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# $^{`}T$ he secret to delivering richer travel experiences is to always lead from the front."

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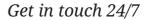
At Trafalgar, our guests don't just want to see places. They want to be a part of it, to savor not just sights and sounds but experiences, to get insider looks at cultures, customs and wonders.

Europe & Britain is the perfect region to transport yourself to somewhere new and unique, where you can visit different countries, cultures and experiences with the simple crossing of a border.

This is why, on nearly 150 itineraries across the continent, we're proud to be your champions of local encounters, with our friends and connections gained over the past 75 years opening their doors to welcome you, just as they've always done.

From small family-run hotels, to the passionate keepers of cultures and traditions, to those who provide hospitality, be it through food, wine or song, we craft memorable encounters you'll cherish for years to come.

It's with all this in mind that I'm proud to share 25 reasons to travel right now, and, how as the leaders in travel, we make it easy for you to just... go.



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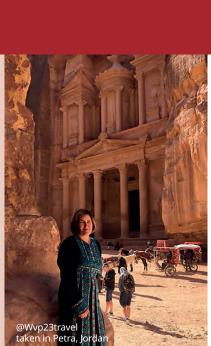


# Since 1947 we've unlocked the world for travelers just like you. Join our 5 million+ past guests and reconnect to the joy of travel once more.



"The tour guide was fantastic! The scenery was beautiful! The travel group was terrific! What more can you ask for? Trafalgar is a great way to travel and see the world."

**Deborah .R**Best of Switzerland













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#### Stress-free travel

Explore without worry, hassle or planning. With our Team looking out for your best interests, always - all tickets, accommodations, reservations and transportation is sorted and handled for you in advance. The result? You'll feel like a VIP with your mind free to focus on having fun, being in the moment and enjoying what each day brings.

"Trafalgar takes the worry out of holidays...we don't have to drive or drag our luggage around. Tickets are waiting for us at each venue. The meals and extra trips are well thought out. We love going off the beaten path to discover those hidden gems that Trafalgar is known for!"

## **Vivian B.**Best of Ireland and Scotland

#### No driving, no maps, no arguments

Navigating the unknown streets and destinations can be an endurance test that frazzles the best of us. Your Driver knows the way and gets you from A to B with ease. So, have that extra wine or two and relax. You are in the best hands.



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#### More than a century of experience

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#### **Luggage lifted**

Luggage is something you only want to see at your hotel door when you arrive at each stay, and then back on the coach when it's time to go. That's what you will experience, with our team doing all the heavy lifting for you. Yes, that means you can pack those extra shoes if you want to.

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Our luxury coaches feature plush, reclining seats, panoramic windows, WiFi, air-conditioned temperature control, clean, hospital-grade filtered air and on-board bathroom facilities. You'll be in such comfort, your only issue will be staying awake to see the passing scenery. In addition, your trip might feature internal flights and transfers, cruise boats or trains. All included in your price and booked in advance for the entire group, you'll love that everything is sorted. Look out for these symbols:

#### 7. Flexibility & security

Our booking and travel options reflect the flexibility that today's traveler's expect. This includes options to choose new dates and or destinations should plans change, and a range of deposit options depending on your trip and departure dates. Visit trafalgar.com/peaceofmind







"I have done several trips with Trafalgar and I am never disappointed. I love that I can just sit back and enjoy every detail of the trip!"

**Kellie S.** Italy Bellissimo

# Best in team 2

Your on-road Team of superstars work together to take care of every logistic and hurdle. Answering questions, and providing reassurance and support, your team ensures you can travel worry-free and enjoy Simply the Best experiences in every place.

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#### **Your Travel Director**

This legend is the backbone of every trip. Part magician, part scholar and chief storyteller, your Travel Director is there for your every need along the way as they work behind the scenes to ensure all plans run seamlessly and stress-free. They are also experts in the places they visit, with a knowledge and passion that is commendable – and contagious.

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#### **Your Driver**

Not only will our Drivers get you where you need to be, you'll get there on time and as close to the action as is possible. They ensure hygiene standards and protocols on our coaches, and load and unload your bags at your accommodations too. The result? You remain free to enjoy the views, the destination and not the traffic.

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#### **Local Specialist Guides**

Your champions of local, you'll appreciate the expertise of our Local Specialist Guides. Fiercely passionate and incredibly proud of their home states, cities, small towns and breathtaking landscapes, you'll unlock the best of each place thanks to their personal lens on the places you visit.





**Experience the warmth and hospitality of extraordinary** locals you would never meet on your own, who will share their stories through food and friendship including our famous, exclusive and unforgettable Be My Guest experiences. Here are just a few of our local friends who will swing open their doors for you.

#### Meet Arild, Norway

Visit Øvre Eide, a 500-year-old farm near Bergen, Norway at the edge of a lake surrounded by lush green landscapes. Explore the farm buildings and meet some of the resident animals before lunch featuring local produce paired with a rousing musical performance by Arild (above) and the team. - Included on Scenic Scandinavia & Its Fjords and Best of Norway.

#### Meet the Landi Family, Italy

You'll know this is the Tuscany you've dreamt of when you visit Il Leccio, the family home of the Landis (Giada, above right) for the past 350 years. Besides its extraordinary history, you'll want to commit the rolling Chianti hills, vineyards and olive groves to memory. Sit down for a three-course Tuscan dinner made by Giada, knowing everything on your plate has been grown and produced right here on the estate, including your wine. - Included on Italian Holiday and five other trips.

#### Meet Jacov & Keti, Croatia

Experience the charms of village life in the rustic hamlet of Humac, Hvar. As the Francicevic's share their 100-year-old ties to the property and the area. Later, sit down for a mouthwatering feast of lamb, fresh octopus and sides, sourced locally and cooked by Jackov (right) in clay pots without electricity, a method unique to this farm. - Included on Highlights of Austria, Slovenia & Croatia.







#### Meet the Morillo Family, Spain

Enjoy being part of the daily lives of an Andalusian family (opposite left) while learning the tradition of Spanish olive oil production. Meet host Isaac before exploring the olive groves and mill as he shares the steps of how to taste, smell and recognize what makes an award-winning oil. End the evening with a traditional meal in their whitewashed hacienda as the sun sets. - Included on Spanish Wonder and two

other trips.

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Favorite destination for the rich and famous since the time of Emperor Tiberius, hear all the island secrets from your Local Specialist during your stay on Capri. Exploring on foot, discover sights you've only ever seen in movies including the marina where Ulysses was said to have been seduced by sirens. - Included on Italy Bellissimo.

#### **Learn French culinary secrets**

Hone your skills as a local Parisian chef warmly welcomes you to trendy Marais. Roll up your sleeves to slice and dice like a master chef then feast on your labor of love, enjoying the delicious lunch you've prepared. - Included on Paris Explorer.

#### Horse around in Austria

Stop in Piber to visit the world-renowned Lipizzaner Stud Farm. As you explore Austria's only state stud, you'll be captivated by the elegant Lipizzaner horses which are the stars of the visit. - Included on Sound of Music.

Visit Vila Nova de Gaia in the historic city of Porto enjoying a private tour of one of the country's most famous wineries. Learn how to identify the different styles, blends, and vintages in the company of a Porto Cellar Master. - Included on Best of Portugal and Treasures of Spain & Portugal.

#### **Explore Museo Leonardiano**

In Vinci, the birthplace of Da Vinci himself, a unique sensory experience awaits as our Local Specialist brings his story to life more than 500 years on. Marvel at the exhibits and gain deep insights into the life of this extraordinary genius. - Included on Rome & Tuscan Highlights.

#### Feel like a British aristocrat

You'll be left speechless as you enter the Great Hall of Longleat House. Step back into 450 years of British tradition in one of England's best examples of Elizabethan architecture before wandering through formal gardens, a maze, and even the Secret Garden. - Included on Best of Devon & Cornwall.





## Explore picture perfect

Aix-en-Provence

Visit the delightful Provençal town of Aixen-Provence, founded by the Romans over natural hot springs. Shop for wine, olive oil, herbes de Provence and saffron, and art lovers can visit the childhood home and former studio of the post-Impressionist painter, Paul Cézanne. - Included on Mediterannean Highlights and Wonderful France.

#### Go VIP at the Vatican after hours

Once the crowds have left, enjoy a private tour of the Vatican Museums. Delve behind the scenes with a Local Specialist who'll show off the Holy See and Michelangelo's breathtaking frescoed ceiling the Sistine Chapel. Then sit down to a spectacular meal surrounded by works of art from around the world. - Included on Grand Italian Experience and twelve other trips.

#### Tour a fairy-tale castle

Admire the fairy tale Neuschwanstein
Castle rising from the hills. This
Romanesque Revival castle is said to have
been the muse for Walt Disney's Sleeping
Beauty Castle. Live out your dream of being
king or queen for a day when you enter
this magical realm. - Included on Best of
Germany and two other trips.

#### **Taste Spain's flavorful favorites**

Bask in a view of the Alhambra as you dine at Estrellas de San Nicolas. Feast on traditional Spanish favorites from a simple but flavorful burrata cheese to fresh bass, duck, and chorizo while savoring the very best views in Granada. - Included on Highlights of Spain and Portugal.



#### Sleigh bells ring

Get close to Sámi culture racing through the snowy wilds of Lapland on a reindeer-drawn sleigh, the same way your Sámi hosts have for centuries. With irresistible white Lapland landscapes all around, learn about the traditional techniques of reindeer husbandry mastered by the locals. - Included on Scandinavian Northern Lights.



# Best in ways

Whether you're traveling on your own or with family and friends, we offer more options for the way you want to travel. Book on one of our existing departures however you wish, or design your own custom trip.

#### **Traveling solo?**

Our vacations attract people from all over the world who are looking to travel with like-minded explorers. We make it easy with options to room-share, pay a small single-room supplement and on some departures you'll travel solo supplement free.

#### 9+ guests

If you're looking to book for 9 or more guests, secure your seats on our trips and enjoy discounted rates for the entire group booking.

#### Create your own vacation

For 10+ guests, our team can help design a custom trip bespoke to your group's passions and interests.

#### Traveling with the family?

We welcome all guests aged 5+ on our vacations. On our specific Family Fun focused vacations, these have been crafted specifically for families to connect over shared travel experiences the whole family will enjoy without the hassle of planning.

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A member of Historic Hotels Worldwide, Killarney's first luxury hotel was built in 1854 and it continues to take guests' breath away. You'll love exploring its six acres of gardens, manicured lawns, pathways and 'Glass Walk' and revel in its history, luxurious comfort, pool facilities, four-poster beds and warm welcome in this quintessentially Irish village.

- Included on Castles & Manors

## Apukka, Finland

No trip to this part of the world would be complete without a spectacular stay. Scope out the Northern Lights and enjoy your incredible stay in the Aurora Cabins. With their expansive glass roof, if the weather is right, you'll get the best views of the Northern Lights - feeling immersed in the fairy-tale landscapes of the Arctic. - Included on Scandinavian Northern Lights.

### Seville, Spain

It's a rare treat to stay in the heart of Seville and your night here delivers all this and more. A delight from beginning to end, you'll feel completely immersed in the magic of day-to-day city life, retreating to this tranquil oasis in the old Jewish Quarter, tucked amidst labyrinthine passageways and Moorish style courtyards complete with a rooftop pool. - Included on Best of Spain.







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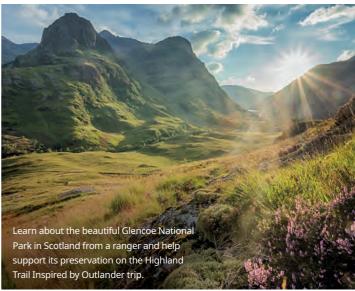
The choices you make, can make the world a better place. That's why when choosing to travel with us, you're helping preserve unique places, traditions and customs for future generations, as well as making a difference to the people and places you visit.

#### 25 Our TreadRight Foundation

Our Foundation, TreadRight, was formed in 2008 to ensure that our impact on the planet we call home, the people we visit, and the rich wildlife we encounter when traveling, is a positive one. With 60 cause-related projects across 26 countries completed or underway, we are focused on protecting our love of travel for future generations.

Italy: One of Italy's last remaining Renaissance weavers. Learn how Marta creates one-of-a-kind pieces on her 500-year-old loom, knowing your visit helps this workshop and craft continue. Meet her on the Italy Belissimo trip.





## We support United Nations Global Sustainability Development Goals

We have committed to a 5-year How We Tread Right (HWTR) sustainability strategy which focuses on 11 goals tied to the UN Sustainable Development Global Goals. It's our commitment to use the power of responsible travel make a difference on our trips and in our global offices.

#### **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences**

Enrich your travels while supporting the people and places you visit, we call these MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences. We are working towards having one on each itinerary for 2023, all selected to advance the United Nations Global Goals (UNSDGs). Look out for the symbol below on our trip pages.



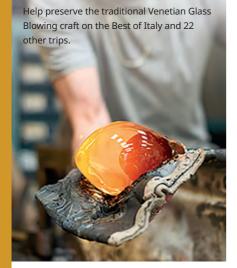
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# **European Highlights**

7 Days

4 Countries

9 Meals

Short on time, but want a jam-packed adventure filled with European Highlights? Cruise down the Rhine River, savor a banquet in a castle and catch your breath as you see the Eiffel Tower in Paris. You'll return home with more than Swiss chocolate in your luggage.

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#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Paris with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Amsterdam and Lucerne
- **Visit** the Rhine Falls in Schaffhausen and a cuckoo clock factory in the Black Forrest
- View the Lion Monument and the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne, the Champs-Élysées, the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris
- See the Lorelei Rock and the vineyards of Burgundy
- Scenic Cruise along the canals of Amsterdam and the Rhine River

Amsterdam Canal

#### Your vacation

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1 Welcome to Amsterdam Welcome to the colorful city of Amsterdam. Explore this city of bicycles and boats before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening, on a scenic canal cruise including a light dinner and welcome drinks. (WR) Hotel: Mercure City

Enjoy a Scenic Cruise in the Rhineland Journey through Germany to the highest castle in the Rhine River Valley for an exclusive Be My Guest experience where you'll *Connect With Locals* over lunch in medieval surrounds and be transported back to a time of kings and knights. We'll board a river cruise to St. Goar then head to the old university town of Heidelberg, with its impressive Renaissance structures, Baroque Old Town and views of the ruined red sandstone castle. We venture to our Rhineland hotel, where we'll spend our evening at leisure. (B, BMG, 8)

**Hotel: Holiday Inn Mannheim** 



#### Explore Rhine Valley's highest castle. Join the Nickelig family for stories about feuding medieval lords and an exclusive banquet within the 13th-century walls of Schloss Liebenstein. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Journey through the Black Forest to Lucerne In the enchanting Black Forest, we'll Dive Into Culture and witness the fine craft of cuckoo clock making, before crossing the Swiss border. We'll visit the dramatic Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen, the largest waterfall in Europe and arrive on the shores of Lake Lucerne, where we will stay for the next two nights. (B, 🔊)

**Hotel: Grand Europe** 

Explore Lucerne Soak up the relaxed lakeside atmosphere before your morning orientation begins. Cross the solid wooden Chapel Bridge, visit the solemn Lion Monument, commemorating the massacre of the Swiss Guards in 1792 and spend your afternoon shopping in the Old Town. Consider an Optional Experience ascending the surrounding mountains for panoramic alpine views or wander along the tranquil lake shore (B)

Off through the Burgundy Wine Region to Paris See the changing landscape as you travel into France through Alsace and cross the Maginot Line. Admire the scenic Burgundy Wine Region, before arriving in Paris. Indulge in a free evening to explore the grand boulevards of the French capital. Experience the pageantry of Paris first-hand and opt for an Optional

Experience to a Parisian Cabaret. (B) Hotel: Pullman La Défense

**Explore Magical Paris** Join a *Local Specialist* today and delve into the artistic and historic treasures of Paris, including views of the elegant Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. This afternoon, amble through the city's stylish gardens, avenues and lanes, admiring the sophisticated atmosphere or consider joining an Optional Experience to the exquisite Palace of Versailles. This evening we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our travel companions and Travel Director. (B, FD)

Farewell Paris After breakfast, say a fond au revoir to your fellow travelers and Travel Director. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

#### Optional Eurostar™ Extension

Consider extending your vacation with a visit to London. Travel from Paris to London by high-speed Eurostar™ train. This extension includes a standard class Eurostar™ ticket, transfer to the station in Paris and to your hotel in London as well as one night's hotel accommodation in London.

Catch the Eurostar™ to London Transfers are provided to Paris Gare du Nord station, where you'll board the Eurostar™ train to London. The journey time to London St. Pancras International is 2 hours and 20 minutes. On arrival in London, you are met and transferred to your hotel. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank

Journey Home Enjoy an English breakfast at the end of your vacation. (B)



#### **Travel Director Tip**

Keep an eye out for pig souvenirs in Switzerland. For centuries, pigs have been considered lucky because they brought prosperity – and that is why we have piggy banks.

Debra Lane

Connect With Locals 🕰 WR Welcome Reception L Breakfast

Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner

Dive Into Culture RD **Regional Dinner** Farewell Dinner

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#### Your vacation planner

See below for a selection of departure dates. Speak to your Travel Agent or search 'European Highlights' on trafalgar.com for all available departures and pricing.

#### 2023

Jan	09	23			Jul	03	10	17	24
Feb	06	20				31	_		
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#### 2024

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May	06	13	20	27	Oct	28			
Jun	03	10	17	24					

- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.

Travel to Europe often requires an overnight flight. Please arrange flights to arrive on or before Day 1.

#### **Deals & discounts**

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# **European Traveler**

10 Days

**5** Countries

12 Meals

Stroll through streets filled with romance, history and adventure as you travel Europe. Feed your imagination as you relax on the stunning shores of Lake Lucerne, watch master craftsmen create treasures in Venice and admire the magic of the snow-capped Swiss Alps.

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**Your vacation** 

Welcome to London Spend some time exploring the pomp and pageantry of a city that effortlessly combines old and new. Hotel: Park Plaza County Hall

**Discover Historic London** Join a *Local Specialist* this morning for a tour of the iconic and unexpected highlights of London, including Big Ben, the imposing Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. The rest of the day is free. (B)

Cross the English Channel to Paris Meet your Travel Director and depart London for the White Cliffs of Dover, England's last hurrah before we cross the English Channel. We pass the tragic World War I battlefields before arriving in Paris where we will enjoy a Welcome Reception with dinner, followed by an orientation drive. (B, WR)

**Hotel: Novotel Centre Bercy** 

**Explore the Sights of Paris** Embark on a scenic sojourn, with your Local Specialist, along the grand Champs-Élysées to view the Arc de Triomphe, honoring those who fought for France. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. This afternoon, you'll have some leisure time to explore the treasures of Paris. Maybe wander through Montmartre in search of beautiful art, view da Vinci's Mona Lisa at the Louvre or relax at a cozy French café and enjoy a glass of wine while watching the world go bv. (B)

5 Onwards to Explore Lucerne We wind our way through the sprawling vineyards of Burgundy, journeying south past rolling green farmlands into Switzerland bound for Lucerne. Cross the famous wooden Chapel Bridge with its 17th-century paintings and view the mortally wounded lion hewn from rock. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Europe

Journey to the Floating City of Venice The contrast of scenery today is nothing short of remarkable. Traversing the Alps, we travel through the St. Gotthard tunnel and the border at Chiasso into Italy. Catch a glimpse of northern Italy's beautiful lakes, whose scenic retreats have attracted the aristocracy for centuries, before arriving later in Venice. (B)

**Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana** 

On to Florence Board a private motor launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. View the Bridge of Sighs and ornate Doge's Palace, then Dive Into Culture on your unforgettable MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll witness the centuries-old craft of glassblowing at one of the oldest workshops on the islands. We'll have some time to explore and fit in some shopping before crossing the Apennine Mountains bound for Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. (B, 🔊, 🏚) Hotel: Villa Neroli

Journey to Rome The magnificent Renaissance dome of Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral and the Baptistery are among the sights we will view during our guided walking tour with a Local Specialist. Marvel at the impressive palazzi and art in the Piazza della Signoria, the political hub of the city. Continue to Rome, the last stop on your trip. (B) Hotel: Villa Pamphili/TH Roma **Hotel Carpegna Palace** 

**Uncover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Visit** the Vatican for a memorable encounter with the center of Christianity. A Local Specialist will take you on a tour of St. Peter's Basilica, the home of Michelangelo's Pietà. Consider an Optional Experience to see the magnificent frescoes of the Sistine Chapel, before traveling to Ancient Rome to view the Colosseum. This evening, at our Farewell Dinner, we Connect With Locals at a Be Mv Guest experience and celebrate the Italian zest for life, food and good company. (B, BMG, (S))



Dine on Rome's only island. Join Fabio on Isola Tiberina, for prosecco and stories in the former home of famous film director Antonioni, where you'll dine above ancient Roman ruins. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Farewell Rome Our adventure together has come to an end. We say a fond farewell to Rome and our travel companions at the end of our journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

"We were absolutely blown away by our trip. There is no way we could have seen half of what we did in the time that we did if we had done it alone."

Our Guest: R. Sant on European Traveler

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1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Welcome to the 'Eternal City' - once home to gods and goddesses, emperors, senators and slaves. Explore the city's bustling boulevards and labyrinthine lanes before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director at a Welcome Reception. This evening, we embark on an orientation drive revealing some of the city's most celebrated sights. (WR) Hotel: Grand Hotel Tiberio Rome / Crowne Plaza Rome St Peters

**Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** The Holy See takes center stage today as we join a *Local* Specialist for a sightseeing tour that will see us visit the 16th-century St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City and witness Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà, a masterpiece of Renaissance sculpture. We cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to delve into what was once the largest empire in the world and view such ancient sites as the imposing Colosseum where brave gladiators and slaves dueled to their deaths. Later, perhaps join an Optional Experience to see the exquisite frescoed ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. (B)

Onwards to Florence We travel north into the vineyard-clad hills of Tuscany and along the Arno River Valley. Next we'll Connect With Locals over lunch during a Be My Guest experience at a 12th-century castle with Anna, before continuing to Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. Join a Local Specialist for an enchanting encounter with one of the world's cultural centers, admiring the exquisite architecture and artistry around every turn. View the marble Duomo and Piazza della Signoria, the political hub of Florence, before Mediterraneo



Explore a 12th-century castle. Meet the Baj-Macario's for stories of the Pazzi and Medici feud, plotted within its walls, before feasting on organic produce and exploring the former dungeons. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to the Canals of Venice The romantic island city of Venice is our final destination today. We take to San Marco's waters, cruising the canals and admiring views of the imposing St. Mark's Basilica and ornate Doge's Palace. On this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, we'll Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old art of Venetian glassblowing before enjoying an afternoon at leisure to explore narrow calle in search of a cozy bacaro where you can enjoy delicious Venetian cuisine washed down with a Venetian Spritz, or two. Take some time, venture to the enchanting canal-side setting of St. Mark's Square. The sounds of talented musicians, seagulls and lapping water provide the perfect backdrop for a memorable sunset over the Grand Canal. (B, 🍪, 🍨)

#### **Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana**

5 Across the Alps to Lucerne We depart Venice, traveling north into the picturesque Italian and Swiss Lake Districts via Como and Lugano. Slicing through the Alps, we arrive in Switzerland and the laid-back lakeside city of Lucerne. The city is perhaps most famous for its solid wooden Chapel Bridge and poignant Lion Monument, a memorial to Swiss Guards. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure, amble through the Old Town or consider joining an Optional Experience and ascend one of the surrounding mountain peaks for panoramic views. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Europe

**Through Burgundy to Paris** From Lucerne, we head into France and through the rolling vineyard-clad hills of Burgundy. Arriving in Paris, we enjoy a free evening. Wander up grand boulevards and through quaint squares, or perhaps take a cruise on the Seine followed by a tour of Paris's illuminations. (B)

#### Hotel: Oceania Porte de Versailles Paris

7 **Explore Elegant Paris** Join a *Local Specialist* today and see the Arc de Triomphe and Place de la Concorde. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. (B)

Cross the English Channel to London Pass the tragic Somme battlefields en route to Calais from where we set sail across the English Channel to Dover and travel through Kent to London. (B)

#### **Hotel:** Hilton Kensington

**Discover Historic London** Join a *Local Specialist* today to see the sights of London. View Big Ben, the imposing Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace, after which you have an afternoon at leisure to soak up the dynamic atmosphere of this capital city that combines centuries-old heritage with modern verve. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers at a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

Journey Home It's time to bid farewell to London and your fellow travelers as your memorable European vacation comes to an end. (B)

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# London and Paris Explorer

9 Days

2 Countries

11 Meals



Experience all the main icons of two great cities on this London and Paris trip. Enjoy an in-depth discovery of London with a side visit to Windsor, Bath, and the mystical giants of Stonehenge. It's just a hop across the pond to Paris to explore, dine and live like a local as you soak up its joie de vivre.

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#### Your vacation

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1 Hello London Embrace the pomp and pageantry of a city that combines the fascinating heritage of yesteryear with all the verve of a modern capital. Stroll through its leafy Royal Parks, shop up a storm on Oxford Street or visit some of London's world-famous historic attractions or museums to gain a sense of a place that is certainly larger than life. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR)

Hotel: The Tower

Soak up Bath and on to Stonehenge This morning leave London and travel to Bath, where you'll visit the Roman Baths from which the city derives its name. Enjoy an orientation of this UNESCO-listed city with its beautiful Georgian architecture, then stop at Stonehenge to visit the historic stone monoliths where pagans once worshipped. (B)

**Discover London and Journey to Windsor** London's iconic sights take center stage today during a half-day introductory sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. See Big Ben, the imposing Houses of Parliament, Westminster Abbey and Buckingham Palace, before traveling to the town of Windsor with its vast royal castle, the oldest and largest continuously occupied castle in the world. Spend the afternoon following in the footsteps of royalty. Explore over 900 years of royal history, ambling through this historic market town. Return to London and discover its theatrical treasures this evening, should you consider joining your Travel Director at an optional West End show. (B)

Explore London Your Way Enjoy a day at leisure to explore the captivating sights and sounds of London. Your Travel Director will provide you with recommendations on how to spend your day in the city. Perhaps take a leisurely cruise along the Thames River, delve into centuries of history and admire the exquisite crown jewels at the Tower of London, catch a flight on the London Eye, then meander through the stalls of Covent Garden. (B)

5 Cross the English Channel to Paris Departing London, we travel through the lush green Kent countryside to board our ferry in Dover, watching the impressive White Cliffs disappear into the distance as we cross to France. We pass the World War I battlefields of the Somme en route to Paris where we will spend four nights. (B) **Hotel: Mercure Paris Gare Montparnasse TGV** 

Explore the Sights of Paris The 'City of Lights' shines brightly today as our Local Specialist takes us on a sightseeing tour of Paris. We'll view the grand Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe, Place de la Concorde and Notre Dame Cathedral before enjoying a walk through the Latin Quarter. Spend a free afternoon soaking up the sophistication of this beautiful city. Maybe wander through Montmartre and admire the imposing white domes of Sacré-Cœur, or enjoy a light-hearted picnic in the pretty Tuileries gardens. This evening we Connect With Locals over dinner and indulge in a first-hand encounter with Parisian culture during a Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, 8)

The Splendor of Versailles Enjoy a free morning in Paris or pay a visit to da Vinci's Mona Lisa at one of the world's most visited museums, the Louvre. Later, join a Local Specialist to explore the opulent Palace of Versailles - its splendor and beauty created to reflect the selfproclaimed majesty of King Louis XIV, the 'Sun King'. See the exquisite sprawling gardens, the Hall of Mirrors with

its impressive chandeliers. This evening, enjoy the city by night or perhaps attend a colorful Parisian cabaret performance. (B)



Explore Versailles. Imagine the wealth and power of King Louis XIV on your visit to the Palace of Versailles, the so-called Sun King's residence and befitting of his expensive tastes. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Wander Magical Paris Spend the day at leisure delving into the sophistication and glamour of Paris on your own terms. Sample delicious French cakes at a local pâtisserie, amble along the cobblestone lanes of Le Marais or journey into the macabre underground catacombs dating back to the 19th century. On our last evening together in Paris, we join our travel companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner in the city. (B, FD)

Au Revoir Paris After breakfast, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell as our memorable vacation comes to a close. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



#### **Travel Director Tip**

is essential. Here you can sample the famous double-decker macarons at the place where they were created. These delectable sweet treats are a true melt in the mouth experience.

**Daisy Arundel** 

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# **European Whirl**

14 Days

9 Countries

18 Meals

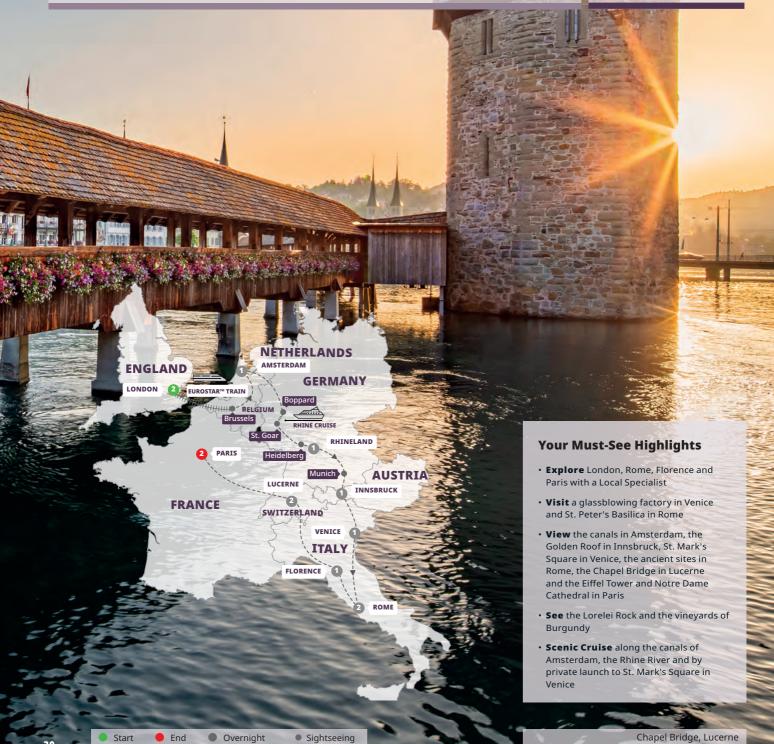
The tring-tring of bicycles sounds the start of your European Whirl. Kick back on the canals of Amsterdam and Venice, in the quiet lakeside beauty of Lucerne and among the Tuscan hills near Florence, with flavors of Italian Chianti setting the tone for an unforgettable trip.

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#### **Your vacation**

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- Welcome to London The vibrant British capital where you will spend the next two nights, enjoying the pomp and pageantry of a city that effortlessly combines old and new. Hotel: The Tower
- **Discover Historic London** Join a *Local Specialist* this morning for a tour to see the iconic sites of London. (B)
- 3 Eurostar™ to Brussels and on to Amsterdam Meet your Travel Director before boarding the Eurostar™ for a high-speed train journey to Brussels and a luxury coach journey to Amsterdam. Enjoy an orientation tour before your Welcome Reception dinner cruise. (B, WR)
  - **Hotel: Mercure City**

#### Journey to the Rhineland and a Scenic Cruise

Driving through the lush landscapes of the Netherlands and Germany, we arrive in Boppard where we board a cruise along the Rhine to St. Goar, passing vineyardclad hills and medieval castles perched above riverside towns. Arriving in the Baroque city of Heidelberg, we explore its unexpected highlights before traveling to our Rhineland hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Sinsheim

- 5 Off to Innsbruck We arrive in Munich, where you'll enjoy an orientation of the city. Next we'll drive across the Austrian border, arriving in Innsbruck. Here, we'll admire Emperor Maximilian's famous Golden Roof and perhaps indulge in an evening of traditional Tyrolean entertainment. (B) Hotel: Tivoli Hotel Innsbruck
  - Onwards to the Canals of Venice Cross the Brenner Pass and continue to Venice. Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, viewing the Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Dive Into Culture and enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll witness the craft of glassblowing before a free afternoon. (B, 🔊, 🏚)

**Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana** 

All Roads Lead to Rome Travel south across the Veneto Plain, passing Bologna and the dramatic Apennine Mountains as well as the green and golden fields of Lazio before reaching Rome, the 'Eternal City'. En route, we Connect With Locals over lunch at a Be My Guest experience and enjoy true Tuscan hospitality with a local family on their private estate in the Chianti countryside. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: A. Roma Lifestyle

Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our first stop today sees us discover the divine beauty of the Vatican City. We'll visit St. Peter's Basilica with a Local Specialist to view Michelangelo's Renaissance masterpiece, the Pietà. We continue 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. (B)

Continue to Renaissance Florence 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 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, crowned by Brunelleschi's dome, and the Baptistery, renowned for its sculptured bronze doors. (B)

Across the Alps to Lucerne Drive across the Alps into Switzerland, where the next two nights are spent in Lucerne. Tonight, why not consider an optional Swiss Folklore Show? (B) Hotel: Grand Europe

- 11 **Explore Lucerne** 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 river Reuss. Or join an exciting Optional Experience to one of the surrounding peaks for breathtaking views of the Swiss countryside. (B, D)
- On to Captivating Paris Crossing the border into France this morning, we travel past the picturesque vineyards and country towns of Burgundy en route to the 'City of Lights'. Spend some time this evening strolling along the Seine and grand boulevards in search of a cozy bistro for fine French cuisine or consider an Optional Experience to a colorful Parisian cabaret. (B) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel
- 13 Discover the Sights of Paris Join a Local Specialist today for a sightseeing tour of this romantic city. View the sophisticated Champs-Élysées, Place de la Concorde, the 19th-century Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral, then enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. Our European Whirl is almost at its end, we spend the evening with fellow travelers and our Travel Director, enjoying a Farewell Dinner in a local bistro. (B, FD)
- Farewell Paris Today bid adieu to your fellow travelers and Travel Director at the end of your memorable experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Optional Eurostar™ Extension

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**Hotel: Hilton Metropole** 

Breakfast

# **Enchanting Europe**

17 Days

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Sightseeing

**6 Countries** 

21 Meals

All the travel highlights and flavors of France, Spain and Italy feature on this enchanting Europe trip. The beauty of the Loire Valley and foodie heaven in Bordeaux will be tough to beat, but living life the Italian way is just that dash of issimo that makes this journey extra special.

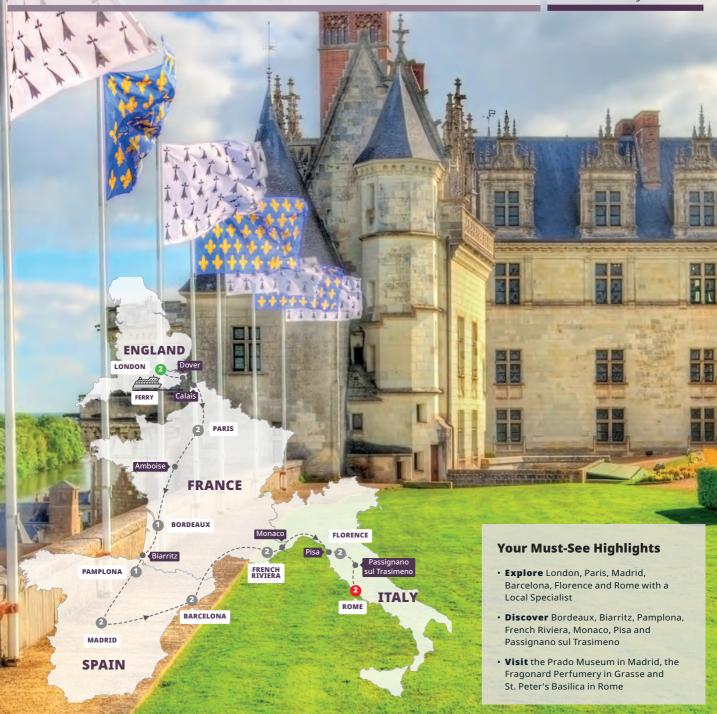
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- Welcome to London The sights and sounds of a city that embraces old and new are yours to explore today. Wander along the Thames, see the bright lights of Piccadilly Circus or relax in one of the Royal Parks. Hotel: The Tower
  - **Discover London** Join a *Local Specialist* today to see the city's iconic sights. Spend the rest of the day at leisure shopping on Carnaby Street, exploring centuries of royal heritage at the Tower of London or visiting one of the city's captivating museums. (B)
- 3 Cross the English Channel to Paris Meet your Travel Director before crossing the English Channel by ferry from Dover to Calais. We travel across the World War I battlefields before arriving in Paris. Later, we join our Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception and an evening drive to embrace the energy of this vibrant city. (B, WR) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel

**Explore Paris's Sights** Join a *Local Specialist* for a drive along the Champs-Élysées to the Arc de Triomphe. View the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. Perhaps stroll along the Seine admiring the exquisite work of street artists or consider attending one of the city's famous colorful cabaret shows. (B)

Onwards to Amboise and Bordeaux Journey through France's Loire Valley, stopping to see the royal château at Amboise. Continue south through one of France's most renowned wine regions before arriving in Bordeaux. Spend the evening exploring its historical center or amble along the Garonne and watch how the 18th-century Place de la Bourse glitters across the river at night. (B)

Hotel: Mercure Bordeaux Centre-Ville / Pullman Bordeaux Lac

#### Admire Elegant Biarritz and on to Pamplona

This morning, we delve into the heady days of La Belle Époque in the glitzy seaside resort of Biarritz. Tonight, in Pamplona, we Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience of local specialties. (B, BMG, (S)) **Hotel: Tres Reyes** 

- On to the capital, Madrid Head to the heart of Spain and its lofty capital, Madrid. Dive Into Culture and enjoy an included visit to the Prado Museum and admire the works of Rubens, Goya and El Greco. This afternoon, join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the city's iconic landmarks. View the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain before joining your fellow travelers for dinner. (B, D, 45) Hotel: Meliá Castilla
  - **Discover Magical Madrid** This morning, perhaps take to the waters of Retiro Park, visit the Mercado de San Miguel to indulge in the delicious flavors of Spain, or join an Optional Experience to the imperial city of Toledo. Enjoy free time this afternoon. (B)
- Off to Barcelona Driving towards Catalonia and the shores of the Mediterranean, we pass Guadalajara en route to vibrant Barcelona, where we will spend the next two nights delving into the intoxicating charm of this cultural and artistic powerhouse. (B)

Hotel: Barcelona Apolo by Melia

Uncover Colorful Barcelona Join a Local Specialist today and delight in the whimsical world of Gaudí. See his unfinished masterpiece La Sagrada Família, before spending the rest of the day embracing the energy of Barcelona. (B)

11 Journey Along the French Riviera From the rugged Costa Brava to the stylish shores of the French Riviera, we travel through the South of France, stopping to Dive Into Culture during a guided visit of Fragonard Perfumery where we'll learn how fragrances are crafted. Later, we arrive in the glamorous French Riviera. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Indigo Cagnes-sur-Mer



Learn about French perfume. Breathe in the sweet vanilla, rose and orange blossom scents of French perfume as you learn how these delicate fragrances are made at Fragonard Perfumery. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- Enjoy French Riviera Your Way Tread in the footsteps of showbiz royalty, savoring a full day at leisure in the French Riviera. Admire the irresistible backdrop of the Mediterranean or consider joining an Optional Experience to the hilltop village of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, renowned for its museums and galleries. (B)
- Explore Monaco and Pisa on the way to Florence Travel to the Principality of Monaco, where you'll see the Royal Palace and the cathedral where Princess Grace is buried. Cross into Italy and pass Genoa, the birthplace of Columbus, before arriving in Pisa to admire its Leaning Tower. This evening we arrive in the Renaissance city of Florence. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- **Discover Florence** Join a *Local Specialist* for a guided walking tour of one of the cultural capitals of the world. Enjoy views of the marble Duomo, the Baptistery and the Ponte Vecchio bridge. Visit Piazza della Signoria, once the political hub of the city. (B)
- 15 All Roads Lead to Rome Italy's 'Eternal City' beckons and we head south to Rome stopping in Passignano Sul Trasimeno to admire its beautifully preserved medieval center. Arriving in Rome you'll have an evening to explore the city your way. (B) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna
- Uncover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist to visit St. Peter's Basilica, then cross the Tiber for views of the mighty Colosseum and Circus Maximus. Tonight, you'll join your fellow travelers for a memorable Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, FD)
- 17 Journey Home After breakfast, you'll say farewell to your fellow travelers and Travel Director as your memorable journey across Europe comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

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# Majestic Europe

15 Days

9 Countries

19 Meals

Travel to the heart of Europe, learning all about the Hapsburgs in Vienna with a side visit to fairy-tale Prague and Vaduz, the little Liechtenstein capital. Your reward for all that epic sightseeing? Soaking up la dolce vita in the picturesque olive groves of Tuscany.

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Sightseeing

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Rome, Vienna and Prague with a Local Specialist
- Discover Venice, Bratislava, Regensburg, Munich, Vaduz - the capital of Liechtenstein, Lucerne, Heidelberg, Cologne and Amsterdam
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Astronomical Clock, Prague

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Your vacation

1 Welcome to Rome Explore this imperial city of emperors and senators, gods and goddesses, before joining your companions and Travel Director later for a Welcome Reception and glimpse into what lies in store during our stay in the 'Eternal City'. (WR)

Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna

Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist to visit St. Peter's Basilica, then cross the Tiber for views of the mighty Colosseum and Circus Maximus. Enjoy an afternoon of sightseeing on your terms. (B)

Onwards to Venice We journey across the Tuscan countryside bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. The city's canals and bridges beckon, but not before we Connect With Locals at lunch amidst the olive groves and vineyards of Tuscany for a Be My Guest experience that will linger long after you've left. (B, BMG, 8) Hotel: Viktoria Palace Lido

Cruise the Canals of Venice Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassmaking during your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at one of the city's last studios. Take a private launch to St. Mark's Square. The rest of today is yours to enjoy the sights and sounds of this Byzantine

treasure. (B, 🕬, 🍁)

On the Road to Vienna A scenic drive from Italy to Austria takes us through the Carnic Alps to the imperial capital of Vienna, where we'll spend the next two nights exploring a city famous for its musical heritage and elegance. (B) Hotel: Renaissance Wien

**Explore Vibrant Vienna** Join your *Local Specialist* this morning to explore the sights, including views of the famous Opera House, Stadtpark, Parliament, Imperial Boulevards and Hofburg Palace. Spend the rest of the day delving into Vienna's cozy coffee culture or discover the harmonies of the world's music capital. (B)

Journey to Prague Leave the song of Vienna behind, bound for Prague, the 'Golden City of a Hundred Spires'. Enjoy an orientation in Bratislava with your Travel Director before arriving in Prague this afternoon. (B)

**Hotel: Vienna House Andel's** 

**Discover Prague's Sights** Join your *Local Specialist* this morning to explore the jewels of Prague's Castle District and Old Town. You'll stroll around the Old Town Square and see the 15th-century Astronomical Clock with its mesmerising Walk of the Apostles. Spend your afternoon exploring Prague your way. (B)

Off to Munich First stop today is the UNESCO-listed town of Regensburg with its beautifully preserved medieval center. Then it's time to continue to the Bayarian capital of Munich, where we'll see the Glockenspiel and Marienplatz on an orientation with our Travel Director. The afternoon is free to explore before we have dinner at our hotel. (B, D)

Hotel: Leonardo City Olympiapark

Uncover Liechtenstein and Lucerne We leave Germany for Switzerland, stopping in the Liechtenstein capital of Vaduz. We continue to Lucerne, our home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe

**Delve into Lucerne's Treasures** Pay tribute to the brave Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending King Louis XVI in the French Revolution and see the famous mournful Lion Monument. Walk along the wooden Chapel Bridge and admire its decorative ceiling. Then spend the rest of

the day admiring the colorful façades of the Old Town or join an Optional Experience to one of the surrounding neaks (B)

**Enjoy a Scenic Cruise in the Rhineland** View the ruins of Heidelberg Castle perched above the Neckar River and board a relaxing cruise down the mighty Rhine from St. Goar to Boppard – fantasy castles and hillside vineyards line your scenic journey. This evening, we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - Bellevue Rheinhotel, located close to the Rhine River. (B, D, 🕰)

**Hotel: Bellevue Rheinhotel** 

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Cruise down the Rhine. Watch the beauty of the Rhine Valley unfold, settling in for a relaxed cruise along one of Europe's greatest waterways, from St. Goar to Boppard. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Onwards to Cologne and Amsterdam Admire the tall twin Gothic spires of the Cologne Cathedral this morning, before crossing into the Netherlands and on to Amsterdam where we spend the next two nights. Sit under the leafy canopy at Leidseplein indulging in Dutch beer and kroketten, hire a bike and hit the city's treelined streets or bask in the warm glow and gezelligheid of one of the city's renowned bruin cafés. (B)

Hotel: Leonardo Hotel Amsterdam Rembrandtpark

Explore Amsterdam Enjoy an orientation of Amsterdam and spend the rest of the day exploring the city on foot, by bike or tram. Consider delving into the tragic story of Anne Frank, admire the works of Van Gogh or peoplewatch in Vondelpark. This evening enjoy a Farewell Dinner with your travel companions on board a glass-top boat. Cruise through the city's canals looking up at the centuries-old gabled façades for which Amsterdam is so famous. (B, FD)

Farewell Amsterdam After breakfast, it's time to say a 15 fond farewell to your fellow travelers and Travel Director as you return home with wonderful memories. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

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#### **European Splendor, day 3**

You'll never feel more Italian than during this exclusive Be My Guest experience at Fattoria Di Maiano, overlooking Florence's skyline and featured in films 'A Room with a View' and 'Tea with Mussolini'. Enjoy an aperitif before a tour of the farm, a tasting at the 15th-century olive oil estate and dinner with owner, Count Fulcis, who shares his family history. Returning to Florence, you'll know you've experienced the real Tuscany.

#### **European Wonderland, day 6**

Channel your inner artist in the city renowned for its dreamy canals, Renaissance architecture and vibrant piazzas. Every February, Venice buzzes with Carnevale fun and fanfare and you'll enjoy a taste of it first-hand when you learn how to craft your own colorful mask on this experience that will delight the whole family.

#### **Traditional Europe, day 11**

You'll find it impossible to resist the glamour of Capri, vacation hotspot for the rich and famous since the time of the Emperor Tiberius. Alongside our Local Specialist, you'll explore the town on foot, getting to see sights you've only ever seen in timeless. Hollywood classics, including the marina where Ulysses was said to have been seduced by sirens. Watch as locals go by their day against the backdrop of views across the Bay of Naples to Mount Vesuvius, and on to Pompeii. You'll know this is the Italy you've been dreaming of.



