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More on pages 6-7.

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Choose to enhance your trip with a curated selection of 600+ tried and tested Choice Optional Experiences.

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If you're looking to arrive early or extend your stay, we've also got you covered with our extensive network of trusted hotel partners. Simply ask us when you book.

More on pages 10-11.

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When you choose Costsaver, you are choosing to make a positive impact on people, wildlife and the planet.

Our 5-year How We Tread Right Strategy is our commitment to responsible travel which supports the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Be sure to look out for our MAKE TRAVEL MATTER\* Choice Optional Experiences that make a positive social or environmental impact on your trip.

More on pages 12-13.



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## Our essentials create the ideal springboard for adventure.



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#### **CHOOSE FOOD**

Taste-bud traveller? Cure your curiosity with fl vourful favourites. Foodie walking tours, cooking classes, wine tasting and delicious regional feasting are all up for grabs.



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#### **CHOOSE CULTURE**

Satisfy your cultural side as you travel and embrace concerts, theatre, insider walking tours and ways to get creative. Painting and pinot anyone?



#### **CHOOSE ADVENTURE**

If life in the fast-lane doesn't slow down as you travel, you'll still get your adrenalin fix. Bung jumping, rafting and hiking fuel adventure-filled d ys.

When it comes to travel, there's no one size fits all. Som want a bit of this, others like a bit of that, while some want this and that, with a side of those. So, with Costsaver that's exactly what you get. A curated range of Choice Optional Experiences that lets you travel how you choose.



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#### **CHOOSE RELAX**

Juxtaposing the must-sees with experiences that get you to go-slow, you'll be spoiled for choice with walking tours, yoga, picturesque cruises and more.



#### **CHOOSE NATURE**

If the call of the great outdoors is strong, you'll be tempted by wildlife encounters, walks and cruises. Scenic adventures will embrace mother nature at her best.



#### **CHOOSE HISTORY**

Keen for ancient civilizations and crumbling relics? Our curated history experiences leave no stone unturned as you explore museums, towns and cities for an inside look.

Look out for these symbols to see the Choice Optional Experiences on offer. Get inspired at costsavertour.com





## MAKE TRAVEL AND MAKE

#### MAKE TRAVEL MATTER

When you choose Costsaver you can feel good that you are doing good. At Costsaver our goal is to MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®, through ensuring:

- 1. We sustain and care for the planet we call home
- 2. We provide a true economic impact to the people and communities we visit
- 3. We protect and conserve the rich wildlife we encounter

Our work ensures that the impact of our business is positive in two ways; through our TreadRight Foundation, and our 5-year sustainability strategy, How We Tread Right.

For some of our most enriching experiences, look out for MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Choice Optional Experiences that make a positive social or environmental impact on your trip just by choosing to travel with us.



#### MORE ON OUR TREADRIGHT FOUNDATION

TreadRight is a not-for-profi organisation, founded by Costsaver and our sister brands under The Travel Corporation (TTC), to support sustainable tourism projects around the world. Through TreadRight, Costsaver has helped fund more than 60 projects worldwide. Learn about our project partners at treadright.org.





# ADIFFERENCE MAKE TRAVEL MATTER EXPERIENCE MESUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

## OUR SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY: HOW WE TREAD RIGHT

Our 5-year strategy sets the direction for sustainability at Costsaver and at our sister brands. It is based on 11 measurable goals, anchored to the United Nations Global Goals, which were developed to address our impact on our three pillars of Planet, its People and Wildlife.

One of the key initiatives of the strategy is our focus on MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences. These are conscious travel experiences chosen with great care based on the positive social or environmental impact they have on the people and communities we visit on trip. Here is just a small sample of what you can expect on your holiday.



#### ARENAL HANGING BRIDGES, COSTA RICA

Eye level views of the rainforest, Arenal's hanging bridges will make you feel at one with mother nature and Costa Rica's phenomenal natural ecosystems.



#### UROS ISLAND WEAVERS, PERU

Deep blue waters. Lunch with locals.
Weaving demonstration. Need we say more? This trip to the flo ting villages of Lake Titicaca will capture your heart in every way.



#### MONUMENT VALLEY NAVAJO TRIBAL PARK, USA

Hop into a 4x4 and get lost for words, as a Navajo local guides you around the spectacular scenery of Monument Valley. See the sights. Learn the history. Snap some shots.



#### **GLASSBLOWING IN VENICE**

Experience Venetian glassblowers at work, as they demonstrate techniques that have been passed down through generations. You can even buy a masterpiece yourself and support this precious craft.



**CLIFFS OF MOHER, IRELAND** 

Whether it's meeting the 29 species of bird-life, exploring unseen gems or admiring the breath-taking views, this experience will stay with you forever.





## BY YOU

With more than 250 Choice Optional Experiences in Europe & Britain, take a look what's on offer before you leave home, and have the fl xibility to simply choose, book and pay on your holiday.



Exploring castles, ancient civilisations or husky sledding? Cooking Spanish style or reaching mountain heights? Here are a few ideas of what's waiting for you. Look out for the symbols above and opposite on costsavertour.com. Do it your way.



#### **CHOOSE FOOD**

Cure your curiosity with

Spain • Cook up a storm at a Seville cooking school.

Portugal • Taste Portuguese flavours with a Fado feast.

Greece • Strut your stuff at a gourmet evening with dancing.



#### **CHOOSE ADVENTURE**

Get your adrenalin fix with

Ireland • Get the heart racing on Dublin's fitness trail.

Norway • Buckle up and enjoy a Husky Dog ride.

Switzerland • Admire the view at Mount Pilatus and Lucerne.



#### **CHOOSE HISTORY**

Curated history experiences

Scotland • Be brave and explore the gothic Edinburgh Castle.

Italy • Discover the ancient relics of Pompeii.

Italy • Visit the world's smallest country - the Vatican.



#### **CHOOSE RELAX**

Treat yourself with choices that get you to go-slow.

Spain • Rise with the sun for Barcelona beach yoga.

England • Glide across the stunning Lake Windemere.

France • See the Paris night lights on a Seine River cruise.



#### **CHOOSE NATURE**

mother nature at her best.

Scotland • Meet the locals at a Highland sheep farm.

Switzerland • Embrace tradition with a countryside carriage ride.

Italy • Experience the colourful lemon-scented Amalfi Coast.



#### CHOOSE CULTURE

Satisty your cultural side as you travel.

Ifaly • Floaf your way through Venice on a gondola.

Ireland • Feel the luck of the Irish at a music and dancing gig.

Czech Republic • Get creative in Prague with painting and drinks.



Short on time, but big on appetite to see all the highlights from London to Rome? This 8-day journey including Italy's iconic Venice, Florence and Rome is the perfect fit for you. You'll see the Eiffel Tower in Paris, admire the tranquility of Lake Lucerne, the snow-capped Swiss Alps, Burgundy vineyards and soul-stirring Tuscany until the 'Elernal City' caps your epic encounter with Europe.

Dover See the White Cli, s

Paris View the Champs-Élysées, Arc de

Triomphe and Ei, el Tower on your sightseeing tour

Lucerne Orientation includes views of the Chapel Bridge and a visit to the Lion Monument

Venice Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing workshop

Florence See Piazza Santa Croce Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Specialist

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#### Day 1, London - Paris

Your journey to the continent begins today. Join your Travel Director and fellow travellers, travelling south through the pretty Kent countryside to Dover. Board your ferry to Calais and leave the chalky White Cli, s behind. Arriving in Paris, you'll have time to explore the 'City of Lights' on your own. The French capital glows bright both day and night, but consider an **Optional Experience** on the Seine this evening to make your introduction even more special. **Hotel: Novotel Porte d'Orléans** 

#### Day 2, Paris sightseeing and free time

Your sightseeing tour conducted by your Travel Director will take you past the Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and the 'Iron Lady' herself, the Ei, el Tower. Relish the afternoon to do as you please. That could mean channelling your inner Parisian and sitting in a leafy park with a baguette and some cheese and wine, or consider a visit to the Louvre where you can view the wry smile of the Mona Lisa. Tonight, colourful Can-Can girls will entice you with their remarkable outfits should you choose to join an **Optional Experience** cabaret show. **B** 

#### Day 3, Paris - Lucerne Region

Head through vineyards and valleys as you journey to Lucerne where a brief orientation will see you view the 14th-century Chapel Bridge spanning the Reuss River.

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Visit the poignant Lion Monument, hewn from rock to honour the brave Swiss Guards who died defending King Louis XVI during the French Revolution. There's plenty of time later to shop for all your Swiss souvenirs.

B. D Hotel: Ibis Kriens



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#### SEINE CRUISE AND PARIS ILLUMINATIONS

Enjoy the City of Lights on a leisurely cruise along the River Seine, followed by a drive through Paris to enjoy some of her best sights.

KICK UP YOUR FEET AT THE CABARET Have some fun amidst the feathers and frills of a Parisian Cabaret - an unforgettable dinner and Can-Can performance at a celebrated cabaret venue.

#### MOUNT STANSERHORN

Climb to the top of Mt. Stanserhorn boarding an old-fimer railway and the world's only CabriO cable car to enjoy glorious views of the central Alpine chain.

GONDOLAS AND THE GRAND CANAL Cruise the Grand Canal by private water taxi before arriving at St. Mark's Square where you'll embark on a gondola ride and be serenaded through Venice's canals.

INSIDE THE VATICAN AND COLOSSEUM Skip the queues at the Vatican Museums to view Michelangelo's ceiling frescoes in the Sistine Chapel. Later, hear fascinating tales of gladiatorial combat in the Colosseum.







#### Day 4, Lucerne Region - Venice (Oriago)

With your head in the clouds, you'll journey via the scenic St. Gotthard Pass into Italy. On your journey south, the soul-stirring landscapes of the Italian lakes stretch ahead as you venture to Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. The Winged Lion of St. Mark stands guard over the city. There's no better way to see the sights than gliding gracefully through its canals on a gondola – an **Optional Experience** that captures the essence of Venice like none other. **B** 

#### Day 5, Venice orientation - Florence

Hotel: Il Burchiello

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square and view the city's iconic sights, including St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace and Piazza San Marco. Stand in the centre of the square and capture the historic panorama which Napoleon once called 'the drawing room of Europe'. You'll see master craftsmen engaged in the centuries-old glassblowing craft at a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER\* Experience. Consider an opportunity to visit the colourful fisherman s island of Burano for an optional meal with drinks before heading to Florence. B, D Hotel: Starhotels Vespucci

#### Day 6, Florence - Rome

No expense was spared to exalt the glory of Florence through art and architecture and you'll see fir t-hand how this city paved its way to a modern age. Explore the treasures left behind by the Medici dynasty and famous artists like da Vinci and Michelangelo during an orientation tour which includes a visit to Santa Croce Square, where some of the most famous sons of the Renaissance are buried. Enjoy time to shop for souvenirs or the city's famous gold and leathercraft before departing for Rome, the 'Eternal City'. **B** Hotel: Ergife Palace

#### Day 7, Rome sightseeing and free time

Make the most of your time in Rome as your Local Specialist takes you on a guided visit of St. Peter's Basilica and the ancient sites of Rome. Consider joining an **Optional Experience** inside the Vatican Museums and Colosseum. **B** 

#### Day 8, Depart Rome

Get your final fix of ome before you prepare for your return journey. Say *arrivederci* to your newfound friends and take a transfer to Fiumicino Airport as the curtain closes on an epic journey from London to Rome. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/freetransfers. **B** 

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You won't be able to keep your eyes off the epic landscapes of the Rhine, Tuscany and the French Riviera as you journey from Amsterdam to all the main highlights of Europe. Explore Venice and Paris, encounter centuries of papal history in Rome and Avignon, and cruise down Europe's mightiest river. You won't miss a thing on this 14-day jaunt across Europe with new friends.

Amsterdam See the historic city centre Rhine Valley Cruise the romantic Rhine Lucerne Visit the Lion Monument and view the Chapel Bridge

Swiss Alps Scenic St. Gotthard highway Venice Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing workshop

Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Specialist

Florence See Piazza Santa Croce and enjoy panoramic city views from Piazzale Michelangelo

Pisa Visit the Square of Miracles to view the Leaning Tower

Monaco Visit the Principality

Avignon View the Palace of the Popes and the Pont d'Avignon

Beaune Explore the heart of the Burgundy winemaking region

Paris View the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Ei el Tower on your sightseeing tour

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#### Day 1, Arrive Amsterdam

Arriving in the historic, yet edgy capital of the Netherlands, you'll enjoy an orientation before considering an optional canal cruise in a glass-topped boat. This is the perfect opportunity to see all the sights of the city from the water, not least the distinct gabled homes that overlook the city's centuries-old canals. Hotel: Tibis Schiphol

#### Day 2, Amsterdam - Rhine Cruise - Rhineland

You'd be forgiven for wanting to jump ship and stay forever as you cruise down the Rhine River, passing

medieval villages on its shores, steep vineyards and storybook castles. **B, "D Hotel:"Achat Karlsruhe City** 

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#### Day 3, Rhineland - Lucerne Region

Your very own 'Grand Tour' of Europe brings you to Lucerne where you'll embark on an orientation tour through the Old Town, Chapel Bridge and the Lion Monument. You'll have some time to explore the city your way or perhaps ascend to the heavens on an **Optional Experience** to the Alps. **B, 'D Hotel:** "SwissEver Zug

#### Day 4, Lucerne Region - Venice (Oriago)

Touch the sky when you follow the St. Gotthard highway south to Italy. Continue past Italy's enchanting Lake District and the Veneto Plains to Venice. You'll have some time to explore on your own or see Venice







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from its canals, joining an **Optional Experience** cruise by private water taxi. **B, D Hotel: II Burchiello** 

#### Day 5, Venice orientation and free time

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square and view the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Spend your time wandering in the *calle* of Venice and watch talented master craftsmen at a glassblowing demonstration, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER\* Experience. Later, consider taking an optional cruise across the lagoon to colourful Burano Island. B

#### Day 6, Venice - Rome

The 'Eternal City' beckons as you cross the Apennines through Tuscany to Rome. Consider joining an



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#### LUCERNE MOUNT STANSERHORN AND LAKE CRUISE

Touch the sky on an alpine adventure that will see you cruise across Lake Lucerne to one of Switzerland's oldest mountain railways, ascending by railway and cable car to admire the epic views.

GONDOLAS AND THE GRAND CANAL Cruise the Grand Canal by private water taxi before arriving at St. Mark's Square where you'll embark on a gondola ride and be serenaded through Venice's canals.

DINNER IN THE TUSCAN HILLS
Fall in love with Tuscany during a
traditional dinner, paired with local wines
and live music at a favourite restaurant in
the Tuscan hills.







optional sightseeing tour of Rome's *piazzas* and fountains. **B Hotel: Raganelli** 

#### Day 7, Rome sightseeing and free time

Meet your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that begins in the Vatican City and continues to Ancient Rome. Consider an **Optional Experience** that will reveal the artistry and heritage of the famous Sistine Chapel and Vatican Museums. **B** 

#### Day 8, Rome - Florence

Now's your chance to experience Florence's artistic legacy in all its glory. Head to Piazzale Michelangelo and see Florence's signature skyline. This evening, consider joining an **Optional Experience** dinner in the Tuscan hills. **B Hotel: Wall Art** 

#### Day 9, Florence - Pisa - Monaco - French Riviera (2)

Don't resist peer pressure and snap a few strategic photos featuring you and the extraordinary Leaning Tower of Pisa. Head south to the stylish shores of Monaco and the French Riviera. **B, D** 

Hotel: B&B Aéroport Arenas

#### Day 10, French Riviera free time

You have a full free day to do as you wish on the French Riviera. You may choose to join your fellow travellers for an optional exploration of Saint-Paul-de-

#### Day 11, French Riviera - Avignon - Beaune

Stop in the heart of Provence and the city of Avignon which features one of the world's most incredible religious architectural legacies. Later today, you'll arrive in medieval Beaune where the officia *joie* de vivre is the local winemaking and drinking it! **B** Hotel: Ibis La Ferme Aux Vins

#### Day 12, Beaune - Versailles - Paris

Travel north through scenic countryside. Stop in Versailles and consider an optional visit to the magnifi ent Palace of Versailles before arriving in Paris. **B Hotel: Hampton by Hilton Clichy** 

#### Day 13, Paris sightseeing and free time

During a sightseeing tour with your Travel Director, you will see the Arc de Triomphe, the Champs-Élysées and Eiffel Tower. Then spend the rest of the day discovering the city on your terms. Don't resist the urge to join an **Optional Experience** to an optional dinner and cabaret performance. **B** 

#### Day 14, Depart Paris

This morning, after breakfast, say farewell to your fellow travellers. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/freetransfers. **B** 

**Please Note:** Your coach returns to London from Paris on Day 14. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer.

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Get out of that armchair and experience the beauty of Europe with her centuries-old history, vibrant cities and

splendid landscapes. You'll tick so many bucket-list boxes on this 12-day trip which takes you from Amsterdam to Innsbruck, the canals of Venice and St. Mark's Square to Rome, the Swiss Alps and Paris.

Dover See the White Cli, s Amsterdam See the historic city centre Cologne View the Gothic cathedral Rhine Valley Cruise the romantic Rhine Innsbruck View the Golden Roof and the Hofburg Palace

Venice Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing

Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your

Florence See Piazza Santa Croce and enjoy panoramic city views from Piazzale Michelangelo

Swiss Alps Picture-book scenery Lucerne Visit the Lion Monument and view the Chapel Bridge

Paris View the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Ei, el Tower on your sightseeing

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#### Day 1, London - Amsterdam

Begin your journey from London to Calais and then to Amsterdam. Choose an "Optional Experience" in a glass-topped boat winding through Amsterdam's historic canal ring. Hotel: Corendon Village/Ibis

#### Day 2, Amsterdam - Cologne - Rhineland

Your first stop today is Cologne where you'll view its remarkable Cathedral. Later, board a lazy river cruise down the Rhine past terraced vineyards and fairy-tale castles. B, D Hotel: Achat Reilingen Walldorf

#### Day 3, Rhineland - Innsbruck

You'll visit the capital of Austria's Tyrol region, Innsbruck, where you can view the famed Golden Roof. Admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. **B,~D** Hotel: Bon Alpina/Alphotel

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#### Day 4, Innsbruck - Venice (Marghera)

Journey into Italy. Highlights include a cruise on a private launch to St. Mark's Square and views of the magnificent St. Mark's Basilica and Doge's Palace. See the talents of glassblowers, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER\* Experience, and consider taking an optional Grand Canal cruise. B Hotel: Palladio/Best Western Airvenice







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#### Day 5, Venice - Rome

In Rome, linger in your favourite square, or perhaps enjoy a scoop or three of the local gelato and soak up the effervescent energy of a city that knows how to enjoy life. B Hotel: Raganelli/Ergife

#### Day 6, Rome sightseeing and free time

Head to the Vatican City, with your Local Specialist, to visit St. Peter's Basilica and see Michelangelo's 'Pieta' before crossing the Tiber to view the Colosseum and the ancient sites of Rome. B

#### Day 7, Rome - Florence

Journey through Tuscany to Florence where there's time to admire the skyline from Piazzale Michelangelo and explore Piazza della Signoria. B, D Hotel: Miro/Best Western Plus CHC

#### Day 8. Florence - Lucerne Region

Drink in the beauty of the St. Gotthard Pass and the Swiss Alps as you travel to Lake Lucerne. You'll want to put the 'heart' of Switzerland in your pocket and



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MOUNT PILATUS AND LAKE CRUISE Ascend Mount Pilatus by cog-wheel train for spectacular views then descend by cable and enjoy a scenic lake cruise.







take its history, culture and epic landscapes with you. B Hotel: Ibis Kriens/SwissEver Zug

#### Day 9, Lucerne orientation and free time

You have a full day to see the sights and explore Lucerne, starting with a morning orientation including the Chapel Bridge and the Lion Monument. B, D

#### Day 10, Lucerne Region - Paris

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The 'City of Lights' shines brightly this evening and it will sparkle even more should you choose to join an Optional Experience to cruise down the Seine B Hotel: Hampton by Hilton Clichy

#### Day 11, Paris sightseeing and free time

Hit Paris's grand boulevards on a city sightseeing tour with your Travel Director. See the Arc de Triomphe and the Champs-Élysées. Enjoy some time on your own before considering a real highlight this evening an optional dinner and cabaret performance. B

#### Day 12, Depart Paris

Say farewell to your Travel Director and travelling companions at the end of an amazing holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/freetransfers. B

Please Note: Your coach returns to London from Paris on Day 12. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer.

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Amsterdam See the historic city centre Rhine Valley Cruise the romantic Rhine Colmar Visit the magnificent medieval town Lucerne Visit the Lion Monument and view the Chapel Bridge

**Liechtenstein** Visit the capital, Vaduz **Verona** View the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony

Venice Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing workshop

Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Specialist

Florence See Piazza Santa Croce and enjoy panoramic city views from Piazzale Michelangelo

**Pisa** Visit the Square of Miracles to view the Leaning Tower

Monaco Visit the Principality

Avignon View the Palace of the Popes and the Pont d'Avignon

**Paris** View the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Ei″ el Tower

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#### Day 1, Arrive Amsterdam

We kick o" our Europe adventure in historic, yet trendy Amsterdam where you could choose to join an optional city cruise in a glass-topped boat. **Hotel:"Ibis Schiphol** 

#### Day 2, Amsterdam - Cologne - Rhine Cruise - Rhineland

Head east through the lush landscapes of Germany, stopping in Cologne to view its Gothic cathedral before boarding your cruise down the Rhine. **B, "D Hotel:"Achat Neustadt an der Weinstraße** 

#### Day 3, Rhineland - Colmar - Lucerne Region

History comes to life as you journey through the vineyards of Alsace to Colmar, which looks like it

belongs in a Brothers Grimm fairy tale. Continue through the mountains near Lake Lucerne. **B,~D Hote!:~Ski Lodge Engelberg** 

#### Day 4, Lucerne orientation and free time

Your Travel Director will take you on an orientation tour through Lucerne's Old Town. Then let the 'heart' of Switzerland capture yours as you immerse yourself in its history and epic scenery. **B** 

#### Day 5, Lucerne Region - Liechtenstein - Innsbruck: 1)

Big things come in small packages as you'll come to discover when you visit the Principality of Liechtenstein. Continue to Innsbruck and admire the Hofburg Palace and Emperor Maximilian's Golden Roof. Marvel at the fascinating crystal installations at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. B, "D Hotel: "Bon Alpina

#### Day 6, Innsbruck - Verona - Venice (Oriago)

Verona certainly is the stu" of legends. View Juliet's Balcony and admire the Roman Arena before

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continuing to Venice for an optional Gondola and Grand Canal cruise. **B, D Hotel: Il Burchiello** 

#### Day 7, Venice orientation and free time

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square then visit a glassblowing workshop, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER\* Experience. There's time to join an Optional Experience to the vibrant rainbow-coloured façades of Burano Island. B

#### Day 8, Venice - Rome

Cross the Veneto plains and Apennine hills, travelling south to Rome. Consider joining an **Optional Experience** to see some of the city's most iconic sights followed by a dinner of Italian specialties. **B Hote**!: **Eraife Palace** 

#### Day 9, Rome sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist in the Vatican City to visit St. Peter's Basilica and view Michelangelo's greatest work, the sorrowful Pietà. Maybe enjoy an **Optional Experience** to Michelangelo's famous Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museums then cross the Tiber to view the Colosseum. **B** 



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SWISS COUNTRYSIDE AND CARRIAGES Meet local farmers and soak up the stunning scenery as you trof through rural communities on a countryside four in horse-drawn carriages.

#### LAGOON CRUISE TO BURANO WITH FOOD AND DRINKS

Famous for its multi-coloured homes, the fishermen's island of Burano sets the stage for a delicious Italian meal.

AMALFI COAST AND POSITANO Drive along Italy's exquisite Amalfi Coast and enjoy a visit to the artists' paradise of Positano.

