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Day 1 | Journey to Bruges



Leave the White Cliffs of Dover behind for the golden fields of France and Belgium, travelling to medieval Bruges. Explore its canals, lined with centuries-old gabled houses before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception including dinner and drinks in beautiful surrounds. We stay overnight in one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories – a former 17th-century monastery with historical features.

Meals: Welcome Reception

Hotel: NH Brugge

Day 2 | Discover Amsterdam's Canals



Journey through the Dutch countryside to captivating Amsterdam, see the city's iconic sights from the comfort of a canal boat. At this evening's dinner, we'll Connect With Locals during a Be My Guest experience at the Pauw family dairy farm.

Meals: Breakfast, Be My Guest

Hotel: Leonardo Royal

Day 3 | Enjoy a Scenic Cruise in the Rhineland



We travel to Germany, arriving at Boppard where we board a Rhine cruise past hilltop castles. Admire the magnificent ruined sandstone castle in Heidelberg overlooking the Neckar River en route to your Rhineland hotel where you'll dine this evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Mercure Mannheim am Rathaus

Day 4 | Admire the Black Forest then on to Lucerne



Journey through romantic Black Forest landscapes today - tales of the Brothers Grimm are your constant companion as you continue through southwest Germany to the Swiss border. See the mighty Rhine Falls plunging dramatically near the town of Schaffhausen before arriving in the medieval city of Lucerne, your home for the next two nights.

Meals: Breakfast Hotel: Astoria

Optional Experiences:

Swiss Folklore Evening And Dinner - Tonight we'll enjoy a tasty Swiss meal, including the famous Swiss cheese fondue, in a typical restaurant. While enjoying dinner, you can also join in a lively folklore show which includes yodelling, flag-throwing and Alpine horn-blowing. Two drinks are also included. Adult: 99.00 CHF

*Occasionally, this optional may be offered as a lunch for CHF 68.00.

Day 5 | Explore Lucerne



See Lucerne's poignant Lion Monument this morning. The mournful mortally wounded lion hewn from sandstone provides a sombre reminder of the brave Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending Louis XVI during the French Revolution. Venture to the flowerlined 14th-century wooden Chapel Bridge, explore Old Town's colourful façades or consider an exhilarating mountain and cruise Optional Experience. This evening we enjoy dinner at our hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Astoria

Optional Experiences:

Mount Stanserhorn And Lake Cruise - Take a scenic cruise with us across Lake Lucerne to Stans, and one of Switzerland's oldest mountain railways. Travelling by funicular and the world's first Cabrio cable car, we'll reach 1900m (6300ft), where you'll have free time to admire the stunning Alpine scenery. Adult: 113.00 CHF

*On certain departures, this optional may be operated in reverse, ending with the cruise. It may also be operated without the cruise for CHF 78.

Swiss Countryside & Carriages - A chance to get to know the Swiss, you'll meet local farmers and enjoy a delightful countryside tour in horse-drawn carriages. Soak up the stunning scenery as we trot around a typical rural community, en route to a farm where you'll savour local drinks and snacks. Adult: 72.00 CHF

*Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Day 6 | Uncover Liechtenstein and Innsbruck



Our love affair with the Rhine continues today as we travel to the tiny Principality of Liechtenstein and see its capital, Vaduz, before crossing into Austria. We follow the scenic Arlberg Pass through the Tyrol to Innsbruck, the capital of the Alps where we will see the ornate Golden Roof during an orientation tour. Admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Austria Trend Congress

Optional Experiences:

Tyrolean Evening With Dinner - Enjoy a delicious meal of traditional Tyrolean cuisine before a lively folklore show, where singers, dancers and musicians dressed in national costume provide an evening of entertainment and fun. Drinks are included.