# **European Splendor**

11 Days

4 Countries

15 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.7<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ★



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When have you ever had the opportunity to dine with an Italian count in Tuscany? That's not all you'll do on this exciting Rome to Paris trip, bringing you the bright lights of the Champs-Élysées, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the epic skyline from Florence's Piazzale Michelangelo.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Siena, Pisa, Venice, Lake Como and Lucerne
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- View the ancient sites of Rome, the Piazza del Campo in Siena, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Lake Como, the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne, the spectacular alpine scenery of Switzerland, the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

Trip code: ESPL

### European Wonderland

## **Traditional Europe**

11 Days

4 Countries

15 Meals

18 Days

9 Countries

25 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.7<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ★

Past Guest Rated 4.8<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ★

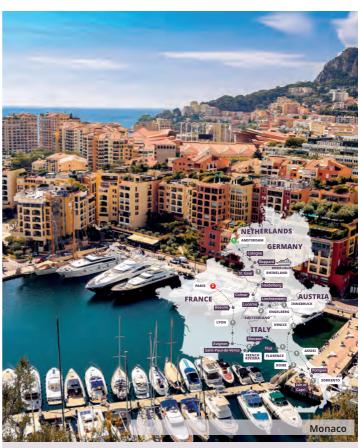


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Bring history to life on your European travels as you learn about life as a Roman gladiator and try your hand at pizzamaking on an epic European family trip filled with carnival masks, medieval castle banquets and tons of fun for the whole family.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Rome, Florence, Bologna and Paris with a Local Specialist
- Discover Siena, Venice and Lucerne
- · Visit St. Peter's Basilica and the Colosseum in Rome, a glassblowing factory and a mask-making studio in Venice
- View the ancient sites of Rome, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, scenic Lake Como, the spectacular alpine scenery of Switzerland, the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne and the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris



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Lose yourself in the history and romance of Traditional Europe. You'll see all the iconic sights and some beautiful surprises along this three-week European trip taking in the exquisite beauty of the Rhine Valley, the snow-capped Alps and the decadently warm waters of the French Riviera.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi, Florence and Paris with a **Local Specialist**
- Discover Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Colmar, Lucerne, Vaduz the capital of Liechtenstein, Innsbruck, Venice, Sorrento, Pisa, Monaco, Nice, Saint-Paul-de-Vence, Avignon, Lyon and Beaune
- Visit a glassblowing factory in Venice, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and the excavations in Pompeii

Trip code: FSPL Trip code: ETRA

### Grand European Great European

23 Days

11 Countries

30 Meals

29 Days

13 Countries

37 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.8<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>←</sup> ←

Past Guest Rated

4.5<sup>/5</sup> feefo \*\*\*



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This Grand European trip has all the 'musts', but also takes you off the beaten path. Discover the gourmet talents of France, the heart of the Black Forest and the moreish delights of Sachertorte in classical Vienna, leaving with a song in your heart and a polka in your step.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- · VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- Explore London, Salzburg, Vienna, Assisi, Pompeii, Capri, Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist
- Discover Bruges, Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Venice, Pisa, Monaco, Nice and Avignon
- Visit the Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen, Vaduz the capital of Liechtenstein, a glassblowing factory in Venice, excavations in Pompeii and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, Saint-Paul-de-Vence and Beaune



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Buckle up for an unforgettable Great European tour, filled with local flavors, the scents of France and artistry of Gaudí and Michelangelo in Spain and Italy. Discover Bordeaux's rich culinary heritage, learn about La Belle Époque in Biarritz, and count the 100 spires of Prague.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore London, Paris, Madrid, Barcelona, Florence, Rome, Vienna and Prague with a Local Specialist
- Discover Bordeaux, Biarritz, Pamplona, French Riviera, Monaco, Pisa, Passignano sul Trasimeno, Venice, Bratislava, Regensburg, Munich, Vaduz - the capital of Liechtenstein, Lucerne, Heidelberg, Cologne and Amsterdam
- Visit the Prado Museum in Madrid, the Fragonard Perfumery in Grasse, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Trip code: EGAR Trip code: EGREA

## **European Supreme**

29 Days

**12 Countries** 

40 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.2<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ★



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This all-embracing European trip leaves nothing out, from the canals of Amsterdam to glittering Paris. You'll travel across Europe on a journey filled with musical notes from Vienna and the vibrant energy of Dubrovnik, exploring tavernas, beaches and historic sites along the way.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Vienna, Ljubljana, Plitvice National Park, Dubrovnik, Tirana, Delphi, Athens, Assisi, Pompeii, Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Munich, Kalambaka, Innsbruck, Venice and Lucerne
- Visit a glassblowing factory in Venice, the Temple of Apollo in Delphi, the Acropolis in Athens, excavations in Pompeii and the Colosseum and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

Trip code: **ESUPC** 



# **Italian Holiday**

7 Days

2 Countries

10 Meals

Visit the Vatican with priority access, journey through Tuscan landscapes and cruise along the canals of Venice. You'll also encounter the Renaissance highlights of Florence and the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

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### Italy

### Your vacation

### Day

1 Ciao Rome Indulge all your senses in the imperial city of Rome, your introduction to a memorable encounter with Italy which will have you returning for more. Spend your afternoon relaxing after your journey, or explore the ancient city streets before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception. This evening, we take an orientation drive past Rome's most magnificent sights which we will have an opportunity to explore tomorrow. (WR)

**Hotel: Cicerone** 

Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our encounter with Rome begins in the Holy See as we *Dive Into Culture* with a visit to the Vatican Museums in the company of a *Local Specialist* to admire the masterpieces that have been collected by Popes throughout the centuries. Gaining priority admission, we admire the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and then visit St. Peter's Basilica, the greatest cathedral in Christendom, to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture into Ancient Rome to visit the imposing Colosseum and view Circus Maximus, once the site of thrilling chariot races. Spend a leisurely afternoon exploring Rome. Admire the Spanish Steps or toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your speedy return. (B, 🔊)

Journey to the Floating City of Venice This morning, we venture north through the valley of the Tiber into the green and golden landscapes of Umbria. We pass the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto, traveling through Tuscany's terraced olive groves and the Apennine Mountains, bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana

Onwards to Verona Cruise by private launch into the heart of Venice this morning, where we will see the city's most celebrated sights including the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. *Dive Into Culture* and enjoy a *MAKE TRAVEL MATTER*® Experience learning the intricate craft of glassblowing. Soak up the pageantry and elegance of Venice before continuing to Verona, home of Shakespeare's ill-fated lovers Romeo and Juliet, where we'll spend the night. (B, 🔊, 🌪) Hotel: Leopardi



### **Travel Director Tip**

Look for 'Baci di Giulietta e Romeo' or 'Romeo and Juliet kisses' when in Verona. These local specialties, made from almonds and hazelnuts, represent a sweet gift that lovers exchange on romantic occasions. They make a delightful and affordable souvenir

Patrizia Tocco

Breakfast

Dinner

Dive Into Culture

RD Regional Dinner

FD Farewell Dinner

Regional Dinner BMG Farewell Dinner

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BMG Be My Guest

5 Admire Pisa and on to Florence Pisa's UNESCOlisted Square of Miracles is our first stop today, where
we will have the opportunity to view the Leaning
Tower before traveling on to Florence. Explore the
birthplace of the Renaissance and home of the
Medici dynasty, whose penchant for beautiful art
and architecture created one of the cultural centers
of the world. Tonight we Connect With Locals at a
Be My Guest experience set against the backdrop
of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. (B, BMG, )

Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo



**Dinner at a Tuscan vineyard.** Spend the evening at the Landi family vineyard enjoying a home-cooked meal, Chianti and fascinating family stories in what has been their home for eight generations.

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All Roads Lead to Rome We join a Local Specialist today to delve into the rich medieval and Renaissance history of Florence. Our sightseeing tour will take us to Piazza della Signoria with its impressive sculptures and imposing palazzi. We'll wander the narrow streets, passing by the multi-colored marble Duomo, the famous Baptistery, and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio. Admire this spectacular feat of engineering dating from the Middle Ages which is today lined with jewelers. Continuing our journey through Umbria and the valley of the Tiber River, we return to Rome where our vacation concludes. Toast to a memorable trip with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

Hotel: Grand Tiberio

7 Farewell Rome After breakfast, it's time to say a fond arrivederci to Rome, Italy and your travel companions as you return home with wonderful memories of this magnificent destination. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.
- ★ Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 – 100% discount on our standard single supplement.

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# Rome and Tuscan Highlights

9 Days

2 Countries

13 Meals

An idyllic Italian retreat, bringing all your Tuscan dreams to life. When you're not spending time with sisters Sandra and Antonella on their agriturismo overlooking vineyards, you'll get to delve into the life of Leonardo da Vinci and soak up the healing waters of Montecatini spa.

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Tuscan Vineyard

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Sightseeing

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**Your vacation** 

- 1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Italy opens its doors for an unforgettable jaunt through Rome, Tuscany, and two millennia of culture, history and fiery Italian verve. Spend the afternoon exploring the city before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. Embark on an orientation drive past some of Rome's icons and unexpected highlights, including the Colosseum and Circus Maximus, once the site of exhilarating chariot races which attracted thousands of enthusiastic spectators. (WR) Hotel: Barceló Occidental Aurelia
- Journey to the Tuscan Hills Our journey through Rome begins in the center of Christendom, where we join a Local Specialist on an included sightseeing tour to visit St. Peter's Basilica and Michelangelo's muchadmired Pietà. This afternoon, we enjoy a leisurely drive through the scenic Tuscan hills to the thermal spa resort of Montecatini, the largest and most famous spa town in Italy and your home for the next six nights. (B) Hotel: Columbia
- 3 **Explore Renaissance Florence** Your *Local Specialist* will reveal the history of Renaissance Florence during your walking tour. View the magnificent Duomo and visit Piazza della Signoria. In your free time, perhaps take a walk across the beautiful Ponte Vecchio. In the 16th-century, a decree mandated that the only businesses allowed to ply their trade on this bridge were goldsmiths and jewellers, and to this day, some of the most prestigious jewelery shops in the city can be found here. (B, D)
- Montecatini Your Way You have a full free day to relax in the spa atmosphere of Montecatini or join an Optional Experience to Cinque Terre, whose pastelhued villages cling to the rugged Ligurian cliffs. (B)
- 5 Discover Pisa and Vinci Journey to Pisa where we join a *Local Specialist* to view the famous Leaning Tower, the finely sculpted marble Cathedral and the ornate Baptistery, said to be the largest in Italy. We continue through Tuscany, arriving in Vinci where we'll Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist at Museo Leonardiano and gain a deeper understanding of the life of this talented master. Admire Leonardo da Vinci's machines and models, his sketches and handwritten notes, as well as interactive exhibits during your visit. Tonight, Connect With Locals at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia, where you'll enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest dinner surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. (B, BMG, 🔊, 🔊)
- Off to Siena and San Gimignano Saunter through the beautifully preserved medieval city of Siena to see the 13th-century marble cathedral and the shell-shaped Piazza del Campo, home to the biannual Palio horse race. We venture to the walled medieval town of San Gimignano, renowned for its towers. Enjoy some free time strolling through its narrow lanes and shopping for locally-produced delicacies and hand-painted Tuscan pottery - the alluring aromas of pecorino cheese and cured meats tempting you at every turn. (B)
- Tuscan Lifestyle Experience Feast your eyes on the vibrant colors and busy stalls heaving with fresh produce at a local food market where you will join a Local Specialist professional chef for a tasty introduction to Tuscan cuisine. (B, L)



Lunch with Chef Libero. Taste sunripened tomatoes and the freshest herbs with a Tuscan local in a Florence market. before making pasta the Italian way and sampling your own creations. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- Onwards to Rome and the Vatican City Departing Tuscany, we travel south to Rome. This afternoon, we Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist for a guided tour of the Vatican Museums, including a visit to Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. The evening brings a special treat, as we stay at the Vatican Museums for a Farewell Dinner set amidst the stunning Roman and Ancient Greek artworks. (B, FD, 🐠) Hotel: Villa Pamphili
- 9 Journey Home Today we bid a fond farewell to newfound friends and an epic experience, departing Rome. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

"The Rome and Tuscan Highlights will introduce you to the best that Italy's beautiful Tuscany has to offer - art, culture, shopping, food and wine! Mamma mia!"

Our Guest: S. Bosch on Rome and Tuscan Highlights

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Breakfast

# **Italian Discovery**

10 Days

Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

2 Countries

14 Meals

All the iconic Italian cities and some lesser-known treasures like Turin and Ferrara are yours to discover during an epic 10 days in Italy. Learn why Rome was once the center of western civilization, raise a glass to *la bella vita* in Tuscany, and sample all those famous foodie flavors of Bologna.

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Statue of David, Florence



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- 1 Ciao Rome Tread in the footsteps of emperors – your first encounter with intoxicating Italy is the 'Eternal City' and its glorious past which you will have an opportunity to explore on your own before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. This evening, we enjoy an enchanting antipasto of our Italian Discovery during an orientation drive past some of the city's most famous sights. (WR) **Hotel: Villafranca** 
  - Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our exploration of Rome begins at the Vatican Museums where we have priority admission, allowing entry to view the masterpieces collected by Popes throughout the centuries. Dive Into Culture during an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist, admire Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, and visit St. Peter's Basilica to see his famous Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture to Ancient Rome to see where hundreds of thousands of spectators would cheer chariot riders to victory at Circus Maximus, followed by a visit to the imposing Colosseum. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the magnificent sights of what was once the capital of the world, or kick back in a piazza soaking up the aromas of fine coffee while you watch the world go by. (B, 🕬)



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- Onwards to Florence Today we drive north through rolling Tuscan landscapes to the Renaissance city of Florence. Beauty and artistry seep through the walls of the city's exquisite *palazzi*, churches and bridges. Embark on a walking tour with our Local Specialist and visit the Piazza della Signoria then admire the exquisite marble Duomo and Baptistery featuring beautiful bronze doors with relief sculptures. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the fine art and architecture of Florence. This evening, we Connect With Locals during dinner at a Be My Guest experience with Count Miari Fulcis on his 15th-century organic olive oil estate in the Tuscan hills. (B, BMG, @) Hotel: Ambasciatori
  - Admire Pisa and on to Turin A short journey brings us to Pisa and its Square of Miracles, home to the famous Leaning Tower, ornate Baptistery and Cathedral. We continue northwards, past the marble guarries of Carrara and the resort hubs of Portofino, Rapallo and Genoa in Liguria before arriving

in sophisticated Turin. This afternoon, we venture through the grand boulevards of this aristocratic city during an orientation drive which will reveal the impressive Castello del Valentino and Po River, the longest in Italy. (B) Hotel: Concord

- 5 Journey to Lake Como and Milan We leave Turin and continue to the Italian lakes for a stop at Lake Como. Then it's on to the economic powerhouse that is Milan, where we'll enjoy a walking tour with a Local Specialist to explore the city's spectacular sights. We view the ornate Duomo, one of the grandest Gothic cathedrals in the world, the ancient Galleria shopping arcade and the celebrated La Scala Opera House. This evening, join your companions for a delicious Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD) **Hotel: Starhotels Business Palace**
- Off to Historic Verona and Venice Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers feature on our stop in Verona where we'll view Juliet's Balcony and the 1st-century ancient Roman arena still in use today. Crossing the Veneto plains, we arrive in what was once the haunt of Casanova and Marco Polo, enchanting Venice. (B, D) Hotel: Viktoria Palace Lido
- Explore the Floating City Dive Into Culture and witness first-hand the exquisite tradition of Venetian glassblowing - a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience you'll never forget. Board a private launch and cruise to St. Mark's Square, the gateway of Venice and our introduction to such sights as the Doge's Palace and the Byzantine Basilica. Enjoy free time to explore Venice. Wander through the labyrinthine alleys, over its bridges and into quiet squares. (B, 🔊, 🍨)
- Continue to Beautiful Bologna Visit the Renaissance city of Ferrara before arriving in Bologna – perhaps more famous for its gourmet achievements than for being the site of the oldest university in Europe. Join a *Local Specialist* to explore the sights, including Neptune's fountain, the Kissing Towers and Piazza Maggiore. Of course, a visit to the home of tortellini, mortadella, tagliatelle and ragù would be incomplete without taking time to sample its delicious cuisine. Buon appetito! (B) Hotel: Best Western Plus Tower
- Venture to Assisi on the Return to Rome Today, we cross the dramatic Apennine Mountains to the mystical town of Assisi. Come face-to-face with the legacy of St. Francis, founder of the Franciscan Order, during a walking tour of his home town with a Local Specialist. Visit the Basilica of St. Francis and see his tomb, before returning to Rome past the scenic hilltown of Orte. Tonight, we celebrate a journey of discovery through Italy during a Farewell Dinner with our companions and Travel Director. (B, FD) Hotel: A. Roma Lifestyle
- Farewell Rome Our journey together has come to an end so, for now, it's a fond arrivederci to your newfound friends at the end of your memorable Italian vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Optional

Sightseeing

End

Overnight

### Your vacation

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1 Welcome to Rome Kick off your bellissimo journey through the cities of Italy in Rome. Join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. Your introduction to la dolce vita begins with an orientation drive past Rome's most magnificent sights. (WR) Hotel: Grand Palatino

### **Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City**

Embark on a very special included Dive Into Culture sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist at the Vatican this morning. Wander through its Museums and the Sistine Chapel, then visit St Peter's Basilica. Continue to the Pontifical Villas of Castel Gandolfo where you'll enjoy a tour of its gardens and lunch in its beautiful surrounds before returning to Rome. (B, L, 🕬)



### Explore the Pope's summer residence.

Be one of the privileged few to visit the stunning Castel Gandolfo and explore its elegant gardens overlooking a Lake Albano. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- Rome Your Way Enjoy a full free day to explore Rome your way, or consider an Optional Experience delving into the tragic history of Pompeii when you explore a Roman city frozen in time by the devastating eruption of Mount Vesuvius. Your Local Specialist will bring ancient Roman history to life before you return to Rome, passing the Abbey of Montecassino, the site of an epic battle in 1944. (B)
  - Admire Assisi and on to Florence Head to the birthplace of St. Francis of Assisi where your Local Specialist will accompany you on a visit to the Basilica of St. Francis to see Giotto's enchanting frescoes. Later, we continue to Florence. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- Discover Renaissance Florence Enjoy a leisurely encounter with the artistic and architectural marvels of Florence during your walking tour with a Local Specialist. Visit the striking Piazza della Signoria, see the multi-colored marble Duomo and Baptistery, then view Ponte Vecchio. You'll have the rest of the day to discover Florence your way, perhaps continuing your exploration of its historic center or admiring the artistic contribution of the Medici family at every turn. Lovers of art may wish to join an Optional Experience to the Academy of Fine Arts to see Michelangelo's collection, including his masterpiece, David. (B)
- Uncover Pisa's Treasures Cross the Arno Valley to Pisa and join a *Local Specialist* to visit the Square of Miracles, home to the incredible Leaning Tower and

beautifully sculpted marble Cathedral. See the ornate Baptistery and the Camposanto, built on sacred soil brought back from the Holy Land during the Crusades. Later, Connect With Locals over dinner at an exclusive Be My Guest experience, joining the Landi family at their home near Florence, set within a garden of oak trees against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves where they produce olive oil and wine. (B, BMG, 8)

- Journey to Bologna and Venice Travel north to Bologna, perhaps best known for the delicious pasta sauce that bears its name. Your sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist includes views of the Kissing Towers which lean towards each other, seemingly poised to embrace. Then it's off to Venice for an evening at leisure. There's no better way to explore the city than on its canals, and an optional gondola and Grand Canal experience is the perfect end to the evening.
  - (B) Hotel: Principe
- Cruise Venice's Canals Today, you'll Dive Into Culture at a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll gain insights into the delicate Venetian art of glassblowing. Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square to admire the Bridge of Sighs, Palladian churches, Customs House, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure. (B, 🔊, 🏚)
- **Experience Venice's Food Market** Take a leisurely stroll from our hotel along the canals to the famous Rialto Bridge with a *Local Specialist*. Enjoy a guided sightseeing walking tour, which brings all the flavors of Italy to life at a centuries-old food market. Your love affair with Italy's enchanting cities comes to an end this evening after a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
  - Farewell Venice Say a fond arrivederci to Italy and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Sightseeing

2 Countries

13 Meals

All aboard this exhilarating journey through Italy's iconic cities of Rome, Florence and Venice. During your 10 days in Italy, conjure up gladiators and chariots in Rome, shop until you drop on Florence's ancient Ponte Vecchio, strike a pose in Pisa before and discover the secrets of Venice on foot like a local.

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Trevi Fountain, Rome



### Dav

Your vacation

1 Welcome to Rome Benvenuti a Roma, where we begin our exciting journey through some of Italy's most beautiful cities. Spend time relaxing after your travels or take a walk along the ancient streets, tracing centuries of art, antiquities and culture before joining your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive through Rome's intoxicating cityscape. (WR) Hotel: Grand Palatino

**Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** 

We visit the center of Christianity this morning, joining a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour which includes a visit to St. Peter's Basilica to see the Pietà. Our next stop is in Ancient Rome where we'll visit the Colosseum and see the Circus Maximus before returning to the Holy See. Dive Into Culture and gain priority admission to the Vatican Museums where a Local Specialist will take us on a guided tour of the Sistine Chapel, followed by dinner in the midst of the treasures of the Vatican's Anima Mundi Museum.. (B, RD, 🔊)



An exclusive dinner at the Vatican Museums. Go behind the scenes like few others do for a private meal amidst the works of great masters and centuries of history. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Rome Your Way Enjoy a full free day in Rome or consider spending some time in beautiful Tivoli. Join an Optional Experience to see the exquisite house and gardens of the 16th-century Villa d'Este – a marvelous example of Renaissance landscape architecture. As the sun sets over the seven hills of Rome, people-watch in one of Rome's beautiful squares or admire the Trevi Fountain, tossing a coin in to secure your return to Rome. (B)

Journey By High-Speed Train to Florence Sit back on the high-speed train, bound for Florence, and watch the Tuscan landscape go by. Join a Local Specialist on a walking tour to gain insights into the city's Renaissance treasures. View the Ponte Vecchio, almost 700 years old and lined with goldsmiths, then visit the Fine Arts Academy to see one of Michelangelo's masterpieces, the statue of David. Our love affair with Florence continues as we stroll to the Piazza della Signoria, featuring Palazzo Vecchio and the Uffizi Gallery. (B)

Hotel: Ambasciatori

Admire Pisa Cross the Arno River and see the enchanting skyline of Florence from Piazzale Michelangelo before driving to Pisa through the Arno Valley. Meet your Local Specialist to explore the Square of Miracles and see the famous Leaning Tower, the

Cathedral, Baptistery and Camposanto, built on soil brought back from the Holy Land during the Crusades. Over lunch, Connect With Locals at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia where you'll enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest experience surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. This evening, stroll along the Arno River in search of the perfect gelato, see the beautifully lit Duomo or visit a cozy enoteca for some wine tasting. (B, BMG, @)

**Discover Renaissance Florence** Today is yours to discover the beauty and elegance of Florence - a city filled with exquisite galleries, lush gardens and opulent palaces. Consider a visit to the hilltop town of San Gimignano, the 'medieval Manhattan' of Tuscany. Venture outside the city to see Tuscan villages and taste rich panforte and tortas, or shop for the latest fashions in Florence's sophisticated boutiques. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience in the Chianti region for a delicious Tuscan dinner. (B)

Travel By High-Speed Train to Venice All aboard the express train for Venice. We cross the spectacular Apennines and fertile Veneto plain before arriving in this island city. Get lost this afternoon, wandering its narrow lanes in search of a cozy bacaro, peoplewatch in St. Mark's Square, or take an unforgettable gondola ride along the city's enchanting canals. (B) **Hotel: Principe** 

Cruise the Canals of Venice On this morning's MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, we Dive Into Culture and witness first-hand the centuries-old craft of glassblowing. Breathe in the salty sea air as you board a private launch and cruise to St. Mark's Square to see the Bridge of Sighs, Palladian Churches, the Customs House, St. Mark's Basilica and Campanile, as well as the Doge's Palace. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city. Find a guiet campo and pavement café or take a cruise to colorful Burano for a delicious meal. (B, 🍁, 🔊)

9 Experience Venice's Food Market The sights and sounds of modern Venice come to life today as we join our *Local Specialist* for a walking tour and explore the vibrant Rialto Food Market, which has been feeding Venetians since the 11th-century. We wander through the narrow calli - seeing the ornate façades of merchant houses that line the canals, before enjoying an afternoon at leisure for one last taste of Venice. Our adventure through Italy's charming cities is about to come to an end. We celebrate newfound friendships and an unforgettable experience at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

Farewell Venice Say arrivederci to Italy and your fellow travelers as your fascinating vacation comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## **Wonders of Italy**

11 Days

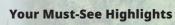
2 Countries

15 Meals

Want the full Italian Experience? Explore the Vatican like a VIP, cruise Cinque Terre's rugged coastline, get lost in San Gimignano's quaint center and discover the art of glassblowing in Venice. From Rome to Lucca and Bologna, the Wonders of Italy come alive over a glass of Tuscan Chianti.

Past Guest Rated feefo

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- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Rome, Lucca, Cinque Terre, Florence and Assisi with a Local Specialist
- Discover Pisa, San Gimignano, Verona and Venice
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica and the Colosseum in Rome, a glassblowing factory in Venice, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and Villa d'Este Gardens in Tivoli
- View the ancient sites of Rome, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Santa Croce Basilica and Duomo in Florence, Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice and the Kissing Towers of Bologna
- See the marble quarries of Carrara
- Scenic Cruise to Cinque Terre and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice



Italy

### Your vacation

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1 Buongiorno Rome Open your heart to a whirlwind of fiery passion, antiquities and hearty flavors crafted by Italian mammas over centuries. Join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive to see the bustling cityscape. (WR) Hotel: Il Cantico

Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Dive Into Culture on an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist at the Vatican Museums. Admire the works of great masters - the Bramante Staircase, the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and the sorrowful Pietà inside St. Peter's Basilica. In Ancient Rome, we pay tribute to the brave gladiators who fought for supremacy at the Colosseum during our included visit. We'll also see the Circus Maximus before a free afternoon. (B, 🔊)

Journey to Lucca We travel north to Lucca for a sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist to admire the 14th-century San Martino Cathedral and Piazza dell'Anfiteatro, built on the site of an ancient Roman arena. Relax in Piazza San Michele or ascend one of the city's ancient towers for panoramic views in your free time. (B) Hotel: Best Western Grand Guinigi

Explore Cinque Terre and Pisa A sea of pastel pinks, yellows and blues cling dramatically to the Ligurian cliffs in the Cinque Terre UNESCO World Heritage Site, which we will have an opportunity to explore today on our included excursion. Join a Local Specialist and travel by boat and train to delve into daily life in these picturesque fishing villages. Stop in Pisa and visit its UNESCO-listed Square of Miracles to view the architectural feat that is the Leaning Tower. (B, D)

Onwards to San Gimignano and Florence The gentle Tuscan landscape gives way to our next destination, the hilltop town of San Gimignano, famed for its stunning medieval architecture and historic towers. We Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience in a beautiful family-owned vineyard overlooking the rolling Chianti Hills. You will join the Lenzi family for lunch and wine and olive oil tasting on their farm located on the ancient road between Siena and Florence. Later arrive in Florence for an evening at leisure. (B, BMG, 谷) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo



Chianti and olive oil experience.

Immerse yourself in all things Tuscan with the Lenzi Family at their beautiful winery and vineyard on the ancient road between Siena and Florence. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- Uncover the Treasures of Florence We join a Local *Specialist* who will bring the legacy of the influential Medici family to life. Walk along the cobblestone lanes into expansive piazze, viewing the magnificent marble Duomo and a replica of the David statue in Piazza della Signoria. View the Ponte Vecchio, almost 700 years old, and the spectacular panorama from Piazzale Michelangelo. The rest of the day is yours to explore the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. (B)
- Admire Verona and on to Venice Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers are remembered today during our jaunt to the romantic city of Verona. Here we'll view Juliet's Balcony and the 1st-century Roman arena, still used today to host spectacular operatic performances. We venture to Venice next, our home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido
- **Discover the Floating City** On this morning's *MAKE* TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, we'll Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassblowing before seeing St. Mark's Basilica, the ornate Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Cruise by private launch to see the city's most iconic attractions before enjoying free time to explore the city on your terms. Wander through the labyrinthine alleys, over ornate bridges and into quiet campi as you get lost in this enchanting city. (B, \,\psi\_, \omega^\*)
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- All Roads Lead to Tivoli and Rome Discover the legacy of St. Francis of Assisi in his home town on the slopes of Mount Subasio. Join our Local Specialist for a visit to the Basilica of St. Francis, renowned for its beautiful frescoes depicting the life of this beloved saint. Continue to Tivoli for a guided visit of the Villa d'Este Gardens with a Local Specialist. This evening we enjoy a special Farewell Dinner with our fellow travelers and Travel Director. (B, FD)

Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna

11 Farewell Rome It's time to say a fond arrivederci to Italy and our newfound friends after a memorable journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## **Italy Bellissimo**

11 Days

2 Countries

15 Meals

If toasting epic Tuscan sunsets, soaking up the sun-kissed sophistication of Italy's most popular cities and olive oil tasting in a real Italian Borgo with new friends sounds like your idea of perfection, this is one of those bellissimo Italy trips that would seduce even the sirens of Capri.

Past Guest Rated

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### Day

Your vacation

1 Welcome to Rome Spend the day exploring Rome on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation. (WR) Hotel: Grand Tiberio

**Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our** captivating journey through Rome begins at the Vatican Museums where we join a Local Specialist to Dive Into Culture and admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and his Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We see the enduring symbols of Ancient Rome, including Circus Maximus and visit the Colosseum, before spending the afternoon at leisure. (B, 5%)

Please note: On certain departures, the Vatican Museum will be visited upon return to Rome.

Admire Pompeii and on to Capri Venture south towards the ancient city of Pompeii. Here we join a Local Specialist who will share insights into the city's tragic history. Later, cruise to the captivating isle of Capri. (B) Hotel: Regina Cristina

A Day on the Isle of Capri Explore the glamour of Capri on a walking tour with a Local Specialist that will include views of the marina. Spend free time shopping at elegant boutiques or perhaps join an Optional Experience to explore the rugged coastline and hidden grottos by private motor launch. (B, D)

Onwards to Assisi We sail back across the Mediterranean to Naples and venture north to Perugia. Here we'll discover Italy's ancient weaving tradition during an impressive MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Continue to the ancient hilltop town of Assisi, where tonight we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. (B, , A) Hotel: Cenacolo



### Learn about traditional hand weaving.

Take a step back in time when you meet Marta Cucchia, one of the last Renaissance weavers in Italy, and hear how she is keeping this traditional craft alive. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Venice Visit the beautiful Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi with a Local Specialist before continuing north to Venice. Enjoy a free evening watching the sunset over the Venetian Lagoon or consider joining an Optional Experience. Tonight's Stays With Stories

hotel was once frequented by Romantic poet, Robert Browning. (B, D, 📣)

**Hotel: Albergo Quattro Fontane Lido** 

7 Cruise the Canals of Venice The Winged Lion of Venice is your constant companion as you cruise by private launch to your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Dive Into Culture and witness the delicate Venetian tradition of glassmaking before continuing to St. Mark's Square. View the Basilica, the Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs. (B, &, 🕬)

Discover Pisa and the Tuscan Hills This morning we travel to Pisa and to its Square of Miracles to view the famous Leaning Tower, before arriving in the spa-resort of Montecatini Terme in Tuscany. (B)

Hotel: Minerva Palace

Off to Renaissance Florence Your Local Specialist

shares all the sights of Florence today, including views of the magnificent marble Duomo, Baptistery, Piazza della Signoria and Ponte Vecchio. Later, you'll have some free time to explore or shop for high-quality leather goods in Florence's boutiques. This evening. we Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience with the Callistri family at their borgo in the Hamlet of Limonaia for a delicious Italian dinner, olive oil tasting and leisurely walk through their olive groves and lemon orchards. (B, BMG, 89)

Venture to Siena and Rome We admire the medieval beauty of Siena today, strolling to its shell-shaped Piazza del Campo. See the hilltop town's extraordinary architecture, shop for beautifully hand-painted ceramics or relax with a gelato at a pavement café. This evening, we celebrate a magnificent Italian adventure with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

Hotel: Shangri-La

Arrivederci Rome After breakfast, we say a fond farewell to Italy. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



### **Travel Director Tip**

While visiting Siena, be tempted by a ricciarello. A local storyteller credits the Sienese Knight Ricciardetto for the shape of these cookies - a mini version of a sultan's slipper, a curious memory from his crusade. This almond paste biscuit will literally melt in your mouth.

**Colleen Borsare** 

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## **Italian Concerto**

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14 Meals

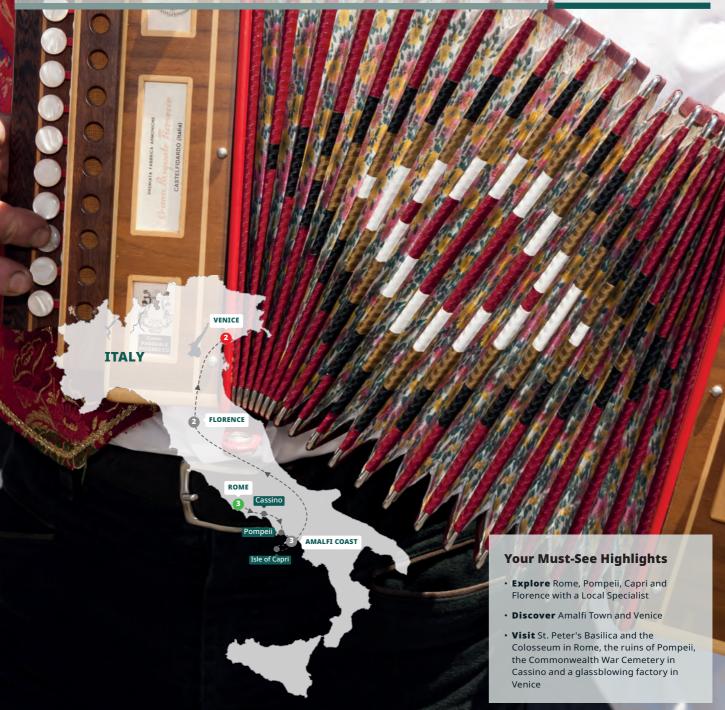
Experience the Italian way of life on this Italy trip featuring all the main highlights and some surprises. Enjoy a sunset feast in the shadow of olive groves in a local family's home, unearth the secrets of Pompeii frozen in time and soak up sophistication on the Isle of Capri.

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Italian Musician



departures and pricing.

### Day

Your vacation

1 Ciao Rome Embrace excess on this leisurely jaunt through the highlights of Italy, which begins in Rome. Spend the day soaking up its vibrant atmosphere before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers at a Welcome Reception. We enjoy a leisurely orientation through the city this evening, venturing into Ancient Rome before our journey through Italy begins. (WR) Hotel: Cicerone

**Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** 

Explore Vatican City this morning with a Local Specialist who will reveal all the highlights of St. Peter's Basilica. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to visit the awe-inspiring Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel. We continue to Ancient Rome next, to admire where exhilarating chariot races were once held, and visit inside the Colosseum. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore on your own. From Roman ruins to Renaissance palazzi - Rome has it all. (B)

3 Rome Your Way Discover why the Italians say 'it is sweet doing nothing', spending your day watching Rome's beautiful people embrace life lived to its fullest. Delve into its treasures spanning millennia – the museums, churches, gardens and architecture that remain as enduring symbols of a powerful city. Or perhaps consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, site of the magnificent Villa d'Este Gardens. (B)

### Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast

Today we pay homage to the thousands of brave souls whose final resting place is the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino. View the 6th-century Abbey that was destroyed during World War II, before venturing south to Pompeii, a city frozen in time. Join a a Local *Specialist* through the excavations that yield the tragic story of a once vibrant city engulfed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. Wander down the stone avenues past such sights as the Forum and Temple of Apollo. We arrive later at our hotel on the iconic Mediterranean Amalfi Coast where we'll dine tonight. (B, D)

Hotel: San Pietro Maiori



### Soak up the warmth of the Amalfi

Coast. Meet the Mediterranean and be sure to sample the local limoncello and laidback life on this 3-night stay in one of the most magical regions of Italy. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Scenic Amalfi Coast Your Way Indulge in a full free day at leisure. Consider joining an Optional Experience along the Amalfi Coast to the seaside village of Positano, a true painter's paradise. You could also

choose to soak up the extraordinary beauty of the village of Ravello which has long inspired musicians, writers and artists. Smell the fresh scents of lemons as you relax in this picture-perfect setting. After a day of sightseeing, perhaps you could spend a relaxing evening sipping limoncello and watching the Mediterranean sky light up in glorious pinks, yellows and blues. (B)

- Experience the Isle of Capri This morning we journey along the coast to the medieval town of Amalfi. See the 10<sup>th</sup>-century Romanesque Cathedral of Sant'Andrea and the Campanile, before setting sail to the glamorous island of Capri. On arrival, ascend to Capri town by funicular for a guided walking tour with a Local Specialist who will share views of the piazzetta - the heart and soul of this beautiful town. Later, we return to the mainland. (B)
- Journey to Florence From the Amalfi Coast, we travel north through the rolling green and golden landscape of Umbria into scenic Tuscany before arriving in the Renaissance city of Florence. You'll have a free evening to amble along the Arno River, admire the famous city skyline at night from Piazzale Michelangelo, or indulge in the finest antipasti in town. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- Florence Your Way Delve into the history of a city renowned for its art, architecture and cultural treasures. Join your Local Specialist for a walking tour, including views of the exquisite marble Duomo, Baptistery and Ponte Vecchio. Wander through the Piazza della Signoria, the center of Florentine political life since the 14th-century, with its prominent Palazzo Vecchio. This evening you'll Connect With Locals at the Trebbio Castle over an exclusive Be Mv *Guest* dinner with your warm hosts, the Baj-Macario family. (**B, BMG**, **⊕**,**⊚**)
- 9 Venture to Venice After a leisurely start to the day, continue north, bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic' and our home for the next two nights. (B) **Hotel: Principe**
- Cruise the Canals of Venice Glide through the bustling canals of Venice on board a private launch. Next up is an unforgettable MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll *Dive Into Culture* and witness first-hand the centuries-old craft of glassmaking, before arriving at the gateway to the city, St. Mark's Square. Our love affair with Venice continues as we view St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs, before enjoying a Farewell Dinner with our Travel Director and newfound friends to toast to the delicious flavors of Italy. (B, FD, &, @)
- Journey Home For now our leisurely encounter with an extraordinary destination has come to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## **Best of Italy**

13 Days

2 Countries

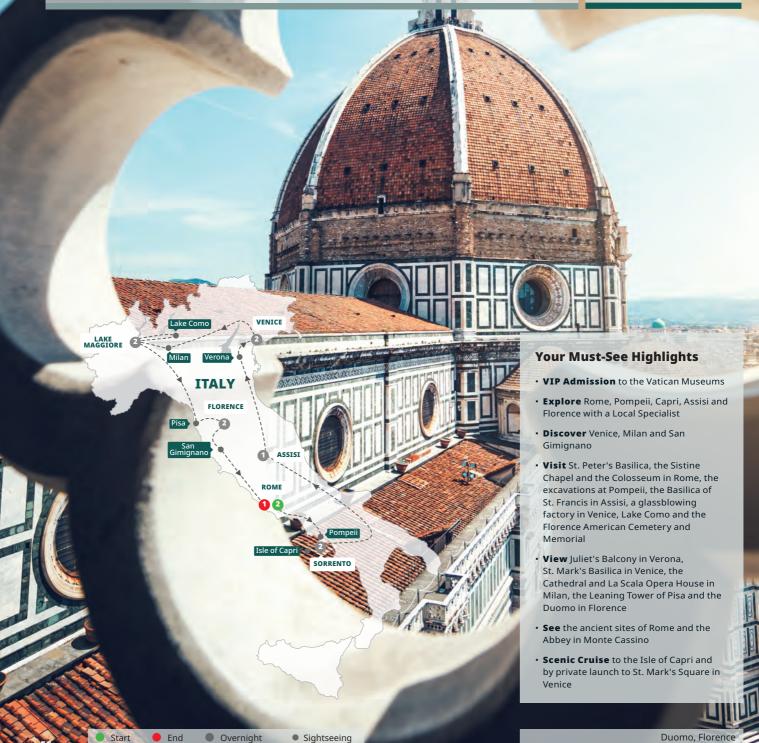
19 Meals

Discover the Best of Italy, from the ancient treasures of Rome to Renaissance Florence and everything in between. Imagine staying overnight in a renovated Franciscan monastery in Assisi, lapping up the chic lifestyle on Capri, and taking a private guided visit to Pompeii to see a Roman city frozen in time.

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Italy

### **Your vacation**

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1 Welcome to Rome Savor some free time in Rome before joining your companions and Travel Director later for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive. (WR) Hotel: Cicerone/Una

Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist for an included sightseeing tour in the Vatican Museums. Dive Into Culture and admire the Bramante Staircase and Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, then see the marble masterpiece of the Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We venture to Ancient Rome to visit the Colosseum and see Circus Maximus. Spend the afternoon at leisure. (B, 🕬)

**Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento** 3 We journey south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Here we join a Local Specialist who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius as we wander through the ancient paved roads of a city that was frozen in time. (B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park/Grand Parco del Sole

A Day on the Isle of Capri Cross the Bay of Naples by ferry to the Isle of Capri and join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour in Capri town, before returning to the mainland. (B)

5 Onwards to Assisi See the Benedictine Abbey of Cassino. Continue north where you will meet a Local Specialist for a visit of the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi. Tonight, we'll stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. (B, D, 😩) **Hotel: Cenacolo** 

Discover Verona and Venice We travel to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers, where we'll view the balcony from which a fictional Juliet once called to her Romeo, and the Roman arena, still in use today. Later, continue to Venice, where tonight we'll enjoy a Regional Dinner. (B, RD) Hotel: Biasutti Lido

7 St. Mark's and More in Venice Today, your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience with the master craftsmen of Venice is one to remember and you'll Dive Into Culture watching centuries-old glassblowing traditions. Continue past the Bridge of Sighs and the Doge's Palace to St. Mark's Square where we will view the impressive square and Basilica. (**B**, ♠, ♠)

On to Milan and Scenic Lake Maggiore Today we cross the plains of Lombardy to sophisticated Milan. An orientation tour takes us past the Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the famous Galleria. Later arrive at Lake Maggiore where we'll enjoy dinner served tonight at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Simplon

Stroll around Lake Como Indulge in a free day to explore Lake Como. This evening, we venture by private boat to a secluded island on Lake Maggiore where we'll Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be Mv Guest experience. Join the Cinque family and hear all about the intriguing history of Villa Toscanini situated on a tiny romantic island which was the hideaway of the great Italian conductor Arturo Toscanini one of the most influential musicians of the 19th-century. (B, BMG, @)



Dinner with the Cinque family at Villa Toscanini Cruise to a secluded romantic Island on Lake Maggiore and join the Cinque family to hear about the intriguing history of Villa Toscanini. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Admire Pisa and on to Florence Tuscany lures us past the marble quarries of Carrara to Pisa and its Square of Miracles where we will view the Leaning Tower. Our next stop is Florence. (B) **Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo** 

#### **Experience Art and Architecture in Florence** 11

Delve into the extravagant history of the Medici family in the company of a *Local Specialist*. We visit Piazza della Signoria with its exquisite statues and palazzi and enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the beautiful skyline of Florence, dominated by the elegant Duomo and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio, from Piazzale Michelangelo. (B)

Treasures of San Gimignano and Return to **Rome** This morning we stop at the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial. Continuing south, we visit the Tuscan hill-town of San Gimignano, featuring extraordinary examples of medieval architecture. This evening in Rome, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Shangri-La

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement.

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## **Italian Glory**

13 Days

2 Countries

17 Meals

Get set for one of our most glorious Italy trips, from the well-heeled streets of Milan to what was once the 'Eternal City' of Rome. Base yourself on beautiful Lake Como for a few days of stunning scenery before the colorful Amalfi coast with its pretty cliffside villages and sun-kissed seaside vibe truly capture your heart.

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Amalfi Coast

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Sightseeing

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### Day

**Your vacation** 

- Journey from Milan to Como Stylish Milan is our launch pad to the Lake District, where we spend the first night of our leisurely jaunt through Italy. After arriving in Como, soak up the peaceful atmosphere before meeting your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. Tonight, you'll stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories and a Lake Como institution. (WR, 😩) **Hotel:** Barchetta Excelsior
  - **Discover Fashionable Milan** The runways of Milan take center stage today as we explore the fashion capital of Italy. Join a *Local Specialist* to see the iconic and unexpected highlights of this hard-working city. View the exquisite Gothic architecture of the Duomo, decorated with over 3400 sculptures, the neo-classical La Scala Opera House and ornate Galleria with its imposing iron and glass-domed roof. (B)
- 3 Venture to Verona and Venice Journey to Verona to view Juliet's Balcony and the ancient Roman Arena, still in use today. Indulge in a leisurely cappuccino stop before continuing to Venice, where we will spend the next two nights. (B, RD) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido
- Explore the Floating City Glide through the canals of Venice by private launch visiting some of the jewels in the crown of the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. On your unforgettable MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, you'll Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old Venetian tradition of glassblowing. Then, it's on to St. Mark's Square to admire the profound beauty of the Doge's Palace and St. Mark's Basilica. (B, ⊕, ₷)®)
- Onwards to Florence From Venice, we cross the Apennine Mountains to Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. Consider joining your Travel Director for a traditional Florentine dinner in the heart of the Chianti Hills. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
  - Ponte Vecchio and More in Florence This morning we join a *Local Specialist* on a leisurely walking tour to delve into the culture and history of Florence. We'll visit the Piazza del Duomo to view its multi-colored marble Cattedrale di Santa Maria del Fiore, Piazza della Signoria, with its exquisite art and *palazzi*, and the Ponte Vecchio bridge that is almost 700 years old. Admire spectacular views of the city from Piazzale Michelangelo. Later, join your fellow travelers to Connect With Locals over a Be My Guest dinner set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. (B, BMG, &, S)



### A Tuscan feast in a 12th-century castle.

Raise a glass of Chianti with the Baj-Macarios in their home, once the place where the Pazzi family plotted against their enemies, the Medici of Florence. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- Off to the Sunny Amalfi Coast Journey south through the Arno Valley, passing the Bay of Naples bound for Maiori on the Amalfi Coast, where we will dine tonight at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: San Pietro Maiori
  - Uncover the Treasures of Amalfi This morning travel to Amalfi, perched perfectly on this dramatic stretch of coastline. See the 10th-century Sant'Andrea cathedral in the heart of the town, with its beautifully striped Byzantine façade, and soak up the laid-back atmosphere. You'll also have time to join an Optional Experience to Positano. (B)
- 9 Amalfi Coast Your Way Relax at your hotel on the Amalfi Coast or wander past fragrant lemon terraces. You have a full free day to indulge in your heart's desires consider a fresh seafood lunch, from sea to table, or take a dip in the welcoming, warm Mediterranean waters. (B)
- The Ruins of Pompeii and on to Rome Embark on a sightseeing walking tour with a Local Specialist and discover the lost city of Pompeii, which was buried under volcanic ash when Mount Vesuvius erupted. Continue to the 'Eternal City' of Rome later, enjoying views of the 6th-century Benedictine Abbey in Cassino en route. (B) Hotel: Il Cantico
- 11 **Experience Ancient Rome and the Vatican**

City Spend the morning in the Vatican City with a Local Specialist, visiting St. Peter's Basilica to view Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Consider an Optional Experience to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel with its exquisite frescoed ceilings. Then, cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to see the Circus Maximus, and visit the impressive Colosseum. This afternoon, we have time to explore the city on our own terms. (B)

- Rome Your Way Indulge in a full free day to explore the passionate embrace of the city and its zesty locals. Ease into la dolce vita or consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, where you can visit Villa d'Este and its magnificent Renaissance gardens and exquisite fountains. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with newfound friends and your Travel Director before bidding arrivederci to Rome. (B, FD)
- Arrivederci Italy Our unforgettable encounter with Italy comes to an end today. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# **Colors of Sicily**

9 Days

1 Country

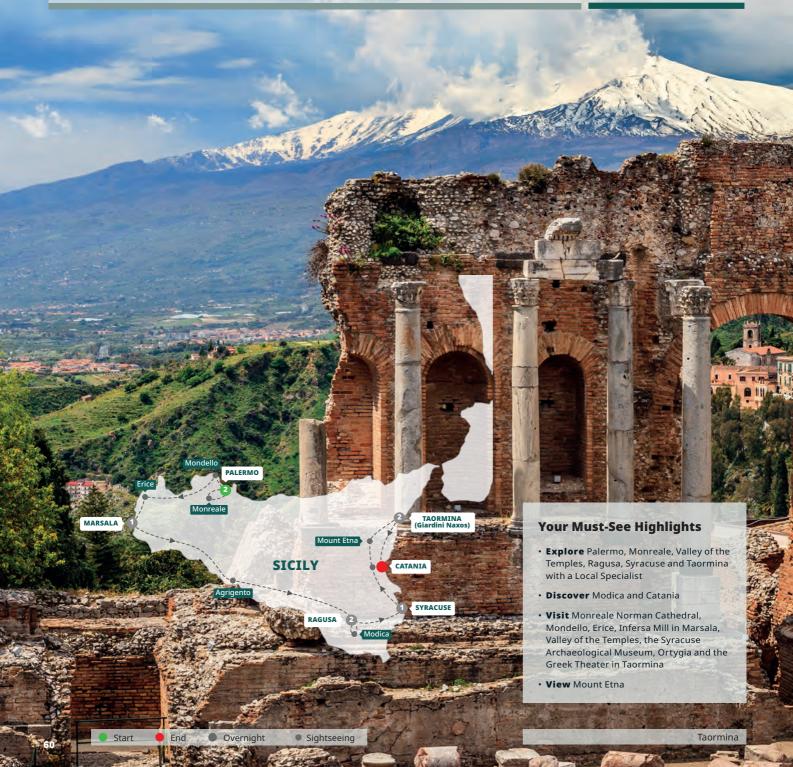
12 Meals

Sicily's vibrant palette of colors comes alive on this trip. Sip local wine on the slopes of Mount Etna, wander the chic streets of Taormina and meet the locals in colorful fishing villages. Top it all off with a sweet treat – all the Modican chocolate you can lay your hands on.