#### Day 10, Rome - Bay of Naples

Head south past the Abbey of Monte Cassino, the site of fie ce battles during World War II, to Sorrento. Arrive just in time to perhaps spend the afternoon taking an optional drive along the Amalfi oast. **B, D** Hotel: La Panoramica

#### Day 11, Bay Of Naples - Florence

Don't miss the opportunity to join an **Optional Experience** to see the excavations of Pompeii. Continue to Florence and check in to your hotel for an evening at leisure. **B, D Hotel: Starhotels Vespucci** 

#### Day 12, Florence sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist this morning for a walking tour of Florence's historic centre, including views of Ponte Vecchio, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower, the Baptistery, and Piazza della Signoria. Admire panoramic views from Piazzale Michelangelo. **B** 

#### Day 13, Florence - Pisa - Monaco - French Riviera

Snap a few strategic photos featuring you and the extraordinary Leaning Tower of Pisa. Your journey west stretches out to the shimmering Mediterranean coast, where the Principality of Monaco awaits. Next stop, the French Riviera. **B Hotel: Apogia Nice** 

#### Day 14, French Riviera free time

Rest and relaxation are the order of the day, but when you're ready to pull yourself away from the sun-lounger, opt for an **Optional Experience** visit to Saint-Paul-de-Vence. **B** 

#### Day 15, French Riviera - Avignon - Beaune

See some of the world's most incredible religious architectural legacies in Avignon, before arriving in the historic walled town of Beaune, in the heart of the Burgundy wine region. B Hotel: Ibis La Ferme Aux Vins

#### Day 16, Beaune - Versailles - Paris

Head north to the opulence of Versailles where an **Optional Experience** could see you visit the Hall of Mirrors, before continuing on to Paris. **B Hote!**: **Novote! Pont de Sèvres** 

#### Day 17, Paris sightseeing and free time

Hit the grand boulevards on a city sightseeing tour of Paris with your Travel Director, including the Arc de Triomphe and Champs-Élysées. Don't resist the urge to join an optional visit to Montmartre this afternoon, followed by an optional dinner and cabaret performance. **B** 

#### Day 18, Depart Paris

Say a fond farewell to newfound friends at the end of your holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsayertour.com/freetransfers. **B** 

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Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Specialist

**Pisa** Visit the Square of Miracles to view the Leaning Tower

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Verona View the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony

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#### Day 1, Arrive Rome

Buongiorno! Rome kicks o, your epic Italian trilogy. Spend the day relaxing after your journey or pound the pavements to discover why Rome so deserves its title, the 'Eternal City'. Later, you'll meet your Travel Director and consider an Optional Experience dinner in a Roman trattoria. Hotel: 'Ergife Palace

#### Day 2, Rome sightseeing and free time

You could explore Rome for an eternity without getting bored. Why not join **Optional Experience** to Michelangelo's famous Sistine Chapel and the Vatican Museums? Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Specialist at the

Vatican City. Stand in St. Peter's Square, sharing your space with devoted pilgrims. Visit St. Peter's Basilica and view Michelangelo's greatest work, the sorrowful Pietà. Cross the Tiber next, to view the mighty Colosseum and the countless other ancient sites which featured prominently in the days of the powerful Roman Empire. **B** 

#### Day 3, Rome - Pisa - Florence

Set your sights firmly on Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance and a city that has inspired poets, authors and artists for centuries. Visit Pisa and its Square of Miracles. This evening, there's the option of heading into the Tuscan Hills for dinner. **B** Hotel: "President"

#### Day 4, Florence sightseeing and free time

Now's your chance to experience Florence's artistic legacy in all its glory with your Local Specialist at your side. View the Baptistery, Cathedral of Santa







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Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower and Ponte Vecchio before paying a visit to Piazza della Signoria followed by a leatherwork demonstration. Why not visit San Gimignano as part of an Optional Experience? B, D

#### Day 5, Florence - Verona - Venice (Mestre)

The romantic leg of your tour begins today with a journey across the Apennine Mountains to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's infamous star-crossed lovers. Here, you'll view the Roman Arena and Juliet's balcony before making your way to the magical city of Venice. B, D Hotel: Antony

#### Day 6, Venice orientation and free time

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square and view the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark which you could visit as part of an Optional Experience. Spend your time wandering the calle of Venice then watch talented master craftsmen work at a glassblowing demonstration, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. B



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ROMAN DELIGHTS WITH DINNER Tonight, relax and enjoy typical Italian cuisine, soaking up Rome's unique atmosphere in a characteristic trattoria with drinks and music.

#### TRADITIONAL DINNER, WINE AND MUSIC IN THE TUSCAN HILLS

After a scenic drive through the stunning Tuscan countryside, we'll enjoy a meal of delicious specialities from the area, accompanied by local wines and music.

Brief but jam-packed, this memorable encounter with Italy's favourite cities has been brimming with culture, history and culinary delights. For now, it's arrivederci, but not farewell forever as you say goodbye to your Travel Director and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/ freetransfers B

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Great masters left their magic touch on the capitals of Florence, Venice and Rome and your 10-day exploration of Italy will reveal this at every turn. Embrace the energy of Italy's major cities, unwind on the shores of the Italian Lakes and savour the lingering scents of lemons in Sorrento. You'll have time to lose yourself in an ill-fated love story in Verona, pay tribute to St. Francis of Assisi in his hometown and snap a selfie against the backdrop of the world's most famous Leaning Tower.

Rome Visit St. Peter's Basilica, view the Colosseum and see the ancient sites with your Local Specialist

Sorrento Visit this popular resort

Cassino Views of the monastery high on the hill

Assisi Visit this beautiful town dedicated to St. Francis

Venice Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square and visit a traditional glassblowing workshop

**Verona** View the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony

Italian Lakes Visit Lake Como

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The 'Eternal City' has captivated travellers for centuries and you'll not be disappointed as it prepares you for an exhilarating journey across Italy. Check in to your hotel, then get ready for your very own introduction to Rome. Later this evening, you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers followed by an optional dinner in a characteristic *trattoria*. Hotel: Egife Palace

#### Day 2, Rome sightseeing and free time

Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Specialist at the Vatican City. Visit St.

Peter's Basilica and view Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Cross the Tiber next, to view the mighty Colosseum and the countless other ancient sites. Choose an **Optional Experience** to discover the Vatican Museums and the Sistine Chapel with a Local Specialist. **B** 

#### Day 3, Rome - Sorrento - Bay of Naples

The Bay of Naples beckons and our first stop is in the picture-perfect resort town of Sorrento. Pastelhued residences cling impossibly to craggy cli" s that plunge into the deep blue waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea. Enjoy your time soaking up the sun-drenched views or consider an **Optional Experience** to the artists' paradise of Positano, followed by a scenic drive along the Amalfi coast. **B Hotel:**"La **Panoramica** 

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#### Day 4, Bay of Naples - Assisi

Soak up the atmosphere as you explore the beautiful Bay of Naples during your free time this morning. You could choose instead to join an Optional Experience guided walking tour of Pompeii. Later, you'll journey past Cassino and view the monastery which featured as a backdrop for some of the fie cest battles of World War II. Then, head north to Assisi where an orientation reveals a medieval town that has changed very little since the time of St. Francis. B, D

#### Day 5, Assisi - Venice (Oriago)

Hotel: Frate Sole

After a leisurely morning, your journey continues across the Apennines and through the Emilia-Romagna region, credited with being the origin of tortellini, mortadella and parmesan cheese. Before vou know it, vou'll have arrived in Venice, B. D Hotel: Il Burchiello



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Elegant villas and lush gardens are the highlights as you join a Local Specialist for a memorable cruise around Lake Como, one of the most beautiful spots in the Italian Lake District.







#### Day 6, Venice orientation and free time

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Embark on a cruise by private launch to bustling St. Mark's Square in the heart of Venice. Admire the most famous of Venice's 417 bridges, the Bridge of Sighs, and enjoy views of the Doge's Palace and the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Later, enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, when the extraordinary talents of glassblowers take centre stage during a visit to their workshop. B

#### Day 7, Venice - Verona - Lake Como - Italian Lakes

The plains of Veneto are all that stand between you and Verona, the stage for Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers. View the vast Roman Arena and Juliet's Balconv. from which a fictional Juliet on e called for her Romeo. Arriving on the shores of Lake Como, you'll see why the scenic setting has been a summer retreat of the rich and famous for centuries. Enjoy dinner at your hotel. B, D Hotel: Starhotels Grand Milan

#### Day 8, Italian Lakes - Pisa - Florence (Prato)

The white marble façades of Pisa's Square of Miracles gleam in the sunshine, but it is the famous Leaning Tower that gets most of the glory when you visit this 'Meadow of Miracles'. After a short drive from Pisa, you'll arrive at your hotel near Florence. This evening, consider joining an optional dinner in the Tuscan hills. B Hotel: Starhotels

#### Day 9, Florence sightseeing - Rome

Your Local Specialist shares a superb commentary of the city's artistic and architectural heritage during a walking tour, which includes views of the Baptistery, the Ponte Vecchio, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore and Giotto's Bell Tower, Visit Piazza della Signoria and squeeze in some time for shopping before returning to Rome. B Hotel: Ergife Palace

#### Day 10, Depart Rome

If Italy has become engraved in your heart as it did for celebrated poet Robert Browning, you'll have a hard time saying arrivederci. Bid your Travel Director and travel companions a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/freetransfers. B

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Lugano Visit this magnificent lakeside resort Italian Lakes Enjoy a free day with spectacular views

**Pisa** Visit the Square of Miracles to view the Leaning Tower

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#### Day 1, Arrive Rome

If Rome were a person, she would be confident, alluring and complex. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a glimpse of what's in store, then continue your independent exploration of Rome or join the group for an optional dinner featuring typical Italian cuisine with music. Hotel: Engife Palace

#### Day 2, Rome sightseeing and free time

Standing in St. Peter's Square, you'll be in the midst of the world's holiest of Catholic shrines. Your Local

Specialist will reveal the treasures and talents of Bramante, Michelangelo and Bernini who all had a hand in the construction of St. Peter's Basilica. Continue to Ancient Rome then explore on your own or join an **Optional Experience** through the city's *piazzas*. **B** 

#### Day 3, Rome - Bay of Naples

This morning, consider joining an **Optional Experience** to the Vatican Museums. The Bay of Naples beckons and you'll head south past the Abbey of Monte Cassino. Perhaps, spend the afternoon on an optional drive along the Amalfi Coast. **B, "DHotel:"La Panoramica** 

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#### Day 4, Sorrento excursion

Hug the craggy coast to Sorrento. Don't leave the town's historic harbour without sampling some local specialties.  ${\bf B}$ 







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#### Day 5, Bay of Naples - Assisi

Enjoy a relaxing morning, unless of course you choose to join an **Optional Experience** to see the excavations of Pompeii in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. Later, we journey to the heart of Italy to Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis. **B, D Hotel: Frate Sole** 

#### Day 6, Assisi - Venice (Oriago)

We cross the dramatic Apennine Mountains, bound for Venice. You'll arrive just in time for an optional Gondola and Grand Canal cruise, followed by dinner at your hotel. **B, D Hotel: Il Burchiello** 



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Join an expert on a tour of the devastating destruction of Pompeii at the hands of Mount Vesuvius and learn what life was like as a Roman citizen of the time, frozen for almost 2,000 years.

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You can discover medieval Tuscan life in San Gimignano or discover the treasures of Florentine cuisine with a local foodie.







#### Day 7, Venice orientation and free time

We take to the waters of the canal and cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, the gateway to the city. There's time on your own to explore before we visit a glassblowing workshop to see the talents of master craftsmen at work during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER\* Experience. This afternoon, perhaps join an Optional Experience to the vibrant rainbow-coloured façades of Burano Island. B

#### Day 8, Venice - Verona - Lugano - Italian Lakes

Our fir t stop today is Verona, where you'll view the very balcony where a fictional Juliet on e called for her Romeo. Admire the Roman Arena, then cross the Swiss border and visit the pretty lakeside resort of Lugano. Return to Italy this evening where tonight you'll dine in your hotel. B. D Hotel: Starhotels Grand Milan

#### Day 9. Free day or Milan and Lake Como excursion

You have the whole day free to relax at the hotel pool, but we know you'll want to soak up the sophisticated lakeside atmosphere instead. Alternatively, consider an **Optional Experience** to Lake Como and Italy's fashion capital. Milan. **B** 

#### Day 10, Italian Lakes region - Pisa - Florence (Prato)

Snap a few strategic photos featuring you and the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Then continue towards Florence, where you'll have an evening on your own. For a taste of Tuscany, consider joining an **Optional Experience** in the Tuscan hills. **B Hotel:** Wall Art

#### Day 11, Florence sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist this morning for a walking tour of Florence's historic centre, including views of Ponte Vecchio, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower and the Baptistery. Visit Piazza della Signoria, then witness a leatherwork demonstration and browse the centuries-old trades of gold and leathercraft. B

#### Day 12, Florence - Siena - Rome

Tuscany may claim to be the heart of Italy, but it is the stunning medieval city of Siena which will capture yours. Your visit will reveal the city's rich heritage, architecture and cuisine. Leaving Tuscany behind, we return to Rome. Consider joining your new friends this evening for an optional Farewell Dinner to end your holiday on a high note. **B Hotel: Raganelli** 

#### Day 13, Depart Rome

Say a fond *arrivederci* to your travel companions and Travel Director. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/freetransfers. **B** 

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**Stratford-upon-Avon** Visit the town of Shakespeare's birth

York View York Minster and stroll along the Shambles

**Glasgow** View Glasgow Cathedral and George Square on your orientation tour

Edinburgh Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes the famous Princes Street, the Royal Mile and views of the new Parliament

**Belfast** See Belfast City Hall and Queen's University

Building as well as the Castle

**Dublin** Sightseeing with your Local Specialist to see St. Patrick's Cathedral, Christchurch Cathedral, the glorious Georgian Squares and Trinity College

Kilkenny View Kilkenny Castle and gardens Waterford Visit the Waterford Crystal Showroom

Cardif See the Principality Stadium and view

Bath Visit the Georgian spa town

Windsor View the Royal Castle

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#### Day 1, London - Stratford-upon-Avon - York - Bradford

Your whirlwind journey through Great Britain and Ireland launches in London. Visit Stratford-upon-Avon where you'll come face to face with the legacy of England's beloved bard before heading to York. Your Travel Director will take you for an orientation walk through its medieval streets to the sacred York Minster. Enjoy dinner at a local restaurant before you continue to your hotel in Bradford. **D** 

Hotel: Jurys Inn/Holiday Inn Garforth

#### Day 2, Bradford - Lake District - Gretna Green - Glasgow

You're in for a serene start to your morning as you wind your way through the Yorkshire Dales to England's Lake District. Board an optional cruise on Lake Windermere, then cross the Scottish border and stop in Gretna Green. Continue to Glasgow later today for an afternoon orientation including views of the cathedral, the River Clyde and George Square. B Hotel: "Ibis City Centre/Holiday Inn Express City Centre Theatreland"

#### Day 3, Edinburgh excursion

Your Local Specialist will reveal all the highlights of Edinburgh. View the Royal Mile, the Palace of Holyroodhouse in the shadow of Arthur's Seat and Edinburgh Castle. You'll have some time to explore







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Edinburgh your way or consider joining one of two special **Optional Experiences**. **B** 

#### Day 4, Glasgow - Belfast - Dublin

Your visit to Scotland culminates in a scenic drive along the Ayrshire coast. Pass Ailsa Craig, the figu ative stepping stone from Scotland to Ireland before boarding your short ferry crossing to Northern Ireland. See Belfast's City Hall, Queen's University and the dock where the ill-fated Titanic was built. Then head south to Dublin, where you could enjoy an optional dinner at one of its most popular restaurant-pubs. B Hotel: Citywest/Maldron Tallaght

#### Day 5, Dublin sightseeing and free time

You're in for a 'grand' time in the Irish capital this morning as your Local Specialist shares Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral. See the stately Georgian Squares then spend the rest of the day on your own. This evening, an optional dinner and Irish show will have your toes tapping. **B** 



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#### WINDERMERE CRUISE

Savour the beauty of the Lake District as you board a cruise on Lake Windermere, skirting the northern coastline past deserted islands, beautiful country homes and Wray Castle.

#### EDINBURGH CASTLE VISIT

Visit Edinburgh Castle, perched imposingly atop Castle Rock since the 12<sup>th</sup> century.

You'll see the Scottish crown jewels and the National War Museum of Scotland during your visit.

#### Day 6, Dublin - Kilkenny - Waterford

Continue through the splendid countryside of Kildare County bound for Kilkenny where you'll see its beautiful 12th-century castle. Later you'll arrive in Waterford where a visit to the Waterford Crystal Showroom will reveal a wonderland of delicate crystal. Dinner tonight is at your hotel. **B, D Hotel: Viking/Treacy's** 

#### Day 7, Waterford - Cardiff

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Cross St. George's Channel to Wales and its capital, where you'll view the Millennium Centre, the National Assembly and the historic castle at its heart. This evening could see you venture into the Welsh countryside for dinner at a 14th-century inn or enjoy an evening of Welsh music, culture and humour at an **Optional Experience. B Hotel: Copthorne** 

#### Day 8. Cardiff - B th - Windsor - London

Cross the Severn Estuary into England and venture to Bath with its elegant Georgian architecture. Head to Windsor to view the world's oldest and largest continuously inhabited castle. There's time for a quiet stroll along the banks of the river before arriving in London later where your epic holiday comes to an end B

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Delve deeper into the history and heritage of Britain, from Windsor Castle and Stratford-upon-Avon to the bonnie birthplace of kilts and clans. Let centuries-old architecture inspire you, fall in love with the beauty of the Lake District and engage with the best of Britain when you visit Bath, York, Edinburgh and Glasgow, topping it all off with a leisurely stroll in the footsteps of the golfing gods at St. Andrews.

Windsor View the Royal Castle
Bath Visit the Georgian spa town
Chester View the timbered buildings known as
the 'Rows'

Lake District Visit this picturesque region
Glasgow View Glasgow Cathedral and George
Square on your orientation tour

**Loch Lomond** See the freshwater lake with the largest surface area in Britain

**St. Andrews** View the 18<sup>th</sup> green on St. Andrews Old Course

Edinburgh Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes the famous Princes Street, the Royal Mile and views of the new Parliament Building as well as the Castle

**Hadrian's Wall** View the remains of the Roman wall

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#### Day 1, London - Windsor - Bath - Cheltenham

Begin and end your journey back in time on the busy streets of London. The British capital won't keep you from your exploration of the island's colourful history. This morning you'll travel west for a memorable encounter with royalty and the Roman Empire. Start with a visit to Windsor to see its famous castle, then ontinue to UNESCO-listed Bath where you'll want to sink your toes into the milky warm waters of its Roman Baths. View the city's beautiful Georgian façades before continuing to Cheltenham. D Hotel: Holiday Inn Express City Centre

#### Day 2, Cheltenham - Chester - Liverpool

The Romans left their magic touch on the pretty town of Chester. You'll view the city walls and the black and white half-timbered buildings, famously known as 'The Rows'. Take some time to explore Chester your way or join an **Optional Experience** to Llangollen in North Wales. Our home for the night is the haunt of the 'Fab Four', with an evening at leisure to explore Liverpool's legendary nightlife. **B Hotel:** 'Ibis Albert Dock

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#### Day 3, Liverpool - Lake District - Gretna Green - Glasgow

There's no better way to embrace Lake District heritage this morning than to join an **Optional Experience** and chug between Haverthwaite and Lakeside in an old-world steam train followed by a cruise on Lake Windermere. Stop at Gretna Green,







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where eloping couples would exchange their vows over the Blacksmith's anvil. Then continue to Glasgow, where you could join an Optional Experience for a night on the toon. B Hotel: Ibis City Centre

#### Day 4, Glasgow - Scottish Highlands

Kick-start your day with an introduction to Glasgow's industrial past and modern revival before channelling your inner Highlander. You could choose an optional cruise on Loch Lomond before continuing to Glencoe, 'Glen of Weeping'. Local shepherd Neil and his enthusiastic border collies are ready to welcome guests on their Highland sheep farm for an



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HIGHLAND SHEEP FARM VISIT Truly immerse yourself in the Highland way of life and visit a Highland sheep farm. You'll meet Neil and his border collies and try your hand at sheep shearing and feeding the lambs.

DO EDINBURGH YOUR WAY You can explore Edinburgh's Castle and all its treasures or discover first-hand why the Scots simply adore their favourite tipple during a whisky tasting.







Optional Experience this afternoon. You can perfect your sheep-shearing skills before settling into your Highland hotel. B, D Hotel: Laggan

#### Day 5, Scottish Highlands - St. Andrews -Edinburgh (Airth)

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Your scenic drive through the mystical landscapes of the Highlands takes you to Pitlochry. There's time to explore this salmon fishing entre on your own or join an Optional Experience to Blair Castle. The fairways and greens of St. Andrews, the birthplace of golf, are up next. B Hotel: Airth Castle

#### Day 6, Edinburgh sightseeing and free time

Tuck into a hearty Scottish breakfast with tattie scones and all the trimmings. Today you'll need some extra sustenance as there's much to see and do in Scotland's hilly capital. The Georgian New Town, Palace of Holyroodhouse, the Royal Mile and Edinburgh Castle all wait to be viewed in the company of your Local Specialist, so grab your camera and prepare for a memorable sightseeing tour revealing all the highlights of Auld Reekie. You'll have plenty of time to explore on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience to the Royal Yacht Britannia or an in-depth tour of Edinburgh Castle. B

#### Day 7, Edinburgh (Airth) - York - Bradford

It's time to venture south on your return journey through England to London, but not before you come face-to-face with Hadrian's fir t-century attempt to keep the 'barbarians' out of his Roman Empire. Continue to the walled city of York, where an orientation tour will guide you through its narrow medieval streets to its 13th-century Gothic cathedral. B Hotel: Jurys Inn

#### Day 8, Bradford - Stratford-upon-Avon - London

Your return journey to London is almost at its end, but not before a visit to Stratford-upon-Avon, the birthplace of the famous bard, William Shakespeare, who became England's most beloved playwright. It's time for one last group picture as you say a fond farewell to your Travel Director and new friends in the capital of the United Kingdom. B

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Go behind the scenes on an exploration of all the highlights of Great Britain and Ireland, from the haunt of Shakespeare to Edinburgh's medieval allure, the sweeping Cliffs of Moher to England's celebrated Lake District. Come face-toface with the legacies of the Vikings, Romans and Normans, witness the sites of great tragedies and triumphs, and keep a keen eye out for an elusive monster hidden in a famous loch.

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Atlantic Edge exhibition Blarney Kiss the Blarney Stone during your visit

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Wind your way to Stratford-upon-Avon where there's time to explore the town where England's favourite bard was born. Continue to York and wander through its medieval streets to York Minster. Hotel: "Jurys Inn

#### Day 2, Bradford - Edinburgh (Airth)

All that lies between you and bonnie Scotland and Jedburgh Abbey is Hadrian's Wall. This evening, an Optional Experience could see you visit an ancient village for dinner. B Hotel: Airth Castle

#### Day 3, Edinburgh sightseeing and free time

Your sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist rolls past the Palace of Holyroodhouse, the Royal Mile and Edinburgh Castle. Consider joining one of two special Optional Experiences - board the Royal Yacht Britannia or visit Edinburgh Castle. B

#### Day 4, Edinburgh (Airth) - St. Andrews - Scottish Highlands

Your first stop today is St. Andrews. Later, join an Optional Experience to Blair Castle near Pitlochry and an exhilarating optional encounter with a shepherd and his sheep. B, DHotel: Caiglynne

#### Day 5. Scottish Highlands excursion

Keep a keen eye out for 'Nessie' before arriving in Inverness. Today's poignant highlight is a visit to Culloden, where clansmen fought to keep their







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traditions alive. Return to your hotel in the Highlands for dinner, B. D

#### Day 6, Scottish Highlands - Glasgow

Enjoy a scenic drive to Fort William and Loch Linnhe. Continue to Glencoe, then travel along the banks of Loch Lomond before arriving in Glasgow for an orientation and optional night out on the toon. B Hotel: Holiday Inn Express City Centre Theatreland

#### Day 7. Glasgow - Gretna Green - Lake District -Wrexham

Elope to Gretna Green, as many young couples once did. Continue south to Lake Windermere for an optional cruise and ride on a steam train. B, D Hotel: Ramada Plaza

#### Day 8. Wrexham - Chester - Dublin

See the legacy of Roman rule during this morning's visit to the ancient walled city of Chester. Cross to Ireland and its youthful capital, Dublin in time for an Optional Experience at a local restaurant-pub. B Hotel: Maldron Newlands Cross



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DO DUBLIN YOUR WAY You can visit the EPIC Museum and learn about Irish emigration or explore the important monastic site of Glendalough in the 'garden of Ireland'.







#### Day 9, Dublin sightseeing and free time

Embrace your playful side on this morning's sightseeing tour through Ireland's whimsical capital with a Local Specialist. View St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin Castle and Trinity College. Join a Local Specialist for an optional tour of a 6th-century monastery in Glendalough. B

#### Day 10, Dublin - Boyle - Co. Donegal

There's no better way to admire today's scenery than joining an optional cruise along the Shannon River, the longest river in the British Isles. Later, view the ruins of the 12th-century Boyle Abbey before arriving in Drumcliff, where W.B. Yeats was laid to rest. B, D Hotel: Grand Central

#### Day 11, County Donegal excursion

Your scenic drive through County Donegal will deliver a multitude of dramatic landscapes. This afternoon's visit to Belleek Pottery reveals over a century of porcelain craftsmanship. B

#### Day 12, Co. Donegal - Galway - Cliffs of Moher -

After a brief visit to Galway, stop at a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience the Cliffs of Moher and its interactive Cliffs Exhibition, be ore heading to your hotel in Shannon, B. D Hotel: Treacys Oakwood

#### Day 13, Shannon - Dingle Peninsula - Co. Kerry

A scenic drive around the Dingle Peninsula reveals a land of stone monuments, wild beaches and verdant pastures. Later arrive in Tralee in County Kerry. B Hotel: River Island

#### Day 14, Co. Kerry - Blarney - Waterford

Kiss the Blarney Stone and acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Visit the Waterford Crystal Showroom (when open) before an optional walking tour with a Local Specialist followed by a drink in a pub. **B** Hotel: Treacy's

#### Day 15. Waterford - Cardiff

Your orientation of Cardiff will ta e you past its Millennium Centre and the National Assembly. Join an optional tour of Cardiff Ca tle followed by an optional evening of Welsh music, culture and humour. **B Hotel: Copthorne** 

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Venture to Bath, whose Roman Baths have given this ancient spa town its name. Visit Windsor and view the world's oldest and largest inhabited castle before returning to London. B

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Life in Spain is a fiesta and you're always invited. Leisurely afternoons of siesta give way to the spirited rhythms of the flamenco, late-night tapas bars and buzzing plazas filled with well-dressed people ready for a night on the town and slow starts to the next day. Your 9-day trip through Spain promises a mesmerising experience from Madrid to Seville, Granada to Valencia. See Gaudí's masterpieces in Barcelona, the medieval treasures of Toledo and the sweeping Andalusian plains - Spain puts its best foot forward and you won't want to miss a thing.

