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# YOUR ULTIMATE UNPACKAGED TO COMPACKAGED



# ALL THE EASE OF A TOUR. ALL THE FREEDOM OF DOING YOUR OWN THING.

When it comes to travel, one size never fits all. And with Costsaver, it doesn't have to. We take care of your tour essentials, then you choose from over 1000+ Choice Experiences to make it your own. And while we're at it, together we'll leave a positive impact on the places, people and wildlife we encounter along the way.

So give Google a break and leave the booking and planning to us.





# WHERE IN THE WORLD CAN WE TAKE YOU?







TRAVEL
THE WORLD.
AND CHANGE IT.

When you choose to travel with Costsaver, you choose to make your travel matter.

We have a five-year How We Tread Right Sustainability Strategy that shapes everything we do, from the way we run our business, to the places we choose to visit, to the things we do there and more. It's based on 11 measurable goals anchored to the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Here's a deeper dive into just three of them:

# DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION.

For us, this is the foundation of meaningful travel: to meet different people, experience diverse cultures, and learn new perspectives. Therefore it's ingrained in everything we do, at all levels of our business

# ON TRACK TO NET ZERO EMISSIONS BY 2050.

As the only tour company with validated near-term and long-term net zero science-based targets, we're dedicated to reducing and removing greenhouse gases from the atmosphere to help combat climate change.

# MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ EXPERIENCES.

On every tour you can experience at least one MAKE TRAVEL MATTER<sup>TM</sup> Experience. Working alongside local communities and organisations, these experiences are designed to leave a positive impact on the places, the people and the wildlife we encounter along the way. And the best bit, each advances at least one of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ EXPERIENCE



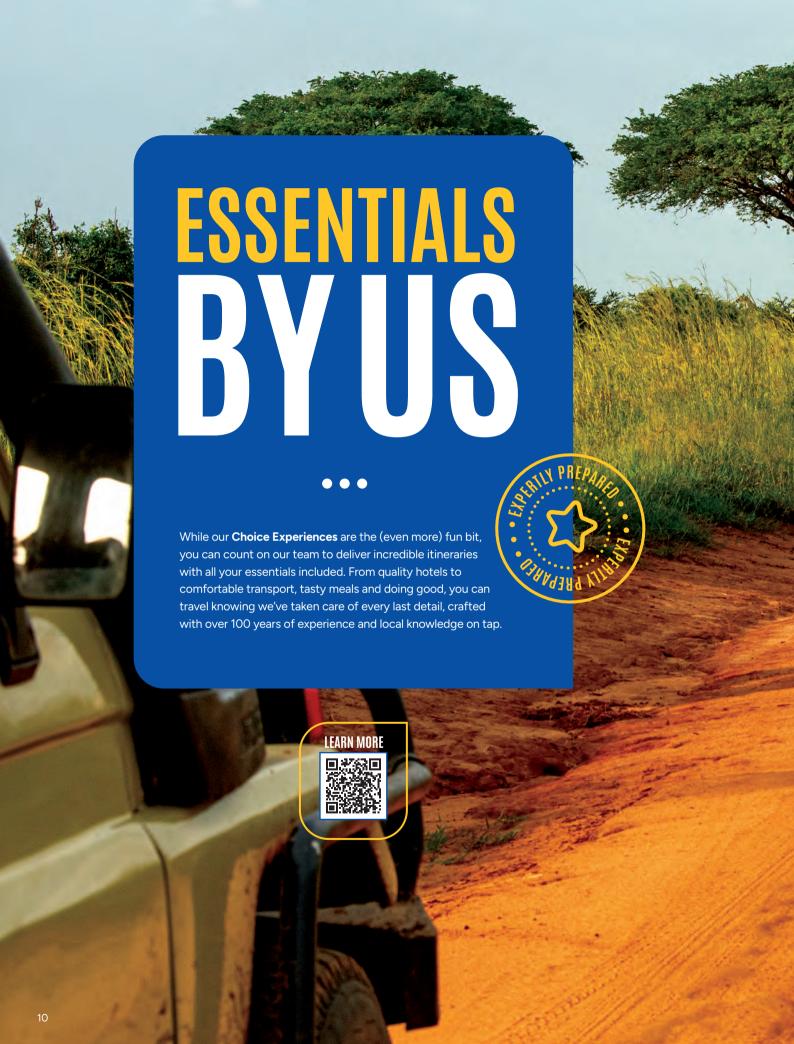














## MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

We know responsible travel is more than just a nice-to-have. With this in mind, we select Choice Experiences that help us do good in the world and set the strategy that guides how we run our offices and tours to be a force for good.

# INSIDER KNOWLEDGE.

Our Travel Directors eat, sleep, and breathe the destinations they take you to, so you'll enjoy a host of insider tips and local secrets. Passionate and friendly, they'll make sure you're clued up and won't miss a beat from start to finish.

# ALL THE BIG SIGHTS.

While we're all about the offbeat paths, the roads frequently travelled can be pretty cool too. So we make sure you have access to all of the must-see landmarks on just about every one of our tours

ALL YOUR TRAVEL ESSENTIALS TAKEN CARE OF SO YOU CAN TAILOR THE REST...

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## 1000+ WAYS TO TAILOR YOUR TOUR.

While other tours have a set plan each day, Costsaver is more of a 'mix and match as you go' type vibe, through a curated selection of Choice Experiences available on every tour. This is the secret sauce that makes us, supercharging your tour beyond the included must-sees and giving you the flexibility to tailor your tour your way.

#### HERE'S HOW CHOICE EXPERIENCES WORK.

Some days will have multiple options to choose from at any one time. Other days and times, just one. Some days, none at all. Simply opt in or out of each experience based on your interests, your budget and even your mood. Choose what you want. Leave what you don't. Happy days (and nights).

And because we take our sustainability efforts seriously, each itinerary also features at least one MAKE TRAVEL MATTER<sup>TM</sup> Experience, where you'll make a difference to the planet, the people or wildlife you encounter.







# 10-DAY JAPAN DISCOVERY TOUR. 2

#### IMAGINE YOU'RE HEADING TO JAPAN WITH COSTSAVER... NOW IMAGINE THIS!

#### **DAY 1. ARRIVE TOKYO**

Say 'Konnichiwa' to futuristic Tokyo. Meet up with your Travel Director for your included dinner and tuck into your first taste of Japan.



#### 🛂 **day 2**. Tokyo, your way

Enjoy some included essential morning sightseeing like the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory followed by some time to do your own thing in the afternoon.







Takoyaki Making

#### DAY 3. MT. FUJI & HAKONE

Included today is a visit to Mt. Fuji, the highest volcano in Japan. Opt to catch the Komagatake. See more in Hakone, before the night is yours back in Tokyo.

#### DAY 5. KYOTO, YOUR WAY

Kyoto's your playground for the day so you can explore it on your own terms. The afternoon is yours to choose...



Nara Visit & Ink Making Experience



Japanese BBQ Experience with Unlimited Drinks



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience - Traditional Tea & Village Visit



#### DAY 4. TOKYO TO KYOTO

Board the bullet train for Kyoto. Sightsee the Golden Pavilion of Kinkaku-ji and visit the 80ft high Torii gate.



#### DAY 6. KYOTO TO HIROSHIMA

Tour Kurashiki's Bikan Quarter en route to Hiroshima. For tonight's included dinner, tuck into okonomiyaki, a savoury pancake and Hiroshima favourite.

#### DAY 7. HIROSHIMA + TAILORED FUN

Cruise to Miyajima island to visit the Itsukushima Shrine and picture-perfect orange Torii gate. Back in Hiroshima, visit Peace Memorial Park, and UNESCO-listed Peace Memorial. The afternoon is yours to choose...



Discover the Secrets of Hiroshima



#### DAY 10. FAREWELL OSAKA

After soaking up the culture, filling your belly and warming your heart, your epic Japan adventure reaches its finale! Now, the big question: what's next on your travel hit list?

#### ----- DAY 9. HIMEJI TO OSAKA

Raise a glass or two at a sake tasting, before reaching Osaka! Later today you could choose...



Umeda Sky Building & Osaka Castle



Dinner in Dotonbori



#### **DAY 8.** HIROSHIMA TO HIMEJI

Here's your chance to see a city with a fairy-tale-esque 400-year-old castle. Tonight, relax your way.

# YOUGET WHAT YOU PAY FOR (LITERALLY).

# EXPERIENCE OVER EXTRAVAGANCE.

You'll enjoy value certainty from the get-go, with a cosy place to rest your head, comfortable transport, friendly guides, essential sightseeing and the perfectly planned itinerary all included. From there, just add Choice Experiences to suit your budget and interests. Easy, without the squeezy.

# **BIG BANG, LITTLE BUCK.**

Think you can travel cheaper yourself? We ran the numbers and even just booking the tour essentials (think hotels, transport, and sightseeing) through us came out 29% cheaper than booking it yourself.





#### **LEARN MORE**



#### PAYMENT & CANCELLATION FEES SUMMARY INFORMATION

\*Based on comparing our 15-day European Accent (starting in Amsterdam, ending in Paris), Costsaver tour^ and equivalent hotels, transportation, and sightseeing costs for independent travel. For a deeper dive into the cost comparison calculations <a href="mailto:check out costsavertour.com/cost-compare">check out costsavertour.com/cost-compare</a>.

^Correct at the time of analysis in August 2025, based on 9 June 2026 departure.







# EUROPE & BRITAIN

34 Countries 29

LIMITLESS ADVENTURE

# **ESSENTIALS BY US**





MEALS



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COMFORTABLE **TRANSPORT** 



**ALL THE BIG** SIGHTS

You can travel knowing we've taken care of every last detail. See your inclusions in your day-by-day itinerary or visit costsavertour.com for more.

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Say OPA! As you dance the night away in Athens or kick up your heels in the pubs of Dublin. Graze your way through the streets of Seville. Cruise below the towering mountains of the Nærøyfjord and explore the ancient relics of Pompeii. Make each day your own. Plan and dream now, and book your Choice Experiences on trip. See what Costsaver guests are loving right now @costsavertours



Check out this symbol on the tour itinerary pages to see a sample of Choice Experiences on offer, and head to costsavertour.com to see even more







#### **DAY 1. ARRIVE AMSTERDAM**

Start your unforgettable European adventure in Amsterdam. If you can tear your eyes from its scenic canals, you'll be staring at the city's teetering gabled homes that proclaim their birthyear with pride on their aged facades. There's no better way to immerse yourself fully in Amsterdam's gezelligheid than taking an optional canal cruise in a glass-topped boat this evening. Hotel: Holiday Inn Express North Riverside

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 16:00.



Visit a working windmill, taste local gouda cheese and see how local artisans create handcrafted wooden shoes.



Get the best view of the city on a private Amsterdam canal cruise from a glassroofed boat.

#### DAY 2. AMSTERDAM - COLOGNE - RHINE CRUISE - RHINFLAND

From Amsterdam's leafy canals to the towering spires of Cologne, your morning will be jam-packed with sights you'll want to capture on camera as you head east into the lush landscapes of Germany. View the imposing Gothic Cologne Cathedral, then head to Boppard, where you'll board a river cruise down the Rhine. Arrive later at your hotel where you'll join your travel companions for dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Achat Reilingen Walldorf

#### DAY 3. RHINELAND - BLACK FOREST - RHINE FALLS - LUCERNE REGION

Straight out of a Brothers Grimm fairy tale, Germany's Black Forest is the perfect backdrop for this morning's scenic drive. You'll see why its enchanting landscapes have inspired myths and fables throughout the centuries before crossing into Switzerland. A quick stop in Schaffhausen means there's time to witness the cascading waters of the Rhine Falls, Europe's biggest waterfall, before you arrive in the scenic region of Lake Lucerne. This evening, consider a Choice Experience to a Swiss folklore show which will highlight many Swiss traditions including yodelling and alpine horn playing. (B) Hotel: City Brunnen



Get cheesy in Switzerland with famous fondue in the heart of old Lucerne and a hearty menu in a cosy local restaurant.