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### Dav

Your vacation

### 1 Welcome to Palermo You'll start your Sicilian journey in Palermo, whose rich trading history has left its unforgettable mark on the city's Italian, Arab and Norman-styled piazzas, street markets and churches. Enjoy some free time to relax before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your Sicilian adventure. (WR)

#### Hotel: Garibaldi

**Explore the Capital of Sicily** Discover hidden Palermo as you join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, and learn about the civil anti-mafia movement. Head to Monreale on the slopes of Monte Caputo where a Local Specialist will guide you through one of the greatest examples of Norman architecture, the 12th-century Cattedrale di Monreale. This evening, why not join an Optional Experience to the beautiful fishing village of Sferracavallo, at the foot of Mount Capo Gallo? Here you'll feast on Palermitano specialties, perfectly paired with delicious Sicilian wine. (B, \psi)

Journey to Ancient Marsala Leaving Palermo behind, we stop in the fishing village of Mondello, historically a favorite seaside retreat for the who's who of Palermo. Breathe in the cool sea air and savor the easy-going atmosphere before you head to Erice, the hilltop 'Town of a Hundred Churches'. You'll have some free time for lunch before continuing to Marsala, home to the nutty-flavoured wine which shares its name. Dive Into Culture along the way, stopping at the salt pans to visit the Infersa Mill to learn about the ancient 'culture of salt' and industry which has shaped this region. You'll be thrilled with an evening at leisure in pictureperfect Marsala with its marble streets and expansive piazze filled with colorful restaurants. (B, 45%) Hotel: Seawater

Onwards to Agrigento and Ragusa Today's first stop is Agrigento where you'll join a *Local Specialist* for a visit to the UNESCO-listed Valley of the Temples.

You'll explore one of the world's most treasured centers of Greek art and architecture, including the seven sandstone Doric temples overlooking the city. There's time for lunch before we head to Ragusa, a city with two very different souls - the lower and older Ragusa Ibla and higher Ragusa Superiore are separated

dramatically by a deep ravine, the Valle dei Ponti. (B, D)

### Hotel: Poggio del Sole

**Explore Beautiful Baroque Modica** This morning we pay a visit to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed town of Modica. Your Travel Director will show you the sights on an orientation of this Baroque beauty before we Dive Into Culture and learn the secrets of Modican chocolate. Later we return to Ragusa to learn about the rebuilding of the city following a 17th-century earthquake which destroyed most of it. Your Local Specialist will reveal how this devastating seismic event led to the development of an entirely new city on a nearby ridge, while some of its brave residents remained to rebuild what was lost. You'll hear how it was only in the early 20th century that the two were eventually fused together. This evening is yours to enjoy at leisure, or perhaps consider joining an Optional Experience to a unique local farm restaurant. (B, 🔊)

Off to Historic Syracuse Once a major Mediterranean power and the hirthplace of Archimedes, the historic city of Syracuse takes center stage this morning as you join your Local Specialist for in-depth insights into its colorful past. You'll see some of its treasures at the Archaeological Museum, then visit the island of Ortygia, the ancient heart of the city connected to the

mainland by a stone bridge. Your afternoon is open to spend as you wish. This evening you'll join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD) **Hotel:** Mercure

7 Venture Past Mount Etna to Taormina Continue up the coast to Catania, the city that lies in Mount Etna's shadow. You'll have some free time to explore on your own and perhaps sample arancini, a favorite Catania snack. Later join a *Local Specialist* to delve into the history and culture of the ancient town of Taormina. A particular highlight of this afternoon will be a visit to the beautifully preserved ruins of the Teatro di Taormina. Imagine masked actors performing against the backdrop of glorious sea views more than 2,500 years ago. You'll have an evening on your own to spend as you wish or consider joining our Optional Experience evening enjoying Sicilian specialties. (B)

### Hotel: Caesar Palace Giardini Naxos

Taormina Free Day Taormina is yours for the taking today. You could choose to visit the 10th-century Palazzo Corvaja with its Islamic-style tower or explore the elegant boutiques along Corso Umberto. Work up an appetite and stop for some of the city's signature cannoli or cool down with a famous Sicilian granita, a half-frozen dessert served with a pipinghot brioche. Movie buffs will delight in an Optional Experience to Mount Etna and Savoca, the hilltop village of 'The Godfather', Later this evening, learn the art of Sicilian cuisine on a charming Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, 8)

9 Farewell Sicily Your journey through Sicily has come to an end. All that's left is to say a fond farewell to new friends and take your airport transfer for your return journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



### **Travel Director Tip**

pottery. Look out for pieces featuring the "Trinacria" - the three-legged woman's head symbolises the triangular shape of the island.

Anna Spadola

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# Southern Italy and Sicily

10 Days

1 Country

14 Meals

The sun-kissed south and Sicily are the star attractions on this mesmerising southern Italy trip from Rome to Palermo. Taste local Sicilian wine on the slopes of snow-capped Mount Etna, learn about the ancient Greek heritage of Agrigento and get lost in the medieval cobbled streets of Erice.

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### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Pompeii, Capri, Taormina, Agrigento and Palermo with a Local Specialist
- Visit the excavations at Pompeii, the ruins of the ancient Greek theater at Taormina, the Valley of the Temples at Agrigento, Erice, Monreale Cathedral and Mondello
- **View** the fortress town of Enna and Palermo Cathedral
- See St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
- Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri

Sicilian Lemons

### Dav

1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma, the 'Eternal City', which you'll have an opportunity to explore on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception this evening. Enjoy an orientation drive - a perfect introduction to this beautiful city, the center of which has been proclaimed a UNESCO World Heritage Site with its ruins, imposing monuments, statues and fountains. (WR) Hotel: Cicerone

**Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento From** Rome, journey south to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Pompeii. Your Local Specialist will take you on a walking tour of the excavations buried for centuries under a layer of volcanic ash after Mount Vesuvius erupted. See such sites as the Gymnasium, the Temple of Apollo and the impressive Basilica before arriving later at your hotel in Sorrento. (B) Hotel: Johanna Park

A Day on the Isle of Capri Take a ferry to Capri, the isle of sirens according to Greek mythology. You'll ascend to Capri town by funicular railway and see the famous Piazzetta during your guided walking tour with a Local Specialist. Spend some free time peoplewatching at one of the local cafés before returning to the mainland where you can enjoy free time in Sorrento. (B, D)



Explore the Isle of Capri. You may never want to leave this storybook island in the Bay of Naples. You'll discover all its glamour, sophistication and secrets shared by a Local Specialist. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Cross the Strait to Taormina Drive south via Salerno and through Calabria, crossing the straits of Messina to Sicily and the beachside resort town of Giardini Naxos below Taormina. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B. D)

Hotel: Sant Alphio Garden Giardini Naxos

**Gardens and More in Taormina** Your *Local Specialist* will take you on a walking tour of Taormina on the slopes of Monte Tauro, overlooking the sea. Visit the Greek theater and see the terraced botanical gardens. Then, stroll along the elegant Corso Umberto with a gelsi gelato and on to the Piazza for splendid panoramic views across the bay. Later, there's free time for shopping for souvenirs and handmade ceramics on the Corso. (B)

Taormina Your Way Enjoy a full day to do as you please in this beautiful resort town. Shop, relax, see the sights of your choice, or consider an Optional Experience. Whatever you decide, your Travel Director will be on hand to help you get the most out of your day. Tonight, Connect With Locals during a Be My Guest experience hosted at a beautiful family owned Sicilian lemon farm overlooking Mount Etna. (B, BMG, 8)

Journey to Ancient Agrigento Enjoy views of 7 Enna on the way to Agrigento, where your Local Specialist will take you to the Valley of the Temples the finest Greek sanctuary in Sicily. See the Temple of Concord and the Temple of Juno overlooking the sea. (B) Hotel: Dioscuri Bay Palace

**Explore Sicilian Towns and on to Palermo** Travel to Erice and discover this famous hilltop medieval town in western Sicily with its cobbled streets, Norman castles and stunning views of the sea, salt pans and wooded hillsides. Perhaps take a walk to the ruins of Venus Castle with its Balio Gardens, Before arriving in Palermo, the Sicilian capital, visit the chic seaside resort of Mondello, with its beautiful beach, popular with the elite Palermitans. (B) Hotel: Garibaldi

Enjoy the Views in Monreale Discover hidden Palermo as you join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, and learn about the civil anti-mafia movement. Travel to Monreale for views of La Conca d'Oro and explore the magnificent 12th-century Norman Cathedral. Later, join your companions and celebrate your journey with a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, FD, \(\preceq\))

Journey Home Say arrivederci to Sicily and your newfound friends at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



### **Travel Director Tip**

While in Sicily, do not miss one of the most iconic desserts born from the blending of two cultures - Islamic and Christian. A sublime taste that will tease your palate, the Cannolo is unmissable.

Alissa Colombo

### Your vacation planner

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Trip code: ITSC

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There's even more to love in the land of La Dolce Vita. Read the full itineraries at trafalgar.com.

### Best of the Italian Lakes, day 7

Dive Into Culture at the Enzo Ferrari Museum which celebrates the history of one of the world's most famous luxury sports cars. Explore the history and exhilarating treasures left behind by il Commendatore himself, Enzo Ferrari, a renowned Italian motor racing driver whose love affair with cars saw him win several Grand Prix. You'll learn about his story, the history of the car company and the significance of its prancing horse logo which remains to this day. This is a true journey into the beauty and passion of Italian car racing.

What our guests say...

"Excellent family adventu The children found new friends, learned about the ancient history and customs in Italy."

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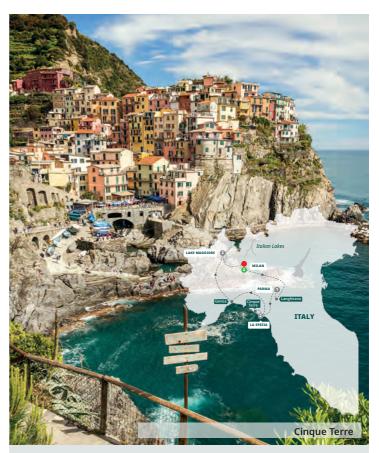
## Northern Italy including Cinque **Terre**

8 Days

1 Country

10 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>66</sup> ★



### **◎** See what happens on trip: #TTNorthernItaly

The Italian Riviera meets Italy's beautiful Lake District on a gourmet-filled encounter with the north and its many treasures. All you need to do is live the high life on this most epic of Northern Italy trips, filled with tales of pirates and princes and the flavors of prosciutto and parmigiano.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Milan, Parma, Cinque Terre and Genoa with a Local
- · Visit a prosciutto factory near Langhirano, cheese factory in Montechiarugolo and Cinque Terre
- View the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan and the Renaissance Palaces in Genoa
- · Scenic Cruise to Cinque Terre

Trip code: INOR

## Best of the Italian Lakes

### Gladiators, Gondolas and Gold

9 Days

1 Country

12 Meals

10 Days

2 Countries

14 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.1<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★

Past Guest Rated 4.8<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★





### See what happens on trip: #TTItalianLakes

Discover the Italians' favorite vacation haunt on this irresistible Italian Lakes trip. Linger over a sweet gelato on the shores of Lake Maggiore, sample the delights of salty prosciutto and parmigiano, then ease into the easy-going local way of life in enchanting lakeside villages.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Verona and Modena with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Bergamo and Milan
- · Visit Lake Maggiore, Lake Como and Lake Garda, Mantua and the Enzo Ferrari Museum in Modena
- View Juliet's Balcony and the Roman Arena in Verona, the Duomo and La Scala Opera House in Milan



### See what happens on trip: #TTGladiators

Buckle up for a travel adventure, all the highlights and some surprises on this most exciting of Italy family trips. Learn how to make pizza like a local, discover your inner artist as you make your own Carnival mask in Venice and dine with a count on his Tuscan estate.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- · VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- Explore Rome, Florence, Bologna and Venice with a Local Specialist
- Discover Pisa
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, the Colosseum in Rome, the Academy of Fine Arts and a gelateria in Florence and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square

Trip code: ITMI Trip code: FGIC

## Best of Italy and Greece

## Best of Italy and **Sicily**

10 Days

3 Countries

14 Meals

15 Days

2 Countries

20 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.7<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★

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### © See what happens on trip: #TTItalyGreece

Admire the art and architecture of Rome and the rich cultural heritage of Florence. Visit the monasteries of Meteora and see the site of the most important oracle in the classical world.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- Explore Rome, Florence, Delphi and Athens with a Local Specialist
- Discover Venice
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, Piazzale Michelangelo and Piazza della Signoria in Florence, a glassblowing factory in Venice, the monasteries of Meteora, the Temple of Apollo in Delphi and the Acropolis in Athens



### See what happens on trip: #TTItalySicily

Ancient history and fabulous food are the cornerstones of this colorful Italy and Sicily trip. You'll enjoy local seafood in Sicily, follow the shadow of Mount Etna and admire the Leaning Tower in Pisa's Square of Miracles.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- Explore Palermo, Agrigento, Pompeii, Capri, Rome, Assisi, Cinque Terre and Florence with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Taormina, Sorrento and Venice
- Visit the Norman Cathedral at Monreale, the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, the Isle of Capri, the excavations at Pompeii, the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica and Colosseum in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Trip code: ICLA Trip code: ITIS



## **Grand Italian Experience**

17 Days

2 Countries

24 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.7<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★



### **◎** See what happens on trip: #TTGrandItalian

A rare opportunity to see the extraordinary limestone trulli houses of Alberobello is the highlight of this grand journey. There's more to this Italy trip as you'll discover over dinner with Signor Luciano, an epic journey across the Tyrrhenian Sea and a visit to Trento with its Austrian influences.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- · VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- Explore Rome, Alberobello, Capri, Pompeii, Assisi, Genoa and Florence with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Venice and Milan
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glassblowing factory in Venice

Trip code: ITGA

### Guest favorite: Explore after hours at the Vatican

It's a very rare privilege to be able to say you've dined in the Vatican and you'll have an opportunity to enjoy this special event first-hand on this after-hours tour. Go behind the scenes with a Local Specialist who'll bring to life the treasures of the Holy See, and spend some time gazing in awe at Michelangelo's exquisite, frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. Sit down to a Farewell Dinner within the Vatican itself, dining amidst the world's cultural, artistic and spiritual symbols which have been housed in the Ethnological Museum for almost a century, a story you'll tell for years to come.



# **London Explorer**

8 Days

End

Overnight

1 Country

11 Meals

History comes alive on this most epic of London trips. You're in for a royal time at Windsor Castle and the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. See life unfold from the water as you cruise to Greenwich and feel the buzz and spirit of one of London's oldest markets - Borough Market.

Past Guest Rated

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Queen's Guards, London

Learn more at trafalgar.com



Optional

Sightseeing

### **Your vacation**

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1 Welcome to London Embrace the pomp and pageantry of a city that marches to its very own vibrant tune. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers later this evening for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your vacation. (WR)

**Hotel: The Tower** 

Discover Multicultural London Embark on an included sightseeing tour with your Travel Director which features Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament, Buckingham Palace and Westminster Abbey. See the stately Changing of the Guard, then spend the rest of the day enjoying a slice of London culture, or join an Optional Experience to St. Paul's Cathedral and the Tower of London to see the Crown lewels. (B)

Journey to Prehistoric Stonehenge and Windsor

Regal traditions and ancient monuments take center stage today as we embark on a full-day excursion from London. Our first stop sees us delve into the history of the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge. Next, we'll visit Windsor Castle, including the superb Georgian State Apartments and St. George's Chapel, before returning to London. (B)

**London Your Way** Armed with your travel pass and recommendations from your Travel Director, make the most of your full day at leisure. Pay tribute to Admiral Nelson in Trafalgar Square and wander down The Mall to Buckingham Palace. Consider a full-day Optional Experience to the enchanting Cotswolds, visiting Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon, with a stop in the university town of Oxford. (B)

**Experience London's Markets and Museums Stroll** past the buzzing stalls of Borough Market, where you'll Dive Into Culture and rub shoulders with the locals who buy the best of British produce here. Spend the rest of the day visiting London's extraordinary museums, many of which are free to visit. Use your London travel pass to traverse the length and breadth of the city. This evening you'll enjoy a dinner and Connect With Locals at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, @, @)

**Explore Westminster Abbey and Kensington** 

Palace Imagine the kings and queens who have visited Westminster Abbey. We'll have an opportunity to explore this architectural wonder on a guided visit with a Local Specialist. Later, visit Kensington Palace and Dive Into Culture, gaining insights into the lives of the Royal Family, followed by an English cream tea. (B, L, )



Explore Kensington Palace. Revel in your behind-the-scenes visit to Princess Diana's beloved home, followed by an English cream tea in the garden. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Cruise the Thames to Greenwich Enjoy one last full day in the lively city streets of London. This afternoon meet with your Travel Director and travel companions for a leisurely cruise down the Thames to Greenwich. Sail under the famous Tower Bridge before enjoying a Farewell Dinner at a historic pub and toast to your unforgettable week. (B, FD)

**Cheerio London** After breakfast, say a fond farewell to London and your newfound friends as you prepare to return home after a memorable vacation in one of the world's greatest cities. Airport Transfers to London Airports are available to purchase. (B)



### **Travel Director Tip**

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## **Real Britain**

9 Days

3 Countries

10 Meals

Medieval castles and the inspiring beauty of the Lake District are highlights on this exciting England, Scotland and Wales trip. Learn about the runaway wedding capital, Gretna Green and Tudor history in Ludlow before you ascend to lofty Castle Rock for spellbinding views of Edinburgh.

**Past** Guest Rated

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Your vacation

1 Welcome to London Brightly colored Union Jacks pave your way to an unforgettable journey through Britain, which kicks off in London. Visit 'The City' and see the imposing dome of Christopher Wren's St. Paul's and the Tower of London, or admire the pageantry of royal palaces, cathedrals and parks, exploring the city on your own terms. Hotel: Hilton Kensington

Explore the Sights of London Join a Local Specialist today for a grand exploration of the vibrant British capital, including such sights as Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament on the banks of the Thames, then Buckingham Palace, the official UK residence of British sovereigns since 1837. Spend the rest of the day on your own, exploring the centuries-old heritage and modern sophistication of London. (B)

Journey to Stonehenge, Bath and Cardiff This morning meet your Travel Director before embarking on a journey to discover what's 'great' about Great Britain, on this mesmerising sojourn past the peaks of Wales and the rolling hills and lush farmlands of England to 'bonnie' Scotland. Head west to visit Stonehenge's stone monoliths, whose centuries-old myths have yet to be fully revealed. The elegant Georgian architecture of Bath takes center stage during our visit to this famous spa town. Here, we'll see the Abbey and visit the Roman baths, before crossing the Severn Estuary to Cardiff. Embark on an orientation of the city to see the Principality Stadium and Cardiff Castle, in the heart of the city. Tonight, we celebrate the beginning of an epic adventure through Great Britain at a Welcome Reception. (B, WR) Hotel: Mercure Holland House

Through the Scenic Countryside to Liverpool The halftimbered Tudor houses of Ludlow feature today on our exploration of this market town with its medieval walls and historic castle. We journey north through the Shropshire Hills and Cheshire landscapes to the bold British city of Liverpool, hometown of the 'Fab Four'. Saunter through its edgy 'Scouse' streets and perhaps visit The Cavern Club, where the Beatles once played, during your evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: Mercure Atlantic Tower

5 Venture to the Romantic Lake District and on to Edinburgh The enchanting views of Britain's Lake District provide a scenic backdrop for our drive north to Scotland. Skirt the romantic shores of Lake Windermere and enjoy views that inspired literary greats like William Wordsworth. We stop at the runaway wedding capital that is Gretna Green where 'Blacksmith Priests' would marry couples over the Marriage Anvil. Later, we arrive in enchanting Edinburgh - our home for the next two nights. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) **Hotel: Holiday Inn Edinburgh** 

Discover Edinburgh's Treasures Ramble up the Royal Mile in the mesmerising medieval city of Edinburgh, where you'll join a Local Specialist on an included city sightseeing tour. Stroll through the Old Town and view Arthur's Seat and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, for centuries the seat of the kings and gueens of the Scots. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Spend the rest of the day exploring Auld Reekie's medieval relics and elegant Georgian and Gothic façades on your own, or join your Travel Director on an Optional Experience to visit Rosslyn Chapel. This evening, consider attending a lively Scottish banquet with traditional haggis and bagpipes. (B)

**Explore Hadrian's Wall and Onwards to York Trace** the northern frontier of the Roman Empire at Hadrian's Wall before crossing the River Tyne and venturing south to the ancient cathedral city of York, whose origins hark

back to Roman times. Walk along the famous Shambles and view York Minster, one of the greatest cathedrals in the world. This evening we Connect With Locals, joining a family at their stately home in York for a home-cooked Be My Guest Farewell Dinner and some hearty British hospitality. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Novotel York Center



Dine with a Yorkshire family. Experience legendary 'Northern' hospitality on this bestof-British supper with a local family in their elegant town house or country home in the Vale of York. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Admire Stratford-upon-Avon and return to London Delve into the story of Shakespeare's life at his Birthplace and Visitor Center in Stratford-upon-Avon, and view Anne

Hathaway's thatched cottage. We return to London this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Hilton Kensington

Cheerio London Say farewell to your fellow travelers and Travel Director as you return home with magical memories. (B)

### The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 4 - 26 August 2023

One of the most spectacular annual events is the Edinburgh Tattoo. It is simply not to be missed. Military bands from around the world take to the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle to play rousing tunes culminating in the haunting melody of the Lone Piper. The Tattoo is run for charitable causes and has donated over £5 million to military and civilian charities and organisations

Trafalgar includes tickets and arrangements for our quests for every trip in this brochure that stays in Edinburgh during the Tattoo.



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**BMG** Be My Guest

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Trip code: BIBT/WIBT

## **Amazing Britain**

10 Days

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

3 Countries

13 Meals

Discover Amazing Britain on this unforgettable trip. From Shakespeare's theatrical roots and mystical Stonehenge to the fresh air and rugged outdoors of the Scottish Highlands, where you'll learn all about the locals' favorite drink at a traditional whisky distillery.

Guest

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4.6/5 Rated

**English Afternoon Tea** 



1 Welcome to London Explore the vibrant mix of old and new on this free day in London.

**Hotel:** Hilton Kensington

#### Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon and on to York

Join your Travel Director this morning and indulge your love of theater and poetry. We travel to romantic Stratford-upon-Avon, made famous by its favorite son, William Shakespeare. View Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage and visit Shakespeare's Birthplace and Visitor Center for insights into his life. Continue to the ancient cathedral city of York where we will enjoy an orientation walk to view its ancient city walls, picturesque Shambles and magnificent 800-year-old Minster. Join your Travel Director and fellow travel companions this evening for a memorable Welcome Reception and delicious local pub fare. (B, WR) Hotel: Holiday Inn

#### Cross Hadrian's Wall and onwards to Edinburgh

We venture north to the medieval riverside town of Durham, whose exquisite 11th-century cathedral sits imposingly alongside Durham Castle watching over the charming streets below. We cross what was once the northern frontier of the Roman Empire, Hadrian's Wall, before enjoying a scenic drive through the breathtaking landscapes of Northumberland National Park. Admire spectacular views of the windswept Cheviot Hills as you cross the Scottish border, stopping to admire the 12thcentury ruins of Jedburgh Abbey en route to alluring Edinburgh. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Edinburgh

Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Fall in love with the enchanting city of Edinburgh as you join a Local Specialist to discover what lies behind its medieval façades. Ramble up the Royal Mile and enjoy astounding views of the Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament, Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Spend some free time this afternoon strolling through Edinburgh and admiring ancient relics. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)

5 Venture into the Scottish Highlands Cross the Firth of Forth to the ancient Kingdom of Fife and St. Andrews. This famous golf course is renowned for its 18th hole and 700-year-old Swilcan Bridge. We continue our journey into the dramatic Scottish Highlands. Visit picture-perfect Pitlochry, on the edge of the Ben Vrackie and Cairngorms National Park, before arriving at your hotel in the Scottish Highlands where you'll dine tonight. (B, D) Hotel: The Highlander Hotel

Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.

Onwards to Loch Lomond and Glasgow's Rich

**Legacy** The arresting beauty of the Scottish Highlands provides a stunning backdrop for today's leisurely drive to Glasgow. View the World War II Commando Memorial at Spean Bridge and admire views of Britain's highest mountain - Ben Nevis. See Glencoe, the site of a bloody massacre in 1692 following the Jacobite Uprising, and travel to the 'bonnie' banks of Scotland's prettiest loch, Loch Lomond. We arrive in Glasgow this afternoon where our orientation will take us past St. Mungo's Cathedral and George Square, lined with statues and monuments dedicated to famous British subjects, including Robert Burns and Sir Robert Peel. (B) Hotel: Novotel

**Explore the Lake District and Journey to** 

Liverpool Today's first stop is in the runaway wedding capital, Gretna Green where eloping couples would exchange their vows over the Marriage Anvil. Returning to England, we Connect With Locals, joining Christine for lunch at a Be My Guest experience in the company of Highland cows. See beautiful Lake District landscapes and skirt the romantic shores of Lake Windermere, the largest lake in England, arriving in edgy Liverpool of 'Fab Four' fame, for an evening at leisure. (B, BMG, 8)

**Hotel: Mercure Atlantic Tower** 



Explore a Cumbrian farm. Experience life in the Lake District with farmer Christine, and her Highland cows, before tucking into a traditional Cumbrian lunch and delicious desserts. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Through the Beautiful Welsh Countryside to

**Discover Bristol** This morning, we traverse the pretty Welsh countryside before we visit the Shropshire market town of Ludlow with some time to explore on your own. Later, arrive in Bristol for an orientation drive. Join us for an Optional Experience that will take us out to the SS Great Britain as well as the Clifton Suspension Bridge along with all the other highlights of Bristol. As the curtain comes down on a memorable journey through England and Scotland, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant with our Travel Director and newfound friends. (B, FD)

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Hotel: Mercure Holland House

Soak up Bath and Stonehenge then off to London Journeying back to London, we visit the UNESCO-listed city of Bath to admire its elegant Georgian façades and the Roman baths from which the city takes its name. Emerging from the Salisbury Plain, the imposing monoliths of Stonehenge are our final stop before continuing to London for a final night at leisure. (B)

**Hotel:** Hilton Kensington

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**Goodbye London** We bid 'Old Blighty' a fond farewell as we prepare to return home after a memorable vacation. (B)

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## **Best of Britain**

14 Days

3 Countries

19 Meals

Explore the Best of Britain on this incredible trip across England, Scotland and Wales, and travel over the sea to the Isle of Skye. Imagine life as a Benedictine monk at Buckfast Abbey, feel the hope of brave pilgrims in Plymouth and be inspired by the beauty of Lake Windermere.

Past Guest Rated

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Welcome to London London's vibrant city streets are your launch pad to an epic journey through the iconic sights of Britain. Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank

Explore Historic London Join a Local Specialist today for a tour of the city's iconic sights. See Big Ben and the imposing Houses of Parliament on the banks of the Thames, then Buckingham Palace, the official UK residence of the British sovereigns since the mid-19th century. (B)

3 Journey to Stonehenge, Bath and Exeter Meet your Travel Director and commence your journey through the rolling green and golden landscapes of rural Wiltshire to the mystical ancient monoliths of Stonehenge. Continue to UNESCO-listed Bath before arriving in the historic cathedral city of Exeter, where we will enjoy a memorable Welcome Reception. (B, WR) **Hotel: Mercure Southgate** 

Plymouth and More in the Southwest Our first stop today is in Plymouth, where we'll delve into the history of the brave Pilgrim Fathers who set sail for an unknown New World. See the Royal Citadel overlooking Plymouth Sound and consider an optional cruise. We take a step back in time at our next stop - the delightful village of Polperro. Continuing along the brooding moorland of Dartmoor, we arrive at Buckfast Abbey where we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into how Benedictine monks have lived and prayed for over 1,000 years. (B, 🕬)

Onwards to Glastonbury and Cardiff Enjoy a scenic drive and visit the ruined Glastonbury Abbey. Head to Somerset for an unforgettable experience with the Dyer family who are your warm Be My Guest hosts on their modern-day dairy farm where you'll Connect With Locals over lunch. Our final stop today is Cardiff, where we'll enjoy an orientation tour. (B, BMG, (S)) **Hotel: Mercure Holland House** 



Lunch with an English Lord & Lady. Lap up a delicious home-made feast at the Dver family's manor, mentioned in William the Conqueror's Domesday Survey of 1085.

Read more at trafalgar.com.

**Explore Tudor History and on to Liverpool** We explore Tudor history in Ludlow and Chester this morning, enjoying views of Chester's medieval city walls and red sandstone Cathedral. Join a Local Specialist later in Liverpool to gain insight into the city's Beatles' history. (B) Hotel: Jurys Inn

Venture to the Romantic Lake District and on to Glasgow We travel along the shores of Lake Windermere through countryside made famous by the poet William Wordsworth. Stop in Gretna Green on the Scottish border, where many an eloping couple have tied the knot. We arrive in Glasgow later for an orientation tour, including views of the Cathedral, George Square and the River Clyde. This evening, enjoy a Regional Dinner in a local restaurant. (B, RD) Hotel: Crowne Plaza/AC by Marriott

On to Fort William and the Scottish Highlands Journey along Loch Lomond, whose bonnie banks

were immortalized in the well-known Scottish song. We arrive in Glencoe and remember the 1692 massacre that led this place to be called the 'Glen of Weeping'. At the World War II Commando Memorial near Fort William, admire views of Britain's highest mountain Ben Nevis. Our day in beautiful surrounds comes to an end with a cozy dinner at our hotel located within the Cairngorms National Park in the Scottish Highlands. (B, D) Hotel: Laggan/Craiglynne

Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.

Discover the Isle of Skye We travel to the coast this morning to the Isle of Skye where a Local Specialist will take us on a journey to admire the remarkable Cuillin Mountains. Later, we cross back to the mainland to view scenic Eilean Donan Castle. Travel through the Scottish Highlands on your return to your Highland hotel. (B, D)

Journey to Enchanting Edinburgh We stop in Pitlochry before heading to St. Andrews. See its famous 18th hole before crossing the Firth of Forth to Edinburgh. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) Hotel: Marriott

Uncover Edinburgh's Treasures Ramble up the Royal Mile today and see the city's iconic sights. The elegant Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament feature on our sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Consider an Optional Experience this evening, including traditional song, dance and Scottish fare. (B)

Continue to York We travel to the medieval market town of Alnwick this morning where we'll see the impressive castle home to the Duke of Northumberland and the Tenantry Column. Then it's on to Northumberland and York, where we will enjoy an orientation walk past its cobblestone Shambles and see the Minster with its 'heart of Yorkshire'. We enjoy a final Farewell Dinner together to bring our memorable journey to a close. (B, FD)

**Hotel: Novotel York Center** 

13 Onwards to Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon and London Shakespeare's legacy and life are celebrated during our visit to Stratford-upon-Avon. Later, we travel back to London for our final night at leisure. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank

14 Cheerio London Say a fond farewell to London and your newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable iourney. (B)

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## **Britain and Ireland Highlights**

10 Days

**5** Countries

12 Meals

Short on travel time but want to see all the Britain and Ireland highlights? This trip delivers the genius of Shakespeare, Waterford crystal creations in Ireland and a hearty Welsh dinner at a local vineyard, with a side of ancient history, in just over one week.

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1 Welcome to London London bids you a warm welcome to its regal traditions and centuries-old heritage. Stroll through its Royal Parks to relax after your journey, or take to its streets to admire elegant façades merged with the modern verve of a global capital that marches to its own multi-cultural tune. Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank

#### Stratford-upon-Avon, York and on to Harrogate

Join your Travel Director today and delve into centuries of history - tales of star-crossed lovers, tragic kings and Roman emperors are brought to life as we arrive in Stratford-upon-Avon and follow in the footsteps of Shakespeare. Visit his Birthplace and the Visitor Center, before embarking on a scenic drive north to the Viking city of York, where we'll enjoy an orientation walk around its historic streets. View the cobbled Shambles, see the ancient city walls and the magnificent York Minster. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Reception in our hotel in the Victorian spa town of Harrogate, our home for tonight. (B, WR) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

Through the Scenic Lake District to Glasgow We journey through the Yorkshire Dales National Park to the beautiful Lake District, which has inspired poets and writers for centuries. A highlight on our journey is England's pretty Lake Windermere, which we'll pass as we continue through countryside made famous by the poet William Wordsworth. We'll cross the border, into Scotland, to the runaway wedding capital of Gretna Green. Here eloping couples would tie the knot over the Marriage Anvil. We drive through the Southern Uplands to vibrant Glasgow where our orientation will take us past Glasgow Cathedral and George Square. Tonight, consider joining an Optional Experience to Braveheart Country for a fabulous dinner and Scottish entertainment. (B) Hotel: Novotel

**Explore Enchanting Edinburgh** From the cultural capital of Glasgow to enchanting Edinburgh, with its exquisite medieval façades, our encounter with Scotland will see us join a Local Specialist for a memorable sightseeing tour. We'll visit Edinburgh Castle, perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city, and see the Royal Mile, the elegant Palace of Holyroodhouse and the new Scottish Parliament. Admire the elegant Georgian architecture in the New Town and amble through the secret lanes of Auld Reekie before returning to Glasgow this evening. Enjoy views of Glasgow Cathedral and George Square before a delicious meal at a local restaurant. (B, RD)

Cross the Irish Sea to Belfast and Dublin Follow the rugged Ayrshire coast, past the island of Ailsa Craig, the stepping stone from Ireland to Scotland. Board the ferry to Northern Ireland, then join a Local Specialist to explore the crossroads of British and Irish culture in Belfast. We'll view City Hall and the dock where the Titanic was built. This evening, we arrive in the vibrant capital of Ireland where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Mespil/Clayton Ballsbridge

**Discover Diverse Dublin** *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of Guinness brewing, enjoy a Storehouse tour and a tasting. Drive through the pretty streets of Dublin with a Local Specialist to admire the stately Georgian Squares, Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral, the tallest church in Ireland, before spending the rest of the day exploring the sights alone. Ramble through Temple Bar or Grafton Street, famous for its colorful

street performers. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience to a rousing Irish cabaret performance. (B, 🕬)

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Journey to Kilkenny and on to Waterford We Dive Into Culture this morning and gain insights into rearing world-class thoroughbreds at the Irish National Stud established in 1946. Enjoy a guided walk through the farm and take some time to stroll through its tranquil Japanese Gardens, regarded as the best in Europe. Admire the imposing medieval castle at Kilkenny before some free time for lunch. Our next stop sees us Dive Into Culture yet again to witness the delicate craft of Waterford Crystal, We'll watch master craftsmen at work during a tour of the workshop and see the exquisitely crafted pieces in the showroom. (B, 🐠) Hotel: Marina/Fitzwilton



Learn about Ireland's horseracing tradition. On or off the racecourse, the thoroughbreds of the Irish National Stud Farm deserve all your praise and you'll get to meet them first-hand. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Ferry Across to Cultural Cardiff An early start to our sightseeing sees us cross the Irish Sea to Wales by ferry and continue our journey to the Welsh capital of Cardiff to view the Wales Millennium Center, National Assembly and historic Cardiff Castle, in the heart of the city. Visit the oldest and largest vineyard in Wales as we Connect With Locals, joining a local family for a Farewell Dinner Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, %)

Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson City Center

Soak up Bath and Stonehenge then off to London Traversing the Severn Estuary into England, we arrive in the glorious UNESCO-listed city of Bath, with its elegant Georgian façades and visit the worldfamous Roman Baths from which the city derives its name. Journey across the scenic landscapes of Wiltshire, paying a visit to the mysterious monolithic stone circle at Stonehenge, then return to London. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank

Farewell London Say farewell to your traveling companions at the end of your vacation, as you prepare to fly home with wonderful memories. (B)

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#### 2024

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## Wonders of Britain and Ireland

15 Days

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Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

4 Countries

19 Meals

All the highlights and some special travel surprises feature on this in-depth UK and Ireland trip. Feel the pride of the Welsh people, see the seat where Irish kings once ruled and sample a pint of the favorite local brew during a tour of the Guinness Brewery in Dublin.

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# SCOTLAND SCOTLAND Lake OBSTRICT Cashel KILLARNEY Ring of Kerry Bibrney WATERFORD CARDIFF Bath LONDON Stonehenge

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- **Explore** Dublin and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- Discover Bath, Cardiff, Chester, York and Oxford
- Visit the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge, the Roman Baths in Bath, the Waterford Crystal Showroom, Blarney Castle to kiss the stone, the Rock of Cashel, Gretna Green, Edinburgh Castle, Alnwick, Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon and one of the famous colleges of Oxford (when open)
- View the Principality Stadium in Cardiff, Alnwick Castle - the home to Harry Potter & Hogwarts, York Minster, Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage and Sir Winston Churchill's grave at Bladon
- See St. Patrick's Cathedral, the Georgian Squares in Dublin and the Lake District's magnificent scenery
- Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry
- Tickets for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates

Traditional Irish Musicians

#### Day

- Welcome to London The cosmopolitan capital of London rolls out its red carpet, with all the pomp and pageantry you're unlikely to encounter anywhere else in the world. Hotel: Park Plaza County Hall
  - Discover the Sights of London Join a Local Specialist today to explore the city's favorite landmarks. See Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace, before spending the rest of the day at leisure to delve into the city's history, culture, art and architecture. (B)
- Stonehenge and Bath and on to Cardfiff Meet your Travel Director this morning and stop to ponder the mysteries of the ancient monoliths of Stonehenge before driving west to Bath. Cross the Severn Estuary to Cardiff, then view the Wales Millennium Center and the National Assembly at Cardiff Bay. Later, enjoy warm hospitality and traditional Welsh pub fare and drinks at a rousing Welcome Reception. (B, WR) Hotel: Mercure Holland House/Park Inn by Radisson City Centre
  - Onwards to Waterford This morning, we view the Principality Stadium and Cardiff Castle during our orientation of Cardiff. We cross the Irish Sea by ferry and travel to historic Waterford where we'll dine in our hotel tonight. (B, D) Hotel: Marina/Fitzwilton
- Admire Blarney Castle and Journey to Killarney Dive Into Culture and watch the master craftsmen of the renowned House of Waterford Crystal. Then, kiss the Blarney Stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab' before traveling to the picturesque town of Killarney. (B, 45) **Hotel: Killarnev**
- A Day on the Ring of Kerry Today we experience the enduring beauty of Ireland's most scenic coastal drive. See Daniel O'Connell's Cahirsiveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap with its panoramic views. This evening, we Connect With Locals at Molly Gallivan's 200-year-old cottage, sharing a memorable Be My Guest experience with the O'Sullivan family and their Kerry cows. (B, BMG, (S))



Dinner with the O'Sullivans. The perfect day exploring the idyllic beauty of Ireland's Ring of Kerry followed by hearty Irish fare in legendary local Molly Gallivan's 200-yearold cottage. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Cultural Dublin Visit the Rock of Cashel in County Tipperary, the seat of Irish kings for centuries. Later, travel to Dublin, joining a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour to see Trinity College, St. Patrick's

Cathedral and the stately Georgian Squares. This evening, consider an Optional Experience to an Irish cabaret. (B) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn

- **Dublin Your Way** Beat the crowds and *Dive Into* Culture when you explore the Guinness Brewery for a tour of the Storehouse. The rest of the day is yours to soak up the cozy atmosphere of the Irish capital. (B, 🕬)
- The Sights of Chester and Liverpool Board the ferry to Wales. Admire the landscapes of Snowdonia National Park bound for Chester, with its characteristic Tudor Rows. We arrive later in Liverpool, joining our companions for a tasty Regional Dinner. (B, RD) Hotel: Jurys Inn
- 10 Through the Lake District to Edinburgh Skirt the shores of England's largest lake, Windermere, as we travel through countryside made famous by poet William Wordsworth. We cross the Scottish border and visit the runaway wedding capital of Gretna Green. This evening, we arrive in Edinburgh. (B) **Hotel: Apex City**
- **11 Discover Remarkable Edinburgh** Join a *Local* Specialist for a sightseeing tour, including a visit to Edinburgh Castle. See Auld Reekie's Royal Mile and the elegant Palace of Holyroodhouse in the shadow of Arthur's Seat, then admire the Georgian façades in Edinburgh's New Town. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)
- Venture to York We journey south to the medieval market town of Alnwick, with its Tenantry Column. Travel to York where you'll walk through the copplestone Shambles, and see the medieval walls and the York Minster, one of the greatest cathedrals in the world. (B) Hotel: Novotel York Center
- 13 On to Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon We visit Shakespeare's Birthplace and Visitor Center in Stratford-upon-Avon to see where the 'Avon Bard' was born and raised. View Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage, then enjoy some free time to explore. This evening we join our fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Mercure Warwickshire Walton Hall Hotel and Spa/Stratford
- Journey through the Cotswolds to Oxford and London Journey to the Cotswolds and visit the little churchyard at Bladon where Sir Winston Churchill is buried. Arriving in Oxford, we'll enjoy an orientation tour of the city to view the Radcliffe Camera and the Bodleian Library, and visit one of the university's famous colleges (when open). We return to London this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza County Hall
- **15 Goodbye London** For now, it's time to say farewell to our travel companions at the end of a memorable vacation as we prepare to return home with treasured memories. (B)

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## **Treasures of Ireland**

6 Days

1 Country

7 Meals

Blaze a trail and tick off the Treasures of Ireland on this quick jaunt around the Emerald Isle, including stops in Dublin, Cork and Cobh, Titanic's final fateful stop. Learn all about Viking history, kiss the Blarney Stone and watch in wonder as the idyllic Ring of Kerry unfolds.

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### **IRELAND** DUBLIN COMPLIMENTARY DUBLIN TRANSFER AVAILABLE **Your Must-See Highlights** Glendalough SHANNON • Explore Dublin, Titanic Story in Cobh and Killarney National Park with a Local LIMERICK FERRY · Discover Waterford, Cork and Killarney · Visit Trinity College, Glendalough, KILLARNEY Waterford Crystal, Blarney Castle, Torc Waterfall, Foynes Flying Boat Museum and the Cliffs of Moher • View St. Kevin's Cross in Glendalough and King John's Castle in Limerick Sightseeing The Temple Bar, Dublin Overnight 80

# **Great Britain and Ireland**

#### Dav

1 Welcome to Ireland Put a little Irish spring in your step and stroll through the lyrical capital of Dublin your springboard to an unforgettable jaunt through the treasures of Ireland. Join a Local Specialist this afternoon to explore the city's iconic sights. Walk the cobbled courtyard of Trinity College and see the Book of Kells. Then, enjoy a Welcome Reception to get to know your fellow travelers. (WR) Hotel: Sandymount



See the Book of Kells. Feel centuries of history under your feet as you visit Dublin's Trinity College and see one of Ireland's greatest ancient treasures. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Waterford and Cork Departing Dublin this morning, we journey to the peaceful monastic ruins at Glendalough which survived repeated Viking attacks over the centuries. We'll Dive Into Culture, watching the master craftsmen of the House of Waterford Crystal as they create delicate works of art. Stop at a seal rescue center for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Our final stop today is the 'rebel' city of Cork, where we'll have a free evening to enjoy a little Irish craic and soak up the lively atmosphere of this university city. Our Stays With Stories hotel is the historic Maldron Shandon, originally the city's first general hospital built in the 1700s. **(B, 🎻 , 🍁 , 🕮) Hotel: Maldron Shandon** 

See the Sights of Blarney and Killarney Stop in Cobh, the charming seaside town that was the final port of call for the tragic Titanic on its fateful voyage. Join your Local Specialist for a walking tour to re-live the timeline of the Titanic, then embark on a scenic drive to Blarney Castle, kissing its famous stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Continue to Killarney where you'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Killarney Avenue

A Day on the Ring of Kerry Stop and admire Torc Waterfall during your leisurely guided walk with a Local Specialist along wooden paths and lakeshore trails. You'll have an opportunity to admire the enduring beauty along Ireland's most scenic coastal drive around the Ring of Kerry. Later, join your companions at Muckross Traditional Farms for a Be My Guest encounter with an Irish rural community from the 1930s and Connect With Locals, stepping back in time to learn about traditional Irish farm life against the scenic backdrop of the lakes of Killarney. (B, BMG, %)

#### 5 Admire the Cliffs of Moher and on to Limerick

Delve into the era of the first transatlantic flights during a visit to the Flying Boat Museum in Foynes. At one time, it was the refuelling point for Pan Am's Flying Boat, the Yankee Clipper. Dive Into Culture as you board a replica Boeing 314 to experience life as a passenger. Learn how Irish Coffee was invented to treat weary passengers whose New York flights were delayed due to bad weather before enjoying your very own cup of 'Foynes Original'. This afternoon, we travel to the spectacular Cliffs of Moher is one to remember and you'll admire the cliffs rising over 650 feet (200 m) above the pounding Atlantic waves, before continuing to your hotel in Limerick. (B, @) Hotel: Greenhills

Onwards to Shannon Our epic journey through the treasures of Ireland has come to an end. For now, it's time to wish your fellow travelers slán abhaile as our memorable vacation comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

Please Note: Your coach returns to Dublin from Shannon on day 6. You are welcome to utilize this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Dublin will be at the airport and Trafalgar Dublin Hotel between 1pm and 2pm, depending on traffic.