Madrid See the Royal Palace, Cibeles Fountain and Retiro Park on a sightseeing tour with a **Local Specialist** 

Toledo Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes views of the Synagogue and Cathedral; enjoy a visit to a steel workshop

Puerto Lápice Visit the inn where Don Quixote is said to have been dubbed a knight

Seville Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes views of the Cathedral, Plaza de España and Giralda Tower

Guadix View the cave homes in 'Barrio Troalodyte<sup>2</sup>

Valencia See the town hall, Cathedral, Towers of Serrano and Quart and the City of Arts and

Peñíscola See the ancient castle overlooking the Mediterranean Sea

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#### Day 1, Arrive Madrid

It won't take long for Madrid to get under your skin. Once you've checked in to your hotel, you'll have some time to relax before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travellers who'll be joining you on this adventure. When the sun sets, head out onto the streets to watch this football-mad metropolis come to life. You could join your group for an Optional Experience walking tour of the city with a chance to indulge in the tapas at a local restaurant. Hotel: Occidental Castellana Norte

#### Day 2, Madrid sightseeing and free time

Gear up for a busy morning of sightseeing with your Local Specialist who will show you the Cibeles

Fountain, the Gran Vía, Paseo de la Castellana and the Royal Palace. Then, enjoy a free afternoon or visit the UNESCO-listed Segovia, with its famous Roman aqueduct and fairy-tale Alcázar, during an Optional Experience. B

#### Day 3, Madrid - Toledo - Puerto Lápice - Seville

Toledo's hilltop vantage point, ancient city walls and legacy of traditional sword making will leave you in no doubt that was a city worth fighting for. Join your Local Specialist for a leisurely walking tour through its streets and visit a steel workshop to learn about the tradition of sword making which dates back to Roman times. Head south to Puerto Lápice where the fictional Don Quixote was dubbed a knight by a local innkeeper, then continue to Seville. B,~D

#### Hotel: MA Congresos

#### Day 4, Seville sightseeing and free time

A place of grand monuments, beautiful weather and the home of the flamenco, it's no wonder Seville







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has been the royal family's favourite retreat for centuries. Your Local Specialist will reveal some of the city's most iconic sites, including Maria Luisa Park, constructed for the Ibero-American Exposition in 1929. A free evening in Seville would not be complete without a fiery *flamenco* performance and our **Optional Experience** will take you to the best show in town. **B** 

#### Day 5, Seville - Granada

Travel back to a time when the Moors ruled the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, their last stronghold before being banished to North Africa. Their Arab influen es remain to this day in the Moorish architecture and tetería tea houses of Granada. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city's narrow, cobbled streets on your own or consider an **Optional Experience** visit to the Albaicín Quarter, the city's oldest neighbourhood. **B, D Hotel: Macia Condor** 



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VISIT UNESCO-LISTED SEGOVIA Segovia's fairy-tale Alcázar, soaring ancient Roman aqueduct and ornate esgrafiado façades make this one Optional Experience you won't want to miss.

THE BEST FLAMENCO SHOW IN TOWN
Embrace the passion and rhythm of a
mesmerising Andalusian flamenco in
Seville this evening. We've got tickets to the
best show in town.

DO BARCELONA YOUR WAY
You can take part in a Mosaic making class
or indulge in Spanish foodie culture and
delicious flavours on a local tapas tour.

#### Day 6, Granada - Guadix - Valencia

Capture the curious cave dwellings of Guadix on camera before continuing to the modern metropolis of Valencia. Embark on an orientation tour to view the Town Hall, Towers of Serrano and Quart and Valencia Cathedral, then stop to view the other-worldly City of Arts and Sciences, a futuristic urban recreation centre for culture and science. **B Hotel: NH Las Ciencias** 

### Day 7, Valencia - Peñíscola - Barcelona sightseeing

Our journey continues north to Peñíscola, where we'll view the towering Templar castle used as a palace by the Spanish Pope, immortalised in the Hollywood classic, El Cid. We continue to Barcelona, where your Local Specialist will reveal the city's key highlights including Gaudi's La Sagrada Família and the Plaça de Catalunya. See the lively La Rambla and soak up the most inspiring panoramas of the city from the top of Montjuïc. For dinner this evening, consider an Optional Experience to a Catalan-style restaurant. B Hotel: Hesperia Sant Just

#### Day 8, Barcelona free day

This is your chance to get fully acquainted with Barcelona. You'll have the free day on your own or consider an opportunity to visit the monastery in the mountains of Montserrat to see the Black Madonna. After a day of sightseeing, maybe become a cava connoisseur at one of the bars overlooking the Mediterranean with new friends, before one final dinner ogether to reminisce about your epic experiencia Española. B, D

#### Day 9, Depart Barcelona

So long Spain! Our grand adventure through imperial cities and golden and green landscapes may have come to an end, but we'll keep its fiery pa sion burning long after our departure. It's time to bid our compañeros a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.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 Costsaver Madrid hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 6pm, depending on traffic onditions.

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Barcelona Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes views of Gaudi's La Sagrada Família, La Rambla and views from Montjuïc Valencia See the town hall, Cathedral, Towers of Serrano and Quart and the City of Arts and Sciences

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Madrid See the Royal Palace, Cibeles Fountain
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#### Day 1. Arrive Barcelona

Bienvenido a España! Check in to your Barcelona hotel, then take some time to recharge siesta-style before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a glimpse of what lies ahead. D Hotel: Campanile Sud - Cornella

#### Day 2, Barcelona sightseeing and free time

Capture the sights and sounds of Plaça de Catalunya and the ornate La Sagrada Família as you tour the city with a Local Specialist, ascending to Montjuïc for sublime views of the skyline. Consider an **Optional Experience** to Montserrat with its hidden monastery. **B** 

#### Day 3, Barcelona - Peñíscola - Valencia

Our first stop today is in Peñíscola to see the imposing 13th-century Templar Castle. We continue to Valencia, for views of the Town Hall, the Towers of Serrano and Quart, the Cathedral and the futuristic 'City of Arts and Sciences', recessed in the Turia riverbed. **B** 

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Hotel: NH Las Ciencias

#### Day 4, Valencia - Guadix - Granada

Head to the foothills of the Sierra Nevada and view an underground world of the curious cave dwellings of Guadix. Continue across the Mora Pass to Granada, the last stronghold of the Moors in Spain. **B,~D** 

Hotel: Macia Condor

#### Day 5, Granada - Costa del Sol

Embrace the laid-back spirit of your Spanish hosts and spend your free morning exploring Granada and its Moorish influences on your own. Consider an **Optional Experience** to the Albaicín Quarter before heading to the Costa del Sol. This evening, maybe join an **Optional** 







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Experience to the hilltop village of Mijas followed by a delicious Mediterranean seafood meal, B Hotel: Sol Guadalmar/Trvp Alameda

#### Day 6. Costa del Sol - Gibraltar - Seville

Explore a slice of Britain when you cross the border into Gibraltar. See the Barbary apes and visit the cave of St. Michael at the Rock of Gibraltar on an Optional **Experience**. Continue to Seville, where you'll have an opportunity to see an optional flamenco show. B, D Hotel: MA Congresos

#### Day 7, Seville sightseeing and free time

A Local Specialist is on hand today to reveal Seville's special allure as you see the world's largest Gothic Cathedral and its Giralda Bell Tower, Perhaps, join an Optional Experience to the Alcázar, built by a Christian king who loved Mudéjar architecture. Later, spend some time exploring the city's Old Quarter on your own. B



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VISIT MYSTICAL MONTSERRAT See the famous Black Madonna when you visit enchanting Montserrat and its Benedictine monastery founded in the 11th century.

#### DO SEVILLE YOUR WAY

You can learn how to perform a fiery Flamenco or get hands on and create your own Spanish culinary masterpieces.

SEAFOOD DINNER ON THE TAGUS A visit to seafaring Lisbon would be incomplete without sampling a typical Portuguese meal of the freshest seafood dishes, whilst overlooking the city's impressive suspension bridge.







#### Day 8, Seville - Lisbon

Journey through the golden and green plains of the Alentejo to Lisbon. You'll be drawn to the city's vibrant nightlife in the Bairro Alto and beyond, so head out with new friends for a night on the town or join your Travel Director for a poignant Optional Experience including a melancholic fado performance. B Hotel: Ramada by Wyndham

#### Day 9, Lisbon sightseeing and free time

Head to the banks of the Tagus River this morning, joining a Local Specialist for an included sightseeing tour which will take you past the iconic Hieronymite Monastery and Belém Tower. Later, you could choose to visit the beach playgrounds of Estoril and Cascais, as well as Sintra, on an Optional Experience of the iconic Golden Triangle, B

#### Day 10. Lisbon - Fátima - Salamanca

Rub shoulders with visiting pilgrims who have made the journey to the Catholic pilgrimage centre of Fátima. There's time to explore the Basilica and Sanctuary before crossing the Spanish border bound for Salamanca where your Travel Director will provide an orientation. Spend your evening at leisure. B, D Hotel: Vincci Ciudad

#### Day 11, Salamanca - Madrid sightseeing

Arriving in Madrid, you'll embark on a sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist to view the Cibeles Fountain, Gran Vía and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire views of the Royal Palace and Retiro Park, followed by a free evening to savour Madrid's vibrant nightlife - resist the urge to set an early curfew and perhaps join an optional dinner. B Hotel: Chamartín The One

#### Day 12, Madrid free day

There's every excuse to rise with the Madrileños and enjoy a leisurely start to your morning. You'll have a full free day to discover the legacy of 'Madrid's Best Mayor', which installed Madrid as one of the most gracious capitals across Europe. Perhaps take an opportunity to join an Optional Experience to the medieval city of Toledo, B

#### Day 13, Depart Madrid

Keep that Spanish gusto in your step as you prepare to close the curtain on your epic journey through Spain and Portugal. It's time to say a final hasta la vista to new friends and your Travel Director. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour.com/ freetransfers. B

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Festive Meal: Christmas dinner has been arranged for this departure. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.

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The scents of spice and the warm embrace of the sun-kissed Mediterranean are never far when you embark on this uplifting voyage through Spain, Portugal and Morocco. Explore the bustling cities of Madrid and Marrakesh, cross the Straits of Gibraltar and feast your eyes on the colourful facades of Seville. From there, Portugal and her hilly capital of Lisbon await. They say great things happen in threes and this certainly rings true with this dynamic trio.

Madrid See the Royal Palace, Cibeles Fountain and Retiro Park on a sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist

Toledo Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes views of the synagogue and cathedral, enjoy a visit to a steel workshop

Rabat View the Mausoleum and Royal Palace during your orientation

Marrakesh Visit Bahia Palace and Djemaa el-**Local Specialist** 

Fes Sightseeing includes a walking tour of the Medina and views of the Royal Palace

Seville Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes views of the Cathedral, Plaza de España and Giralda Tower

Lisbon View Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries on your sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist

Salamanca Orientation of this university city includes views of the Plaza Mayor

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#### Day 1, Arrive Madrid

Elegant Madrid kick-starts your exciting journey across Spain, Morocco and Portugal. On arrival, check in to your hotel and enjoy some time on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travel compañeros. Hotel: Meliá Avenida América

#### Day 2, Madrid sightseeing and free time

Join your Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour to view the Cibeles Fountain, the Gran Vía and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire the Royal Palace, then enjoy some time to explore the city further. B

#### Day 3, Madrid - Toledo - Granada

Embark on a scenic journey through La Mancha where the Spanish novel Don Quixote was set. View the skyline of Toledo, then join your Local Specialist for a captivating walking tour. Visit a steel workshop to see Toledo's famous steel craft and then continue to the former Moorish stronghold of Granada, where tonight you could choose to watch an optional fiery gypsy performance. B, DHotel: Macia Condor

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#### Day 4, Granada - Costa Del Sol

Take to Granada's narrow cobbled streets for an independent exploration of the city. Delve into its Arab history and culture during an Optional Experience visit to the Albaicín Quarter, then continue south to the sunkissed Andalusian holiday retreat of Costa Del Sol. B Hotel: "Sol Guadalmar/Tryp Alameda







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#### Day 5, Costa del Sol - Tangier

Follow the coast to the edge of the Strait of Gibraltar, which you'll cross this morning bound for Moroccan shores. You'll arrive in Tangier, the gateway to Morocco and your home for the night. **B, "D Hotel: "Andalucia** 

#### Day 6, Tangier - Rabat - Casablanca - Marrakesh

In Rabat, we'll view the Mausoleum of Mohammed V and the 19<sup>th</sup>-century Royal Palace before continuing to Casablanca. Enjoy views of the Hassan II Mosque with the world's tallest minaret, then venture to Marrakesh, a favourite holiday haunt of Sir Winston Churchill. **B,~D Hotel: Almas** 

#### Day 7, Marrakesh sightseeing and free time

Dive right into the heady, hectic pace of Marrakesh, joining your Local Specialist for a guided sightseeing tour and visit to the ornate Bahia Palace. Head to Djemaa el-Fna Square where snake charmers, food vendors and twirling Gwana dancers vie for your attention. Maybe join an **Optional Experience** to a Berber village in the Ourika Valley, **B** 



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VISIT UNESCO-LISTED SEGOVIA Segovia's fairy-tale Alcázar, soaring ancient Roman aqueduct and ornate esgrafiado façades make this one Optional Experience you won't want to miss.

### ARABIAN DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT IN A RIAD

Feast like the locals do when you visit a traditional Riad for a homemade dinner of Moroccan favourites and an enchanting belly dancing performance.







#### Day 8, Marrakesh - Fes

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Depart Marrakesh and travel north to Fes, home to the world's oldest university. Relax after your journey and enjoy dinner at your hotel tonight. B, D

Hotel: Menzeh Zalagh

#### Day 9, Fes sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist for a stroll through the Fes Medina. Admire traditional Moroccan handiwork during a visit to a carpet cooperative and see the centuries-old tanning pits. **B** 

#### Day 10, Fes - Seville

We return to Spain this morning, crossing the Straits of Gibraltar and heading north to Seville. Spend the evening relaxing in preparation for a day of sightseeing tomorrow. B. Dhotel: MA Congresos

#### Day 11, Seville sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the Plaza de España, Maria Luisa Park and Seville's Old Quarter where you'll have an opportunity to view the spectacular Cathedral of Seville and the Giralda bell tower. After having the rest of the day to explore on your own, consider a foot-tapping **Optional Experience** at a flamenco show. **B** 

#### Day 12, Seville - Lisbon

Our journey to Portugal takes us through the rolling golden and green plains of the Alentejo to Lisbon. If you're tempted to take to the city's hilly cobblestone streets this evening, join your Travel Director for an Optional Experience fado performance. B Hotel: "VIP Executive Zurique

#### Day 13, Lisbon sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour including views of Belém Tower, the Monument to the Discoveries and the Hieronymite Monastery. **B** 

#### Day 14, Lisbon - Fátima - Salamanca

Travel to Fátima where you'll rub shoulders with visiting pilgrims who have come to pray and seek divine guidance. Continue to Salamanca, joining your Travel Director for a brief orientation of the city. **B**Hotel: "Mncci Ciudad"

#### Day 15, Salamanca - Madrid

What better way to end your epic adventure through Spain, Morocco and Portugal then with a final dinner in Madrid with your new friends to toast to shared memories and your next holiday? Salud! B, DHotel: Meliá Avenida América

#### Day 16, Depart Madrid

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As the curtain closes on your mesmerising journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal, bid your Travel Director and newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at costsavertour. com/freetransfers. **B** 

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The historic cultural hubs and colourful folklore of Bohemia take centre stage on this 15-day epic encounter with Germany, Poland, Hungary, Austria and the Czech Republic. You'll witness the triumph of human spirit, explore the medieval history of enchanting towns and cities and uncover the myths and legends that have shaped this multicultural crossroads at the heart of Europe.

Frankfurt Orientation tour includes the Old

Berlin Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes views of the Reichstag, Brandenburg Gate and Tiergarten

Warsaw Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes the Old Town, St. John's Cathedral and the Royal Palace

Częstochowa View the monastery at Jasna Góra

Auschwitz Visit the poignant former

Kraków Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes the cathedral and Royal Castle on Wawel Hill

**Budapest** Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes Gellért Hill, Fisherman's Bastion and the Church of St. Matthias

Vienna See the Opera House, Hofburg, Parliament and Imperial Boulevards with your Local Specialist

Prague Walking tour with a Local Specialist includes views of Prague Castle, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square See full list of essential highlights online

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#### Day 1, Arrive Frankfurt

At its heart, Frankfurt's high-powered business hub communes with a warm medieval centre. After checking in, your Travel Director will lead an orientation tour around the city's dynamic financial centre and neomedieval Römerberg. Hotel: Leonardo City South

#### Day 2, Frankfurt - Berlin

Journey across the northern plains of Germany to the dynamic and energetic capital that is Berlin. Consider joining an Optional Experience with good food, wine, beer and music followed by a Berlin-by-night tour of the illuminated capital. B Hotel: NH Berlin City Ost

#### Day 3, Berlin sightseeing and free time

Your Local Specialist will bring Berlin's tumultuous history to life this morning as you view the Reichstag building, German State Opera House, the Tiergarten, Unter den Linden and Brandenburg Gate. B

#### Day 4, Berlin - Pozna° - Warsaw

Visit Pozna", one of the oldest cities in Poland. View its colourful market square and town hall, then head to Poland's modern metropolis of Warsaw. **B,~D** Hotel: "Holiday Inn Express - Hub

#### Day 5, Warsaw sightseeing and free time

This morning, perhaps enjoy an optional visit to the 17th-century Baroque Wilanów Palace. Then, dive into







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Warsaw's turbulent past with a Local Specialist. You'll view St. John's Cathedral and the Royal Palace in the Old Town, then see the site of the Warsaw Ghetto, B

#### Day 6, Warsaw - Częstochowa - Auschwitz - Kraków :2)



#### Hotel: Ibis Stare Miasto

#### Day 7. Kraków sightseeing and free time

Kraków, the former home of Polish royalty and Pope John Paul II, awaits today. Your Local Specialist will share the legend of the city's origins as you trace its medieval walls and see Wawel Castle. B

#### Day 8. Kraków - Budapest

Head south through Poland, then slice through the pastoral heart of Slovakia bound for Hungary. Your fina destination today is Budapest. Begin your exploration of



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BERLIN'S SECRET PAST REVEALED Uncover the secrets of Berlin's past with a Local Specialist on a tour of the city, including a visit to the remaining section of the Berlin Wall and the site of Checkpoint Charlie.

**WIELICZKA SALT MINES** Visit the UNESCO-listed 800-year-old salt mines of Wieliczka exploring the underground chambers and chapels that have earned it its title as the Underground Salt Cathedral of Poland.







this 'Pearl of the Danube' on the water with an optional scenic cruise on a private boat along the Danube. B Hotel: Ibis Styles City

#### Day 9, Budapest sightseeing and free time

Like all great capitals, Budapest's story begins with a legend, which your Local Specialist will share as you view Fisherman's Bastion, Heroes' Square and the Church of St. Matthias. This afternoon, perhaps join an Optional Experience to the medieval town of Szentendre. B, D

#### Day 10, Budapest - Győr - Vienna

Maybe embark on an optional visit to the Hungarian Parliament, before travelling to Vienna. This 'City of Music' can carry more than a tune as you'll come to discover when you join an optional dinner including musical entertainment. B Hotel: Ibis Wien Mariahilf

#### Day 11, Vienna sightseeing and free time

Your Local Specialist will reveal all the sights of this imperial city. View the Parliament, the Vienna Opera House, the Hofburg and City Hall. This evening, consider an Optional Experience to a Strauss and Mozart concert.

#### Day 12, Vienna - Brno - Prague

Head north to the Czech Republic. You'll stop in the medieval town of Brno, arriving in Prague later today. The 'Golden City of a Hundred Spires' shines even brighter at night, so consider joining an evening introduction to this fairy-tale city. **B, D** Hotel: International

#### Day 13, Prague sightseeing and free time

Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour featuring Prague Castle, the Cathedral of St. Vitus and the Old Town Square. Later, consider a lunch cruise on

#### Day 14. Prague - Rothenburg - Frankfurt

Take a step back in time during your stop in Rothenburg ob der Tauber along Bayaria's Romantic Road this morning. Continue to Frankfurt, where tonight you'll enjoy a farewell dinner. B, D Hotel: Leonardo City South

#### Day 15, Depart Frankfurt

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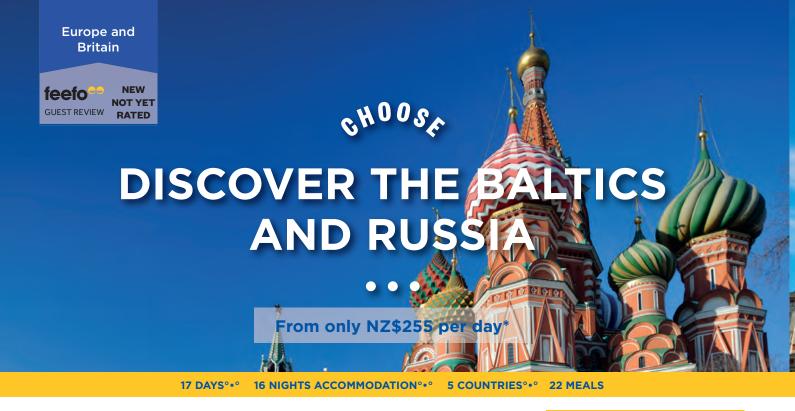
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Explore the medieval capitals of the Baltics and Russia's imperial cities on this glorious 17-day journey from Warsaw to Moscow. Delve into decades of Soviet rule, the youthful spirit of new nations and a history shaped by tragedy and triumphs. Local Specialists will reveal the legacies left by foreign rulers and the Romanov royals, sharing the stories that have brought a new lease on life to the Baltics and Russia.

Warsaw Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes a visit to the Old Town, see the monumental Palace of Culture and Science building

Vilnius Enjoy views of the Bishop's Palace, Gediminas Tower and the church of St. Peter and St. Paul on your included sightseeing with a Local Specialist

Šiauliai Visit the remarkable pilgrimage site of the Hill of Crosses

Riga Sightseeing with your Local Specialist includes the Old Town, views of the House of the Blackheads, and the Freedom Monument Tallinn See the 15th-century Lühike Jalg Gate and the old Hanseatic Quarter on your included sightseeing with a Local Specialist St. Petersburg Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes a visit to the Peter and Paul Fortress and views of the Winter Palace, St. Isaac's Cathedral and Nevsky Prospekt Novgorod View St. Sophia Cathedral and the Kremlin Eart

Moscow Sightseeing with a Local Specialist includes views of Red Square, St. Basil's Cathedral and the Kremlin

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#### Day 1, Arrive Warsaw

Tucked away, but not forgotten, the Baltics stand at the edge of Europe – revived and reinvigorated after years of Nazi and Soviet occupation. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers, then enjoy dinner together. **D** Hotel: Holiday Inn Express - Hub

#### Day 2, Warsaw sightseeing and free time

With your Local Specialist, you'll see the site of the Warsaw Ghetto, then perhaps join an optional visit to the 17th-century Wilanów Palace and later an optional Polish evening of traditional music and dance. **B** 

#### Day 3, Warsaw - Vilnius

You'll have an opportunity to explore every inch of the Baroque, Gothic and Renaissance splendour of Vilnius on your own and with a Local Specialist. Later, launch into a love a , air with Lithuanian food by joining an optional dinner and show. **B Hotel: "Art City Inn** 

#### Day 4, Vilnius sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour, including the 16th-century Bishop's Palace, the Baroque Church of St. Peter and St. Paul and the Gates of Dawn. This afternoon, head back to the former communist era on an **Optional Experience** to the KGB museum. **B,~D** 

#### Day 5, Vilnius - Šiauliai - Riga

This morning, switch the new capital for the old capital on an **Optional Experience** to Trakai with its enchanting lakeside castle. Later, leave Vilnius bound for the Hill of Crosses at Šiauliai where millions of crosses jostle for their spot in a non-violent protest against decades of







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Russian and Soviet rule. Arrive in the ancient city of Riga - its Gothic skyline has witnessed German, Scandinavian and Russian rule across eight centuries. B Hotel: Tallink

#### Day 6, Riga sightseeing and free time

Riga's UNESCO-listed Old Town reveals a rich Hanseatic trade heritage that comes to life in the colourful stories shared by your Local Specialist this morning. Consider joining an Optional Experience at the Bergi Open Air Museum, revealing Latvia's cultural heritage. B

#### Day 7. Riga - Tallinn

The Estonian capital of Tallinn is your final de tination today. You'll encounter a blend of Scandinavian and Russian fl vours, but it is the Old Town that will capture your heart as you step back in time to explore it. B, D Hotel: L'Ermitage

#### Day 8, Tallinn sightseeing and free time

Your Local Specialist will take you past the 15th-century Lühike Jalg Gate and you'll visit Alexander Nevsky Cathedral, a symbol of Russian power. An Optional Experience could see you visit Tallinn's colourful Kalamaja neighbourhood. **B** 



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#### LITHUANIAN FOLKLORE AND TRADITIONAL DINNER

Enjoy a hearty Lithuanian dinner of local specialties accompanied with a rousing folklore show.

#### THE HERMITAGE MUSEUM Admire one of the largest and most valuable collections of art in the world at the Hermitage Museum, set within the tsars' Winter Palace.