Indulge in Swiss fondue and yodeling for the ultimate Alpine dining experience. Prost!

#### DAY 4. LUCERNE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

Join your Travel Director for an orientation through the Old Town to view the ancient Chapel Bridge and Lion Monument. Hear the





story of the mournful lion hewn from rock to commemorate the sacrifice made by the Swiss Guards who died defending Louis XVI during the French Revolution. You'll then have the full day to discover why Lucerne earned its place on the 'Grand Tour' of Europe. You could choose to ascend to the alpine heavens, joining an optional scenic cruise across Lake Lucerne, then travel by railway and cable car into the mountains for exhilarating views. (B, D)

Ride a cogwheel train up Mount Pilatus (seasonal), descend by cable car and take a scenic lake cruise.



Hop on a horse-drawn carriage and explore the Swiss countryside with local farmers. Soak up the scenic views!

#### DAY 5. LUCERNE REGION - PARIS

Enjoy a brief second encounter with the Rhine River when you head north, passing Basel en route to France.

Admire the scenic views of the Burgundy wine region that follow your journey north to the French capital. Get a head start on your sightseeing and delve into Paris's grand past, dynamic present and exciting future on your own this evening. Why not join a Choice Experience featuring a scenic river cruise and a drive through this glamorous city? (B) Hotel: Novotel Pont de Sèvres

Cruise the Seine and admire historic landmarks - the Grand Palais, Eiffel Tower and more!

#### DAY 6. PARIS SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Embrace elegance today with a full day to get under the skin of the 'City of Lights'. Your Travel Director will deliver an excellent introduction during your sightseeing tour which includes views of the Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and Champs-Élysées. Tonight, the excitement of the French can-can awaits if you decide to join the Choice Experience. (B)



Explore the winding streets, charming art galleries, and the lively Artists' Square of Montmartre with a Local Guide.



Want to feel like a royal? Step into the world of Louis XIV at Versailles. Tour the Hall of Mirrors and stroll the gardens.



**Experience the glamour of the Parisian** cabaret, La Nouvelle Eve. Enjoy dinner and a French can-can show.

#### DAY 7. DEPART PARIS

After breakfast, say farewell to your fellow travellers at the end of your holiday. (B)

## **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Mar - Sep



Trip code: ĖGOE









Countries

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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Paris: See the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel 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 della Signoria

Rome: See the ancient sites with your Local Guide

plus more

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Short on time but eager to see the highlights from London to Rome? This 10-day Europe tour, including Venice, Florence and Rome, is ideal. Marvel at the Eiffel Tower, relax by Lake Lucerne, admire the Swiss Alps, and explore Burgundy's vineyards and Tuscany's charm. Your epic journey ends with an unforgettable tour of the Eternal City.

#### DAY 1. ARRIVE LONDON

Savour your first taste of Europe's highlights as you arrive in London with a free day to experience much of what this cosmopolitan capital has to offer. Whether you choose to explore the city on foot or hop on a London red bus crisscrossing the capital, you're in for an exhilarating adventure. Hotel: Lincoln Plaza Curio Collection By Hilton

#### DAY 2. IONDON FREE TIME

Take your time to dig deep and make the most of every minute in the British capital. You'll have a full free day to explore the city your way. There's plenty to do and see in London and you won't need permission to fill your day to the brim with special experiences. (B)

#### DAY 3. LONDON - PARIS

This morning, meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers before departing London.

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Travel through Kent to Dover, then board the ferry to Calais, leaving the White Cliffs behind. On arrival in Paris, enjoy free time to explore the 'City of Lights'. For a memorable introduction, consider a Choice Experience cruise on the Seine this evening. (B) Hotel: Mercure Paris Porte d'Orleans Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 16:00.

Cruise the Seine and admire historic landmarks - the Grand Palais, Eiffel Tower and more!

#### DAY 4. PARIS SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

See the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower on a panoramic drive with your Travel Director. This afternoon, enjoy free time to relax like a Parisian in a park or explore Montmartre. Tonight, the excitement of the French can-can awaits if you choose to join a Choice Experience cabaret show. (B)



Explore the winding streets, charming art galleries, and the lively Artists' Square of Montmartre with a Local Guide.



**Experience the glamour of the Parisian** cabaret, La Nouvelle Eve. Enjoy dinner and a French can-can show.

#### DAY 5. PARIS - LUCERNE REGION

Head through vineyards and valleys as you journey to Lucerne where a brief orientation include views of the 14th-century Chapel Bridge spanning the Reuss River. 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 time later to shop for all your Swiss souvenirs. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Kriens

#### DAY 6. LUCERNE REGION - VENICE (MESTRE)

With your head in the clouds, you'll journey via the scenic Gotthard Tunnel 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 – a Choice Experience that captures the essence of Venice like no other. (B) Hotel: LH Sirio Venice



Ride a vintage railway and the world's only Cabrio cable car to Mt. Stanserhorn's peak for breathtaking panoramic views.



Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.





#### DAY 7. VENICE ORIENTATION - FLORENCE (CAMPI BISENZIO)

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 artisans engaged in the centuries-old glassblowing craft at a MAKE TRAVEL

MATTER™ Experience. Consider an opportunity to visit the colourful fishermen's island of Burano for an optional meal with drinks before heading to Florence. (B, D) Hotel: Starhotels Vespucci

Step aboard your private boat to discover the colourful houses and fresh seafood of Burano.

#### DAY 8. FLORENCE - ROME

No expense was spared to exalt the glory of Florence through art and architecture and you'll see first-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 Piazza della Signoria. 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



Join a Local Guide to discover Florence's Renaissance heritage, including a stop to savour creamy Italian gelato.



Discover Michelangelo's masterpiece, 'David', with a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts.

#### DAY 9. ROME SIGHTSEFING AND FREE TIME

Make the most of your time in Rome as your Local Guide takes you on a guided visit of the ancient sites of Italy's capital city. (B)



Discover the charming city as you explore Rome's iconic piazzas and fountains with a Local Guide.



Admire the Arch of Constantine and the Colosseum as you tread in the footsteps of gladiators and Roman soldiers.



Walk the 'Sacred Way', see where the Roman Senate once met, and where Mark Antony delivered his immortal speech.

#### **DAY 10. DEPART ROME**

Get your final fix of Rome before you prepare for your return journey. Say arrivederci to your newfound friends as the curtain closes on an epic journey from London to Rome. (B)

## **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Mar - Oct



Trip code: ETRV









Countries

Days

Meal

## Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Paris:** See the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower

**Lucerne:** Visit the Lion Monument and view the Chapel Bridge

Florence: See Piazza della Signoria

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

Rhine Valley: Cruise the romantic Rhine

Amsterdam: See the historic city centre

plus more

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Get out of that armchair and experience the beauty of Europe, with its centuries-old history, vibrant cities and splendid landscapes. This journey takes you from Paris to the Swiss Alps, through Italy and the canals of Venice, into Austria and the Rhineland, before concluding in Amsterdam, ticking off countless bucket-list experiences along the way.

#### DAY 1. ARRIVE PARIS

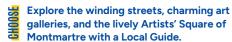
Arrive in Paris, a capital that doesn't hold back and doesn't expect you to either. Take a walk through its grand past, dynamic present and exciting future, from the maze of streets that once nurtured great artists in Montmartre to the Eiffel Tower before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening. Hotel: Ibis Alésia Montparnasse 14éme

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.

Cruise the Seine and admire historic landmarks - the Grand Palais, Eiffel Tower and more!

#### DAY 2. 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 Champs Élysées. Enjoy some time on your own before considering a real highlight this evening – an optional dinner and cabaret performance. (B)





**Experience the glamour of the Parisian** cabaret, La Nouvelle Eve. Enjoy dinner and a French can-can show.

#### DAY 3. PARIS - LUCERNE REGION

Journey through the idyllic French countryside before arriving in Lake Lucerne. (B, D) Hotel: SwissEver Zug

#### DAY 4. 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, hewn from rock to commemorate the brave Swiss Guards who died defending Louis XVI during the French Revolution. (B)



Ride a cogwheel train up Mount Pilatus (seasonal), descend by cable car and take a scenic lake cruise.





Indulge in Swiss fondue and yodelling for the ultimate Alpine dining experience. Prost!

#### DAY 5. LUCERNE - FLORENCE (CAMPI BISENZIO)

Your journey heads south to the city of Florence - home to various masterpieces of Renaissance architecture and outstanding fine arts. Enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers tonight as you prepare to soak up the beauty of the city, surrounded by Tuscan countryside, that has remained unchanged throughout the centuries. (B, D) Hotel: The Gate

#### DAY 6. FLORENCE - ROME

Explore on your own or choose an optional guided tour of the city's piazzas and fountains. 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 Palace** 



Join a Local Guide to discover Florence's Renaissance heritage, including a stop to savour creamy Italian gelato.

#### DAY 7. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Today head with your Local Guide to the Vatican City and later view the Colosseum and the ancient sites of Rome. This evening, why not enjoy a Choice Experience dinner with a beautiful drive? (B)



Embrace la dolce vita during dinner with a light-hearted evening of delectable Italian dishes and music.

#### DAY 8. ROME - VENICE (MESTRE)

Journey to Venice. 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: Campanile Venice Mestre



#### DAY 9. VENICE - INNSBRUCK

Today, travel on to the capital of Austria's Tyrol region, Innsbruck, where you can 'ooh and aah' at the impressive ski jump and view the famed Golden Roof. Admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. This evening, consider a Choice Experience at a traditional Tyrolean evening. (B, D) Hotel: Bon Alpina/Alphotel

gabled houses and lively squares. For the best views, join a Choice Experience cruise through the historic canal ring. (B) Hotel: Ibis Schiphol



Visit a working windmill, taste local gouda cheese and see how local artisans create handcrafted wooden shoes.



Get the best view of the city on a private Amsterdam canal cruise from a glassroofed boat.

#### DAY 12. DEPART AMSTERDAM

Say farewell to your Travel Director and travelling companions at the end of an amazing two-week tour of Europe. (B)

#### **LONDON START OPTION**

Choose to start your tour in London, with two days to stroll along the Thames and visit the royal parks.

Hop on a train with a Local Guide to Seefeld in the Tyrolean Alps. Try schnapps and even ride a horse.



Cheers to Tyrolean Tradition! Folklore, fun and two drinks included in Innsbruck's lively evening entertainment.

