1, 9 September | \$4459 | \$5429 | \$5839 | \$9014 |

See page 154 for ship deck plans.

Single Room Supplement (+) \$3040 Triple Room Reduction N/A

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Cultural Experiences

- Take a walking tour of Cologne's historic Old Town.
- Take in the sounds of barrel organs and medieval instruments at Siegfried's Mechanisches Musikkabinett.
- Discover the lovely town of Cochem on a guided tour.
- Set out on a tour of picturesque Rudesheim.

Must-See Inclusions

- Cruise the famous canals of Amsterdam.
- Soak up the spectacular scenery of the romantic Rhine Valley.
- Join a local expert for a city tour of Amsterdam.
- Uncover the history of Strasbourg on a guided tour of the old quarter.

Culinary Inclusions

- 22 meals included: 8 breakfasts • 6 lunches • 8 dinners
- Enjoy a Captain's Gala Dinner aboard your cruise ship.
- Savour a wine tasting in the Moselle River town of Cochem.

Accommodation

Days 1 – 7 MS Amadeus Silver II

Day 8 Radisson Hotel, Basel

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Christmas on the Danube

Celebrate the season and enjoy a 6-night Danube River cruise

Day 1: Würzburg, Germany - Tour Begins

Welcome the winter season with a timeless trip down the Danube River. Your tour opens in the ancient town of Würzburg, known as “the jewel of the Main River,” and reputed to be one of Germany’s loveliest towns. Meet your fellow travellers at tonight’s welcome dinner. (D)

Day 2: Würzburg - Rothenburg - Nuremberg - Board Cruise Ship

This morning, join a local guide on a leisurely paced walking tour of Würzburg. Würzburg is an ancient Franconian wine town rich in historic sites, including the magnificent 18th-century residence of the Prince-Bishops which boasts the largest ceiling fresco in the world, and the ornate Alte Mainbrücke, the oldest bridge on the River Main. **Proceed to lovely Rothenburg, one of the most well-preserved medieval walled towns in all of Germany.** Enjoy free time to explore the town’s hidden treasures and its charming Christmas market, plus the chance to meet the locals during a Christmas ornament-making demonstration. Late afternoon you arrive in Nuremberg to meet your cruise ship. Unpack once for a relaxing 6-night Danube River cruise aboard your lovely ship. This beautiful vessel offers the newest technology; a panoramic deck terrace café;

panorama salon and bar; excellent cuisine including unlimited wine, beer and soft drinks with all dinners; and outstanding service. This evening, enjoy a special welcome dinner onboard. (B, D)

Day 3: Nuremberg A local expert provides an interesting city tour of historic Nuremberg featuring Old Town, the 900-year-old ramparts that surround the city, and the Imperial Castle. Your city



tour concludes with a visit to Nuremberg’s Christmas market, Germany’s most famous and oldest, dating back to 1628. Nuremberg is a toy-making centre and you will have the opportunity to shop for traditional handcrafted nutcrackers and sample its famous

Lebkuchen (gingerbread). Later, your cruise continues across the continental divide and through the final stretch of the fascinating Main-Danube Canal to Regensburg. (B, L, D)

Day 4: Regensburg A guided walking tour of magnificent Regensburg reveals one of Germany’s best-preserved medieval cities with nearly 1,400 historic buildings. Some of the architectural highlights you may view include the first stone bridge built over the Danube, a 1,400-foot-long span built in the 12th century; the old Town Hall; and the Porta Praetoria, one of only two remaining Roman gates in Germany, built in A.D. 179. This afternoon, take a stroll through Old Town to Regensburg’s charming Christmas market and marvel at the festive lights and decorations. Browse and shop at the brightly lit wooden huts that sell Christmas tree ornaments, wooden toys and local handicrafts. Late evening, your ship departs for Passau. (B, L, D)

Day 5: Passau Amid the early morning light, cruise past scenic valleys and charming riverside towns to Passau, situated at the confluence of the Danube, Inn and Ilz rivers. Enjoy a leisurely paced walking tour of this 2,000-year-old fairy-tale city, exploring the ornate Baroque architecture, the quaint cobblestone streets, St. Stephen’s Cathedral – home to Europe’s largest church organ – and the charming Christmas Market.



Then, enjoy free time to explore the town on your own. (B, L, D)

Day 6: Wachau Valley, Austria - Emmersdorf - Durnstein - Vienna

View the picturesque landscapes as you cruise to the charming town of Emmersdorf. Relax and enjoy the surrounding scenery before joining an excursion to the nearby town of Durnstein and the 900-year-old Benedictine Melk Abbey, one of Europe's largest Baroque monasteries. Next, enjoy

impressive Vienna Opera House, the majestic Ringstrasse, and the awe-inspiring St. Stephen's Cathedral. The afternoon is at leisure to explore Vienna's Baroque elegance, stroll along the Karntner Strasse, or sample some of Vienna's famous pastries. If you wish, you may join an optional excursion to the opulent Schönbrunn Palace, the summer retreat of the Hapsburg dynasty. A wonderful farewell evening of food, music and entertainment awaits you at the Captain's Gala Dinner. After a delightful dinner, the ship's orchestra provides a musical Christmas concert for your enjoyment. (B, L, D)



a Glühwein Party before returning to the ship. This afternoon you continue cruising through the romantic Wachau Valley, dotted with magnificent castles and small riverside towns. You arrive in Vienna, Austria's beautiful capital city, in the early evening. After dinner you may choose to join an optional excursion in the imperial city to experience the magic of Vienna by night and visit Vienna's most famous Christmas market, located in front of the "Rathaus" (City Hall). (B, L, D)

Day 7: Vienna Join a local expert exploring Vienna's Imperial architecture including the lavish Hofburg Palace, the

Day 8: Vienna - Disembark Ship - Tour Ends After breakfast you disembark the ship as your tour comes to an end. (B)

Extend Your Tour



EXPLORE MORE. Add 2 nights in Prague. Visit the "Golden City" of Prague and explore its magical Christmas markets.

Call for details.

Cultural Experiences

- Browse the famous Christmas markets along the Danube.
- Experience the most picturesque region of the Wachau Valley.
- Explore the 900-year-old Benedictine Melk Abbey.
- Join a local expert exploring beautiful and historic Vienna.

Must-See Inclusions

- Tour Regensburg, one of Germany's best-preserved medieval cities.
- Explore Würzburg, the ancient wine town rich with marvelous historic sites.
- Visit Rothenburg, a well-preserved medieval walled town.
- Stand in awe of Nuremberg with its 900-year-old ramparts.
- Visit the Nuremberg Christmas Market, Germany's famous Christmas fair.
- Cruise to the fairy-tale city of Passau, where the 3 rivers meet.

Culinary Inclusions

- 19 meals included: 7 breakfasts • 5 lunches • 7 dinners
- Attend the Captain's Gala Dinner complete with an onboard Christmas concert.

Accommodation

- Day 1** Maritim Hotel, Würzburg
- Days 2 - 7** MS Amadeus Brilliant or Elegant

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Tour Activity Level

- ① ② ③ ④ ⑤

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Personalise Your Journey

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- Purchase our international air with your tour to receive destination arrival and departure airport transfers.
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Dates & Prices

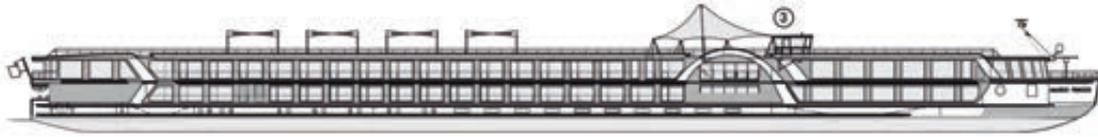
| August - September 2017 Double | Lower Deck (Haydn) | Middle Deck (Strauss) | Upper Deck (Mozart) | Amadeus Suite (Mozart) |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 27, 28 November | \$2839 | \$3394 | \$3944 | \$5324 |
| 3, 4 December | \$2839 | \$3394 | \$3944 | \$5324 |

See page 155 for ship deck plans.

Single Room Supplement (+) \$1520 - \$2075 Triple Room Reduction N/A

Rates are land only, per person. Call about additional dates.