#### Day 9, Tallinn - St. Petersburg

Head east to the town of Narva, dominated by the mighty Hermannsburg Fortress, where we cross the Russian border. Then, it's on to St. Petersburg, founded by Peter the Great. This port city is Russia's cultural centre and with its world-famous opera, ballet and art museums, it offers a fascinating look into Russia's past. B, D Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson Pribaltiyskaya

#### Day 10. St. Petersburg sightseeing and free time

Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour, seeing the Tsar's Winter Palace, Nevsky Prospekt and St. Isaac's Cathedral. Explore the Peter and Paul Fortress, the fina resting place of the tsars and tsarinas. This afternoon, you could choose to embark on an Optional Experience to the Hermitage to see one of the largest and most valuable collections of art in the world. B

#### Day 11. St. Petersburg free day

What could be better than a full day to marvel at the legacy left behind by a tsar who wanted to build a city to rival the great capitals of Europe? Spend your day exploring the rise and fall of the Romanovs as you wander past elegant mansions, wide boulevards and leafy canals. B

#### Day 12. St. Petersburg free day

Consider an optional visit to the opulent summer residence of Peter the Great in Petrodvorets. Today is your final d y to explore this imperial city and surrounds on your terms. B

#### Day 13, St. Petersburg - Novgorod

Leave St. Petersburg behind, bound for the 'Birthplace of Russia', the ancient city of Novgorod, You'll view the Millennium Monument, St. Sophia Cathedral and the Kremlin. Tonight, dinner is served at your hotel. B, D Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson

#### Day 14, Novgorod - Tver - Moscow

Enjoy a brief lunch visit in the Tver region. Arriving in Moscow, join an Optional Experience to visit an illuminated Red Square and Moscow's grandiose Metro stations. B, L Hotel: Holiday Inn Express Paveletskaya

#### Day 15, Moscow sightseeing and free time

A Local Specialist will reveal some of Moscow's iconic sights, past the spires of St. Basil's Cathedral and the Kremlin Walls. An Optional Experience to the heart of Moscow will take you behind the scenes of its red walls or admire great imperial riches during an optional visit to the Treasure Chamber of the Russian tsars. B

#### Day 16, Moscow free day

Immerse yourself in Moscow's vibrant kofe culture before a full day to explore the city your way. You could choose instead to join an Optional Experience to the 14th-century Sergiyev Posad, the largest religious and cultural centre in Russia. B

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8 DAYS • 7 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 10 MEALS

Centuries of Irish culture and heritage are revealed on this adventure across the windswept valleys of Ireland, from Dublin to the breathtaking coastal landscapes of Connemara. Kiss the Blarney Stone, witness Mother Nature's magic touch at the Cliffs of Moher and circle the Ring of Kerry. There's much to celebrate on this grand 8-day journey across the 'Emerald Isle'.



O See what happens on trip #CSIrishWonder



Choose to tailor your trip with all these and more.

#### **SHANNON RIVER CRUISE**

Board a leisurely cruise along the Shannon River, the longest river in the British Isles, winding past the idyllic emerald-green countryside of counties Leitrim and Roscommon.

#### MEDIEVAL CASTLE BANQUET

Enjoy a banquet and medieval entertainment in the great hall of a castle, complete with a court jester and castle musicians keeping guests entertained throughout the evening.

Trip code: IRWO



7 DAYS • 6 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 8 MEALS

Kick-start your seven-day adventure through Scotland in feisty Glasgow, with stays in Edinburgh and the Highlands, as your journey takes you past lochs, glens and heather-clad purple peaks. You'll walk in the footsteps of brave clansmen, admire cliff-top castles and trace the legacy of Rob Roy, Bonnie Prince Charlie and an elusive Loch Ness Monster on this epic quest to discover the heart and hearth of Scotland.



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Choose to tailor your trip with all these and more.

#### **CRUISING LOCH LOMOND**

Listen to tales of Rob Roy as you cruise along the Bonnie Banks of Loch Lomond' with a local skipper and admire the irresistible beauty of lakeside landscapes.

#### **EDINBURGH CASTLE VISIT**

Visit Edinburgh Castle, perched imposingly atop Castle Rock since the 12th century. You'll see the Scottish crown jewels and the National War Museum of Scotland during your visit.

Trip code: BSCS



7 DAYS • 6 NIGHTS • 4 COUNTRIES • 8 MEALS

Enjoy the mesmerising landscapes and rich heritage and flavours of Europe. Travel through the lush green Dutch countryside to the beautiful Rhine Valley, shores of Lake Lucerne and Paris, the 'City of Lights'. This brief encounter with the highlights of Europe will give you just a taste of the diversity that makes this continent a favourite holiday destination.



See what happens on trip #CSGlimpseOfEurope



Choose to tailor your trip with all these and more.

#### TRADITIONAL FOLKLORE SHOW WITH DINNER

Enjoy a traditional Swiss dinner to the accompaniment of yodelling and Alpine horn-blowing during a lively folklore show.

#### **MOUNT PILATUS ASCENT**

Ascend Mount Pilatus by cable car for speciacular views of Lake Lucerne.

#### SEINE CRUISE AND PARIS ILLUMINATIONS

Enjoy the City of Lights on a leisurely cruise along the River Seine, followed by a drive through Paris to enjoy some of her best sights.

Trip code: EGOE



11 DAYS • 10 NIGHTS • 4 COUNTRIES • 14 MEALS

The unbeatable sights of Italy's great cities including Rome, Florence and Venice; the beautiful lakeside landscapes of Lucerne; the incomparable Paris skyline with its iconic monuments and museums. Put them all together and you have the recipe for an exhilarating 11-day European trip filled with culture, history and soul-stirring scenery, from Tuscany to the vineyards of Burgundy.



See what happens on trip #CSEuropeanDelight



Choose to tailor your trip with all these and more.

#### VISIT TO PISA WITH TUSCAN DINNER AND MUSIC

Visit Pisa where you will see the Leaning Tower and marvel at monuments, followed by dinner and music at a Tuscan farmhouse.

#### GONDOLAS AND THE GRAND CANAL

Cruise the Grand Canal by private water taxi before arriving at St. Mark's Square where you'll embark on a gondola ride and be serenaded through Venice's canals.

#### DO PARIS YOUR WAY

You can tread in the footsteps of great artists as you explore Montmartre or savour French flavours on a foodie walking tour.

Trip code: ESPM



13 DAYS • 12 NIGHTS • 9 COUNTRIES • 16 MEALS

Roll up your sleeves for an adventure-filled encounter with Europe. This exciting journey will see you expand your mind in free-thinking Amsterdam, crane your neck to see the towering spires of Prague and kick back on the canals of Venice. A particular highlight is your romantic cruise down the Rhine where fairy tales come to life and medieval castles reveal a time of feuding lords surveying their kingdoms.



O See what happens on trip #CSEuropeanAdventures



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#### DUTCH FARMS, VOLENDAM AND WINDMILL

Visit Volendam and learn how Dutch cheese and wooden clogs are made, followed by a visit to a working windmill hosted by the miller himself.

#### PRAGUE BY NIGHT WITH DINNER CRUISE

Prague's medieval architecture is best viewed on an evening river cruise under the stars, guided by thousands of twinkling city lights.

#### **MAGICAL VENICE**

Cruise along the Grand Canal by private water taxi before arriving at St. Mark's Square and embarking on a gondola journey while musicians and singers entertain.

Trip code: EFIS



15 DAYS • 14 NIGHTS • 7 COUNTRIES • 18 MEALS

The birthplaces of arts, culture and history take centre stage on this 15-day discovery of Europe's Renaissance masterpieces. Create your very own work of art as you delve into the diversity of Europe. From the spires of Cologne and Vienna's Baroque Opera House, to St. Peter's Basilica and the magnificent Doge's Palace in Venice, you'll tick off all the iconic landmarks that have drawn visitors from across the globe for centuries.



See what happens on trip #CSEuropeanImpressions



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#### SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE AND GARDENS

Visit the Imperial Summer Palace of Schönbrunn and learn about the Habsburg family's centuries long rule over this region.

#### PIAZZAS AND FOUNTAINS OF ROME

Discover Rome's alleyways, piazzas and fountains with a Local Specialist as your guide. Marvel at the timeless Pantheon and spend some time in a gorgeous Baroque square with street artists, trattorias and gelaterias.

#### A NIGHT AT THE CABARET

Embrace a little French flair and indulge in an exhilarating evening of dinner, champagne and cabaret.

Trip code: EIMP



24 DAYS • 23 NIGHTS • 11 COUNTRIES • 31 MEALS

Encounter centuries of heritage as you travel to Europe's top historical sites. See Joan of Arc's battlegrounds and the birthplace of Mozart, with visits to the glamorous seaside capitals of Barcelona, Biarritz and the French Riviera. You'll discover the freasures of Ancient Rome, cruise the canals of Venice to St. Mark's Square and explore the free-thinking Dutch capital of Amsterdam.



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#### MONTMARTRE VILLAGE AND ARTISTS' SQUARE

Explore Montmartre's winding streets, unusual galleries and world famous Artist's Square with a Local Specialist.

#### VISIT MYSTICAL MONTSERRAT

See the famous Black Madonna when you visit enchanting Montserrat and its Benedictine monastery founded in the 11th century.

#### FLORENCE'S RENAISSANCE TREASURES

Uncover this city's fascinating history with a Local Specialist, soak up the not-to-miss sights and top it all off with a frozen treat - gelato!

Trip code: EEHR



28 DAYS • 27 NIGHTS • 13 COUNTRIES • 43 MEALS

This A to Z of Europe will reveal a feast of flavours, culture and history, from medieval monuments, myths, legends and ancient history to the glittering capitals of Paris, Athens, Rome and Madrid and a 3-day cruise to the Greek Isles. You'll come full circle on this extravaganza across the continent - 13 countries on one bucket-list trip.



See what happens on trip #CSEuropeanDiscoverer



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#### SEINE CRUISE AND PARIS ILLUMINATIONS

Enjoy the City of Lights on a leisurely cruise along the River Seine, followed by a drive through Paris to enjoy some of her best sights.

#### DAY TRIP TO TOLEDO

Sightseeing in Toledo includes views of the cathedral, and a visit to a steel workshop to see the finest examples of inlaid steel for which the 'City of Three Cultures' is famous.

#### VISIT POMPEII

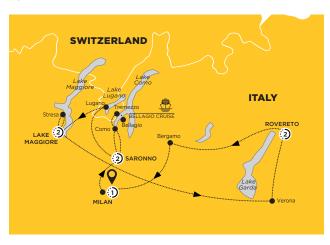
Join an expert on a tour of the devastating destruction of Pompeii at the hands of Mount Vesuvius and learn what life was like as a Roman citizen of the time, frozen for almost 2,000 years.

Trip code: EDMM



8 DAYS • 7 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 10 MEALS

Say yes to a love affair with Italy's elegant lake district. Stunning 19th-century facades with tumbling wisteria and pretty lakeside villages against the backdrop of the towering snow-capped Alps make this the perfect place to explore life the way only the Italians can - to the fullest. Savour your free hours in heavenly surroundings, mixing it up with visits to the fashion capital of Milan, the sophisticated cobblestone streets of Lugano and medieval Bergamo.



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#### **DINNER IN COMO**

Explore Como town before joining us for a delightful dinner with drinks at a local restaurant.

#### MOUNT SAN SALVATORE AND LAKE CRUISE

Board a lake cruise to view the tiny villages on the shores of Lake Lugano and head to the summit of Lugano's best-known mountain and the balcony of the Swiss Alps.

#### TREASURES OF MILAN

Trendy Milan takes centre stage on this sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist, including a visit to the celebrated La Scala Opera House.

Trip code: IHLK



9 DAYS • 8 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 11 MEALS

Enjoy an in-depth encounter with spirited Sicily on this ramble 'down south', which includes some quality time in Rome and a visit to the feisty city of Naples. Take a drive to Mount Etna, Europe's largest active volcano and delve into Agrigento's Greek heritage in the Valley of the Temples. You'll dive head-first into the fun-filled capital, Palermo and engage with the island's centuries-old seafaring heritage.



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#### PIAZZAS AND FOUNTAINS OF ROME

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#### **NAPLES UNVEILED**

Visit the Archaeological Museum with a Local Specialist, who will reveal the hidden secrets behind one of the world's oldest continuously inhabited cities.

Trip code: IHSI



8 DAYS • 7 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 9 MEALS

Buckle up for a lively encounter with the highlights of France. On this 8-day love affair with the world's most visited country, you'll get your fill of centuries of French heritage and culture across the valleys and vineyards of northern France, from Joan of Arc's Rouen to its glittering capital, Paris. Amidst all that French joie de vivre, you'll discover those iconic sights and landmarks you've always longed to see – the Eiffel Tower, Mont-Saint-Michel, and the D-Day Landing beaches on the Normandy coast.



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#### MONTMARTRE VILLAGE AND ARTISTS' SQUARE

Explore Montmartre's winding streets, unusual galleries and world famous Artist's Square with a Local Specialist.

#### DINNER IN THE LOIRE VALLEY

Indulge in fine food and award-winning wines in an Old World setting on this authentic Loire Valley dining experience.

#### IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF LEONARDO DA VINCI

Tread in the footsteps of Leonardo da Vinci when you visit the elegant manor house where he spent his final years, including displays of his most extraordinary inventions.

Trip code: FJWL



13 DAYS • 12 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 16 MEALS

If won't take long for France to touch your heart, but in 13 days it will capture it outright. Surrender to the allure of the Loire Valley, the sophisticated French Riviera and historic villages, towns and cities from Beaune to Bordeaux. You'll explore a hidden realm of scenic vineyard-clad landscapes, admire the medieval façades of Carcassonne and get your WWII history fix in Normandy, where the humbling tales of the D-Day Landings come to life.



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#### KICK UP YOUR FEET AT THE CABARET

Have some fun amidst the feathers and frills of a Parisian Cabaret an unforgettable dinner and Can-Can performance at a celebrated cabaret venue.

#### WINE TASTING IN A FRENCH CHÂTEAU

Explore the flavours of the world's most famous wine region when you visit a historic French château and vineyard, where you'll explore the underground cellars and learn how the local Bordeaux wine is made.

#### SAINT-PAUL-DE-VENCE AND NICE

A Local Specialist will reveal why both locations are haunts for celebrities seeking the warmth and privacy of a Mediterranean retreat.

Trip code: FHIG



Religious landmarks, monuments, and the melancholic trill of the fado follow this 7-day journey from Lisbon, Portugal's seafaring capital, to Porto on the Douro River. Connect with your generous Portuguese hosts, wander through medieval cities and savour a delicious pastéis de nata or two as you wind your way north through villages, towns and cities, delving into the country's colourful history and culture.



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#### FADO EVENING WITH DINNER

A poignant evening filled with the melancholic sounds of fado awaits on this optional dinner in Lisbon's hilly Bairro Alto district.

#### NAZARÉ AND ÓBIDOS SIGHTSEEING

Visit the fishing village of Nazaré And Óbidos, famous for its Ginja cherry drink dispensed in chocolate cups.

#### VISIT AVEIRO

Head to the Atlantic coast and seaside town of Aveiro where you'll want to taste the local Ovos Moles sweets for which the town is

**Trip code: PTCS** 



10 DAYS • 9 NIGHTS • 5 COUNTRIES • 12 MEALS

Cathedrals, castles, cobbled lanes, and the mighty Danube - this stately 10-day sojourn through the imperial capitals of Europe will see you visit Bohemian Prague, the eclectic Slovakian capital of Bratislava and Mozart's Vienna and Salzburg. You'll encounter a multicultural crossroads in Budapest, the medieval treasures of Regensburg and sounds of 'Do-Re-Mi' in the Mirabell Gardens.



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#### DO PRAGUE YOUR WAY

Admire the city from the water or say Na zdraví to an afternoon sampling the nation's favourite brews.

#### HUNGARIAN GYPSY FOLKLORE SHOW AND DINNER

Enjoy a hearty Hungarian dinner while folk musicians reveal the real gypsy traditions.

#### SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE AND GARDENS

Visit the Imperial Summer Palace of Schönbrunn and learn about the Habsburg family's centuries long rule over this region.

Trip code: CCOXA



The land of the Vikings, deep fjords and long summer nights – Norway, Denmark and Sweden serve up a stylish sojourn that will deliver the arresting beauty and captivating history you've come to expect from Scandinavia. Your 12-day adventure across 'the North' reveals centuries of trading heritage amidst the region's colourful harbour façades and all the natural splendour befitting of the 'King' and 'Queen' of the fjords.



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#### NORTH ZEALAND RIVIERA AND CASTLE TOUR

Admire the scenery along the Danish Riviera's conservation heritage route as you travel past the summer residence of the Royal Family and visit Frederiksborg Castle.

#### WAR HISTORY AND PEACEFUL TRADITIONS

Explore the lost village of Telavåg, destroyed in WW II then visit the charming fishing village of Glesvær.

#### FJORDS AND MOUNTAINS

Enjoy a relaxing cruise along the Næroy Fjord with it's towering mountains and fabulous scenery.

Trip code: SCHI



9 DAYS • 8 NIGHTS • 4 COUNTRIES • 11 MEALS

A journey through the medieval capitals of the Baltics will keep you on your toes as you wind your way from Warsaw to the Gothic spires of Riga to the fairy-tale façades of Tallinn. Delve into decades of Soviet rule, the youthful spirit of new nations and a Hanseatic heritage that put these crossroads on the trading map for centuries. Your Local Specialists will reveal the legacies left by foreign rulers and the stories that have brought a new lease on life to this incredible region.



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#### LITHUANIAN FOLKLORE AND TRADITIONAL DINNER

Enjoy a hearty Lithuanian dinner of local specialties accompanied with a rousing folklore show.

#### TRAKAI CASTLE AND TOWN

Explore the old Lithuanian capital of Trakai, whose lakeside castle has been lovingly restored. See the wooden cottages built by the Karaites, a sect originating in Baghdad.

#### KALAMAJA VISIT

Visit the fishing harbour turned Bohemian Quarter of Kalamaja, a must-see destination for history buffs.

Trip code: HBAL



9 DAYS • 8 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 11 MEALS

Explore the imperial twin cities of St. Petersburg and Moscow as they were in the time of the Romanovs and as they are today. This nineday love affair with the capitals of 'Mother Russia' will see you delve into the nation's tragedy and triumphs, royal houses and revolutions, communist rule and capitalism. This is a journey of contrasts, of dareto-dream visionaries and the enduring resilience of a vast nation.



O See what happens on trip #CSHighlightsOfRussia



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#### THE HERMITAGE MUSEUM

Admire one of the largest and most valuable collections of art in the world at the Hermitage Museum, set within the tsars' Winter Palace.

#### RUSSIAN FOLKLORE EVENING

You'll enjoy a high-energy performance featuring Cossack dances, songs, instruments and costumes from around Russia.

#### METRO AND RED SQUARE BY NIGHT

More than just a subway system, Moscow's underground stations are works of art in their own right, as you'll come to discover during a guided tour, which includes a walk through Red Square at night.

Trip code: SPMW



14 DAYS • 13 NIGHTS • 5 COUNTRIES • 20 MEALS

See all the famous landmarks of Finland, Russia, Belarus, Poland and Germany as you embark on a behind-the-scenes exploration of imperial capitals, Soviet history and the triumph of brave nations following devastating conflict. You'll delve into the legacy of the tsars, the former might of the Soviet Union and the bohemian spirit of Berlin, traversing the incredible landscapes of Russia, Belarus and Poland heading west from Finland's quirky capital, Helsinki.



O See what happens on trip #CSCossackExplorer



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#### VENICE OF THE NORTH CRUISE

Board a private boat to cruise through the canals and along the River Neva. You'll sip champagne as your Local Specialist provides commentary about the city.

#### POLISH DINNER AND MUSIC

Enjoy music and traditional dance while savouring a delicious meal of homemade Polish specialities.

#### BERLIN'S SECRET PAST REVEALED

Uncover the secrets of Berlin's past with a Local Specialist on a tour of the city, including a visit to the remaining section of the Berlin Wall and the site of Checkpoint Charlie.

Trip code: SCOS



10 DAYS • 9 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 13 MEALS

Journey from medieval ruins to ancient Roman sights on this 10-day exploration of the Best of the Balkans, featuring the historic town centres of Zagreb, Dubrovnik and Split. You'll wander through multicultural cities, hear moving stories of war, discover the stunning architecture, and watch as the vivid colours of the Plitvice lakes and waterfalls morph with the changing light. Centuries of history will be revealed through the eyes of Local Specialists who share their secrets of the Balkans.



See what happens on trip #CSBestOfBalkans



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#### **TUNNEL OF HOPE**

Our Local Specialist gives us a personal insight into the Sarajevo Tunnel of Hope.

#### SUNSET CRUISE AND DINNER

Sail along the Dalmatian coast to a secluded bay for a local dinner with drinks - your cruise will capture the enchanting beauty of Dubrovnik's illuminated skyline.

#### MONTENEGRO ADVENTURE

Join a Local Specialist in Montenegro, sailing across the Bay of Kotor, past fjord-like scenery, to the fortified town of Kotor where you'll embark on a guided walking four behind its ancient walls.

Trip code: HCBH



10 DAYS • 9 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 11 MEALS

Say opa! to a Greek adventure which kicks off in Athens and explores two glittering island gems in the Aegean. Discover the treasures of an ancient world before spending a glorious week getting lost in the labyrinthine lanes of Santorini and Mykonos. You'll combine your love for history with laid-back island life, visiting secret coves, seaside cafés and rambling ruins built to honour gods and goddesses. These remain as a testament to the lynchpin role ancient Greece once played in shaping western civilisation as we know it today.



See what happens on trip #CSGreekIsland



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#### ATHENS DINNER WITH ACROPOLIS ILLUMINATIONS

Savour traditional Greek flavours during a meze-style dinner in Athens' lively Psiri area, followed by beautiful views of the Acropolis magically illuminated at night.

#### SENSES OF SANTORINI FREE TIME

Delve into the wine-growing heritage of Santorini when you visit Baxedes for a wine and meze tasting experience, followed by a trip to Oia to marvel at the sunset from our favourite spot.

#### VISIT DELOS ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE

Explore one of the most important archaeological sites in the Eastern Mediterranean when you visit Delos and see its Temple of Apollo, sanctuary of Artemis and the old city. Trip code: CGIH



This is where it all began - the literature, art and laws that have shaped western civilisation as we know it today. You won't need to

imagine great philosophers debating their truths in the corridors of the Agora, between the columns of the Parthenon or with the Oracle of Delphi. You'll get to see where this happened first-hand on this 8-day adventure to the heart of ancient empires and the sun-kissed shores of the Greek Isles.

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O See what happens on trip #CSHighlightsOfGreece



Choose to tailor your trip with all these and more.

#### TRADITIONAL GREEK TAVERNA EVENING

Enjoy traditional Greek cuisine in a lively taverna atmosphere in the middle of Athens, with dance, music and drinks included.

#### MYCONIAN COUNTRYSIDE TOUR AND LITTLE VENICE

Crisscross Mykonos island with a Local Specialist who will take you to Ornos, Agia Anna and Kalafatis beach. You'll see the monastery at Ano Mera and visit Chora's enchanting Little Venice.

#### GROTTO OF APOCALYPSE VISIT IN PATMOS

Delve into the visions of John the Apostle who wrote the Book of Revelation in the Grotto of the Apocalypse which you'll get to visit on a sightseeing tour of UNESCO-listed Patmos.

Trip code: HIGRA



Great Pharaohs, gods and goddesses once walked these ancient lands and you will too when you embark on this mesmerising 9-day journey from Cairo to Aswan, to the temples of Luxor and the seaside splendour of Hurghada. Get lost in the legends of ancient civilisations, the stories of great battles and tributes to powerful men and women who once revealed their might through man-made wonders which followed them into the afterlife.



**See what happens on trip #CSPharaohs** 



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#### GIZA SOUND AND LIGHT SHOW

This unmissable event is one of the most famous shows in the world! Experience a light show with stereophonic sound featuring the Sphinx and Great Pyramids.

#### ABU SIMBEL (BY FLIGHT)

Enjoy a bird's eye view of this imposing monument which was rescued from oblivion through massive international efforts during construction of the High Dam.

#### DINNER, BELLY DANCING AND NILE CRUISE

Dinner onboard a luxurious ship along the Nile river and be entertained with a belly dancing show.

Trip code: EGCS



10 DAYS • 9 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 14 MEALS

This Turkish extravaganza reveals the Byzantine and Ottoman past of Istanbul, the fairy-tale landscapes of Cappadocia and some of the world's most revered ancient cities. Get lost in the colourful lanes of the Grand Bazaar, watch the dizzying dance of the Whirling Dervishes and descend into an underground fortress. Mother Nature and man have crafted an extraordinary land and you'll get to see all its wonders on this 10-day journey.



See what happens on trip #CSWondersOfTurkey



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#### HAGIA SOPHIA AND BOSPHORUS CRUISE

Visit Hagia Sophia, Istanbul's 6<sup>th</sup>-century basilica-turned-mosque, then board a cruise along the Bosphorus which reveals the strategic importance of the straits and city's beauty from the water.

#### GÖREME AND AVANOS SIGHTSEEING

Marvel at the mystical fairy chimney rock formations of Cappadocia as you explore the ancient history of Göreme and learn all about the famous handmade pottery of Avanos.

#### IZMIR SEAFOOD DINNER

Experience one of Izmir's favourite seafood restaurants. Known for stunning views and for serving the best fish dishes.

Trip code: TTUR



East meets West on this 15-day journey across the fairy-tale landscapes and ancient landmarks of Turkey. From the lavish palaces of Ottoman sultans to Roman ruins along the Turquoise coast, you'll delve into the diversity and colourful multicultural experience that Turkey serves up in spades. Visit the enchanting cotton castles of Pamukkale, the surreal landscapes of Cappadocia and ancient trading routes once plied by camel caravans.



**See what happens on trip #CSTreasuresOfTurkey** 



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#### WHIRLING DERVISH PERFORMANCE AND DINNER

Watch the 'dance' of the Whirling Dervishes whose meditative dance represents man's spiritual journey. After the dizzying performance, enjoy dinner at a local restaurant.

#### ANTALYA OLD TOWN AND WATERFALL YACHT CRUISE

Your Local Specialist will show you the imposing Hadrian's Gate, dating from 130 AD when the Roman Emperor visited the city. Then, you'll enjoy a yacht cruise to the stunning Düden waterfall.

#### EPHESUS VIRGIN MARY AND SIRINCE VILLAGE WITH LUNCH

Explore the 2,000 year-old ancient settlement of Ephesus and enjoy lunch at a traditional local restaurant.