"Everything was wonderful. We had a great tour guide and driver who made our trip perfect. The itinerary was everything we were hoping to see when we booked this tour."

#### Our Guest: P. Doucette on

Treasures of Ireland

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## Irish Highlights

7 Days

1 Country

9 Meals

A roundtrip from Dublin featuring all the Ireland highlights including Waterford's crystal, your newfound 'gift of the gab' at Blarney Castle and the irresistible Ring of Kerry. You'll also learn about the devastating Irish famine and peer over the edge at the Cliffs of Moher.

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#### Dav

**Your vacation** 

1 Welcome to the Emerald Isle Tread in the footsteps of James Joyce and Oscar Wilde, through the lyrical streets of Dublin – your launch pad to a memorable encounter with Ireland's iconic highlights. After a leisurely morning, meet a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour with views of Trinity College, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the stately Georgian Squares. Indulge in a little Irish craic this evening, joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a

Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge/Clayton Cardiff Lane

Onwards to Galway and Limerick We journey to Galway, the 'City of Tribes', where we'll see its stone cathedral on the banks of the Corrib and spend some free time exploring its colorful façades. Irish traditions and heritage are explored next, during a visit to Bunratty Castle and its Folk Park, a living history museum that reveals insights into life in Ireland during the 18th and 19th centuries. Continue to Limerick, for an orientation tour and view the 13th-century King John's Castle overlooking the Shannon. (B) Hotel: Greenhills/

The Inn at Dromoland

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Welcome Reception. (WR)

Experience the Iconic Cliffs of Moher and on 3 to Killarney We leave Limerick and stop at the spectacular Cliffs of Moher where we visit the 'Atlantic Edge' exhibition. After a scenic drive, we take a short ferry journey across the Shannon Estuary. Our home for the next two nights is the colorful little town of Killarney. (B) Hotel: Innsifallen/Killarney

A Scenic Day on the Ring of Kerry Circle the spectacular Ring of Kerry - its emerald green hills and vivid blue seascapes provide a soul-stirring backdrop. We'll see Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the coastal village of Waterville, Moll's Gap and the Black Valley. renowned for being the last place in Ireland to get electricity and telephone networks. (B)

**Explore Blarney and Journey to Waterford Cross** the rugged Kerry Mountains and travel to Blarney Castle to kiss the stone and acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Continue to Waterford, where we will have dinner at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Fitzwilton

**Through County Wicklow's Countryside to Dublin** 

Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old tradition of crafting fine glass at the House of Waterford Crystal. Our next stop is in the town of New Ross, where we'll see the monument to John F. Kennedy who traveled to his ancestral family hometown in 1963. We'll visit the three-masted famine ship Dunbrody and Dive Into Culture yet again, gaining insights into the tragic plight of the Irish emigrants. Continuing through County Wexford and the lush countryside of County Wicklow, we journey to Dublin stopping en route at Glenealy Farmhouse. We'll Connect With Locals over a Be My Guest Farewell Dinner and meet the Fulvio family. (B, BMG, 🕬, 🔊)

**Hotel: The Samuel/Clayton Cardiff Lane** 



Dine with a celebrity chef. Catherine Fulvio welcomes you into her home for Irish fare with an Italian twist, along with captivating stories of her family and their home, Glenealy. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Farewell Ireland For now, it's time to say a fond slán abhaile to your fellow travelers as you close the curtain on an unforgettable journey through the 'Emerald Isle'. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



#### **Travel Director Tip**

Allie Lister



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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes
- St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated in Ireland on
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.

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Breakfast

## **Enchanting Emerald Isle**

8 Days

1 Country

12 Meals

Step into this most enchanting of Ireland trips, revealing what life is like on the island. Breathe in the fresh Galway air and wander the flower-scented gardens of Kylemore Abbey before dinner in the O'Connells' home to learn all about the 'lost' town of Newtown Jerpoint.

Past Guest Rated feefo

4.7/5



#### Day

Hello Dublin A warm welcome to Dublin, a modern multicultural city that embraces its past and exudes an enduring sense of fun. Meet your Local Specialist this afternoon for a guided city tour to view the elegant Georgian Squares and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Visit Trinity College and see the Book of Kells, said to be the world's most famous medieval manuscript. A special Welcome Reception this evening sees you visiting EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum. (WR) Hotel: Clayton Cardiff Lane

Experience Irish history and on to Ballina Journey through the lush green countryside before your first stop at Strokestown where we will *Dive Into Culture* at the Irish Famine Museum, delving into the stories of the 1840s famine. See the haunting pleas of starving tenants on the estate and the response they received, before continuing to Ballina. (B, D, 🔊 ) Hotel: Great National Ballina

B Journey to Westport and Galway Travel to Westport and meet your Local Specialist for a walking tour during which you'll learn about the town's heritage – from its settlement 5,000 years ago to modern-day times. Later, visit the Benedictine monastery of Kylemore Abbey, set against the striking backdrop of Lake Kylemore, and stroll through its walled Victorian gardens. We continue to Galway, the 'City of Tribes', where we'll see Galway Cathedral and spend the rest of the evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: Connacht

#### The Iconic Cliffs of Moher and Onwards to Killarney

The sheer Cliffs of Moher plunge dramatically into the Atlantic Ocean, providing endless ocean views and wonderful photographic opportunities which you'll get to capture during a morning visit. Later, we cross the Shannon Estuary by ferry to Killarney, our home for the next two nights. Spend a free evening feeling like a local by soaking up some unforgettable Irish *craic* or delve into the town's centuries-old history. **(B) Hotel: Killarney Towers** 

A Day on the Ring of Kerry Dramatic vistas are ours to enjoy as we circle the achingly beautiful Ring of Kerry – one of the most scenic drives on the 'Emerald Isle'. Meet John, a seaweed advocate and educator for a seaweed foraging walk, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. See a soul-stirring landscape that has inspired poets, artists and writers for centuries, before returning to Killarney where you have the rest of the afternoon free to explore on your terms. Next, a leisurely guided walk at Torc Waterfall with a Local Specialist taking you along the lakeshore and past the farmlands of the 19<sup>th</sup>-century Muckross Estate. (B, D)



#### Idyllic nature walk to Torc Waterfall.

Discover the legends of this waterfall as you explore the Ring of Kerry, passing Muckross Lake and sheep-dotted farmlands. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- 6 Venture to Blarney and Medieval Kilkenny Kiss the famous Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle and receive the 'gift of the gab'. Travel to County Kilkenny to discover the 12th-century town of Newtown Jerpoint and hear about the saint buried there, who inspired the legend of Santa Claus. Later, we meet local farmers Joe and Maeve O'Connell at their home, Belmore House, to Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience and hear the tale of the 'lost' town over dinner. (B, BMG, ) Hotel: Kilkenny
- 7 Return to Lively Dublin Kilkenny holds a long history for Ireland's national sport hurling. Meet an experienced player to gain an exciting insight to this unique Irish cultural experience and have a go for yourself to pitch. Returning to the Irish capital, enjoy some free time to take a walk down Grafton Street or stroll along the Liffey. All that's left to say is a rousing sláinte or two while you indulge in a memorable Farewell Dinner, enjoying a fun night out at a classic public house in the city. Admire the authentic Victorian bar and walk up the original staircase from Trinity College, which was featured in the Michael Caine film 'Educating Rita'. (B, FD) Hotel: Clayton Dublin Airport
  - Farewell Ireland It's time to close the chapter on an unforgettable Irish vacation. We bid our newfound friends and Travel Director a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

"This itinerary is spectacular. Long enough and plenty of free time. So much to see and do. Gorgeous."

**Our Guest: L. Verkovod on** Enchanting Emerald Isle

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## **Best of Ireland**

10 Days

1 Country

15 Meals

An in-depth encounter with the Best of Ireland awaits, from spectacular sights like the Cliffs of Moher and Ring of Kerry to the past and present showcased in Dublin, Galway and pretty Adare. You'll learn all about Irish famine history, former kings and how to embrace the craic.

Past Guest Rated

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4.7/5

Pint of Guinness

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Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

1 Welcome to Ireland Write your own lively tale of legends and iconic landscapes during this epic encounter with Ireland's treasures. We begin our journey in the whimsical capital of Dublin, joining a Local Specialist to see the sights. Irish history takes center stage this evening as we visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, one of the few buildings of medieval Dublin still left standing, for a Welcome Reception with your fellow travelers and Travel Director. Learn how the Cathedral has played an integral role in Ireland's history for over eight centuries and how its most prominent office holder was none other than Jonathan Swift, the famous author. (WR)

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn/Clayton Ballsbridge

**Through the Scenic County Wicklow to Waterford** 

Journey through the scenic countryside of County Wicklow, 'The Garden of Ireland', and on to New Ross - the ancestral home town of John F. Kennedy. Stop at a seal rescue center for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the plight of the starving Irish emigrants who boarded the Dunbrody Famine Ship to flee the potato famine. We continue to Waterford, where we'll stay overnight. This afternoon, we celebrate the centuries-old craft of flint glass creations, as we Dive Into Culture at the House of Waterford Crystal, witnessing talented master craftsmen at work. (B, D, 🔊) Hotel: Marina

Journey to Blarney and on to Killarney Today, pursue the 'gift of the gab' at Blarney Castle, where you'll have a chance to kiss the famous stone. Arrive in Killarney for a two-night stay. (B, D) **Hotel: Killarney Towers/Hotel Killarney** 

A Day on the Ring of Kerry Ireland's soul-stirring Ring of Kerry takes center stage today as we embark on a scenic drive past its mountains, lakes and lush green countryside - unquestionably one of the most scenic routes in Ireland. We'll see Daniel O'Connell's

Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, Moll's Gap and the Black Valley, whose remoteness saw it become the last area in Ireland to receive electricity. (B)

Onwards to Lively Limerick We continue through the windswept countryside, arriving in Adare, one of the prettiest villages in Ireland. Our next stop is Limerick, where we'll enjoy views of St. Mary's Cathedral, the Treaty Stone and the 13th-century King John's Castle during an orientation tour. Delve into an Ireland of old, as you discover the day-to-day life of the Irish during the 18th and 19th centuries on your included visit to Bunratty Castle and Folk Park this afternoon. (B)

Hotel: Greenhills/The Inn at Dromoland

Admire the Cliffs of Moher and Onwards to

Galway We journey to the magnificent Cliffs of Moher which plunge over 650 feet (200 m) into the Atlantic waters below. This UNESCO-listed highlight along the Wild Atlantic Way is one you'll never forget and you'll visit the interactive visitor center which will bring this natural treasure to life. Later, we arrive in Galway with some time at leisure to see its beautiful stone Cathedral or stroll through Eyre Square. (B) Hotel: Connacht

A Day Exploring Stunning Connemara Connemara's 'savage beauty' is yours to explore today as we tread in the footsteps of Oscar Wilde who described its 'wild and mountainous splendor' as magnificent. Admire the views on the scenic drive to Kylemore Abbey, now a Benedictine monastery, where we will embark on an included visit to the country's most romantic castle and walk through its exquisite Victorian Walled Garden. (B, D)

A Pilgrimage to Knock and on to Sligo Our journey takes us to Westport House where we'll Connect With Locals and indulge in a memorable Be My Guest experience with tales of the Pirate Queen, and enjoy Banoffee and Baileys flavors in the Drawing Room of this stately 18th-century home. Heading north, we stop in the pilgrimage town of Knock to view the Marian Shrine where villagers witnessed an apparition of Our Lady in 1879. We arrive in Sligo this evening, our home for the night. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Clayton



Morning tea in Westport House. Tales of a Pirate Queen are the perfect match for sweet and savory treats in the restored Victorian Old Kitchens of this stately 18thcentury home. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Return to Lively Dublin Our journey continues south to Dublin. Here we'll enjoy some free time to take a walk down Grafton Street or stroll along the Liffey. This evening, we close the chapter on an epic journey through Ireland, joining our fellow travelers for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Clayton **Dublin Airport** 

Farewell Ireland After a hearty Irish breakfast, we bid our Travel Director and fellow travelers a fond farewell as our Irish vacation comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

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Special Rate Solo Rooming: This departure includes 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement.

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® **BMG** Be My Guest

## **Irish Experience**

11 Days

2 Countries

16 Meals

Explore the Emerald Isle on this most in-depth of Irish experience trips, filled with tales of mythical creatures and the troubled history of an island split in two. Beyond soul-stirring landscapes, there's time with a local 'Cabbie' who'll guide you through Belfast.

Past Guest Rated

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1 Welcome to Ireland Embrace your playful side and discover the lively Irish capital before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers this afternoon for a sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist. See the stately Georgian Squares and Trinity College before enjoying a Welcome Reception this evening at St. Patrick's Cathedral, which was built in honor of Ireland's patron saint over eight centuries ago. (WR) Hotel: Mespil/The Samuel

Journey to Colorful Belfast Leaving the cosmopolitan streets of Dublin behind, we travel to Belfast, where we'll have some free time for lunch. Later, we meet our Local Specialist 'Cabbie' for an insider view of the city's living history on a journey through its vibrant streets in a real taxi. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure, or perhaps join an Optional Experience. (B)

**Hotel: AC by Marriott** 

Venture to the Giant's Causeway and on to Londonderry Dive Into Culture during a visit to the award-winning Titanic Belfast Experience. Gain insights into the tragic story of the Titanic and its passengers who lost their lives in the icy Atlantic. We leave the city behind us, traveling to the Giant's Causeway for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience as we walk in the footsteps of Finn MacCool. Our visit will help to conserve this iconic natural landmark. Take some time to admire the natural spectacle of 40,000 interlocking basalt columns before continuing to Londonderry, our home for the next two nights. (B, 🔊, 🏚) Hotel: City

Discover Londonderry's Past Join your Local Specialist for a walk along the 17th-century city walls and see the formerly turbulent Bogside neighborhood, with its street murals depicting the history of the 'Troubles'. Spend the afternoon on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience to Inishowen Peninsula. This evening we dine at our hotel. (B, D)

Onwards to Scenic Galway We journey through the lush countryside to Belleek, where we'll Dive Into Culture and witness talented pottery craftsmen create the exquisite collectables that have graced homes since the mid-19th century. Arrive in Galway later, where we will stay for the next two nights. (B, D, 5%)

Hotel: Maldron Oranmore/Maldron Sandy Road

Connemara Excursion The rugged beauty of Connemara was captured in the film 'The Quiet Man' with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. Its loughs and mountains are yours to explore today during a scenic drive. We arrive at Kylemore Abbey later to visit the country's most romantic castle and ramble through the hidden nooks of its Victorian walled garden. Returning to Galway, we enjoy some free time to explore its imposing stone Cathedral or stroll through Eyre Square, which John F. Kennedy visited in 1963. (B)

**Explore the Cliffs of Moher and Killarney** See the imposing UNESCO-listed Cliffs of Moher, you'll visit the 'Atlantic Edge' exhibition and see this extraordinary natural phenomenon in a way that only the wildlife of the area get to see. We Connect With Locals and join Oonagh to forage before our Be My Guest visit to Barrtra Seafood restaurant where she will reveal the importance of buying local produce. Board a ferry across the tranquil Shannon Estuary river and continue through County Kerry, where we'll have an evening at leisure or join in the craic at an optional Irish ceilidh. (B, BMG, 🗞) Hotel: Killarney Towers



Wild food walk on the Atlantic. Meet local horticulturist Oonagh and forage for mussels, seaweed and other wild ingredients in Liscannor Bay, followed by a delicious lunch. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

A Day on the Ring of Kerry The soul-stirring landscapes of Iveragh Peninsula feature on our scenic coastal drive around the Ring of Kerry. En route, we will see Killorglin, famous for its annual 'Puck Fair', as well as Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap. (B, D)

Off to Blarney, Waterford and Kilkenny Today you might acquire the 'gift of the gab', bending over backwards to kiss the Blarney Stone before we travel to Waterford. Admire the delicate creations of fine crystal during a visit to the House of Waterford Crystal where we will Dive Into Culture and witness a demonstration by master craftsmen. This evening, we arrive in Kilkenny. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Kilkenny

Through County Wicklow's Countryside to Dublin After a morning exploration of Kilkenny, we depart for

New Ross where we'll see the monument to John F. Kennedy, who visited his ancestral family hometown in 1963. We Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the tragic plight of Irish emigrants during the potato famine of the 1800s on our visit to the nearby threemasted Dunbrody Famine Ship. Journey through the lush Irish countryside of County Wicklow, the 'Garden of Ireland', and back to Dublin later. Here we'll spend our final evening at a Farewell Dinner with our travel companions sharing stories of a memorable journey through Ireland. (B, FD, @) Hotel: Sandymount/ **Clayton Cardiff Lane** 

Farewell Dublin It's time to say a fond farewell to Ireland and newfound friends as you prepare to end your wonderful Irish experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Breakfast

## **Amazing Ireland**

14 Days

2 Countries

18 Meals

Take your time to soak up all that this leisurely Ireland trip has to offer. From iconic sights like the Titanic Belfast, Kilkenny Castle and Giant's Causeway to heartfelt moments and a tasty meal with a celebrity chef at her home in Ballyknocken, this is Ireland at its finest.

Guest Rated feefo

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Sightseeing

Overnight

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Belfast, Londonderry and Dublin with a Local Specialist
- Discover Donegal, Galway, Cork and Waterford
- Visit the Titanic Experience in Belfast, the Giant's Causeway, Belleek Pottery Visitor Center, Kylemore Abbey, Connemara, Cliffs of Moher, Blarney Castle, the John F. Kennedy Arboretum and the Dunbrody Famine Ship in New Ross, Kilkenny the home of hurling and participate in a game, and Waterford Crystal
- **View** the Antrim Coast and the Marian Shrine in Knock
- See City Hall in Belfast, the Cathedral of Galway and Trinity College and the Georgian Squares in Dublin
- Scenic Cruise across the Shannon Estuary
- Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

#### Day

1 Welcome to the Emerald Isle Dublin is our first stop on this epic journey, which begins as you join your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your travels. (WR)

#### **Hotel:** Maldron Kevin Street

Onwards to Beautiful Belfast Belfast beckons today and we journey to Northern Ireland for some time at leisure. Join a Local Specialist to view the historic murals and see the City Hall. Dive Into Culture at the Titanic Belfast Experience, gaining insights into the world's most famous ship and the tragedy that befell it. This evening, we dine in our hotel. (B, D, 45)

**Hotel: Maldron City** 

A Day at the Giant's Causeway Visit the Giant's Causeway for a memorable MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Your visit will help to conserve this iconic landmark, the result of ancient volcanic activity. (B, \psi)

#### **Journey to Londonderry and County Donegal**

Traversing Northern Ireland, we arrive at the old walled city of Londonderry, where we join a Local Specialist who will reveal the former struggles of the region, during a visit of the People's Gallery in Bogside. (B, D) Hotel: Kee's

Admire Belleek's Famous Pottery Explore the town of Donegal located at the mouth of the River Eske and Donegal Bay. Consider visiting the ancient Donegal Castle, once the stronghold of the O'Donnell clan. This afternoon, we visit Belleek where we'll Dive Into Culture and learn about the locally made Irish pottery for which the region is famous. (B, 🕬)

Pilgrimage to Knock and on to Galway Continuing to the pilgrimage town of Knock, we visit the beautiful Marian Shrine where the Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph, and John the Evangelist are said to have made an appearance to the townsfolk in 1879. We complete the day's journey in Galway. (B) Hotel: Maldron Oranmore

7 Admire Stunning Connemara The untamed landscapes of Connemara provide a soul-stirring backdrop for your scenic drive to Kylemore Abbey. This afternoon spend free time in Galway, before enjoying dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

**Explore the Cliffs of Moher and Killarney** Our encounter with the rugged beauty of Ireland continues as we see the spectacular Cliffs of Moher plunging into the wild Atlantic. Later, we cross the serene Shannon Estuary by ferry to Killarney. This evening is yours to spend as you wish, but perhaps we can tempt you with a bit of craic at a traditional Irish ceilidh. (B)

**Hotel: International** 

A Day on the Ring of Kerry Circle the mystical Ring of Kerry. View the island's stunning scenery as you journey through Moll's Gap and take a moment to capture the marvelous natural scenery at Ladies View. You'll have an evening at leisure to explore on your own. (B)



#### Explore the mystical Ring of Kerry.

You'll wish you could stay forever, watching the staggering natural scenery unfold at epic viewpoints like Ladies View. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

See the Sights in Blarney, Cork and Waterford

Your 'gift of the gab' secured after kissing the Blarney Stone, we venture to Cork. Our final stop today is in medieval Waterford where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Marina

Uncover the Treasures of Kilkenny A leisurely start to your morning could see you stroll along Meagher's Quay, before you visit the House of Waterford to Dive *Into Culture* and witness the art of creating exquisite crystal. Travel to the medieval city of Kilkenny, home to the world's fastest field game. The ancient Celtic sport of hurling is over 3,000 years old and Ireland's national sport. Meet an experienced player who will share his passion, as you test your skills during a lesson. We spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure in Waterford. (B, 55%)

Venture to Wexford and Return to Dublin Traverse beautiful County Wexford to the John F. Kennedy Arboretum. We take a step back in time to the 1800s as we visit the three-masted Dunbrody Famine Ship, where we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the tragic potato famine. We join the Fulvio family and *Connect* With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience, savoring Irish fare with an Italian twist served at their Ballyknocken Farmhouse near Dublin. (B, BMG, @, ©) **Hotel: Maldron Kevin Street** 

**Discover Diverse Dublin** We wander through Dublin 13 this morning, joining a *Local Specialist* for a superb sightseeing tour that will see us view Trinity College and the magnificent Georgian Squares. This evening, let the rousing sounds of a traditional Irish cabaret tempt you for an Optional Experience that will have you dancing your way through the Dublin streets. (B)

Farewell Ireland Our memorable journey through Ireland is at its end. All that's left to say is slán abhaile to newfound friends as you prepare to depart for home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Trip code: IRMZ

# Highlights of Ireland and Scotland

11 Days

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

3 Countries

14 Meals

Tick off all the travel highlights on this Scotland and Ireland trip, filled with tons of craic and special moments with friends, whether you're hopping across the mythical stones of Giant's Causeway or passing the lovely lochs, Highlands and castles of Scotland.

Past Guest Rated

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Scottish Tartan



#### Day

1 Hello Dublin You're in for a lyrical love affair with Ireland's whimsical capital, your launch pad to an enchanting encounter with the 'Emerald Isle' and Scotland. This evening, you'll join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: The Samuel

Journey to Harborside Galway Poetry and politics, music and literature - Dublin is famous for all this and more as you'll come to discover when you join a Local Specialist to delve into the city's iconic sights, tumultuous history and even a few hidden gems. Tread in the footsteps of Arthur Guinness, James Joyce and Bono as you pound the cobbled pavements in search of Dublin's many stories. Then, leave the capital behind bound for the harbor city of Galway, known as the 'City of the Tribes'. (B) Hotel: Maldron Sandy Road

Admire Stunning Connemara Connemara's 'savage beauty' takes center stage today on your full-day excursion through the endless shades of green which once captured the heart of Oscar Wilde. Visit Kylemore Abbey, a magnificent castellated structure built as a family home and now inhabited by a group of Benedictine nuns. Later, we visit the Connemara Celtic Crystal Factory where you'll Dive Into Culture and witness first-hand how their famous crystal designs are made. (B. 45)

Onwards to Donegal See firsthand why the rugged beauty of Cong was chosen as the backdrop of John Wayne's award winning 'The Quiet Man'. Connect With Locals at Ireland's largest sheep farm, Glen Keen Farm, for a heart-warming Be My Guest experience with your hosts, Catherine, Jim and their son James. You'll watch in deep admiration as the energetic collies herd sheep and enjoy a traditional tea of scones, freshly whipped cream and jam. Then, continue to Donegal, the gateway to the Wild Atlantic Way. (B, BMG, (S) Hotel: Central/ The Abbev

Venture to Londonderry and Belfast Start your day with a visit to Londonderry where a Local Specialist will take you on a stroll along its ancient walls. Follow the scenic Causeway Coastal Route through rolling countryside and past rugged cliffs to the Giant's Causeway for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Your visit will help to conserve this iconic landmark. Continue to Belfast, your home for the next two nights. (B, 1) **Hotel: AC by Marriott** 

**Discover Colorful Belfast** Explore Northern Ireland's trendy capital today, starting with a visit to the Titanic Belfast Experience, where you'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the tragic story of the famous ship. Your Local Specialist will join you for a sightseeing tour through the city. Take the rest of the afternoon to explore at your leisure, perhaps consider joining a Local Specialist 'Cabbie' who will take you on a journey through the recent history of Belfast in their taxi. (B, 🕬)

Cross the Irish Sea to Glasgow Bid Ireland farewell as you board your ferry to Scotland. Follow the rugged Ayrshire coast past Ailsa Craig, then continue to Glasgow, where you'll enjoy an orientation of a city that exudes edginess. (B) Hotel: Maldron

**Uncover Loch Ness and the Scottish Highlands** Sensational scenery follows your journey through the Scottish Highlands from Glasgow to Newtonmore. Loch Lomond sets the tone with views over the water to craggy Ben Lomond. Continue to Glencoe where

the tragic 17th-century massacre of the MacDonalds turned the wild beauty of this valley into a 'Glen of Weeping'. Then, on to Fort William, before arriving in Loch Ness, where you'll keep a keen eye out for the beloved monster that lurks beneath its surface. (B, D)

#### **Hotel: Highlander**

Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.

Continue to Elegant Edinburgh It's never too early for a wee dram when you travel the wilds of Scotland. Your day begins with a visit to Pitlochry and to a whisky distillery where you'll Dive Into Culture and learn how Scotland's golden goodness is made. Continue to the home of golfing gods, St. Andrews. You'll view its famous 18th hole before continuing to Edinburgh, Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B, 🕬) Hotel: Novotel **Edinburgh Park** 



Whisky tasting in Scotland. Learn all about the world's finest and smoothest Scotch whisky while enjoying a wee dram of 12-year-old single malt at a whisky distillery. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Explore Edinburgh Your Local Specialist will guide your sightseeing tour through its medieval Old Town to the elegant Georgian façades. See the Royal Mile and the Palace of Holyroodhouse before visiting Edinburgh Castle, perched atop Castle Rock. This afternoon, you'll have some free time to explore on your own before joining your travel companions for a rousing Farewell Dinner to toast your memorable journey together. (B, FD)

11 Journey Home Imbued with Gaelic spirit, your vacation has come to an end. Bid your new friends a fond farewell as you prepare for your return journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner



## **Best of Ireland and Scotland**

15 Days

3 Countries

20 Meals

Travel to see the very Best of Ireland and Scotland, from delicate Waterford Crystal to the golfing greats of St. Andrews. Kiss the Blarney Stone and you'll be sharing tales from Giant's Causeway, the Ring of Kerry and the Scottish Highlands for years to come.

Past Guest Rated feefo

4.5/

Learn more at trafalgar.com



Sightseeing

Start

End

Overnight

Welcome to Dublin Delve into the whimsy of the Irish capital, then join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. (WR)

Hotel: Mespil/Clayton Ballsbridge

**Discover Diverse Dublin** Drive through the streets of Dublin, joining your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour past the stately Georgian Squares and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Spend the rest of the day on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience at an Irish cabaret. (B)

3 Journey to Waterford Dive Into Culture and explore Ireland's strong tradition of breeding world-class thoroughbreds at the Irish National Stud in Kildare. We travel to the House of Waterford Crystal this afternoon and Dive Into Culture yet again, witnessing talented master craftsmen at work in their workshop. (B, 45%) Hotel: Fitzwilton

Onwards to Blarney and Killarney Maybe bend over backwards and kiss the Blarney Stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab', before crossing the Kerry Mountains to County Kerry. We visit the working farms of Muckross, we'll Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest visit to Quilles Farmhouse. (B, BMG, ©) **Hotel: Killarney Towers/Hotel Killarney** 

A Day on the Ring of Kerry Embark on a soul-stirring journey around the Ring of Kerry. See Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap. (B)

Continue to Galway and Ballina Drive to Adare, one of Ireland's prettiest villages, known for its thatched cottages. See the imposing stone cathedral, built on the site of an old prison and Eyre Square on our next stop in Galway, where we'll enjoy some free time to explore the city before continuing our journey northward. This evening we dine in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Ballina

Off to Donegal and on to Londonderry Head north to Donegal with its 'Diamond' center before joining a Local Specialist in Londonderry to see the 'Troubles' neighborhood of Bogside. (B) Hotel: City

Admire the Giant's Causeway and on to Belfast

Tread in the footsteps of Finn McCool and along the other-worldly Giant's Causeway 'steps' that descend into the sea during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Your visit will help to conserve this iconic landmark. We arrive in Belfast later and visit the Titanic Belfast Experience, where we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the tragic story of the famous ship. (B, 🍁, 🔊) Hotel: AC by Marriott

Cross the Irish Sea to Glasgow Join your Local Specialist in Belfast this morning for an included city tour to Queen's University and City Hall. We board our ferry in Belfast and cross to Cairnryan in Scotland, driving to Glasgow. (B) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn City Centre/ Maldron

Discover Glasgow's Rich Legacy Delve into Scotland's intriguing cultural capital and stroll through the toon to admire views of George Square and the River Clyde, once the heart of Scotland's shipbuilding industry. We head to whisky country next, visiting a whisky distillery where we'll Dive Into Culture and learn how to make Scotland's favorite honey-colored drink with a chance to sample a wee dram. We return to Glasgow for some free time to explore the city. (B, 45) 11 Continue Over the Sea to Skye Journey to the tragic site of the 1692 massacre of the MacDonalds at the 'Glen of Weeping'. Continue to Fort William at the foot of Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis. Then, cross to the Isle of Skye, where we'll spend this evening dining in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Dunollie

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Explore the Isle of Skye. Leave Scotland's mainland for the rugged and magical Isle of Skye, where you'll discover a distinctly different pace of life in the Inner Hebrides. discover more at trafalgar.com.

Venture to Loch Ness and Culloden in the Scottish Highlands We leave the rugged beauty of Skye behind and venture past Eilean Donan Castle before continuing along the banks of Loch Ness. See the bloody battlefield of Culloden. This evening we dine at our hotel in the Scottish Highlands. (B, D) Hotel: Highlander

13 Journey to Enchanting Edinburgh Traversing the dramatic landscapes of the Scottish Highlands, we pass Pitlochry before arriving in St. Andrews to see its famous golf course. We cross the scenic Firth of Forth to enchanting Edinburgh. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) **Hotel: Novotel Centre/Marriott** 

Uncover Edinburgh's Treasures Join your Local Specialist for a guided sightseeing tour including a visit to Edinburgh Castle. See the Royal Mile, the elegant Palace of Holyrood in the shadow of Arthur's Seat, and the new Scottish Parliament building. We join our Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. (B. FD)

15 Farewell Edinburgh For now it's time to say a fond farewell to Scotland and our newfound friends, at the end of an unforgettable Celtic sojourn. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

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- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 – 100% discount on our standard single

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## **Best of Scotland**

7 Days

Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

1 Country

10 Meals

Experience the Best of Scotland from Edinburgh Castle to the eclectic streets of Glasgow. Revel in the romance and history of the Scottish Highlands and contemplate the mysterious depths of Loch Ness, before toasting bonnie Scotland's lochs, glens and legendary locals.

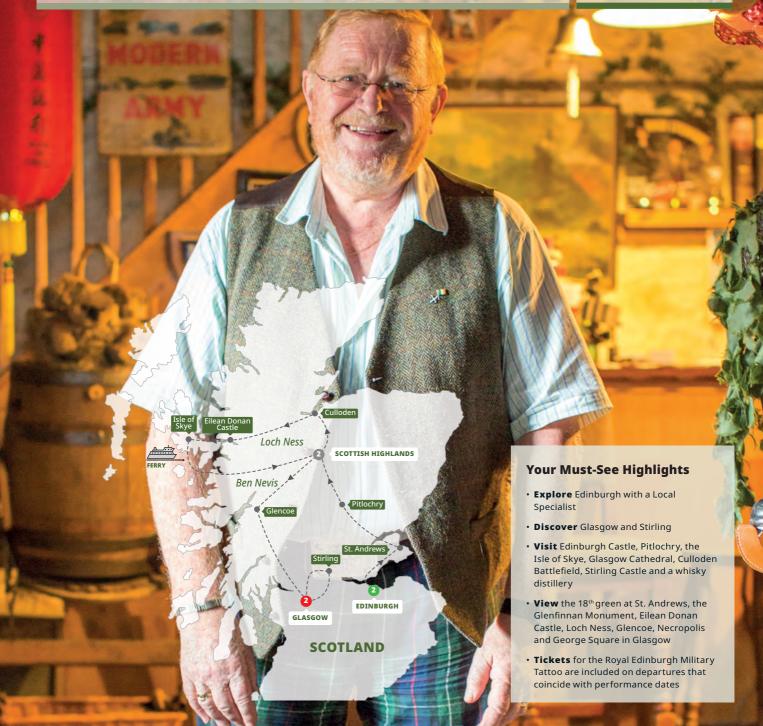
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Connect With Locals, Ledard Farm

**Guest** Rated

4.5/5



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1 Welcome to Edinburgh Get lost in the narrow lanes of Edinburgh - the Scottish capital with a mystical air combining ancient heritage with the verve of a modern city. Spend your day at leisure delving into its rich history and embracing the warm culture of the Scots, before joining your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception with a light meal and drinks. (WR) Hotel: Novotel Centre/Marriott

**Discover Enchanting Edinburgh** Join your *Local* Specialist this morning for an intriguing sightseeing tour of the city. Ascend Castle Rock and visit Edinburgh Castle, which watches over the surrounding city from its elevated vantage point. Stroll through the Old Town along the Royal Mile and see the stunning Palace of Holyroodhouse, before enjoying time at leisure to soak up the city's festive atmosphere. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)

Venture into the Scottish Highlands Tread in the footsteps of the world's golfing greats and head to St. Andrews en route to the glorious Scottish Highlands. A scenic drive takes us north and across the Firth of Tay, past the city of Dundee to Pitlochry. After lunch, enjoy some free time to explore its riverside setting or join an Optional Experience to Blair Castle, the ancestral home of the Clan Murray. Our day in beautiful surrounds comes to an end with a cozy dinner at our hotel located within the Cairngorms National Park in the Scottish Highlands. (B, D) Hotel: Laggan/Craiglynne

Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.

Explore Culloden, Loch Ness and the Isle of **Skye** Continue your journey to the tragic battlefield of Culloden. Pay tribute to the brave men who lost their lives in the Jacobite Uprising, then travel past Scotland's infamous Loch Ness. The solitary beauty of Eilean Donan Castle will leave you speechless before you continue to the coast and cross to the Isle of Skye. Heather-clad peaks provide a stunning backdrop for our scenic drive across the Sleat Peninsula. Indulge in some free time for lunch before boarding your ferry in Armadale and crossing to Mallaig, back on the mainland. (B, D)

Journey to Thriving Glasgow Our first stop today sees us commemorate World War II history at the Commando Memorial near Fort William, from which we admire spectacular views of Britain's highest peak -Ben Nevis. We journey through the volcanic ruins and precipitous mountains that lie just beyond Glencoe to see the 'Glen of Weeping'. Here we remember the MacDonald clansmen who were massacred in 1692. Join a wildlife cruise on Loch Lomond, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Continuing towards the River Clyde, we arrive at our final stop for the day -Glasgow. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

Walk the Walls of Stirling Castle Madainn mhath! While your Gaelic may be a little rusty, your orientation tour around this edgy city will be anything but. Begin your day seeing Glasgow's iconic sights. Enjoy views of the Necropolis, the regal George Square and River Clyde, for over 200 years the center of shipbuilding. Continue to Stirling, to see its hilltop fortress, which stands as a symbol of national pride. Stirling Castle was once the seat of Scottish kings and gueens, including Mary, Queen of Scots. View the Wallace Monument from the castle walls, paying tribute to the Scottish hero who fought for Scotland's independence. Later, Dive

Into Culture at a whisky distillery and enjoy a wee dram before joining the Wood family at their 15th-century farm on the shores of Loch Ard to Connect With Locals over a home-cooked Be My Guest Farewell Dinner, amidst tales of Rob Roy and a few foot-tapping ceilidh tunes. (B, BMG, 🔊, 🔊)



Highland fun on a Scottish farm. The Wood family's 15th-century farm is the venue for a *ceilidh*, complete with hearty Highland fare, foot-tapping tunes and the legend of Rob Roy. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Farewell Glasgow The rugged beauty and warmth of Scotland's people forever in your memory, we enjoy one last hearty breakfast with our travel companions before wishing them and your Travel Director a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 4 - 26 August 2023

One of the most spectacular annual events is the Edinburgh Tattoo. It is simply not to be missed. Military bands from around the world take to the esplanade of Edinburgh Castle to play rousing tunes culminating in the haunting melody of the Lone Piper. The Tattoo is run for charitable causes and has donated over £5 million to military and civilian charities and organisations

Trafalgar includes tickets and arrangements for our guests for every trip in this brochure that stays in Edinburgh during the Tattoo.



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#### 2024

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal change
- Edinburgh Tattoo 4 26 August 2023: We've included Tattoo tickets when you're in Edinburgh during these dates. See Edinburgh Military panel for further details Edinburgh Tattoo dates for 2024 subject to change.
- Festive Meal: New Year's Eve dinner has been arranged for this departure. Join us in Britain to celebrate the festive season.

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Dive Into Culture Regional Dinner Farewell Dinner

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® **BMG** Be My Guest

# Scotland's Highlands, Islands and Cities

13 Days

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

1 Country

18 Meals

This unforgettable Scottish Highlands trip travels into the far-reaches of Scotland's rugged countryside. Keep your eyes peeled for Nessie, delve into the history of the kings and warriors and join the Wood family for a ceilidh and lunch in the 'presence' of Rob Roy.

Past Guest feefo 😁

Highland Cow, Scotland

Rated 4.6



1 Welcome to Edinburgh Enjoy your day at leisure before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your tour through an unimaginably beautiful part of the world. (WR)

#### Hotel: Voco Hotel Haymarket/Marriott

Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Let your Local Specialist take you on an informative sightseeing tour of Edinburgh. See the regal Palace of Holyroodhouse, the new Scottish Parliament Building and the Royal Mile, before visiting Edinburgh Castle, perched atop Castle Rock. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. Tickets to see the Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)

A Day of Abbeys, Landscapes and History A scenic day's excursion brings us to the ruins of the 12th-century Augustinian Jedburgh Abbey, which we will have an opportunity to view. Continue to nearby Melrose Abbey, said to be the final resting place of the embalmed heart of Robert the Bruce. We take the scenic route back to Edinburgh this afternoon, following the lush green landscapes along the Tweed River. (B)

**Explore Glamis Castle and on to Creative Dundee** This morning, we cross the Firth of Forth to the celebrated home of golf - St. Andrews, to view its ancient university and famous golf course. Shakespeare's Macbeth takes center stage as we visit Glamis Castle, once the home of the beloved Queen Mother and birthplace of Princess Margaret. Enjoy a guided tour of the castle and explore its beautiful gardens, before we travel to the waterfront city of Dundee, distinguished for its status as the first UNESCO City of Design, and the original home of marmalade. (B) **Hotel: Apex City Quay** 

**Venture to Culloden and Inverness** Dive Into Culture and learn about the local whisky industry at a distillery, including a tasting of Scotland's much-loved golden nectar. Hearts warmed, we wind our way to the tragic battlefield and Visitor Center at Culloden, past rugged landscapes and the imposing Cairngorms Mountains. Our final stop for the night is Inverness. (B, 40) **Hotel: Columba** 

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Journey to Loch Ness and Thurso The mystical haunt of Nessie is our first stop today en route to Dunrobin Castle. Spend your afternoon exploring the castle's château-like structure and surrounds, once home to the Clan Sutherland. Arriving in Thurso, our home for the next two nights, we enjoy dinner at our hotel. (B, D) **Hotel: Pentland/Norseman** 

A Day on the Orkney Islands After stopping at John O'Groats, we board a ferry to South Ronaldsay in the Orkney Islands. Visit the ornate Italian Chapel, built by Italian prisoners of war. See the prehistoric freestanding stones of the Ring of Brodgar, before visiting Skara Brae and delving into the stories of the Neolithic village. We stop at beautiful Kirkwall Cathedral for a photo opportunity before returning to our hotel for dinner. (B, D)



Visit the Orkney Islands. Prepare for an encounter with ancient and more recent history, from the prehistoric Ring of Brodgar to the Churchill Barriers and Italian chapel from WWII. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Over the Sea to Skye Dramatic landscapes accompany our scenic drive along the rugged northern coastline of the Scottish Highlands to remote Ullapool on the shores of Loch Broom. We journey to Eilean Donan Castle, originally built in the 13thcentury, then continue to the Isle of Skye where we'll stay overnight and enjoy a dinner in our hotel. (B, D) **Hotel: Kings Arms** 

Onwards to Oban We return to the mainland, following a beautiful route that takes us past the Glenfinnan Viaduct which Harry Potter's Hogwarts Express once crossed to his beloved school of magic. We pass Fort William, renowned as the gateway to Ben Nevis, before continuing to Oban. (B) Hotel: Royal

Sail to the Isles of Mull and Iona Set sail from Oban to the Isle of Mull. Cross the pretty island countryside to catch a ferry from Fionnphort to the island of Iona. Before our journey back to Oban, we'll have the chance to view Rèilig Odhrain, the final resting place of many Scottish kings. (B, D)

Off to Glasgow A solemn reminder of the MacDonald clansmen, who were massacred at the 'Glen of Weeping', marks our journey south to Glasgow. Join a wildlife cruise on Loch Lomond, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, then enjoy an orientation tour viewing St. Mungo's Cathedral and George Square. (B, 1) Hotel: AC by Marriott

Uncover Stirling Castle's Secrets Enjoy a visit to Stirling Castle's grounds. Then, visit the splendidly decorated Royal Palace of King James V and view the renowned Stirling Heads, before embarking on an excursion to Bannockburn. Connect With Locals this afternoon, joining the Wood family for a memorable Be My Guest experience at their 15th-century farm, on the shores of Loch Ard, amidst tales of Rob Roy. (B, BMG, 8)

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Breakfast

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#### Explore...

Buckfast Abbey. This extraordinary abbey's history spans over 1,000 years. Here you'll discover first-hand how the Benedictine monks now live and work in this active monastery, perhaps most famous for the fairly potent brew the monks have been making since the 1890s. Keep an ear out for the sound of its 15 bells!

Best of Devon & Cornwall, day 3

#### Discover...

Your self-guided exploration of the Guinness Storehouse brewery reveals the brewing process, its history and how it has become a globally recognized brand. At the end of your tour, you'll enjoy a pint at the Gravity Bar, the highest bar in Ireland. You'll leave with an in-depth insight into the history of all things Guinness.

**Britain & Ireland Grandeur, day 13** 

## **Best of Devon and** Cornwall

8 Days

1 Country

10 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.5<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ←



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Sign up for a whirlwind adventure on this popular England trip through Devon and Cornwall. Discover the legend of King Arthur at Tintagel Castle and learn how the monks of Buckfast Abbey have lived for centuries, before indulging in a traditional cream tea or Cornish pasty.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- · Discover Bath, Bristol, Brixham, Plymouth, Dunster, Lynmouth, **Exeter and Salisbury**
- Visit Royal Windsor, the Roman Baths in Bath, Longleat House in Warminster, Lacock village, Buckfast Abbey, the artists' colony of St. Ives, Exeter Cathedral, the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge and John Constable's Salisbury
- View Windsor Castle, the Capability Brown landscaped parkland at Longleat, Tintagel Castle in Cornwall, the Mayflower Steps in Plymouth and St. Michael's Mount

Trip code: BDEV

York Minster

## **Panorama**

## Britain and Ireland Britain and Ireland Grandeur

19 Days

4 Countries

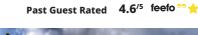
25 Meals

23 Days

5 Countries

30 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★





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There's more to most UK and Ireland trips than the iconic sights. On this journey, you'll trace the footsteps of giants and feel the salty spray of the Cliffs of Moher, smell the mossy walls of medieval castles and enjoy a toe-tapping, heartstirring Gaelic song along the way.

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Dive right into history, culture and spectacular scenery on this immersive England, Scotland, Wales and Ireland trip. Step in the shoes of Highland warriors, 12th-century monks and welcoming, warm Irish locals who'll share the beauty and stories of their islands just for you.

Anne Hathaway's Cottage, Stratford-upon-Avon

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore London, Edinburgh, the Isle of Skye, Dublin and Cobh with a Local Specialist
- Discover York, Glasgow, Chester, Galway, Cork, Cardiff, Bath and Plymouth
- Visit Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon, Edinburgh Castle, Isle of Skye, the Guinness Storehouse, EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum, Blarney Castle, the Waterford Crystal Showroom, the Roman Baths in Bath, Glastonbury Abbey and Stonehenge

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- Explore London, Londonderry, Belfast, Dublin and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Plymouth, Bath, Cardiff, Limerick, Galway, Sligo, Chester, Glasgow and York
- Visit the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge, the Roman Baths in Bath, Waterford Crystal Showroom, Blarney Castle, the magnificent Cliffs of Moher, the Giant's Causeway, Guinness Storehouse, Falkirk Wheel, Isle of Skye, Edinburgh Castle, Alnwick and Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon

Trip code: BIGT



Trip code: BPAN

#### **Guest favorite: Ashford Castle**

You'll begin your enchanting stay with a private cruise across the glittering waters of Lough Corrib to Ashford Castle which slowly appears, shimmering in the distance. As you disembark, to the sounds of a lone piper, you'll feel moved by its haunting melody which escorts you all the way into the castle.

Dating back to 1228 and an icon of Ireland, Ashford Castle is one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories and has housed earls, princes, celebrities, dignitaries and the dynastic Guinness family.