#### DAY 10. INNSBRUCK - MUNICH - RHINELAND

Your first stop today is Munich where you can admire the Glockenspiel in the Marienplatz and the Hofbräuhaus. Continue onto the Rhineland. (B, D) Hotel: ACHAT Bad Dürkheim

#### DAY 11. RHINELAND - AMSTERDAM

Sail down the Rhine past vineyards and castles before ending your journey in Amsterdam. Soak up the city's gezelligheid with its canals,

## **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code:









Countries

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Lucerne:** Visit the Lion Monument and view the Chapel Bridge

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

**Venice:** Cruise by private boat to St. Mark's Square

Rome: See the ancients sites with a Local Guide

Florence: See Piazza della Signoria

Pisa: View the Leaning Tower

**Paris:** View the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower

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Explore the romantic landscapes, charming medieval villages and stately capitals of Europe on this 18-day journey from Amsterdam to Rome and Paris, with a visit to Monaco along the way. Cruise along the Rhine, see the mournful Lion of Lucerne and visit Vatican City, capturing Europe's exhilarating highlights.

#### **DAY 1. ARRIVE AMSTERDAM**

Kick off your 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

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 15:30.



Visit a working windmill, taste local gouda cheese and see how local artisans create handcrafted wooden shoes.



Get the best view of the city on a private Amsterdam canal cruise from a glassroofed boat.

#### DAY 2. 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: NH Mannheim Viernheim

#### DAY 3. 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)** Hotel: City Brunnen

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#### 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)



Cruise Lake Lucerne, then ride a mountain railway and take a Cabrio cable car up to 6,300ft on Mount Stanserhorn.



Indulge in Swiss fondue and vodelling for the ultimate Alpine dining experience. Prost!

#### DAY 5. LUCERNE REGION - VENICE (MESTRE)

Continue to Venice, once a maritime powerhouse and republic whose influences can be seen across the Eastern Mediterranean. You'll arrive just in time for an optional Gondola and Grand Canal cruise - grand palazzi, churches and ornate bridges line your journey. (B, D) Hotel: LH Sirio Venice



Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.

#### DAY 6. 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 a Choice Experience to the vibrant rainbow-coloured facades of Burano Island. (B)



Step aboard your private boat to discover the colourful houses and fresh seafood of Burano.

#### **DAY 7. VENICE - ROME**

Cross the Veneto plains and Apennine hills, travelling south to Rome. Consider joining a Choice Experience to see some of the city's most iconic sights followed by a dinner of Italian specialities. (B) Hotel: Ergife Palace

#### **DAY 8. ROME SIGHTSEEING** AND FREE TIME

With so much to see and do, you could explore Rome for an eternity without getting bored. Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Guide in the Vatican City, the world's smallest country. (B)



Head south past the Abbey of Monte Cassino, the site of fierce battles during World War II, to Sorrento. Arrive just in time to perhaps spend the afternoon taking an optional drive along the Amalfi Coast. (B, D) Hotel: Paradiso



Cruise on the Amalfi Coast and take in Positano's rainbow-coloured homes and clear blue seas.



#### DAY 10. EXPLORE SORRENTO'S COASTAL CHARMS

Today, head along the stunning Mediterranean coast to Sorrento, a charming town that's been stealing hearts for centuries. Gone are the sirens of ancient legend, but citrusscented streets and incredible views remain. Explore at your own pace, from the historic harbour to local bites and hidden gems. (B)



Tour a farm, learn about cheese making and feast on local delicacies whilst exploring Sorrentino's countryside.

#### DAY 11. BAY OF NAPLES - FLORENCE (CAMPI BISENZIO)

Don't miss the opportunity to join a Choice 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 Guide 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)



Discover Michelangelo's masterpiece, 'David', with a visit to the Academy of

#### 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: Ibis Cannes Mandelieu

#### 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 a Choice Experience visit to Saint-Paul-de-Vence. (B)



Discover the charm of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, take in the scenic French Riviera and explore local sights along the way.

#### DAY 15. FRENCH RIVIERA - AVIGNON - BEAUNE

In Avignon, see one of Europe's largest and most significant medieval Gothic buildings before continuing to the historic walled town of Beaune, nestled in the heart of the Burgundy wine region. (B) Hotel: Greet Hotel Beaune

#### DAY 16. BEAUNE - VERSAILLES - PARIS

Head north to the opulence of Versailles where a Choice Experience could see you visit the Hall of Mirrors, before continuing on to Paris. (B) Hotel: Ibis Alésia Montparnasse 14éme



Cruise the Seine and admire historic landmarks - the Grand Palais, Eiffel Tower and more!

#### 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)



Explore the winding streets, charming art galleries, and the lively Artists' Square of Montmartre with a Local Guide.





**Experience the glamour of the Parisian** cabaret, La Nouvelle Eve. Enjoy dinner and a French can-can show.

#### DAY 18. DEPART PARIS

Say a fond farewell to newfound friends at the end of your holiday. (B)

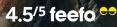
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Trip departure months

Apr - Dec



Trip code: . ECAV



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**Countries** 

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Rome: See the Colosseum and the ancient sites with your Local Guide

Pisa: Visit the Square of Miracles

Florence: See the Cathedral, Piazza della Signoria and Ponte Vecchio with a Local Guide

Verona: View the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony

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#### **DAY 1. ARRIVE ROME**

Buongiorno! Rome kicks off your epic Italian trilogy. After checking in to your hotel, spend the rest of the day relaxing or pound the pavements to discover why Rome so deserves its title, the 'Eternal City'. Later, you'll meet up with your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a glimpse into what lies ahead. There's even time for a leisurely stroll to one of the city's thronging piazzas to people-watch or to join a Choice Experience dinner in a Roman trattoria. Embrace life lived the Italian way - to the fullest. Hotel: Raganelli

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.



Unleash your inner Audrey Hepburn experience Italy with authentic cuisine, wine and live music at a local trattoria.

#### DAY 2. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

With so much to see and do, you could explore Rome for an eternity without getting bored. Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Guide. View St. Peter's Basilica before crossing the Tiber to see the mighty Colosseum and the countless other ancient sites which featured prominently in the days of the powerful Roman Empire. (B)



Admire the Arch of Constantine and the Colosseum as you tread in the footsteps of gladiators and Roman soldiers.



Discover the charming city as you explore Rome's iconic piazzas and fountains with a Local Guide.

#### DAY 3. ROME - PISA - FLORENCE (PRATO)

A mesmerising journey through the rolling vineyards and olive groves of Tuscany awaits. Visit Pisa and its Square of Miracles, one of the most beautiful architectural complexes in the world. Yield to peer pressure and snap a few strategic photos featuring you and the extraordinary Leaning Tower of Pisa. You'll have some time for souvenir shopping before continuing to Florence. This evening, there's an opportunity to head into the Tuscan Hills for dinner on an unforgettable Choice Experience. (B) Hotel: President



Fulfil your Florentine dreams with a delightful dinner at a regional restaurant in the Tuscan Hills.

#### DAY 4. FLORENCE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Now's your chance to experience it in all its glory with your Local Guide at your side. View the Baptistery, Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower and Ponte Vecchio before paying a visit to Piazza della Signoria. Later on, why not visit San Gimignano as part of a Choice Experience? (B, D)



Discover Michelangelo's masterpiece, 'David', with a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts.







Travel to San Gimignano's impressive hilltop with a Local Guide and savour a local treat.

#### DAY 5. FLORENCE - VERONA - VENICE (MESTRE)

Your week in Italy continues with a journey across the dramatic Apennine Mountains to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-

crossed lovers. View the vast Roman Arena, where concerts are still held several centuries after it was built to entertain the citizens of this fair city. Juliet's Balcony is a further highlight, revealing the tragic story of the Montague and Capulet family feud. Your journey continues to Venice, for the next two nights. Time on your own means an opportunity to head out to the islands in the Venice lagoon and explore one of the world's most romantic cities, watching the busy traffic on its canals over a crisp glass of Aperol Spritz, or to

embark on a Choice Experience taking a water taxi into Venice and a gondola ride along its narrow waterways. Salute! (B, D) Hotel: LH Sirio Venice



Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.

#### DAY 6. VENICE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, in the heart of Venice. All the main attractions are within walking distance of the Piazza San Marco so you can take snapshots of the Byzantine Basilica of St. Mark. Spend your time wandering the calli of Venice, then watch talented masters at work engaged in the same

craft as their ancestors from centuries ago. Witness the beautiful glass creations that are characteristic of Venice, being made during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience. Consider a Choice Experience cruise across the lagoon to the colourful island of Burano. (B)



Get lost in Venice's labyrinthine streets with a Local Guide who'll dish on the city's history.



**Explore the Venetian Lagoon by** private boat, and dine at the colourful Burano Island.

#### **DAY 7. DEPART VENICE**

Brief and 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. (B)

## **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code: IJWL/WJWL









Countries

Days

Meal

# Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Rome:** View the Colosseum, the ancient sites and see St. Peter's Basilica

Assisi: Visit the town of St. Francis

Venice: Cruise to St. Mark's Square

Verona: View Juliet's Balcony

Italian Lakes: Visit Lake Como

Pisa: View the Leaning Tower

Florence: With your Local Guide, see the Baptistery, the Ponte Vecchio, the Duomo and Giotto's Bell Tower

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The cities of Florence, Venice and Rome are masterful creations as your 10-day exploration of Italy will reveal. Embrace the energy of Italy and savour the lingering scents of lemons in Sorrento. Lose yourself in a love story in Verona, pay tribute to St. Francis of Assisi and snap a selfie of the leaning tower in Pisa.

#### DAY 1. ARRIVE ROME

The 'Eternal City' has captivated travellers for centuries and you'll not be disappointed as it prepares you for an exhilarating journey across Italy. On arrival in Rome, check in to your hotel, relax or get ready for your very own introduction to Rome. Later this evening, you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a glimpse into what lies ahead. Hotel: Ergife Palace

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 16:45.

#### DAY 2. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

With so much to see and do, you could explore Rome for an eternity without getting bored. Join a Choice Experience to the Roman Forum or start your day the Italian way. Get to grips with the city's main attractions, joining a Local Guide. Cross the Tiber to see the mighty Colosseum and the countless other ancient sites which featured prominently in the days of the powerful Roman Empire. (B)

Admire the Arch of Constantine and the Colosseum as you tread in the footsteps of gladiators and Roman soldiers.



Unleash your inner Audrey Hepburn experience Italy with authentic cuisine, wine and live music at a local trattoria.



Discover the charming city as you explore Rome's iconic piazzas and fountains with a Local Guide.

#### 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. Pastel-hued residences cling impossibly to craggy cliffs that plunge into the deep blue waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea. Enjoy your time soaking up the sun-drenched views or consider a Choice Experience to the artists' paradise of Positano, followed by a scenic drive along the Amalfi Coast. (B) Hotel: Paradiso



Cruise on the Amalfi Coast and take in Positano's rainbow-coloured homes and clear blue seas.



Tour a farm, learn about cheese making and feast on local delicacies whilst exploring Sorrentino's countryside.

#### DAY 4. BAY OF NAPLES - ASSISI

Enjoy the atmosphere as you explore the beautiful Bay of Naples during your free time this morning. Alternatively, choose to join a Choice Experience guided walking tour of Pompeii, buried under the volcanic ash for centuries after Mount Vesuvius erupted. Later, you'll journey past Cassino and see the monastery which featured as a backdrop for some of the fiercest 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) Hotel: Frate Sole

#### DAY 5. ASSISI - VENICE (ORIAGO/MESTRE)

Your journey continues across the Apennines and through the Emilia-Romagna region, credited with being the origin of tortellini, mortadella and parmesan cheese. Before you know it, you'll have arrived in Venice. (B, D) Hotel: Il Burchiello



Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.