Lueftner Cruise *ms Amadeus Princess*



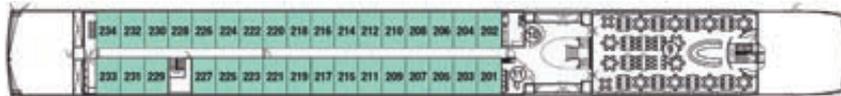
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mozart deck



strauss deck



haydn deck



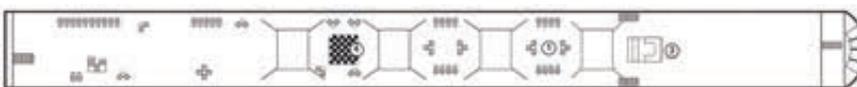
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- ② Fun pool
- ③ Navigation bridge
- ④ Lido Bar
- ⑤ Chess board
- ⑥ Golf putting green
- ⑦ Walking track
- ⑧ Panorama Bar
- ⑨ Panorama Deck
- ⑩ Amadeus Club with Internet station
- ⑪ Panorama Restaurant
- ⑫ Reception
- ⑬ Ship's shop
- ⑭ Fitness room
- ⑮ Hairdresser
- ⑯ Massage
- ⑰ Vital Club

TECHNICAL DATA Built: 2006 • Draught: 1,30 m • Height above water: 5,85 m • Length/ Breadth: 110 m/ 11,40 m • Speed: 25 km/h • Tonnage: 1.566 t • Crew members: ca. 40 • Cabins/Suites: 78/2

Lueftner Cruise *ms Amadeus Silver II*



sun deck



mozart deck



strauss deck



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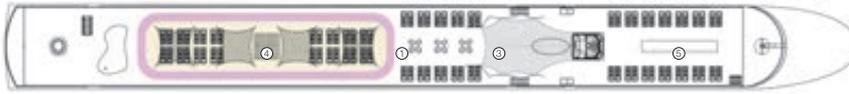
- ① Sun deck with deck chairs
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- ⑤ Panorama Bar
- ⑥ River Terrace
- ⑦ Café Vienna
- ⑧ Amadeus Club with Internet Café
- ⑨ Fitness Room
- ⑩ Massage
- ⑪ Hairdresser
- ⑫ Lift
- ⑬ Panorama Restaurant
- ⑭ Reception
- ⑮ Ship's Shop

TECHNICAL DATA Built: 2015 • Draught: 1,45 m • Height above water: 6,00 m • Length/ Breadth: 135 m/ 11,40 m • Speed: 25 km/h • Crew members: ca. 46 • Cabins/Suites: 72/12

Lueftner Cruise *ms Amadeus Brilliant*



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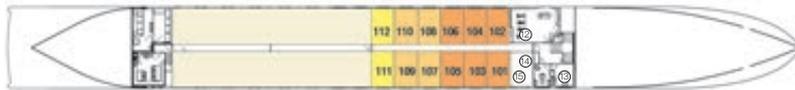
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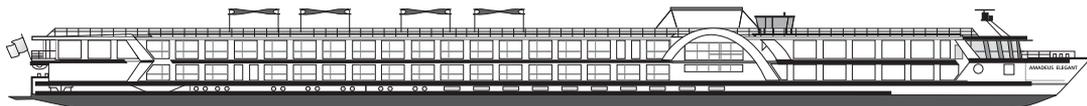
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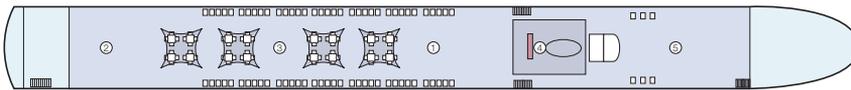
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- ② Navigation Bridge
- ③ Lido Bar
- ④ Chess Board
- ⑤ Shuffleboard
- ⑥ Panorama Bar
- ⑦ Panorama Deck
- ⑧ Amadeus Club with Internet station
- ⑨ Panorama Restaurant
- ⑩ Reception
- ⑪ Ship's shop
- ⑫ Fitness room
- ⑬ Massage
- ⑭ Hairdresser
- ⑮ Lift

TECHNICAL DATA Built: 2011 • Draught: 1,30 m • Height above water: 5,85 m • Length/ Breadth: 110 m/ 11,40 m • Speed: 25 km/h • Tonnage: 1.566 t • Crew members: ca. 40 • Cabins/Suites: 68/8

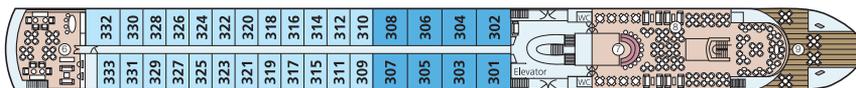
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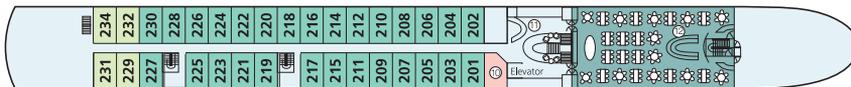
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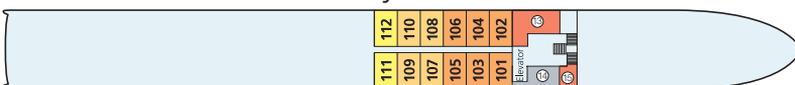
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- ① Sun deck with deck chairs
- ② Golf putting green
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- ⑥ Amadeus Club
- ⑦ Bar
- ⑧ Panorama Bar
- ⑨ River Terrace
- ⑩ Ship's Shop
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- ⑫ Restaurant
- ⑬ Fitness room
- ⑭ Hairdresser
- ⑮ Massage

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Extend Your Tour Optional Extensions

Milan 2-night post tour

add to: Italian Vistas (pg. 98)

Day 12: Stresa - Milan Transfer to Milan, a chic and sophisticated metropolis. Upon arrival, receive your sightseeing bus ticket valid for 48 hours. Hop on and off the red open-top double-decker buses and explore this bustling city at your own pace.

Day 13: Milan Continue your independent exploration of Milan at your leisure. You may choose to visit the Sforza Castle, Sant' Ambrogio Cathedral, Parco

delle Basiliche or the Duomo, Milan's most famous landmark. (B)

Day 14: Milan - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: This extension is not hosted or guided. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate.

Tour Activity Level

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

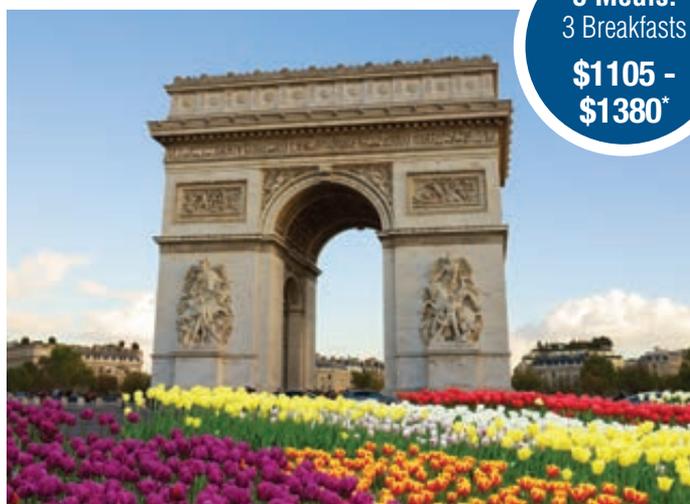
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2 Meals:
2 Breakfasts

\$830*



Accommodation: Doria Grand Hotel, Milan



Accommodation: Le Meridien Etoile, Paris

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 159 for details.

3 Meals:
3 Breakfasts

**\$1105 -
\$1380***

Paris 3-night post tour

add to: Exploring Britain and Ireland (pg. 28)
British Landscapes (pg. 40)

Post Tour Day 1: Stratford-upon-Avon - London - Paris, France Sit back and relax as you depart for London and travel on the innovative Eurostar High Speed Train to Paris. The remainder of the day is at leisure.

Post Tour Day 2: Paris Spend your day exploring the "City of Light." Enjoy the use of your hop on-hop off sightseeing pass over two full days to see such sights as Notre Dame Cathedral, the Place Vendome and the Eiffel Tower. Or, perhaps you'll visit one of the nearby attractions such as Giverny or Louis XIV's glorious Palace of Versailles. (B)

Post Tour Day 3: Paris Enjoy another day at leisure to pursue individual interests. You may want to stroll the elegant Champs Elysees, visit the Louvre, take a cruise on the River Seine, or simply watch the world go by from a sidewalk café. (B)

Post Tour Day 4: Paris - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: This extension is not hosted or guided. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate. Transfers are included to/from hotel and train station/airport. Luggage handling on the Eurostar train is not included.