Trip code: TBUR



Trace the splendour of ancient empires, criss-crossing the Aegean Sea from the land of gods and goddesses to the sun-drenched seaside villages of the Cyclades islands. Lace up your sandals for an exploration of the Acropolis on foot, toast sundowner views over Little Venice in Mykonos, and soak up the laid-back island vibes of Crete and Santorini.



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ALLOREA

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#### TRADITIONAL GREEK TAVERNA EVENING

Enjoy traditional Greek cuisine in a lively taverna atmosphere in the middle of Athens, with dance, music and drinks included.

#### PATMOS COUNTRYSIDE TOUR WITH HORA AND GROTTO OF **APOCALYPSE**

We visit Patmos and enjoy a panoramic guided tour of the island, a magical visit to the Grotto of the Apocalypse. Enjoy a leisurely walk in the town of Hora and marvel at spectacular views.

#### **AKROTIRI VILLAGE EXCAVATIONS**

Visit Santorini's most significant archaeological site, the village of Akrofiri. See the remnants of the houses, shops and workshops.

Trip code: GACM



11 DAYS • 10 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 23 MEALS

All the ancient treasures and irresistible beauty of the Aegean are yours to discover on this incredible visit to Athens and the stunning Greek islands - the perfect trip for lovers of history and the good things in life. Discover the crystal clear waters and wonderful beaches of Rhodes, wander the streets of the picturesque town of Agios Nikolaos on Crete and admire landscapes and whitewashed houses on Santorini.



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#### MYCONIAN COUNTRYSIDE TOUR WITH HORA AND LITTLE **VENICE**

Marvel at the picturesque fishing harbour of Ornos, traditional village of Ano Mera and the monastery of Panagia Tourliani before visiting the 'Little Venice' of Mykonos, Alefkandra.

#### SACRED ISLAND AND APOLLO SANCTUARY

Travel back in time as you're transported, by boat, to the ancient harbour of Delos and admire the three 'Temples of Apollo' and 'Avenue of the Lions', which was encircled by full-sized marble lions.

Trip code: GICM

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Cape Town City orientation tour including Bo-Kaap and the Castle of Good Hope. Visit Table Mountain via Aerial Cableway.

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#### Day 1, Arrive Cape Town

Nothing can quite prepare you for what awaits in Cape Town. Table Mountain, endless beaches and big city scenes will welcome you today. On arrival, transfer to your hotel before heading out to get a first-hand feel for this cosmopolitan city. Later, meet up with your Travel Director and the group. where excitement will be riding high. D Hotel: Protea Victoria Junction

#### Day 2. Cape Town Orientation and Free Time

We'll waste no time exploring what locals calls the "Mother City". Your Travel Director will paint a vivid picture of the area on an essential morning orientation tour, from the colourful facades in Bo-Kaap to the 17th-century Castle of Good Hope. Then comes today's main event, Table Mountain via the iconic aerial cable way, for 360-degree views stretching down to the City Bowl, Atlantic Seaboard and beyond. Tailor your afternoon with options that are just as iconic as the sights - a relaxed e-bike ride along the beach and a sunset beach braai (barbecue), or a djembe drumming session that wraps with a traditional African feast. B







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#### Day 3, Cape Town Free Day

Today is about taking in Cape Town and its surrounds your way, and you'll have options galore. Wine lovers could choose to sip their way through the day in the Cape Winelands, via the Franschhoek Wine Tram. Car fanatics could feel the thrills at Franschhoek Motor Museum, re-fuelling with wine tastings and a picnic lunch. If your perfect day is in the great outdoors, lace your boots up for a guided hike up Table Mountain, or take it up a notch on a thrilling mountain-bike ride. **B** 

#### Day 4, Cape Town - Johannesburg - Pilanesberg National Park

Farewell Cape Town, it's been a dream. We've got exciting news though, a safari awaits! We'll board our included flight and s y a quick hello to Johannesburg, before beelining it to Pilanesberg National Park, home to the main event - an opportunity to spot South Africa's 'Big 5'. Your safari fantasy will become



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## VICTORIA FALLS FLIGHT OF ANGELS HELICOPTER FLIGHT

For the ultimate views of Victoria Falls, climb aboard a helicopter for an exhilarating 12 minute flight.







a reality whilst exploring the bushveld in our 4x4 vehicle, keeping your eyes peeled as the sun sets and animals begin to emerge. **B, L, D Hotel: Ivory Tree Game Lodge** 

#### Day 5, Pilanesberg National Park Safari Game Drives

You'll be rising early today as we go in search of lion, leopard, rhino, elephant, and buffalo, or in others words the magnifi ent Big 5. And there's no better way to do it than with our Local Specialist Guide leading the charge. Feel like a true explorer as you navigate the dusty tracks in the hopes of spotting animals, all whilst learning about the area. Whether you spot the Big 5 or not, there's no doubt you'll enjoy this truly magical experience. B, L, D

#### Day 6, Pilanesberg National Park - Johannesburg : 1)

This morning's final game dri e with a Local Specialist will focus on seeking out the elusive wild dog, leopard and colourful flash of a Lila -breasted roller. We'll bid a fond farewell to the bushveld after tucking into a tasty breakfast, and head back to civilisation for our next city stop, Johannesburg. This city is hard to resist, so you'll get your bearings during an orientation with your Travel Director. With an afternoon to explore your way take the opportunity to get a history fix t Soweto, delving into the infamous history of South Africa's oldest township and once home to two Nobel Peace Prize winners. For a slice of adventure, consider donning a helmet to explore the Sterkfontein Caves and wander the Maropena Visitor Centre, where humanity's origin story comes to life through interactive exhibits, B. D Hotel: Protea Balalaika

#### Day 7, Johannesburg - Victoria Falls

The 'smoke that thunders', otherwise known as Victoria Falls, awaits today. After an included morning flight, ou'll be feeling like a VIP at our accommodation, located on the banks of the mighty Zambezi River. The lifeblood of Victoria Falls is home to hippos, crocodiles and playful elephants, and there's no better way to spot these waterloving creatures than a blissful sunset cruise. **B, D Hotel:** A'Zambezi River Lodge

#### Day 8, Victoria Falls Sightseeing and Free Time

One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World takes centre stage this morning, where a Local Specialist will give a guided tour of Victoria Falls. It will be hard to pull your jaw from the floor as the orld's largest sheet of falling water thunders around you. Later, head out to wander galleries or open-air markets for an evening spent your way. **B** 

#### Day 9. Victoria Falls - Depart Johannesburg

With fond memories of animals, waterfalls, and friendly locals fresh in your mind, your trip around southern Africa's icons will come to an end today. You'll tuck into breakfast, then transfer to Victoria Falls Airport for your included flight o Johannesburg, where your tour ends upon arrival. Please ensure your international flight home departs af er 19:30. **B** 

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Say cheers to Cape Town's growing craft beer scene as you sample some of the city's finest brews over a traditional beach braai (barbecue). You'll quickly see why locals love to cook alfresco.

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From the bright lights of Nairobi to the vast plains of the Maasai Mara, this trip is a fantalising whirlwind of wildlife, culture and natural beauty. Enjoy 5 game drives, spot rare birdlife and keep a look out for the Big 5 as you take in the unparalleled Highlights of Kenya.



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Nothing says safari quite like a sundowner; watching the sun set over the Amboseli landscape with a drink in hand, the perfect end to an extraordinary day.

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Join an expert naturalist for a guided walk to learn more about Lake Elementaita's variety of bird life. Spot up to 50 species, including the lake's resident flamingos and pelicans.

#### MAASAI VILLAGE VISIT

A memorable encounter with the colourful Maasai awaits when you visit a traditional Maasai village and explore their culture and traditions.

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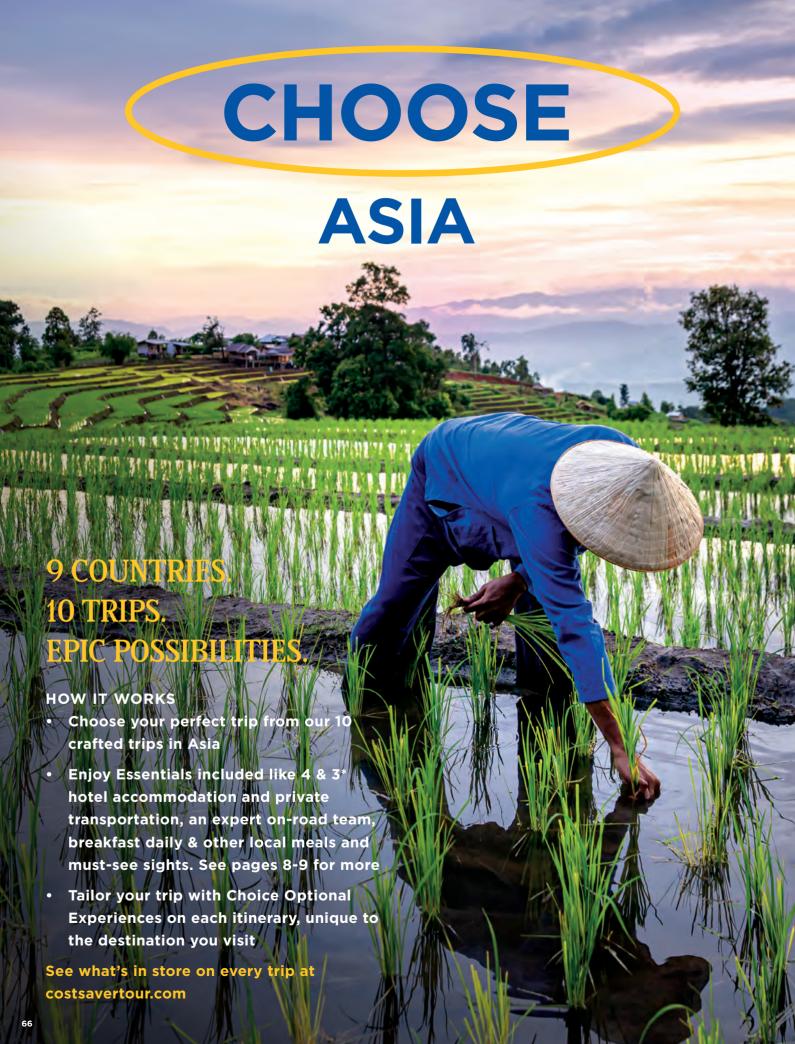
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Cambodia • Discover the wanders and workings of Tonlé Sap Lake by boat.

Bali • Free your mind at a yoga experience in Ubud.

India • Awaken your spirifuality at a Birla Temple Aarti ceremony.



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Scenic adventures embrace mother nature at her best.

Thailand • Admire the skills of resident artists and sip local wine.

Vietnam • Venture through the beautiful Hoi An countryside on two wheels.

Vietnam • Drift and discover your way through the Mekong Delta.



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Thailand • Whizz through the magical streets of Chiang Mai by bike.

Japan • Marvel at the tunnel of bright orange forii gates in Kyoto

Vietnam • Immerse yourself in Vietnamese culture as you explore Saigon.



Experience the many contrasts of Japan, from the modern metropolis of Tokyo to the spectacular beauty of Mt. Fuji and magical Kyoto with its stunning temples and colourful Geisha district. From travelling by bullet train and seeing the cherry blossoms bloom in the springtime, on this 10-day trip you'll gain an understanding of what makes Japan such an unmissable travel destination.

**Tokyo** Visit the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory, Sensoji Buddhist Temple and Nakamise shopping street at Asakusa and the Meiji Jingu Shinto Shrine

**Hakone** View Mt. Fuji and Lake Ashi from the Komagatake Ropeway

Mt Fuji Drive up to the 5th Station for panoramic views

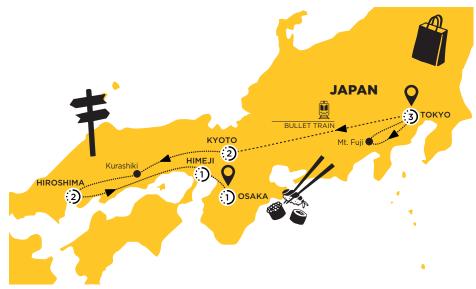
Kyoto Visit Kinkakuji Temple, Heian-jingu shrine and a traditional Japanese handicraft centre Kurashiki Visit the Bikan Historical Quarter Hiroshima Visit Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima island, and the Peace Memorial Park and

Himeji Visit Himeji Castle and a sake brewery en route to Osaka

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#### Day 1, Arrive Tokyo

Welcome to dazzling, futuristic Tokyo, Japan's incredible capital city. One of the most culturally rich cities on earth, Tokyo is the kind of place where every day is a new adventure, and where no two neighbourhoods are the same. Arriving today board your shuttle bus transfer from Tokyo Narita or Haneda Airport. This evening meet up with your Travel Director and fellow explorers for your first taste of Japanese cuisine. D Hotel: Sunshine City Prince

#### Day 2, Tokyo Sightseeing

Today's sightseeing tour will kick o 243 metres above ground at the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory. Step inside a forested inner-city oasis at the Meiji Jingu Shinto Shrine and then visit Asakusa for a glimpse of Old Tokyo. Browse the craft shops along Nakamise Street and visit the Sensoji Buddhist Temple which has been rebuilt countless times since it was founded in the 7th century. This afternoon

and evening it's all about tailoring your trip your way. Perhaps take advantage of our New Hankyu Osaka visit to the Tokyo National Museum and this evening, you could choose to dine local style with dinner at a traditional *izakaya* (Japanese pub). **B** 

#### Day 3, Mt. Fuji and Hakone Sightseeing

You may have seen glimpses of its snowcapped peaks but today you'll get up close to iconic Mt. Fuji. Driving up to the 5<sup>th</sup> Station (weather permitting), catch your breath as you take it all in from 2300 metres above sea level, then travel along the Komagatake Ropeway for incredible views of Lake Ashi. Driving back through Hakone, enjoy the incomparable mountain views before heading back to the city for your last night in Tokyo. **B** 

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#### Day 4, Tokyo - Kyoto

You'll board the bullet train this morning and travel towards Kyoto at speeds of up to 320 kilometres per hour. Starting your sightseeing tour at the Golden Pavilion of Kinkaku-ji, you'll then visit the stunning Heian-jingu shrine together with its 25 metre high torii gate. From here it will be on to a traditional handicraft centre to browse the Japanese crafts, then dinner tonight will be at a local restaurant. B, D Hotel: Kyoto Tower







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#### Day 5, Kyoto Free Day

Today is yours to explore your way, and in beautiful Kyoto there is no shortage of choice. Maybe start your day at the lush green Ginkaku-ji shrine, or head over to the Gion district to catch a glimpse of a geisha. This morning opt to join our **optional** trip to Nara to learn about the art of *bokusho* (ink making), then head on to Todaji Temple and Nara Park, an area taken over by hundreds of free roaming deer. Keen to see a Kyoto icon? Join our **optional** trip to the Fushimi Inari Shrine, where thousands of orange vermilion *torii* gates stretch up the thickly wooded mountain. **B** 



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## TOKYO NATIONAL MUSEUM AND SHOPPING

Browse collections of Japanese art and archaeological objects before browsing the shops in Ameyoko and Ginza.

NARA VISIT AND INK MAKING Known as a place that specialises in the art of bokusho(ink making), watch talented artisans create beautiful masterpieces before heading on to Nara Park.

SECRETS OF HIROSHIMA Start off with oysters for lunch and then visit Shukkeien Japanese Garden and Hiroshima Castle.

DINNER IN DOTONBORI
Visit Osaka's dining and entertainment hub
for a feast of local delights.







#### Day 6, Kyoto - Kurashiki - Hiroshima

Your fir t stop today will be Kurashiki, where you'll meet up with a Local Specialist for a tour around the black and white warehouses of the historic Bikan Quarter before heading on to Hiroshima. Respectfully remembering its catastrophic past whilst looking to the future with optimism, Hiroshima today is a thriving cosmopolitan city with a lot to offer. Tonight, tuck in to okonomiyaki, a type of Japanese savoury pancake and a Hiroshima speciality. **B, D** Hotel: Oriental

#### Day 7, Hiroshima Sightseeing

Today's sightseeing will begin with a ferry ride to the gorgeous island of Miyajima, where you'll visit the 12th century Itsukushima Shrine and see the famous orange torii which appears to be flo ting above the sea. Back in Hiroshima, wander through the quiet, leafy space of the Peace Memorial Park, followed by the sobering Memorial Museum. Your tour will end at the UNESCO listed Peace Memorial, then this afternoon perhaps opt to join our 'Secrets of Hiroshima' **Optional Experience. B** 

#### Day 8, Hiroshima - Himeji

Heading on from Hiroshima, this morning you'll journey on to Himeji. After some free time for lunch, this afternoon you'll then meet up with a Local Specialist to visit the UNESCO listed 400-year-old Himeji Castle. Known as the White Heron Castle, this site is widely considered Japan's most spectacular castle and looking up at its vast size, beauty and immaculate gardens, it won't be hard to see why. **B, D** Hotel: Nikko Himeji

#### Day 9, Himeji - Osaka

Start as you mean to go on today with a visit to a sake brewery accompanied by a Local Specialist. Learn about the history and brewing process of Japan's national drink before heading on to Osaka, a spirited and liberal city. With an afternoon free, perhaps take advantage of our **optional** trip to the Umeda Sky Building and Osaka Castle. This evening and to see out your trip in style, perhaps opt to join our foodie inspired trip to Namba, for a final east of local delights. **B Hotel:** New Hankyu Osaka

#### Day 10, Depart Osaka

Culturally satisfied, oday your trip will come to an end. As you head for the airport for your onward flight, e hope you're leaving with big smiles courtesy of Japan's faultless hospitality. Bon voyage! **B** 

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Hanoi Visit Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, One Pillar Pagoda and Ho Chi Minh's house Halong Sightseeing cruise in Halong Bay including a cooking demonstration on board, a visit to Vung Vieng fishing village and a T'ai-chi

Hoi An Spend the day exploring this ancient town with visits to the Japanese Covered Bridge, the Assembly Hall of the Chaozhou Congregation and the colourful market Nha Trang Cruise to Mun island, enjoy snorkeling in crystal clear water Ho Chi Minh City Visit the Cu Chi Tunnels, view Notre Dame Cathedral, the Central Post O" ce and the former Presidential Palace plus enjoy a free day exploring the city Siem Reap Visit Angkor Wat, Angkor Thom and the markets in the Old Town

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#### Day 1. Arrive Hanoi

Lively, welcoming and fun, Hanoi is a city that's constantly on the move, heartily embracing the future whilst still o' ering architectural glimpses of the past. Arriving today you'll transfer to your hotel then this evening meet up with your Travel Director and fellow guests for your first taste of Vietnam's cuisine at a Welcome Dinner D Hotel: "Silk Path

#### Day 2, Hanoi Sightseeing

Start this morning's sightseeing tour at Ho Chi Minh's Mausoleum, where you'll learn about Vietnam's revolutionary former leader before heading on to visit his traditional stilt house. Next up will be the lotus blossom shaped One Pillar Pagoda, before continuing on to the French built Hoa Lo Prison. Foodies, this afternoon you

could opt to join a locally led walking tour to sample some of Hanoi's best bites. B

#### Day 3, Hanoi - Halong Bay

Swapping concrete jungles for shimmering seas, today you'll head to the soaring limestone pillars of iconic Halong Bay. Boarding your traditional junk boat you'll set sail for Bai Tu Long Bay. Dropping anchor at Thien Canh Son Cave, admire the stalactites hanging from the cave ceiling before returning to the boat for an on-board cooking demonstration and a fragrant dinner feast.

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#### B,~L,~D Hotel:~Huong Hai Sealife Cruise

#### Day 4, Halong Bay - Hanoi - Danang - Hoi An

Start o' today with an on-deck Tai-Chi session, before visiting the floating fishing village of Vung Vieng. Take in the beauty of the boats and the quiet culture of the community who live and work on the water. Heading back to Hanoi to catch your flight to Danang, you'll then transfer to the historic, laid back and beautiful Hoi An.

B, DHotel: Hoi An Historic







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#### Day 5, Hoi An Sightseeing

Start off oday with a sightseeing tour of Hoi An with visits to the pretty 400-year-old Japanese Covered Bridge, the Assembly Hall of the Chaozhou Chinese Congregation, and the colourful market. With an afternoon to tailor your trip your way, you could choose to cycle around Hoi An's delightful countryside, or perfect your Vietnamese cookery skills by joining an optional cooking class led by a local chef. B

#### Day 6, Hoi An - Danang - Nha Trang

From one idyllic setting to the next, this morning you'll be jetting off o the golden sands and turquoise waters of Nha Trang. After settling into your hotel enjoy some free time to relax on the beach or perhaps take a stroll along the promenade. This evening enjoy dinner at a local restaurant. **B**, **D** Hotel: Novotel Nha Trang

#### Day 7, Nha Trang Sightseeing

Pack your sun cream this morning as you'll be boarding a cruise to Mun Island, diving into the turquoise water to explore Vietnam's fir t Marine Protected Area. Home



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AFTERNOON FOODIE TOUR
Slurp Pho Ga and devour Com cake whilst
exploring the sights, smells and flavours of
the Old Town.

HOI AN COUNTRYSIDE CYCLING Cycle along inland trails as you experience Hoi An's delightful countryside.

EXPLORE THE MEKONG DELTA
Pass by the stilt houses of the Mekong
Delta, then hop on board a rowing sampan
as you slowly weave through the network of
small canals.







to 1500 species of fish, ta e your time unearthing this beautiful underwater world before cruising to a nearby island for lunch. Once back at Nha Trang, the afternoon is yours to enjoy as you please. **B, L** 

#### Day 8, Nha Trang - Ho Chi Minh City

Catch your flight o the bright lights of Ho Chi Minh City. Formerly known as Saigon it is a place that throbs with life and boasts one of the best street food scenes in the world. Settle into your hotel, then this evening head out with your fellow guests for a tasty local dinner. **B, D Hotel:** Saigon Prince

#### Day 9, Ho Chi Minh City Sightseeing

The Cu Chi Tunnels are fir t up this morning, where you'll visit a small portion of the 250km network of underground tunnels that were built by Vietnamese figh ers in 1948. Heading back to the city, you'll view the Neo-Romanesque Notre Dame Cathedral, the striking French built Central Post Office, and the former Presidential Palace, a feat of classic 1960's architecture. Later experience the local street coffee culture while having a basic Vietnamese language lesson. **B** 

#### Day 10, Ho Chi Minh City Free Day

There's plenty of possibilities for explorers today. History fans should make a bee line for the War Remnants Museum, whilst a visit to the Jade Emperor Pagoda would reward you with one of the most atmospheric temples in the city. Looking to swap city scenes for lush rice paddies? Perhaps choose to join our **optional** full day trip to the Mekong Delta. **B** 

#### Day 11, Ho Chi Minh City - Siem Reap

It's a happy hello to Cambodia this morning as you catch a flight o Siem Reap, the gateway town to the ancient city of Angkor Wat. After checking in to your hotel, make a bee line for the historic Old Market to browse for textiles, paintings and sculptures before indulging on some delicious Khmer cuisine over a tasty dinner. **B, D Hotel:** Somadevi Angkor Resort & Spa

#### Day 12, Siem Reap Sightseeing

Few travel experiences on earth can match the fir t time you lay eyes on Angkor Wat. Learn about the great Khmer Empire as you explore the intricately carved hallways, then head on to the walled city of Angkor Thom to explore the Bayon Temple and the Terrace of the Elephants. Perhaps take advantage of our **optional** visit to Ta Prohm Temple, best known as the filming loc tion for 'Tomb Raider', or alternatively treat yourself to a lazy afternoon by the hotel pool. **B** 

#### Day 13, Siem Reap Free Day

With the day yours to explore your way perhaps head back to the markets for some last-minute shopping, sample the delicious street food or get to know Siem Reap's artistic side on an **optional** tour of the town's best galleries. Tonight, perhaps celebrate your final night y joining our **optional** dinner and Apsara dance show. **B** 

#### Day 14, Depart Siem Reap

You've explored ancient temples and eaten delicious Vietnamese food, but today your adventure will finall come to an end. Transferring to Siem Reap International Airport, you'll travel on to your next destination.

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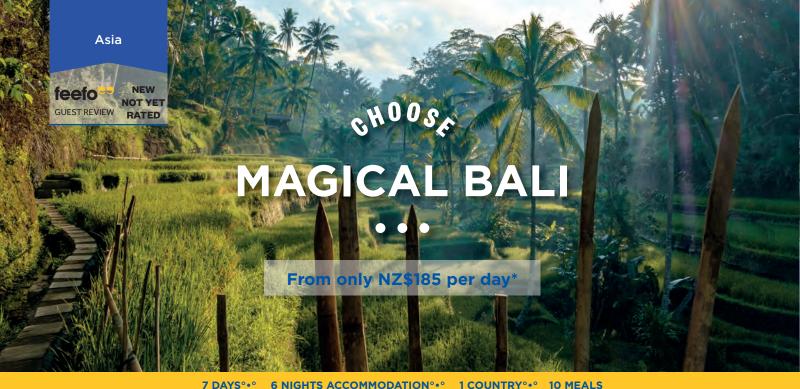
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Mas Village Visit a woodcarving workshop and watch the skilled craftsmen at work Tegallalang View the stunning emerald green rice terraces and visit a co, ee plantation Ubud Visit Puri Saren Agung, a former royal palace and Ubud market

Lake Bratan Visit the Ulun Danu temple on the

Mengwi Visit the Taman Ayun temple, a UNESCO World Heritage Site Tabanan Visit Taman Ayun and Bali's most photographed temple, Tanah Lot **Uluwatu** View Pura Uluwatu Temple perched high above the sea and watch an epic Kecak dance performance

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#### Day 1, Arrive Bali - Ubud

'Om suastiastu' and welcome to beautiful Bali. A place that evokes an image of paradise in name alone, Bali is every beach loving, culture seeking traveller's idea of perfection. Touching down today, you'll transfer to your hotel in the cultural hub of Ubud. Surrounded by lush green rice paddies and a haven for yoga enthusiasts, artists and foodies alike, Ubud is something special. Settle into your hotel this afternoon, then meet up with your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening to get a glimpse of what's to come, before getting to know each other a little better over dinner. D Hotel: Radha Phala Ubud

#### Day 2, Bali Sightseeing

Today will be packed with adventure, so be sure to fuel up at breakfast. We'll kick things o, with a visit to Mas Village and a traditional wood carving workshop, before continuing on to explore the lush green terraces of Tegallalang, one of the most defining views of Bali.