#### DAY 6. VENICE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

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 St. Mark's Basilica. Later, enjoy a





MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience, when the extraordinary talents of glassblowers take centre stage during a visit to their workshop. (B)



Get lost in Venice's labyrinthine streets with a Local Guide who'll dish on the city's history.



Step aboard your private boat to discover the colourful houses and fresh seafood of Burano

#### DAY 7. VENICE (ORIAGO/MESTRE) - VERONA -**COMO - VARESE**

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 once called for her Romeo. Arriving on the shores of Lake Como, vou'll see why the scenic setting has been a summer retreat of the rich and famous for centuries. Continue to your overnight hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Capolago Varese/Una Varese



Hop on a luxurious cruise of Lake Como's stunning scenery, complete with elegant villas and dreamy gardens.

#### DAY 8. MILAN (SESTO SAN GIOVANNI)/VARESE -PISA - FLORENCE (CAMPI BISENZIO/PRATO)

Pisa's white marble facades gleam in the sunshine, but it is the famous Leaning Tower that gets most of the glory when you visit this 'Field 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 Vespucci



Fulfil your Florentine dreams with a delightful dinner at a regional restaurant in the Tuscan countryside.

#### DAY 9. FLORENCE SIGHTSFFING - ROME

Your Local Guide shares a superb commentary on 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



Say farewell to Rome with an evening of unforgettable sights, entertainment and dinner.

#### 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. As the legend says, if you tossed a coin in the Trevi Fountain, you will return. Until then bid your Travel Director and travel companions a fond farewell. (B)

## **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code: ITSE/WTSE









Countries

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Rome: See the ancient sites

**Assisi:** Orientation tour and views of the Basilica of St. Francis

Venice: Cruise to St. Mark's Square

Verona: View Juliet's Balcony

Lugano: Visit this magnificent resort

Pisa: See the Leaning Tower

Florence: Visit Piazza della Signoria with your Local Guide

**Siena:** Visit the medieval city and see the Piazza del Campo

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Embrace excess as you travel the length and breadth of 'la bella Italia'. From the former capital of the world to the sun-kissed south, the birthplace of the Renaissance to the Bay of Naples – this grand 13-day exploration of Italy will reveal why Verdi proclaimed he would gladly exchange the entire universe for Italy. One day you may feel the same.

#### **DAY 1. ARRIVE ROME**

Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a glimpse of what's in store, then continue your independent exploration of Rome. Hotel: Ergife Palace

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 16:45.

#### DAY 2. ROME SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Your Local Guide will reveal the treasures and main attractions. Continue to Ancient Rome, then explore on your own or join a Choice Experience to discover the city's piazzas &

fountains and later join your travel group on a Choice Experience featuring typical Italian cuisine with music. (B)



Discover the charming city as you explore Rome's iconic piazzas and fountains with a Local Guide.





Walk the 'Sacred Way', see where the Roman Senate once met, and where Mark Antony delivered his immortal speech.



Unleash your inner Audrey Hepburn experience Italy with authentic cuisine, wine and live music at a local trattoria.

#### **DAY 3. ROME - BAY OF NAPLES**

This morning, the Bay of Naples beckons as you head south past the Abbey of Monte Cassino. Perhaps spend the afternoon enjoying a Choice Experience scenic drive along the Amalfi Coast. (B, D) Hotel: Paradiso



Cruise on the Amalfi Coast and take in Positano's rainbow-coloured homes and clear blue seas.

#### DAY 4. SORRENTO EXCURSION

Hug the craggy coast to Sorrento. Don't leave the town's historic harbour without sampling some local specialities. Perhaps say salute to a swift and zesty limoncello - it's the perfect afterdinner digestivo. (B)



Tour a farm, learn about cheese making and feast on local delicacies whilst exploring Sorrentino's countryside.



Step back in time on a tour of Pompeii, the Roman town buried by Mount Vesuvius' eruption in 79 A.D.

#### DAY 5. BAY OF NAPLES - ASSISI

Journey to Assisi, the birthplace of St. Francis. (B, D) Hotel: Frate Sole

#### DAY 6. ASSISI - VENICE (ORIAGO)

Cross the dramatic Apennine Mountains, bound for Venice. You'll arrive just in time for an optional gondola ride and Grand Canal cruise, followed by dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: II Burchiello



Glide along the Grand Canal and narrow waterways in style with a private water taxi cruise and gondola ride.

#### DAY 7. VENICE ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, the gateway to the city. There's time on your own to explore before you visit a glassblowing workshop to see the talents of craftspersons at work at a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience. This afternoon, perhaps join a Choice Experience to the vibrant rainbow-coloured facades of Burano Island. (B)



Get lost in Venice's labyrinthine streets with a Local Guide who'll dish on the city's history.



Step aboard your private boat to discover the colourful houses and fresh seafood of Burano.

#### DAY 8. VENICE - VERONA - LUGANO - MILAN (SESTO SAN GIOVANNI)

Today, stop in Verona and view the balcony where a fictional Juliet called for her Romeo. Admire the Roman Arena, then cross the Swiss





border to visit the pretty lakeside resort of Lugano. Later, return to Italy and enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Hotel Barone Di Sassi/Grand Hotel Duca di Mantova

#### DAY 9. FREE DAY IN MILAN

You have the whole day free to relax. Perhaps lace up your walking shoes for a stroll or people-watch with an Aperol Spritz in hand. Alternatively, consider a Choice Experience to discover the Treasures of Milan and explore Lake Como. (B)



Explore the fashion capital of Milan, before cruising in style on Lake Como to admire elegant villas and vistas.

#### DAY 10. MILAN - PISA - FLORENCE (PRATO)

Capture the perfect photo with the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa before heading towards Florence, where you'll enjoy a free evening. For a true taste of Tuscany, consider joining a Choice Experience in the scenic Tuscan countryside. (B) Hotel: Wall Art



Fulfil your Florentine dreams with a delightful dinner at a regional restaurant in the Tuscan countryside.

#### DAY 11. FLORENCE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

This morning, join a Local Guide for a walking tour of Florence's historic centre, taking in landmarks like the Ponte Vecchio, the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore, Giotto's Bell Tower and the Baptistery. Explore Piazza della Signoria, then browse the city's renowned gold and leather artisans. (B)



Admire the grand dome and art collection of Palazzo Vecchio as you learn about the Medici family.



Discover Michelangelo's masterpiece, 'David', with a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts.



Travel to San Gimignano's impressive hilltop with a Local Guide and sayour a local treat.

#### DAY 12. FLORENCE - SIENA - ROME

Your visit to Siena will reveal the city's rich heritage, architecture and cuisine. Leaving Tuscany behind, return to Rome. Consider joining your new friends this evening for a Choice Experience dinner to end your holiday on a high note. (B) Hotel: Ergife Palace



Say farewell to Rome with an evening of unforgettable sights, entertainment and dinner

#### DAY 13. DEPART ROME

Say a fond arrivederci to your travel companions and Travel Director. (B)

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Trip departure months

Apr - Oct



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**Countries** 

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Paris: See the Champs-Élysées, Arc de Triomphe and Eiffel Tower

Monaco: Visit the Principality

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

Loire Valley: Visit the Château de Chenonceau

Mont-Saint-Michel: View the abbey

Normandy: Hear about D-Day

Pont du Gard: View one of the best preserved Roman aqueduct bridges in the world

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Prepare to fall head over heels for France on this 13-day journey through its most enchanting regions. Wander the vineyard-laden Loire Valley, bask in the glamour of the French Riviera, and uncover the charm of historic towns from Beaune to Bordeaux. Explore medieval Carcassonne, learn about WWII history in Normandy, and let the beauty of France's scenic landscapes steal your heart.

#### DAY 1. ARRIVE PARIS

This is one capital city that doesn't hold back and doesn't expect you to either. You might like to get a head start on your sightseeing by joining a Choice Experience this evening, a Seine cruise and a scenic drive. Hotel: Mercure Paris Porte d'Orleans

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 16:00.

Cruise the Seine and admire historic

landmarks - the Grand Palais, Eiffel Tower and more!

#### DAY 2. PARIS SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Hit the grand boulevards on a city orientation tour conducted by your Travel Director in the heart of Paris, including the Arc de Triomphe and Champs-Élysées. Don't resist the urge

to join an optional visit to Montmartre this afternoon. Enjoy an optional dinner experience this evening. (B)



Discover the filming location of 'The Da Vinci Code' at Saint-Sulpice Church, then stroll to the Latin Quarter.





Explore the winding streets, charming art galleries, and the lively Artists' Square of Montmartre with a Local Guide.

#### DAY 3. PARIS - BEAUNE - LYON

Au revoir Paris. Your sights are set on medieval Beaune where the official raison d'être is the local wine. In Lyon, consider joining a Choice Experience that will deliver France's gastronomic capital on a plate. (B) Hotel: Ibis Styles Hotel Lyon Confluence



Drive along the Saône River and indulge in acclaimed French cuisine in Lyon, the country's gastronomic capital.

#### DAY 4. LYON - AIX-EN-PROVENCE - MONACO -FRENCH RIVIERA

Follow the Rhône Valley south and enjoy some free time in the Provençal town of Aixen-Provence, founded by the Romans over natural hot springs. The last leg of your journey stretches out to the shimmering Mediterranean coast, where the Principality of Monaco and the Côte d'Azur await. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Cannes Mandelieu

#### DAY 5. FRENCH **RIVIERA FREE DAY**

Rest and relaxation are the order of the day on the French Riviera. but when you're ready to pull yourself away from the sun-lounger, opt for a visit to the pretty hill-top town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence. (B)



#### DAY 6. FRENCH RIVIERA - ARLES - PONT DU GARD - AVIGNON

Today you travel west to the Camargue centre of Arles, where Vincent Van Gogh found inspiration for so many of his paintings. Next, you'll view the magnificent Pont du Gard. Continue to the heart of Provence and the city of Avignon which features one of the world's most incredible religious architectural legacies. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Avignon Sud



Experience Van Gogh's artistic legacy in Arles as you visit locations that inspired masterpieces.

#### DAY 7. AVIGNON - CARCASSONNE - LOURDES

Up first today is an orientation tour of Carcassonne, a medieval town set behind fortified stone walls. Your next stop is the pilgrimage town of Lourdes. Explore the Basilica perched atop St. Bernadette's Grotto, then maybe join devoted pilgrims for the nightly torchlight procession. (B) Hotel: Mercure Imperial





#### DAY 8. LOURDES - BIARRITZ - BORDEAUX

Take your cue from the European royals who have been visiting Biarritz since the 1800s and find your new favourite spot on a wicker chair in the sun. You could choose a Choice Experience into the Basque country instead, before your journey continues to Bordeaux. (B) Hotel: Ibis Centre Mériadeck



Join a bougie Basque adventure in St. Jean de Luz! Discover its pirate past, eat macarons, shop and relax on the beach.

#### DAY 9. BORDEAUX - SAINT-ÉMILION - TOURS

Today's scenic drive takes you to the hilltop village of Saint-Émilion, an appealing stop for red wine lovers. This is château country and there's no better way to explore it than joining an optional wine tasting at a historic vineyard. Later arrive in the city of Tours. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Tours Centre Gare



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#### DAY 10. LOIRE VALLEY AND CHÂTEAUX EXCURSION

Indulge your inner king or queen on a whimsical tour to the fairy-tale Château de Chenonceau with a Local Guide. Continue to the royal town of Amboise where Leonardo da Vinci is said to be buried, then finish with a photo stop at the splendid Château de Chambord. (B)



Experience a fairy tale come true on a guided tour through Tours' Old Town, then dine on Touraine cuisine.