Madeira 4-night post tour

add to: Sunny Portugal (pg. 94)

Day 9: Lisbon - Funchal, Madeira - Monte - Botanical Garden Fly** to Madeira Island, which boasts a subtropical climate. Stop in Monte, perched on the hills overlooking Funchal and visit the Botanical Garden of Madeira. Discover Madeira's history during a leisurely paced tour of Funchal.

Day 10: Funchal - Câmara de Lobos - Cabo Girão - São Vicente - Porto Moniz Visit seaside Câmara de Lobos, then continue along mountain roads, en route to Cabo Girão, the world's second highest cliff. São Vicente, a charming agricultural town, offers dramatic views. Explore the fishing village of Porto Moniz. (B)

Day 11: Funchal - Ribeiro Frio - Santanae Wind through the mountains to Poiso to visit the island's third highest point – Pico do Arieiro. Then it's your choice! At Ribeiro Frio, explore a fascinating trout farm or join an exhilarating "levada walk."[†] Later, continue to Santana, then visit a family-owned embroidery shop, followed by a tasting of world-famous Madeira wine. Tonight, enjoy a traditional dinner known as espetada. (B, D)

Day 12: Funchal - Lisbon Return to Lisbon and enjoy a day at leisure. (B)

Day 13: Lisbon - Tour Ends (B)

5 Meals:
4 Breakfasts
1 Dinner

\$895*



Accommodation

Day 9-11: Pestana Casino Park, Funchal
Day 12: Turim Marques Pombal Hotel, Lisbon

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 159 for details.

[†]The levada walk is approximately 45 minutes on a flat surface. A minimum of 2 guests is required for this extension to operate. Your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times. **Additional air segment purchase required.**

to complement your experience

French Riviera 3-night post tour

add to: France Magnifique (pg. 76)

Day 11: Avignon - Nice Transfer by TGV train to the stunning city of Nice. Explore Nice with your hop-on, hop-off sightseeing bus pass.

Day 12: Nice - Èze - Monaco - Monte Carlo - Nice

Start your day with a visit to the medieval village of Èze. Next, experience the splendour of Monaco, the glittering gem of the Riviera. During your panoramic tour, you'll witness the Changing of the Guard at the 13th-century Prince's Palace and follow the Grand Prix route to see the

Casino of Monte Carlo. Upon returning to Nice, you will have the remainder of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 13: Nice - Day at Leisure

The day is yours to create your own adventure. (B)

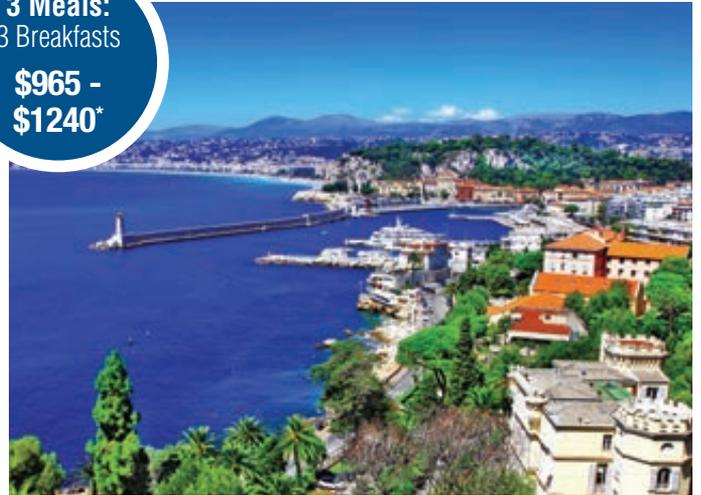
Day 14: Nice - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: Approximate travel time to Nice is 3 ½ hours. Transfers are included to/from the train station and your hotel in Nice. This extension is not hosted or guided. A minimum of 4 passengers is required for this extension to operate.

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 159 for details.

3 Meals:
3 Breakfasts

\$965 -
\$1240*



Accommodation: Hotel Nice Riviera, Nice

Venice 2-night post tour

add to: France & Italy (pg. 122)

Day 15: Rome - Venice Board a high-speed train and travel across the Italian countryside to the enchanting city of Venice. Discover a city with 117 islands that are connected by a latticework of 150 canals and 400 bridges. An included transfer will take you from the train station to your hotel. Have time to explore this unique UNESCO World Heritage site at your own pace.

Day 16: Venice Enjoy a full day at leisure to explore the city as you choose. There is so much to see and do in this captivating city. Spend time getting to know its treasures: Piazza San Marco and the Basilica San Marco, Doge's Palace, the Bridge of Sighs, Rialto Bridge and the

market. Perhaps you would like to go off the beaten path and discover the Jewish Ghetto, Castello, Zattere and Arsenale. No matter which you choose, make sure to take the time to hop aboard a gondola for a ride through Venice's endless canals. (B)

Day 17: Venice - Tour Ends

An included transfer will take you from your hotel to the airport this morning. (B)

Please Note: A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. This extension is not hosted or guided.

Tour Activity Level

① ② ③ ④ ⑤

See page 139 for details.

2 Meals:
2 Breakfasts

\$830 -
965*



Accommodation: Hotel Bellini, Venice

Iceland 3-night post tour

add to: Norwegian Coastal Voyage & Scandinavian Capitals (pg. 142)

Day 14: Oslo - Fly to Reykjavik, Iceland** Discover Iceland, a land and culture forged by fire and ice. Steaming lava fields reflect a volcanic nature. Have free time to explore the city's old section that features Hallgrímskirkja church, City Hall, the harbour, and Reykjavik's oldest building, home of the Kraum Icelandic design centre.

Day 15: Reykjavik - Golden Circle - Reykjavik Travel the incredible Golden Circle, a route that encompasses many of Iceland's most renowned natural wonders. Marvel at the beauty of the Gullfoss (Golden Falls)

waterfall, a stunning 100-foot double cascade. Journey to Thingvellir National Park, the nation's most historic area. Return to Reykjavik and have time to explore the city on your own. (B)

Day 16: Reykjavik Enjoy a day at leisure. Relax on a scenic whale watching cruise; venture out on a horseback riding excursion; or relax in the geo-thermal waters of the famed Blue Lagoon. (B)

Day 17: Reykjavik - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: This extension is not hosted or guided. A minimum of 2 passengers is required for this extension to operate. **Additional air segment purchase required.**

3 Meals:
3 Breakfasts

\$1035 -
\$1240*



Accommodation: Centerhotel Plaza, Reykjavik

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 159 for details.

Extend Your Tour Optional Extensions

Bratislava 2-night pre tour

add to: Exploring the Alpine Countries (pg. 64)

Day 1: Vienna, Austria - Bratislava, Slovakia Arrive in Vienna and meet your local guide who will take you on a short journey to the capital of Slovakia, Bratislava. Settle in to your city center hotel. The remainder of the day is at leisure to relax or independently explore charming Old Town in this post-communist city.

Day 2: Bratislava Delve into the history of this undiscovered city during a walking tour of the “stare mesto,” or “Old Town.” Your local guide will discuss the country’s communist past while showing you the city’s treasures, including Saint Michael’s Gate, the Slovak National Theatre, Mozart’s residence, and St. Martin’s Cathedral where the coronation of Maria Theresa took place. Then, have free time to explore or relax. Later, rejoin your guide for a visit to a family-owned majolica

factory where you will witness artisans at work glazing the colourful pottery. Next, spend some time with a local resident in their home. Embrace this opportunity to discuss the realities of daily life for Slovaks. (B)

Day 3: Bratislava - Vienna, Austria This morning you have some leisure time in Bratislava before boarding your high-speed catamaran for a trip up the Danube River to Vienna. Pass the outskirts of the city of Bratislava and the ruins of Devin Castle. Upon arrival in Vienna, transfer to your hotel to begin your tour. (B)

Please Note: A minimum of 4 guests are required for this extension to operate. During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.

