

TRIP START DATES

2023	2024
APR 30	APR 28
MAY 14, 28	MAY 12, 26
JUN 11, 25	JUN 09, 23
JUL 09, 23	JUL 07, 21
AUG 06, 20	AUG 04, 18
SEP 03, 17	SEP 01, 15, 29
OCT 01	DEC 28
DEC 30	

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Why not combine this tour with European Rhapsody to fully experience Europe?

DISCOVERY JOURNEY
ACTIVITY LEVEL: BALANCED

11 DAYS
5 COUNTRIES
15 MEALS
14 INCLUDED EXPERIENCES

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GUEST REVIEW ★★★★★

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER

Venice: Witness the ancient skill of glassblowing, now practised by precious few masters. Watch artisans create delicate pieces using rare traditional practices, and support the preservation of their art.

INSIGHT EXPERIENCE

Vatican City: Gain priority access into the Vatican Museums and admire the famous Bramante Staircase. Witness the genius of Michelangelo in the Sistine Chapel and view the splendid dome of St. Peter's Basilica.

INSIGHT CHOICE

Mount Stanserhorn: Choose to embark on a walk along beautiful scenic pathways for a chance to see native animals. Alternatively, join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER Experience and hear a conservation talk by a Swiss ranger.

Choose between two experiences in Paris.

AUTHENTIC DINING

Welcome Dinner at La Fenice in Venice • Savour dinner and a cocktail in Venice • Truffle hunting and lunch in Umbria • Wine tasting and light lunch at Machiavelli's house in Tuscany • Choice of Dine-Around options in Lucerne • Celebration Dinner at La Coupole in Paris.

EUROPEAN DREAM

"Guests are always amazed by the glorious Alpine panorama from Mount Stanserhorn. The striking views are unforgettable."
– Philip, Travel Director



EIFFEL TOWER,
PARIS



MOUNT
STANSERHORN

A #MAKETRAVELMATTER
EXPERIENCE



DAY 1 WELCOME TO VENICE

Welcome to the Queen of the Adriatic. Transfers by water taxi depart Venice Marco Polo Airport for the hotel at 11:00 and 13:00.

What better way to start your dream holiday than in true Venetian style? Join your Travel Director at 18:00 for a Welcome Dinner at the magical La Fenice restaurant.

Savor a cocktail at twilight whilst being serenaded, and admire the tranquillity of St. Mark's Square long after the day-trippers have gone to their mainland hotels.

Return to your canal-side hotel in the quiet, peaceful authentic Cannaregio neighborhood. (D,W)

Eurostars Residenza Cannaregio, Venice.

DAY 2 THE MAGIC OF 'LA SERENISSIMA'

Relaxed Start. See St. Mark's Basilica and its immense Campanile and Doge's Palace, connected to the ancient prisons by the Bridge of Sighs.

Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER * Experience as you witness the skill of glassblowers on a visit to a traditional arts center. (B)

DAY 3 TO THE ETERNAL CITY OF ROME

Journey through the lush Tuscan countryside. Meet your Local Host for a guided tour through the house of the Italian Renaissance diplomat and writer, Nicolo Machiavelli.

Savor a light lunch and a tasting of wines made from the vineyards surrounding the estate.

Your journey continues as you follow the course of the Tiber to your hotel in the Eternal City of Rome. (B) (LW)

Veneto Palace Hotel, Rome.

DAY 4 PAPAL AND IMPERIAL ROME

With your Local Expert, visit the Vatican Museums. Insight provides special priority entry to avoid the crowds and gives you behind-the-scenes access to the Bramante Staircase, normally off-limits to the public. Inside the Sistine Chapel, admire Michelangelo's famous ceiling, before visiting St. Peter's Basilica. (B)

DAY 5 UMBRIA AND ONTO FLORENCE

Relaxed Start. Meet chef Lorenzo at his family farm in Umbria.

Join an entertaining pasta demonstration and delicious Highlight Lunch accompanied by Orvieto Classico wine. (B) (LW)

Hotel Adler Cavalieri, Florence.

DAY 6 RENAISSANCE FLORENCE

With your Local Expert, view the multi-colored marble cathedral, bell tower and baptistry adorned by Ghiberti's Gates of Paradise. You also visit the open-air gallery of Renaissance masterpieces in Piazza della Signoria and see the area around Santa Croce Basilica, famous for the quality of its luxury goods.

In the afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the Renaissance capital. Perhaps take the opportunity to visit the Tuscan town of Pisa and see the Leaning Tower. (B)

DAY 7 ACROSS THE ALPS TO LUCERNE

Head north towards the Italian Lake District and continue into the heart of the Swiss Alps, before traveling alongside towering mountains and past rushing torrents, down to scenic Lake Lucerne. Upon arrival in Lucerne, see the town's proud Lion Monument, the covered Chapel Bridge and the baroque Jesuit Church. (B)

Hotel Astoria, Lucerne.

DAY 8 LUCERNE AND MT. STANSERHORN

Embark on a scenic journey to the summit of the stunning Mount Stanserhorn.

Explore Mount Stanserhorn with Insight Choice. Choose to walk along beautiful scenic pathways for a chance to see marmots and other native animals. Alternatively, join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER * Experience and hear a conservation talk by a Swiss ranger.

At night, you are offered a fine selection of restaurants for your Dine-Around Evening. (B) (D,W)

DAY 9 SIGHTS AND DELIGHTS OF PARIS

Journey through the rural French countryside of Burgundy, famous for its vineyards and wines, to arrive in the vibrant City of Light.

During your time in Paris, see the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral, facades of the Louvre and banks of the Seine, with its many romantic bridges. See the Place de la Concorde, Champs Élysées and Arc de Triomphe. (B)

Le Méridien Etoile, Paris.

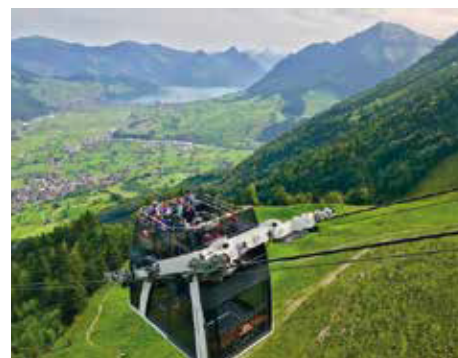
DAY 10 THE FOOD AND FLAVORS OF PARIS

Explore Paris with Insight Choice. Choose to shop in quaint boutiques like a true Parisian with your Local Expert. Alternatively, join an avid foodie to explore small shops and sample local treats and delicacies.

Indulge in refined French cuisine during your Celebration Dinner at the iconic restaurant, La Coupole. (B) (D,W)

DAY 11 AU REVOIR PARIS

Bid farewell to your traveling companions as your journey comes to an end. Transfers arrive at Charles de Gaulle Airport at 08:00 and 11:00. Alternatively, you may depart for London via Gare du Nord with the return Eurostar option. (B)



TOP RATED HIGHLIGHT Take a spectacular journey to the summit of Mount Stanserhorn. (Photo by @chelseatheshire, Day 8, Lucerne)

KEY

- Join/Leave Options
- UNESCO Heritage Site
- Central Hotels + Nights
- Place Visited
- Optional Place Visited
- Train
- Cruise
- Trip Options



CHOOSE YOUR GROUP SIZE

This trip operates both classic and small group departures. You can also book your own private group with as few as 12 travelers.



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