#### DAY 11. TOURS - MONT SAINT-MICHEL - D-DAY LANDING BEACHES (OMAHA) - DEAUVILLE

Only the epic sight of a medieval town rising out of the sea could compete with the beauty of the Loire Valley and your visit to Mont Saint-Michel will certainly not disappoint. Continue to the iconic D-Day landing beaches and visit the American cemetery at Omaha Beach before arriving in Deauville. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Deauville Centre

#### DAY 12. DEAUVILLE - HONFLEUR - ROUEN - PARIS

You'll wish you had the talents of Monet during your brief visit to Honfleur - it's easy to see why this 'most ravishing spot in the world' was immortalised on canvas by many artists. Next, head to Rouen, then return to the French capital for a night on your own or an optional dinner with cabaret performance. (B) Hotel: Mercure Paris Porte d'Orleans

#### **DAY 13. DEPART PARIS**

And just like that, you've seen all the highlights of France. From Paris and beyond, you'll be finishing your trip this morning with a lifetime's supply of memories. Say a fond au revoir to your Travel Director and newfound friends. (B)

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Trip departure months

Apr - Sep



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Countries

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Dublin:** With your Local Guide, see St. Patrick's Cathedral, Christchurch Cathedral and Trinity College

**Blarney:** Kiss the Blarney Stone during your visit of Blarney Castle

Ring of Kerry: Admire remote beaches, pretty villages and a rugged coastline along one of Ireland's most scenic drives

Cliffs of Moher: View the stunning seascape from the cliffs

**Belfast:** See the Big Fish at Donegall Quay, the Titanic Quarter, the Samson and Goliath cranes and Belfast City Hall

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Centuries of Irish culture are revealed on this adventure across the windswept valleys of Ireland, from Dublin to the 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 9-day journey across the 'Emerald Isle'.

#### DAY 1. ARRIVE DUBLIN - SIGHTSEEING

Ireland's 'fair' capital kick-starts your exhilarating encounter with the 'Emerald Isle'. After check-in, don't resist the youthful energy of Dublin and take to its streets in search of its characteristic craic. You'll join your Local Guide later for a sightseeing tour which includes views of St. Patrick's Cathedral and Trinity College. Tap into Dublin's effervescent spirit and head to Temple Bar or Grafton Street

on your own this evening. There's a colourful pub on every corner, with happy locals and tourists spilling out on to the pavements. You could be one of them. Sláinte! Hotel: Maldron Newlands Cross

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 14:00

#### DAY 2. DUBLIN - KILLARNEY

Today, embark on a journey through the picturesque landscapes of County Cork.

Your first stop is the legendary Blarney Castle, where you'll have the chance to seek out the renowned 'gift of the gab'. Climb the ancient stone steps and kiss the famous Blarney Stone, said to bestow the gift of eloquence upon all who embrace the challenge. Afterwards, continue your travels to the delightful town of Killarney, which will be your base for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Killarney



Experience music and dance to immerse yourself in Irish culture - an unforgettable night.

### DAY 3. KILLARNEY - RING OF KERRY SCENIC DRIVE

Ireland's soul-stirring Ring of Kerry takes centre stage today as you embark on a scenic drive past its mountains, lakes and lush green countryside – unquestionably one of the most scenic routes in Ireland. you'll see Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, Moll's Gap and the Black Valley, whose remote location led to the area becoming the last in Ireland to receive electricity. Later, head to a local restaurant for dinner. (B, D)



Hear of Ireland's history as you trot through Killarney National Park on a pony and trap.

# DAY 4. ADMIRE THE CLIFFS OF MOHER, THEN OFF TO SHANNON

Today you journey to the magnificent Cliffs of Moher. These sheer cliffs plunge dramatically into the Atlantic Ocean, providing endless ocean views and wonderful photographic opportunities during your experience at this UNESCOlisted highlight along the Wild Atlantic Way. You'll be enchanted by its irresistible landscapes, and may delight in occasional wildlife sightings. Take an opportunity to explore the interactive visitor centre, which brings the whole experience to life from the perspective of the resident wildlife that find sanctuary here. (B) Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson Shannon Airport



Party like it's 1399! Feast like a royal and laugh with a court jester at a castle-hosted medieval banquet.

### DAY 5. ON TO DONEGAL

Your journey today takes you through the coastal landscapes of Connemara, a region famed for its wild beauty, rugged mountains, and windswept bogs. Arrive in Westport, where you'll enjoy an orientation of its lovely Georgian streets, colourful shopfronts and tree-lined riverbanks. Continuing north, you'll reach Donegal, home to the historic Diamond, the impressive Donegal Castle, and one of Ireland's three fjords, the striking Lough Swilly. This picturesque town will be your home for the night, offering a warm welcome and a true taste of Irish hospitality. (B) Hotel: The Abbey





HOOSE

Go off-road in Ballyshannon with amazing views and quaint atmosphere over dinner.

### DAY 6. ONWARDS TO BELFAST

En route to Belfast, stop in
Derry/Londonderry for a locally
guided tour exploring the history
and impact of the Troubles. Visit
the Giant's Causeway, treading in
the legendary footsteps of Finn
McCool and marvel at the 40,000
interlocking basalt columns fading
into the sea. This evening you will head
to a local restaurant for dinner. (B, D)
Hotel: Corr's Corner

### DAY 7. BELFAST ORIENTATION

Join your Travel Director for an orientation tour of Belfast, where you will view the historic murals that vividly depict the city's turbulent past and struggles. Marvel at the grand City Hall, an iconic symbol of Belfast's civic pride and architectural heritage. After the tour, enjoy the rest of your day at leisure to explore the vibrant city at your own pace. Stroll through the bustling streets, perhaps visiting the Titanic Belfast museum, shopping in the city centre, or relaxing in one of the many charming cafes and restaurants. (B)



Discover the history of the Titanic through an award-winning exhibition and see where the ill-fated ship was built.

### DAY 8. BELFAST - DUBLIN

Today it's time to return to Dublin where you'll put your silver tongue to good use during an evening optional dinner and Irish show that will have your toes tapping and taste buds craving another round of Irish coffee. It will be time

well spent with new friends after a memorable holiday. **(B)** Hotel: Clayton Leopardstown

Uncover the magic at a 6th-century





Get your toes tapping and taste buds tingling with a night of dining, comedy, song and dance in Dublin.



Discover Dublin's famed hospitality with an evening of food and drink in a locally loved gastropub.

### DAY 9. DEPART DUBLIN

And just like that, your enchanting exploration of the 'Emerald Isle' has come to an end. You've seen ancient churches, castles and towering cliffs, had your fair share of the craic and seen beautiful landscapes that many only encounter in pictures. All that's left is to say a fond slán go fóill as you prepare for your return journey home. **(B)** 

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Apr - Sep



Trip code:









Countries

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

York: View York Minster and the Shambles

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

**Edinburgh:** Sightseeing with your Local Guide to see Princes Street, the Royal Mile and the Castle

**Dublin:** Sightseeing with your Local Guide to see St. Patrick's Cathedral and Trinity College

**Waterford:** Visit the Waterford Crystal Showroom

plus more

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The best of Britain and Ireland is served up on this 10-day adventure crisscrossing five countries. See landscapes that have inspired poetry, medieval monuments and stony fortresses that housed royals and soldiers. You'll wind your way through the Yorkshire Dales, wander down Edinburgh's Royal Mile and discover a bit of craic in Dublin, before Waterford crystal and a fairy-tale castle or two complete your journey.

### DAY 1. ARRIVE LONDON

Your whirlwind journey launches in Great Britain's exhilarating capital. After checking in, explore this multicultural city your way, embracing all the pomp and pageantry of Britain's capital. Visit one of the many museums that reveal the history and culture of the world, pay your respects to His Majesty or pop into your neighbourhood 'local' for a pint or two to kick-start your exploration of Britain and Ireland in style. Hotel: Holiday Inn Brentford Lock

# DAY 2. LONDON - STRATFORD-UPON-AVON - YORK - BRADFORD

This morning, meet your Travel Director and fellow travel companions. 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. (B, D) Hotel: Leonardo

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director for an early morning departure.

### DAY 3. 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 for an afternoon orientation including views of the cathedral, the River Clyde and George Square. (B) Hotel: Ibis City Centre



Cruise on Windermere to see neo-Gothic Wray Castle, lakeside wildlife and awe-inspiring scenery.

### DAY 4. EDINBURGH EXCURSION

Your Local Guide 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 Edinburgh your way or consider joining one of two special Choice Experiences. (B)



Join our Local Guide in a Rosslyn Chapel adventure, unravelling mysteries and conspiracies!





Explore Edinburgh Castle to see the Honours of Scotland and the National War Museum of Scotland.

### DAY 5. GLASGOW - BELFAST - DUBLIN

Your visit to Scotland culminates in a scenic drive along the Ayrshire coast, the rugged landscapes where Robert Burns, Scotland's National Poet, was born and raised. Pass Ailsa Craig, the figurative stepping stone from Scotland to Ireland before boarding your short ferry crossing to Northern Ireland. You won't dally in its trendy capital, but there's time to see the City Hall, the Samson & Goliath Cranes and the dock where the ill-fated Titanic was built. Head south to Dublin, your home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Maldron Newlands Cross Dublin

### DAY 6. DUBLIN SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

You're in for a 'grand' time in the Irish capital this morning as your Local Guide shares all the highlights. See Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral, founded in the 12<sup>th</sup> century. Its 43-metre spire makes this the country's tallest church. See the stately Georgian Squares then spend the rest of the day on your own.





Head down to Grafton Street or Temple Bar for a pint of the 'Black Stuff' or stroll along the Liffey through the heart of Dublin. This evening, an optional dinner and Irish show will have your toes tapping and taste buds craving another round of Irish coffee. **(B)** 





Uncover the magic at a 6th-century

Get your toes tapping and taste buds tingling with a night of dining, comedy, song and dance in Dublin.

### DAY 7. DUBLIN - KILKENNY - WATERFORD

Continue through the splendid countryside bound for Kilkenny where you'll see its beautiful 12th-century castle, an enduring symbol of Norman occupation.

Later you'll arrive in Waterford where a visit to the Waterford Crystal Showroom will reveal a wonderland of delicate crystal, from stemware to fine china.

You're in for a riveting history lesson when you join a Choice Experience for a walking tour with a Local Guide and visit one of the

area's oldest pubs for a pint. Dinner tonight is at your hotel. **(B, D)** Hotel: Treacy's



Enjoy the craic! Sip local drafts, sing and dance to live fiddle, tin whistle and bodhrán drum music.

### DAY 8. WATERFORD - CARDIFF

Cross St. George's Channel to Wales and its capital, where you'll see the University of Wales, Principality Stadium, City Hall, National Museum and the historic castle at its heart.

This evening could see you venture into the Welsh countryside for dinner at a 14<sup>th</sup>-century inn or enjoy a Choice Experience evening of Welsh music, culture and humour. **(B)** Hotel: Copthorne



Climb the Norman Keep for stunning views over the city on a private tour of Cardiff Castle.