**2 Meals:
2 Breakfasts
\$830***



Accommodation: Radisson Blu Carlton, Bratislava

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 159 for details.

Jordan 4-night post tour

add to: Israel: Journey to the Holy Land (pg. 136)



**6 Meals:
4 Breakfasts
2 Dinners
\$2070***



Accommodation

Day 9-10: Movenpick Nabatean Castle, Petra

Day 11: Le Meridien Amman, Amman

Day 12: Kfar Maccabiah, Tel Aviv

Tour Activity Level ① ② ③ ④ ⑤ See page 159 for details.

Day 9: Jerusalem - Border Crossing - Madaba, Jordan - Mt. Nebo - Petra This morning you travel to the Jordan Valley, crossing the border** into Jordan. Travel the Desert Highway to the city of Madaba, the “City of Mosaics.” You will also visit Mt. Nebo, where Moses saw the Promised Land – present day Israel – and is believed to be laid to rest. Continue to the ancient city of Petra for a 2-night stay.

Day 10: Petra Enjoy a full day tour of the remarkable stone-carved city of Petra (UNESCO), one of the new Wonders of the World. This evening, experience the flavours of the region with a delightful dinner at a popular local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 11: Petra - Wadi Rum - Amman This morning depart for the immense desert of Wadi Rum, stunning in its natural beauty and home of the famous film, Lawrence of Arabia. Later, arrive in Amman, known as the “White City” because of white limestone used to construct the majority of

the buildings. (B, D)

Day 12: Amman - Jerash - Jordan Valley Border Crossing - Tel Aviv, Israel Travel the quiet valley among the mountains of Gilead to the city of Jerash – the “Pompeii of the East” where you tour the ruins with a local guide. Travel to the Jordan Valley Border Crossing,** and continue to Tel Aviv for your overnight stay. (B)

Day 13: Tel Aviv - Tour Ends (B)

Please Note: **When using the shuttle buses at the border crossings, a \$3 USD fee per person, paid in local currency or USD, is collected on the bus by each driver. Israel exit fee is approximately \$32 USD per person, paid in local currency when crossing the border into Jordan. A Jordanian visa is required and can be purchased at the Sheik Hussein (Jordan Valley) border crossing at an approximate cost of \$57 USD, paid in local currency (40 Jordanian dinar). Money can be exchanged at the border crossing. When returning to Israel, the Jordan exit fee is approximately \$15 USD per person, paid in local currency. Rates are approximate and can be changed at any time based on governing authority. A minimum of 4 guests are required for this extension to operate.

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*AUD, per person, land only, double occupancy. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request. Airfares not included. Your extension may require an additional air segment purchase. For any extension requiring a flight in order to operate, or departing from a gateway different than the base tour, please enquire for rate at time of booking.

Frequently Asked Questions

Accommodation

What is the difference between a twin room and a double room? A double room is designed to accommodate two people, but may not have two separate beds. A twin bedded room has two separate beds of any size, and is the type most commonly utilised.

What size is a triple room? A triple room is the same size as a twin bedded room and beds will accommodate three people, but we cannot guarantee three separate beds. If there are only two beds, a rollaway may be requested but cannot be guaranteed due to size of room and fire codes. Please inquire at time of reservation.

Can my children travel on tour? Children over the age of 5 may travel on a Collette tour accompanied by an adult. Child land rates are valid for ages 5-12, sharing a room with two full-paying adults. If you are travelling with a child, it is your sole responsibility to ensure the child follows all safety rules of the tour.

Are single and triple rooms always available? Triple and single rooms are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis. Be advised that single rooms are often smaller.

When can I check into my hotel? Normal check-in time is late afternoon. If you do have an early arrival, rooms may not always be available for immediate check-in.

Air

Can Collette book our airline reservations? Collette is happy to assist you in accommodating your flight needs. Due to tour scheduling and limited availability, you are strongly encouraged to take advantage of Collette's air packages. We are not responsible for air arrangements you have made on your own. On occasion, it is necessary to change tour dates. In this case, we can only protect air reservations booked through Collette. For all air reservations, it is strongly recommended to reconfirm flights before departure, in the event that the airline has an unexpected schedule change. We cannot assume responsibility for schedule changes, routings or flight cancellations involving the airlines.

Attractions & Sightseeing

Are attractions always available? Access to some attractions or Collette Foundation sites may be affected by local holidays, weather conditions or other circumstances. As a result, the days and order of sightseeing may change to best utilise your time on tour. Boat rides are weather permitting. Some attractions may not be available during the "off-season" months. When attractions are unavailable, other similar attractions will be substituted. Wildlife sightings are not guaranteed.

Is there a lot of walking on tour? Our itineraries include many activities and some may consist of walking on uneven terrain or significant walking at times. Some of the most unique sightseeing can mean accessing locations that restrict coaches. Some hotels/lodges in remote locations may not have elevators. For your comfort, we recommend bringing walking shoes. See our "Tour Pacing" and "Tour Activity Level" section on this page.

Can you tell me more about the safaris? For a fuller wildlife experience you will be travelling by custom-built safari vehicle which requires climbing in and out frequently and sometimes travels on bumpy roads. To experience Africa fully, we recommend a good fitness level and to prepare properly.

How can I plan for shore landings? Special clothing is required for the shore landings (Antarctica, Galapagos); please refer to your predeparture documents for important details.

Are all theatre performances suitable for children? Some theatre performances may be unsuitable for children – please consult your tour manager.

Documentation

Do I need a passport? A valid passport is required for all trips. All passengers should check with the appropriate foreign consulate for entry and validity requirements as well as other laws that may affect your ability to travel. We recommend that your passport has six months validity, and at least 3 blank pages. Passports and visas are the responsibility of each client.

Extending Your Stay

Can I extend my tour to see more of a region? Yes! You may enhance your tour by purchasing either an extension or pre/post hotel stays when offered. Extensions may be "hosted" rather than escorted. When hosted, passengers will be greeted upon arrival by a local tour manager who will be available on-call during the duration of the stay. A minimum number of passengers may be required to operate some extensions. Extensions not purchased at time of deposit are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

Collette also offers pre and post hotel nights before and/or after a tour. Should you purchase additional nights, your tour manager will not be available during this time.

Extras

What is not included in the tour price? The price does not include international airfare, airport or departure taxes, transfers, visas, customary gratuities for cruise ship staff and any incidental charges.

Late Bookings

Do you accept late bookings? Yes, tour sales normally close 7 days prior to departure. Late bookings are on request and must be guaranteed with full payment if within 60 days of departure date.

On-Tour Experience

Where do I meet my tour manager? Our tour manager will make contact with you at your first hotel. The hotel's address and phone number will be included in your documents.

Can I pre purchase optional excursions/activities? Yes, the majority of optional excursions and activities are available for advance purchase provided that you make your options purchase 15 days or more prior to the tour start date. Collette makes it convenient to reserve

presold options by visiting our website for a full listing of activities and excursions or when your reservation is made with our team. In addition, there are benefits to prepurchasing options including a price guarantee once your tour is paid in full, so once payment is received in full, your preselected options are guaranteed by Collette. Although you can still purchase options while on tour, reserving them ahead of time ensures you a spot in the event that the activity sells out. Collette will provide a refund if you cancel a presold option prior to tour departure. Any presold options cancelled while on tour are nonrefundable.

Revisions / Changes

Would my tour date ever be changed? While it is unlikely, Collette does reserve the right to cancel any tour prior to departure. Should this happen, Collette will make every effort to put you on another departure date. If an alternate cannot be found, a full refund will be made. Air booked through Collette will be protected. We cannot be held responsible for penalties incurred if you secured your own air.

Can I make changes to my reservation? Should you decide to change your reservation after initial booking, a handling fee of \$25 per transaction will be charged. A change of tour date or tour itinerary within the guidelines of the cancellation policy will be treated as a cancellation and regular cancellation fees may apply.

Revisions to air tickets are subject to the rules and regulations of the airline. See our Cancellation Policy for more details.

Tour Pacing

How can I be best prepared for the pacing and physical requirements on a Collette tour? Tour pacing varies by itinerary, and each destination's activities are unique. Pacing is subject to personal interpretation. For overnight pacing of a tour, please refer to the "Accommodation" section on each tour page and on the tour map. The day-by-day descriptions will provide additional detail about the number of activities included in each day.