Adult: **76.00 EUR**

Day 7 | Take in Salzburg then on to Vienna



Salzburg's extraordinary natural beauty has inspired musical greats and epic films. Join a Local Specialist on a guided walking tour of the city that gave birth to Mozart, featuring locations that music and movie lovers will remember from the famous film, 'The Sound of Music'. This evening, we arrive in the beautiful Baroque city of Vienna, our home for the next two nights.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mercure Raphael

Optional Experiences:

Viennese Dinner with Musical Entertainment - Enjoy dinner in an atmospheric Viennese restaurant, with drinks and traditional musical entertainment included. A unique experience in one of Europe's most elegant cities. Adult: **63.00 EUR**

Day 8 | Explore Vienna's Sights



Join a Local Specialist on a sightseeing tour of one of Europe's most elegant capitals. View the State Opera House, the City Hall, Parliament, the Imperial Boulevards and the Hofburg, the former imperial palace for the Habsburg dynasty. Spend the evening soaking up the melodic charm of what has become the world's music capital, celebrating the talents of old masters and modern icons at open-air concerts, palaces and expansive stages.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mercure Raphael

Optional Experiences:

Schönbrunn Palace and Gardens - The Imperial Summer Palace of Schönbrunn offers an amazing journey through the centuries of Hapsburg rule. It is perfectly preserved and richly decorated with treasures from around the globe. Each room has a story to tell, so of course, you'll have a Local Specialist to bring it to life and to make the most of your time.

Adult: **50.00 EUR**

*This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.

You will be offered one of the following two optional experiences depending on availability:

Dinner And Viennese Concert - A wonderful evening of all things Viennese! We'll enjoy a superb dinner with drinks, followed by a concert of Viennese classical music. With your 'A Class' tickets, you will experience works by Johann Strauss and Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart performed in a classic, sumptuous setting and a complimentary glass of sparkling wine or juice during the concert. Please note: on occasion, a small gift will be offered in place of a glass of sparklina wine.

Adult: 103.00 EUR

*This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation

Viennese Concert - You'll enjoy a wonderful concert of Viennese classical music including some of the most famous works of Strauss and Mozart, performed by some of the most highly acclaimed soloists and dancers in Austria. You'll receive 'A Class' tickets and a complimentary glass of sparkling wine or juice during the interval. Please note: on occasion a small gift will be offered in place of a glass of sparkling wine.

Adult: **59.00 EUR**

*This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.

Day 9 | Onwards to Venice



Driving through the scenic Austrian Lake District, we cross the Italian border and journey through the Veneto Plains to the Byzantine city of Venice where we'll spend the next two nights.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido

Optional Experiences:

Gondolas & the Grand Canal - On arrival in Venice, a private boat will be waiting to take you to St Mark's Square, where you'll enjoy a gondola ride while being serenaded by local musicians. Later, private water taxis will take you along Venice's Grand Canal, where you'll admire the magnificent palazzos and Rialto Bridge. Adult: **79.00 EUR**

Day 10 | Discover the Floating City of Venice



Today, embark on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll Dive Into Culture and witness the centuriesold Venetian tradition of glassblowing, which has been handed down through the generations. The master craftsmen will share how they use the same techniques their forefathers did to create the delicate art adorning homes all around the world. You may be tempted to buy one of the works for your own hope, recognising that through your visit you've had a hand in helping preserve this important cultural heritage of the city. Navigate the bustling waterways by private launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square where we tread in the footsteps of Casanova and Marco Polo and admire the sights and sounds of the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. See the ornate Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. This afternoon is yours to get lost in Venice. Explore the labyrinthine calle in search of the best Venice Spritz in town, watch the sun set over the Grand Canal or consider a cruise to the Island of Burano for a delicious me al.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido

Optional Experiences:

Hidden Venice & St. Mark's Basilica - Experience magnificent St. Mark's Basilica and its glittering gold mosaics the best way possible - with VIP entrance and a Local Specialist! Then delve into the city's labyrinth of back alleys and canals, bridges and secret squares - enchanting neighbourhoods that you would never find on your own, all explained and brought to life by a true Venetian!