Up next, a visit to a co, ee plantation to learn how our favourite morning beverage is made (with samples, of course), before we move on for a lunch with a digerence. What's the di, erence? Well, when was the last time you tucked into a traditional Balinese meal with a view of a sacred volcano mountain in the background? Still not done with the day, we'll make our way back to Ubud for a visit to 'Puri Saren Agung', or Ubud Palace, the former  $\ensuremath{\text{o}}^{\, \cdot}$  cial residence of the royal family of Ubud. Finally, we'll finish the epic first day of your Bali tour with a trip to Ubud Market, where there's time to shop for locally made art and handicrafts. B.~L

3) SANUR

#### Day 3, Ubud Free Day

Yesterday was a busy one, so today you have the chance to slow down and explore Ubud your way today. With your free time you could choose to visit the famous monkey forest, where over 700 long-tailed grey macaques roam free amongst the temple ruins. Alternatively, you could take part in one of our optional experiences to embrace the true spirit of Ubud. In the morning, perhaps join our cooking class to learn the secrets of traditional Balinese food, or in the afternoon get to know your inner yogi with a spiritual yoga experience, where all levels are welcome, B







#### Day 4, Ubud - Sanui

Beach bliss awaits us in Sanur later today, but not before an action-packed day of sightseeing. The serene 17th century Ulun Danu temple will be our fir t stop, where a temple dedicated to the Goddess of the Waters is built on the small islands of Lake Bratan. From here we'll continue on to Mengwi and the temple of Taman Ayun. Built in 1634, the temple is surrounded by a wide moat and has a series of courtyards which feature a number of Meru (multi-tiered shrines). Still not templed out, our final visit of the d y will be to Bali's most photographed temple, Tanah Lot. Perched precariously on a wave whipped rock, this 16th century icon is still a major crowd pleaser. Feeling culturally satisfied, e'll then end the day to the gentle sound of the waves, in laidback Sanur. B, L Hotel: Prime Plaza Sanur



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AUTHENTIC BALINESE COOKING CLASS Unlock the secrets of Balinese cooking as you gather your fresh ingredients in Ubud market before learning how to create your very own delicious authentic Balinese dishes.

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CATAMARAN CRUISE AND BBQ LUNCH Spend a day on the high seas sailing to the neighbouring island of Nusa Lembongan, where you can snorkel your way through the stunning underwater world of coral reefs and technicolour fish.







#### Day 5, Sanur

Is there any better feeling than waking up knowing that the ocean is just a stone's throw away? And even better – this morning is entirely free for you to do as much, or as little, as you like. Take a dip in the sea, top up your tan, or maybe choose to join our **optional** tour of Bali's capital city, Denpasar, travelling in style in a vintage VW Kombi. This afternoon we'll be heading to Uluwatu, a gorgeous stretch of headland that's also home to the Pura Uluwatu temple, perched high above the sea. This evening, we'll be treated to a traditional Balinese *Kecak* dance performance, before a dinner of fresh seafood is served right on Jimbaran beach. Perfection. **B, D** 

#### Day 6, Sanur Free Day

Another incredible day in Sanur stretches before you this morning, with plenty of **optional experiences** to tailor it your way. Sea lovers won't be able to resist our **optional** full day catamaran and snorkelling cruise to the neighbouring island of Nusa Lembongan, while those who want to learn more about local life could choose to join our Balinese Daily Life experience. A market visit, a trek through the lush rice fields and a visit o an ancient fertility temple are all on the agenda here, offering a unique glimpse into Bali's beautiful culture. This afternoon, take advantage of Sanur's gorgeous seaside location and relax on the beach, then this evening why not see out your trip in style with a final **optional** dinner. **B** 

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Touching down from Bali you'll soon appreciate that no two islands are the same on arrival in incredible Java. As the most populated island on earth and with more than half of Indonesia's people, it's a thrilling change of scene. From rickshaw rides, dance performances, visiting Buddhist sanctuaries and Javanese foodie feasts, you'll spend three days spoilt for choice on ways to make it your own on our Highlights of Bali and Java trip.

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#### Day 7, Depart Bali

And just like that, your magical week in Bali has come to an end. You've explored stunning temples, devoured Nasi Goreng, been the recipient of a thousand warm smiles and made wonderful new friends, and you'll be leaving today feeling satisfied and nostalgic. Transferring to the airport for your onward flight, e'll look forward to seeing you again someday soon. B

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Visit Baan Tong Luang Village, home to the Long Neck Karen hill tribe of Myanmar. Learn about the costumes, traditions and rituals of this ancient community.

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Go local on this cycle ride as exchanging city life for rolling green hills, peaceful paddy fields and fruit orchards in the lush countryside.

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Explore Malacca, a town formally ruled by the Portuguese, Dutch and British before enjoying a traditional Peranakan Nyonya lunch.

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This short Mini Break reveals Singapore's most iconic sights from Marina Bay to the Botanic Gardens and the diverse neighbourhoods of Little India and Chinatown.



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Visit the good time island of Sentosa to learn more about the 37 metre high mythical Merlion statue, then explore the underwater world of the ultra modern S.E.A Aquarium.

#### NIGHT OUT AT MARINA BAY

At Gardens by the Bay watch as Superfree Grove comes alive with a display of sound and light in the Garden Rhapsody Show. Afterwards be amazed at the views from the 200 metre high observation deck of the Marina Bay Sand's Skypark and then end the night with a cruise down the Singapore River on a traditional bumboat.

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A showcase of China's wonders; visit the majestic Great Wall, marvel at the Terracotta Warriors and journey down the Yangtze River and its Three Gorges on this Iconic China trip. This trip will tick all your travel boxes and then some, unlocking the journey you've been waiting for. From magnificent natural and man-made icons mixed with ancient culture, fascinating history and world-class cities to explore, this is China, done your way.



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Mixing traditional martial arts with modern theatre, watch a stunning and daring display of Kung Fu skills.

#### PEKING DUCK BANQUET

Tuck in to China's most famous dish Peking Duck; roasted duck with crispy skin and tender meat inside, accompanied by pancakes and vegetables.

#### ZHUJIAJIAO EXPERIENCE

Visit the ancient water town of Zhujiajiao where historical buildings such as the Qing dynasty post office can still be found.

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16 DAYS • 15 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 26 MEALS

Pack your bags for the odyssey of a lifetime with nothing less than 16 incredible days packed with cultural highlights and ancient wonders. You'll experience all of China's greats, from the lively streets of Shanghai to the colourful cliffs of the Three Gorges region, topping it off with the iconic Stone Forest that always promises to astound and amaze. Exhilarating experiences await at every turn as you dive into the landscapes and lifestyles of the one and only China.



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#### ZHU FAMILY GARDEN POTTERY AND TOFU

Step back in time and visit the Zhu Family Garden, a cultural treasure with its intricate courtyards and hallways. At a local workshop learn about tofu making and afterwards observe expert craftsmen making pottery.

#### DINNER AND DYNAMIC YUNNAN SHOW

Tuck into a tasty regional meal followed by a performance at the Dynamic Yunnan Show which highlights the colourful customs of Yunnan's 25 ethic groups.

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This short Mini Break reveals Hong Kong's most iconic sights from Victoria Peak to Stanley Market and Aberdeen Harbour with its famous floating restaurants.



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#### CITY AND HARBOUR NIGHT CRUISE

Take advantage of the free bar as you cruise Victoria Harbour, then drive up to Victoria Peak for dinner with a sweeping night view for the city and harbour. Finally, finish the evening with a visit to Temple Street Market.

#### **VISIT LANTAU**

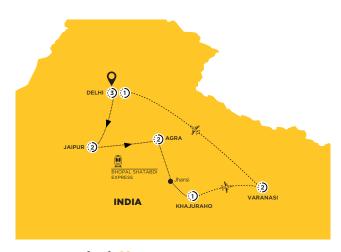
Spot Hong Kong's famous seated buddha statue as you take to the skies in the Ngong Ping cable car, then enjoy lunch in a monastery followed by a visit to Tai O, home to the Tanka fisher folk and their famous stilted houses.

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Get out there and discover why India is something special, from the vibrant streets of Delhi to the Pink City of Jaipur and the sunset romance of the Taj Mahal. Wander through fragrant markets and stunning palaces, discover the history of ancient forts and ruins, and get up close with the incredible culture as you witness sacred ceremonies on the Ganges, this is India, done your way.



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Visit Qutub Minar, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the tallest brick minarets in the world followed by a heritage walk in Mehrauli, the oldest continuously inhabited region in Delhi.

#### THE WORLD OF INDIAN ART

Witness traditional pottery making and block printing on cotton in Sanganer, a cultural hub of India.

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NZ • Star gaze with an astronomer in Aoraki National Park.

Australia • Hear tales of cricketing legends on a four of the iconic MCG.

Australia • Educate yourself at Cooya Beach with an Aboriginal guide.



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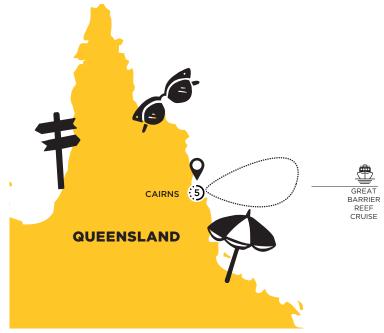
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#### Day 1, Arrive Cairns

Hello explorers, the diverse natural wonderland of tropical Far North Queensland is your home and playground for the next six glorious days. Wrapped in the lush greenery of the ancient Daintree Rainforest and colourful coral of the spectacular Great Barrier Reef, you'll kick things o" in Cairns. Meet up with your Travel Director and fellow travellers in your hotel and get right into your adventure with a walking tour to discover the best tourist attractions in Cairns. Tonight, celebrate the start of the journey with a delectable dinner at Ochre Restaurant, this modern Australian menu features sustainable local produce washed down with Australian wine pairings. D

#### Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton

#### Day 2, Great Barrier Reef

Rise and shine explorers! Sand, sea and sunshine awaits as you set out to explore one of the seven wonders of the natural world on a Great Barrier Reef tour. Set sail on a Sunlover Reef Cruise with a Local Specialist. You'll visit Moore Reef on a catamaran that docks alongside a floating pontoon and join marine biologists, dive instructors and qualified lifeguards for this once-in-a-lifetime experience. The world's largest coral reef system, the reef is home to unique wildlife like parrotfish, green turtles and clown fish in colourful coral. If you wish, you can pull on your snorkelling equipment and be prepared to be blown away at this underwater oasis. If staying dry is more your thing, there's a spectacular glass bottom boat and underwater observatory, where you'll get a frontseat to all the oceanic action and enjoy a tropical lunch. After ticking o" this wonder of the world today, relax and unwind with a night in or graze your way around the buzzing restaurants and cafés along Cairns Esplanade. Cheers! B,~L







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#### Day 3, Tropical Food Trail

Foodies, rejoice! The rich volcanic soil, lush green rolling hills and rainforest around Cairns provide the picture-perfect food trail with plenty of tasty options to choose. You could choose to join an optional full-day tour with Brett's Outback Tasting Adventures. Led by a Local Specialist, you'll make seven stops as you taste your way through growers' markets, cheese factories and coffee plantations. Your foodie adventure doesn't need to stop as the sun goes down. You could end your day at Prawn Star, an old prawn



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from lush rainforest, crops, dairy land and
stunning ochre savannah plains.

## WHERE THE RAINFOREST MEETS THE REEF

Explore the World Heritage Listed Wet Tropics Rainforests of Daintree and Cape Tribulation. This region boasts extraordinary wildlife and is rich in history and culture.

VILLAGE IN THE RAINFOREST
Soar above the rainforest canopy in your
Skyrail Gondola to Kuranda and go back
in time on the historic Kuranda Scenic
Railway.







trawler, with dishes served straight off the bo t. Enjoy an **Optional Experience** to dine on board, soaking in views from the water as you feast on prawns, bugs, crayfish and ysters cooked to order. **B** 

#### Day 4, Ancient Rainforests, Flora and Fauna

Cameras at the ready! Today is the day we can make your travel dreams a reality with an Optional Experience in the Daintree, the world's oldest surviving tropical rainforest. At a whomping 180 million years old, the Daintree Rainforest is a treasured natural wonder that deserves a spot on everyone's Australian Bucket List. See it your way and discover the Daintree, Cape Tribulation and Mossman Gorge on a guided tour, cruising along the Daintree River and joining a guided walk through the rainforest after fuelling up with a delicious lunch. Those who travel for culture and history will find it had to pass up the chance join a local Aboriginal Guide at Cooya Beach to learn more about the Traditional Custodians of the land, visiting the traditional fishing g ounds of the Kuku Yalanji people. With another day coming to an end, you could choose to visit Cairns Night Markets and feast your way around the many stalls and ignite the tastebuds with fresh food options from across the globe right here in Australia. B

#### Day 5, Kuranda, Rail and Sky

We've saved one of the best destinations for last! If you're looking to see even more of this lush landscape, you could choose an Optional Experience to visit the most picturesque town in Australia, the "Village in the Rainforest" Kuranda. You could choose to begin your journey on the Kuranda Scenic Railway, relaxing as this heritage train winds its way up the mountain, framed by dense rainforest and dramatic waterfalls, before exploring the markets and stores at the top. The ride back down is just as thrilling, and as you settle in for a ride on the Skyrail Rainforest Cableway. Ticking off bi ds-eye views, rugged mountains, oceans and the 125m waterfall view of Barron Falls, you'll want to pinch yourself at seeing nature at its best. Tonight, join your Travel Director and fellow travellers at the iconic waterfront restaurant, Salt House. You'll love raising a glass to your adventures on your Queensland tour. This is the life! B. D

#### Day 6. Depart Cairns

Bid farewell to the balmy weather of Far North Queensland, a place like other in the world! **B** 

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Sydney View the Sydney Opera House and Harbour Bridge from the water Sydney Orientation tour includes Mrs. Macquarie's Chair overlooking Sydney Harbour, Hyde Park and Kings Cross Canberra Orientation tour

Canberra Visit the National Museum of Australia with its artefacts representing the multicultural communities of the country Beechworth Visit the quaint former goldmining town and don't forget to call into its famous bakery

Glenrowan Visit this Victorian country town, home to the site of the demise of infamous bushranger Ned Kelly Melbourne Orientation tour

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#### Day 1, Arrive Sydney

Say g'day to Sydney! Once you've checked into your hotel located in the heart of The Rocks, you'll meet your fellow travellers and Travel Director to start your holiday in style with a luxurious lunch cruise, gliding under the Sydney Harbour Bridge and past the Sydney Opera House. This is a travel dream springing to life before your eyes! Back on land you'll explore the must-see sights, including Mrs. Macquarie's Chair, Hyde Park and the edgy nightlife district of Kings Cross and Oxford Street before exploring more of Sydney your way. L Hotel: "Rydges Sydney Harbour

#### Day 3, Explore Sydney Your Way

Outdoor enthusiasts, foodies and thrill seekers will have their pick of **Optional Experiences** to tempt again today. Choose a surfing lesson at Bondi Beach, admire or uncover more of Sydney's culinary scene on a Secret Food Tour or a behind-the-scenes tour of Sydney Fish

#### Day 2, Discover Sydney

Excitement will be at an all-time high today with two of Sydney's iconic day trips to choose if you wish. Nature-lovers will be tempted to join an optional day tour of the Blue Mountains National Park, an oasis of dramatic sandstone cli, s, lush rainforests, cascading waterfalls and the iconic Three Sisters. If good food and wine is more your thing, you could choose to tour Australia's oldest wine region, the Hunter Valley. Back in the city, ask your Travel Director for recommendations of where to head to experience Sydney by night. **B** 







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Market. You could choose to see the city from above, joining Sydney Seaplanes for a flight ver the cityscape before landing on the Hawkesbury River. Here, you can enjoy a tour of Broken Bay Pearl Farm to learn about the oyster and pearl industry before indulging in a picnic hamper and wine. Top off our day with an optional night climb of the Sydney Harbour Bridge. **B** 

#### Day 4, Sydney - Australia's Capital City, Canberra

Arriving in what's affectionately known as The Bush Capital, Canberra is loved for its widespread nature reserves and nearby mountain ranges - but that's not all! Home to Australia's government and Parliament House, impressive museums and an ever-growing food and wine scene, Canberra is quickly becoming one of Australia's top cultural destinations to visit. After our stop at the National Museum of Australia, spend the afternoon getting to know the city your way. Choose to see the



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#### **VISIT THE THREE SISTERS**

Discover the Blue Mountains, home to some of Australia's most dazzling natural attractions including lookouts with sensational views over million-year-old valleys.

#### FUNKY CITY WALKING TOUR

Canberra is a little city with hidden gems and secrets tucked within. Join a passionate Canberran to discover some of these around the city centre.

HIDDEN UNDERGROUND TREASURES
You are led down Melbourne's hidden
laneways and arcades to discover some of
the most interesting street art and outdoor
galleries in the world.







city on two wheels on a self-guided bike ride around Lake Burley Griffin or elax with a Funky City Walking Tour and wine tasting. **B Hotel: Crowne Plaza** 

#### Day 5. Canberra - Beechworth - Wangaratta

Farewell city, hello country Australia! Get a taste of one of Australia's most charming historic towns, Beechworth, taking in the spectacular scenery as we travel to this quaint former gold-mining town, an idyllic escape from the city – and a welcome chance to relax. History enthusiasts could choose to visit Old Beechworth Gaol, taking a walking tour with a local guide to uncover the towns dark past of notorious bushrangers including the infamous Ned Kelly. Foodles and wine connoisseurs could choose to visit one of the many wineries surrounding the town or tuck into a tasting beer paddle at Billson's Brewery. Tonight, we head to Wangaratta, our home for the night. B Hotel: Quality Wangaratta

#### Day 6, Wangaratta - Glenrowan - Melbourne

Rise and shine, you're not finished with hi toric "Kelly Country" just yet. En route to the bright lights of Melbourne we'll tour the town of Glenrowan – home to the site of the final siege and captu e of Ned Kelly in 1880. Next stop: Melbourne! You'll have the rest of the day to explore the artsy laneways, sip on coffee like the locals from boutique cafés and discover something new around every corner. B Hotel: DoubleTree by Hilton

#### Day 7. Explore More of Melbourne

Today offers more **Optional Experiences** to make your travel dreams come true. Keen explorers can choose to set out along Australia's most iconic coastal drive on the Great Ocean Road with a Local Guide. Meanwhile, animal-lovers will no doubt choose to explore the tree-top boardwalks at the Koala Conservation Reserve on Phillip Island. Your tour will be taken to the next level as you witness seeing the world's largest colony of Little Penguins return home from the sea for the night. Back in the city tonight, you're always spoilt for choice. **B** 

#### Day 8, Explore Melbourne Your Way

It's your last day in Melbourne but the good times are far from over! Sports fans won't want to miss a 60-minute guided tour of the Melbourne Cricket Ground, host of events such as the 1956 Olympic Games and the annual Boxing Day Test Match. You could be your own captain for the day and hire a Go Boat (no license required) to cruise along the Yarra River. Back on dry land, you could choose to discover the city with a Melbourne Street Art Tour. For your last night join your fellow travellers for an **Optional Experience** on Melbourne Star Observation Wheel for its 360-degree views. **B** 

#### Day 9, Depart Melbourne

Reflect on our travels over one last breakfast with your group, reminiscing on the golden beaches, scenic country landscapes, amazing food and local culture you've uncovered. **B** 

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Rugged alpine wilderness in the Aoraki Mount Cook National Park, other-worldly beauty in Franz Josef and fast-paced fun in Queenstown: this is the



South Island you've been dreaming of and then some. Kicking off and finishing up in Christchurch, you'll tick off the very best bucket list experiences a New Zealand four can offer, failored by you.

**Christchurch** Sightseeing includes the Transitional Cathedral - you'll see what it's made of

Mount Cook Scenic Drive through the Southern Alps and along the shores of Lake Pukaki

Mount Cook Orientation tour

Cromwell Visit a local orchard to taste its delicious stone fruit

Arrowtown Visit this historic faithfully restored gold-mining settlement

Queenstown Orientation tour

Franz Josef Orientation tour

Franz Josef Scenic Drive through spectacular contrasting landscapes of alpine forests and vivid blue lakes<sup>\*</sup>

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Day 1, Christchurch - Mount Cook

Welcome to the spectacular South Island! Meet your Travel Director and the rest of the group before kicking o, your week-long southern adventure with a Christchurch tour. You'll soon see how the Garden City gets its nickname, and discover how it's rebuilding after the devastating earthquakes of 2010 and 2011. You'll marvel at the ingenuity of the locals as you visit the Transitional Cathedral in Latimer Square - the world's only cathedral made substantially of cardboard! Now the mountains are calling as we journey towards the scenic Southern Alps and along

the shores of Lake Pukaki before arriving in Aoraki Mount Cook National Park, Here, we'll spend two nights in the serene Hermitage Lodge, enjoying a welcome dinner together. Later, kick the adventures o, with an optional visit to the world-renowned Aoraki Mackenzie Dark Sky Reserve. Taking a mesmerising journey through the cosmos with an expert astronomy guide, you'll be seeing stars! D Hotel: Hermitage

#### Day 2, Mount Cook Sightseeing

No, you're not dreaming! But waking up surrounded by mountains in the breathtaking Aoraki Mount Cook National Park will have you living out your ultimate travel fantasies. Today is all about showing you the best of the South Island's must-see natural wonders your way. You could choose to set sail on a unique







boat tour across a glacial lake to view the towering Tasman Glacier or explore the stunning scenery of the Tasman Valley and National Park with an overland adventure in a 4WD. The choice doesn't end as the sun goes down; you could opt to swap travel stories with the group at an optional dinner in the luxurious Panorama Room at the Hermitage. **B** 

#### Day 3. Mount Cook - Queenstown

Settle in for a scenic drive travelling south over the Lindis Pass through Central Otago, known for striking landscapes, delicious wine and the world's adventure capital Queenstown. Our fir t stop on this scenic drive is historic Cromwell, where you'll take in views



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EXPERIENCE THE UNFORGETTABLE Surrounded by snow-capped alps, you will be expertly guided through the ice age as you view the gigantic Tasman Glacier Ice wall, icebergs and the chance to embrace mother nature's legacy.

CRUISE ON THE EIGHTH WONDER From thundering waterfalls to sky-high mountains and lush rainforests, a cruise is the perfect way to experience Milford Sound to the fullest.

A UNIQUE JETBOATING EXPERIENCE
Escape into the heart of the mighty Haast
Valley in a powerful fully enclosed jetboat
as you follow the braided river passing
ancient untouched forests, snow capped
mountains and giant waterfalls.







of the sparkling Lake Dunstan and call in at a local orchard for a taste of the town's delicious stone fruit before making a stop at the faithfully restored goldmining settlement of Arrowtown. After an exhilarating journey, excitement will be at an all-time high as we pull into Queenstown! Get your bearings around this alpine town and its glorious lakeside setting before arriving at your accommodation. Tonight is about exploring Queenstown, your way. If you're feeling Lake Wakatipu calling your name, you're in luck! You could choose to cruise across the lake on a vintage steamship to feast on a gourmet BBQ dinner on the Walter Peak High Country Farm or back in town you could relax and sayour the lakeside scene over a glass of tasty Central Otago wine. B Hotel: Holiday Inn **Express** 

#### Day 4, Queenstown Your Way

Thrillseekers, foodies, and outdoor enthusiasts are all in for a treat, today is all about taking in Queenstown and its world-famous adventures how you choose. Movie buffs can get the be t of both worlds on a scenic tour of Glenorchy to discover iconic Lord of the Rings filming loc tions, while today also offers the chance to tick a must-see South Island icon off our bucket list and join the day trip to the Fiordland National Park, cruising through the showstopping Milford Sound. Wine-lovers can opt to join a Boutique Wine Tour of Queenstown, sampling Central Otago's signature Pinot Noir and more. With so many unforgettable ways to explore Queenstown find a pla e to grab a bite and raise a glass to another incredible day. **B** 

#### Day 5, Queenstown - Franz Josef

Today is all about stunning scenery as we make our way to the glacial village of Franz Josef. Travelling further into Central Otago, keep your eyes peeled for the vivid blue waters of Lake Hawea and Lake Wanaka before we travel over Haast Pass, where you can choose to join the Haast River Safari to explore the breathtaking Te Wāhipounamu World Heritage Area. Continuing our journey, we'll see the impressive drop of Thunder Creek Falls and the grand sight of Mt. Hooker, flan ed by extensive glaciers, before we reach our destination in Franz Josef Glacier. Make the most of your afternoon in Franz Josef and, weather permitting, choose to join a once-in-alifetime helicopter ride over the glacier. Or how about a visit to the reinvigorating Glacier Hot Pools? B, D Hotel: Scenic

#### Day 6. Franz Josef - Christchurch

It's our final full d y together on the South Island, but we're not done with show-stopping sights just yet! First, relax with a stroll through the small but lively village of Franz Josef. Later, you'll explore the driftwood strewn beaches of Hokitika before travelling inland to the small settlement of Arthur's Pass for one last photo-worthy stop. Finishing off our journ y in Christchurch, you'll join your Travel Director, Driver and the group for dinner. **B, D Hotel: Rendezvous** 

#### Day 7, Depart Christchurch

With countless adventures under your belt it's time to say goodbye to the group over one last breakfast. **B** 

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Optional Experiences across the USA
& Canada, take a look what's offered
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fl xibility to simply choose, book and
pay on your holiday.