The Tour Activity Level Ranking is featured on each tour itinerary in a circle. The definition of each activity level is listed here. If you have additional questions regarding a specific tour, please inquire at time of reservation.

Level 1: At a very leisurely pace, this tour involves minimal physical activity, such as climbing some stairs, boarding a motorcoach, and walking from the hotel reception area to hotel rooms and dining areas.

Level 2: This tour requires average physical activity. You should be in good health, able to climb stairs and walk reasonable distances, possibly over uneven ground and cobblestoned streets.

Level 3: This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected.

Level 4: To truly experience the tour and destination, you need to be able to participate in physical activities such as longer walking tours, walking over uneven terrain, climbing stairs and periods of standing. Some of the touring days may be longer, with select included activities occurring later in the evening.

Level 5: This tour is very active, requiring participants to be physically fit to fully enjoy all the experiences. This itinerary has more strenuous activities which may include such things as: extensive walking tours, transfers over uneven and dusty terrain, high altitudes, early morning departures, late night activities, or extreme temperatures. All conditions do not apply to all days, so please read the itinerary carefully and speak to one of our customer care agents to determine if this tour is right for you. We recommend this programme to individuals who are physically fit. Unfortunately, this tour is not appropriate for individuals who use either walkers or wheelchairs.

Transfers

Are airport and hotel transfers available? Roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers are provided for all passengers who purchase airfare through Collette. These transfers do not apply to pre- and post-night stays. Passengers who do not purchase airfare through Collette can purchase transfers (for the first and last day of the tour) at an additional cost from \$120 per person, roundtrip. Some restrictions may apply. All transfers leave at prescheduled times.

Are airport transfers available for pre/post hotel stays? All passengers who purchase pre and post hotel nights through Collette may also purchase transfers to/from the airport and the pre or post hotel. Please enquire at time of booking.

What is Roundtrip Home to Airport Chauffeur Drive Service? It's your ticket to and from the airport. This service is available for all bookings. This personalised service is included on all tour bookings within a 40kms drive from Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide, Perth, Canberra, Darwin, Cairns and Hobart airport gateways.* Service is available between 41-70 kms for a small fee. Not valid on group travel.

*One transfer per room booking. Additional stops are not permitted on route.

Travel Loyalty

What is Travel Loyalty by Collette or TLC? It allows you to automatically receive a \$150 travel credit for each trip you take.[†] It's our way of saying thank you for making us your #1 choice in guided travel. Be sure to enrol in TLC to take advantage of this benefit.

[†]Full credit is valid for your next tour when you travel within 12 months of the original trip. \$100 of the credit remains valid for travel within 13-24 months, and the entire credit expires 24 months after the original trip.



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| Lounge Passes ⁴ | | | ● |
| Express Check-In ⁴ | | | ● |
| Eligible for Collette's Travel Protection Plan | ● | | |
| Benefit from our flexible change and refund policies | ● | | ● |
| Deposit now, pay the balance later | ● | | ● |
| Eliminates future surcharges by locking in price | | ● | |
| All the perks of upgraded air (more leg room, comfort, and space) | | | ● |

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¹These are available on the first and last day of the actual tour dates and when you are travelling on select flights (not applicable to pre & post nights). Land only clients may purchase transfers on the first and last day of the actual tour dates for an additional cost (some restrictions may apply). Clients who purchase pre/post hotel nights may purchase transfers to/from the pre/post hotel. ²Instant Purchase Airfare is offered on select dates; consult your booking agent. ³Upgrade Your Air status is only included with the purchase of a First Class, Business Class or Premium Economy ticket with either Flex or Instant Purchase Air only on the international/long haul portion of your flight itinerary. ⁴Lounge Passes & Express Check-In are based on airline and airport availability for Business Class and first class passengers only; Premium Economy tickets do not qualify. Lounge passes are not available for travel from North America to destinations within North America or the Caribbean. ● Not applicable with Instant Purchase Airfare.

Reservation Information

1. Booking Conditions

These booking conditions, together with our privacy policy, and any other written information we brought to your attention before we confirmed your booking, form the basis of your contract with Collette Pty Ltd (ACN 600 161 671) of **Level 3, 263 Clarence St, Sydney, NSW, 2000 Australia** ('we' or 'us'). Please read them carefully as they set out your respective rights and obligations. References to 'you' and 'your' include the first named person on the booking and all persons on whose behalf a booking is made or any other person to whom a booking is transferred.

By making a booking, the first named person on the booking agrees on behalf of all persons detailed on the booking that:

- he/she has read these terms and conditions and has the authority to and does agree to be bound by them;
- he/she consents to our use of information in accordance with our privacy policy; and
- he/she is over 18 years of age and resident in Australia and where placing an order for services with age restrictions declares that he/she and all members of the party are of the appropriate age to purchase those services.

2. Making A Booking And Paying For Your Holiday

When you confirm your booking you must pay the applicable deposit or full payment detailed in the table below. If the arrangements you wish to book are available we will issue a confirmation invoice and send this to you or your travel agent. **A binding contract will come into existence between you and us as soon as we have issued you with this confirmation invoice.** Upon receipt, if you believe that any details on the confirmation invoice (or any other document) are wrong you must advise us immediately as changes cannot be made later and it may harm your rights if we are not notified of any inaccuracies in any document within 10 days of us sending it out (5 days for tickets).

The balance of the cost of your arrangements is due in accordance with the table in section 3 below. If we do not receive all payments in full and on time, we reserve the right to treat your booking as cancelled by you in which case the cancellation charges set out in the tables in section 7 below will become payable.

In the case of international payments you must ensure that the full Australian dollars amount is received by us after all bank charges have been levied.

3. Deposits & Balances

Further to section 2, in order to confirm your chosen arrangements, you must pay a deposit. The deposit payable and the time that the balance of the cost of your arrangements (including any surcharge where applicable) will become due will vary depending on the holiday you book.

Land Package Deposit

- A \$250 non-refundable deposit is due with your land only reservation.
- For Antarctica and Cruises only reservations, a non-refundable \$500 deposit is required. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Air Inclusive Package Deposit

- A \$500 non-refundable deposit is due with your air inclusive reservation. If you purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the air inclusive deposit required is only \$250 plus the cost of the Travel Protection Plan.
- For Antarctica and Cruise air inclusive reservations, a non-refundable \$750 deposit is required. If you purchase our Travel Protection Plan, the air inclusive deposit required is only \$500 plus the cost of the Travel Protection Plan. An additional \$1,000 is due 180 days prior to departure for Antarctica.

Instant Purchase Air

- If you have selected Instant Purchase Air, the deposit required is the full cost of the airfare plus a \$500 deposit (or \$250 with the Travel Protection Plan), all of which is non-refundable. Instant Purchase Non-refundable Airfare includes round trip airport /hotel transfers (excluding pre or post days and extensions). Instant Purchase, Non-refundable Airfare requires full payment at the time of booking. If you purchase the waiver it does not provide a refund for the airline tickets in the event of a cancellation. Tickets will be issued immediately and, once issued are non-refundable, may only be changed for a fee up to \$300 plus any difference in airfare for travel in the following 12 months; specific fees and policies may vary by airline. These tickets include an administration fee and round trip airport to hotel transfers of which both hold no airline reissue value. Once issued, there can be no fluctuation in price due to an increase in government taxes or in airline fuel surcharges.

The balance is due 60 days before departure on all tours, except cruises. The balance is due 120 days before departure for cruises. Payment may be made by Direct Credit, bank account details on invoice, charging to clients' MasterCard, Visa, American Express, (card imprint and signature required) or by sending a cheque or money order. All land rates are guaranteed upon deposit.

TRAVEL PROFESSIONALS PLEASE CONTACT:

Retail phone: 1300 792 195 Email: AUSales@collette.com
Groups phone: 1300 062 731 Email: AUGroups@collette.com

PLEASE SEND CHEQUE OR MONEY ORDER PAYMENTS TO:

Collette, Level 3, 263 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000, Australia

THE PRICE OF YOUR HOLIDAY

The price of your travel arrangements has been calculated using exchange rates as at the date of advertisement of the holiday.

We reserve the right to amend the price of unsold holidays at any time and correct errors in the prices of confirmed holidays.