Adult: **34.00 EUR**

Lagoon Cruise to Burano with Food and Drinks - This afternoon, discover the Venetian Lagoon by private boat. You'll enjoy a delicious meal, with a selection of drinks, on the fisherman's island of Burano, famous for its multicoloured houses - a photographer's paradise.

Adult: 72.00 EUR

Day 11 | Journey to Assisi



Journey south to the mystical town of Assisi, where St. Francis was born and laid to rest. Here you'll stroll through the city's streets in the company of a Local Specialist and have an opportunity to visit the Basilica of St. Francis. See the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels and enjoy dinner at your hotel tonight.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Casa Leonori

Day 12 | Explore Pompeii's Ruins on the way to Sorrento



Pass the site of the bloody World War II battle of Monte Cassino en route to the Bay of Naples and the lost city of Pompeii where you'll join a Local Specialist who will share the story of this remarkable ancient Roman settlement that was buried in ash following the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. We continue to the coast and the beautiful seaside resort of Sorrento where we will stay the night and dine in our hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner Hotel: Grand Parco del Sole

Optional Experiences:

Amalfi Coast and Positano - Come with us for a drive along the famous Amalfi Coast. You'll have a chance to visit the exclusive artists' paradise of Positano, which is magnificently positioned on the Mediterranean coast. Adult: **59.00 EUR**

Day 13 | On to the Isle of Capri and Rome



Cross the enchanting blue water of the Bay of Naples to the Isle of Capri and ascend to Capri by funicular railway where you will join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour of the town. Spend a leisurely afternoon soaking up la dolce vita in the piazza before sailing back to the mainland. This evening we arrive in Rome, the 'Eternal City', where we will spend the next two nights.

Meals: Breakfast Hotel: Villa Pamphili

Optional Experiences:

Capri Island Cruise & Tour - Spectacular cliffs and the famous turquoise-coloured waters are best experienced with a relaxing cruise around the island to view the beautiful white grotto and unique coastline. Our cruise ends in Capri town, with picture postcard views. Enjoy a lemon granita, a specialty of the island. (This optional is weatherdependent, and may be replaced with a mini bus tour of the island to Anacapri, and a visit of the Villa of Axel Munthe.) Adult: 47.00 EUR

*This optional is weather-dependent and may be replaced with a mini bus tour of the island to Anacapri that includes a visit to the villa of Axel Munthe.

You will be offered one of the following three optional experiences depending on availability:

Roman Delights with Dinner - Tonight, relax and enjoy typical Italian cuisine, soaking up Rome's unique atmosphere in a characteristic trattoria with drinks and music.

Adult: **55.00 EUR**

Roman Evening with Dinner - Tonight, spend a lively evening with us in Rome. After a short drive, we'll arrive at a characteristic trattoria to relax and enjoy a typical Italian meal, soaking up The Eternal City's unique atmosphere all the while.

Adult: **62.00 EUR**

Piazzas and Fountains - Discover the most charming areas in the city with a Local Specialist. Wander through the labyrinth of narrow streets and beautiful squares of Rome's historic centre, leading to highlights such as the Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon, as well as hidden corners of the Eternal City.

Adult: **37.00 EUR**

| Uncover Ancient Rome and the Vatican Museums



Delve into the treasures of the Vatican City with a Local Specialist who will take you on a sightseeing tour through St. Peter's Basilica to see Michelangelo's Pietà. Cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to see the mighty Colosseum and enjoy views of Circus Maximus. Then Dive Into Culture and gain priority access to the Vatican Museums for a guided tour. Admire Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling, then enjoy an exclusive after-hours al fresco dinner against the backdrop of St. Peter's.

Meals: Breakfast, Regional Dinner

Hotel: Villa Pamphili

Optional Experiences:

Inside The Colosseum - With VIP entrance and a Local Specialist at your side, tour the most famous monument to have survived from the classical world, the Colosseum. A symbol of both Imperial might and architectural ingenuity, this amazing structure offers a unique insight into Rome's tumultuous history, revealing tales of Gladiatorial combat and more.