### DAY 9. CARDIFF - BATH - 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. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Brentford Lock

### DAY 10. DEPART LONDON

Saying goodbye to your new friends as preparing for your return journey home, take a moment to reflect on the unforgettable experiences and memories you've gathered along the way. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code: BIDE/WBID









Countries

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Windsor: View the Royal Castle

Oxford: Explore the historic city

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

**Edinburgh:** Sightseeing with your Local Guide includes the famous Princes Street, the Royal Mile and viewing the Castle

**York:** View York Minster and the Shambles

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

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### DAY 1. ARRIVE LONDON

Begin and end your journey on the busy streets of London. After check-in, you have the rest of the day to explore this multicultural city your way. March to the tune of "God Save the King" as you embrace all the pomp and pageantry of Britain's capital. Delve into London's royal heritage, stroll along the Thames or admire treasures from across the globe in one of the capital's museums before retiring to your neighbourhood 'local' for a pint or two. Hotel: Novotel Brentford

### DAY 2. LONDON FREE DAY

What a treat! A full free day to explore London. There's no shortage of places to go and people to see as you pound the pavements in search of the very best of Britain, from bacon butties to builder's tea, royal palaces to cathedrals, the London Underground to the mesmerising world of monuments and museums. (B)

### DAY 3. LONDON - WINDSOR - OXFORD -Birmingham

This morning, meet your Travel Director and travel companions and head west for a memorable encounter with royalty and

academia. Start with a stop in Windsor, home to the oldest and largest inhabited castle in the world, then continue to the university city of Oxford. Explore its streets of renowned colleges and historic architecture. Finally, journey onward to Birmingham for your overnight stay. (B, D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Birmingham M6

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director for an early morning departure.

### DAY 4. BIRMINGHAM - CHESTER - LIVERPOOL

The Romans left their magic touch on the pretty town of Chester. You'll view the city walls that they built in the first century to defend their fortress and the black-and-white half-timbered buildings, famously known as 'The Rows'. Take some time to explore Chester your way or join a Choice Experience to Llangollen in North Wales. Home of the International Eisteddfod, Llangollen has a tiny population but punches well above its weight when it comes to serene scenery and an array of cafes, bars and restaurants. Your 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



Join your Local Guide to view the city's two cathedrals and visit the birthplace of The Beatles.

### DAY 5. LIVERPOOL - LAKE DISTRICT - GRETNA **GREEN - GLASGOW**

Settle in for a scenic drive north to the Lake District. Here you'll see first-hand why the rugged and untamed beauty of the Lake District inspired William Wordsworth to wander 'lonely as a cloud' in his acclaimed piece of poetry, 'Daffodils'. There's no better way to embrace the area's heritage than to join a Choice Experience and chug between Haverthwaite and Lakeside in an old-world steam train followed by a cruise on Lake Windermere. Crossing the Scottish border, you'll stop at Gretna Green, where eloping couples would exchange their vows over the Blacksmith's anvil and be bound to each other forever. Resist the urge to tie the knot yourself and continue to the bold city of Glasgow, where you'll have an opportunity to join a Choice Experience for a night on the "toon". (B) Hotel: Ibis City Centre



Cruise on Windermere to see neo-Gothic Wray Castle, lakeside wildlife and aweinspiring scenery.

### DAY 6. GLASGOW -**SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS**

Channel your inner Highlander, embarking on a journey north to the banks of Loch Lomond, where a cruise to Rob Roy's cave could be on the cards if you join this Choice Experience. Later, the breathtakingly beautiful scenery of Glencoe, 'Glen of Weeping', will stir all your emotions remembering the brave clans people who



fought relentlessly for their beliefs. Local shepherd Neil and his enthusiastic border collies are ready to welcome guests on their Highland sheep farm for a Choice Experience this afternoon. You can perfect your sheepshearing skills before settling into your Highland hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Laggan



Sail along the tranquil Loch Lomond and discover mystical landmarks with your Local Guide.





Meet Neil the Shepherd, his border collies, and feed the lambs in the Scottish Highlands.

### DAY 7. SCOTTISH HIGHLANDS - ST. ANDREWS - EDINBURGH

Robert Burns once wrote of his beloved hills of the Highlands. Your scenic drive through its mystical landscapes will leave you similarly inspired as you venture to picturesque Pitlochry on the banks of the Tummel. There's time to explore this historic Highland hub on your own or join a Choice Experience to Blair Castle, home of the Duke of Atholl and Europe's last remaining private army. The fairways and greens of St. Andrews, the birthplace of golf, beckon and you'll have an opportunity to snap a selfie against the backdrop of the famous 18th green. (B) Hotel: Moxy Edinburgh Airport



Tour Blair Castle's grand halls and gardens for a glimpse into 750 years of Scottish history.



Meet a renowned piper and savour a three-course meal with live Ceilidh music and a haggis ceremony.

### DAY 8. 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 Guide, 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 a Choice Experience to Rosslyn Chapel or an in-depth tour of Edinburgh Castle. (B)



Join our Local Guide in a Rosslyn Chapel adventure, unravelling mysteries and conspiracies!



**Explore Edinburgh Castle to see the Honours of Scotland and the National** War Museum of Scotland.

### DAY 9. EDINBURGH - YORK - BRADFORD

It's time to venture south on your return journey through England and come faceto-face with Hadrian's first-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 York Minster. (B) Hotel: Leonardo

### DAY 10. BRADFORD - STRATFORD-UPON-AVON - LONDON

This morning, visit Stratford-upon-Avon, the birthplace of the famous bard, William Shakespeare, who became England's most beloved playwright. Before heading back to London, take a final group photo to capture the memories and bid a warm farewell to your Travel Director and new friends. (B) Hotel: Novotel Brentford

### DAY 11. DEPART LONDON

As you prepare for your return journey, take a moment to reflect on the experiences shared (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Mar - Sep



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Trip code: . BEAI







Countries

Days

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Windsor: View the Royal Castle

Bath: Visit the Georgian spa town

**Waterford:** Visit the Waterford Crystal Showroom

Blarney: Kiss the Blarney Stone

**Dublin:** See St. Patrick's Cathedral, Christchurch Cathedral, the Georgian Squares and Trinity College with a Local Guide

**Liverpool:** Visit the Beatles' hometown

**Edinburgh:** With your Local Guide, see Princes Street, the Royal Mile and the Castle

**Stratford-upon-Avon:** Visit the town of Shakespeare and see Anne Hathaway's cottage

Oxford: View the Bodleian Library

plus more

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Trip departure months

Mar - Sep



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Travel through landscapes that inspired writers and poets like Shakespeare and Robert Burns. You'll cross England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales to admire medieval castles and kiss the Blarney Stone. Explore the picturesque Lake District, Dingle Peninsula and Cotswolds, and immerse yourself in vibrant capital cities.



### DAYS 1 - 4. ARRIVE LONDON TO WATERFORD

Your journey across two mystical islands kicks off in London, followed by Windsor, Bath and Wales. Opt for the Choice Experience to Cardiff Castle, then drive past Carmarthen, the legendary birthplace of Merlin. See the 11th-century Pembroke Castle, where King Henry VII was born, then board your ferry to Ireland. Welcome: Meet your Travel Director for an early morning departure on Day 3.

### DAYS 5 - 11. BLARNEY TO EDINBURGH

Visit the Waterford Crystal Showroom, then travel to Blarney Castle. Stop in Killarney for an optional jaunting car ride before reaching Tralee, famous for its Rose of Tralee Festival. Drive through the scenic Dingle Peninsula to Adare, then Limerick to see St. Mary's Cathedral and King John's Castle, before arriving in Shannon. Optionally visit Bunratty Castle and Folk Park. Drive through County Clare to Galway. Head to Dublin for a guided city tour, opt for a guided tour of the

monastic site in County Wicklow. Cross the Irish Sea to Holyhead, then travel to Liverpool and Haydock. Enjoy an optional cruise on Lake Windermere, then cross into Scotland to visit Gretna Green, famous for elopements. Discover Edinburgh with a guided tour.

# DAYS 12 - 15. YORK TO OXFORD AND DEPART LONDON

Travel south through the Debatable Lands to Jedburgh Abbey's 12th-century ruins, then admire the Cheviot Hills and Hadrian's Wall in Northumberland. Visit York's medieval streets and view its grand Minster before overnighting in Bradford. Explore Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon and opt for a visit to Warwick Castle. Journey through the charming Cotswolds to Bladon, Churchill's resting place, and continue to Oxford to see its iconic university landmarks. Your adventure ends in London, where you'll say farewell to your Travel Director and newfound friends.

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### DAY 1. ARRIVE GLASGOW

Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers, then spend a free evening exploring the local favourites. Hotel: Ibis City Centre

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.

### DAY 2. GLASGOW SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Kick-start your day with the city orientation tour including views of Glasgow Cathedral and George Square. (B)

### DAY 3. GLASGOW - GLENCOE - HIGHLANDS

Travel north for a Choice Experience cruise on Loch Lomond, then journey through Glencoe's 'Glen of Weeping'. After Fort William, view the Commando Memorial and Ben Nevis Mountain Range, then head to the Highlands. **(B, D)** Hotel: Craiglynne



Sail along the tranquil Loch Lomond and discover mystical landmarks with your Local Guide.



Meet Neil the Shepherd, his border collies, and feed the lambs in the Scottish Highlands.

### DAY 4. CULLODEN - LOCH NESS - ISLE OF SKYE

Visit Culloden Battlefield, pass Loch Ness, and admire Eilean Donan Castle before crossing Loch Alsh on the bridge to Skye. After a lunch stop, take the scenic route back to where your day began. **(B, D)** 

# DAY 5. HIGHLANDS - PITLOCHRY - ST. ANDREWS - EDINBURGH

Visit Pitlochry, with free time or an optional trip to Blair Castle. Stop in St. Andrews en route to Edinburgh. Select departures include tickets to the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn

### DAY 6. EDINBURGH SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

See the Georgian New Town, Palace of Holyroodhouse, the Royal Mile and Edinburgh Castle during a city tour with your Local Guide. (B)



Explore Edinburgh Castle to see the Honours of Scotland and the National War Museum of Scotland.

### DAY 7. DEPART EDINBURGH

Say a fond "bye for noo" to new friends, closing the curtain on a memorable journey. **(B)** 

# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







Country

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

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

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

Fort William: See the Commando Memorial and Britain's highest mountain Ben Nevis and enjoy a scenic drive through Glencoe, the infamous 'Glen of Weeping'

**Highlands:** Explore Culloden battlefield, search for Nessie in the morning and see Eilean Donan Castle. Journey over the sea to Skye

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

**Edinburgh:** Sightseeing with your Local Guide includes views of the famous Princes Street, the Royal Mile and the Castle

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# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Apr - Oct



Trip code: BSCS









**Countries** 

### Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Barcelona: See the exterior of La Sagrada Família and La Rambla with a Local Guide

Gibraltar: See the Rock of Gibraltar

Seville: See the Cathedral and Giralda Tower with your Local Guide

Lisbon: View Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries

Fátima: See the celebrated Shrine

Madrid: See the Royal Palace, Cibeles Fountain and Retiro Park with a Local Guide

plus more

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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: Ibis Styles Barcelona Sant Joan Despi

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

### DAY 2. BARCELONA SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Choose to visit Montserrat's monastery, then explore Barcelona with a Local Guide. See Las Ramblas, Passeig de Gràcia and the ornate facade of La Sagrada Família, with free time later to discover Gaudí's whimsical works or the Gothic Quarter. (B)



Embark on a fairy-tale journey to the jagged peaks of Montserrat and its Benedictine monastery.