With spectacular views and an opportunity to delve into centuries of Irish heritage, you'll understand how a stay at Ashford Castle is a rare but never-to-be-forgotten treat, made possible by Trafalgar's sister company, The Red Carnation Hotel Collection. Iconic Ireland and Ashford Castle, day 8



## **Castles and Manors**

8 Days

1 Country

12 Meals

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This grand Ireland castle trip is fit for royalty, including lavish stays in the homes of Irish nobility. You'll travel to Kildare and learn all about the racehorses of Ireland, visit the Ring of Kerry and watch how delicate crystal is carved in Connemara.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Dublin, Killarney National Park and Cashel with a Local Specialist
- Discover Killarney and Galway
- View Torc Waterfall
- Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry and through Connemara

Trip code: BRCM

## Ireland's Legendary North Ashford Castle

# **Iconic Ireland and**

7 Days

2 Countries

10 Meals

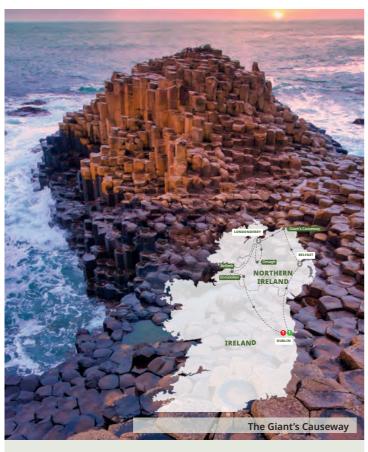
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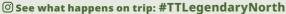
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15 Meals

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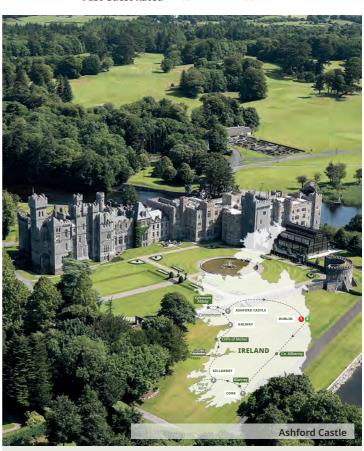




Ride into history on this most epic of Northern Ireland trips and discover all the secret gems along the way. Hear the ill-fated history of the Titanic, taste the creamy goodness of Guinness in its home in Dublin and trace the mammoth steps of Giant's Causeway.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry with a Local Specialist
- Discover Enniskillen
- Visit Titanic Experience in Belfast, the Giant's Causeway, Ulster American Folk Park in Omagh and Belleek Pottery
- · See the Murals of Londonderry



See what happens on trip: #TTIconicIreland

Explore iconic Ireland and Ashford Castle, the former famous home of earls, princes and the famous Guinness family. See Connemara's wild and windswept beauty, let the wind whip you up at the Cliffs of Moher and admire 40 shades of green circling the Ring of Kerry.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Dublin, Killarney National Park and Lough Corrib with a **Local Specialist**
- · Discover Killarney and Galway
- See Dublin's Georgian Squares and Galway Cathedral
- · Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

Trip code: BRAC/WRAC Trip code: IRRIA

## Highland Trail inspired by Outlander

## Castles and Kilts

13 Days

1 Country

18 Meals

10 Days

3 Countries

14 Meals

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O See what happens on trip: #TTOut

Travel with Claire and Jamie on a blockbuster trip inspired by the award-winning drama about their love affair through the ages. Visit some of the notable film locations and other highlights of Scotland, including the Scottish Highlands, Orkney Islands and the Isle of Skye.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- · Explore Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Dundee, Orkney Islands, Glasgow and Stirling
- · Visit Edinburgh Castle, filming locations for: Fort William, 18th-century Cranesmuir, 1940s Inverness and Wentworth Prison, the 18th green at St. Andrews, Highland Folk Museum, Newtonmore, the Culloden Battlefield, John O'Groats, Skara Brae, Ullapool, Isle of Skye, Glencoe, a whisky distillery in Pitlochry, Stirling Castle, St. Mungo's Cathedral and Linlithgow Palace
- View Inverness Castle and Eilean Donan Castle
- See Ben Nevis and the Battlefield at Bannockburn

Trip code: BHOD



© See what happens on trip: #TTCastlesAndKilts

This blockbuster family adventure is not your usual England and Scotland trip. From living life as a Roman soldier at Hadrian's Wall to crossing a moat to a 13th-century Welsh castle for a medieval stay, the whole family will love this exciting experience.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore London, Chester and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- Discover Oxford and Bath
- Visit the Tower of London, Divinity School in Oxford, Lacock village, Llangollen, Tatton Park to meet the butler and housekeeper, the Lake District, the Roman Army Museum, Hadrian's Wall and **Edinburgh Castle**
- Tickets for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates

Trip code: FCAS

## Shamrocks and Leprechauns

10 Days

2 Countries

15 Meals

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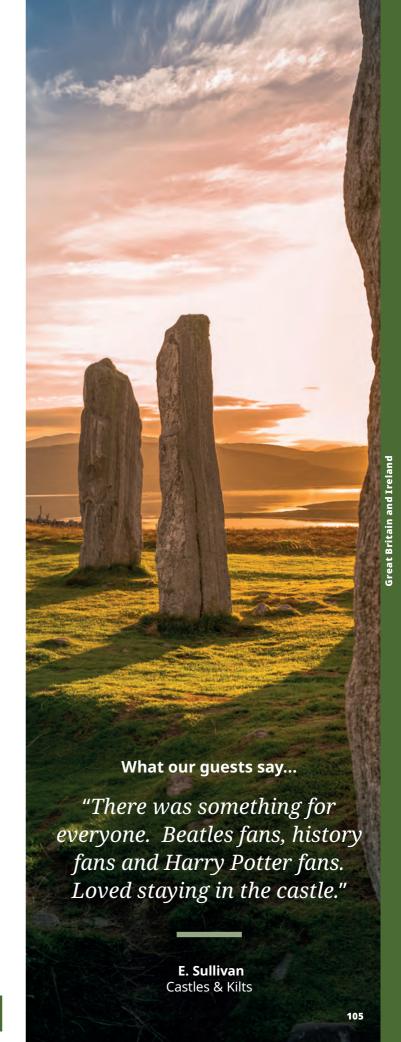
**◎** See what happens on trip: #TTShamrocks

A favorite Ireland trip for families combining happy travels with the luck of the Irish. Find your own pot of gold at the end of the rainbow, cuddling sheep on the Wild Atlantic Way. Ever wondered if boats can fly? See it firsthand in Foynes, all with no schoolbooks in sight.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry with a Local Specialist
- Discover Limerick and County Galway
- Visit Winterfell Castle, the Giant's Causeway, Titanic Experience in Belfast and the Flying Boat Museum in Foynes
- View King John's Castle in Limerick
- See St. Patrick's Cathedral and the Georgian Squares in Dublin and St. Mary's Cathedral in Limerick

Trip code: FSIA



## **Paris Explorer**

8 Days

1 Country

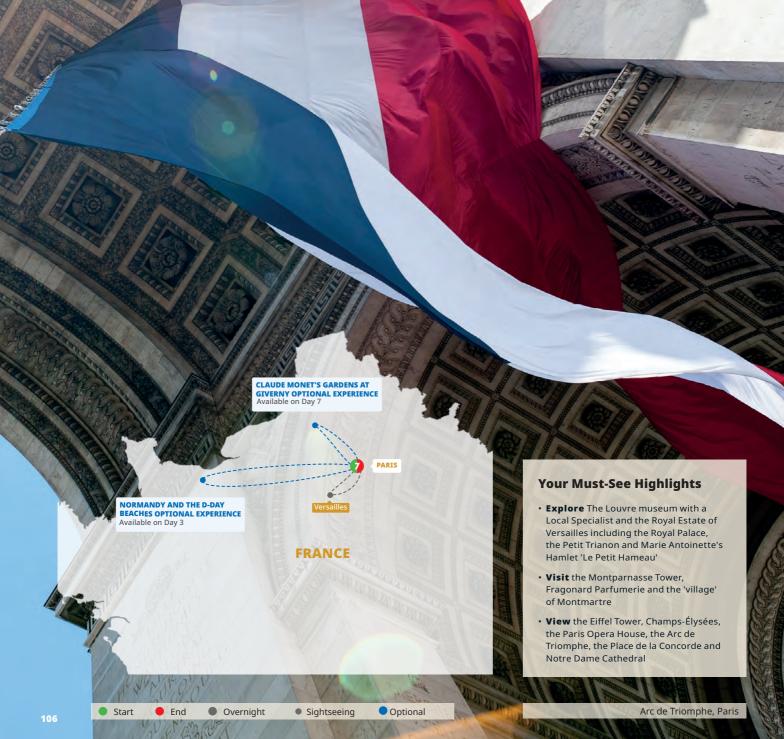
10 Meals

Remember why you love to travel on this in-depth Paris trip. You'll blend your very own unique fragrance, go behind the scenes and uncover the secrets of Montmartre's artists' quarter and imagine the charmed life of the 'Sun King' as you explore Versailles.

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Welcome to Paris Paris is yours to explore on this in-depth City Explorer. Check in to your centrally located hotel and spend the afternoon getting to know your surroundings. Wander along the leafy boulevards and winding lanes of the French capital, stopping for a leisurely café au lait while watching sophisticated Parisians go by. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a quintessentially Parisian

Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Le Méridien Etoile

Paris Join your Travel Director this morning for a tour of this mesmerising city. View the grand Champs-Élysées, Eiffel Tower, Place de la Concorde and the Arc de Triomphe, built for Napoleon in the 19th-century. Delve into the hidden squares and secret passages of one of Paris's most historic neighborhoods and a favorite local haunt that remains a secret to outsiders. Next, you'll Dive Into Culture at Fragonard Parfumerie for a visit with a certified 'nose' who will guide you in the creation of your own unique fragrance. Later, you'll experience a true Parisian highlight, ascending to the top of the Montparnasse Tower for an astonishing aerial view over Paris, including the best views of the Eiffel Tower, with a glass of French champagne. (B, 🔊)

Optional visit to the D-Day Beaches You may wish to experience a full-day Optional Experience on the Normandy coast to uncover the poignant history of the D-Day Landings. Alternatively, spend the day soaking up the sights and sounds of this elegant European capital. Your Travel Director will suggest activities and attractions that will ensure a memorable day spent discovering Paris. Spend your evening at leisure exploring the city's glittering sights at night. (B)

A Day to Explore Versailles Tread in the footsteps of French pobility and explore the opulence and splendor of Versailles. Join a Local Specialist who will guide you through the palace's extraordinary Hall of Mirrors and Battles Gallery. Stroll through the picturesque Royal Gardens and visit the Petit Trianon to see first-hand how the French Royal Family lived in private, before discovering Marie Antoinette's Hamlet. Return to Paris later for an evening at leisure. Perhaps connect with the pageantry of a traditional cabaret performance at the world-famous Moulin Rouge. (B)

**Experience the Marais and French Cuisine** Explore the intriguing and beautiful Marais district on a walking tour. See the mansions and courtyards of this delightful corner of Paris. Then, Dive Into Culture, savoring the exquisite flavors of French cuisine as you meet a Parisian chef for an unforgettable lunch experience. Delve into local culinary secrets, and delicious flavors and aromas, which you will have an opportunity to create yourself and then to enjoy. Spend the rest of the day at leisure or consider visiting the greatest collection of Impressionist art in the world at the famous Orsay museum. (B, L, 🔊)



#### Learn to cook with a Parisian chef.

Butter plays a starring role in this mouthwatering lesson in French cuisine. Leave with a few tips and tricks up your sleeve and feast on your creations. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Enjoy Montmartre and the Louvre A leisurely start to our morning sees us take a private street trolley car back in time to Montmartre, home to the picturesque Sacré-Cœur. Dive Into Culture discovering the hidden squares, artists' haunts and romantic hideaways along with ample time for shopping. Spend the rest of the day on your own embracing your inner bon vivant, before embarking on a special evening experience at the renowned Louvre museum. Enjoy the quiet atmosphere of the museum during this Small Group Sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist. (B, 5%)

Paris Your Way Perhaps admire the exquisite collection of modern art in the Center Georges Pompidou or enjoy an Optional Experience to the inspirational gardens of Monet at Giverny. This evening, Connect With Locals during a memorable Be My Guest experience and Farewell Dinner at Chez Paul, bringing you back to the Paris of the early 1900s. (B, BMG, %)

Au Revoir Paris After breakfast, it's time to bid Paris *au revoir* as you prepare to return home after a memorable break in one of the world's greatest cities. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Your vacation planner

See below for a selection of departure dates. Speak to your Travel Agent or search 'Paris Explorer' on trafalgar.com for all available departures and pricing.

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.
- Bastille Day is a national holiday in France. Celebrations will be taking place throughout Paris on 14 July.
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.

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# Treasures of France including Normandy

8 Days

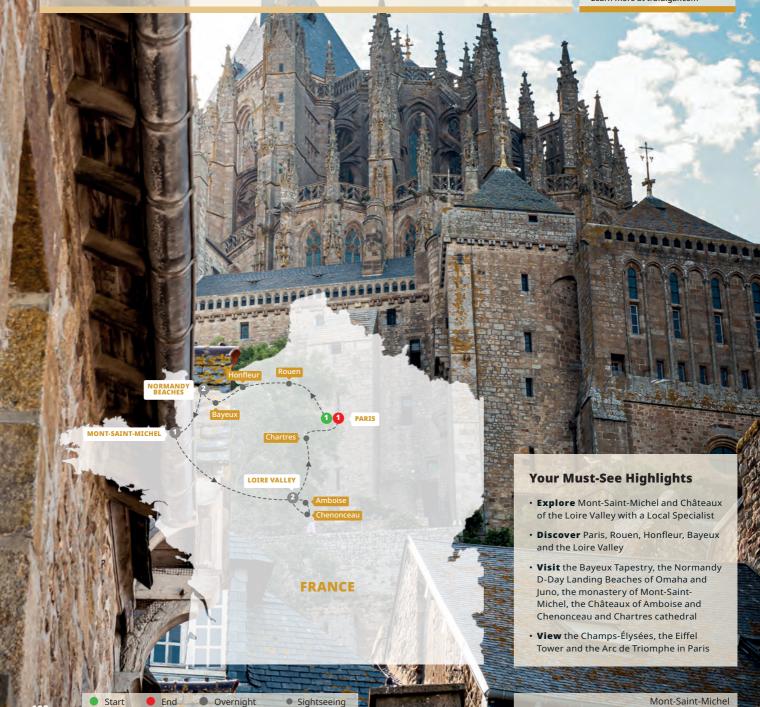
1 Country

12 Meals

Travel from Paris to the D-Day Landing Beaches of Normandy and on to the beautiful Loire Valley on this in-depth France and Normandy tour. Imagine life as a French noble as you are welcomed to a 17th century château and learn about the battles that were fought here through the ages.

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### Day

Bonjour Paris Bienvenue! The 'City of Light' welcomes you as you prepare to embark on an unforgettable journey through France. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director this evening for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive to admire the glittering cityscape of Paris - past grand boulevards and iconic sites like the Champs-Élysées and the Arc de Triomphe. (WR)

**Hotel: Evergreen Laurel** 

Admire Normandy's Colorful Honfleur and the **Bayeux Tapestry** This morning, we depart Paris and venture to the city of Rouen, the tragic site where Joan of Arc was burnt at the stake. We travel to the enchanting harbor town of Honfleur - its narrow lanes and colorful shopfronts have long attracted artists who have immortalized its beauty on canvas. Arriving in Bayeux, we visit the Tapestry Museum. Here you'll Dive Into Culture and see the Bayeux Tapestry, depicting events before and during the Battle of Hastings in 1066. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D, 🔊) Hotel: Mercure Omaha Beach

Explore the D-Day Landing Beaches We begin the day visiting the American Rangers Memorial at Pointe du Hoc. Pay tribute to the brave souls who lost their lives on the D-Day Landing Beach of Omaha, imagining the sense of terror and triumph felt on that fateful day when Allied forces set foot on mainland Europe. We stop for lunch in the seaside setting of Arromanches, once at the heart of the Normandy landings, before finishing the day at Juno beach, where the Canadian forces came ashore in 1944. (B)



Learn about D-Day in Normandy. Visit the American cemetery and see the landing beaches which launched the liberation of German-occupied France and laid the foundations of an Allied victory in World War II. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Picturesque Mont-Saint-Michel Travel through Bocage country to the UNESCO World Heritage-listed bay of the Mont St Michel. Spend a leisurely afternoon here admiring the ever-changing natural backdrop to the rocky island and its medieval abbey, or perhaps join an Optional Experience to Brittany's Emerald Coast jewel of Saint-Malo, where you can walk the ramparts and learn about the historic walled port city from a *Local Specialist*. Tonight we dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Le Relais du Roy

5 Continue to the Beautiful Loire Valley This morning, we'll join a Local Specialist and explore Mont-Saint-Michel, then tour the impressive medieval Benedictine Abbey. Journey through the scenic countryside, stopping to Connect With Locals at a lunch with wine in a 17th-century château during a Be My Guest experience set within beautiful gardens. We journey to the Loire Valley, where we will spend the next two nights. (B, BMG, , , ) **Hotel: Novotel Amboise** 

Discover the Stunning French Châteaux We spend our day admiring the beautiful châteaux of the Loire Valley and join a Local Specialist for a visit to the Amboise Royal Château, where Leonardo da Vinci was laid to rest. We continue with a visit to Château de Chenonceau, built on the Cher River. (B)

**Continue to Chartres and Paris** Our first stop today is the town of Chartres and its beautiful Roman Catholic cathedral, regarded as one of the most authentic and complete works of religious architecture from the early 13th century. We journey back to Paris this afternoon and spend the rest of our day in the 'City of Light' with free time to take in some of the sights. Celebrate with your Travel Director and newfound friends this evening at a Farewell Dinner with local wines at a Parisian bistro. (B, FD) Hotel: Renaissance La Défense

**Farewell Paris** For now it's time to say a fond *au* revoir to France and your fellow travelers at the end of a memorable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

"We saw so many things! And had experiences that we never would have even known existed if we had tried to do it ourselves."

> Our Guest: M. Gyorko on Treasures of France including Normandy

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner





### **Best of France**

13 Days

2 Countries

19 Meals

Expect only the best on one of our favorite France trips, beginning and ending in Paris. Spend the night as a French lord or lady in an elegant Loire Valley château, be inspired like Cezanne was, by the beauty of Provence and visit the playground of Monaco.

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### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- **Explore** Carcassonne and Paris with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Lyon, Avignon, Monaco, Nice, Arles, Lourdes and Bordeaux
- Visit the Hospices de Beaune, Château de Villandry, the American Cemetery at Omaha Beach, Claude Monet's home at Giverny and the Saint-Sulpice Church in Paris
- View the Papal Palace in Avignon, the Royal Palace and Cathedral in Monaco, Promenade des Anglais and Place Massena in Nice, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, Esplanade des Quinconces in Bordeaux, the Abbey of Mont-Saint-Michel, the D-Day Beach of Omaha in Normandy and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris
- **See** the Roman Amphitheater and the Cathedral in Arles
- Scenic Drive through the Dordogne and the Loire Valley

### Day

Bonjour Paris All the flavors of France come to life on this unforgettable journey that kicks off in Paris, the 'City of Light'. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and an orientation drive through the city. (WR)

**Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles** 

Journey through Burgundy to Lyon We travel south to Burgundy, past the Côte d'Or vineyards of Gevrey-Chambertin and Nuits St. Georges. The colorful geometric roof tiles of the 15th-century Hospices are a sight to behold as we arrive in the medieval town of Beaune before continuing to Lyon, the gourmet capital of France. Perhaps spend your evening delving into the epicurean delights for which Lyon is justifiably famous. (B) Hotel: Mercure Center Saxe Lafayette

Onwards to Avignon, Monaco and the French Riviera Today we journey to the city of Avignon at the heart of Provence. See the Papal Palace and the bridge made famous by the song - Sur le Pont d'Avignon. Continue through the Provençal countryside to Monaco. Upon arrival we'll view the cathedral where Prince Rainier and Princess Grace were married, then in the evening we'll enjoy a Regional Dinner in Monaco before continuing along the Riviera to our hotel. (B, RD) Hotel: Holiday Inn Nice

The French Riviera Your Way The sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera are yours to explore today. Consider relaxing on the beach with your fellow sunworshippers or an Optional Experience could see you visit the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, a popular haunt for actors seeking a relaxing retreat. In your free time, soak up the fresh sea air and perhaps indulge in a delicious Salade Niçoise. (B)

**Admire Arles and Continue to Carcassonne Visit** Arles with its honey-colored façades, Roman ruins and Camargue culture, and enjoy some time at leisure to explore this beautiful city. Alternatively, choose an Optional Experience to gain a deeper understanding of Vincent van Gogh and local history with our resident expert, before winding your way to the fortified city of Carcassonne. Join a Local Specialist to explore this ancient town, view the Cité, and see the double ring of ramparts and 52 towers. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure La Cité

Pilgrimage to Lourdes and on to Biarritz We drive toward the Pyrenees this morning and arrive in Lourdes, the global center of the Marian pilgrimage. You will have an opportunity to see the Basilica, perched atop St. Bernadette's Grotto, where the young girl, turned saint, is said to have seen visions of the Virgin Mary. We travel west to the Basque Coast, where we spend the night. (B) Hotel: Radisson Blu

Venture to Bordeaux We arrive in the wine capital of Bordeaux whose stunning riverfront and Age of Enlightenment history and architecture have made it one of France's most visited cities. Spend some time seeing the sights during your orientation of the city. (B)

Hotel: Mercure Centre Ville/Mercure Lac

Discover Scenic Dordogne The lush green valleys and hills of the Dordogne take center stage today during a scenic half-day excursion. We drive to Saint-Émilion, whose wine heritage dates back to Roman times and return to Bordeaux this evening for some free time to explore the city. Perhaps, tease your taste buds with delicious Bordelaise cuisine or stroll through the city's historical center, admiring its beautiful architecture by night. (B)

Explore a Château in the Loire Valley We journey through the 'Garden of France', before we Connect With Locals for a delicious lunch and Be My Guest experience. Dive Into Culture and visit the remarkable gardens at Château de Villandry before arriving at our special hotel for the night - one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories. (B, BMG, D,⊗, ॐ, △) Hotel: Château de Beauvois /Anne d'Anjou Saumur



Tourangelle farm lunch. Experience a slice of rural France as Béatrice welcomes Villandry to learn about her fascinating life and links to French nobility. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Off to Mont-Saint-Michel and the Normandy **Beaches** We travel through the patchwork landscapes of Brittany, to the extraordinary island settlement of Mont-Saint-Michel on the Normandy coast, where we visit the island town and view its impressive Norman Benedictine Abbey. Follow the Liberty Highway to St. Lô and on to Omaha Beach. Reflect on the bravery of the young men who sacrificed their lives for freedom and visit the D-Day Landing Zone to learn how the operation was planned and executed. (B. D) **Hotel: Mercure Omaha Beach** 

Journey to Paris We travel east towards Paris, stopping at Giverny to visit the house and gardens that once inspired Claude Monet's exquisite Impressionist works of art. This evening, consider a trip to one of the city's renowned cabarets. (B)

**Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles** 

Discover the Delights of Paris Join your Local Specialist on a journey through the historic neighborhoods of Paris to see where the locals live and shop. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice. This evening, we celebrate an epic adventure with your Travel Director and newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

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- **Special Rate Solo Rooming:** These departures include 20 – 100% discount on our standard single supplement

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Connect With Locals 🔼 Welcome Reception Breakfast

Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner

Dive Into Culture Regional Dinner RD Farewell Dinner

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## **Spanish Wonder**

9 Days

1 Country

12 Meals

Savor shared moments with locals enjoying sangria in sun-dappled courtyards, zesty paella and the sounds of the Spanish guitar. On this journey, you'll explore the wonders of Spain, from the ornate walls of the Alhambra to the Gothic Cathedral and Giralda Bell Tower in Seville.

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Welcome to Madrid The lively capital of Spain is our launchpad to a memorable encounter with one of Furone's most soulful destinations. Relax in the lush surrounds of Buen Retiro Park, shop up a storm on Gran Vía or people-watch over coffee and churros con chocolate in the Puerta del Sol. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for an orientation drive to see some of the city's most iconic sights, followed by a Welcome Reception. (WR)

Hotel: Ayre Gran Colón/Melia Castilla

Explore Vibrant Toledo We head to Toledo, the former capital of Spain, where we join a Local Specialist for a walking tour of this city that dates back to Roman times. We'll visit a traditional factory and Dive Into Culture, witnessing the age-old inlaid steel craft, before seeing one of El Greco's most famous paintings in the Church of Santo Tomé - 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz'. We'll also visit the synagogue, before returning to Madrid where we'll admire the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain with our *Local Specialist*. Spend the evening on your own, or delve into the sights and flavors of Spain's capital with an Optional Experience. (B, 🔊)

Journey to Córdoba and on to Seville Journeying south through La Mancha, we arrive in Córdoba, once a significant Moorish settlement. Join a Local Specialist to visit the Mosque of the Caliphs and learn about centuries of Moorish rule and its influence on the culture and architecture of the region. We travel to flamboyant Seville, our home for the next two nights. This evening, we *Connect With Locals*, joining the Morillo family for a Be My Guest experience at their olive oil farm, where you'll learn how oil is produced from their 6,000 trees and get to sample some of their produce. (B, BMG, @) Hotel: Zenit/Occidental Viapol

**Discover Seville's Sights** This morning, we meet our Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of Seville. View the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower, see the Moorish-inspired Maria Luisa Park, with its tiled fountains, pavilions and ponds, and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. Marvel at the ornate tomb of Christopher Columbus in the cathedral, then take a walk through the former lewish Quarter. Consider an Optional Experience to see the colorful twirling skirts of a fiery flamenco show. (B)



Dinner on an olive estate. Share sangria and good times with the Morillo family in the courtyard of their Andalusian hacienda and learn all about their award-winning olive oil. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

5 Onwards to Granada Multicultural Granada takes center stage today, as we visit the magnificent Alhambra in the company of a Local Specialist. A fine example of Moorish architecture, the Alhambra complex was built towards the end of Islamic rule in Spain. Wander through the exotic water gardens of the Generalife, the royal Summer Palace, once linked to the other palaces by a covered walkway across the ravine. (B) Hotel: Occidental

Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra, Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Admire Iconic Architecture in Guadix and on to Valencia This morning, we journey via the Mora Pass to Guadix in the northern foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains. We'll see the whitewashed troglodyte dwellings lodged into the ochre-colored cliffs of the surrounding area, then travel to Valencia, where we'll see the Bullring and admire the medieval architecture of the Ouart and Serranos towers. Embrace the city's spirit of innovation and stop to view the City of Arts and Sciences. This evening, dine at your hotel, and perhaps take to the vibrant streets of the Old Quarter. (B, D) Hotel: Silken Puerta

Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Barcelona Head north, along the coast through the Levant region, and stop at Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. View the ancient castle of the 'Spanish Pope', built by the Knights Templar and used in the film, 'El Cid'. Then, journey along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona with its whimsical Gaudí architecture. Admire this famous architect's talents as we view his unfinished La Sagrada Família. See the Plaça de Catalunya and pay tribute to the great Christopher Columbus, with your Local Specialist. From the hill of Montjuïc, we'll enjoy panoramic views of this enchanting city. Enjoy a free evening to spend as you wish. (B) Hotel: U232

Uncover Gaudí's Barcelona Explore centuries of history, contemporary culture and exquisite art and architecture on your day at leisure. Stroll the elegant Passeig de Gràcia Avenue, ramble down the Ramblas, or join an Optional Experience to the monastery perched atop Montserrat to see the mystical Black Madonna. This evening, we celebrate with our newfound friends and Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

Farewell Spain For now it's a fond adiós to Spain at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Please Note: Your coach returns to Madrid from Barcelona on day 9. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Madrid will be at the Trafalgar Madrid hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 6pm, depending on traffic conditions.

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- Hola Madrid Welcome to the fiery Spanish capital. Take in the vibrant essence of Madrid before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a memorable Welcome Reception and orientation drive to see some of the city's most iconic sights. (WR) Hotel: Rafael Atocha
- Journey to Burgos and on to Santander Journey over the pine-clad Guadarrama Mountains to Burgos, the historic capital of Castile, where we will visit the cathedral, the resting place of Spain's famous medieval knight El Cid. We cross the Ebro River and the Cantabrian Cordillera Mountains, traveling to the coast and the sophisticated capital of the Cantabrian region, Santander. (B, D)
  - **Hotel: Santemar**

Hotel: NH Iruña Park

- Onwards to Culinary San Sebastián and Pamplona We depart Santander and travel to Bilbao to view the striking Guggenheim Museum. Continuing to San Sebastián, the gourmet capital of Spain with a rich maritime history. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience to explore the secrets of the old harbor area and uncover the forgotten Basque maritime cultural heritage. (B, D, \( \Phi \))
- Continue to Gaudi's Barcelona Our journey continues through the Ebro Valley to Zaragoza where we'll view the Basilica of El Pilar and Cathedral of La Seo. Later, admire panoramic views of a city that dates back to Roman times from atop Montjuïc in Barcelona. (B) Hotel: Barcelona Apolo affiliated by Melia
- Discover Barcelona The whimsical fantasy world of Gaudí is on display this morning as we embark on a sightseeing tour and see the inspiring, but as yet unfinished, La Sagrada Família in the company of a Local Specialist. We'll see Las Ramblas and Plaça de Catalunya, before paying tribute to Christopher Columbus. (B)
  - Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Valencia The sweet scent of oranges accompanies us on our journey along the Costa Dorada south to fortified Peñíscola, where we'll see the ancient castle used in the film 'El Cid'. We arrive in sunny Valencia where we will stay the night. Our orientation of this cultural city includes views of the modernist style Mercado de Colón, the Bullring, the Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the Art Nouveau Estación del Norte. Witness the modern verve of Valencia and view the City of Arts and Sciences. (B) Hotel: Silken Puerta
- Venture to Granada Journey via the dramatic Mora Pass to the city of Granada where we'll meet our Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the spectacular UNESCO-listed Alhambra. Admire extraordinary Moorish architecture and the exotic water gardens of the Generalife, the summer palace. Check in to your hotel later, where we will dine tonight. (B. D) Hotel: Occidental

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- On the Road to Sunny Costa del Sol Enjoy a leisurely morning on your terms, or consider taking an Optional Experience to the medieval Moorish Quarter of Granada, before leaving for the sun-kissed shores of the Costa del Sol, where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Meliá
- Costa del Sol Your Way Another day in paradise for you to kick back, worship the Spanish sunshine and indulge in la buena vida. Consider an Optional Experience to the effervescent Andalusian capital of Málaga to explore centuries of fascinating history. (B)

**Explore Gibraltar and on to Seville** A scenic drive takes us past the millionaires' playground of Marbella and on to La Linea, before crossing to the Rock of Gibraltar, for free time to explore. This evening, we Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience with the Morillo family at their olive oil farm. Tonight, we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - a collection of 15th-century Andalusian townhouses connected by hidden passages, gardens and patios. (B, BMG, , 🕮)

Hotel: Las Casas de La Judería



Traditional Seville stay. Live like a local in the heart of the Jewish Quarter at Las Casas de la Judería, a collection of 15<sup>th</sup>-century Andalusian townhouses Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- **See the Sights of Seville** Join your *Local Specialist* this morning for a tour of Seville's leafy avenues. See the iconic Giralda Bell Tower, a former minaret, and visit the Seville Cathedral, the final resting place of Christopher Columbus. Stroll through Maria Luisa Park with its tiled fountains, pavilions, palms and orange trees, and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. (B)
- Journey to Córdoba We journey to Córdoba to meet a Local Specialist for a visit to the astounding Mosque of the Caliphs, a jewel of Hispano-Islamic art featuring striking arches and Byzantine mosaics. Then visit the remains of the 14th-century Mudéjar-style synagogue in the old Jewish neighborhood. (B, D) Hotel: Hesperia
- Admire Ancient Toledo then on to Madrid Your Local *Specialist* takes you on a walking tour of Toledo where you'll Dive Into Culture as you explore this ancient hilltop city. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé, to admire El Greco's masterpiece The Burial of the Count of Orgaz, and the synagogue during your guided walk through the narrow streets. Arrive later in Madrid. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Rafael Atocha
- **Discover Stylish Madrid** We join our *Local Specialist* to see the Royal Palace, Gran Vía and the Cibeles Fountain before we *Dive Into Culture* and visit the world-famous Prado Museum. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for an unforgettable Farewell Dinner to celebrate an epic adventure through Spain. (B, FD, 5%)
- Farewell Madrid Our time together has come to an end. For now it's a fond adiós to Spain and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Dive Into Culture Regional Dinner RD

Farewell Dinner

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### Day

- Welcome to Lisbon A sea of pastel pinks, yellows and blues dot the seven hills of the romantic Portuguese capital, which you will have an opportunity to explore today before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of the city's most iconic sights. (WR) Hotel: Turim Av Liberdade
- Discover Colorful Lisbon Delve into Lisbon's centuries-old seafaring heritage today, paying tribute to the brave men who set off from these shores to discover the 'New World'. With our Local Specialist, we'll see the shimmering white Monument to the Discoveries, the iconic suspension bridge spanning the Tagus, and Belém Tower, built as a fortress protecting the city of Lisbon. We'll *Dive Into Culture* on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, an exquisite testament to 16th-century Manueline architecture and art. There's time to join an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. In the evening, perhaps enjoy a traditional Portuguese dinner amidst the heart-wrenching, haunting sounds of the fado. (B, 🔊)
- Journey to the Algarve Region We journey across the Tagus this morning and drive south towards the Serra da Arrábida Mountains and to the golden pastures of the Alenteio. The hearty aroma of Portuguese chicken fills the air at our Be My Guest experience as we Connect With Locals over a traditional lunch at a stud ranch, where Lusitano horses were once reared at the pleasure of King João VI in the  $18^{\text{th}}$ century. Our journey continues further south, bound for the sun-kissed shores of the Algarye – our home for the next two nights. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Real Bellavista
  - Cliffs, Beaches and More in the Algarve The dramatic cliffs and beautiful beaches of the Sagres Peninsula provide a stunning backdrop for our morning coastal drive. Admire spectacular views across Baleeira Beach, before continuing along the coast to Cape St. Vincent, the site of many sea battles centuries ago. We end our excursion with a visit to the resort town of Lagos - once the home of Henry the Navigator. (B)
- Onwards to Elegant Évora Journeying north, we travel to the ancient Alentejo city of Évora. Join your Local Specialist and visit the elaborate cathedral, Roman temple and the Chapel of Bones. Spend the rest of your day, delving into the medieval history of this enchanting city. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the medieval village of Monsaraz. This evening, we dine at our hotel in Évora. (B, D) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas
  - Venture Past Mountains to Viseu Our first stop today is in the hilltop town of Castelo de Vide with its white façades, narrow alleys and Jewish Quarter. Travel north towards the Serra de Estrela mountains and arrive later in Viseu, set high on a plateau near the famous Dão vineyards. Explore the city's rich art and architectural history, and see the 12th-century Sé, standing imposingly on a hill overlooking the city. (B) Hotel: Grão Vasco
- Through the Douro Valley to Porto Vineyard-clad hills provide an enchanting backdrop for our journey today through the Douro Valley, where Port wine is produced. We explore the magnificent gardens at the Baroque-style Palácio de Mateus, depicted on the label of the distinctive Mateus Rosé wine bottles. We then continue via Guimarães for views of its impressive 10thcentury castle. (B) Hotel: Neya/Carris Ribeira

Explore Vibrant Porto Join a Local Specialist today for a sightseeing tour of Porto, which takes you past baroque churches and along the winding lanes that tumble down towards the Douro River. See the remarkable bridges that span the river and the Gothic Church of St. Francis. Visit the Stock Exchange Palace with its splendid Arabian Hall inspired by Granada's Alhambra, before we Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of local port production at a tasting in a port cellar. Spend the rest of the afternoon strolling through the historic center of Porto. (B, A)



Port tasting in Porto. Learn about Portugal's 300 years of Port wine tradition when you visit a wine cellar and get to taste some of its vintages. Read more at

- On to Coimbra and Pilgrimage to Fátima Soak up the grand atmosphere of one of Europe's greatest and oldest universities with a *Local Specialist*, then stroll through the ancient streets and squares of Coimbra, before journeying to the Templar city of Tomar. We join a Local Specialist to visit the Convent of Christ, originally built as a Templar stronghold in the 12thcentury. We arrive in the pilgrimage center of Fátima, visited by millions of Catholic pilgrims, where three young shepherds famously saw apparitions of the Virgin Mary. (B, D) Hotel: Fátima
- Experience Village Life Returning to Lisbon En route to Lisbon, we stop at the imposing monastery of Batalha - a UNESCO World Heritage site and the best example of late Gothic architecture in Portugal. Our next stop is the fishing village of Nazaré, before we visit the medieval walled city of Óbidos with its whitewashed houses and cobblestone streets. Our last night in Portugal together sees us toast to an incredible journey at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Neya/Smy Lisboa
- 11 Farewell Lisbon Say a fond adeus to your fellow travelers at the end of an unforgettable Portuguese vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Feb	10	24				16	18	23	25
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### 2024

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Mar	08	15	22	29■		31			
Apr	05	12	17	19	Aug	02	07	09	14
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## **Highlights of Spain and Portugal**

13 Days

2 Countries

18 Meals

A round-trip featuring all the highlights of Spain and Portugal. Spend time in the pilgrimage center of Fátima, join a family on their stud farm in the Alentejo and explore the icons left behind by Catholic kings and Moorish sultans.

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- Welcome to Madrid Embrace la buena vida and soak up the vibrant atmosphere in Madrid before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation of the city's glorious sights. (WR) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding
- Journey to Cuenca and Valencia Witness the dramatic honey-colored clifftop hanging houses of Cuenca during your first stop today, before continuing your journey to Valencia. An orientation will include views of the 14th-century Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the City of Arts and Sciences. (B) Hotel: Silken Puerta
- Off to Unique Guadix and on to Granada We travel through the Sierra Nevadas bound for Guadix, where we'll witness how generations of locals have carved cozy abodes into their rocky surrounds. Next, we'll drive through the jagged Mora Pass to Granada. (B, RD) **Hotel:** Catalonia
  - Onwards to Córdoba and Seville Tread in the footsteps of Spain's last emirs, joining your Local Specialist for a visit to the Alhambra, with its amazing palaces, gardens and fountains. We leave Granada behind for Córdoba where we'll join a Local Specialist to visit the mesmerising Mosque of the Caliphs. Our final stop for the day is enchanting Seville. (B,  $\bf D$ ) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros

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- Uncover the Secrets of Seville Seville takes center stage today. We'll see the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower with a Local Specialist, then stroll through the imposing Plaza de España in Maria Luisa Park and visit the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience flamenco performance. (B)
  - Admire the Sights of Jerez and Cádiz We indulge in the aromatic flavors of Jerez today as we *Dive Into* Culture and into the centuries-old tradition of Spanish sherry production. The leafy boulevards and guiet plazas of romantic Cádiz are our next stop. Tread in the footsteps of Columbus, who used this historic port city as his launchpad to the 'New World'. (B, 40)



**Sherry tasting in Jerez.** Warm your heart with the sweet and fiery flavors of sherry, traditionally made in this part of southern Spain since the time of the Romans and Moors. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Venture to Évora Leaving the zesty scents of Seville behind, we head to the golden landscapes of the Alentejo, where the Brito Paes family await our arrival for a special Connect With Locals lunch on their traditional stud ranch, which has been rearing Lusitano horses since the 18th century. Enjoy a Be My *Guest* experience in the home of their ancestor before continuing to Évora for a guided sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist of its cathedral, Roman temple and Chapel of Bones. Tonight, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B. BMG. D. @)

Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas

- On to Lively Lisbon We arrive in the seafaring Portuguese capital of Lisbon this afternoon, where we'll join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. A particular highlight of this afternoon is an opportunity to Dive Into Culture at the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, an exquisite testament to 16th-century Manueline architecture and art. (B, 45%) Hotel: Olissippo Marquês de Sá
- **Lisbon Your Way** Wander through Old Town Lisbon and the grand shopping boulevards that stretch from the shores of the Tagus and Lisbon Baixa to Rossio. Today is yours to embrace the captivating sights and sounds of the Portuguese capital on your own. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. (B)
- Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca Follow the road taken by pilgrims over the last 100 years to the Shrine at Fátima, a site of celebrated religious miracles. We leave Portugal, traveling to the historic Spanish city of Salamanca with its golden-hued façades and ancient university heritage, where we will visit its 18th-century Plaza Mayor. (B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol
- Continue to Toledo and Madrid See the walled city of Ávila, the city of Saint Teresa of Ávila. We arrive in the clifftop city of Toledo and join a *Local Specialist* for a guided walk through its streets. We'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to one of El Greco's most famous paintings - 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz' and the former Synagogue of Santa María la Blanca. Later, Dive Into Culture and witness local craftsmen at work creating inlaid steel the traditional way. We arrive in Madrid this evening, our home for the next two nights. (B, 🎺) Hotel: Ayre Gran Colón
- **Explore Fiery Madrid** This morning, we join a *Local* Specialist for a sightseeing tour of Madrid, where we'll see the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the city on your own terms. This evening marks the end of our memorable journey through the Iberian Peninsula. Join your fellow companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. (B. FD)
- Adiós Madrid For now it's time to say a fond farewell to Spain and Portugal at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## Treasures of Spain and Portugal

14 Days

Start

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Sightseeing

2 Countries

19 Meals

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### Day

- Hola Madrid Kick-start your epic encounter with Spain and Portugal in Europe's highest capital city, Madrid. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of Madrid's most iconic sites. (WR) Hotel: Barceló Imagine
- Admire the Sights of Toledo and Madrid We journey south for an excursion to the hilltop city of Toledo, where we'll join our Local Specialist for a walking tour. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé and visit the former synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca. This afternoon, join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour which includes views of the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. (B)
- Journey to Segovia and Zamora Venture to Segovia and see the Roman Aqueduct and the Alcázar of Segovia. Travel to the city of Zamora where you'll view the cathedral and the Church of Mary Magdalene. (B, D) Hotel: NH Palacio del Duero
- A Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela Travel to Santiago de Compostela, where you'll join a Local Specialist, who will share insights into the 'Way of Saint James', Visit the vast Cathedral and the Praza do Obradoiro. (B, D) Hotel: Eurostars Gran
- Journey to Scenic Porto Embark on a sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist today in Porto. See the medieval Ribeira Quarter and the city port. Visit the Stock Exchange Palace, before you *Dive Into Culture* at a tasting in a Port cellar. Later, check in to your impressive Stays With Stories hotel, the Neya Porto, built from the ruins of a 16thcentury convent. (B, 🔊, 🕮) Hotel: Neya
- Onwards to Fátima and Lisbon Follow the road taken by pilgrims over the last 100 years to the Shrine at Fátima, site of a celebrated religious miracle. Later, we arrive in colorful Lisbon. (B) Hotel: VIP Grand
- **Discover Lisbon's Treasures** We'll see the Monument to the Discoveries and Belém Tower when we join a Local Specialist on a sightseeing tour of Lisbon. We'll Dive Into Culture at the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. (B, 50%)
- On to Seville We travel east through Alentejo before arriving in Seville. Explore the fine art of olive oil production at a **Be My Guest** experience and **Connect** With Locals over dinner at an olive oil farm. (B, BMG, 1808)

Hotel: Meliá Lebreros



Dinner on an olive estate. Join the Morillo family for an afternoon of sangria, award-winning olive oil and cherished memories in the courtyard of their Andalusian hacienda. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

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- Off to Granada Multicultural Granada takes center stage today as we visit the magnificent Alhambra in the company of a Local Specialist. (B, D)

### Hotel: Abades Nevada Palace

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- Onwards to Valencia We journey to Guadix to see the whitewashed troglodyte dwellings lodged in the ochre-colored cliffs of the surrounding area. We travel to Valencia to view the Bullring and admire the beautiful façade of the Modernist Estacion del Norte Train Station and the Serrano Tower Dive Into Culture and enjoy the local horchata drink at a Valencia horchatería. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Silken Puerta
- See the Sights of Barcelona Head north along the coast through the Levant region and stop at Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. We continue along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona with its whimsical Gaudí architecture. Join a Local Specialist and see the unfinished La Sagrada Família then explore the Plaça de Catalunya. (B) Hotel: Barcelona Apolo affiliated bv Melia
- Barcelona Your Way Embrace the charm of Barcelona, ramble through El Born or consider joining an Optional Experience to the mountaintop monastery of Montserrat. This evening, we join our fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- Journey Home For now it's adios to Spain at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Our Guest: J. Bache on Treasures of Spain & Portugal

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## Spain, Morocco and Portugal

16 Days

3 Countries

22 Meals

Every day is an adventure on this Spain, Portugal and Morocco trip, whether you're enjoying a traditional barbeque with the Albaserrada family at their farm in Andalusia, celebrating Portugal's proud seafaring heritage or venturing deep within the ancient Medina of Fes to find treasures to take home.

