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Traditional Europe



Your itinerary



- Start Location
- Visited Location
-  Plane
- End Location
-  Cruise
-  Train
- 1 Over night
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Day 1 | Welcome to Amsterdam



All the highlights of Europe lie ahead on this epic journey from the Netherlands to Austria, Italy to France. Spend the day exploring Amsterdam on foot, by bike or tram. Later, meet your Travel Director and travel companions and board a glass-topped boat for a Welcome Reception canal cruise, including a light dinner and welcome drink as you navigate the city's labyrinthine canals lined with centuries-old gabled façades.

Meals: Welcome Reception

Hotel: Corendon City

Day 2 | Admire Cologne and Cruise in the Rhineland



Travel east, crossing the border into Germany bound for Cologne. Here, you'll see the iconic twin spires of its imposing Cathedral, said to be the final resting place of the Three Wise Men. We cruise from Boppard to St. Goar along the mighty Rhine, lined with medieval villages and castles that cling to the hills. This evening, we stay in the Rhineland and enjoy dinner at our hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Maritim Darmstadt

Day 3 | Enjoy Heidelberg then drive into the Alps

The imposing ruins of Heidelberg Castle feature on our drive through this vibrant university city en route to the quaint medieval town of Colmar. Here we will enjoy an orientation stroll and free time for lunch. Our journey continues through the picturesque vineyards of Alsace en route to our hotel in the stunning mountain retreat of Engelberg, with a free evening to enjoy the town.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Schweizerhof

Day 4 | Uncover Lucerne's Treasures



Spend the day exploring Lucerne. Pay tribute to the Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending Louise XVI during the French Revolution at the mournful Lion Monument, then admire the splendour of the flower-lined Chapel Bridge with its 17th-century paintings. Spend the rest of the day at leisure or consider joining an Optional Experience up one of the nearby peaks for spectacular panoramic views before returning to Engelberg.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Schweizerhof

Optional Experiences:

Mount Pilatus And Lake Cruise - We'll ascend by cog-wheel train to Mount Pilatus' summit, where you'll have time to explore, admire the views, and breathe the pure air. Then, we'll descend by cable-car to enjoy a scenic lake cruise.

Adult: 113.00 CHF

**On certain departures this Optional may be operated in reverse.*

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 5 | Journey to Liechtenstein and Innsbruck



Admire rugged alpine scenery en route to the Principality of Liechtenstein, stopping in its capital, Vaduz. Cross the Austrian border and continue along the Arlberg route for a journey filled with pinch-me moments. Snow-capped mountains surround you as you travel through the Tyrol to Innsbruck. Visit the Old Town where you'll see the famous Golden Roof completed in 1500 for Emperor Maximilian I to mark his wedding. Admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Grauer Bär

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 6 | Onwards to Venice



Cross the extraordinary Europa Bridge, rising almost 200 metres above the Wipp Valley, following the Brenner Pass past alpine pastures and pine-clad peaks into Italy and the magical island city of Venice. Spend this evening at leisure, gliding by gondola through the city's canals, enjoying a Campari spritz in a quiet piazza or watching the sun set over the romantic Grand Canal.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Albergo Quattro Fontane 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 7 | Discover the Floating City of Venice



Witness the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassmaking. This is a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience which helps to preserve the strong tradition of glassblowing for which Venice is justifiably famous. You'll learn how the talented master craftsmen use the same techniques their forefathers did to create the delicate artworks which adorn homes worldwide, perhaps inspiring you to buy a souvenir to remind you of this special visit. Later, board a private launch for your journey through the canals of Venice to St. Mark's Square where you'll gain a deeper understanding of the city's centuries-old history and view the ornate Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs. Spend the afternoon exploring Venice your way, which could mean finding a tucked away bacaro to soak up some of the local atmosphere, a cruise around the lagoon or zigzagging up the Le Mercerie shopping street.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Albergo Quattro Fontane Lido

Optional Experiences:

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 multi-coloured houses - a photographer's paradise.

Adult: 72.00 EUR

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

Day 8 | All Roads Lead to Rome



Travel over the green and golden landscapes of the Apennine hills through beautiful Tuscany and Umbria, arriving in Rome where you'll spend the next two nights. This evening is yours to embrace la dolce vita. Relax in the Piazza Navona with an espresso, sit on the Spanish Steps or savour a tasty gelato.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Cardinal St. Peter

Optional Experiences:

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

Day 9 | Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City



Delve into the treasures of the Vatican with a Local Specialist who will take you on a sightseeing tour through St. Peter's Basilica to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to see the mighty Colosseum where brave gladiators once fought to the applause of exhilarated spectators, then enjoy views of Circus Maximus which once hosted chariot races. The rest of the day is yours to explore the sights and sounds of this remarkable city. Ramble through Rome's grand boulevards, shop up a storm on the Via Condotti or perhaps take an Optional Excursion to see Michelangelo's beautiful frescoes on the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Cardinal St. Peter

Optional Experiences:

Inside The Vatican & Colosseum - We skip the lines at the Vatican Museums for a tour with our Local Specialist that shows not just remarkable works of art collected and commissioned over the history of the Papacy, but also Michelangelo's amazing ceiling frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Later, we hear fascinating tales of gladiatorial combat and more on our visit to the Colosseum, again with a time-saving entrance.