### DAY 3. BARCELONA - PEÑÍSCOLA - VALENCIA

Your first stop today is in Peñíscola to see the imposing 13th-century Templar Castle. Continue to Valencia for views of the Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the futuristic 'City of Arts and Sciences', recessed in the Turia riverbed. (B) Hotel: NH Las Ciencias



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Indulge in a horchata tasting as you wander Valencia's medieval streets with your Local Guide.



Discover Valencia's past and present through paella - your must-try Spanish delight.

### 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 a Choice Experience to the Albaicín Quarter before heading to the Costa del Sol. (B) Hotel: Moon Dreams Calabahia



Tour the Albaicín and see the Catholic Monarchs' tombs centred amidst treasures of the Royal Chapel.



Discover hidden gems in hilltop Mijas and enjoy a Mediterranean dinner at a seaside restaurant.

### DAY 6. COSTA DEL SOL - GIBRALTAR - SEVILLE

Explore a slice of Britain when you cross the border into Gibraltar. Join a Choice Experience to meet Barbary apes and explore St. Michael's Cave. Then head north through Andalusia to vibrant Seville. (B, D) Hotel: MA Congresos



Take a wild ride on a private minibus to the legendary Rock of Gibraltar, one of the Pillars of Hercules.

### DAY 7. SEVILLE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

A Local Guide 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 a Choice Experience to the Alcázar. Consider a fiery flamenco show Choice Experience in the evening. (B)



Stroll the Alcázar's gardens, evoking the Water Gardens of Dorne from Game of Thrones. Continue to Plaza de América.



Enjoy an evening of Andalusian flamenco and cuisine at the best show in town with dinner included.





### DAY 8. SEVILLE - LISBON

Travel across the golden and green plains of the Alentejo to Lisbon. This evening, join your Travel Director for a memorable Choice Experience featuring an authentic fado performance. (B) Hotel: Ramada by Wyndham



**Experience the true essence of Portugal** through Fado music and dinner in a historic venue.

### DAY 9. LISBON SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Head to the banks of the Tagus River this morning, joining a Local Guide for an included sightseeing tour. Later, you could choose to visit the beach playgrounds of Estoril and Cascais, as well as Sintra, on a Choice Experience of the iconic Golden Triangle. (B)



Tour the Estoril Coast, Cascais fishing village and Sintra's Royal Palaces with a Local Guide.



Explore Lisbon's food scene with a ferry ride across the Tagus River for seafood and fish specialities at a local restaurant.

### 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. Spend your evening at leisure. (B, D) Hotel: Bardo Recoletos Coco

### DAY 11. SALAMANCA - MADRID SIGHTSEEING

Arriving in Madrid, you'll embark on a sightseeing tour with a Local Guide to view the Cibeles Fountain, Gran Vía and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire views of the Royal Palace and El 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: Luze Castellana



Discover hidden gems, enjoy an à la carte meal, then take an evening spin through stunning squares and fountains.

### 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 city. Perhaps take an opportunity to join a Choice Experience to the medieval city of Toledo. (B)



Visit Toledo to learn about the city's rich cultural heritage and admire Damascene metalwork traditions.

### DAY 13. DEPART MADRID

It's time to say a final hasta la vista to new friends and your Travel Director. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code: SPAN/WPAN



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Country

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Lisbon: View Belém Tower and the Discoveries Monument with your Local Guide

Tomar: View the legacy left by the Knights Templar

Fátima: See the celebrated Shrine

Coimbra: View one of Europe's oldest universities and historic Santa Clara Monastery

Porto: Discover Ribeira's medieval charm with a Local Guide

plus more

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### **DAY 1. ARRIVE LISBON**

Pastel-hued buildings and azuleio-tiled facades brighten Lisbon's narrow streets as they wind across the city's legendary seven hills, from St. George's Castle to the banks of the Tagus River. Gaze out over the sea of terracotta rooftops and absorb the Portuguese capital's charming, small-town atmosphere. Later, meet your Travel Director and fellow companheiros for a warm welcome and a glimpse of the adventure ahead. This evening, enjoy a shared dinner and sample some local favourites you'll encounter throughout your journey across Portugal. (D) Hotel: VIP Executive Zurique

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

### DAY 2. LISBON SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Explore the Age of the Discoveries and Portugal's role as a global maritime power many centuries ago when you join a Local Guide for a sightseeing tour. See the Hieronymite Monastery and the medieval guarter before taking in views of the Belém Tower. Take the rest of the day to explore on your own. Maybe join a Choice Experience to visit Portugal's Golden Triangle of Cascais, Estoril and Sintra to see some of the country's most extravagant palaces. This evening, perhaps join an optional traditional Portuguese dinner amidst the heartwrenching, melancholic sounds of the fado. (B)



Tour the Estoril Coast, Cascais fishing village and Sintra's Royal Palaces with a Local Guide.





**Experience the true essence of Portugal** through Fado music and dinner in a historic venue.

### DAY 3. LISBON FREE DAY

Que bom! A full free day in Lisboa to explore the enchanting Portuguese capital your way. The secret to living a long life lies in eating a big breakfast, but as you'll come to discover

in Lisbon that may extend to a big lunch and dinner too. Spend the day indulging in a culinary adventure on your own or choose an optional visit to the fishing village of Nazaré, set on a wide bay overlooking the Atlantic. This Choice Experience also includes a visit to Óbidos where you'll have time to explore the medieval walled city with its whitewashed houses and cobblestone lanes. Aside from its

obvious charm and history that pre-dates the founding of Portugal, Óbidos is also home to the delightfully decadent Ginja cherry liqueur served up in tiny chocolate cups. (B)



Explore the walled town of Óbidos, relax in seaside Nazaré, and stop at Fátima's famous sanctuary.





Explore Lisbon's food scene with a ferry ride across the Tagus River for seafood and fish specialities at a local restaurant.





### DAY 4. LISBON - TOMAR - FÁTIMA

Leave Lisbon behind, bound for the Templar city of Tomar for an orientation tour with your Travel Director, a beautiful reminder of Portuguese Renaissance. Continue to Fátima, a site of a celebrated religious miracle where three young shepherds are said to have seen an apparition of the Virgin Mary in 1917. Explore the Basilica and Sanctuary on your own before dinner at your hotel with your travel companions. (B, D) Hotel: São José



### DAY 5. FÁTIMA - COIMBRA - PORTO

Travel to Coimbra to explore the city your way before continuing to Porto. Arrive in time for a sightseeing tour with a Local Guide of the city's UNESCO-listed medieval Ribeira Quarter, the port and the remarkable bridges that span the Douro River. With an evening to do as you wish, you may be tempted to head to the water's edge and one of the city's Port wine cellars. (B) Hotel: Gaia Residence

Indulge in fresh seafood and local wine during an unforgettable dinner on Portugal's Atlantic coast.



Enjoy a food walking tour where you will get to eat and drink your way through the cobbled streets of Porto.

### DAY 6. PORTO FREE DAY

Savour a full day to go back in time and explore Porto's historic centre with its beautiful Baroque facades. You could choose instead to join a Choice Experience to Braga, Portugal's

religious capital. A Local Guide will reveal insights into Braga's historic centre and you'll have an opportunity to see Europe's largest and most magnificent sculpted Baroque staircase. This evening, an optional cruise along the Douro, followed by a dinner of local specialities, is a fitting way to end your journey through Portugal. Watch the city light up as you enjoy a night cap and the fresh river breeze. (B)



Explore Braga, Portugal's Baroque capital, and take a funicular to the UNESCOlisted Bom Jesus sanctuary.





Sip on port as you cruise the Douro River before a traditional meal in Porto's Ribeira Quarter.

### DAY 7. DEPART PORTO

You've explored Portugal's illustrious past, savoured Mediterranean flavours that will linger long after you leave and made lasting new friendships. All that's left is to wish your travel companions a boa viagem and até à próxima. A complimentary departure transfer to Lisbon is available. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Apr - Oct



Trip code: **PTCS** 









Countries

Days

Meal

# Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Madrid: See the Royal Palace, Cibeles Fountain and Retiro Park with a Local Guide

Fes: See Medina and enjoy views of the Royal Palace

**Marrakesh:** Visit Dar El Bacha and Djemaa el-Fna Square during your sightseeing tour

Seville: Sightseeing with your Local Guide includes views of the Cathedral and Giralda Tower

**Lisbon:** With your Local Guide, view Belém Tower and the Monument to the Discoveries

plus more

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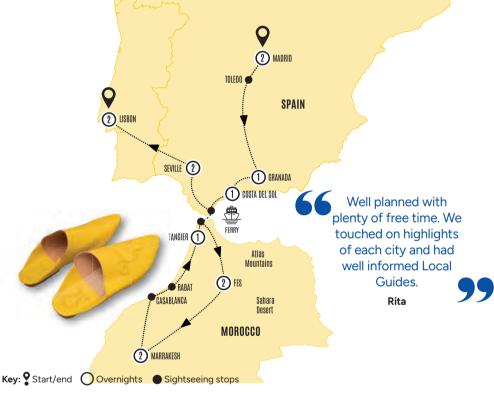


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The scents of spice and the warm embrace of the sun-kissed Mediterranean are never far when you embark on this uplifting voyage through Spain, Morocco and Portugal. Explore the bustling cities of Madrid and Marrakesh, cross the Strait of Gibraltar and feast your eyes on the colourful facades of Seville. From there, Portugal and its capital, Lisbon, await.

### **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: Madrid Marriott Auditorium

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

HOOSE

Explore Old Madrid with a Local Guide. See the grand Plaza Mayor before enjoying tapas in a famous bar.

### DAY 2. MADRID SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Start your day in Madrid with a Local Guide, viewing landmarks like the Cibeles Fountain and Paseo de la Castellana. See the Royal Palace, then enjoy free time or join a Choice Experience to UNESCO-listed Segovia, famous for its Roman aqueduct and intricate esgrafiado facades. (B)



Visit Segovia, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Explore the castle that inspired Disney, and see a Roman aqueduct.

### DAY 3. MADRID - TOLEDO - GRANADA

Travel through La Mancha. View Toledo's skyline, then join your Local Guide for a walking tour. Visit a steel workshop to see the famous Damascene handicraft before continuing to Granada. Tonight perhaps join a Choice Experience to watch a traditional gitano performance. (B, D) Hotel: Macia Condor



Experience the emotive Zambra dances of Granada's famous Gitano people in a historic cave setting.

### 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 a Choice Experience visit to the Albaicín Quarter, then continue south to the sun-kissed Andalusian holiday retreat of Costa del Sol. (B) Hotel: Moon Dreams Calabahia



Discover hidden gems in hilltop Mijas and enjoy a Mediterranean dinner at a seaside restaurant.

### DAY 5. COSTA DEL SOL - FES

Take in a scenic coastal drive before boarding the ferry to North Africa. A different world awaits you in Morocco as you travel past the Rif Mountains to Fes. (B, D) Hotel: Menzeh Zalagh

### DAY 6. FES SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Join a Local Guide for a sightseeing tour through the cultural and spiritual centre of Morocco. With the rest of your day free, perhaps join a Choice Experience this evening - an Arabian dinner in a traditional riad with music. (B)



Discover the unique dwellings of Bhalil village, carved from rock for optimal local climate. Visit a traditional tile factory.



Enjoy live music and a belly dancing performance as you dine on Arabian food in a traditional Riad.

### DAY 7. FES - MARRAKESH

Today, travel to the city of Marrakesh. Perhaps join a Choice Experience evening of authentic Berber cuisine and entertainment. **(B)** Hotel: Almas



Feel the magic of Marrakesh by night with a visit to Jemaa el-Fnaa square, followed by dinner and entertainment.