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- Hola Madrid Kick off your unforgettable journey in the fiery Spanish capital of Madrid. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of the city's most iconic sites. (WR) Hotel: Meliá Castilla
- **Explore Fiery Madrid** Join your *Local Specialist* on this day of discovery, including views of the iconic Cibeles fountain and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire the Royal Palace and Retiro Park before spending the rest of the day on your own indulging in la buena vida. (B)
- Onwards to Toledo and Granada Join your Local Specialist for a walking tour of Toledo, during which you'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé and the synagogue. Dive Into Culture at a local steel and Damascene workshop, before your journey continues to Granada. (B, D, ) **Hotel: Occidental**
- Journey to the Sunny Costa del Sol Admire the impressive palatial city of the Alhambra. Join a Local Specialist for a guided visit, then continue to the flamboyant Costa del Sol. (B) Hotel: NH Marbella

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Explore Granada's Alhambra. Your Local Specialist will reveal all the history and intrigue that lie within the Alhambra's 12thcentury walls, a 'paradise on earth' for Spain's last emirs. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- Cross the Strait of Gibraltar to Fes We travel along the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean and cross to North Africa by ferry. A memorable drive past the Rif Mountains brings us to Fes, our home for the next two nights. (B, D, 📣) Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace
  - The Medina and More in Fes Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour through the cultural and spiritual center of Morocco. Stroll through the Medina of Fes and admire traditional Moroccan handiwork during a visit to a carpet cooperative. Spend the rest of your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, maybe join an Optional Experience Arabian dinner in a traditional riad - a night of heartfelt local entertainment, including belly dancing, awaits. (B)
- Off to Vibrant Marrakesh Departing Fes, we journey west through the golden landscape which turns to rusty red, bound for vibrant Marrakesh. Past and present collide

in the world-famous Jemaa el-Fnaa Square. Embrace the unrivaled energy of this cultural and economic hub. (B) Hotel: Le Méridien N'Fis

- Discover Marrakesh Visit the elegant Bahia Palace during your walking tour with a Local Specialist. See Jemaa el-Fnaa Square in the Old Quarter with its palmreaders, acrobats and snake charmers. Visit a traditional Moroccan pharmacy and Dive Into Culture, gaining insights into the blending of creams and cosmetics using regional ingredients. The rest of the day is yours to explore. (B, D, 🔊)
- Continue to Casablanca and Tangier We journey north to Casablanca before arriving in the country's capital city Stop at the opulent Hassan V Mausoleum and admire Rabat's cityscape. Continue to Tangier, a prominent gateway between Africa and Europe. Our unique Stays With Stories this evening is the sumptuous El Minzah, an icon of the city overlooking the Bay of Tangiers and the sparkling Mediterranean beyond. (B, D) Hotel: El Minzah
- Sail the Strait to Seville Crossing the Straits of Gibraltar by ferry, we return to Spain and journey past the region of Jerez, renowned as the origin of Spanish sherry. We drive through Andalucía and arrive in Seville. What better way to experience this lively city than witnessing the passion of flamenco? Immerse yourself in the spectacle of colorful swirling skirts and fervent rhythm of castanets during an unforgettable optional Flamenco performance this evening. (B) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros
- Explore Spectacular Seville Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour and visit the ornate tomb of Christopher Columbus in the Cathedral. Meet the Albaserrada family and their horses on their farm in the Andalusian countryside. Here you'll enjoy a Be My Guest experience as you Connect With Locals over a dinner featuring fresh regional ingredients and the local sangria. (B, BMG, (S))
- Venture to Lisbon We cross into the golden fields of the Alentejo region, bound for Lisbon. See the gleaming Monument to the Discoveries, the suspension bridge spanning the Tagus River and Belém Tower. Then, join your Local Specialist for a city tour and Dive Into **Culture** on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, built in the 16th-century. (B, 45) Hotel: Olissippo Marquês de Sá/Olissippo Oriente
- **Lisbon Your Way** Explore the centuries-old seafaring heritage of the Portuguese, paying tribute to the great explorers who bravely set off from Portugal's shores to discover the 'New World'. Consider an Optional Experience to discover Portugal's 'Golden Triangle' of Sintra, Cascais and the Estoril coast. (B)
- Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca We trace the path of pilgrims at the celebrated shrine in Fátima, then depart Portugal bound for Salamanca. (B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol
- 15 **Return to Madrid** Traversing the Sierra de Guadarrama Mountains, we arrive in Madrid. This evening, we join our travel companions and Travel Director for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

**Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding** 

Journey Home Our epic journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal comes to an end this morning. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers.(B)

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes.
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. loin us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner





# **More Trips** to France The joie de vivre doesn't end - discover more of what's waiting in spectacular France. Read the full itineraries at trafalgar.com. outique **Guest favorite: Fragonard Parfumerie** Make an unforgettable trip to one of France's most famous perfume houses, Fragonard, in the town of Eze. Here you'll learn how the talented perfumers have been crafting celebrated scents since 1926. Sample some of the unique fragrances on offer and maybe even take one home with you as a lasting reminder of your visit to the south of France. Riviera Explorer, day 5

### **Wonderful France**

9 Days

2 Countries

12 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ★



**©** See what happens on trip: #TTTreasuresofESPT

Combine the glamorous French capital with centuries of history and glorious sunsets on the French Riviera. This favorite French tour delivers it all in just nine days, from strolling around the Pont du Gard to soaking up the sun-kissed charm of St. Tropez and Monaco in France's glorious south.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Paris and Arles with a Local Specialist
- Discover Beaune, Lyon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Avignon
- · Visit Saint-Sulpice church in Paris and Pont du Gard
- View the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, Place Bellecour and the Basilica of Notre Dame in Lyon, the Royal Palace and Cathedral in Monaco and the Palace of the Popes in Avignon
- · Scenic Cruise to St. Tropez

Trip code: FWOF

Poppies, Ypres

### Riviera Explorer

### **WWI and WWII Battlefields**

8 Days

3 Countries

11 Meals

Nice, France

12 Days

4 Countries

16 Meals

Past Guest Rated NEW FOR 2023 NOT YET RATED

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Past Guest Rated 4.8<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★



### O See what happens on trip: #TTRivieraExplorer

The playgrounds of the rich and famous line up for an in-depth discovery on this popular French Riviera trip. Live the high life with unforgettable visits to Nice, Antibes and Monaco. You'll also spend time with the owners of an agriturismo and sample their olive oil.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Nice with a Local Specialist
- Discover Dolceacqua, Rocchetta Nervina and Monaco
- Visit Place Massena in Nice, a French perfumery in Èze, the Palace and Cathedral in Monaco and the market in Antibes
- · View the Bay of Angels and La Turbie

### © See what happens on trip: #TTBattlefields

Travel to the front lines of Europe, where brave soldiers once fought for freedom. On this epic battlefield tour through the countryside of Britain, France, Belgium and the Netherlands, you'll explore the tragedy and triumph of two World Wars.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore London and Paris with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Normandy, Amiens, the Somme Region, Ypres, Bruges and Amsterdam
- Visit the Imperial War Museum in London, the D-Day Landing Beaches, Saint-Sulpice church in Paris, Amiens Cathedral, military cemeteries throughout northern France and Belgium, the Australian National Memorial, the Caen Memorial, WWI & WWII Battlefields, the Dunkirk War Museum and evacuation beaches. the Memorial Museum Passchendaele and a cheese factory in Volendam

Trip code: RIVK Trip code: FBAT

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### Spotlight trip: Mediterranean Highlights

- · This trip combines Spain, France and Italy, you'll love your chance to explore three distinctly European cultures with Local Specialists to share their in-depth insights
- Enjoy two-night stops in Madrid, Barcelona, Nice, Florence, and Rome
- Great for scenery lovers visiting Avignon, French Riviera, Provence and Tuscany
- Great option for foodies: visit the markets in Aix-en-Provence and a Tuscan feast at Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia, located near Leonardo Da Vinci's birthplace

### **Highlights of** France and Barcelona

10 Days

3 Countries

14 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.5<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> 

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### See what happens on trip: #TTFranceBarcelona

One of our most popular France and Spain trips, this jampacked journey from Paris to Barcelona is a feast for every sense, from lunch with locals and elegant châteaux in the Loire Valley, to the buzz of Avignon's Place de l'Horloge and the irresistible French Riviera.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Paris, Lyon, Carcassonne and Barcelona with a Local Specialist
- Discover Avignon, Nice, Monaco and Arles
- Visit Saint-Sulpice Church in Paris, Château de Chenonceau in the Loire Valley and the Dalí Theater and Museum in Figueres
- · Scenic Drive through the Loire Valley

Trip code: FRSP

### Mediterranean **Highlights**

### **Days of Devotion**

13 Days

5 Countries

18 Meals

12 Days

3 Countries

16 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.5<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★

Past Guest Rated

NOT YET RATED





### See what happens on trip: #TTMedHighlights

Ease into lazy days and the locals' love of life and good food. Sun-kissed days and sizzling nights are the main attractions on this Mediterranean trip bringing you coastal Spain, France and Italy. You'll also enjoy lunch with sisters Sandra and Antonella on their Tuscan agriturismo near Vinci.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Madrid, Barcelona, Cinque Terre, Florence and Rome with a **Local Specialist**
- · Discover Arles, Avignon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Pisa
- Visit Pont du Gard in Avignon, the French Riviera, Piazza della Signoria in Florence and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
- View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Papal Palace in Avignon, the Palace and Cathedral in Monaco, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio in Florence and the Colosseum in Rome



### O See what happens on trip: #TTDevotion

Travel with faith, tracing the paths of pilgrims to some of Europe's most sacred centers - a spiritual and cultural journey to Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela and Fátima, with an opportunity to attend Mass.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Attend Mass in Lourdes, Santiago de Compostela and Fátima
- Explore Barcelona, Carcassonne, Lourdes, Burgos, Santiago de Compostela and Lisbon with a Local Specialist
- Visit La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, Burgos Cathedral, St. James Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fátima and the Hieronymites Monastery in Lisbon
- View the Placa de Catalunya in Barcelona, the medieval city walls of Carcassonne, the Monument to Discoveries and the Belém Tower in Lisbon

Trip code: SPRO Trip code: RDOD

### Northern Spain

### **Great Iberian Cities**

11 Days

1 Country

14 Meals

9 Days

2 Countries

12 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>60</sup> ★

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ★



### See what happens on trip: #TTNorthernSpain

Go beyond the normal northern Spain trip and immerse yourself in the region's distinctive culture and history. On this trip up north, you'll trace the footsteps of pilgrims, admire the architectural talents of Frank Gehry and relax on the sunny shores of Santander.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Barcelona, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca and Madrid with a **Local Specialist**
- · Discover Pamplona, San Sebastián, Bilbao, Santander and Oviedo
- Visit the Holy Cave of Covadonga, the fishing village of Luarca, St. James Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela and the Prado Museum in Madrid
- · View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao and the Cathedral and University of Salamanca
- Scenic Drive through the Picos de Europa



See what happens on trip: #TTIberianCities

Blaze a trail on this exhilarating Spain and Portugal trip, as you travel from Gaudí's Barcelona to Portugal's 'Golden Age of Discoveries' in Lisbon. See the tomb of Columbus, admire great works in the Prado Museum and enjoy sweet sangria in Andalusia.

### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Seville and Lisbon with a Local Specialist
- · Visit Plaça Catalunya in Barcelona, Prado Museum in Madrid, Church of Santo Tome and the Synagogue in Toledo, Plaza de España in Seville and Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon
- View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona and the Giralda Bell Tower in Seville

Trip code: SBAR

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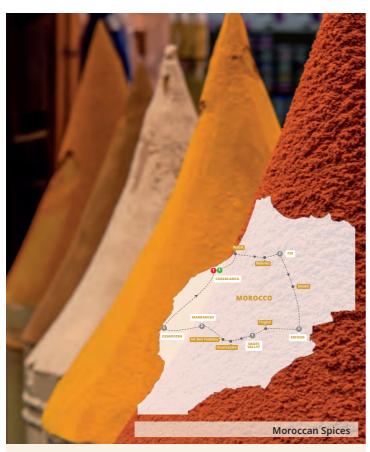
### **Best of Morocco**

10 Days

1 Country

16 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.3<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★



### **◎** See what happens on trip: #TTBestOfMorocco

An in-depth Morocco trip featuring all the exciting sights, sounds and flavors befitting of its status as the gateway to Africa. Explore the ancient alleyways of Fes, spend the evening like a local in a riad and learn about the healing touch of Moroccan ingredients like argan oil.

### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Fes and Marrakesh with a Local Specialist
- Discover Rabat, Meknès, Erfoud, Ouarzazate, Essaouira and Casablanca
- **Visit** a traditional tannery and dye-pit in Fes, Midelt, Tafilalt Oasis, Bahia Palace and a Moroccan pharmacy in Marrakesh
- View the Royal Palace in Rabat, the Ziz Valley near Tinghir, the Todra Gorge, Aït Ben Haddou and the Hassan II Mosque in Casablanca

Trip code: MORB/WMOF



## **Amsterdam Explorer**

6 Days

1 Country

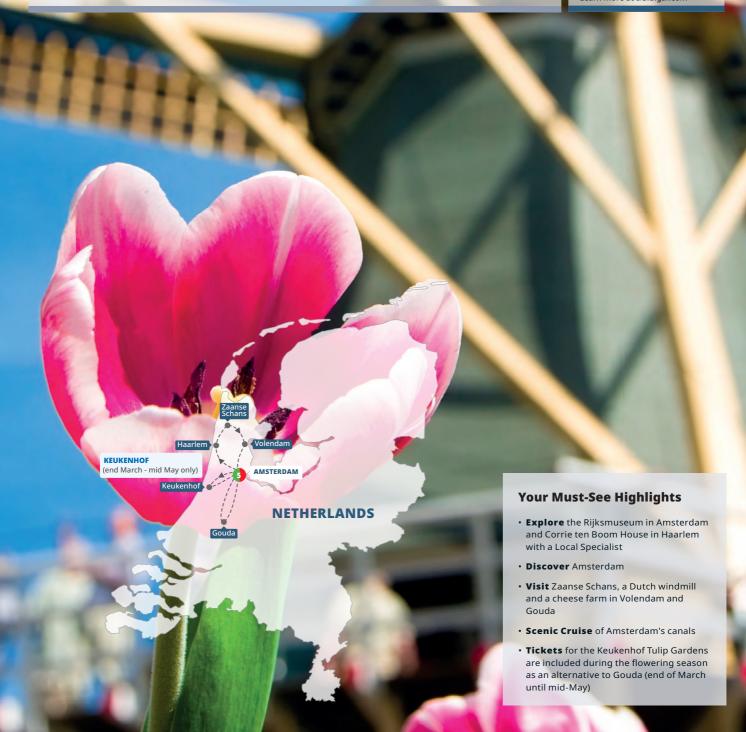
8 Meals

Explore the photogenic Dutch capital and iconic sights beyond its canals on this in-depth Amsterdam trip. You'll feast with the locals, see how they carve their sturdy clogs and experience first-hand the enduring symbols of Holland, from windmills to cheese.

Past Guest Rated

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Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

1 Welcome to Amsterdam Welcome to the pictureperfect city of Amsterdam, buzzing with bicycles and boats. Every alley leads to another cozy bruin café and the canals are more plentiful than in Venice. Delve into the *qezelligheid* of Amsterdam during a city orientation - to see its beautifully preserved medieval buildings and tree-lined canals. Then, enjoy a Welcome Reception and laid-back city cruise along the winding canals, soaking up the alluring setting as you enjoy a light meal. (WR)

**Hotel: NH Amsterdam Center** 

Rijksmuseum and More in Amsterdam This morning, we Dive Into Culture and enjoy a Small Group Sightseeing tour of the Rijksmuseum, home to masterpieces of Rembrandt, Hals and Vermeer. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city your way. Visit the floating flower market or stroll along the gabled façades that line Amsterdam's ring of canals. End your day with delicious local flavors at one of the city's many cozy restaurants. However you choose to spend your day, you're in for a gezellig time in one of Europe's cutest capitals. (B, 5%)

A Day Exploring Dutch Culture and History Take a trip back in time to discover the centuries-old traditions of Holland stopping in the pretty town of Haarlem. We join a Local Specialist this morning for a visit to the Corrie ten Boom House and Museum, Learn how this watchmaker helped countless Jews escape Nazi persecution during World War II, which ultimately led to her arrest. Dive Into Culture on a visit to historic Zaanse Schans where you'll step back in time to discover the art of carving traditional wooden clogs. Learn about the Zuiderzee and the incredible story of the Dutch battle against the encroaching sea to reclaim the land as we travel on to the fishing village of Volendam on the shores of the IJsselmeer. Here we will meet Tom, miller of Katwoude, for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience to investigate the inner-workings of one of the country's many iconic windmills before paying a visit to a nearby farm for a taste of delicious Dutch cheeses. This evening, we Connect With Locals to enjoy a homecooked dinner with the Pauw family during an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, ॐ, ♠, ŵ)

Amsterdam Your Way You'll get to explore Amsterdam your way today. Don your most comfortable shoes, this is a city for walking. Spend the day tracing Amsterdam's elaborate canal system and admire the centuries-old gabled homes that jostle for their spot overlooking the water. Sit back in a leafy plein and enjoy a crisp pils as you watch the busy Amsterdammers go about their day. You could choose to brave the city streets like the locals by bike. Pedal along the tree-lined canals and over bridges bound for some of the city's great highlights like the Westerkerk, tranquil Jordaan and Vondelpark. (B)

Discover Gouda (or Keukenhof During Tulip Season) The powerful aroma of delicious Dutch cheese will infuse our senses today. Seemingly frozen in time with its beautiful 15th-century town hall and medieval cheese weighing station, Gouda's status as a cheese trading town dates back to the Middle Ages. Dive Into Culture and witness this proud tradition first-hand in the town's beautiful market square, before spending the rest of the day at leisure. Returning to Amsterdam this evening, you'll be treated to a superb Farewell Dinner in the heart of the city. (B, FD, 50)



### Visit the Keukenhof Gardens. A sight to behold from March to May, this kaleidoscopic flower-filled experience is enchanting in every way. You'll see tulips in almost every color! Discover more at trafalgar.com.

**Farewell Amsterdam** The time has come to bid *tot* ziens to the magnificent city and your fellow travelers after an enjoyable encounter with Amsterdam and the surrounding Dutch countryside. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

"Everything was wonderful. River cruise, tulips, museums, time allowance was perfect."

> Our Guest: K. Hughes on Amsterdam Explorer

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### **Best of Holland**

7 Days

1 Country

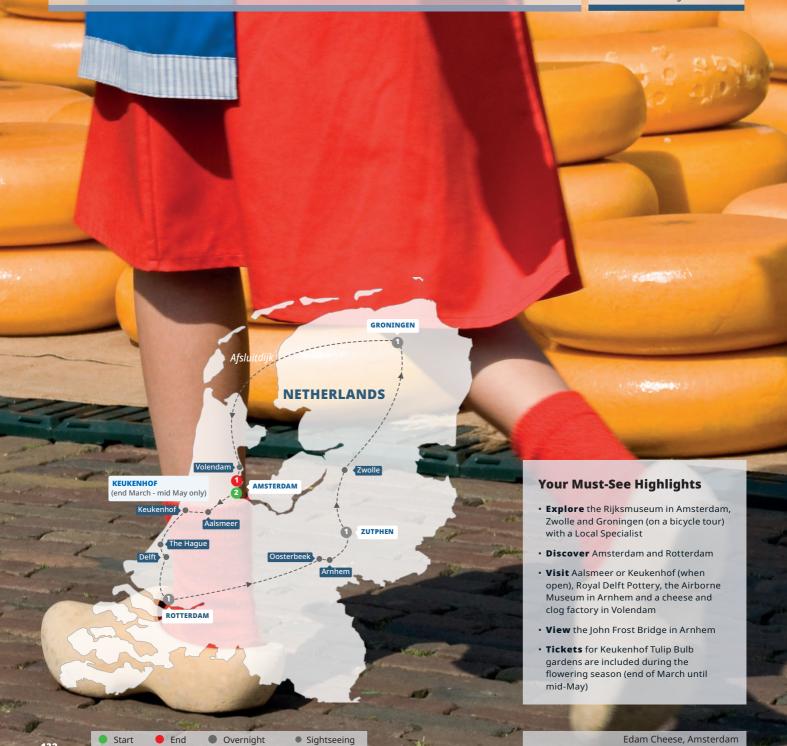
9 Meals

Delight in the best of the Netherlands on this in-depth exploration. You'll see the works of great masters at the Rijksmuseum, cycle through medieval Groningen like a local and soak up some of that characteristic gezellig spirit with a family on their farm.

Past Guest

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Guest Rated 4.5/5



- 1 Welcome to Amsterdam What better place to start your jaunt through the Netherlands than Amsterdam? Spend your day strolling through its pretty streets and tree-lined canals, stopping for a coffee and speculaas along the way. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening on a scenic canal cruise, including a light meal and welcome drinks, admiring the centuries-old façades. (WR) Hotel: Bilderberg Garden
  - **Explore Amsterdam's Art and Architecture** Delve into the Dutch Golden Age and its extraordinary art, architecture and history, traversing the city's inner labyrinth of canals and narrow streets, along which hundreds of sturdy Dutch bicycles rattle day and night. Dive Into Culture and enjoy a Small Group Sightseeing tour of the Rijksmuseum, featuring the works of great Dutch masters, including Rembrandt's 'The Night Watch'. (B, 🕬)
  - Journey to Aalsmeer/Keukenhof, The Hague and Rotterdam We rise with the birds this morning, taking a trip to Aalsmeer to visit the vibrant flower auction and see the vividly hued blooms for which Holland is so famous. Alternatively, during the flowering season (end of March until mid-May), we'll enjoy an included visit to the tulip gardens of Keukenhof - the mesmerising sight of several million flowering bulbs planted across 32 hectares will leave you in absolute awe. This afternoon, we travel through The Hague to the historic town of Delft and Dive Into Culture at the Royal Delft Pottery workshop where we'll gain insights into the manufacturing of this delicate hand-painted blue and white porcelain. We continue to edgy Rotterdam, which was rebuilt from the ground up after being destroyed during World War II. Your orientation tour will reveal an innovative city with architectural treasures worth capturing on camera and a vibrant multicultural scene around every turn. (B, RD, 🕬)

**Hotel: Bilderberg Parkhotel** 



See how Delft Pottery is made. It takes skill and a steady hand to paint Delft's delicate white and blue porcelain. You'll get to see local artisans at work as they have for centuries. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Onwards to Arnhem and Zutphen Enjoy a morning at leisure, or perhaps consider joining an Optional Experience to visit the UNESCO World Heritage-listed village of Kinderdijk, famous for its 19 monumental windmills. Later we travel east to Arnhem to see the John Frost Bridge, so named as a tribute to the commander of the British forces that held the bridge for four days with a mere 750 soldiers, during the World War II Battle of Arnhem. Learn about this

famous battle, inspiration behind the film 'A Bridge Too Far', on an included visit to the Airborne Museum at Oosterbeek. This afternoon, continue on to the Hanseatic town of Zutphen, our home for the night. (B) Hotel: Hampshire Gravenhof Zutphen

- 5 Off to Stunning Zwolle and Groningen We head north to the beautiful Hanseatic city of Zwolle, where we'll join our *Local Specialist* for a walking tour through its medieval center. Later we continue to Groningen. where the rich history and peculiar dialect will certainly be a highlight for culture and history buffs alike. (B) Hotel: Leonardo Groningen
- Venture to Volendam and Return to Amsterdam Dive Into Culture this morning and saddle up to explore the university city of Groningen during a guided bicycle tour of its medieval center. Ramble along the city's ring of canals like a local, before enjoying a beautiful drive through Friesland en route to Volendam, a former fishing port on the edge of IJsselmeer. Dive Into Culture and learn about the craft of wooden clog making and Dutch cheese. Then meet Tom, miller of Katwoude, for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Visit the mill and learn about the important role the mill plays in managing rising water levels. This evening, enjoy a celebratory Be My Guest Farewell Dinner with the Pauw family as you *Connect With Locals* over a traditional Dutch meal. (B, BMG, 🎻, 🎍, 🔊) Hotel: Mercure City
- 7 **Farewell Amsterdam** For now we say a fond *tot* ziens to Amsterdam and our newfound friends, closing the door on a memorable Dutch experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



### **Travel Director Tip**

When in Zwolle, pay a visit to the Zwolle Balletjeshuis candy store and imagine yourself in grandmother's time with the sweet scent of traditional old Dutch sweets such as polka chunks and wine balls. The real Zwolse Balletjes (balls) are

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner





## Best of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg

10 Days

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

3 Countries

12 Meals

This Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg travel trio packs a punch with good food and epic sightseeing. The enchanting beauty of Bruges is a highlight, but there's more to experience, from seeing how Belgian lace is made, to dinner in an 18th-century Flemish farmstead.

**Past** Guest Rated

Bruges, Belgium



1 Welcome to Amsterdam Launch your vacation in Amsterdam. Later, you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception cruise, including a light meal and welcome drink. (WR)

Hotel: Apollo Amsterdam, a Tribute Portfolio Hotel

**Explore Amazing Amsterdam** Explore Amsterdam's historic city center this morning. Dive Into Culture and as you join a Small Group Sightseeing tour of the Rijksmuseum with a *Local Specialist*. Celebrate spring and enjoy an included visit to Keukenhof (subject to season) where you'll stroll through an enchanting wonderland of tulips, daffodils and hyacinths. (B, 🕬)



Explore the Rijksmuseum. Visit the national art gallery of the Netherlands, where you'll enjoy its exceptional collection of works by the Dutch masters. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- **Discover Delft and Rotterdam** Soak up the *gezellig* Dutch atmosphere this morning, before heading to Delft via The Hague. We Dive Into Culture during a visit to the Royal Delft Pottery workshop and admire the delicate blue and white porcelain that has made this historic town famous. We continue our journey south, arriving in the edgy port city of Rotterdam, where we will enjoy an informative orientation tour. (B, 🔊)
  - Onwards to Maastricht, Bastogne and Luxembourg City The fortified city of Maastricht takes center stage this morning. We spend some time strolling through its town center before continuing to Bastogne, the site of bloody skirmishes in the World War II Battle of the Bulge. Visit the 12th-century Cistercian Orval Abbey, renowned for being one of the few breweries that produce Trappist beer before journeying to the Duchy of Luxembourg, where tonight we'll dine in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Doubletree by Hilton/Parc Hotel Alvisse
- See the Sights of Luxembourg City This morning, we pay tribute to Allied Forces hero, General George S. Patton, whose final resting place is the Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial. Later, we embark on a leisurely walking tour of Luxembourg City with a Local Specialist. Our route takes us past the Cathedral and the Grand Ducal Palace, with its Flemish Renaissance façades, and includes spectacular views of the gorge of the rivers Alzette and Petrusse. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

Journey to Bruges En route to the enchanting medieval town of Bruges, we stop in Dinant whose famous son, Adolphe Sax, is credited with having invented the saxophone. (B)

Hotel: De' Medici

- Uncover the Treasures of Bruges Wake up in 7 beautiful Bruges and join a Local Specialist for a walking tour of the town. Take to the water and enjoy a whimsical sightseeing cruise along the city's wonderful canals lined with Gothic façades. Dive Into Culture next and admire the delicate art of Belgian lace. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B, 5%, 6%)
- Continue to Ghent and Brussels Delve into centuries of trade heritage in the medieval port city of Ghent. See the three famous towers - Saint Nicholas Church, the Belfry and Saint Bavo's Cathedral - before continuing to Brussels. See the Atomium, designed for the 1958 Brussels World's Fair, Mannekin Pis and the exquisite Grand Place with its ornate guildhalls. Step into our elegant Stays With Stories hotel, the Sofitel Brussels Europe surrounded by leafy parks, cafés and museums, in the heart of the tranguil European District. (B, 😩) Hotel: Sofitel Europe
- Brussels Your Way Embrace this day at leisure to explore the Belgian capital as you wish. Your Travel Director will assist you to make the most out of your free day. This evening, join us for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience to learn about how one Belgian beer maker is making a difference with their zero waste brews. We will enjoy a tasting to start our celebration of a memorable sojourn through three fascinating countries before enjoying a Farewell Dinner together. (B, FD, 1)
- Farewell Brussels We bid Belgium a fond adieu this morning as we prepare to close the curtain on a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Please Note: Your coach returns to Amsterdam from Brussels on Day 10. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Amsterdam will be at the Trafalgar Amsterdam hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 3pm, depending on traffic conditions.

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Keukenhof: We've included tickets to the magnificent Keukenhof tulip fields on these dates.

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## **Best of Germany**

12 Days

1 Country

16 Meals

See all the sights on this jam-packed Best of Germany trip. From cutting-edge Berlin, you'll travel back in time and enjoy a medieval banquet in a castle, watch life along the Rhine unfold on a cruise and see how the beauty of the Black Forest inspired fables and fairy tales.

Past Guest Rated

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4.6/5



1 Welcome to Frankfurt On your first day in Germany, see the sights of Frankfurt on your own before meeting your Travel Director for an orientation of Römerplatz and the financial district. Later, enjoy a Welcome Reception, including a light meal and welcome drink. (WR)

#### Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach

Cruise along the Rhine and journey to Cologne and Düsseldorf Board your leisurely Rhine cruise, stopping for lunch at a 13th-century castle where we Connect With Locals at our Be My Guest experience and lunch with views over the Rhine Valley. Visit Cologne and view the Gothic spires of its cathedral during an orientation, then continue to Düsseldorf. (B, BMG, (S))

**Hotel: Mercure Koeln Belfortstrasse** 

3 Onwards to the Port City of Hamburg Journey through the lush landscape of Lower Saxony to the international trade center of Hamburg for an orientation tour. Spend the rest of the day at leisure exploring the city's seafaring heritage. Tonight, we will dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza City Alster

Journey to Berlin Cross the former 'Iron Curtain' to Berlin where your Local Specialist will reveal the city's iconic landmarks, including the neo-Renaissance Reichstag, the Tiergarten, Brandenburg Gate and Unter den Linden. Enjoy some time at leisure this afternoon. (B) **Hotel: Sheraton Grand Esplanade** 

Discover the Grit and Glamour of Berlin Ascend the iconic Berlin TV Tower for 360° views of the city and Spree River. You'll learn how this landmark changed from being a symbol of the communist regime of East Germany to a symbol of a reunited Berlin before enjoying some time this afternoon to explore Berlin your way. You could choose to join an Optional Experience to delve into the secrets of Berlin's past, including a visit to the site of Checkpoint Charlie. (B)

Off to Dresden Visit Dresden, the 'Florence on the Elbe' and learn about the restoration of the city's beautiful Baroque façades following its devastation during World War II. See the Semper Opera, Zwinger Palace and the fully reconstructed Frauenkirche. This afternoon, you could choose an Optional Experience to visit the Dresden Royal Treasury, one of the richest treasure chambers in Europe, followed by a visit to Moritzburg Castle. (B)

**Hotel: Pullman Newa** 

Venture to Historic Nuremberg Gain insights into a divided Germany at Mödlareuth's open-air museum and see a section of the original wall with its security features. This afternoon, arrive in Nuremberg, once the unofficial capital of the Holy Roman Empire. During your orientation, see the mighty castle ramparts and stand in the Hauptmarkt main square, then spend the rest of your evening at leisure, perhaps indulging in grilled Nürnberger Rostbratwurst with sauerkraut. (B)

Hotel: NH Collection

Continue to Medieval Rothenburg and Munich Stroll through the medieval center of Rothenburg, seemingly frozen in time and encircled by a fortified town wall that remains intact after centuries. Admire its beautiful market square and the Old Town Hall before following part of the Romantic Road through villages and the countryside to Munich. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark

**Explore Munich** Immerse yourself in the diversity and splendor of Munich. Enjoy an orientation tour of the city's landmarks and see the Wittelsbach Royal Family Residenz and Marienplatz, home to the Town Hall Glockenspiel.

Later you'll have some time to explore Munich your way, including perhaps a visit to one of the local beer halls for which the capital of Bavaria is famous. (B)

Admire Neuschwanstein Castle and the Black

Forest Snap your fingers and be transported to a land of fables and folklore. Visit King Ludwig II's fairy-tale Neuschwanstein Castle, then continue to the Black Forest, whose mystical landscape inspired fantasy and fiction from the famous Brothers Grimm. This evening, we dine at our our hotel. (B, D)

**Hotel: Hofgut Sternen** 

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Explore Neuschwanstein Castle. With a wave of a magic wand, you'll be transported into King Ludwig II's masterpiece, the castle that inspired Walt Disney's magical kingdom. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

11 On to Heidelberg and Frankfurt Witness the centuries-old craft of cuckoo clock making as you Dive Into Culture. Then view the ruins of Heidelberg Castle, as well as the Baroque-style Old Town. Tonight, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our newfound friends. (B, FD, @) **Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach** 

12 Farewell Germany After breakfast, we say a fond farewell after a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. (B)

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### **Switzerland and Austria**

13 Days

Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

4 Countries

17 Meals

One of our most popular trips going to Austria and Switzerland, this incredible duo also delivers a visit to the little Liechtenstein capital. The Alps take center stage on this journey, but you'll also learn about life as a Carinthian nun when you join them for dinner in a former castle.

Past Guest Rated

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Château de Chillon, Lake Geneva

4.7/5



1 Welcome to Zürich Your epic journey begins in the sophisticated Swiss city of Zürich. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for an orientation in the afternoon. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Reception in this beautiful lakeside setting. (WR)

Hotel: Mövenpick Regensdorf

**Journey to Liechtenstein and Salzburg Embark** on a soul-stirring encounter with the valleys and lofty peaks of Liechtenstein, bound for its tiny capital, Vaduz. Continue along the scenic Arlberg route through the Tyrol to your overnight stop in the Baroque city of Salzburg. Here, you will join a Local Specialist for a walking tour that will take you past iconic sights, including the house where Mozart once lived and Domplatz with its imposing Salzburger Dom Cathedral, Residenz Castle and St. Peter's Abbey. (B) Hotel: Austria Trend Europa

Onwards to Vienna Waltz through the scenic Austrian countryside, past Lake Mondsee and the rolling hills and fortresses of the Wachau Valley, then continue to Vienna. Perhaps spend your first evening in the 'City of Music' on an Optional Experience Viennese dinner with traditional entertainment. (B) Hotel: Azimut

Discover Artistic Vienna Admire the grand boulevards and beautiful Baroque façades of the Austrian capital on a guided sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. You'll see the State Opera, Hofburg, St. Stephen's Cathedral and Parliament, before spending time exploring this imperial city your way. Enjoy the Kaffee culture of the city and tonight consider an Optional Experience dinner and Viennese Concert. (B)

Off to the Riverside Villach We journey south to Graz, with its striking architecture and fascinating Roman history. Continue to Lipizzaner Stud farm at Piber where we'll *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the breeding of these athletic white stallions for the Spanish Riding School. Then head to Villach, our home for tonight. This evening, we Connect With Locals and join Sister Monika and the nuns of Kloster Wernberg at a monastery housed in a beautiful old castle. Enjoy their hospitality and a traditional homemade dinner with herbs from their own garden at this Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, 🎺, 🔊) Hotel: Palais26

Ascend to Alpine Innsbruck Enjoy spectacular Alpine scenery, journeying over the remarkable Felbertauern Road on your way to the capital of the Tyrol, Innsbruck. Here you will have an opportunity to admire Emperor Maximilian I's Golden Roof, St. James Cathedral and see the Olympic ski jump. You could choose to marvel at the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. (B) Hotel: Grauer Bär

Venture to St. Moritz This morning, we cross the Swiss border and travel through the enchanting landscapes of the Engadine Valley. Arriving in the chic winter sports resort of St. Moritz, we have the afternoon on our own to explore the scenic landscape or perhaps take the Bernina line train. (B, D) Hotel: Reine Victoria



Visit St. Moritz ski resort. Breathe in the crisp mountain air and admire this sophisticated ski playground, perhaps climb aboard a train for a memorable journey across Bernina Pass. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

### Journey to Lake Maggiore and on to Zermatt

Drive via the Maloja Pass, past Lake Como, to Lake Maggiore. Explore the lakeside town of Stresa, before seeing the Borromean Islands. Then, head towards the Simplon Pass en route to Zermatt, where you will dine at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Ambassador

Zermatt Your Way Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn. (B)

On to Lake Geneva and Montreux We continue our journey through the Rhône Valley, arriving on the tranquil shores of Lake Geneva later today, where we will view Chillon Castle. We follow the lakeshore to Montreux, set against the pristine backdrop of snowcovered peaks and vineyards. (B) Hotel: Eurotel

11 Cross the Brünig Pass to Lucerne Travel via Bern to Interlaken, in the shadow of the Jungfrau. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. Cross the Brünig Pass to Lucerne, to view the ancient wooden Chapel Bridge and visit the poignant Lion Monument. (B, 🍁) Hotel: Grand Europe

12 Lucerne Your Way Wander through Lucerne's medieval streets, spend the day exploring the city on your own or consider an Optional Experience ascending a nearby mountain for panoramic views. This evening, toast to your epic journey during your Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

**Journey Home** We say a fond farewell to Switzerland and our newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner





### **Best of Switzerland**

9 Days

2 Countries

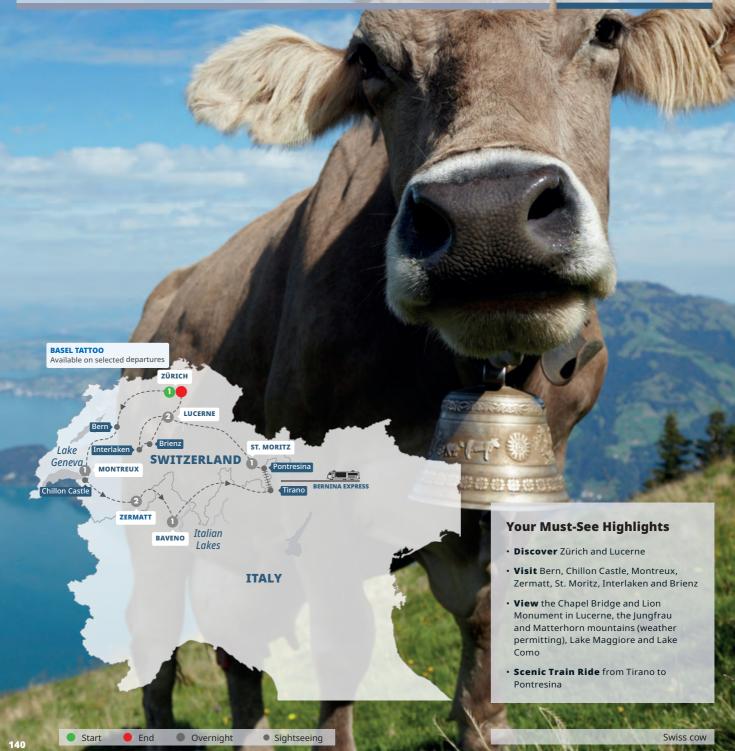
12 Meals

All the Best of Switzerland with a side visit to Italy. What could be better? Your travels will take you to Lake Geneva for local wine, cheese and delicious desserts in Lavaux, Lord Byron's enchanting Chillon Castle and the pretty town of Brienz for a masterclass in Swiss wood carving.

Past Guest Rated

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4.5/5



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1 Welcome to Zürich Welcome to the sophisticated Swiss city of Zürich - a flawless blend of fascinating heritage and modern spirit. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for an orientation in the afternoon. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Reception in this beautiful lakeside setting. (WR)

**Hotel: Hyatt Place Airport** 

Journey to Lake Geneva We leave the bright lights of Zürich behind and stop in Bern with its Old Town, admiring its medieval streets, ornate fountains and arcaded walkways. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. Journeying to Lake Geneva, we arrive in the resort town of Montreux, set against the pristine backdrop of snow-covered peaks and vineyards. After lunch, consider joining an Optional Experience to cruise Lake Geneva, including a visit to the Charlie Chaplin museum in his former estate, Manoir de Ban. (B, &) Hotel: Eurotel

**Onwards to Chillon Castle and Zermatt** This morning, we visit Chillon Castle, immortalized by Lord Byron's 'Prisoner of Chillon'. For nearly four centuries, this water fortress was the residence of the Counts of Savoy and an important stop for traders. Our next stop is the Lavaux region, a charming wine village above Lake Geneva, where we'll Connect With Locals over lunch at our *Be My Guest* experience. Continue your journey to the resort town of Zermatt, set against the backdrop of the snow-capped Matterhorn. (B, BMG, 8) Hotel: Mirabeau



Wine tasting with views of Lake Geneva and the Alps. Enjoy local vintages and cheeses with a Swiss family on their family wine farm. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

**Zermatt Your Way** Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air and panoramic vistas. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views. (B)

Venture to the Italian Lake Maggiore Departing Switzerland, we travel to the lakeside town of Baveno on Italy's Lake Maggiore. Spend the rest of the day indulging in the laid-back lakeside atmosphere or consider joining an Optional Experience to Isola Bella, one of the lake's Borromean islands, with its palazzo and exquisite gardens. (B) Hotel: Simplon

Off to Alpine St. Moritz We travel through the scenic Italian countryside to the fortified town of Tirano. Here, we will board the famous Bernina Express train and

wind our way through scenic landscapes en route to the stylish resort town of St. Moritz. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers. (B, D)

**Hotel: Reine Victoria** 

**Journey to Lakeside Lucerne** Journeying through lush green landscapes, past Lake Zürich, we arrive in lakeside Lucerne. Pay tribute to the brave Swiss Guards, who lost their lives defending King Louis XVI at the Lion Monument, and cross the iconic wooden Chapel Bridge before strolling past the city's colorful façades. Consider joining a cruise on the tranquil lake waters and then ride the world's first double deck 'CabriO' cable car to the top of Mount Stanserhorn. (B)

Hotel: Grand Europe

Admire Scenic Brienz and Interlaken We travel to Interlaken at the heart of Switzerland, which lies in the shadow of the Jungfrau Mountain. Stopping in the village of Brienz en route, we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of wood carving for which this village is so famous. Spend some time on your own and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our fellow travelers and Travel Director toasting the highlights of Switzerland we've enjoyed along the way. (B, FD, 🔊)

Homeward Bound As our journey through the Best of Switzerland comes to an end, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

### **Basel Tattoo**

Embrace a bit of pomp and circumstance at the world's second largest open-air Tattoo show in Basel. Watch as international military bands, popular musicians, traditional folk dancers and tattoo formations wow spectators during rousing performances that will get your feet tapping.

Selected departures will replace the Brienz and Interlaken Excursion on day 8, with a trip to the Basel Tattoo.



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Basel Tattoo: We've included Tattoo tickets during these dates. See Basel Tattoo panel for further

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## Prague, Vienna and Budapest

10 Days

4 Countries

12 Meals

Imperial capitals and their captivating history are the highlights on this exciting Prague, Vienna and Budapest trip. You'll also join a local Hungarian family in their winery for a hearty meal and be spellbound by the stunning views of Charles Bridge and Prague's Old Town.

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4.5/5



- 1 Welcome to Prague The gleaming spires of Prague shine brightly on this sojourn through the imperial capitals of Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Admire the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque façades, before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for an unforgettable Welcome Reception to kick off your holiday. (WR) Hotel: Vienna House Andel's
  - **Discover Historic Prague** Delve into centuries of history, joining your *Local Specialist* for a guided walk past the city's iconic sights. Visit the final resting place of Bohemian kings, St. Vitus Cathedral, set within the precincts of Prague Castle. Then, admire the Astronomical Clock in the Old Town Square, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. See the 14th-century Charles Bridge, lined with the Baroque statues of saints, before spending the afternoon admiring the spectacular cityscape on your own. (B)
- Prague Your Way Today is yours to explore the legends, castles and palaces of Prague. Follow the 'Royal Route', discover historic treasures and admire picturesque views of the city from Petřín Hill. Spend your evening at leisure, enjoying some of the local beer for which the country is famous. (B)
  - Journey to Slovak Bratislava and on to Vienna Travel south from Prague through lush Moravian landscapes to Bratislava, passing its quaint Old Town, before continuing your journey to Vienna - our home for the next three nights. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. Admire the city's musical talents and consider attending a Viennese concert. (B, \psi) Hotel: Radisson Blu Park Royal Palace
- Explore Vibrant Vienna The heritage of one of Europe's most influential royal families is explored this morning as we Dive Into Culture during a Small Group Sightseeing guided visit to the spectacular Kunstkammer. Admire the valuable objects collected by the emperors and archdukes of Habsburg over the centuries before the doors are open to the general public. Later, we join an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist to view the Hofburg Palace, the official residence of the President of Austria and former home of the Habsburg Dynasty. We'll see such sights as the Parliament Building, the magnificent Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral with its geometrically tiled roof. (B, @)



### VIP entry to Kunsthistorisches Museum.

Spend quality time exploring the Royal Collection of Habsburg Empire featuring the works of great masters in this palatial art museum in Vienna. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- Vienna Your Way Today is yours to explore the 'City of Music' on your terms. Tread in the footsteps of the great sons of Vienna - Mozart, Haydn and Strauss - as you delve into the city's rich musical heritage nurtured by aristocrats throughout the centuries. Consider a visit to the beautiful Baroque Schönbrunn Palace to see the former imperial summer residence. (B)
- Onwards to Budapest Journey along the Danube Bend, a narrow twisting valley in the pretty Carpathian Basin, stopping in Esztergom to view its Castle Hill, domed Cathedral, and St. Thomas Hill. We follow the scenic landscape to the romantic city of Budapest where we will spend the next three nights. Enjoy a free evening sipping Hungarian wines or consider cruising along the Danube. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza
- See the Sights of Budapest Join a Local Specialist this morning for a walking tour. We pay tribute to the seven chieftains of the Magyars in Heroes' Square before enjoying time at leisure in the Jewish Quarter or shop for Hungarian embroidery and fine porcelain. Tonight's Be Mv Guest experience will see us Connect With Locals over dinner with the Schieszl family and hear the story of their winery. (B, BMG, 8)
- Budapest Your Way Venture up Gellert Hill for spectacular views of the Budapest skyline, relax in the Szechenyi Baths or consider an Optional Experience to Szentendre, a riverside village popular with artists and craftworkers. On our last evening together, we toast to a magnificent journey to the imperial capitals of Europe and enjoy a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant. (B, FD)
- Farewell Budapest We say a fond farewell to our companions and Travel Director today after an unforgettable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

"The time in each city (three nights) was just perfect. I had never been to this area of Europe and I loved it."

> Our Guest: D. Scandling on Prague, Vienna and Budapest

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- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement.

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## **Imperial Europe**

10 Days

5 Countries

13 Meals

The towering spires of Imperial Europe may seem to touch the sky, but you'll want to keep your feet on the ground so you don't miss any of the many travel highlights and heart-warming surprises delivered on your visits to Prague, Salzburg, Budapest and Vienna.

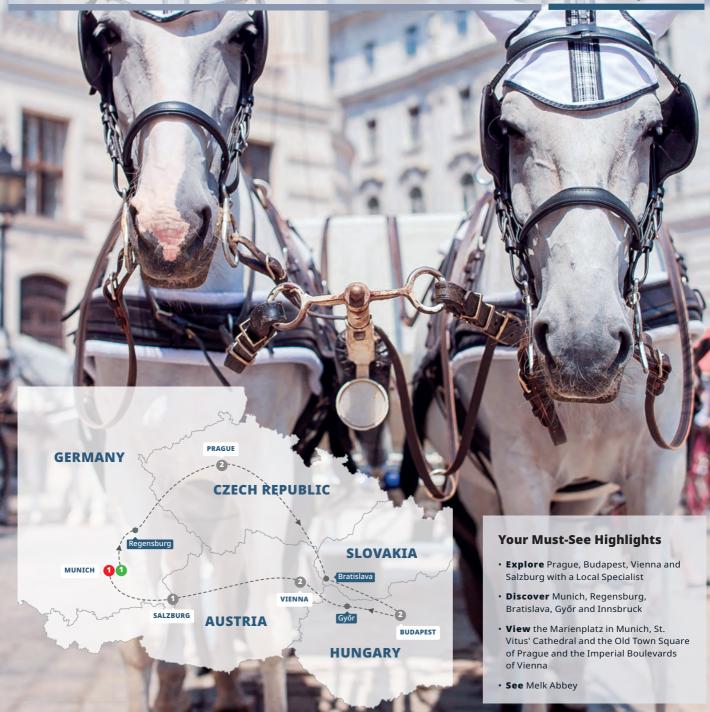
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Start

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

1 Welcome to Munich The sophisticated city streets of Munich kick off your adventure through the capitals of Imperial Europe. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director this evening for an orientation tour, including views of the Marienplatz and its iconic Glockenspiel, before a Welcome Reception to launch your journey. (WR) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark/ Leonardo Royal

Journey to Medieval Regensburg and Prague This morning visit Regensburg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and an unspoilt medieval gem. Cross the Czech border and head to Prague, your home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Vienna House Andel's

**Discover Colorful Prague** Delve into centuries of history as you join a Local Specialist for a guided sightseeing tour of Prague. View the impressive architecture of St. Vitus Cathedral in the grounds of the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle. Cross the river on your walking tour to the Old Town Square to see the Astronomical Clock, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. The afternoon is yours to explore the city on your own. (B)

#### **Onwards to Slovak Bratislava and Budapest**

Cross the lush landscapes of Moravia and stop in Bratislava to admire its eclectic Gothic, Baroque and Art Deco architecture. Continue across the Hungarian border before arriving in Budapest, the 'Paris of the East'. Tonight, a free evening could see you choose an Optional Experience Danube cruise with dinner featuring Hungarian specialties and awe-inspiring views. (B) Hotel: Novotel Danube

Explore Riverside Budapest Admire all the highlights of Budapest on a guided sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. See the famous Chain Bridge which connects two ancient settlements that straddle the Danube, and the UNESCO-listed Castle Hill district. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. Spend the rest of the day at leisure or join an Optional Experience visit to Szentendre, a picturesque medieval town located on the banks of the Danube. Later, you'll join the Schieszl family for a hearty Hungarian dinner at our Be My Guest experience. Connect With Locals and hear the story of their winery. (B, BMG, &, S)



#### Hungarian dinner at a family-run winery.

A heart-warming experience with the whole Schieszl family, featuring traditional Hungarian fare and the family's captivating history. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Venture to Vienna A leisurely start to your morning could see you joining an Optional Experience guided tour of the magnificent Parliament Building and a visit to the world-famous Gundel restaurant for pancakes. Cross the hilly landscapes of Transdanubia stopping in Győr to soak up its medieval atmosphere. Arrive in Vienna for an evening at leisure to indulge in the captivating melodies, art and architecture of a city that was once home to famous composers. (B) **Hotel: Holiday Inn South** 

See the Sights of Vienna Join a Local Specialist 7 and explore the imperial splendor of Vienna. Admire the Hofburg Palace, the grand State Opera House and Ringstrasse, then see the ornate colorful roof of St. Stephen's Cathedral, one of the city's most beloved icons. Perhaps consider a visit to the Baroque Schönbrunn Palace with its tranquil gardens or enjoy Vienna's musical talents at one of the performances for which the city is famous. (B)

Off to Picturesque Salzburg See the Benedictine Melk Abbey perched on a rocky outcrop above the Danube. Arrive in Salzburg later and embark on a leisurely walking tour with a *Local Specialist*. Dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure City

Return to Munich Leave Austria behind, bound for the German city of Munich. This evening, we celebrate an unforgettable journey through some of Europe's most memorable cities during a Farewell Dinner with your travel companions and Travel Director. (B, FD) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark/Leonardo Royal

Farewell Munich Say a fond auf Wiedersehen to Germany, at the end of your exhilarating European experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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14 Days

End

Overnight

Sightseeing

6 Countries

20 Meals

A jam-packed Bohemian trip showcasing the stories of central Europe. Learn about its colorful folklore and the tragedies of war as you visit the heart of Old Town Kraków, slice through the Carpathians and see all the highlights of Prague, Budapest and Vienna.