Adult: **53.00 EUR**

*This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation

Day 15 | Off to Explore Florence



Journey north to Florence where you'll join a Local Specialist for an included walking tour to the Piazza della Signoria, the political hub of this once free republic that became a recognised centre for art, architecture and culture. See the beautiful marble Duomo and Baptistery with its famous bronze doors, and the picturesque Ponte Vecchio which straddles the Arno. Learn about the quality and workmanship of one of this city's historic industries at a demonstration of Florentine leathercraft. Spend the rest of the day at your leisure admiring the work of great masters in the Uffizi Gallery, climbing the stone steps to Piazzale Michelangelo for iconic views, or relaxing in the Boboli Gardens.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Cosmopolitan Concept

Optional Experiences:

You will be offered one of the following three optional experiences depending on availability:

Michelangelo's 'David' & Accademia - Enjoy an insight into the world of Michelangelo and his masterpiece, David. We'll visit the Academy of Fine Arts and its Michelangelo collection, where you'll learn all about the life and works of this immortal Renaissance genius through the expert commentary of our Local Specialist. Adult: **49.00 EUR**

*This optional is subject to availability and involves reservations and entrance prepayments. If you decide to cancel this optional, a 50% cancellation fee will be incurred.

Bargello Museum Visit - Join us today for a visit to the Bargello museum, housed in one of the oldest and most intriguing buildings of Florence. As you'll learn from your Local Specialist, there was rarely a dull moment in this former barracks and prison! Learn how the Bargello has witnessed crucial episodes of history including fires, sieges and political executions. This fascinating building is now home to the National Museum and boasts awe-inspiring works by Donatello, Brunelleschi and Michelangelo to name but a few.

Adult: 42.00 EUR

Discover Palazzo Vecchio - Marvel at the legacy of the Medici as you visit Palazzo Vecchio, the symbol of Florence's political power for over seven centuries. With our Local Specialist we'll visit the wonderful "Hall of the Five Hundred", dedicated to the Medici popes. We'll also visit rooms decorated with masterpieces by famous artists of the Renaissance like Michelangelo and Donatello.

Adult: 42.00 EUR

You will be offered one of the following two optional experiences depending on availability:

Dinner, Wine and Music in the Tuscan Hills -

This evening we'll take a scenic drive to experience a fun and relaxed evening at a friendly, typical restaurant in the countryside. The chef will delight our senses with regional dishes, made with freshly-bought ingredients from the local farmers' markets. Your delicious meal will be accompanied by excellent wines from the vineyards for which this area is so well known. In short, a Tuscan dream come true in an authentic setting.

Adult: **65.00 EUR**

Tuscan Dinner at Villa Machiavelli - Through the Chianti hills, we'll drive past vineyards to a delightful hamlet. Our destination is the ancient stone house of Machiavelli, where the great political theorist wrote his immortal work, The Prince'. After a welcome drink and a visit of the villa and its wine-cellars, we'll enjoy the best of Tuscan cuisine accompanied by great music and drinks, including of course, Chianti from the Villa's own vines. Adult: **68.00 EUR**

Day 16 | Enjoy Pisa, Monaco and the French Riviera



We drive to the city of Pisa and its Square of Miracles to see the famous Leaning Tower which bears this city's name. From Italy to the sun-kissed landscapes of the French Riviera, we stop in the sophisticated Principality of Monaco before continuing to the French Riviera, our home for the next two nights. Enjoy an orientation drive along the scenic Promenade des Anglais, which for centuries has attracted sun-worshipping aristocrats to its shores, and see Place Massena before spending the evening at leisure.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Holiday Inn Nice

Day 17 | Discover Artistic Saint-Paul-de-Vence



Rub shoulders with artists and actors in the medieval hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence before enjoying an afternoon at leisure in the French Riviera to indulge in the laid-back seaside atmosphere. Wander along the scenic promenade and embrace café culture on the tranguil shores of the Mediterranean, stroll through the chic city streets shopping at the French Riviera's fashionable boutiques or relax on the beach watching the sun set. Or perhaps join an Optional Experience to see spectacular views of one of the most beautiful coastlines in Europe and pay an aromatic visit to the historic Fragonard perfumery to learn how French fragrances are crafted before trying some specialities from the region at a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Holiday Inn Nice

