

TRAVEL STYLE

Discoveries



EUROPEAN WHIRL

12 days - 9 countries

Code: EWHI

FROM **US\$2975** PP*
PER PERSON TWIN SHARE

The *tring tring* of Dutch bicycles launch your Europe adventure, from picture-perfect Amsterdam and vine-clad hills along the Rhine with their fairy-tale medieval castles, to the magnificent open-air museum that is Rome. Mountains and monuments dot your route as you meander through the heart of Europe against the mesmerising backdrop of the Alps and tranquil lakeside settings en route to Paris.

THE ESSENTIALS

All taken care of



11 nights
Hotel accommodation



16 meals
11 hot buffet breakfasts
3 dinners (including Be My Guest) with local wine
2 dinners



On-trip transport
All transport shown (including Eurostar™, Rhine cruise and ferry)

THE REAL THING

Trafalgar highlights



Enjoy our hand-picked Trafalgar Insider Experiences. Here's a sample of what you can expect

BE MY GUEST

Join a local family who will host you at their private estate on the outskirts of Florence. Enjoy warm Italian hospitality and delicious homemade dishes prepared from local produce

AUTHENTIC ACCOMMODATION

Enjoy the elegance of yesteryear and sweeping lake vistas at the Grand Hotel Europe in Lucerne, where warm Swiss hospitality and a grand past spanning over a century guarantee an unforgettable stay

CULTURAL INSIGHT

Witness the exquisite craft of glassblowing, a delicate tradition that generations of Venetian craftsmen have perfected over the centuries

LOCAL SPECIALIST

For included sightseeing in Rome, Florence and Paris

HIDDEN TREASURE

Enjoy at least one surprise Hidden Treasure

THE ICONS

City tour in Rome ▶ Florence ▶ Paris

Orientation of Amsterdam ▶ Heidelberg ▶ Munich ▶ Innsbruck ▶ Venice ▶ Lucerne

Visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome ▶ the Eiffel Tower in Paris

Cruise along the canals of Amsterdam ▶ the River Rhine

View the canals in Amsterdam ▶ the Golden Roof in Innsbruck ▶ St. Mark's Square in Venice ▶ the ancient sites in Rome ▶ the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne

See the Lorelei Rock ▶ the vineyards of Burgundy ▶ the Somme Battlefields



YOUR HOLIDAY

1 London ▶ Eurostar™ ▶ Brussels ▶ Amsterdam

A brief interlude with the British capital this morning sees us meet our Travel Director before travelling to London's St. Pancras International where we will board the Eurostar™ for a high-speed train journey to Brussels and a luxury coach journey to Amsterdam. Enjoy an orientation of this historic Dutch capital centre before joining your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception dinner cruise on its charming canals. **(WR)** Hotel: **Mercure City**

2 Amsterdam ▶ Rhine Cruise ▶ Heidelberg ▶ Rhineland

We arrive in Boppard where we board a cruise along the Rhine past the vineyard-clad hills, fairy-tale medieval castles perched above charming riverside towns to St. Goar. Arriving in the Baroque city of Heidelberg, explore its magnificent sights before travelling to our Rhineland hotel. **(BB, D)** Hotel: **Sinsheim**

3 Rhineland ▶ Munich ▶ Innsbruck

Crossing the Swabian Alps on the edge of the Black Forest, we arrive in the Bavarian capital of Munich. Our orientation drive takes us past the Olympic Stadium and neo-Gothic City Hall, which dominates the Marienplatz. Driving across the Austrian border, we arrive in Innsbruck, the capital of the Alps. Admire Emperor Maximilian's famous Golden Roof with its ornate façade and perhaps consider an evening of traditional Tyrolean entertainment to soak up the sights and sounds of this region. **(BB)** Hotel: **Innsbruck**

4 Innsbruck ▶ Venice

Meandering through the emerald-green landscape along the Brenner Pass, we journey into Italy and across the Dolomite Mountains en route to the enchanting city of Venice. We cruise on the beautiful Venetian Lagoon by private launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square, viewing the ornate Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. We gain a fascinating **Cultural Insight** into the centuries-old craft of Venetian glassblowing before spending the afternoon at leisure to soak up the romantic atmosphere. Get lost in Venice, cross bridges and discover hidden *campi* where locals share their daily stories over a glass of Venetian Spritz. **(BB)** Hotel: **Novotel Venezia Mestre Castellana**

5 Venice ▶ Rome (2 Nights)

Travelling south across the Veneto Plain, we pass by Bologna and the dramatic Apennine Mountains, continuing through the green and golden fields of Lazio before reaching Rome, the Eternal City. **(BB)** Hotel: **A.Roma Lifestyle**