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#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Berlin, Warsaw, Kraków, Budapest, Vienna and Prague with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Berlin TV Tower, Poznań, the former concentration camp at Auschwitz, St. Mary's Church and the Cloth Hall in Kraków, Győr, Tábor, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague
- View the famous Reichstag and Tiergarten in Berlin, Kraków Cathedral and Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków and the Castle District in Budapest
- See Hofburg Palace and the Opera House in Vienna

Eastern European Dress

1 Welcome to Berlin Start your Central European adventure in Berlin. Spend time meandering through this remarkable city before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Hilton

Explore Bustling Berlin Explore an iconic landmark of Berlin during an experience at the Berlin TV Tower. Enjoy inspiring 360° views of the city, then see the neo-Renaissance Reichstag, the Tiergarten, Brandenburg Gate and Unter den Linden with a Local Specialist. Spend some free time this afternoon exploring the city on your own. (B)



Visit the Berlin TV Tower. Reach new heights during a visit to Berlin's most iconic landmark. From its viewing gallery enjoy panoramic views across the entire city. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Poznań and on to Warsaw We travel through patchwork farm landscapes stopping in Poznań, before arriving in the modern Polish capital, Warsaw. You'll check in to your hotel, situated just a short walk from the Warsaw Uprising Museum and near the remains of the ghetto walls if you'd like to dive deeper into the area's tragic history. (B, D) Hotel: Leonardo Royal

**Discover Historic Warsaw** Join a *Local Specialist* this morning to explore Warsaw's colorful historic center. including the Old Town, which the Nazis destroyed in retaliation for the brave Warsaw Uprising. We'll also see where the Ghetto once stood, and the memorials to those who bravely defended their freedom against Nazi and Soviet oppressors, tragically immortalized in the poignant Roman Polanski film 'The Pianist'. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city's sights on your own, Consider a visit to the Wilanów Palace, a priceless testimony to the splendor of Poland's royal past, and treat yourself to a Chopin recital, before joining your travel companions this evening for a delicious Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD)

Onwards to Auschwitz and Kraków Continue to the Auschwitz Memorial Site for a poignant reminder of one of the greatest tragedies of World War II. We continue to the enchanting city of Kraków. (B, D, 🔊) Hotel: Qubus

See the Sights of Kraków We take to the beautiful streets of Kraków, joining a Local Specialist for a walking tour of the medieval Old Town, Visit the Mariacki Church, see Wawel Castle, then enjoy panoramic views of the city from Wawel Hill. The rest of the day is yours to explore

the sights on your own. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine, renowned as the Underground Salt Cathedral of Poland. (B)

7 Venture through Slovakia to Budapest Drive south through the Tatra mountains and across the border into Slovakia. Continue to Hungary and arrive later in the majestic capital of Budapest. (B)

**Hotel:** Mercure Korona

Uncover the Treasures of Budapest We join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. Next, we stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. Spend the rest of the day exploring on your own or consider a trip to Szentendre, a lively riverside town. renowned for its art life. This evening, we Connect With Locals and join the Schieszl family for dinner and hear the story of their winery at our Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, &, S)

**Off to Vienna** Cross the hilly Transdanubia region to the Roman town of Győr. Amble along Baross Gábor Street before departing for Vienna. Your Stays With Stories accommodation this evening is the Hilton Danube Waterfront, a renovated grain silo built in 1916. (B, 😩) Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront

Admire Vibrant Vienna Tread in the footsteps of Mozart, Haydn and Strauss, admiring Vienna's imperial elegance on an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. See the Parliament Building with its marble statues, the 13th-century Hofburg Palace, State Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral. Spend the rest of the day discovering the city at your own pace. Consider joining an Optional Experience to a famous local hostelry for traditional Austrian cuisine and a musical performance. (B)

Venture to Prague Travel north to the Czech Republic and visit Tábor, once a Hussite stronghold. This afternoon, arrive in the remarkable city of Prague. (B, D) **Hotel: NH City** 

The Old Town and More in Prague Join a Local Specialist this morning and visit St. Vitus Cathedral, cross the Vltava to the Old Town Square and view the 14<sup>th</sup>-century Astronomical Clock. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

**Journey to Frankfurt** We journey west across the 13 German border today before arriving in Frankfurt. Spend the last evening with your travel companions and Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) **Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach** 

Farewell Frankfurt We say farewell to our newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at

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## **Best of Croatia and Slovenia**

11 Days

2 Countries

14 Meals

Idyllic islands and the remnants of Venetian riches dot this epic Croatia and Slovenia tour from Zagreb to Slovenia's 'green' capital, all the way along Croatia's sparkling Adriatic coastline with a stop in Bled you'll be talking about years to come as you meet your warm hosts Monika and Gregor on their organic farm.

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1 Welcome to Zagreb You'll never forget the glow of endless sunsets and the rich history of Croatia and Slovenia influenced by the Greeks, Romans and Venetians. This epic Croatia and Slovenia tour kicks off in the political and cultural capital of Zagreb where you'll discover the treasures of its past. You'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers later this evening for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive sharing some of the highlights you can expect tomorrow. (WR)

**Hotel:** Canopy by Hilton

- Sightseeing in Zagreb Zagreb's medieval heart is the star of the show today – your Local Specialist reveals its charming upper town which spills onto St. Mark's Square with its original Romanesque buildings and colorful St. Mark's Church. The beauty of Bled isn't far off and you'll head through Slovenia's green landscapes for this popular lakeside resort town and the surrounding Alpine landscape which is simply irresistible. (B) Hotel: Park
- Explore the beauty of lakeside Bled There's time for a scenic boat ride on Lake Bled today to view the 17th-century Church of Assumption before today's exclusive Be My Guest experience with Monika, Gregor and their five children. You'll visit their Slibar farm, in their family for six generations, and learn all about their sustainable way of life. Connect With Locals and discover their new organic beer, bread and pasta venture while you enjoy all the local favorites served on sharing plates. (B, BMG, S)
  - Onwards to Ljubljana and Opatija Leaving Bled behind, we travel to one of Europe's smallest capitals - the 'Hero City', Ljubljana. You'll see the Old Town with its two medieval town squares linked by narrow lanes, the Prešeren Square (named after Slovenian's greatest poet), the Opera House, the National Museum and Castle which has watched over the city for over nine centuries. After a day of city sightseeing, head to Croatia's riviera and settle into a slower pace in Opatija. (B) Hotel: Paris
- Enjoy a Day in Pula and Rovinj Start your day in Pula on Croatia's Istrian Peninsula where your visit to the 1st-century Pula Arena with a Local Specialist will reveal the city's role as a strategic location for the Romans, Ostrogoths, Venetians and the Allied Forces in World War II. The fishing port of Rovinj is up next and we'll wander through the Old Town, exploring its Mediterranean influences. (B)
  - Off to Stunning Plitvice Few experiences will match today's guided walking tour of the UNESCO-listed Plitviče, one of the oldest and largest national parks in Croatia. On this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, you'll choose one of two walks revealing the cascading lake waters shifting from azure to green, grey to blue. You'll discover how they have been shaped over thousands of years and remain pristine for generations to come thanks to visits like yours to the area. (B, D, \psi) Hotel: Mirjana - Rastoke



#### Explore soul-stirring nature in Plitvice.

Admire all the shades of blue on this stunning encounter with the cascading waterfalls and lakes of Croatia's Plitvice National Park. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- Admire Historic Trogir and on to Split Join your Local Specialist in Trogir to explore its charming medieval heart connected to the mainland and island of Čiovo by bridges. You'll visit Diocletian's Palace around which the city of Split was built and Dive Into Culture hearing how Emperor Diocletian settled on this stunning landscape for his retirement. Your Local Specialist will share the remnants of luxurious squares and temples that still stand many centuries later. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Atrium
- Split Your Way Discover why Split has earned its nickname 'the most beautiful city in the world' with a full day to explore its heart and beyond. Peoplewatch in Pjaca Square, then ascend the bell tower for magnificent views. You could choose instead a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian Islands which will leave you with an appreciation for what it's like to live in an area that is as beautiful as its history was tumultuous. (B)
- From the salt pans of Ston to the 'Pearl of the Adriatic' Discover Croatia's rich salt heritage today when you Dive Into Culture in the walled city of Ston, with its dramatic views and laid-back fishing village atmosphere. Continue to Dubrovnik, much adored by famous poets, playwrights and painters and you'll be as inspired as they were by its backstreet charm as you go behind the scenes. Lovers of history will also delight in its rich history as the only city-state in the Adriatic to rival Venice. (B, 🐠) Hotel: Grand Park
- Explore Iconic Dubrovnik All the highlights of Dubrovnik and some local favorites are revealed on your Sightseeing tour of the city this morning and you'll join your Local Specialist who'll share the stories behind the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain, and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries. On our last evening, we'll come together for a memorable Farewell Dinner toasting to the beauty of the Adriatic and new friendships forged. (B, FD)
- Farewell Dubrovnik Our time together comes to an end this morning after breakfast. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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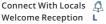
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## **Balkan Adventure**

14 Days

7 Countries

20 Meals

Visit several countries on this adventure-filled Balkan trip, where you'll venture deep into the Carpathian Mountains, walk in the mythical footsteps of Count Dracula at Bran Castle in Transylvania and revel in the beauty, history and traditions of the Balkan nations.

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### Bran Castle BRAŞOV **ROMANIA BOSNIA &** BELGRADE HERZEGOVINA BUCHAREST SARAJEVO **SERBIA** VELIKO TÂRNOVO MONTENEGRO SOFIA **BULGARIA** SKOPIE RILA MONASTERY OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE NORTH MACEDONIA **ALBANIA**

Sightseeing

Optional

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Bucharest, Braşov, Veliko Târnovo, Sofia, Skopje, Tirana, Mostar, Sarajevo and Belgrade with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Kotor and Budva
- Visit Bran Castle in Braşov, Tsaravets
   Fortress in Veliko Târnovo, the Church of
   Holy Nativity in Arbanasi, Sofia, Skopje,
   Tirana, Kotor, Budva, Mostar, the War
   Tunnel in Sarajevo and Kalmegdan
   Fortress in Belgrade
- View Peleş Castle in Sinaia, St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and St. Sofia Church in Sofia, the Palace of Culture and the National Library in Tirana and the Stari Most in Mostar
- See the Palace of Parliament in Bucharest



Start

End

Overnight

1 Welcome to Bucharest You'd be forgiven for thinking you were in Paris when you explore the Belle-Époque atmosphere of Romania's capital, Bucharest. Your first day will be free to explore the city your way. Later, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Novotel

Journey to Transylvania and Braşov A full day of sightseeing stretches ahead, beginning in Bucharest where you'll join a *Local Specialist* to delve into the city's tumultuous history. See the immense Palace of the Parliament, one of the lasting legacies left behind by dictator Nicolae Ceauşescu. Venture to Sinaia and view Peleş Castle, the summer retreat of Romania's first king. Then, continue to Braşov and check in to your hotel in Poiana Braşov ski resort. (B, D) Hotel: Ana Sport

Dracula's Castle and More in Braşov The highlight of the day is this morning's visit to Bran Castle, the legendary home of Dracula. Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist and learn about its history, then journey to the medieval streets of Braşov, where you'll take a step back in time with a Local Specialist. Your evening is free to indulge in some of the local Transylvanian favorites or consider joining your travel companions for an optional dinner. (B, 🕬)

Continue to Medieval Veliko Târnovo Head south, through ancient villages and tranquil landscapes across the Danube River into Bulgaria. Your journey ends in Veliko Târnovo, the 'City of the Tsars' and former capital of the Bulgarian Empire. Relax after your scenic drive and join your travel companions for dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Yantra Grand

Onwards to Historic Sofia The fairy-tale façades of Veliko Târnovo exude medieval history around every turn and your *Local Specialist* will reveal a rich history and culture befitting a former imperial capital. Your next stop is the UNESCO-listed town of Arbanasi. Visit the Church of Holy Nativity before we continue to Sofia, where you'll join a Local Specialist for an in-depth sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's modern-day capital including views of the golden-domed St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and St. Sofia Church. (B, 😩)

**Hotel: Astoria Grand** 

Sofia Your Way You'll have a full day to explore this modern city built on Roman ruins. You could choose instead to join an Optional Experience to the UNESCOlisted Rila Monastery, founded by the hermit St. Ivan of Rila in the 10th-century. (B)

Journey to Macedonian Skopje Cross the Macedonian border today, bound for Skopje. See the Ottoman Empire's legacy in the mosques and bazaars as you join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour this afternoon. Local flavors and stories are on the menu tonight as you Connect With Locals at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Panoramika Design

Off to Albania and Tirana Leaving North Macedonia behind, head to the Albanian capital of Tirana where, on arrival, you'll join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. You'll view such highlights as the Palace of Culture, the National Library and the Clock Tower before enjoying dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn

Journey to Montenegro's Kotor and Budva Soak up Montenegro's natural beauty as you drive towards Kotor. You'll have some time for lunch on your own and an orientation tour of this fortified town. Travel to Budva next where your Travel Director will provide an orientation tour before you have the rest of the day to explore 'Montenegro's Miami' on your own. (B)

**Hotel: Falkensteiner** 

Venture to Mostar and Sarajevo In Mostar, a Local Specialist will lead you through its colorful cobbled streets and you'll view the Stari Most. An Ottomanstyle bridge reconstructed entirely using traditional methods. Head to Sarajevo next where you'll delve into the rich religious and multicultural heritage that has earned it the nickname, the 'Jerusalem of Europe'. Tonight you'll enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

Hotel: Novotel Bristol



Walk across the Stari Most. Visit the beautiful Old Bridge in Mostar, destroyed during the Bosnian War. Rebuilt using its salvaged stone, it's a reminder of peace and reconciliation. Read more at trafalgar.com.

**Discover Sarajevo** Join a *Local Specialist* for a guided walking tour of Saraievo. Visit the War Tunnel, an underground tunnel of hope that was built in 1993 during the Siege of Sarajevo, allowing war supplies and humanitarian aid to reach the city at the height of the Bosnian War. Then, enjoy a free afternoon to explore on your own. (B)

On the Road to Belgrade Travel through lush forests, pastures and the Bosnian Mountains into Serbia - a scenic day of driving that will end in Belgrade. The 'White City' has a long history which you'll have an opportunity to discover tomorrow. (B)

**Hotel: Mercure Excelsior** 

**Explore Riverside Belgrade** Your *Local Specialist* 13 will share the sights and sounds of Belgrade from an insider's perspective this morning. Visit Kalemegdan Fortress and discover how the Romans, Ottomans and Austro-Hungarians have each had a hand in rebuilding the fortress. This evening, we reunite one final time for a rousing Farewell Dinner to reminisce over our shared travel experience. (B, FD)

Farewell Belgrade All that's left is to say a fond doviđenja as you bid your new friends farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# Georgia and Armenia Uncovered

11 Days

2 Countries

20 Meals

Wander far off the beaten track on this Georgia and Armenia trip, from wine tasting to the holy spring and spiritual songs of Geghard Monastery. Get to grips with local life in the foothills of the Caucasus Mountains and learn how to make lavash with a family in Garni.

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Overnight

Sightseeing

End

#### Day

Welcome to Tbilisi A smorgasbord of architectural marvels overlook the cobbled streets of Georgia's capital. On arrival in Tbilisi, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel where you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception with drinks and Georgian-style fare this evening. (WR) Hotel: Wyndham Grand

**Explore Colorful Tbilisi** Your sightseeing tour begins at the 13<sup>th</sup>-century Metekhi Church, from there you'll wind your way along narrow streets and stroll past the patterned balconies and colorful façades that are so characteristic of this city. Ascend to the ancient Narikala Fortress by cable car next, before delving into the legend of the Golden Fleece at the Georgian National Museum. **(B)** 

3 Onwards to Mtskheta and on to Akhasheni Leave Tbilisi behind as you head to the ancient capital of Mtskheta. Known as the religious center of Georgia, you'll revel in the twin UNESCO World Heritage sites – the 6th-century Jvari Monastery and 11th-century Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Delve into the city's Christian history which saw it granted the status of a 'Holy City', then retire to your hotel where you'll enjoy dinner. (B, L, D) Hotel: Wine Resort & Spa

Off to Sighnaghi and return to Tbilisi Travel to the fortified town of Sighnaghi in the heart of Georgia's wine region. Visit Bodbe Monastery, one of the country's most prominent pilgrimage sites, then head to Kakabeti village in Sagaredjo where you'll Connect With Locals and enjoy lunch and a wine tasting. At this exclusive Be My Guest experience, your host will treat you to some of the local wines, followed by a master class in Georgian bread baking and churchkhela sweets. Return to your hotel later for an evening at leisure. (B, BMG, ) Hotel: Wyndham Grand



#### Learn about Georgian wine history.

Meet Beka at his traditional wine cellar and learn how it's been made for centuries in fascinating clay Kvevri jars that are buried underground. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

A Day in Uplistsikhe and Gori Trace the ancient Silk Route and visit Uplistsikhe Cave Town where you'll find an ancient theater, church and dwellings hewn directly out of the rocky hillside. Next, delve into the life of the former leader of the Soviet Union at the Joseph Stalin Museum in Gori, his birthplace. Later, Connect With Locals at Iago's wine cellar where you'll sample some of the local wines produced using a traditional method. Iago and his wife Marina regale guests with colorful stories of their life as wine producers in the area before you return to Tbilisi. (B, ©)

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6 Continue to Monastic Haghpat and Dilijan Bid farewell to Georgia and cross the border into Armenia. Your first taste of this ancient land is the UNESCO-listed monastic complex of Haghpat featuring incredible works of medieval Armenian architecture. Enjoy lunch in Dzoraget village, then *Dive Into Culture* by tasting Russian pancakes and homemade tea with a local in Fioletovo village, before heading to Dilijan for your overnight stay. (B, L, D, ॐ) Hotel: Best Western Plus Paradise

7 Admire Stunning Lake Sevan and Goris A day of tranquil beauty awaits at Lake Sevan – your reward for an early start to the day. You'll see first-hand why it is deserving of its nickname 'The Blue Pearl of Armenia' before stopping in the lakeside village of Noratus. Head to Yeghegnadzor, where you'll savor a homemade lunch of local specialties. Then, enjoy a quick photo stop in Karahunge, known as 'Armenia's Stonehenge'. Tonight you'll enjoy dinner at your hotel in Goris. (B, L, D)

Journey to the Tatev Complex, Ararat Valley and on to Yerevan A thrilling start to the day sees us take a trip across the Wings of Tatev cableway to the 'monastery on the edge of nothing'. Watch the epic scenery unfold as the world's longest aerial tramway delivers you to the 9th-century Apostolic monastery. Then, continue to Verishen village for your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll meet the local community which makes a living from crafting traditional wool carpets. Enjoy lunch in a local family's home nearby before continuing to your final stop for the day, Khor Virap Monastery. Admire the views of Mount Ararat, Armenia's national symbol, then head to Yerevan, the country's capital. (B, L, 

) Hotel: Ramada By Wyndham

9 **Discover Historic Yerevan** Your sightseeing tour will start in Republic Square and continue to the Cascade Complex, home to the Gafesjian Center which houses some of Armenia's most important works of art. Take the Great Cascade to Victory Park for incredible views of the heart of the city before visiting the moving Armenian Genocide Memorial, dedicated to the memory of over a million Armenians who perished in the first genocide of the 20<sup>th</sup>-century. The rest of the day is free to explore the city your way. **(B)** 

A Day Exploring Geghard Monastery Today's excursion takes us to the UNESCO-listed Geghard Monastery. Hewn partly from the surrounding rock, Geghard is most famous for its incredible acoustics and spectacular natural beauty. You'll Dive Into Culture during a moving performance of Armenian spiritual songs, or sharakans, performed by a live quintet before a scenic drive brings you to Garni. Here you'll meet a local family who will teach you how to make Armenia's national flatbread *lavash* paired with cheese and greens. *Connect* With Locals as you sample the brduj snack you've just made yourself and take a walk around your host's garden and orchard. On your return to Yerevan, enjoy delicious flavors of the legendary Armenian brandy during a local distillery visit. Tonight, you'll end your epic adventure through Georgia and Armenia with a Farewell Dinner in a traditional Armenian tavern, paired with folk songs and dance. (B, FD, 🕬, 🔊)

Farewell Yerevan It's time to say a fond farewell to new friends and prepare for your journey home.
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Apr	15	29	Jul	08	22	_	
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## Capitals of Scandinavia

10 Days

4 Countries

12 Meals

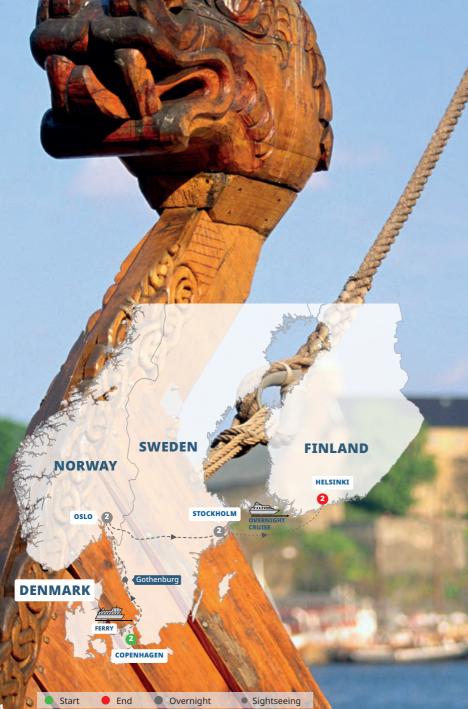
Travel to northern Europe's historic, stylish and cosmopolitan cities on this fairy-tale tour of Scandinavia. You'll learn about the area's Viking history, and why Helsinki is the capital of cool.

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#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- **Explore** Copenhagen, Oslo, Stockholm and Helsinki with a Local Specialist
- Visit Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo and the City Hall in Stockholm
- **View** the Little Mermaid in Copenhagen and Finlandia Hall in Helsinki
- See Børsen, Christiansborg Palace and Amalienborg Palace in Copenhagen, Akershus, the Royal Palace and the Opera House in Oslo, Storkyrkan, Riddarholmen Church and the Royal Palace in Stockholm, the Sibelius Monument, the Olympic Stadium and the Opera House in Helsinki
- Scenic Cruise across the Baltic Sea

1 Welcome to Copenhagen The Danish capital hasn't lost any of its fairy-tale flair over the centuries, as you'll come to discover when you spend your first day exploring this colorful city. On arrival, transfer to your Stays With Stories accommodation, the historic Phoenix Hotel in the heart of Copenhagen's most elegant district. Then spend your free time soaking up the sunshine with the fun-loving locals before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR, 📣) Hotel: Phoenix



Traditional hotel stay Step into decades of Danish history and in the footsteps of aristocrats and royals when you stay at the 17th-century Phoenix Hotel in Copenhagen. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Explore Historic Copenhagen Connect with the heartfelt hygge of your Danish hosts when you join a Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour that will reveal all the highlights of Copenhagen's Old Town. See the distinctive dragon-tail spire of the 17<sup>th</sup>-century Børsen (Stock Exchange), Christiansborg Palace and the Little Mermaid, demurely seated on a rock overlooking Langelinie Promenade. See the home of Denmark's beloved royal family. Amalienborg Palace, then spend the rest of the day exploring Copenhagen your way. (B)

Journey to Oslo Cross the Øresund by ferry and wind your way north, through the Swedish countryside past Gothenburg to Norway. You'll want to keep your camera at the ready to capture the scenic landscapes that line your route to Oslo, Norway's modern buzzing capital. (B) Hotel: Scandic Solli

Vikings and More in Oslo Tread in the footsteps of the Vikings this morning as you join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that will reveal Oslo's long-standing seafaring heritage. See the medieval fortress of Akershus, the elegant Royal Palace and Oslo Opera House. Visit a wonderland of Norwegian sculptures left behind by Gustav Vigeland in his sculpture park, then enjoy a free afternoon to explore the city on your terms. You could choose instead to embark on an Optional Experience to sail across the Oslofjord to learn about Norwegian explorers. (B)

Onwards to Stockholm Enjoy a scenic drive south through Norway's lush forest landscapes to Sweden, bound for its enchanting capital. Journey past Lake Vänern, the largest lake in Sweden, before stopping in the countryside to Connect With Locals at a special Be My Guest lunch. Husband and wife team Niklas and Anna will welcome you to their renovated 19th-century church and explain their philosophy of using local produce to delight all your senses. Later, arrive in Stockholm and indulge in a free evening to explore 'Beauty on Water'. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the first Ice Bar in the world. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Elite Palace

Discover Beautiful Stockholm Style and substance are things Stockholm has in abundance, as you'll discover when you join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour this morning. See Stockholm's historic mother church, Storkyrkan, and the Royal Palace, then Dive Into Culture and visit the City Hall. You'll have some free time this afternoon to join the locals for their afternoon fika (coffee break) and embrace the Swedish philosophy of  ${\it lagom}.$  Tonight perhaps consider joining an Optional Experience to the cobbled Gamla Stan to admire its medieval history on a walking tour, followed by a traditional Swedish meal in a local restaurant. (B, 🕬)

Embark on an Overnight Cruise Consider spending your free morning on an Optional Experience to Drottningholm Palace. The cool capital of Finland beckons as you board your overnight cruise to Helsinki, passing through Stockholm's archipelago across the Baltic Sea. (B)

Arrive in Vibrant Helsinki Continue your cruise across the Baltic, arriving in Helsinki in time to join your *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. See the modern marble facades of Finlandia Hall, the Senate and the colorful stalls in Market Square. (B, FD, @) Hotel: Holiday Inn City Center

**Helsinki at Leisure** Today is yours to explore Helsinki at leisure before joining your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. Raise a glass of aquavit and toast to your epic adventure across the capitals of Scandinavia. Kippis! (B)

Farewell Scandinavia Say a fond farewell to your new friends and prepare for your return journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## Scenic Scandinavia and its Fjords

14 Days

3 Countries

21 Meals

Your travels will reveal the storybook beauty and colorful history of Scandinavia. On this Scandinavian trip, you'll discover the truth behind the beloved fairy tales of Hans Christian Andersen, hop aboard one of Europe's most exciting train journeys and learn about farm life near Bergen.

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- 1 Welcome to Copenhagen Embrace this enchanting Danish capital that inspired Hans Christian Andersen to share tales of mermaids, queens and ugly ducklings with the world. Spend the day embracing the quintessential hygge found throughout its charming streets before enjoying a late afternoon orientation drive and Welcome Reception with your Travel Director and travel companions. (WR) Hotel: Marriott
  - **Explore Historic Copenhagen** Join a *Local Specialist* today for a sightseeing tour of the iconic sights of Copenhagen, including the Amalienborg Palace Quarter. See the 17th-century Stock Exchange, Christianborg Palace and the Neo-Classical Cathedral, before paying tribute to the tragic Little Mermaid. Enjoy time to explore on your own. (B)
- **Journey past Stunning Scenery to Randers** Journey to Odense, then continue across pastoral landscapes to Randers, with its half-timbered merchant houses. Tonight, we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - the Hotel Randers, one of the most established hotels in the area, stylishly decorated with original artwork. (B, 🕰) Hotel: Randers
  - Set Sail for Stavanger Set sail from Hirtshals across the Skagerrak to Kristiansand in Norway. Drive north past fjords, lakes and forests to Stavanger, one of Norway's oldest settlements. (B, D) **Hotel: Scandic Stavanger City**
- 5 Onwards to Colorful Bergen Embark on an island hop from Stavanger. In Bergen, you will have a chance to see the 13th-century Haakon's Hall, the bustling fish market and colorful Bryggen Quarter. This evening, we Connect With Locals over dinner at a special Be My Guest experience, visiting the Øvre-Eide farm, worked for five generations by the same family. (B, BMG, \hat{\partial}) **Hotel: Thon Orion**



Dinner on a working farm. Enjoy a traditional Norwegian dinner on the Øvre Eide farm near Bergen, where livestock has grazed by the lake's edge since the 1500s. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Bergen Your Way Enjoy a full free day in the cultural center of Bergen or perhaps have lunch in the fish market. Consider an Optional Experience to Telavåg, which played a significant role in the secret North Sea boat traffic between Norway and Great Britain during World War II. (B)

- Enjoy the Spectacular Flåm Railway and on to Sognefjord We drive east to the popular ski resort of Voss, where we'll board a train ascending over 2800 feet (860 m) above sea level. Dive Into Culture on one of the world's most exciting train journeys, through the Flåm Valley past the Kjosfossen Falls. Later, arrive in Sognefjord, the 'King of the Fjords', where we will stay overnight at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories, the Sognefjord Hotel, located on a peninsula stretching into the deep waters of the fjord. (B, D, , , ) **Hotel: Sognefjord**
- Continue to Geirangerfjord Norway's incredible glacier countryside surrounds us as we skirt the immense Nordfjord on the way to Geirangerfjord. Tonight, we stay on the shores of the fjord at one of Trafalgar's most spectacularly located hotels. (B, D) Hotel: Havila
- A Day at the Breathtaking Geirangerfjord Learn about wildlife conservation from a Fjord Ranger on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Spend a full day admiring this spectacular natural wonder. Consider an Optional Experience to the Trollstigen and see Norway's most famous mountain road. Dinner is at your hotel this evening. (B, D, 1/2)
- Venture to Historic Lom and Lillehammer A scenic drive from Geiranger past high peaks brings us to Lom, where we will Dive Into Culture and visit a 12th-century wooden stave church. We continue through the Gudbrands Valley before arriving in Lillehammer, the proud host of the 1994 Winter Olympics. (B, D, 🔊) Hotel: Scandic
- On to Oslo See the unusual Olympic ice arena beside the lake at Hamar as we travel to Norway's cultural capital, Oslo. Join a Local Specialist who will share the city's iconic sights, including views of the medieval fortress of Akershus, the Opera and 19th-century Royal Palace. We visit the fascinating Vigeland Sculpture Park, before spending the rest of the day at leisure. (B) **Hotel: Scandic Solli**
- Journey to Stockholm We cross the border into Sweden today and continue via Karlstad on Lake Vänern, the largest lake in the European Union. Passing Örebro, we arrive in the island-ringed capital of Stockholm for a two-night stay. Tonight perhaps consider an Optional Experience to the beautiful and atmospheric Old Town - Gamla Stan. (B) **Hotel: Clarion**
- 13 Discover Beautiful Stockholm We meet our Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour of the waterside City Hall and see the medieval Storkyrkan. Riddarholm Church and the Royal Palace at the heart of Stockholm's quaint Old Town. The rest of the day is free to explore as you wish. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner this evening. (B, FD)
- Farewell Scandinavia Our epic journey has come to an end. Bid Stockholm and your newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## **Iceland including the Blue Lagoon**

6 Days

1 Country

9 Meals

Embrace adventure on this Iceland journey with the Blue Lagoon, featuring all the natural and manmade highlights of this ethereal world of fire and ice. The highlights? A walk in the ancient Thingvellir National Park and rewarding soak with the locals in geothermal waters.

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1 Welcome to Reykjavík Your epic journey through lush lava fields and the windswept landscapes of Iceland begins in the guirky capital of Reykjavík. The northernmost capital of the world seems infused with vivid color, from the bustling byway of Laugavegur to the enthusiasm of the city's friendly locals. Spend time exploring Iceland's Viking heritage, pay tribute to the sun and snap a selfie in front of The Sun Voyager or stroll around the lively Old Harbor, before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your love affair with Iceland. This evening, check into the Grand Hotel Reykjavík, our Stays With Stories accommodation, where you'll get to hone your appreciation for Icelandic art and marvel at the dramatic glass masterpiece by local artist Leifur Breiðfjörð, on proud display as you check in. (WR, 😩) **Hotel:** Grand

Journey to Reykholt and on to Borganes Explore the small capital city of Reykjavík on a sightseeing tour with your Travel Director this morning. You'll view the glass façades of Harpa Concert Hall, Austurvöllur Square and Hallgrímskirkja Church, whose other-worldly architecture is a nod to Iceland's volcanic origins. Head to the tiny fishing town of Akranes to visit its Folk Museum and lighthouse. View Deildartunguhver, Europe's highest-flowing hot spring, followed by a visit to Reykholt, famously the former 13th-century home of one of Iceland's most loved authors, Snorri Sturluson. Nature takes center stage as you end your day and admire Hraunfoss and nearby Barnafoss (Children's Falls) to learn about the tragic legend that gave these rapid waters its name. (B, D) Hotel: B59

A Day to Explore the Snæfellsnes Peninsula Bundle up warmly as you make your way to the wild, sea-swept Snæfellsnes Peninsula. The Peninsula is fondly known as 'Iceland in miniature' for boasting all those natural treasures - volcanoes, glaciers and waterfalls - in just 55 miles (90 km). Explore on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience, cruising Breiðafjörður Bay. Sample Viking 'sushi' and marvel at the quaint fishing villages and black sand beaches. Keep your eyes peeled for the star of the show, the Snæfellsiökull glacier. famous for being the location for Jules Verne's novel 'Journey to the Center of the Earth'. Return to your hotel in Borgarnes to enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

**Onwards through Thingvellir National Park** to Gullfoss, Geysir and Selfoss Visit the 'Golden Waterfall' of Gullfoss, then head to the world-famous hot spring area of Geysir with its lively Strokkur which spouts water some 100 feet (30 m) into the air every few minutes. You'll also see first-hand how the movements of the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates have carved into the Earth's crust in the UNESCO-listed Thingvellir National Park. This evening, Connect With Locals with a local storyteller and her songwriter husband, and delve into their colorful family history, then join them for dinner at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, (S) Hotel: Selfoss

Admire Reykjanes and Blue Lagoon and Return to Reykjavík Start the day with a visit to Iceland's newest geothermal heat and electric power station in Hellisheiði, the second largest of its kind in the world. During this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience learn why Hellisheiðarvirkjun is a world leader in the utilisation of geothermal energy. You can almost feel the Earth simmering under the surface as you journey across Reykjanes Peninsula, a UNESCO Global Geopark at the south-western tip of Iceland. View Strandarkikja,

then watch as sulphurous steam emerges from the lunar landscapes surrounding Lake Kleifarvatn, fed by waters that originate underground. Continue to Grindavík and Dive Into Culture at its worldfamous Blue Lagoon (please remember to pack your swimwear), sinking into its milky-blue waters amidst the surrounding black lava field. Soak up the restorative properties of its mineral-rich waters and healing mud, which is said to do wonders for your skin, before returning to Reykjavík for your final evening with new friends. Tonight, you'll toast to an enriching journey through Iceland at a rousing Farewell Dinner. (B, FD, &, , , , ) Hotel: Grand



The Blue Lagoon. Soak in the balmy healing thermal waters while you admire the ethereal setting of swirling steam and black lava. You'll emerge feeling like a new person. Read more at trafalgar.com.

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#### **Guest favorite: Schloss Liebenstein**

Travel back to a time of feuding lords and ladies at the fairy-tale 13th-century Schloss Liebenstein Medieval Castle, perched high above the Rhine. You will be driven up to the castle, past steeply terraced vineyards and, on arrival, welcomed with a smile and a refreshing aperitif by our host, the charming Klaus, the castle's owner.

Klaus's vivid stories include the the famous warrior knights who once lived here and clashed with the family at the neighboring rival castle of Sterrenberg, which is why the two castles are today known as the 'hostile brothers'.

Feel immersed in the spirit and history of medieval Europe as you savor your drink while gazing out over the stunning views of the flowing Rhine, the perfect picturesque backdrop before a delicious lunch paired with local Rhine wines.

Best of Germany and Austria, day 2 and two other trips.

## **Best of Germany** and Austria

13 Days

2 Countries

18 Meals

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Modern cities, medieval towns and all the sights in between make this Best of Germany and Austria experience one you'll remember. Beyond the beauty of the Rhine and Wachau, you'll explore Vienna's musical treasures, Alpine landscapes and the castle of a shy king.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Berlin, Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Frankfurt, Cologne, Rothenburg, Munich and Innsbruck
- Visit the Berlin TV Tower, Neuschwanstein Castle and Swarovski Crystal Worlds in Innsbruck
- View Cologne Cathedral, the Golden Roof in Innsbruck, Mozart's birthplace in Salzburg, Hofburg Palace and St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna
- · Scenic Cruise along the Rhine River

Trip code: GBGA

### **Sound of Music**

## **Contrasts of Switzerland**

9 Days

2 Countries

12 Meals

8 Days

1 Country

11 Meals

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The perfect travel experience for lovers of the outdoors and history, this trip inspired by The Sound of Music brings the beauty of the Alps and familiar views from the silver screen to life. You'll hear all the stories of Bavaria and beyond spending quality time with locals.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- VIP Admission to the Kunsthistorisches Museum in Vienna
- Explore Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist
- Discover Munich, Oberammergau and Innsbruck
- Visit Neuschwanstein Castle, the alpine resort of Berchtesgaden and the Church from the film 'The Sound of Music' in Mondsee
- View Wilten Basilica and the Golden Roof in Innsbruck and Mozart's Birthplace in Salzburg
- See Melk Abbey and the Wachau Valley



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All aboard for one of the world's most beautiful train journeys. On this exciting Switzerland trip, you'll travel through the stunning Swiss countryside. It's a gem of a trip featuring life in tiny villages and sophisticated cities, not to mention Zermatt with it's cozy, typical Swiss appeal.

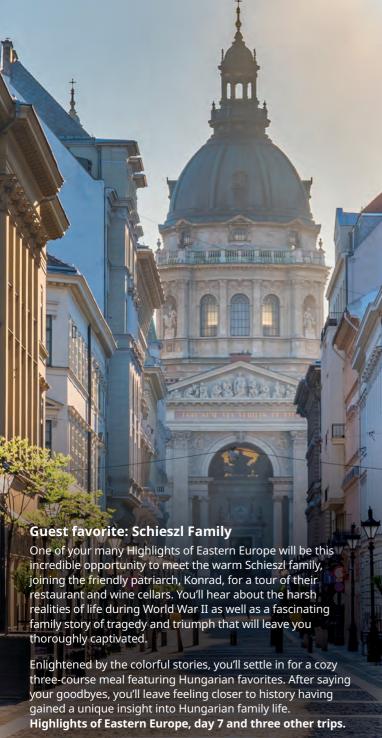
#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Discover Zürich, St. Moritz, Zermatt, Geneva and Lucerne
- · View the Matterhorn (weather permitting), the Jet d'Eau in Geneva, the Swiss Alps in Interlaken and the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne
- **Scenic Train Ride** on the Glacier Express from St. Moritz to Zermatt and on the Golden Pass Train from Geneva to Lucerne

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# Highlights of Austria, Slovenia and Croatia

14 Days

3 Countries

21 Meals

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A vibrant Austria, Slovenia and Croatia trip filled with travel adventures in Central Europe. Waltz your way through Vienna, take a rowboat across Slovenia's fairy-tale Lake Bled and explore the magical walkways, waterfalls and lakes of Plitvice National Park in Croatia.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Vienna, Ljubljana, Plitvice National Park, Split, Hvar Island, Dubrovnik and Zagreb with a Local Specialist
- · Visit Diocletian's Palace in Split
- · View the Cathedral of Hvar Island
- See the Hofburg Palace and Imperial Boulevards of Vienna, the Castle of Ljubljana, the Old City of Dubrovnik and the Cathedral of

Trip code: CHSC

## Highlights of **Eastern Europe**

## **Best of Poland**

17 Days

8 Countries

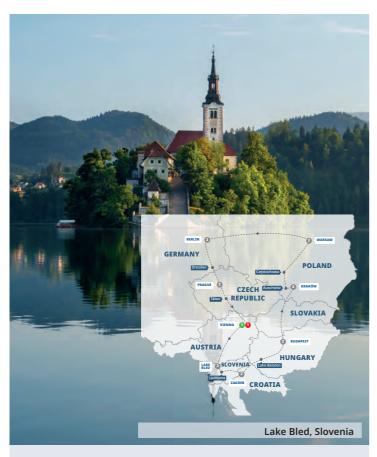
24 Meals

11 Days

1 Country

15 Meals

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Shine a spotlight on Prague's colorful medieval streets and good times with a local Hungarian family at their winery. On this exciting eastern Europe trip you'll get to know all the highlights and hidden gems of eight spellbinding countries and stay overnight on Lake Bled.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Vienna, Ljubljana, Zagreb, Budapest, Kraków, Warsaw, Berlin and Prague with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Dresden
- Visit Lake Bled in Slovenia, Fisherman's Bastion in Budapest, Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków, the former concentration camp at Auschwitz, Jasna Góra Monastery, Berlin TV Tower, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague and Tábor
- View Lake Balaton, the Archbishop's Palace and the Opera House in Zagreb, Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków and Brandenburg Gate in Berlin



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Get stuck into Polish comfort food and all the other highlights on this travel experience showcasing the Best of Poland. Explore Warsaw's proud history, the enduring beauty of Kraków and the Gdańsk glowing amber trade, all while discovering the resilience of the Polish people.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Warsaw, Gdańsk, Toruń, Wrocław and Kraków with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Zakopane
- · Visit the Old Town in Warsaw, the European Solidarity Center, the UNESCO World Heritage town of Toruń, Aula Leopoldina in Wrocław, the Cloth Hall and St. Mary's Church in Kraków, the former concentration camp of Auschwitz and Jasna Góra Monastery in Częstochowa

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### **Guest favorite: Øvre Eide**

You'll love this heart-warming visit to Øvre Eide, a 500-year-old working farm near Bergen, at the edge of a lake surrounded by lush green landscapes, where Arild (pictured opposite) and his family will share their pride and joy - the farm which has been in the family since the late 19th-century.

There's time to explore the farm buildings and meet some of the resident sheep, ponies, chickens, horses and the cat - all of whom love the attention of animal-loving guests. Gathering in the cozy main house for a *Be My Guest* experience, you're in for an evening of delicious homemade favorites using local Norwegian produce and a performance of traditional music and folklore.

After this truly special experience, you'll say your farewells having fully immersed yourself in what it's like to live in Norway's enchanting countryside.

Best of Norway, day 3 and one other trip.

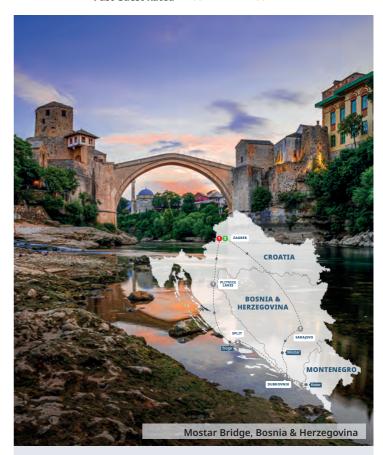
## **Balkan Delight**

12 Days

3 Countries

17 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★



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The secrets of Balkan travel are revealed on this jam-packed eastern Europe trip. Go underground and learn how Sarajevo once relied on its Bosnian War Tunnel, see the bridge of peace rebuilt with salvaged stone and explore Adriatic beauty, from Dubrovnik to Kotor.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Zagreb, Sarajevo, Mostar, Dubrovnik, Kotor, Split, Trogir, and Plitvice National Park with a Local Specialist
- Visit the War Tunnel in Sarajevo and Diocletian's Palace in Split
- View the Cathedral in Zagreb, the Rector's Palace and city walls in Dubrovnik and the lakes and waterfalls of Plitvice National Park

Trip code: BALK

## **Best of Norway**

## **Nordic Adventure**

9 Days

1 Country

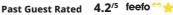
14 Meals

20 Days

4 Countries

28 Meals

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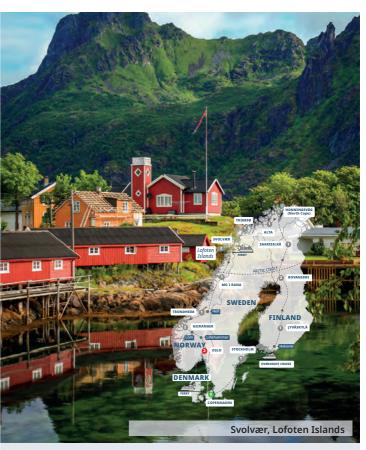


#### **◎** See what happens on trip: #TTBestOfNorway

Ease into the simplicity of life and a relaxing travel experience on the banks of the king and queen of the fjords. Glimpse mythical trolls on this Norway trip. Myths and legends aside, you'll visit a winter Olympics hub, the fairytale city of Bergen, and continental Europe's largest glacier.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Oslo with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Bergen
- **Visit** Hardangerfjord, Geirangerfjord, the Stave Church in Lom and Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo
- · View Voringfoss, Steinsdalsfoss, Haakon's Hall in Bergen, Akershus, the Opera and Royal Palace in Oslo
- See Sognefjord, Boyabreen Glacier and Hamar Olympic ice arena



#### **©** See what happens on trip: #TTNordicAdventure

Don't miss a thing on this exhilarating Scandinavian trip. Your travels will feature fjords, glaciers and staggering scenery. Meet Santa Claus in Lapland, experience the friluftsliv of your Norwegian hosts and venture across the Arctic Circle to the land of the Midnight Sun.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki and Olso with a Local Specialist
- · Discover Rovaniemi and Trondheim
- · Visit City Hall in Stockholm, Santa Claus Village, Saariselkä, Honningsvåg, North Cape Visitor Center, Alta, Tromsø, Svolvær, Geirangerfjord, the Stave church in Lom, Lillehammer and Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo

Trip code: SBON Trip code: SCNO

# **Wonders of Ancient Egypt**

12 Days

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1 Country

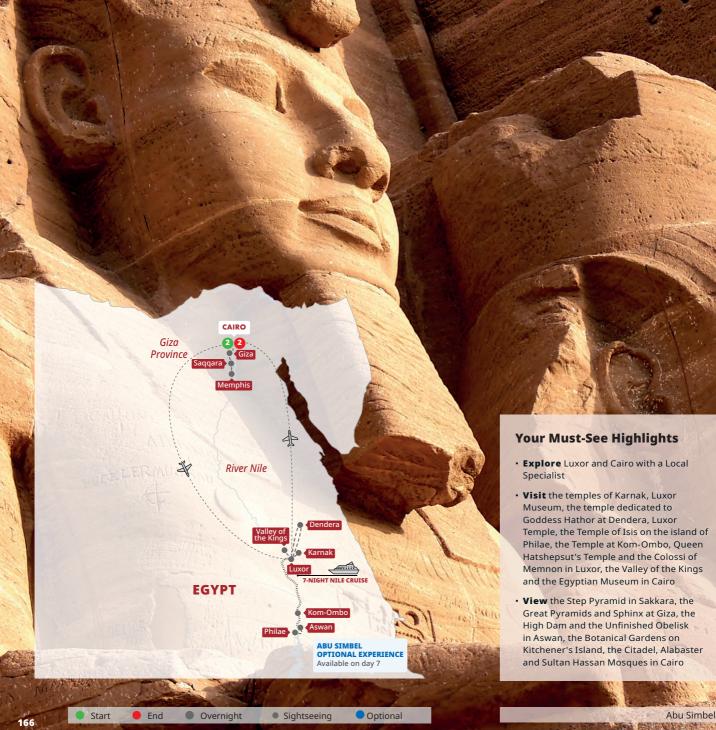
25 Meals

The enduring buzz of Cairo's bustling city streets and imposing Great Pyramids of Giza launch your discovery of Ancient Egypt. Cruise down the Nile to Kom-Ombo, past Luxor, and explore the Valley of the Kings.