The price of your confirmed holiday is subject at all times to changes in transport costs such as fuel, scheduled airfares and any other airline cost changes which are part of our contracts with airlines (and their agents), cruise ship operators and any other transport provider; to cost changes arising from government action such as changes in GST or any other government imposed changes; and to changes in currency exchange rates and to dues, taxes or fees

chargeable for services such as landing taxes or embarkation or disembarkation fees at ports and airports any or all of which may result in a variation of your holiday price. We will absorb and you will not be charged for any increase equivalent to 2% of the price of your travel arrangements, which excludes insurance premiums and any amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements. You will be charged for the amount over and above that, plus an administration charge of \$25 per person together with an amount to cover agents' commission. If this means that you have to pay an increase of more than 10% of the price of your travel arrangements (excluding any insurance premiums, amendment charges and/or additional services or travel arrangements), you will have the options set out in section 9 below. There will be no change made to the price of your holiday within 30 days of your departure nor will refunds be paid during this period.

4. Cutting Your Holiday Short

If you are forced to return home early, we cannot refund the cost of any services you have not used. If you cut short your holiday and return home early in circumstances where you have no reasonable cause for complaint about the standard of accommodation and services provided, we will not offer you any refund for that part of your holiday not completed, or be liable for any associated costs you may incur. Depending on the circumstances, your travel insurance may offer cover for curtailment and we suggest that any claim is made directly with your insurer.

5. Changes By You

If you wish to alter your booking after your holiday has been confirmed, we will try to make the necessary arrangements provided we receive written confirmation of the change from the person who signed the booking form, or your travel agent, before the date on which the final balance of the cost of your holiday is due. If you are prevented from travelling it may be possible to transfer your booking to another suitable person provided that written notice is given no later than 28 days before you are due to depart.

Whilst we will do our best to assist, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to meet your requested change. Changes and transfers will be subject to an administrative fee as well as any applicable rate changes or extra costs incurred by ourselves and any costs or charges incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers. You should be aware that these costs could increase the closer to the departure date that changes are made and you should contact us as soon as possible. Where we are unable to assist you and you do not wish to proceed with the original booking we will treat this as a cancellation by you. A cancellation fee may be payable.

Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any alteration could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements.

6. Cancellation Waiver

To assist you to avoid cancellation fees, we offer an optional cancellation waiver policy. Payment of a per person waiver fee guarantees a full refund of all payments (including deposit), except for the waiver fee itself, in case of cancellation of your travel plans for any reason prior to the day of departure. Exception: If you originally purchased nonrefundable airline tickets, the cancellation waiver fee does not provide a refund for the airline tickets, taxes or fees, in the event of a cancellation. Tickets may only be changed for a fee up to \$300 plus any difference in airfare for travel in the following 12 months; specific fees and policies may vary by airline.

The cancellation waiver protects you from forfeiting payments made in advance if you cancel your entire inclusive holiday package up to the day prior to departure. The cancellation waiver does not indemnify you from penalties if you chose to cancel partial tour components or air. If you elect to partially cancel your holiday, you will be responsible for a revision fee as well as any penalties that are incurred at the time of the cancellation.

The cancellation waiver does not cover any single supplement charges which arise from an individual's travelling companion electing to cancel for any reason prior to departure. In this case, the single supplement will be deducted from the refund of the person who cancels. Division of this charge between the two passengers involved is solely their responsibility. If insufficient funds are deducted from the cancelling client, the travelling client will be charged the remaining portion of the single supplement.

Payment of the cancellation waiver fee (if chosen) must be received by us with your deposit. The cancellation waiver is non-transferable and valid for each applicant only.

The prices below include waiver and on-tour insurance; based on a basic cover, for travellers below 69 years, with a \$250 excess, \$3000 cancellation cover (outside of Collette's waiver) and do not allow for any pre-existing medical condition cover or extra item cover. Contact Collette for a full quotation.

When purchasing pre and post night accommodations, including optional extensions, the number of days will be added to the total number of tour days, and may subsequently alter your waiver fees. Please confirm with your reservation agent at time of booking.

Collette Waiver with on-tour Insurance - Land Only Clients

- \$235 adult/\$140 child for all tours up to 11 days
 - \$285 adult/\$170 child for all tours up to 12-15 days
 - \$345 adult/\$205 child for all tours up to 16-21 days
 - \$375 adult/\$223 child for all tours up to 22-28 days
- (All above rates exclude cruises, Canadian Rockies Train tours, Australia, New Zealand)
- \$420 adult/\$288 child for all cruises & Canadian Rockies Train tours

Collette Waiver with on-tour Insurance - Air Inclusive Clients (Collette Flex Airfare is purchased through Collette)

- \$335 adult/\$215 child for all tours up to 11 days
 - \$385 adult/\$245 child for all tours up to 12-15 days
 - \$445 adult/\$277 child for all tours up to 16-21 days
 - \$475 adult/\$295 child for all tours up to 22-28 days
- (All above rates exclude cruises, Canadian Rockies Train tours, Australia, New Zealand)
- \$520 adult/\$360 child for all cruises & Canadian Rockies Train tours

Air inclusive cancellation waiver can only be purchased by individuals who have purchased Collette Flex Airfare. Instant purchase air and its associated taxes, fees and surcharges require full payment at time of reservation and are 100% non-refundable. Tickets may only be changed for a fee up to \$300 plus any difference in airfare for travel in the following 12 months; specific fees and policies may vary by airline.

Collette Waiver Only

Land Only

- \$95

Air-Inclusive (purchased through Collette)

- \$195

For all cruises and the Canadian Rockies Train tours

Land Only

- \$290

Air-Inclusive (purchased through Collette)

- \$390

On tour, travel protection benefits may be purchased and can provide coverage if you: must interrupt your trip or return home early for a covered reason; incur medical expenses for a covered sickness or injury; need medical assistance or evacuation; suffer a baggage loss or delay; or are delayed on tour for 12 hours or more for a covered reason

7. If You Cancel

If you or any other member of your party decides to cancel your confirmed booking you must notify us in writing. Your notice of cancellation will only take effect when it is received in writing or by email by us at our offices. Cancellation charges to compensate us for estimated losses and expenses are calculated from the date we receive your written notification of cancellation and will be payable up to the maximum shown in the tables below (assuming you did not purchase our Cancellation Waiver). The cancellation charge detailed below is calculated on the basis of the total cost payable by the person(s) cancelling excluding insurance premiums and amendment charges which are not refundable in the event of the person(s) to whom they apply cancelling:

Cancellations of confirmed bookings and transfers to new travel dates both result in penalties and fees assessed by travel suppliers. If you need to transfer or cancel for any reason prior to tour departure, the following cancellation fees will be assessed on your land or cruise product (assuming you did not purchase our Cancellation Waiver). Air is 100% non-refundable once paid in full.

More than 60 days prior to departure: a non-refundable deposit will be retained

- 60 - 16 days prior to departure: 30% of land or cruise price
- 15 - 1 day prior to departure: 50% of land or cruise price
- Day of departure and after: 100% of land or cruise price

Exceptions:

Ocean Cruises:

- More than 90 days prior to departure, a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 90 - 61 days prior to departure: 35% of land or cruise price
- 60 - 31 days prior to departure: 60% of land or cruise price
- 30 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

River Cruises: including Europe, Russia, Egypt and China

- More than 90 days prior to departure, a nonrefundable deposit will be retained.
- 90 - 61 days prior to departure: 50% of land or cruise price
- 60 - 31 days prior to departure: 85% of land or cruise price
- 30 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

Galapagos & Antarctica:

- More than 120 days prior to departure: nonrefundable deposits will be retained.
- 120 - 90 days prior to departure: 60% of land or cruise price
- 89 - 0 days prior to departure: 100% of land or cruise price

* Instant Purchase air and its associated taxes, fees and surcharges are 100% nonrefundable at time of reservation.

Upon cancellation of transportation or travel services where you, the customer, are not at fault and have not cancelled in violation of the terms and conditions above, you will be refunded 100%.

Note: Certain arrangements may not be amended after they have been confirmed and any alteration or cancellation could incur a cancellation charge of up to 100% of that part of the arrangements in addition to the charge above.

You may be able to reclaim these charges (less any applicable excess) under the terms of your insurance policy. We will deduct the cancellation charge(s) from any monies you have already paid to us. If some, but not all party members cancel, additional charges may be payable by the remaining members, e.g. under occupancy charges or single supplements. No allowance or refund can be made for your meals, rooms, excursions etc., included in the price of your tour but not taken, nor can any refund be made for lost, mislaid, or destroyed travel tickets or vouchers.