Adult: 89.00 EUR

You will be offered one of the following two 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 - Spend a light-hearted evening with us in Rome. Relax and enjoy typical Italian cuisine with drinks and music. Afterwards, we'll enjoy a drive and provide a glimpse into how Romans enjoy their city.

Adult: 62.00 EUR

Day 10 | The Ruins of Pompeii with Sunny Sorrento



Enjoy a scenic drive through the vineyards of Frascati into the Campania region where we'll meet a Local Specialist who will share the fascinating story of Pompeii, a city buried in ash and lost for centuries following the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. We arrive in the sophisticated seaside retreat of Sorrento this evening where we will spend the night.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Johanna Park

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 11 | Sail to Capri then Onwards to Assisi



Cross the deep blue waters of the Bay of Naples to the beautiful Isle of Capri, ascending by funicular to Capri Town where we will join our Local Specialist for a walking tour. Travelling north, we view the restored Abbey of Monte Cassino, the site of a bloody World War II battle, arriving later in mystical Assisi to view the Basilica of St. Francis featuring spectacular frescoes by Giotto with a Local Specialist.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Casa Leonori

Optional Experiences:

Discover The Isle Of Capri - Experience the spectacular cliffs and famous turquoise waters of Capri during a relaxing cruise to the most beautiful part of the island, the southern side. View the beautiful grottoes and unique coastline before ascending to Capri town. This optional experience is weather dependent and may be replaced by a minibus tour of the Island with a visit to Anacapri and the Villa San Michele.

Adult: 47.00 EUR

Day 12 | Through Tuscany to Florence



Beautiful Tuscan and Umbrian landscapes that have inspired painters and poets for centuries follow our journey to Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. We join a Local Specialist on an included walking tour to see the city's spectacular heritage, architecture and open-air art, including views of the marble Duomo and the Ponte Vecchio. Visit the Piazza della Signoria, Florence's political hub centuries ago, and learn about the quality and workmanship of one of this city's historic industries at a demonstration of Florentine leathercraft.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo

Optional Experiences:

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.*

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-cellar, 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 13 | Uncover Pisa, Monaco and the French Riviera



Journey to Pisa and its Square of Miracles to see the Leaning Tower and its imposing Baptistery. Leaving the sights, sounds and flavours of Italy behind, we visit the playground of Monaco and view the Royal Palace before arriving on the French Riviera.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Novotel Aéroport Cap 3000

Day 14 | Discover Artistic Saint-Paul-de-Vence



Tread in the footsteps of famous French actors and artists who for centuries have regarded the medieval town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence as a haven. Spend the afternoon at leisure 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: Novotel Aéroport Cap 3000

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 15 | Journey through Papal Avignon to Lyon



Visit what was once the centre of Christendom in the Middle Ages, the papal city of Avignon. Here, you will see the Palais des Papes, the Cathedral and famous Pont d'Avignon, which have been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site and learn about the spiritual significance of this place. Connect With Locals next, where you'll enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest lunch of original, regional dishes made with produce from local farmers and markets. You'll travel next to the historically strategic city of Lyon on the Rhône where you'll enjoy an orientation tour including views of Fourvière Hill, the 'hill that prays', and the impressive Place Bellecour before spending the evening your way. This is a city that lights up magically at night, so be sure to take to the streets and admire its beauty.

Meals: Breakfast, Be My Guest

Hotel: Mercure Centre Saxe Lafayette

Day 16 | Travel through Burgundy to Paris



Visit Beaune, the wine capital of Burgundy, before continuing north to Paris. The evening is yours to indulge in the sophistication and splendour of the 'City of Lights'. Enjoy a dinner cruise along the magical Seine, stroll through Montmartre or consider a trip to one of the city's most famous cabaret shows revealing French pageantry.

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 led 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

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

***This optional is subject to availability.*

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

Day 17 | Explore Magical Paris



Join a Local Specialist to see the sights and sounds of Paris, including the grand Champs-Élysées and the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. Our epic European adventure near its end, join your Travel Director and newfound friends for a Farewell Dinner this evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Hotel: Evergreen Laurel

Optional Experiences:

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 18 | Journey Home



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Meals: Breakfast