Past Guest Rated feefo

4.5/5

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- Welcome to Cairo Delve into the antiquities of Egypt on this epic journey which begins in the effervescent Egyptian capital. As you transfer to your hotel for a day at leisure, you'll feel the intoxicating buzz of this lively city – the perfect introduction to an unforgettable opportunity to learn about Egypt's ancient past and exciting present. You may choose to relax after your trip, or experience the energy of Cairo for yourself at the Khan El-Khalili souk where the sounds and smells are almost overwhelming. Hotel: Ramses Hilton
  - Admire the Wonders of Giza Immerse yourself in a history that spans millennia during a full-day excursion to the old kingdom of Egypt. See the Colossus of Ramses II and the Alabaster Sphinx at Memphis. Visit the Step Pyramid at Saqqara, then marvel at the Great Pyramid of Giza and the mighty Sphinx. (B)
- Fly to Luxor and Embark on Your Nile Cruise We fly to Luxor this morning and embark on a guided tour of the Karnak Temple Complex, before boarding our cruise in time for lunch. Later this afternoon, marvel at Luxor's Temple and visit Luxor Museum to see an astounding collection of archaeological treasures, including items from Tutankhamun's tomb. (B, L, D) **Hotel: Nile Cruise**

**Explore Ancient Dendera** Pay tribute to the Goddess Hathor at Dendera Temple, a soaring structure built around 330 BC. Beautifully preserved and elaborate in its design, every inch of this impressive sand-colored structure is mesmerising and you'll see many of its halls, shrines and unique features such as the sun dial and replica Dendera zodiac, tracing the images of Taurus and Libra. You'll learn about Dendera's role as one of the major capitals of ancient Upper Egypt before sailing to Kom-Ombo for the night. (B, L, D)

- 5 Journey to Aswan Today, we travel to Aswan, which for centuries held the important strategic role of being Egypt's southern frontier and gateway to the rest of Africa. Today it is a tranquil, modern city, most known for its High Dam, Nubian villages and Philae Temple, built to honor Egyptian goddess Isis. We arrive just in time for dinner, watching the buzz of the city from the comfort of our boat as day turns to dusk and another wonderful day sailing along the Nile comes to a close. (B, L, D)
  - The High Dam and More in Aswan On your sightseeing visit to Aswan, you'll see first-hand how the ancient Egyptians could not have chosen a more stunning place to honor the goddess of love and you'll learn how the Temple of Isis on Philae Island was very nearly lost underwater when the Aswan Dam was built in the 1960s. Beyond the incredible beauty and tranquillity of this structure, you'll hear how Isis earned the title 'Mother of God' before your visit to the Unfinished Obelisk, which lies semi-carved from the solid bedrock and remains as a testament to Aswan's heritage as the center for stone quarries in ancient Egypt. Our final stop today is a visit to the High Dam, the world's largest embankment dam which took 11 years to build and ended the cycle of flood and drought along the Nile River. (B, L, D)
- Onwards to Philae and Kitchener's Island Your travels today could see you join a once in a lifetime Optional Experience to Abu Simbel, carved into a solid rock cliff in Egypt's Nubian Valley. As you approach the imposing Great Temple, you'll marvel at the four-seated colossi on either side of the entrance and the elaborate engravings carved out of the stone depicting great

victories and paying homage to the gods. Later, you'll set sail in a traditional felucca around the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island, given to Lord Horacio Kitchener who transformed the island into a haven for rare exotic birds and unusual plants. (B, L, D)

- Off to Ancient Kom-Ombo We visit the roofless Temple of Kom-Ombo, a highlight on our trip along the Nile, where we'll learn how the temple was built to honor two gods, Horus the Elder and Sobek. The Temple has a perfectly symmetrical design, the two sides a mirror of each other with one side dedicated to the crocodile god, the other to the falcon god. You'll learn all about the mythical link the two gods shared and why the Nile crocodile, which gathered in great numbers at this bend in the Nile, were of such importance to the ancient Egyptian priests. (B, L, D)
- Sail to Stunning Luxor Watch how the river gives life to an arid landscape and the people who live within it as you sail down the Nile to Luxor, once an ancient Egyptian capital and today one of the world's most epic open-air museums. Every moment spent exploring the Valley of the Kings will leave you enthralled as you trace its many treasures, from the tomb of Tutankhamun to the temple complexes of Karnak and Luxor. You'll feel that same thrill the Egyptologists who first discovered what lay beyond these walls must have felt as they explored these incredible ancient sites. (B. L. D)
- Disembark and Fly to Cairo Disembark in Luxor and Connect With Locals as you enjoy a traditional Be My Guest experience with freshly baked bread, honey and mint tea. Explore the West Bank complex of mortuary temples and tombs, including Queen Hatshepsut's Temple, the Colossi of Memnon and the Valley of the Kings. Then fly to Cairo. (B, BMG, %)

**Hotel: Ramses Hilton** 

- 11 **Discover Colorful Cairo** Your sightseeing tour through Cairo will include a visit to the Hanging Church of St. Mary and the Sultan Hassan Mosque in Old Cairo, see the ancient Citadel, the Alabaster Mosque. This afternoon, Dive Into Culture when you visit the Egyptian Museum, before taking your seats later at the dazzling sound and light show at the Great Pyramids. (B, 🔊)
- Farewell Cairo Our expedition at its end, say a fond farewell to your newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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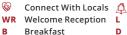
- These departures may vary in itinerary, hotels, and inclusions in line with seasonal changes
- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement.

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Stays With Stories Lunch Dinner





# **Greek Island Hopper**

10 Days

1 Country

12 Meals

Slow the world right down when you board this Greek island hop and experience how the locals enjoy life on the islands of Santorini and Mykonos. Your journey begins and ends in lively Athens where there's plenty of time to explore ancient treasures and see all the sights.

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**Your vacation** 

Welcome to Athens Ease into a simpler way of life the intoxicatingly slow pace of the Cycladic islands is the ultimate departure from reality, but not before you enjoy a passionate encounter with Athens after being transferred to your hotel. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception including a welcome drink and light meal to kick off your At Leisure discovery of Greece's capital and the enchanting islands of Mykonos and Santorini. (WR)

Hotel: Radisson Blu Park

**Explore Ancient Athens** Embark on a journey to antiquity with your Local Specialist who will take you to the Acropolis, a sacred site since Mycenaen times. Imagine Athenians ascending the hilltop shrine to worship Athena at the Parthenon, and see the Panathinaiko Olympic stadium, the Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch. Admire the pom-pom march of the Evzone guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, then spend the rest of the day on your own soaking up the verve of this vibrant city. (B)

3 Cruise to Santorini We depart Athens and cruise to Santorini, where we'll spend the next three days exploring the island's dramatic beauty. Stroll through the volcanic island's quaint clifftop towns. Blue-domed whitewashed façades cling dramatically to the multicolored cliffs providing a spectacular backdrop for exquisite sunsets. Join your companions this evening for a memorable meal of Greek cuisine. (B. D)

Hotel: El Greco

Santorini Your Way View the magnificent caldera, see the island's ancient ruins or ramble through the winding streets of Fira and Oia - today is yours to enjoy a leisurely exploration of this beautiful island on your own. Indulge in a day of sunbathing and relaxation on one of its many beaches or shop up a storm at its boutique stores. (B)

Enjoy Sunny Santorini Consider an optional visit to a local winery to toast to the spellbinding beauty of Santorini and learn about the art of winemaking in the region. Then consider a ride in a caique (sailing boat) to the volcanic island of Nea Kameni to swim in its glorious hot springs - another full day at leisure to relax and soak up the island's atmosphere. (B)

Cruise to Mykonos We take a short ferry transfer to Mykonos - its characteristic hillside windmills overlook the beautiful bay and stand as an enduring greeting to all who arrive. Enjoy an orientation before spending the rest of your day getting lost amidst the island's labyrinthine lanes, lined with whitewashed cottages and tumbling cerise bougainvillea. Take to the playground of the rich and famous and perhaps experience the island's vibrant nightlife. (B, D) Hotel: Rhenia

Admire Mykonos Set your watch to island time and enjoy a glorious day soaking up the laid-back vibe of Mykonos. Spend your day relaxing on its beautiful beaches, sip champagne in the picturesque Little Venice waterside, or visit some of its historical treasures, including the 17th-century Church of the Paraportiani, the Archaeological Museum and the Aegean Maritime Museum. (B)



#### **Idyllic island living on Mykonos.**

Experience the everyday charm of your island hosts as you soak up the sun-kissed splendor and festive atmosphere on this irresistible Greek island. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- Marvel at Mykonos Kick back and enjoy another idyllic day in beautiful surrounds. Indulge in local seafood flavors, enjoy a leisurely swim in the calm waters of the Aegean or consider a trip to see the mythical sanctuary of Delos, believed by the ancients to be the birthplace of Artemis and Apollo. (B)
- Cruise to Athens We return to Athens, via a highspeed ferry. After being transferred to your hotel, you have free time for some last-minute souvenir shopping. (B) Hotel: Radisson Blu Park
- Farewell Athens Say a fond farewell to Greece and your newfound friends as you are transferred to the airport for the flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Best of Greece Add-on

Why not add our 'Best of Greece' trip before your visit to the Greek islands? Visit trafalgar.com and view full itinerary details for 'Best of Greece With Island Hopper'. Trip code: AGBH

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#### 2024

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## **Best of Greece**

8 Days

1 Country

12 Meals

Walk in the very place western civilization was born as your travels reveal all the best of Greece highlights. From the other-wordly clifftop Meteora monasteries to walking the Sacred Way as the ancients once did in Delphi, this journey back in time will bring centuries of history to life.

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Welcome to Athens Put the 'oh' in opa and embark on an unforgettable exploration of an ancient land of gods and goddesses, myths and legends. Your springboard to your spellbinding vacation is the vibrant capital of Athens, an effortless mix of ancient treasures and modern verve, which you will have an opportunity to explore after being transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception, including a light meal and welcome drink. (WR)

**Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis** 

- Explore Amazing Athens Join your Local Specialist for a guided sightseeing tour to the ancient complex that was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilization'. We'll have an opportunity to explore the Acropolis with its treasures and admire the Parthenon, dedicated to the goddess Athena, the Royal Palace, Temple of Zeus and the Agora. Dive Into Culture and see remarkable displays of an ancient world during an included visit to the Acropolis Museum, and see Hadrian's Arch and the stadium where the first modern Olympics took place. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy on your own. Stroll through the Plaka, people-watch in Syntagma Square or go in search of the city's tastiest souvlaki. (B, 🔊)
- Journey to Corinth, Mycenae and Nafplion We depart Athens crossing the mighty Corinth Canal to the wild Peloponnesian Peninsula. Arriving in Corinth, we join a Local Specialist to explore an ancient city that several empires fought over throughout the centuries. We continue to Mycenae, a mighty kingdom of Ancient Greece, where we'll see the Beehive Tombs (the Treasury of Atreus), the Lion Gate and the remains of Agamemnon's Royal Palace, in the company of a Local Specialist. Later, we'll travel to Epidaurus to visit the ancient theater and view the Sanctuary of Asclepius, the God of Medicine, whose snake-entwined staff remains the symbol of medicine to this day. (B, D) **Hotel: Amalia Nafplio**

Continue to Ancient Olympia We traverse the Mountains of Arcadia to ancient Olympia, the site of the first Olympic Games held in 776 BC. This evening, we Connect With Locals joining the Karambellas family for dinner on their olive and wine farm at a Be My Guest experience featuring traditional dancing and characteristic Greek philoxenia. (B, BMG, 8) Hotel: Amalia Olympia



Olympia olive oil tasting. Toast to good times and new friends with the Karambellas family on their olive farm where you'll taste their treasures and enjoy dinner and a dance. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- 5 Onwards to Patras and Delphi We join a *Local* Specialist this morning to delve into centuries of history. We'll visit the ancient Olympic site, the museum and the ruined remains of the Temples of Zeus and Hera. Leaving Olympia, we skirt the coastline north to Patras, crossing the Gulf of Corinth to mainland Greece before continuing to Delphi, our home for the night. (B) Hotel: Amalia Delphi
- Off to Thermopylae and Kalambaka Tread in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks, who would descend on the sanctuary of Delphi to consult with the most important oracle in the classical world. Join your Local *Specialist* and walk the Sacred Way to the 4<sup>th</sup>-century Temple of Apollo. View the statues immortalising the strength of the athletes who once competed in the Pythian Games held in honor of Apollo and the Arts. A scenic afternoon drive brings us to Thermopylae, famous for the heroic defense by Leonidas and his brave Spartans against the invading Persians. We cross the lush Thessaly region, the 'breadbasket of Greece', then travel over the Pourmaraki Pass towards Kalambaka. (B, D) Hotel: Amalia Kalambaka
- 7 Admire Meteora and Return to Athens The UNESCO World Heritage monasteries of Meteora are our first stop today. Join a *Local Specialist* to visit two of the six Eastern Orthodox monasteries that cling impressively to immense, rounded rock towers overlooking the town. A scenic drive returns us to Athens, where we'll enjoy a rousing Farewell Dinner with our travel companions and reminisce over an incredible journey through Greece. (B, FD) Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis
- Farewell Athens We say a fond farewell to our newfound friends and the treasures of Greece after an unforgettable journey or join a 3 or 7-day Aegean cruise. See pages 172-173. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### **Optional Santorini Extension**

Extend your time in Greece with a 3-night visit to Santorini. The Santorini Extension will start on Day 8. Visit trafalgar.com for itinerary details.

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- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
- Reversed Itinerary: The departures marked will operate in reverse and may stay in alternative hotels to those listed opposite. All sightseeing and inclusions will remain as described.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement

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#### Your vacation

#### Day

**Day 1 – 7 As Per Best of Greece** All overnights, meals and inclusions as per pages 170 - 171.

- Embark and Cruise to Stunning Mykonos We leave the bustling city streets of Athens and cruise to Mykonos, where the Windmills of Kato Mili extend a warm evening welcome as they have to arriving seafarers for centuries. You'll have the evening free to explore the winding lanes of Chora, strolling past whitewashed cottages and tumbling cerise bougainvillea. As the sun sets over Mykonos, there's no better place for cocktails than Little Venice. (B, L, D)
- Continue to Ancient Ephesus and Patmos Visit the Turkish shores of Kusadasi for a complimentary Shore Experience to ancient Ephesus. We continue to Patmos, the site where the Book of Revelation was written by St. John. Here, you can choose to see the Cave of the Apocalypse and St. John's Monastery as an Optional Experience. (B, L, D)



Visit the Ancient Ruins of Ephesus. Join a Local Specialist to discover one of the world's finest ancient sites. Walk the Arcadian Way, see the Library and visit the House of the Virgin Mary. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- O Cruise to Crete and on to Santorini Explore Crete's ancient Minoan culture and heritage at the Palace of Knossos on your complimentary Shore Experience to Heraklion. Admire its bright wall paintings that were restored at the turn of the 20th century and explore centuries of history that predate Christ. Continue to Santorini, watching as this Cycladic island comes closer on the horizon, rising out of the Aegean with its distinctive cliff-top towns. Consider an optional Shore Experience this afternoon to Oia with its white buildings and blue-domed churches that vie for the best views over the caldera. (B, L, D)
- 11 Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your cruise ship and transfer to your hotel. (B)

  Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis
- 2 Journey Home Transfers are provided to the airport for your return flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- · Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
- A drinks package
- A selection of on-shore excursions
- Onboard entertainment
- Onboard gratuities

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#### Your vacation

#### Day

**Day 1 - 7 As Per Best of Greece** All overnights, meals and inclusions as per pages 170 - 171.

- **8** Athens Your Way Spend the day at leisure on your own and see the city's ancient sites. (B)
- 9 Embark on Your 7-Day Cruise Spend the morning on your own exploring what was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilisation'. See the city's ancient sites before boarding your cruise ship this afternoon for your seven-night cruise through the Aegean. (B, D)
- Explore the Vibrant Streets of Thessaloniki Today you will have time to explore Greece's second largest city. Walk along the waterfront and enjoy the many cafes along Aristotelous Square and see ancient monuments such as the Arch of Galerius. (B, L, D)
- 11 Explore the Iconic Ephesus Ruins Arrive in Kusadasi, your gateway to the ancient Greek City of Ephesus. You'll join an included Ancient Ephesus sightseeing tour revealing the Hellenistic and Roman heritage of this UNESCO-listed site before returning to your ship for your evening departure. (B, L, D)
  - Rhodes Your Way Explore the medieval Old Town of Rhodes and join a walking tour revealing the story of the Knights of St. John. Join an included visit to Lindos, in the heart of Rhodes, and visit the seven lodges of the Order of St. John where the original coats of arms are still displayed. (B, L, D)
- 13 Enjoy Sunny Crete and Santorini Arriving in Crete this morning, you'll have some free time to explore. Consider an Optional Experience to Heraklion's Palace of Knossos. In the afternoon, set sail for Santorini and admire the dramatic volcanic landscape, an inspiring backdrop for laid-back island life. (B, L, D)

- 4 Marvel at Mykonos Enjoy a full free day to explore the narrow rambling streets of Chora. You could choose an optional visit the Sacred Island of Delos, the birthplace of Apollo. (B, L, D)
- 15 Journey to Milos Dock in the former home of the famous Venus de Milo. There's time to explore the 'Island of Colours' on an Optional Experience. Depart this evening for Athens, celebrating a final evening on board with new friends. (B, L, D)
- Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your cruise ship and transfer to your hotel. (B)
   Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis
- Journey Home Transfers are provided to the airport for your return flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

"It was absolutely outstanding. Every single level was great."

**Our Guest. D. Lee on**Best of Greece with 7-Day Aegean Cruise

#### Your vacation planner

See below for a selection of departure dates. Speak to your Travel Agent or search 'Best of Greece with 7-Day Aegean Cruise' on trafalgar.com for all available departures and pricing.

#### 2023

May	05	12	19	26	Aug	04	11	18	25	
Jun	02	09	16	23	Sep	01	08	15	22	
	30					29				
Jul	07	14	21	28						

#### **Deals & discounts**

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#### All cruises include

- Breakfast, lunch and dinner daily
- A drinks package
- A selection of on-shore excursions
- Onboard entertainment
- Onboard gratuities

See what happens on trip: #TTAegeanCruise

Trip code: ACOM

## **More Eastern** Mediterranean trips

Discover even more of what's waiting across the sun-drenched Mediterranean, one of the world's best loved vacation spots. Read the full itineraries at trafalgar.com.



#### **Guest favorite: Dilek Kaya Hotel**

You'll feel like you've stepped into another world at Dilek Kaya Hotel, a Stays With Stories experience and a true highlight of your vacation. The hotel is partly carved from the surrounding rock and boasts spectacular vistas of Cappadocia's enchanting landscapes. After enjoying a delicious dinner or cooling off in the pool, head to your room which is set in natural stone walls.

You'll be part of the magic when you rise early and head to the terraces to see the captivating sight of dozens of colorful hot air balloons lighting up the sky at sunrise – a special experience well worth waking up early for.

Best of Turkey, day 10

## **Secrets of Greece** including Corfu

11 Days

1 Country

13 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.8<sup>/5</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★



#### © See what happens on trip: #TTSecretsOfGreece

An in-depth Greece trip for history buffs and lovers of Greek food and culture. You'll enjoy traditional dinner and dancing on an olive farm, travel to the enchanting island of Corfu and explore ancient sights like Mycenae, Olympia and Delphi you've read about in history books.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Mycenae, Olympia, Meteora, Delphi and Athens with a
- Discover Corfu, Metsovo, Meteora and Galaxidi
- Visit the ancient theater at Epidaurus, the Olympic Stadium in Olympia, the island of Corfu, the monastery of Palaiokastritsa and Achilleon Palace, the towns of Ioannina and Metsovo, the rock monasteries in Meteora, Mount Pelion region, the home of the Oracle at Delphi, the port town of Galaxidi and the Acropolis in

Trip code: GSML

## **Highlights of Turkey**

## **Best of Turkey**

10 Days

1 Country

17 Meals

14 Days

1 Country

24 Meals

Past Guest Rated 4.6<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>€</sup> ←

Past Guest Rated 4.8<sup>75</sup> feefo <sup>∞</sup> ★



#### © See what happens on trip: #TTHighlightsOfTurkey

Travel along the age-old trading routes that linked East and West revealing all the Highlights of Turkey. Do some haggling of your own in Istanbul's Grand Bazaar, fall asleep amidst the fairy-tale landscapes of Cappadocia and walk in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks in Ephesus.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Istanbul with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque, Byzantine Hippodrome and Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Anzac Cove and the poignant War Cemeteries at Gallipoli, the Asclepion Medical Center at Pergamon, the ancient city of Ephesus, the Virgin Mary's House at Ephesus, the Cotton Castle springs at Pamukkale, the ruins of the Roman health spa at Hierapolis, the Göreme Open-Air Museum and the underground city of Saratli
- View the Wooden Horse at Troy



#### See what happens on trip: #TTBestOfTurkey

From the legends of Troy to ancient Greek cities, your travels will reveal the places where history happened. On this indepth Best of Turkey voyage, you'll also venture into the Taurus Mountains for lunch with the Yazir community and relax on the shores of the Turkish Riviera.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Istanbul with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sophia, Hippodrome, Blue Mosque and Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Anzac Cove and the War Cemeteries at Gallipoli, the ancient ruins of Troy, the Asclepion Medical Center at Pergamon, the ancient city at Ephesus, the Cotton Castle Springs in Pamukkale, the Archaeological Museum in Antalya, the home of the Whirling Dervishes at Konya, the underground city of Saratli, Göreme Open Air Museum and the Museum of Anatolian Civilization at Ankara
- View the Wooden Horse at Troy

Trip code: TBOT/WBOT



Trip code: THOT

## **Best of Egypt**

## **Best of Israel**

9 Days 1 Country 17 Meals 8 Days 1 Country 11 Meals

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#### See what happens on trip: #TTBestOfEgypt

Awaken your inner explorer on this expedition through the lush river valleys and golden desert landscapes of Egypt. Cruise the Nile past the pharaonic temples of Luxor to the Nubian treasures of Aswan. Your voyage will also take you to the mystical Pyramids of Giza, Tomb of the Nobles and the Sphinx.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Luxor and Cairo with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Egyptian Museum in Cairo, the temples of Karnak, the Valley of the Kings, Queen Hatshepsut's Temple and the Colossi of Memnon in Luxor, the Temple of Kom-Ombo and the temple of Isis on the island of Philae
- See the Ramses II statue and Alabaster Sphinx in Memphis and the Step Pyramid in Saqqara



#### © See what happens on trip: #TTBestOfIsrael

An extraordinary first-hand encounter with familiar places and stories, this Best of Israel travel experience will bring centuries of history to life and reveal the proud traditions of the resilient Jewish people. You'll also visit Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus and visit Manger Square.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Jerusalem with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Fortress of Masada and the Church of Nativity in Bethlehem, the Mount of Olives and the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, the Church of Annunciation in Nazareth, Jesus Boat at the Sea of Galilee, the old Synagogue and the Mount of Beatitudes near Capernaum, the ancient Synagogue and artists' colony at Safed, the underground Crusader City of Acre and the Roman Amphitheater at Caesarea

Trip code: EGBO Trip code: ISBO/WISB

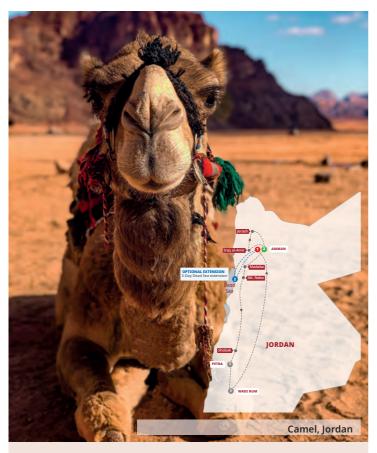
## Jordan Experience

6 Days

1 Country

11 Meals

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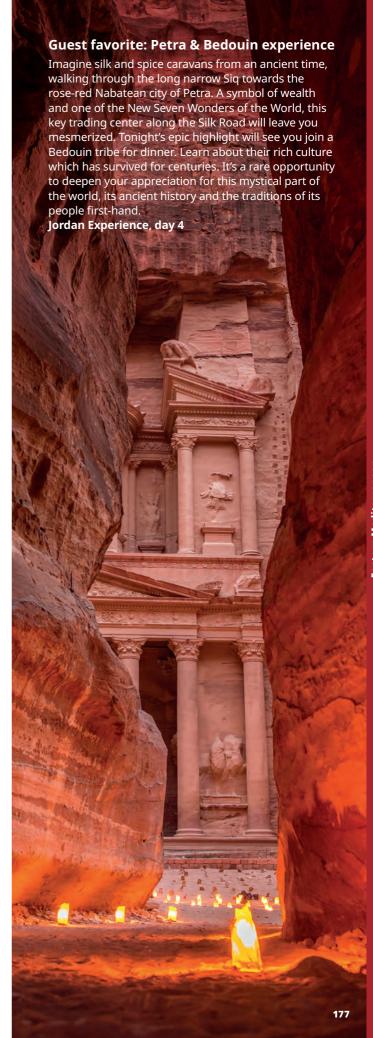
#### © See what happens on trip: #TTJordanExperience

Travel to the 'Rose City' of Petra, the highlight on this Jordan trip. But there's more to discover as you learn about Jordanian culture with the Khzoz family, have dinner with a Bedouin tribe and spend a soulful night gazing at the clear night's sky when you stay in Wadi Rum desert.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Amman with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Greco-Roman city at Jerash, the unique ancient city at Petra. the Crusader Fortress at Shobak and Wadi Rum
- View the Roman amphitheater and Citadel in Amman, Moses'
   Promised Land on Mount Nebo and the mosaic map of the Holy Land at Madaba
- Scenic Drive on a jeep tour in the Wadi Rum desert

Trip code: JORD/WJOR



## Christmas Markets of Austria, Germany and Switzerland

8 Days

**4 Countries** 

11 Meals

Fill your festive cheer with candles, carols, snowflakes and stollen as you wander past heaving market stalls and pay tribute to old-world traditions, local craftsmanship and mesmerising city backdrops.

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Austrian Christmas Markets

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Sightseeing

End

Overnight

#### Day

Welcome to Vienna Write your very own Christmas story on a festive foray beginning in Vienna. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers later for an orientation drive and Welcome Reception with drinks and a light meal. (WR)

**Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront** 

**Discover Vienna's Spectacular Christmas Markets** Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the Austrian capital, from its Parliament and City Hall to the grand State Opera House and Hofburg Palace, once the winter palace of the Habsburgs, one of the most powerful royal houses of Europe. We feed our Christmas spirit with a visit to the enchanting Christkindlmarkt this afternoon and feast on delicious gingerbread and Glühwein, wandering past wooden stalls piled high with handcrafted toys, seasonal gifts and tasty festive fare. (B)

Journey to Munich Venture along the scenic Danube Valley to Mozart's beloved Salzburg, where we'll Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist on a walking tour to see the Mirabell Gardens and other sights that featured in the 'Sound of Music'. Later, travel to Munich. (B, D, 🕬) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark

**Enjoy Bavarian Munich's Magical Christmas** 

Markets Bundle up warmly and join your Travel Director on an orientation tour of one of Germany's liveliest cities. Embrace the festive cheer in Marienplatz with its impressive Town Hall and the ornate Glockenspiel. Then, spend the rest of your day savoring the sights, sounds and smells of Munich's Christmas

market - a dazzling display of twinkling lights, carols and a magnificent Christmas tree. Continue your feast and indulge in Munich's unrivaled hospitality with an optional visit to enjoy the Gemütlichkeit atmosphere at one of Munich's most traditional restaurants. (B)



**Explore a traditional Christmas** market. Step into a festive 14th-century fairy tale as you immerse yourself in Bavarian hospitality and charm at one of Germany's oldest Christmas markets. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Off to Innsbruck We leave Munich behind and travel through the romantic Bavarian countryside en route to Oberammergau, which hosts the poignant Passion Play every ten years. Admire the village's intricate woodcarvings and elaborate frescoes depicting

Bavarian themes before continuing to Innsbruck. Indulge in delicious Kiachl doughnuts at the bustling Christmas market before returning to your hotel for dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Tivoli Innsbruck

Venture to Lucerne A winter wonderland beckons as we see the ski jump that towers over Innsbruck before continuing to Vaduz to view its turreted castle, perched perfectly above the Liechtenstein capital. Our final stop today is Lucerne, where we'll spend the next two nights. Our orientation tour of the city takes us past the sad Lion of Lucerne and the famous wooden Chapel Bridge. (B) Hotel: Astoria

**Explore Lucerne's Festive Glittering Lights** Embrace the Yuletide cheer in true Swiss spirit during a visit to Lucerne's Christmas market. Ramble past traditional wooden stalls, a warm mug of Glühwein in hand. Later, we celebrate our magical journey together during an exclusive Be My Guest experience filled with Christmas cheer as you Connect With Locals in their

home. (B, BMG, 8)

**Journey Home** We bid a festive farewell to our travel companions, returning home with magical Christmas memories. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

"Our tour of the Christmas Markets was awesome! Met great people, bought WAY too much (but that's what happens at Christmas anyway), and had a great guide every step of the way. Our Travel Director went over and above to answer all our of questions along the way. I highly recommend this tour! That's one more thing checked off my bucket list - walking through a snowy winter wonderland drinking hot Gluwein or cider and buying things you just can't get in the states! So fun!"

Our Guest:S. Yerkes on Christmas Markets of Austria, **Germany and Switzerland** 

#### Your vacation planner

See below for a selection of departure dates. Speak to your Travel Agent or search 'Christmas Markets of Austria, Germany and Switzerland' on trafalgar.com for all available departures and pricing.

#### 2023

Nov	24	25	26	27	Dec	01	02	03	04
	28	29	30			05	06	07	08
						09	11	13	

Travel to Europe often requires an overnight flight. Please arrange flights to arrive on or before Day 1.

#### **Deals & discounts**

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O See what happens on trip: **#TTChristmasMarkets** 

# More Autumn, Winter & Spring



#### **Guest favorite: Maison Cailler**

Dive Into Culture and discover the secrets of Swiss chocolate for yourself. Indulge your sweet tooth at Maison Cailler, in the picture-perfect town of Broc, where they have been perfecting Swiss chocolate since 1898. Travel through the history of chocolate, from the time of the Aztecs to today. You'll embark on a fascinating museum tour featuring a series of interactive and multi-sensory experiences sure to delight all ages.

With more than one opportunity to sample the rich flavors for yourself, leave with a greater appreciation for this timehonored sweet tradition in one of the most famous places to experience it.

Swiss Delight, day 3

## **Swiss Delight**

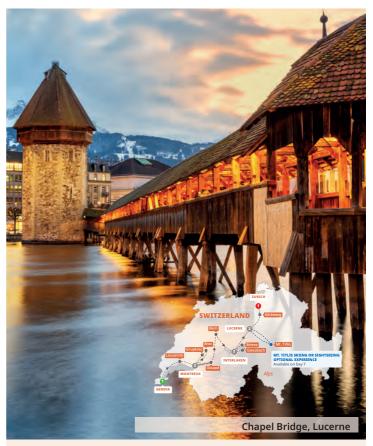
9 Days

1 Country

13 Meals

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#### **◎** See what happens on trip: #TTSwissDelight

Get swept up in the charm of Switzerland's lively cities and soul-stirring landscapes on this perfect winter break filled with magical Christmas markets, delicious food and plenty of opportunities to shop.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Discover Geneva, Montreux, Bern, Interlaken, Lucerne and Zürich
- Visit Lausanne, Lindt chocolate factory in Kilchberg, Gruyères, **Gstaad and Grindelwald**
- View Lake Geneva, Jungfrau mountain (weather permitting), the Chapel Bridge and Lion Monument in Lucerne, the Munster Bridge and Lindenhof Square in Zürich

Trip code: WSWS

## German **Christmas Markets**

## Scandinavian **Northern Lights**

8 Days

1 Country

11 Meals

9 Days

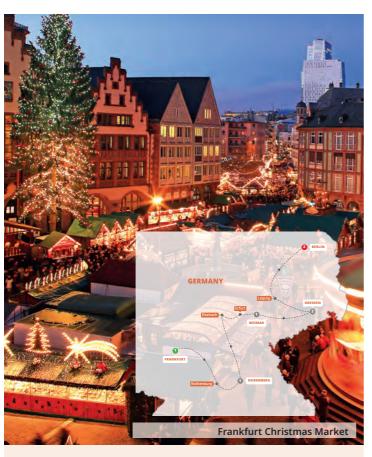
2 Countries

13 Meals

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#### © See what happens on trip: #TTDEChristmasMarkets

Travel to the enchanting land of Germany's Christmas markets, sharing the festive season spirit and Gemütlichkeit of the locals, amidst magical fairy lights, rousing oompah music and the spicy scents of Glühwein.

#### **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Berlin with a Local Specialist
- Discover Frankfurt, Rothenburg, Nuremberg, Weimar, Dresden and Leipzig
- · Visit the Christmas Markets of Rothenburg, Nuremberg, Wartburg Castle in Eisenach (Sat/Sun only), Erfurt, Weimar, Dresden, Leipzig and ascend the Berlin TV Tower



#### © See what happens on trip: #TTNorthernLights

Snow, Santa Claus and the fascinating culture of the Sámi people await on this arctic adventure in pursuit of the Northern Lights that dance across the dark winter skies of Finland and Sweden.

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Helsinki, Gammelstad and Stockholm with a Local Specialist
- Visit Saariselkä, Siida Sámi Museum, Rovaniemi, Luleå, Jokkmokk, Ájtte Museum, Kiruna and Stockholm City Hall
- View the Northern Lights (weather permitting)
- See the Sibelius Monument, the Olympic Stadium, the Opera House and Finlandia Hall in Helsinki, Riddarholmen Church and the Royal Palace in Stockholm

Trip code: WMAR Trip code: WSNL

## **Booking conditions summary**

Very Important: The information below is a summary of the booking conditions as at the date of the production of this brochure and are for guidance only. The 'Full Booking Conditions' can be found on our website and form the legal agreement between us and you as our guest. If there is any conflict between the information below and the Full Booking Conditions, the Full Booking Conditions shall prevail. Booking Conditions are regularly updated and may have changed since this brochure was printed.

#### Payment and cancellation table (The 'Table')

	Level 1	Level 2	Air Tickets***	Extra accommodations	Chargeable transfers		
Deposit due per person	C\$200	C\$350	As per airline policy	No additional deposit required	No additional deposit required		
Final Payment Due (before departure)	60 days	90 days	As per airline policy	In accordance with guided vacation	In accordance with guided vacation		
Cancellation Charges (per person) if you cancel your vacation (No. of days before travel)							
120 days and over	Deposit	Deposit	C\$75 plus airline charges	C\$35	C\$35		
119 - 90 days	Deposit	Deposit	C\$75 plus airline charges	C\$35	C\$35		
89 - 60 days	Deposit	30%	C\$75 plus airline charges	C\$35	C\$35		
59 - 16 days	30%	60%	C\$75 plus airline charges	Higher of C\$35 or 25% of accommodations price	Higher of C\$35 or 25% of transfer price		
15 - 8 days	50%	90%	C\$75 plus airline charges	Higher of C\$35 or 30% of accommodations price	Higher of C\$35 or 30% of transfer price		
7 - 1 days	90%	100%	C\$75 plus airline charges	100% of accommodations price	100% of transfer price		
Departure Day/No show	100%	100%	C\$75 plus airline charges	100% of accommodations price	100% of transfer price		

#### \*\*\* For airline journeys originating and ending in N. America

Level 1: Cancellation fees are the minimum cancellation fee charged and is used unless the trip is described as Level 2 or 3.

Level 2: These trips are listed at trafalgar.com/booking-conditions but are generally trips which include cruise/ferry, train or intra-trip flight elements.

Level 3: Cancellation fees apply to Antarctic Peninsula Cruise - Land of Penguins and Icebergs.

Your vacation booking
For the purposes of this document reference to 'you' or 'your' includes all guests in the party. Trafalgar Tours of Canada Limited is the 'Sales Company'. The 'Operator' for the trips will be as described in the table below. Collectively these companies are referred to as 'Trafalgar', or the 'Provider'.

Destination	Operator
Europe and Britain, Africa, Asia	Trafalgar Tours Limited
USA & Canada, Central America, South America and Antarctica	Destination America
Australia & New Zealand	AAT Kings Tours Limited and Travel Corporation NZ Limited

Your agreement is with Trafalgar and a contract is formed when you make a reservation with us that we accept. Enrollment in and payment for a guided trip shall constitute acceptance by the guest of the terms and conditions in this document. These cannot be varied except in writing by an officer of the Company. All contracts with Trafalgar are made subject to the terms of these booking conditions. Security Security is a major concern to all of us and the situation globally is constantly changing. Events around the world, coupled with the "Travel Advisories" put out by various governments, may at times necessitate changes to the accommodations and itinerary or even trip cancellation. You must accept these risks involved in travel to any country that may experience security difficulties and accept

responsibility for your own travel decisions. **Travel Insurance** Travel insurance is highly recommended for all guests covering all applicable dates of travel with the Provider. This guests covering all applicable dates of travel with the Provider. This insurance should cover: trip interruption, personal injury, medical expenses, evacuation and repatriation cover including during pandemic events. The choice of insurer is yours. The availability of travel insurance and extent of cover is constantly changing, please refer to our website www.trafalgar.com/faq for most up-to-date information or talk to your reservation agent. The Provider may receive a commission for introducing you to a travel insurance provider. The Provider cannot be held responsible for your failure to obtain insurance which is appropriate, and we recommend you purchase your insurance at the time of or son after booking your purchase your insurance at the time of, or soon after, booking your trip. The Provider will not be held liable for any costs incurred by the guest resulting from their failure to obtain adequate travel insurance.

COVID-19 COVID-19 means coronavirus disease, an infectious disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus and all variants of the SARS-CoV-2 Virus. An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. The Provider may require proof of vaccination or negative COVID-19 tests, with the situation changing rapidly please refer to trafalgar. com/faq for current requirements and further information relating to COVID-19. Please also familiarize yourself with the advice from your national authority for overseas travel before departing. COVID-19 requirements vary from country to country and region to region and circumstances may require us to ask all travelers to be fully vaccinated and provide evidence of vaccination, irrespective of the destinations' vaccination requirements. Definition of fully vaccinated may include booster doses and/or time elapsed since last dose received. Evidence of negative COVID-19 tests may also be required. Airlines, hotels, excursion providers and other transport providers may also have separate requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure that you comply at all times with these requirements. No refunds will be given if you are unable to undertake some or all of your vacation due to your failure to comply with these requirements, or if you fail any tests, checks or other measures imposed by a supplier or necessary for you to travel. You also acknowledge that certain countries may impose quarantine or self-isolation measures upon travelers, whether in the place of the destination or upon return and that such requirements are subject to change, and may be imposed on short notice. You will be responsible for any resulting additional costs including travel and accommodation. We ask that you please take personal responsibility for your wellbeing. This begins with packing any personal protective equipment and sanitizers you require. Please adopt physical distancing and hygiene

practices throughout your pre-trip travel arrangements and follow all health instructions whether physical signage, or requests from our professional staff once you are traveling with us. To travel with us, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19. Full details of hygiene protocols can be found on our website. If, within 14 days of your departure, you or anyone in your booking party:
• test positive for COVID-19 and have to quarantine for a period

- of time, or
- are notified or otherwise become aware that you have, or suspect you may have, come into close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 (or where they otherwise suspect they may have COVID-19) and have to self-isolate for a period of time

you must notify us immediately. In the event that you are unable to travel with us our cancellation charges may apply in accordance with our cancellation procedure. If this happens whilst you are on your vacation, please notify us without delay and we will provide such reasonable assistance as we can in the circumstances. However, we will not be reconscible for continuous cost of my control to the compactible for continuous cost of my control to the compactible for control to the control to the compactible for control to the control to we will not be responsible for covering the cost of any curtailment of your vacation, missed transport arrangements, additional accommodations required, or other associated costs incurred by you. You must ensure you have travel insurance which covers these costs. Force Maieure Force Maieure Event means any event or circumstance beyond the control of the Provider, which has the effect of preventing, restricting, or changing the nature of the products and services sold to you including but not limited to: (a) an act of god (such as earthquake, flood, fire, explosion, landslide, lightning, action of the elements, force of nature, washout, typhoon, hurricane, cyclone, tsunami, storm or storm warning or natural disaster); (b) industrial disputes, work ban or other labor dispute or difficulty; (c) acts of terrorism, political unrest, war or threat of war, riots or civil strife; (d) failure or delays to scheduled transportation and the closure of airports or ports; (e) pandemic, epidemic or health risk including COVID-19; (f) all governmental and administrative actions, guidance and measures in any territory (including closure of borders and travel warnings and restrictions).

#### **Reservations and payments**

Your trip will be confirmed after receipt of a non-refundable deposit as detailed in the Table. Air-inclusive bookings may require an additional non-refundable deposit or payment in full at the time of booking, see Flight Reservations, Deposits and Cancelations section below. Final payment for your trip reservation will be due prior to departure no later than as detailed in the Table.

#### **Booking changes**

Name changes The Provider does not charge for name corrections however where third party costs are incurred these will be passed

Other booking changes The Provider does not charge for minor booking changes however, where third party costs are incurred these will be passed on to the guest. A change of trip date or itinerary after final payment is due (see Table) will be treated as a cancellation.

#### **Cancellation and refunds**

Cancellation by traveler Travel arrangements for any member of the party may be canceled at any time by written notice by the guest who made the booking. If notice of cancellation is received by the Provider before final payment is due (see Table), the deposit will be retained. If cancellation is made after final payment is due cancellation fees will apply (see Table). Please also refer to Air Changes or Cancelation where applicable. All cancellation fees as per the Table are additional to any cancellation fees or other charges that

may be levied by your Travel Agent.

Cancellation by the provider The Provider reserves the right, to modify or cancel any trip (definite or not), accommodation, indestination activity, or arrangement at any time.

Cancellation due to failure to pay If full payment is not received by the due date (see Table), the Provider has the right to cancel your reservation and no refund will be made. The Provider will not be responsible for lost reservations.

Cancellation due to Force Majeure Events f the Provider cancels a trip as a result of a Force Majeure Event, a Future Travel Credit (FTC) to the value of funds paid to date less any third-party costs incurred will be provided. All FTCs will be valid for up to 24 months from date

of issue. Where a trip is terminated mid-trip due to a Force Majeure Event, if we provide you with any alternative services or assistance (such as hotels or travel) then you agree to pay for these costs.

#### Cancellation due to events other than Force Majeure Events

If the cancellation by the Provider is not as a result of a Force Majeure Event, the Provider will provide an alternative comparable trip (if available). If an alternative is not available then a refund will be made. The Provider is not liable for any cancellation, change cost or penalties incurred on other travel arrangements, including air travel, that may be affected thereby. The Provider is not responsible for other travel arrangements that you or your party have made outside the Provider, and which are affected by our cancellations.

### Flight reservations, deposits and cancellations Reservations/Ticketing Air-inclusive bookings and some intra-

trip flights require an additional non-refundable deposit at time of booking which may be up to 100%. If an air reservation is made by the Provider, full payment may be required for your airfare at the time of booking. On receipt of full air payment your airfare, taxes and fuel surcharges are final. This will be regardless of future price fluctuations up or down. When booking a trip including flights, you will be required, at time of booking to provide us the full name as detailed on the passport, passport number, nationality, date, and place of issue of each quest. The Provider does not hold an allocation of air seats and all flight reservations are made on request and are subject to the terms and conditions of the airline. Changes to flight itineraries and name changes and/or corrections may either not be allowed or may result in penalties charged by the airline. These are the guest's responsibility along with the fees charged as described above. Airlines (and other travel providers including the Provider) change prices and routes from time to time. All air routings are in the sole control of the airline and are subject to change at any time. Air changes or cancellation After deposit has been received any changes, including cancellation incur a service fee, plus any airline penalties. Airline imposed penalties may be up to 100% of the air ticket price. Published Fares, Priced Match Fares, Promo Fares and some other airfares booked are non-refundable.Not showing up for your outbound flight as booked and ticketed will be considered a no-show, and all the connecting flights associated with this one, even a return flight will be canceled, and no refund will apply.

#### **Financial protection**

We provide financial protection for our package holidays. The company participates in The Ontario Travel Industry Compensation Fund which compensates consumers who paid for but did not receive travel services because of the bankruptcy or insolvency of a registered Ontario travel agency or travel wholesaler to a maximum of \$5,000,000 per incident. Consumers may also be eligible for reimbursement from the Compensation Fund if they booked and paid for airline or cruise line travel services from an Ontario registered travel retailer and have not received the travel services due to the bankruptcy or insolvency of the airline or cruise line. Individual consumers may be eligible for reimbursement up to \$5,000 per person, subject to the provisions of Ontario Regulation 26/05 pursuant to the Travel Industry Act, 2002.

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