Tap your way through music history, or take to the streets for foodie faves? Get down with mother nature by land... or sea or steam your way down the Mississippi River. Here are a few ideas of what's waiting for you. Look out for the symbols above and opposite on costsavertour.com. Do it your way.



#### **CHOOSE FOOD**

Cure your curiosity with

USA • Treat the taste buds to

Canada • Try your hand at a Bagel making workshop.

Canada • Eaf and greef on an Afhabasca dinner & discovery four.



#### **CHOOSE ADVENTURE**

Get your adrenalin fix with

USA • Raft down Snake River inside Grand Teton National Park.

Canada • Take a deep breath then take on Banff's Via Ferrata climb.

USA • Take to the skies on a North Canyon chopper tour.



#### **CHOOSE HISTORY**

leave no stone unturned.

USA • Stand in awe on a Hoover Dam classic four.

USA • Live like royalty at Natchez Pilgrimage - Stanton Hall.

Canada • Hop aboard an educational four of Calgary City and Heritage Park.



#### **CHOOSE RELAX**

Treat yourself with choices that get you to go-slow.

USA • Glide along the Mississippi by steamship to the sounds of jazz.

USA • Get snapping on a breathtaking tour of Sedona.

Canada • Tee off at Fairmont Banff Springs Golf Course.



#### **CHOOSE NATURE**

mother nature at her best.

Canada • Hang with giants on a Victoria whale watching excursion.

USA • Take a stroll in the majestic Muir Woods National Monument.

Canada • We're going on a bear hunt in Whistler Olympic Park.



#### CHOOSE CULTURE

Satisty your cultural side as you travel.

USA • Get your groove on at the Rock & Soul Museum + Blues City Café.

USA • Wind back the clock with an Amish buggy ride and dinner.

Canada • Learn the art of curling then test your skills.



12 DAYS° •° 11 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION° •° 1 COUNTRY° •° 1 MEALS

#### **ESSENTIAL HIGHLIGHTS**

Starting and ending in
Vancouver, this trip will take
you straight to the heart of the
Canadian Rockies. You can
opt to soar through the skies
over Whistler, cruise across
ethereal Maligne Lake and
ride an Ice Explorer across a
glacier on your way to UNESCO World
Heritage listed Banff, the ideal adventure
for lovers of the great outdoors.

Vancouver Explore Gastown, Stanley Park and Prospect Point, Chinatown
Whistler Iconic Breakfast at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultual Centre
Whistler Discover the largest skiable area in North America which helped co-host the 2010 Winter Olympics
Icefields Parkway Travel along the Columbia

Icefield before riding a giant Ice Explorer across Athabasca Glacier

Lake Louise Admire the soaring mountain peaks, the majestic Victoria Glacier and glistening lake

**Banff** View stunning mountains, waterfalls and hoodoos on your introductory sightseeing tour

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#### Day 1, Arrive Vancouver

Welcome to outdoorsy, nature loving Vancouver! Meet your Travel Director this afternoon, then head out and uncover the city's many delights. Take a stroll through Stanley Park, or graze your way around Vancouver's diverse culinary scene. Hotel: "Westin Wall Centre Vancouver Airport

#### Day 2, Vancouver - Victoria

During this morning's tour you'll visit the historic Gastown, buzzy Chinatown, and the iconic Stanley Park, before jumping on the ferry bound for Vancouver Island. You'll get your bearings on a tour of the city's waterfront, bustling downtown and key sights. **Hotel: Days Inn Uptown** 

#### Day 3, Victoria Sightseeing and Free Time

Start the day amid the blossoms at the world famous Butchart Gardens. The rest of the day is yours to explore as you like.

#### Day 4, Victoria - Whistler

Today kick o" seaside Chemainus, Georgia Strait by ferry, and the iconic Sea-to-Sky Highway where cascading waterfalls, jagged mountain peaks accompany you all the way to alpine Whistler. **Hotel: "Crystal Lodge** 

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#### Day 5, Whistler Free Time

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Explore this stunning adventure playground your way. Go hiking or biking or make the day your own with Optional Experiences.







#### Day 6, Whistler - Sun Peaks

Start the day at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Center where you'll learn about First Nations culture through food and music. Later, follow the well trodden and once treacherous Cariboo Wagon Trail before reaching Sun Peaks, one of Canada's best loved ski resorts. IC Hotel: Sun Peaks Lodge

#### Day 7, Sun Peaks - Jasper

Fall in love with prairie provinces on our way to Jasper. in the heart of Jasper National Park, UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the most beautiful protected wildernesses in the world. Tonight you could choose to dine at Beckers Gourmet Restaurant on the beautiful Athabasca River followed by a twilight wildlife tour. **Hotel: Lobstick Lodge** 

#### **Day 8. Jasper National Park Free Time**

Step outside, smell the fresh mountain air and let the prospect of a full day of exploring bring a smile to your face. Opt for some of our more active optionals to truly experience the wonders of Jasper.



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#### **SUPERFLY ZIPLINES^**

Soar at speeds of up to 100km (over 60 miles) per hour over the Whistler wilderness as you zipline one of the longest lines in all of Canada.

INDIGENOUS CULTURE FIRESIDE CHAT Fireside chat with a local Cree Indigenous Knowledge Keeper through drumming, singing and interactive storytelling.







#### Day 9, Jasper - Icefields arkway - Lake Louise -Banff

Explorer before we visit the 'Jewel of the Rockies', the vibrant turquoise Lake Louise before arriving in Banff. Hotel: Banff Caribou Lodge and Spa

#### Day 10, Banff Sightseeing and F ee Time

Unlock Banff our way. Hike in the National Park or head to the skies with optional helicopter flights ( eather dependent), or a Gondola ride to the very top of Sulphur Mountain.

#### Day 11, Banff - ernon

Climbing high to cross the Continental Divide at Kicking Horse Pass, you'll stop at the Spiral Tunnels before

#### **NOT DONE YET? HOLLAND AMERICA ALASKAN CRUISE ADD ON**

As if a trip to the Canadian Rockies isn't amazing enough, supersize your holiday with this 7 day Inside Passage cruise starting and ending in Vancouver. You'll traverse Alaska's wild and rugged landscapes by land and sea, see the dramatic glaciers at the end of the Tracy Arm Fjord, explore Skagway, Glacier Bay National Park and Ketchikan to name just a few. This is your chance to get up close and personal with Mother Nature at its best, don't miss out!

7 Days • 20 Meals • Trip code: SPCRI/Z/V

Crunch your way across the Athabasca Glacier in an Ice

#### Day 12, Vernon - Depart Vancouver

tasting. Hotel: Sandman

Heading west, drive along the Fraser River Valley to our final top. Vancouver.

travelling through three beautiful national parks, slowly

descending to Okanagan Valley for a winery tour and

Airport arrival will be at approximately 1:30 p.m., please be aware when booking your flights

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#### **ROCKY MOUNTAINEER SILVERLEAF** ADD ON

All aboard for a sensational two-day journey on the luxury Rocky Mountaineer. Enjoy the good life without worrying about a thing as you journey through Canada's spectacular Rocky Mountains, including Mount Robson, Canada's highest peak!

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**Trip code: SPCR** 



It's about taking Canada from all angles as you discover if your way. Starting off in trendy Toronto, visit romantic Québec City, contemporary Montréal, dramatic Banff and outdoorsy Vancouver, all via the snowcapped peaks of the Rocky Mountain range. Be charmed, be amazed, and be left speechless by this country's impossible beauty.

Niagara Falls See the American and Canadian side of the falls aboard a cruise Prince Edward County Visit Campbell's

Orchard in Prince Edward County for a farm tour and a cider tasting.

Québec Iconic Breakfast at a cabane à sucre (Sugar Shack) where you'll learn how maple syrup is made

Montréal Embark on a city tour led by a Local Specialist

Banff View stunning landscapes on a sightseeing tour

Jasper Spend two nights in the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Jasper, your gateway to

Victoria Iconic Breakfast at world-famous Butchart Gardens in the Blue Poppy Restaurant with light pouring in through skylights and

Vancouver Sightseeing includes Gastown, Chinatown, Stanley Park and Prospect Point

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#### Day 1, Arrive Toronto

Welcome to the world's most multiculturally diverse city, Toronto. Meet your Travel Director at your hotel, then you have the option to wander around the district's openair markets which will no doubt get tummies rumbling. For dinner why not head to nearby Kensington Market, arguably the most diverse of all the city's neighbourhoods. Hotel: Chelsea Hotel Toronto

#### Day 2, Niagara Falls Excursion

Today is sure to o er excitement as you're o to Niagara Falls! Get up close on a cruise to Horseshoe Falls, allowing you to see both the Canadian and American sides. Back in Toronto later you could test your head for heights with an Optional Experience at the mighty CN Tower.

#### Day 3, Toronto - Kingston - Ottawa

Leaving Toronto behind this morning, enjoy a drive alongside Lake Ontario as you head to Kingston. Visit Campbell's Orchard in Prince Edward County today for a farm tour and a cider tasting. Next, continue to Kingston where you may take an optional 1000 Islands cruise, or enjoy some leisure time. Finish today north of the Ottawa River in charming Gatineau. Hotel: Quality Inn and Suites Gatineau

#### Day 4, Ottawa Sightseeing

After a tour of Ottawa, your day is at leisure. Perhaps join an Optional Experience at the Museum of History, including an authentic Pow-wow dance performed by First Nations members. Participate in a beading workshop and learn about the Storyboot Project, a partnership between Manitoba Mukluks and our TreadRight Foundation.

#### Day 5. Ottawa - Québec City

Timeless Québec City is up next. No doubt itching to explore your way, why not unearth the city's gastronomic side today in Saint-Roch. Hotel: "Universel

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#### Day 6, Quebec City Sightseeing and Free Time

Join a Local Specialist this morning for a tour of the UNESCO World Heritage listed Old Town, falling in love as you admire the Citadel and the Chateau Frontenac. This afternoon choose to explore your way or continue your love a, air with our Optional Experiences.







#### Day 7, Québec City - Montréal

Breakfast today is at a traditional cabane à sucre, to learn how maple syrup is made. Next up on our adventure, Montréal, where our Local Specialist will teach you the ins and outs of this UNESCO World Heritage site designated 'City of Design'. IC Hotel: Sandman

#### Day 8, Montréal - Toronto

Travelling back to Toronto with a full day ahead, the choice is yours. Perhaps head to Parkdale and immerse yourself in the diverse community spirit and delicious West Indian food, the choices are engless and plentiful Hotel: Chelsea

#### Day 9, Toronto - Calgary

Transferring to Toronto Pearson International Airport, you'll catch your flight o big hearted, honky tonk loving Calgary. **Hotel: Ramada Plaza Downtown** 

#### Day 10, Calgary Free Time

Hello Calgary! You could head over to Prince's Island Park for a hike or enjoy the view from the 191-metre-high (627 foot) Calgary Tower. For a glimpse of Calgary of old head to the Heritage Park Historical Village.

#### Day 11, Calgary - Banff

Today you'll learn fir t-hand why Banff is amed for dramatic vistas, a taste of which you'll get on a sightseeing tour along



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#### MT. ASSINIBOINE TOUR

Fly over 'the Matterhorn' of the Canadian Rockies, getting so close to the peak of the 1524 metre (5000 foot) glacier you'll almost be able to touch it!

#### MALIGNE LAKE CRUISE

Set sail on the largest glacially fed lake in the Canadian Rockies heading for Spirit Island, the crown jewel of Jasper National Park.







Tunnel Mountain Drive, spotting sights such as Cascade Mountain and the surreal hoodoos. **Hotel: Banff Caribou Lodge and Spa** 

#### Day 12. Banff F ee Time

Take advantage of our **Optional Experiences** to unlock this region your way. With helicopter flights on o er that will have you soaring over peaks, ranges and glaciers, Banff National Park promises to be memorable, or just relax and take in the fresh mountain air!

#### Day 13, Banff - I efields arkway - Jasper

This morning stop at world-renowned Lake Louise and admire this turquoise lake. Next is the Columbia Icefiel where you ride aboard an Ice Explorer up to and on to Athabasca Glacier. Today ends right in the middle of Jasper National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Hotel: Lobstick Lodge

#### Day 14, Jasper National Park Free Time

How will you spend your day in Jasper National Park?
Perhaps our **Optional Experience** flo t trip^ down the
Athabasca River, or a guided walk on the "Path of the
Glaciers". Have your heart set on exploring beautiful Maligne
Lake? Then a boat cruise to Spirit Island has your name all

#### Day 15, Jasper - Sun Peaks

Continue your journey through Jasper National Park, passing Mount Robson, the highest peak in the Canadian Rockies, en route to Sun Peaks. **Hotel: Sun Peaks Lodge** 

#### Day 16, Sun Peaks - Victoria

Drive to the coast and board the ferry for the crossing to Vancouver Island. Then, it is a short distance to Victoria, the capital of British Columbia where a sightseeing tour of the city will take you along the waterfront district and into the downtown area, passing the Parliament Buildings, Government Street and through Beacon Hill Park. Hotel: Red Lion Inn and Suites

#### Day 17, Victoria Free Time

Breakfast this morning is a real treat - you'll be heading to the world famous Butchart Gardens in the Blue Poppy Restaurant. There will be time to visit before the gardens are open to the public before returning to Victoria where you could join our Whale Watching **Optional Experience. IC** 

#### Day 18. Victoria - Vancouver

Reaching the outdoorsy city of Vancouver, we'll tour historic Gastown, vibrant Chinatown and the much-loved Stanley Park. Later, relax or take advantage of our Capilano Suspension Bridge Optional Experience. Hotel: Westin Wall Centre Vancouver Airport

#### Day 19, Depart Vancouver

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No doubt leaving with happy memories of warm Canadian hospitality, your trip comes to an end today. Head to Vancouver International Airport or use our transfer if you have purchased your airline ticket from Costsaver. Guests extending on Holland America Alaska Inside Passage will be transferred to Canada Place Cruise Ship Terminal.

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Discover the Californian lifestyle while traveling through this state that is also called the Golden State. Get stars in your eyes in glitzy Hollywood, feel the force of nature at the Grand Canyon and road trip down one of the most iconic roads in American history, all in two weeks, on California and the Golden West.

Los Angeles Feel like a movie star as you stroll down the Hollywood Walk of Fame and Santa Monica

**Grand Canyon National Park** Witness the grandeur of the Grand Canyon, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with your Local Specialist

Las Vegas Explore this entertainment-filled city with its grand hotels and shops
Yosemite National Park Take in the breathtaking views of the valley floor
San Francisco Get familiar with Fisherman's Wharf, Union Square and Chinatown
San Francisco Iconic Breakfast at the famous Boudin Bakery, a local institution since 1849
Carmel Visit Carmel-by-the-Sea and stroll

**Monterey** Learn about Steinbeck's infamous Cannery Row

down Ocean Avenue

Santa Barbara Unwind in this Mediterranean style resort town along the coast and discover the downtown area

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#### Day 1, Arrive Los Angeles

Welcome to the land where it's always sunny, Los Angeles, California. You'll meet up with your Travel Director in the afternoon before getting to know Anaheim/Los Angeles, your home for the next two nights. You'll find plenty of dining and entertainment options with Disneyland nearby. Hotel: 'Clarion Anaheim Resort

#### Day 2, Los Angeles Sightseeing and Free Time

This morning's sightseeing tour will show you the glitz of LA, visiting Beverly Hills, Santa Monica, Sunset Boulevard,

and the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Explore on your own at leisure this afternoon.

#### Day 3, Los Angeles - Phoenix

Departing Los Angeles, and pass by the San Gorgonio Pass Wind Farm. It features thousands of wind turbines that power the Coachella Valley resort towns. You'll finish up today in laid back Flagsta'. Hotel: "Hampton Inn and Suites Phoenix Downtown

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#### Day 4, Phoenix - Sedona - Flagsta°

Heading North out of Phoenix, you will witness the impressive saguaro cacti in their arid habitat. As you make your way to the small town of Sedona you will notice the red rock landscape provides a stunning backdrop for artists and craftsmen alike. From Sedona to Flagsta', you will pass through the heart of Oak Creek Canyon. B Hotel: 'Days by Wyndham'







#### Day 5, Flagstaff - G and Canyon

Start today with one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World, the UNESCO World Heritage listed Grand Canyon. Discover the geological formation of the Canyon with our Local Specialist, and then explore it further on your own. You'll finish up oday in laid back Flagstaff.

#### Day 6, Flagstaff - Hi toric Route 66 - Las Vegas

Get your kicks on Route 66! A classic road trip route, you'll stop by the iconic outposts of Seligman and Kingman for photos and a taste of all things Americana, before arriving in fabulous Las Vegas Hotel: Rio All Suite Hotel and Casino

#### Day 7, Las Vegas Free Time

With a full day in Sin City, how will you spend it? Visit the casinos, wander 'The Strip', take in an iconic show biz performance, or choose from our list of **Optional Experiences** to see a different side of Vegas.

#### Day 8, Las Vegas - Visalia

Leaving Vegas, travel on through the dramatic Mojave Desert and continuing into the San Joaquin Valley,



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## GRAND KINGDOM ECOSTAR HELICOPTER FLIGHT^

Fly the ultra new, ultra quiet EC 130 helicopter over the mighty Grand Canyon, taking in the beauty of both the Eastern and Northern sides.

LAS VEGAS SIGHTS AND LIGHTS
Experience the bright lights, wedding
chapels and high rolling casinos of the
buzzing Las Vegas Strip by night on this
evening of surprises.







you'll finish oday in the old town charm of Visalia. **Hotel: Wyndham Visalia** 

#### Day 9, Visalia - Yosemite National Park - Modesto

Today is all about Yosemite, a UNESCO World Heritage site. America's third oldest national park is all green valleys, cascading waterfalls and pine scented forests, framed by iconic Half Dome and the imposing El Capitan. Soak it all in, before finishing up oday in Modesto.

Hotel: Doubletree by Hilton

#### Day 10. Modesto - San Francisco

Today, you'll cross The Bay Bridge into San Francisco, the 'City by the Bay'. This afternoon's sightseeing will take you to Fisherman's Wharf, the Palace of Fine Arts, the lush Presidio area and Italian influen ed North Beach. This evening join our **Optional Experience**, a walking tour of America's oldest Chinatown, followed by a delicious family style Chinese feast. **Hotel: Parc 55 by Hilton** 

#### Day 11, San Francisco Free Time

Today you're off o Boudin Bakery, producers of San Fran's best sourdough since 1849 for an Iconic Breakfast, explore the rest of today, your way. Join an **Optional Experience** to the Golden Gate Bridge, followed by a visit to the pretty seaside community of Sausalito. Alternatively, take a cruise around Alcatraz Island or venture out to Muir Woods to admire the towering, ancient redwood trees that grow here. **IC** 

# Day 12, San Francisco - Monterey - Carmel - San Luis Obispo

Your fir t stop today is Spanish and Mexican influen ed Monterey, before heading to Carmel-by-the-Sea for a stroll along timeless Ocean Avenue. Visit Cannery Row to learn about the city's former sardine canning business that was immortalized through John Steinbeck's novel of the same name. Finish up today in San Luis Obispo. Hotel: The Kinney, Tapestry Collection by Hilton

#### Day 13, San Luis Obispo - Santa Barbara

Venturing into the scenic wine country of the Central Coast this morning, you'll drive through rolling hills peppered with wineries before arriving into Santa Barbara. **B Hotel: Ramada by Wyndham** 

#### Day 14, Santa Barbara - Depart Los Angeles

Enjoy the drive along the coast to Los Angeles. Stop by Venice Beach for one final dose of vitami sea, before your trip comes to end at Los Angeles International Airport. **B** 

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Kicking off in politically charged Washington DC and ending in the city that never sleeps, New York, this 8-day trip is the ideal blend of unique cultures, natural phenomenons and blockbuster icons. See the White House, Empire State Building and high flying Wall Street, learn about the Amish way of life as you travel through Pennsylvania, and feel the full force of mighty Niagara Falls as you cross the border into Canada. If variety is what you're looking for, this trip is the one for you.

Washington, D.C. Snap photos of some of the most iconic buildings, monuments and memorials in D.C., including the Lincoln, World War II Memorials, the White House and the U.S. Capitol building

Lancaster Learn about a simpler way of life from the Amish people with a Local Specialist Niagara Falls Cruise to the base of the breathtakingly beautiful and powerful Horseshoe Falls

New York City Sightseeing with a Local Specialist to see Broadway, the Empire State Building, the Chrysler Building, Wall Street and the 9/11 Memorial

**New York City** Iconic Breakfast at Brooklyn Diner, a classic New York diner, for a real Americana experience

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#### Day 1, Arrive Washington, D.C.

As the nation's capital, you've certainly chosen an iconic spot to begin your 8-day adventure. After settling in to your hotel you'll meet up with your Travel Director this afternoon, then why not pay a visit to bustling Georgetown for a wander round the shops and restaurants. Hotel: "Courtyard Washington DC/U.S. Capitol

#### Day 2, Washington DC Sightseeing and Free Time

You'll kick things o today with a sightseeing tour of icons including the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument and of course, the White House, This

afternoon, perhaps indulge your cultural side at the Smithsonian Institution, or join one of our **Optional Experiences** including a visit to George Washington's Mount Vernon Estate.

#### Day 3, Washington, D.C. - Lancaster

Today you'll travel back in time as we head into Pennsylvania Dutch farm country, home to the Amish. Spot traditional horse and buggies as you take in the rural surroundings, before meeting our Local Specialist who will share all about the lifestyle of the Amish community. Tonight, why not join an **Optional Experience** for an Amish family-style dinner at Good 'n' Plenty, serving authentic Pennsylvania Dutch meals since 1969. **Hotel:** "Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square"

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#### Day 4, Lancaster - Niagara Falls, Canada

Travelling northwest today, you'll journey along the surging Susquehanna River as you cross the western region of New York State. Passing through the Appalachian Mountains and no doubt in utter awe of









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#### **AMISH BUGGY RIDE**

Step back in time as you ride through the Amish countryside on a traditional horse drawn buggy.

## NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE AND ICEWINE TASTING

Visit the cute shops and cafes of pretty Niagara-on-the-Lake, before tasting the critically acclaimed 'icewine' that the region is famous for.

#### FOOD CART TOUR

2-hour walking four that explores the past and present of New York's street food industry and the challenges of running these thriving but demanding small businesses. Each four includes generous tastings from some of the best food carts and trucks in New York City. Includes 5-6 tastings, start in midtown or financial district. A percentage of all ticket sales are donated to the Street Vendor project.

#### NYC LANDMARKS CRUISE

Capture the essence of New York City while learning from the experts! Our witty and educational guides have the stories and history of Manhattan as you see all of midtown, downtown, the bridges and the iconic Statue of Liberty. Approx. 1.5 hours. Sailing all year round.







the scenery around you. It will be cheers all round as you venture onto Canadian soil, arriving into Niagara Falls late this afternoon. This evening, we imagine anticipation levels will be rising as you look forward to the natural spectacle that tomorrow will bring. You can also opt for 3-course dinner at Skylon Tower's Revolving Dining room with views above Niagara Falls. Hotel: Best Western Plus Cairn Croft

#### Day 5, Niagara Falls Sightseeing and Free Time

This morning is all about one thing, Niagara Falls! 750,000 gallons of water thunder over the falls every second, and we'll be getting you up close on a cruise to Horseshoe Falls, allowing you to see both the Canadian and American sides. After your cruise, take an optional helicopter flight ver the Falls. You could also choose our **Optional Experience** to visit one of Ontario's prettiest towns, Niagara-on-the-Lake, for a tasting of 'icewine'

#### Day 6, Niagara Falls - New York City

Today you'll journey back across the border through leafy upstate New York. Passing the Poconos Mountains and into the lush farmlands of New Jersey, you'll arrive in New York late this afternoon. Keen to discover the city's foodie scene? From gourmet food trucks to Michelin Star restaurants, the city that never sleeps ensures you'll never go hungry. Hotel: Holiday Inn New York City - Times Square

#### Day 7, New York City Sightseeing and Free Time

We hope you're hungry as for breakfast you're heading to an NYC institution, the Brooklyn Diner for an iconic breakfast. Fuel up, then head out with our Local Specialist to discover New York through their eyes with the secrets behind some of Manhattan's most iconic sites including Broadway, the Top of the Rock, leafy Greenwich Village, fast paced Wall Street and the sobering 9/11 Memorial. This afternoon, it's all about discovering New York, your way. Head over to trendy Brooklyn, catch a show on Broadway, or take your own bite out of the Big Apple with our tantalizing list of Optional Experiences. IC

#### Day 8, Depart New York City

With fond memories of spectacular waterfalls, political icons and delicious icewine still fresh in your mind, your trip will come to an end this morning. Why not head out for one final c eam cheese bagel and stroll around Central Park before heading to the airport, or if you're not ready to say goodbye just yet, why not extend your

stay at the Holiday Inn New York City - Times Square for a few more days. In a city as varied and wonderful as New York, you're never short of new things to discover.

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Fall Foliage: Enjoy spectacular fall foliage colours on the September and October departures (Mother Nature permitting).