6 Rome Sightseeing

We venture to the Vatican City, visiting St. Peter's Basilica with a **Local Specialist** to view Michelangelo's Renaissance masterpiece, the Pietà. We journey to Ancient Rome to view the iconic Colosseum and Circus Maximus, once the site of exhilarating chariot races centuries ago. The afternoon is yours to explore the city on your terms. **(BB)**

7 Rome ▶ Florence Sightseeing

From Rome, we travel north through the rolling countryside of Tuscany and along the Arno valley to the Cradle of the Renaissance, Florence. Delve into the rich de' Medici heritage of this beautiful medieval city with your **Local Specialist**. Visit what was once the political hub of the city, Piazza della Signoria, with its impressive sculptures and stunning palazzi. View the imposing Duomo with its Brunelleschi dome and Baptistery renowned for its bronze doors

filled with relief sculptures. This evening, enjoy true Tuscan hospitality with a local family on their private estate on the outskirts of Florence. **(BB, BG)** Hotel: **Grand Mediterraneo**

8 Florence ▶ Lucerne (2 Nights)

Drive via the picturesque Italian Lakes District, across the snow-capped Alps into beautiful Switzerland where we'll spend the next two nights in the beautiful medieval lakeside city of Lucerne. **(BB, D)** Hotel: **Grand Europe Authentic Accommodation**

9 Lucerne Orientation

This morning, view the mournful, mortally wounded lion hewn from rock to commemorate the Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending Louis XVI. Walk along the flower-lined 14th century covered Chapel Bridge, crossing the Reuss. Or join an exciting Optional Experience to one of the surrounding peaks for breath-taking views of the Swiss countryside. We have some time later to discover the best Swiss chocolates in town. **(BB)**

10 Lucerne ▶ Paris (2 Nights)

Crossing the border into France this morning, we meander through the picturesque vineyards and quaint country towns of Burgundy en route to the City of Light. Spend some time this evening strolling along the Seine and grand boulevards in search of a cosy bistro for fine French cuisine or perhaps consider an Optional Experience to a colourful Parisian cabaret. **(BB)** Hotel: **Evergreen Laurel**

11 Paris Sightseeing

Join a **Local Specialist** today for a sightseeing tour of this romantic city. View the sophisticated Champs Élysées, Place de la Concorde and the 19th century Arc de Triomphe, honouring those who fought for France. We'll ascend to the second level of the Eiffel Tower for panoramic views of the city - the Seine, gardens and symmetrical streets stretching out below. Our European Whirl almost at its end, we spend the evening with our travel companions and Travel Director enjoying a delicious Farewell Dinner in a local bistro. **(BB, FD)**

12 Paris ▶ London

Departing mainland Europe, we venture past poignant World War I battlefields to the coast where we board a ferry to Dover and travel by coach on to London where our adventure comes to an end. **(BB)**