If any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person(s) may transfer their place to someone else (introduced by you and satisfying all the conditions applicable to the arrangements) providing we are notified not less than 28 days before departure and you pay an amendment fee of \$25 per person transferring, meet all costs and charges incurred by us and/or incurred or imposed by any of our suppliers and the transferee agrees to these booking conditions and all other terms of the contract between us. If you are unable to find a replacement, cancellation charges as set out will apply in order to cover our estimated costs. Otherwise, no refunds will be given for passengers not travelling or for unused services.

8. Alterations And Cancellations By Us

Occasionally, we may have to make changes to or cancel your holiday arrangements and we reserve the right to do so at any time. Most of these changes will be minor and we will advise you or your travel agent of them at the earliest possible date. We also reserve the right in any circumstances to cancel your travel arrangements. For example, if the minimum number of clients required for a particular travel arrangement is not reached, we may have to cancel it. However, we will not cancel your travel arrangements less than 60 days before your departure date, except for reasons of force majeure (as defined in Section 14) or failure by you to pay your final balance. Most changes will be minor and we will advise you or your travel agent of them at the earliest opportunity. Your rights vary depending on whether we make a 'minor' or 'major' change.

Examples of "minor changes" include the following when made before departure. Any change in the identity of the carrier(s), flight timings, and/or aircraft type is deemed to be a minor change. Other examples of minor changes include alteration of your outward/return flights by less than

12 hours, changes to aircraft type, change of accommodation to another of the same standard. Examples of "major changes" include the following when made before departure; a change of accommodation area for the whole or a major part of your holiday, a change of accommodation to that of a lower official classification for the whole or a major part of your holiday, a change of outward departure time or overall length of your holiday of 12 or more hours, the closure of the only or all advertised swimming pool(s) at your accommodation for an extended period and, in the case of tours, a significant change of itinerary missing out one or more major destination substantially or altogether.

If we have to make a major change or cancel, we will tell you as soon as possible and if there is time to do so before departure, we will offer you the choice of i) (for major changes) accepting the changed arrangements ii) having a refund of all monies paid or iii) accepting an offer of alternative travel arrangements of comparable standard from us, if available (we will refund any price difference if the alternative is of a lower value). You must notify us of your choice within 7 days of our offer. If you fail to do so we will assume that you have chosen to accept the change or alternative booking arrangements.

If we make a major change or cancel, less than 60 days before departure, we will also pay compensation as detailed in section 9 below.

9. Compensation For Major Changes & Cancellations

We reserve the right to cancel or reschedule any holiday departure in accordance with operational requirements or circumstances beyond our control. If a holiday is cancelled prior to the scheduled departure date, our only responsibility will be to refund the amount received for the reservation. Wherever possible, we will offer the same holiday with a different departure date, or an alternative similar holiday. If there is a difference in cost, it will be your expense. For air-inclusive holidays, we will try to confirm air schedules for the selected new dates, subject to availability. We are not responsible for any additional costs or fees relating to the issuance and/or cancellation of air tickets or other travel arrangements not made through us.

The compensation that we offer does not exclude you from claiming more if you are entitled to do so. We will not pay you compensation where we make a major change or cancel more than 60 days before departure or in the event that we are forced to make a change or cancel as a result of unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond our control, the consequences of which we could not have avoided even with all due care. All holidays operate subject to a minimum number of bookings. We will not, however, cancel for lack of numbers less than 60 days before departure.

Very rarely, we may be forced by "force majeure" (see section 14) to change or terminate your arrangements after departure. If this situation does occur, we regret we will be unable to make any refunds (unless we obtain any from our suppliers), pay you compensation or meet any costs or expenses you incur as a result.

10. Passports, Visas & Health Requirements

Passport and visa requirements vary depending on your destination. The information which we provide is for guidance only, and we cannot accept any liability. We recommend that you contact the relevant consulate to check any restrictions that may apply. Requirements do change and you must check the up to date position in good time before departure. Please contact your doctor for advice on health requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have a proper passport and visa and that no personal circumstances such as a criminal offence or travel to another country will affect your individual visa requirements, and that you have the required vaccinations to gain entry to any country which you are visiting.

Most countries now require passports to be valid for at least 6 months after your return date. If your passport is in its final year, you should check with the Embassy of the country you are visiting. For further information contact the Australian Passport Office (www.passports.gov.au).

Special conditions apply for travel to the USA, and all passengers must have individual machine readable passports. Please check <http://canberra.usembassy.gov>.

Up to date travel advice can be obtained from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, visit www.dfat.gov.au or smartraveller.gov.au.

If you fail to take the necessary steps, we have no liability to you and you will have to pay us any costs which we incur through helping you because of such failure on your part. Further, we are not liable to you for any illness or discomfort you suffer through failure to have required vaccinations or to follow medical advice.

11. Single Traveller Occupancy

We levy a single traveller supplement for those travelling on their own because our contract with hotels is based on a price per room, while our holidays are sold per person including flights and other elements. Therefore, the per person price for a single traveller includes the entire room cost. It is not our intention to penalise anyone who is under occupying the accommodation we provide and we certainly do not make additional or excessive profits from these sales: the price we charge merely reflects the real cost to us. If a hotel is able to offer accommodation designed for single occupancy only, we will normally charge a reduced supplement, considerably smaller than the one we apply when a single traveller occupies a double room. Allocation of rooms is at the discretion of each individual hotel and not something that we can influence.

12. Dealing With Complaints

We will make every effort to make your holiday as enjoyable and trouble free as possible. Most problems can be sorted out straight away if we know about them. If you have a complaint, you must advise our representatives straight away and the supplier of the service(s) in question. Any verbal notification must be confirmed in writing as soon as possible. You may also contact us directly using the emergency telephone number enclosed with your travel documents. That number will put you in touch with one of our employees who will take all reasonable steps to help you.

If you feel that a complaint has not been dealt with satisfactorily, you must write within 28 days of your return from holiday to: Customer Services Department, Collette, Level 3, 263 Clarence Street, Sydney, NSW, 2000, Australia, quoting your booking reference number. We will need to investigate your complaint. An acknowledgement shall be sent no later than 14 days from the date of receipt of correspondence. A detailed reply, or a reply containing a detailed explanation for any delay, shall be sent no later than 28 days from the date of receipt of correspondence. The final date for dealing in full with such correspondence shall be 56 days from the date of receipt of that correspondence. Failure to follow the procedure set out in this section may reduce or even extinguish any right which you may have to compensation.

13. Behaviour

You must not behave in a way which may cause distress or annoyance to others. If, in our opinion or the opinion of any airline personnel, accommodations manager or other person in authority, you are behaving in such a way as to cause danger, distress or annoyance to others or damage to property, your holiday arrangements may be terminated by us or the supplier concerned. In this situation, our liability to you and/or your party will cease and you and/or your party will be required to leave your accommodation or other service immediately. We will not be responsible for making any refunds, paying any compensation or meeting any costs or expenses you incur as a result. You and/or your party may also be required to pay for loss and/or damage caused by your actions and we will hold you and each member of your party jointly and individually liable for any damage or losses caused by you or any member of your party. Full payment for any such damage or losses must be paid directly to the hotel manager or other supplier prior to departure from the hotel. If you fail to make payment, you will be responsible for meeting any claims (including legal costs) subsequently made against us as a result of your actions together with all costs we incur in pursuing any claim against you. We cannot be held responsible for the actions or behaviour of other guests or individuals who have no connection with your booking arrangements or with us.

14. Force Majeure

Except where otherwise expressly stated in these booking conditions we will not be liable or pay you compensation if our contractual obligations to you are affected by any event which we or the supplier(s) of the service(s) in question could not, even with all due care, foresee or avoid. These events can include, but are not limited to war, threat of war, civil strife, terrorist activity and its consequences or the threat of such activity, riot, the act of any government or other national or local authority including port or river authorities, industrial dispute, lock closure, natural or nuclear disaster, fire, chemical or biological disaster and adverse weather, sea, ice and river conditions and all similar events outside our or the relevant supplier(s) control. Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure. We will follow the advice given by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

15. Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we exclude any liability for any loss, death, injury or damage which you may suffer (directly or indirectly) in connection with or arising out of your participation in a holiday that is caused or contributed by:

- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of the person(s) affected;
- the act(s) and/or omission(s) of a third party unconnected with the provision of the services contracted for and which were unforeseeable or unavoidable;
- unusual or unforeseeable circumstances beyond ours or our supplier(s) control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised; or
- an event which either ourselves, our employees, agents or suppliers and subcontractors could not, even with all due care, have foreseen or forestalled.