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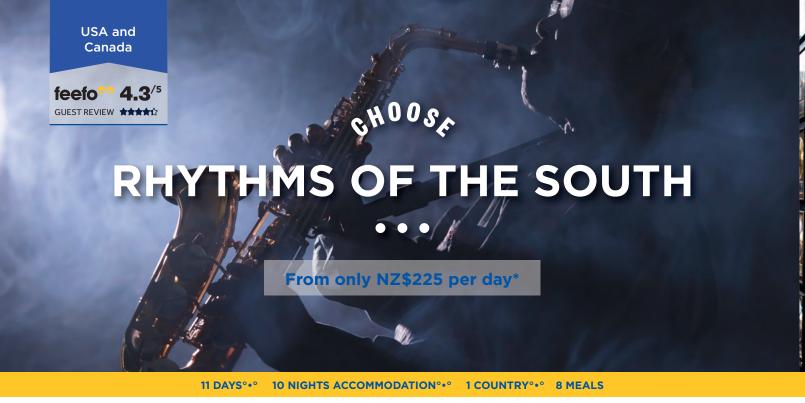
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Shake, ratile and roll your way through the musically influenced southern cities of America. Starting off in the country music Mecca of Nashville, you'll toe tap your way towards Memphis, then head on to the life and soul of the party, New Orleans. Sunny smiles and musical legends will all ensure you leave the south with a very full heart.

Nashville Explore Studio B, the Country Music Hall of Fame and enjoy an evening at the Grand Ole Opry

Memphis Iconic Breakfast at Memphis' oldest café for a typical Southern-style breakfast Memphis Visit Sun Studios where Elvis recorded some of his revolutionary albums before heading to his home, Graceland, to tour the mansion

Natchez Learn about the history of the South's Antebellum estates

New Orleans Spend the early afternoon with a Local Specialist touring the downtown area and Garden District before visiting one of the above-ground cemeteries

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#### Day 1, Arrive Nashville

Good old fashioned Southern hospitality, charm and big smiles from locals will welcome you to 'Music City', otherwise known as Nashville. Settle into your hotel and meet up with your Travel Director this afternoon, then retire to your room to enjoy a relaxing evening at your leisure. Hotel: Clarion Downtown-Stadium

#### Day 2, Nashville sightseeing and free time

Get your bearings this morning on a tour that takes you to Riverfront Park, Tennessee State Capitol and the 132 acre Centennial State Park. Then delve into the musical

history of the city with a visit to Music Row, stopping o at RCA Studio B where industry legends like Dolly Parton and the Everly Brothers have all recorded albums. No Nashville musical tour would be complete without a visit to the Country Music Hall of Fame. Scout out the tastiest hot chicken and biscuits on your own this afternoon, then you're o to the Grand Ole Opry, America's longest running live radio program. **B** 

#### Day 3, Nashville free time

Continue your country music education today on your own. There's no better option than the Ryman Auditorium, take a self-guided tour and watch the 'Soul of Nashville' theatre Optional Experience. Jonny Cash fans have the option delve into the personal story of one of the best-selling music artists with a museum visit. If you're feeling in the mood, experience a honky tonk under the neon lights of Broadway! B







#### Day 4, Nashville - Memphis

You'll leave Nashville this morning and travel to Memphis. Home to "The King", music is the life blood of this toe tapping city. You'll dive straight in with a tour viewing the Memphis Pyramid, Peabody Hotel and Lorraine Motel. The motel is one of the most significant si es of the Civil Rights Movement being where Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated in 1968. With the rest of your day free, you might want to check out our Optional Experiences. Visit the Rock N' Soul Museum, which displays exhibits that tell the story of the birth of rock and soul music. Later, groove on over to Beale Street for dinner that serves up Southern treats accompanied by live music. **B** Hotel: Doubletree by Hilton Memphis Downtown

#### Day 5, Memphis sightseeing and free time

Start your morning with a taste of the local Memphis cuisine. This morning's Iconic Breakfast is Southern food, served with the same hospitality you'll find all th oughout this city. After some good eats, arrive at Sun Studio, where Elvis was fir t discovered back in 1954 and where you'll experience the legacy left behind by the 'King of Rock n' Roll' himself. Today will be a special one for Elvis fans as you have the chance to make the pilgrimage to Graceland. IC

#### Day 6, Memphis free time

It's your final d  $\,y$  in Memphis today so be sure to make the most of it before bidding a fond farewell to the Home



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## AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE TOUR

With a local specialist, guests will explore African American history and current culture in Memphis. They'll dive into the tragic parts of history along with the inspiring future of the city. They'll have an eye-opening look into the heroes of the past and the current culture.







of the Blues, Soul, and Rock-n-Roll. With your day at leisure, perhaps consider an African American History & Culture tour including the National Civil Rights Museum. This museum is a complex of two historic buildings and houses extensive cultural exhibits that trace fi e centuries of history. Your visit will leave you nothing less than a moving experience from the tragic history of those that fought tirelessly for equality at this tribute and in-depth dive into American history.

#### Day 7, Memphis - Natchez

Follow the path of the famous Natchez Trace today. Under the guidance of your passionate Travel Director, you'll soon understand how, and why, this important thoroughfare was originally established as a footpath by Native Americans and was later used by explorers, traders and travelers, including the Ohio River Valley boatmen who were known as 'kaintucks'. We'll arrive on the banks of the Mississippi as we pull into Natchez, where the unique architecture of the South could be further understood as you explore the Antebellum homes that are scattered here on our **Optional Experience**. These large mansions were originally built as plantation homes and remained untouched throughout history. If you feel like taking a closer look, you'll have the chance to visit an Antebellum Classical Revival mansion, Stanton Hall. **Hotel: Yue** 

#### Day 8, Natchez - New Orleans

Heading further south, travel across the world's longest continuous bridge over water as you journey towards 'The Big Easy'. Famed for its Mardi Gras celebrations and diverse culture, everything in New Orleans is a little larger than life. The weddings are bigger, the funerals are louder, the food is unique, and each day is a cause for celebration. Meeting with a Local Specialist on arrival you'll head on a city tour. You'll also visit one of the city's many unique cemeteries. Tonight, we recommend you sample some good Creole cooking, and in our opinion there's only one place to go for the best food in town - the New Orleans institution, Dooky Chase. B Hotel: La Quinta Inn and Suites by Wyndham New Orleans Downtown

#### Day 9, New Orleans sightseeing and free time

Today is entirely free for you to explore. Perhaps try one of our Optional Experiences this morning dining at the iconic Court of Two Sisters restaurant for their famous Creole inspired Jazz Brunch. There's no shortage of ways to spend the rest of your day. Head back to the Garden District, have your fortune told in Jackson Square or eat at the many incredible restaurants and cafés around the city. If the swamps and bayous are on your list, there's the option to of a boat trip through the Jean Lafit e National Historical Park and Preserve. Led by a local guide who'll share their in-depth knowledge of the region. Spot 'gators, eagles, snakes and egrets as you cruise these wild wetlands. **B** 

#### Day 10, New Orleans free time

It's the final d y of your trip, so make sure you go out in style. Join an Optional Experience cooking demonstration at the New Orleans School of Cooking to learn how you can recreate some of the city's tastiest dishes from local chefs. Jazz fans can opt into a Jazz Dinner Cruise on the Mississippi River, accompanied by the sounds of the Grammy nominated band Dukes of Dixieland. **B** 

#### Day 11, Depart New Orleans

With the bluesy beats of Beale Street and the smiles of Nashville still fresh in your mind, your trip will come to an end today. Delicious Southern food still fresh in your thoughts and undoubtedly richer in memories, you'll say goodbye to your new friends as you head your separate ways. If you can't bear to leave NOLA just yet, you can also choose to extend your stay. B

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#### MT. ASSINIBOINE TOUR

Fly over 'the Matterhorn' of the Canadian Rockies, getting so close to the peak of the 1524 metre (5000 fool) glacier you'll almost be able to touch it!

#### **BANFF VIA FERRATA**

Italian for 'iron road', the Via Ferrata is perfect for those who want a blend of rock climbing and hiking. It's just like climbing a series of ladders on the side of a mountain, leading to a magnificent viewpoint and crossing a suspension bridge.

#### MALIGNE LAKE CRUISE

Set sail on the largest glacially fed lake in the Canadian Rockies as you head for Spirit Island, the crown jewel of Jasper National Park.

Trip code: SWON



8 DAYS • 7 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 1 MEALS

Contemporary design, UNESCO World Heritage Listed cities, thundering waterfalls and a city obsessed with hockey await you on your exploration of Eastern Canada. Fall for multicultural Toronto, experience the elegance of Québec City, visit Canada's eclectic capital city of Ottawa, and indulge your cultural curiosities in Montréal.



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#### OTTAWA FOOD WALKING TOUR

One of the best ways to learn about a city is to explore its neighbourhood food markets, discover local dishes, and meet area chefs and food artisans. This gourmet walking tour is an ideal introduction to the region's vibrant food scene.

#### MONTMORENCY FALLS AND GOURMET DINNER

Higher than Niagara Falls and arguably just as impressive, feel the force of Montmorency Falls before tucking into a 3 course dinner in historic Vieux-Quebec.

Trip code: SEEC



9 DAYS • 8 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 4 MEALS

The ultimate adventure through the Pacific Northwest and California, this trip is the perfect mix of pretty cities, epic landscapes and foodie highlights so you experience the greatest in coastal cool from Seattle to San Francisco.



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#### PORTLAND FOOD TOUR

Portland's quirky cuisine is turning it into one of the nation's hottest food hubs. Hit the streets on a guided walking tour to sample some of the city's tastiest bites, enjoying the fresh flavours of local ingredients with creative twists.

#### **ROGUE RIVER JET BOATS^**

For a quick way to see Oregon's natural splendor, cruise along a stretch of the 215-mile Rogue River on a jet boat. A guide will zip you along the river. Keep an eye on the banks to catch sight of some of the 3,500 flora species and wildlife in the area, like river offers, bald eagles and great blue heron.

Trip code: SPACR



If it's spectacular sights you're after, this trip delivers and then some. Visiting the mighty Grand Canyon, the scenic backdrops of Monument Valley, the twisted hoodoos of Bryce Canyon and the steaming geysers of Yellowstone, expect incredible icons as you journey from Sin City to the fabled, granife chiselled faces of Mount Rushmore.



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#### GRAND KINGDOM ECOSTAR HELICOPTER FLIGHT

Fly the ultra new, ultra quiet EC 130 helicopter over the mighty Grand Canyon, taking in the beauty of both the Eastern and Northern sides.

#### COVERED WAGON COOKOUT AND SHOW

A real cowboy cookout experience, travel by horse drawn wagon to beautiful Cache Creek Canyon, where you'll be treated to a delicious Dutch oven dinner.

#### SNAKE RIVER FLOAT TRIP THROUGH GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK

Gently float a 10 mile stretch of Snake River through Grand Teton National Park, accompanied by an experienced guide who will share stories and point out wildlife.

Trip code: SCNP



12 DAYS • 11 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 2 MEALS

Fast paced fun in Sin City and leisurely strolls through the forests of Yosemite National Park are on offer in the Golden West. Kicking off in the City of Angels experience the Cali lifestyle, the thrill of the Grand Canyon and the American Dream on Route 66. Tempted? This is the Best of the West, tailored by you.



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#### GRAND KINGDOM ECOSTAR HELICOPTER FLIGHT^

Fly the ultra new, ultra quiet EC 130 helicopter over the mighty Grand Canyon, taking in the beauty of both the Eastern and Northern sides.

#### GOLDEN GATE BRIDGE TOUR AND SAUSALITO

Head across the scenic span of the Golden Gate Bridge on this guided walking or biking tour. Learn about the people who built this icon that attracts an average of 10 million visitors every year. Arrive in the artistic seaside community of Sausalito, where art galleries and sidewalk cafes line the streets. You'll have time to browse the charming shops or have lunch before journeying back to San Francisco.

Trip code: SBOW



12 DAYS • 11 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 7 MEALS

Native American history, surreal landscapes, wild western antics and fabulous Sin City fun - this USA trip has it all, and so much more. Starting off in Las Vegas, you'll journey down Route 66 to the mighty Grand Canyon, cruise across glittering Lake Powell and stand in awe at Monument Valley, and watch the sun set amidst the spectacular spires of Bryce Canyon.



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#### GRAND KINGDOM ECOSTAR HELICOPTER FLIGHT^

Fly the ultra new, ultra quiet EC 130 helicopter over the mighty Grand Canyon, taking in the beauty of both the Eastern and Northern sides.

#### **DELICATE ARCH HIKE**

Get up close and personal to a 60 foot (18 metre) American West icon, climbing 480 feet (146 metres) up a steady uphill trail for dramatic views of this famous arch formation.

#### EBENEZER'S DINNER AND SHOW

Enjoy an unforgettable evening of old fashioned western fun, music and great cowboy food in Bryce Canyon! This is a favourite among visitors of Bryce Canyon who come from all over the world. A fun experience to enhance your visit to Bryce Canyon!

Trip code: SCCS



10 DAYS • 9 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 6 MEALS

If the idea of New England brings images of picture perfect villages, sleepy fishing towns, vast swathes of golden beaches and presidential summer homes into your mind's eye, this trip will not disappoint. Starting in historic Boston you'll visit lovely Cape Cod, bubbly Burlington and sea swept Maine, with each new place transformed under a blanket of vibrant fall foliage.



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#### ART'S SAND DUNE TOURS

Take a 4WD tour of the Peaked Hill Bars Historic District Sand Dunes on the Provincetown Cape Cod National Seashore protected lands.

#### **NEWPORT MANSIONS**

Visit the grandest of Newport's summer cottages and a symbol of the Vanderbilt family's social and financial preeminence in turn of the century America.

#### **HYANNIS HARBOR CRUISE**

Learn about the history of Hyannis and local area landmarks including Great Island, the Kennedy Memorial, St. Andrews-by-the-Sea, Squaw Island, Point Gammon Light, and the historic Kennedy Compound in Hyannisport.

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Peru • Dine and dance at the La Dama Juana show.

Peru • Satisfy your sweet footh at the Choco Museum.



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Costa Rica • Defy gravity as you zipline through the Monteverde

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Scenic adventures embrace mother nature at her best.

Brazil • Feel the spray at Iguassu on a Macuco Safari boat.

Brazil • Spread your wings at Parque Das Aves Bird Park.

Brazil • Travel 1,200 ft by Cable Car up Sugarloaf Mountain.



#### **CHOOSE CULTURE**

Satisty your cultural Side as you travel.

Peru • Mine your own salf in the ancient village of Maras.

Brazil • Barter at the markets on a city tour of Rio.

Brazil • Move to the beat at a Ginga tropical show.



Bubbling mud pools, rainforests teeming with wildlife, golden beaches and an active volcano are all yours for the taking on this adventure. Starting in the cultural capital city of San Jose, visit turtle nesting grounds and sky walk through the rainforest canopy before spending your final days on the glistening shores of the Guanacaste province.



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#### EL TRAPICHE PLANTATION TOUR

Visit sugarcane, banana, orange and coffee plantations on a tour through a local farm, learning more about the coffee making process as well as how liquor is made from sugarcane.

#### SKY TRAM AND SKY TREK

Ride a gondola through the trees as you look for wildlife, then experience the thrill of your life on the Sky Trek, zip lining 650 feet above the rainforest floor.

#### HORSEBACK RIDING TOUR

Admire glorious views of the Nicoya Gulf as you ride through coffee and sugarcane plantations, keeping an eye out for monkeys and toucans.

Trip code: VRIC



7 DAYS • 6 NIGHTS • 1 COUNTRY • 12 MEALS

Starting in the gastronomic capital of Lima, sip Pisco Sours and admire colonial casas before heading to the rugged beauty of the Sacred Valley. Walk in the footsteps of the Incas as you admire one of the New Wonders of the World rising above the clouds, then finish your trip in ancient, cultural Cusco. Keen to stay longer? Extend your trip with a visit to the fascinating Lake Titicaca.



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#### LA DAMA JUANA RESTAURANT AND FOLKLORE SHOW

Join your fellow fravelers for tasty Peruvian food served buffet style in clay pots, followed by lively Incan dancing at La Dama Juana Restaurant.

#### **MORAY AND MARAS**

Visit Moray to discover the farming techniques used by the Incas, then head to the village of Maras to view the village's ancient salt mines and wells.

#### VISIT AND WORKSHOP AT CHOCO MUSEUM

Visit the Choco Museum where you will learn the Peruvian chocolate making process from the cacao bean to the chocolate bar.

Trip code: VPRU



9 DAYS • 8 NIGHTS • 2 COUNTRIES • 11 MEALS

Two of South America's most vibrant countries await you on South America Samba. Starting in the 'Cidade Maravilhosa' of Rio, ride the cog railway to Christ the Redeemer then experience Iguassu Falls, the world's largest series of waterfalls. Country hop to Argentina as you let the charm of Buenos Aires work its way into your heart.



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#### **MACUCO SAFARI**

Take an open-air tram through the tropical rainforest to Macuco Falls where you'll then board a custom designed inflatable motorboat for a high intensity ride to the base of the falls.

#### **BIRD PARK - IGUASSU FALLS**

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#### FIESTA GAUCHA WITH BBQ LUNCH

Heading into the glorious pampas to visit a 3000 acre working ranch. Learn more about the gaucha culture then tuck in to a juicy BBQ lunch.

Trip code: VBAR



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#### OLYMPIC BOULEVARD INCLUDING MUSEUM OF TOMORROW

After a stroll at the Olympic Boulevard guests will visit the Museum of Art of Rio de Janeiro - MAR and the Museum of Tomorrow designed by Santiago Calatrava.

Trip code: VSAM

#### **BOOKING CONDITIONS & OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**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 **costsavertour.com/booking-conditions** 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.

#### SUMMARY BOOKING AND CANCELLATION TERMS

JRUD EXPLO	Level 1	Level 2	Oberammergau	Extra accommodations	Chargeable transfers
deposit due per person	NZ\$200	NZ\$350	NZ\$840	No additional deposit required	No additional deposit required
Final Payment Due (before departure)	60 days	90 days		In accordance with guided holiday	In accordance with guided holiday
No. of days (before travel)	AIRBO	AT TOU	Cancellation charges per person i	f you cancel your holiday	STE YOYR WAY
120 Days and over	Deposit	Deposit	Deposit HGA	NZ\$35	NZ\$35
119 - 90 days	Deposit	Deposit	ORF DE Deposit AR BY KO	NZ\$35	NZ\$35
89-60 days	Deposit	30%	100% of Oberammergau supplement + 30% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	NZ\$35	AKN
59-16 days	30%	60%	100% of Oberammergau supplement + 30% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	Higher of NZ\$35 or 25% of accommodations price	Higher of NZ\$35 or 25% of transfer price
15-8 days	50%	90%	100% of Oberammergau supplement + 50% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	Higher of NZ\$35 or 30% of accommodations price	Higher of NZ\$35 or 30% of transfer price
7-1 days	90%	100%	100% of Oberammergau supplement + 90% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	100% of accommodations price	100% of transfer price
Departure day/No show	100%	100%	100% D EXP	100% of accommodations price	100% of transfer price

We offer Gold Seal Protection which may reduce your cancellation fees, please see page opposite and under Important Information costsavertour.com for further details. Level 1: Cancellation fees are the minimum cancellation fee charged and is used unless the trip is described as Level 2.

Level 2: These trips are listed at costsavertour.com/booking-conditions but are generally trips which include cruise/ferry, train or intra-trip flight elements.

#### YOUR HOLIDAY BOOKING

For the purposes of this document reference to "you" or "you" includes all guests in the party. Travel Corporation NZ 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 'Costsaver'.

Destination	Operator
Europe and Britain, Africa, Asia	Trafalgar Tours Limited
USA & Canada, Central America, South America and Antarctica	Destination America
Australia and New Zealand	AAT Kings Tours (Pty) Limited and Travel Corporation NZ Limited

Costsaver is a trading name of Trafalgar and is used interchangeably.

**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 Costsaver. 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 consult with an insurance company or your travel agent. Costsaver may receive a commission for introducing you to a travel insurance provider. Costsaver cannot be held responsible for your failure to obtain insurance which is appropriate and we recommend you purchase your insurance at or soon after booking your trip. Costsaver will not be held liable for any costs incurred by the guest resulting from their failure to obtain adequate travel insurance.

cOVID-19: 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. Costsaver may require proof of vaccination or negative COVID tests, with the situation changing rapidly please refer to costsavertour. com for current requirements. COVID-19 requirements vary from country to country and region to region and you may be required to be fully vaccinated and provide evidence of vaccination. Evidence of negative COVID tests may also be required. Airlines and other transport providers may also be required airlines 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 holiday due to your failure to comply with these requirements. You will be responsible for any resulting additional costs including travel and accommodations. We ask that you please take personal responsibility for your wellbeing. This begins with packing any personal protective equipment and sanitisers 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 on holiday with us. To travel with Costsaver, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19. Full details of hygiene protocols can be found on our website

circumstance beyond the control of Costsaver, 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 labour 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; (f) governmental and administrative actions (including closure of borders and travel warnings and restrictions).

#### RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS

Your trip will be confirmed after receipt of a nonrefundable deposit as detailed in the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms 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 Cancellations section. Final payment for your trip reservation will be due prior to departure no later than as detailed in the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table.

#### **BOOKING CHANGES**

Name Changes: Costsaver does not charge for name changes or name corrections, however where third party costs are incurred these will be passed on to the guest.

Other Booking Changes: Costsaver 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 Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table) of departure date will be treated as a cancellation.

#### CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

Cancellation by Traveller: Travel arrangements for any member of the party may be cancelled at any time by written notice by the person who made the booking. If notice of cancellation is received by Costsaver before final payment is due (see Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table), the deposit will be retained. If cancellation is made after final payment is due cancellation fees will apply (see Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table). Please also refer to Air Cancellation Section where applicable. All cancellations fees as per the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table are additional to any cancellation fees or other charges that may be levied by your Travel Agent. Gold Seal Protection premiums are non-refundable.

Cancellation by Costsaver: Costsaver reserves the right, to modify or cancel any trip (definite or not), accommodation, in-destination activity or arrangement at any time.

Cancellation due to Failure to Pay: If full payment is not received by the due date (see Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table), Costsaver has the right to cancel your reservation and no refund will be made. Costsaver will not be responsible for lost reservations.

Cancellation due to Force Majeure events: If Costsaver 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 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 Costsaver is not as a result of a Force Majeure Event, Costsaver will provide an alternative comparable trip (if available) if an alternative is not available then a refund will be made. Costsaver is not liable for any cancellation or change cost or penalties

incurred on other travel arrangements, including air travel, that may be affected thereby. Costsaver is not responsible for other travel arrangements that you or your party have made outside Costsaver and which are affected by our cancellations.

#### OBERAMMERGAU AND PASSION PLAY

All Oberammergau inclusive holiday prices are subject to change. For further details on Oberammerhau please discuss with your reservation agent.

#### FLIGHTRESERVATIONS, DEPOSITS AND CANCELLATIONS

Reservations/Ticketing: Air-inclusive bookings and some intra-trip flights require an additional non-refundable deposit or 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. Costsaver 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.

Air Changes or Cancellation: After deposit has been received any changes, including cancellations 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 cancelled and no refund will apply.

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### DEPOSIT PROTECTION \*\*\*\*

Book with confidence, thanks to our Deposit Protection included with every booking.

Should your plans change and you cancel your booking before final payment is due, you'll receive a credit of your initial deposit amount (up to NZ\$200 per person, or if less than NZ\$200, you'll receive the amount of the initial deposit) as a Travel Credit to use toward a future booking.

#### **GOLD SEAL PROTECTION**

Costsaver's Gold Seal Protection (GSP) plan costs only NZ\$129 per person. Exclusively available at time of deposit, GSP gives you the additional peace of mind should your plans change. Here's what is covered:

Before your holiday: GSP allows you to cancel your Costsaver holiday for any reason without penalty prior to 30 days from your trip start date

If no Force Majeure Event\* has occurred when you cancel, the value of your Costsaver Holiday Prepayment\*\* will be refunded: or if a Force Majeure Event\* does occur causing you to cancel, the Costsaver Holiday Pre-payment\*\* will be converted to a Future Travel Credit (FTC) of the same value. The FTC may be redeemed against the cost of a new holiday provided by Costsaver or one of our **Travel Corporation sister** brands, departing at any time within 24 months of your cancellation but is not redeemable for cash. If the new trip or departure is more expensive than the FTC you are responsible for the difference in price; if the new trip or departure is less expensive than the FTC, a new FTC will be issued for the difference.

Airline travel costs and any related cancellation or rebooking costs are not covered by the Gold Seal Protection Plan.

Please note that the Gold Seal Protection plan cost is not refundable for any reason. Travel Agent fees and cancellation costs may apply.

\*\*Costsaver Holiday Pre-payment means all monies paid to Costsaver in respect of land arrangements only. On your holiday: Should your holiday be interrupted and you leave at any time during the trip due to personal illness or injury; or be required to return to New Zealand because of the serious injury, illness or death of an immediate family member?:

(a) you will be refunded NZ\$90 per person/ per day for the unused portion of the holiday. Please note that in some cases hotels require a 1-night cancellation fee.

(b) Costsaver will pay the additional cost of airline travel for earlier or later return to New Zealand in the same class of air travel on the first available fl ght, provided the original return air tickets were booked through Costsaver from New Zealand on Costsaver's recommended airline.

A medical certificate is required to qualify for this holiday interruption and return flight security provision.

\*Force Majeure Event - means any event or circumstance beyond Costsaver's control, including but not limited to: an act of God (such as earthquake, flood, fire, explosion, landslide, lightning, action of the elements, force of nature, washout, typhoon, hurricane, tsunami, storm or storm warning or natural disaster); industrial disputes, work ban or other labour dispute or difficulty; acts of terrorism, political unrest, war or threat of war, riots or civil strife; closure of airports or ports; pandemic, epidemic or health risk; governmental and administrative actions (including closure of borders and travel warning and restrictions).

^Immediate Family - means a parent, sibling or child..

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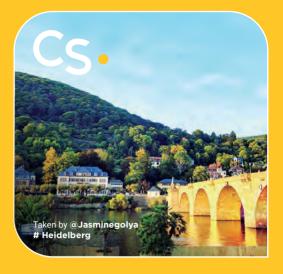




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