Optional Experiences:

Corniche Coastline Drive with Perfumery Visit and Meal - You'll enjoy a scenic excursion along the Riviera corniche roads, with spectacular views of the Mediterranean Sea and one of the most beautiful coastlines in Europe. You will also have time to visit the famous Fragonard Perfumery, before travelling onward to a local restaurant; where you'll enjoy a typical meal of specialities from the region. Drinks included.

Adult: 72.00 EUR

Day 18 | Journey through Papal Avignon to Burgundy



We travel north to the Papal city of Avignon, an important pilgrimage site. We stop for views of the magnificent Papal Palace and famous Pont d'Avignon before arriving in the capital of the Burgundy wineproducing region, Beaune. Explore the ancient walls and the Old Town, see its characteristic geometrically coloured tiled roofs.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Mercure Centre

Day 19 | Onwards to Paris



We travel north through the vineyards of Burgundy to Paris, our home for the next two nights. The 'City of Lights' shines brightly as you explore its grand boulevards, amble along the Seine or embrace the pageantry of a traditional Parisian cabaret.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Evergreen Laurel

Optional Experiences:

Versailles Palace And Gardens - Built for the Sun King, Louis XIV, the Palace of Versailles was the envy of every European ruler, but loathed by the French commoners, which lead to the French Revolution. Step inside the opulent world of Versailles and our Local Specialist will take you through the palace's Hall of Mirrors and State apartments. Then, enjoy free time to wander the symmetrical, tree-lined gardens. Adult: **73.00 EUR**

Moulin Rouge Cabaret and Dinner - It's world famous for a reason, and this is your chance to see the real-life inspiration behind the award-winning movie. This Parisian institution features 60 dancers and entertainers with over 1,000 costumes to create a dazzling spectacle. You'll enjoy wine, dinner and Champagne during this unforgettable soirée at the original Parisian Cabaret!

Adult: 165.00 EUR

^{*}This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.

^{**}This optional is subject to availability.

Day 20 | Explore the Sights of Paris



Join a Local Specialist soaking up the sights and sounds of one of the world's most romantic cities. See the Champs-Élysées and the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. Spend a free afternoon exploring the city before celebrating an unforgettable experience at a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Hotel: Evergreen Laurel

Optional Experiences:

You will be offered one of the following two optional experiences depending on availability:

Le Grand Louvre - The biggest and best-known museum in the world, The Louvre was once palace to the kings of France. You'll follow your Local Specialist through the sumptuous maze of galleries to view masterpieces such as Leonardo da Vinci's 'Mona Lisa' and Winged Victory, one of the most celebrated sculptures in the world. Adult: **55.00 EUR**

- *This optional is subject to availability.
- **This optional involves reservation and entrance pre-payments. Cancellation within 24 hours will incur a 50% cancellation fee.

Montparnasse and Napoleon's Tomb - Take the fastest elevator in Europe to the Panoramic Observation Deck for unbeatable views of the Eiffel Tower and all of the city's iconic monuments. The highest rooftop terrace in Paris offers a breath-taking 360-degree view, with all of Paris at your feet! We'll also visit the Dôme des Invalides with our Local Specialist to see Napoleon's final resting place. Adult: **51.00 EUR**

Seine Cruise and Paris Illuminations - To truly see Paris in all its glory, you need to see it from the Seine. Enjoy a cruise along this famous river and take in unmatched views of the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Eiffel Tower. Afterwards, we'll drive through the City of Lights to see some of the fascinating sights this beautiful city has to offer. Adult: **43.00 EUR**

*In summer, this trip may take place before sunset.

Day 21 | Farewell Paris



Today, bid farewell to your fellow travellers and Travel Director at the end of your holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers.

Meals: Breakfast