YOUR HOLIDAY PLANNER

PRICE PP			PRICE PP		
Start	End	Twin Share	Start	End	Twin Share
London	London		London	London	
SU 08 APR	TH 19 APR	3195	TU 04 SEP	SA 15 SEP	3375
TU 10 APR	SA 21 APR	3195	SU 09 SEP	TH 20 SEP	3375
SU 15 APR	TH 26 APR	3195	TU 11 SEP	SA 22 SEP	3375
TU 17 APR	SA 28 APR	3195	SU 16 SEP	TH 27 SEP	3375
SU 22 APR	TH 03 MAY	3250	TU 18 SEP	SA 29 SEP	3375
TU 24 APR	SA 05 MAY	3350	SU 23 SEP	TH 04 OCT	3375
SU 29 APR	TH 10 MAY	3350	TU 25 SEP	SA 06 OCT	3375
TU 01 MAY	SA 12 MAY	3350	SU 30 SEP	TH 11 OCT	3375
SU 06 MAY	TH 17 MAY	3350	TU 02 OCT	SA 13 OCT	3325
TU 08 MAY	SA 19 MAY	3350	SU 07 OCT	TH 18 OCT	3325
SU 13 MAY	SA 24 MAY	3350	SU 14 OCT	TH 25 OCT	3325
TU 15 MAY	SA 26 MAY	3350	SU 21 OCT	TH 01 NOV	3325
SU 20 MAY	TH 31 MAY	3350	TU 30 OCT	SA 10 NOV	2975
TU 22 MAY	SA 02 JUN	3350	TU 06 NOV	SA 17 NOV	2975
SU 27 MAY	TH 07 JUN	3350	TU 13 NOV	SA 24 NOV	2975
TU 29 MAY	SA 09 JUN	3350	TU 20 NOV	SA 01 DEC	2975
SU 03 JUN	TH 14 JUN	3350	TU 27 NOV	SA 08 DEC	2975
TU 05 JUN	SA 16 JUN	3350	TU 04 DEC	SA 15 DEC	2975
SU 10 JUN	TH 21 JUN	3350	TU 11 DEC	SA 22 DEC	2975
TU 12 JUN	SA 23 JUN	3350	SU 16 DEC	TH 27 DEC	3125
SU 17 JUN	TH 28 JUN	3350	TU 18 DEC	SA 29 DEC	3125
TU 19 JUN	SA 30 JUN	3350	FR 21 DEC	TU 01 JAN	3350
SU 24 JUN	TH 05 JUL	3325	SU 23 DEC	TH 03 JAN	3395
TU 26 JUN	SA 07 JUL	3325	FR 28 DEC	TU 08 JAN	3225
SU 01 JUL	TH 12 JUL	3225		2019	
TU 03 JUL	SA 14 JUL	3295	TU 01 JAN	SA 12 JAN	3050
SU 08 JUL	TH 19 JUL	3295	TU 08 JAN	SA 19 JAN	2975
TU 10 JUL	SA 21 JUL	3295	TU 15 JAN	SA 26 JAN	2975
SU 15 JUL	TH 26 JUL	3295	TU 22 JAN	SA 02 FEB	2975
TU 17 JUL	SA 28 JUL	3295	TU 29 JAN	SA 09 FEB	2975
SU 22 JUL	TH 02 AUG	3295	TU 05 FEB	SA 16 FEB	2975
TU 24 JUL	SA 04 AUG	3295	SU 29 FEB	TH 09 AUG	2975
SU 29 JUL	TH 09 AUG	3275	TU 19 FEB	SA 02 MAR	2975
TU 31 JUL	SA 11 AUG	3275	TU 26 FEB	SA 09 MAR	3050
SU 05 AUG	TH 16 AUG	3275	TU 05 MAR	SA 16 MAR	3050
TU 07 AUG	SA 18 AUG	3275	TU 12 MAR	SA 23 MAR	3025
SU 12 AUG	TH 23 AUG	3275	SU 17 MAR	TH 28 MAR	3025
TU 14 AUG	SA 25 AUG	3275	TU 19 MAR	SA 30 MAR	3025
SU 19 AUG	TH 30 AUG	3275	TH 21 MAR	MO 01 APR	3025
TU 21 AUG	SA 01 SEP	3275	TU 26 MAR	SA 06 APR	3025
SU 26 AUG	TH 06 SEP	3375	SU 31 MAR	TH 11 APR	3075
TU 28 AUG	SA 08 SEP	3375	SU 02 SEP	TH 13 SEP	3375
TU 02 SEP	TH 13 SEP	3375	TU 02 APR	SA 13 APR	3075

Single Supplement (add to price above): **US\$720 p.p.**

Exceptions **30 Oct 18 to 02 Apr 19: US\$550 p.p.**

EARLY BIRD SAVINGS SAVE up to **US\$340 p.p.**

Past guest discount: SAVE up to US\$170	Multiple trip discount: SAVE up to US\$85
Young traveller discount: SAVE US\$320	Triple room discount: SAVE US\$70 p.p.

■ **Autumn, Winter, Spring (WWWH):** Please note, these departures are subject to change price, discount and hotel. Prices and discounts will be confirmed in May 2018.

★ **Festive Celebrations:** Christmas and New Year Celebrations have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the Festive Season.

OPTIONAL EUROSTAR™ EXTENSION

From US\$395 per person on a twin share basis. Includes one-way Eurostar train ticket from Paris to London Standard Class, London accommodation at The Tower and station transfers. See our website for details.

MORE ABOUT YOUR TRIP

Your London Hotel: The Tower

For rates and full details please see page 259. This trip starts and ends at our London Reception Centre or the above hotel, providing that you have reserved your accommodation at this hotel through Trafalgar.

London Airport Transfers: Transfers available to purchase. Conditions apply. See page 262 for details.

Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver, US\$146 per person.

WiFi: See page 256 for details.

* All prices are per person, twin share.

Book early for great savings - see pages 32-33. Extra night hotels see page 261.

Visit trafalgar.com for availability, up-to-date itineraries and Optional Experiences.

Key Insider Experience **BB** Buffet Breakfast
WR Welcome Reception **FB** Full Breakfast
 Free time **L** Lunch

RM Regional Meal **DW** Dinner with Wine
BG Be My Guest Dining **FD** Farewell Dinner
D Dinner