You release us and our officers, employees, agents and representatives from any liability and expressly waive any claims you may have against us arising out of or in connection with your participation in a holiday.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, any condition or warranty which would otherwise be implied by law into these booking conditions (Implied Warranty), is excluded. Our liability in respect of an Implied Warranty is limited to (in our absolute discretion): (i) providing you with credit for a holiday of an equivalent value; or (ii) a refund of the total amount received by us from you in connection with your booking.

16. Prompt Assistance In Resort

If the contract we have with you is not performed or is improperly performed as a result of failures attributable to a third party unconnected with the provision of the services, or as a result of failures due to unusual and unforeseeable circumstances beyond our control, the consequences of which could not have been avoided even if all due care had been exercised, or an event which we or our suppliers, even with all due care, could not foresee or forestall, and you suffer an injury or other material loss, we will offer you such prompt assistance as is reasonable in the circumstances.

17. Conditions Of Suppliers

Many of the services which make up your holiday are provided by independent suppliers. Those suppliers provide these services in accordance with their own terms and conditions which will form part of your contract with us. Some of these terms and conditions may limit or exclude the supplier's liability to you, usually in accordance with applicable International Conventions. Copies of the relevant parts of these terms and conditions are available on request from ourselves or the supplier concerned.

18. Delays And Other Travel Information

If you or any member of your party miss your flight or other transport arrangement, it is cancelled or you are subject to a delay of over 3 hours for any reason, you must contact us and the airline or other transport supplier concerned immediately.

Where you experience a delay which is not owing to any failure by us, we will use reasonable endeavours to assist in locating refreshments, accommodation and communications but we will not pay for them on your behalf. Any airline or other transport supplier may however pay for or provide refreshments and/or appropriate accommodation and you should make a claim directly to them.

Subject to the other terms of these conditions, we will not be liable for any costs, fees or charges you incur in the above circumstances, if you fail to obtain our prior authorisation before making your own travel arrangements.

We cannot accept liability for any delay which is due to any of the reasons set out in section 14 of these booking conditions (which includes the behaviour of any passenger(s) on any flight who, for example, fails to check in or board on time).

The carrier(s), flight timings and types of aircraft shown in this brochure or on our website and detailed on your confirmation invoice are for guidance only and are subject to alteration and confirmation. We shall inform you of the identity of the actual carrier(s) as soon as we become aware of it. The latest flight timings will be shown on your tickets which will be despatched to you approximately two weeks before departure. You should check your tickets very carefully immediately on receipt to ensure you have the correct flight times. If flight times change after

tickets have been dispatched we will contact you as soon as we can to let you know.

This brochure is our responsibility, as your tour operator. It is not issued on behalf of, and does not commit the airlines mentioned herein or any airline whose services are used in the course of your travel arrangements.

19. Special Requests

Any special requests must be advised to us at the time of booking e.g. diet, room location, a particular facility at a hotel etc. You should then confirm your requests in writing. Whilst every effort will be made by us to try and arrange your reasonable special requests, we cannot guarantee that they will be fulfilled. We will inform the relevant supplier of such request. The fact that a special request has been noted on your confirmation invoice or any other documentation or that it has been passed on to the supplier is not confirmation that the request will be met. Failure to meet any special request will not be a breach of contract on our part unless the request has been specifically confirmed. We do not accept bookings that are conditional upon any special request being met

20. Disabilities And Medical Problems

We are not a specialist disabled holiday company, but we will do our utmost to cater for any special requirements you may have. If you or any member of your party has any medical problem or disability which may affect your stay, please provide us with full details before we confirm your booking so that we can try to advise you as to the suitability of your chosen arrangements. We may require you to produce a doctor's certificate certifying that you are fit to participate in the tour. Acting reasonably, if we are unable to properly accommodate the needs of the person(s) concerned, we will not confirm your booking or if you did not give us full details at the time of booking, we will cancel it and impose applicable cancellation charges when we become aware of these details.

21. Advance Passenger Information

A number of Governments are introducing new requirements for air carriers to provide personal information about all travellers on their aircraft before the aircraft leaves the country of origin. The data will be collected either at the airport when you check in or in some circumstances when, or after you make your booking. Accordingly, you are advised to allow extra time to check in for international flights.

22. DFAT Advice

You are responsible for making yourself aware of warnings issued by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade in regard to the safety of the countries and areas in which you will be travelling and to make your decisions accordingly. Advice from the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to avoid or leave a particular country may constitute Force Majeure (see section 14).

23. Law & Jurisdiction

These booking conditions and any agreement to which they apply are governed in all respects by the laws of New South Wales, Australia. We both agree that any dispute, claim or other matter which arises between us out of or in connection with your contract or booking will be dealt with by the Courts of New South Wales only.

24. Accuracy Of Prices & Information

We endeavour to ensure that all the information and prices both on our website and in our brochures are accurate, however occasionally changes and errors occur and we reserve the right to correct prices and other details in such circumstances. You must check the current price and all other details relating to the arrangements that you wish to book before your booking is confirmed.

25. Insurance

It is a condition of your contract with us that you have adequate insurance in place. You must be satisfied that your insurance fully covers all your personal requirements including medical expenses, repatriation, helicopter rescue and air ambulance in the event of accident or illness. The insurance cover should extend for the planned duration of the holiday and at least an additional day. Details of a policy suitable to cover the arrangements you book are available by contacting us as detailed below. If you choose to travel without adequate insurance cover, we will not be liable for any losses howsoever arising, in respect of which insurance cover would otherwise have been available.

The insurance policy and the receipt of premiums paid there under should be provided to us prior to departure. If you join the holiday without adequate insurance you may not be allowed to continue on the holiday, with no right to refund. If circumstances give rise to a claim the client will forthwith pursue his remedies under such policy(ies).

We will also ask you for details of the name, address and telephone numbers of their next of kin or persons to be notified in the event of an emergency.

26. Baggage Disclaimer

Although every effort is made to handle passengers' luggage as carefully as possible, Collette is not responsible for and does not assume liability or accept claims for loss of or damage to luggage due to breakage, theft or wear and tear through hotel and group carrier handling. It is recommended for your own self interest and protection that you have adequate insurance to cover these eventualities. Check with your sales agent for low cost insurance to cover these risks.

27. Checked Baggage Charges

Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies.

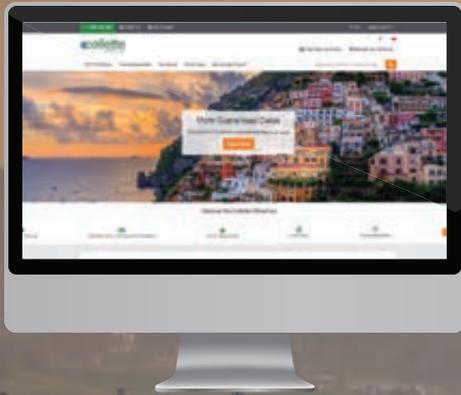
28. Holiday & Museum Closures

Museum visits and personal shopping time may be disrupted due to unforeseen circumstances or many religious, state and local holidays observed throughout the world.

29. Motorcoach Washrooms

Most motorcoaches used on our tours are equipped with washrooms (except safari vehicles, exotic locations, and some of our Explorations tours). These are typically for emergency use, as we make plenty of comfort stops, allowing you the opportunity to use public restrooms and/or stretch your legs.

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- Chat with an expert
- Find a travel agent...and more!

*Offers can expire earlier due to space or inventory availability. Space is limited and savings are only available on select departures. Space is on a first come, first served basis. Offers are not valid on group or existing bookings or combinable with any other offer. Promotional pricing may remain in effect after the expiration date. Offer amounts vary by tour and departure date. Other restrictions may apply. Call or visit gocollette.com/offers for more details.

For reservations, call Collette at 1300 792 195
or contact your Travel Professional.



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