# DAY 8. MARRAKESH SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Enjoy a guided sightseeing tour of the city and a visit to Dar El Bacha. Maybe join a Choice Experience to a Berber village. **(B)** 





HOOSE

Share traditional tea and stories with a local Berber family during a visit to the Ourika Valley.

### DAY 9. MARRAKESH - CASABLANCA -Rabat - Tangier

Today, travel to Casablanca, the setting of Humphrey Bogart's most indelible moments on screen. Continue to the capital city, Rabat, where you will see the Mohammed V Mausoleum and Royal Palace. (B, D) Hotel: Andalucia

Golf Tangier/El Oumnia Puerto & Spa

### **DAY 10. TANGIER - SEVILLE**

Return to Spain, crossing the Strait of Gibraltar and heading north to Seville. **(B, D)** Hotel: MA Congresos

### DAY 11. SEVILLE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Join a Local Guide for a sightseeing tour of 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 Choice Experience at a flamenco show. (B)



Stroll the Alcázar's gardens, evoking the Water Gardens of Dorne from Game of Thrones. Continue to Plaza de América.

### DAY 12. SEVILLE - LISBON

Travel to Portugal, passing through the rolling golden and green plains of the Alentejo. If you're tempted to take to the city's hilly cobblestone streets this evening, join your Travel Director for a Choice Experience fado performance. (B) Hotel: VIP Executive Zurique



Experience the true essence of Portugal through Fado music and dinner in a historic venue.

### DAY 13. LISBON SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Visit Belém, where you'll see the iconic tower, Monument to the Discoveries and Jerónimos Monastery. Explore Lisbon's scenic hills by tram in the afternoon or join a Choice Experience to the palaces of Cascais, Estoril and Sintra. Celebrate your journey over a dinner with new friends. (B, D)



Tour the Estoril Coast, Cascais fishing village and Sintra's Royal Palaces with a Local Guide.

### DAY 14. DEPART LISBON

Fill your heart with memories of your epic journey filled with colour, culture and the generous spirit of the locals, as the curtain closes on a mesmerising journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal. (B)

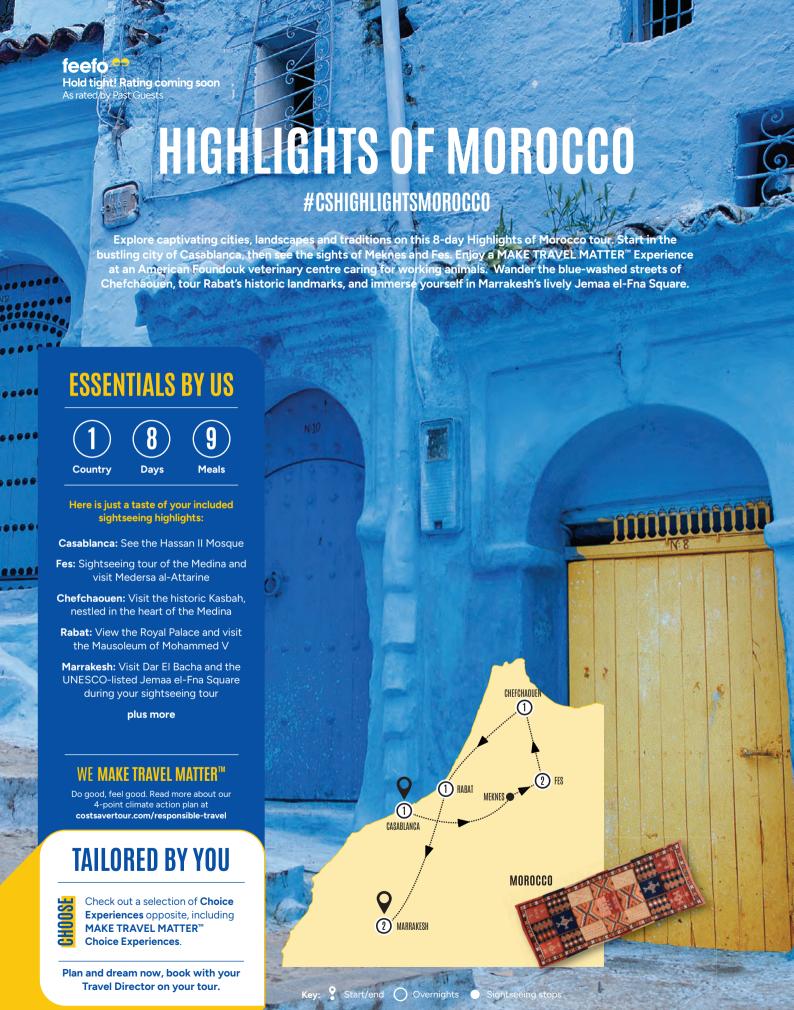
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Trip departure months

Apr - Oct



Trip code: SMHI



### DAY 1. ARRIVAL CASABLANCA

Welcome to Casablanca, the largest city in Morocco! Your adventure begins as you touch down, where the day is yours to explore or simply unwind after your journey. In the evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a delightful dinner at the hotel your first taste of Morocco's rich flavours and warm hospitality. Let the excitement of the days ahead sink in as you settle into this unforgettable experience. (D) Hotel: New Hotel Piscine Wellness & Spa

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

### DAY 2. CASABLANCA - FES

Today's adventure begins with a guided orientation of Casablanca. Snap a photo outside Rick's Cafe, inspired by the classic film Casablanca. Afterward, marvel at the grandeur of the Hassan II Mosque, a symbol of the city which features the second tallest minaret in the world. The journey continues to Meknes, where you'll witness the imposing gate to the Kasbah of Moulay Ismail, a relic of Morocco's royal history. Upon arriving in Fes, unwind or opt for an unforgettable Choice Experience an Arabian dinner with live entertainment. (B) Hotel: Across Hotels & Spa/Menzah Zalagh



Immerse yourself in Morocco's magic. Dine on Arabian flavours with live music and captivating belly dancing.

### DAY 3. FES SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Start your day exploring the wonders of Fes, the 'Mecca of the West'. Marvel at the 12th-century Royal Palace, followed by a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience at the non-profit American Fondouk, where you'll meet the volunteer veterinarians who are passionately dedicated to animal welfare. Then, enjoy panoramic views of the Medina from Borg Hill before diving into the vibrant Fez Medina with a Local Guide, visiting the tanneries, Carpet Cooperative, and Medersa al-Attarine. The afternoon is yours to explore or opt for a Bhalil Revealed Choice Experience. Or you could dive into a hands-on cooking class at Bab Sahra Fez to learn the culinary secrets of traditional Moroccan



Discover Bhalil's unique rock-carved homes and meet artisans behind the art at a traditional ceramic tile workshop.





dishes. (B)

Join a Moroccan cooking class, shop fresh ingredients and prepare a traditional tagine with expert chefs.

### DAY 4. FES TO CHEFCHAOUEN

Today, you're off to one of Morocco's key highlights—the 'Blue City' of Chefchaouen. Begin with an orientation tour, taking in the charm of this picturesque city with



its iconic blue-washed buildings. Visit the historic Kasbah, nestled in the heart of the Medina, and explore its peaceful gardens and small museum. The evening is yours to enjoy, so you might want to relax at your hotel's terrace for stunning views, or head to Place Outa El Hamam square. As night falls, the square comes alive with performers and local musicians, giving you an authentic taste of Chefchaouen's culture. (B) Hotel: Vancii/Parador

### DAY 5. CHEFCHAOUEN TO RABAT

This afternoon, you'll arrive in Rabat and begin with an orientation tour of Morocco's capital. Start by viewing the Royal Palace, the King's official residence, displaying stunning traditional architecture. Then, marvel at the Hassan Tower, a 12th-century minaret and an iconic symbol of the city's rich history. Finally, visit the Mausoleum of Mohammed V, a beautifully decorated tomb that honours the late King and his sons. Your Local Guide will share insights into the history and significance of these remarkable landmarks. (B, D) Hotel: Rihab



Say goodbye to Rabat as you embark on a scenic drive through the heart of Morocco. Arriving in the 'Red City' of Marrakesh, you'll instantly feel the buzz of this iconic city, famous for its rich history, bustling souks, and stunning palaces. Want to make the day your own? You could explore the

hotel, or even opt for a trip to the Ourika Valley, where you'll sip tea with a local Berber family and learn about their traditions. (B) Hotel: Almas

vibrant streets solo, unwind at your



Escape to the Ourika Valley, visit a local family in an adobe village for traditional tea and discover mountain life.

### DAY 7. MARRAKESH SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Discover the charm of Marrakesh, where oldworld history blends with modern life. Start with an optional visit to Majorelle Gardens, an oasis restored by Yves Saint Laurent,

famous for its vibrant colours, including the iconic Majorelle Blue. Explore the Berber Museum to learn about Morocco's indigenous heritage, then join a guided tour, beginning at Dar El Bacha Museum, a former palace showcasing stunning Moroccan architecture. You'll also visit the Koutoubia Mosque before ending at the UNESCO-listed Jemaa el-Fnaa Square, filled with performers, merchants, and storytellers. The afternoon is yours to explore at your leisure of perhaps choose an optional vintage sidecar tour. Later, consider a visit to Jemaa el-Fnaa at night, followed by a traditional Moroccan dinner. (B)



Visit the Majorelle Gardens, restored by Yves Saint Laurent and explore the Berber Museum.





Hop into a vintage sidecar and cruise through Marrakech's vibrant streets. Your Guide drives and you call the shots.





Explore Jemaa el-Fnaa by night, wander the vibrant bazaar, enjoy street acts then dine at a traditional Moroccan eatery.

### DAY 8. DEPART MARRAKESH

As your journey through the highlights of Morocco comes to an end, bid a fond farewell to your new friends before heading to the airport to depart with unforgettable memories of your Moroccan adventure. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Apr - Oct



Trip code: HIMO









Countries

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Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Warsaw:** View the Old Town, St. John's Cathedral and the Royal Palace with a Local Guide

**Auschwitz:** Visit the poignant former concentration camp

**Kraków:** Join a Local Guide to see the cathedral and Royal Castle on Wawel Hill

**Budapest:** Visit Castle Hill and admire the sites from above with a Local Guide

Prague: Walking tour with a Local Guide

plus more

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The historic cultural hubs and colourful folklore of Bohemia take centre stage on this 15-day encounter with Germany, Poland, Hungary, Austria and the Czech Republic. Witness the triumph of the human spirit, explore the medieval history of enchanting towns and uncover myths and legends at this multicultural crossroads. Discover the heart of Europe your way on the Highlights of Bohemia tour.

### **DAY 1. ARRIVE FRANKFURT**

At its heart, Frankfurt's high-powered business hub communes with a warm medieval centre. This afternoon, your Travel Director will lead an orientation tour around the city's dynamic financial centre and Römerberg. Hotel: Holiday Inn Frankfurt Airport - Neu-Isenburg

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 16:00.

### DAY 2. FRANKFURT - BERLIN

Journey across the North German Plain to the dynamic and energetic capital that is Berlin.

Consider joining a Choice Experience. **(B)** Hotel: InterCity Ostbahnhof.

### DAY 3. BERLIN SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Your Local Guide 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)**  Learn about Checkpoint Charlie, the Berlin Wall and the Holocaust Memorial on a guided tour.



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Drive to Berlin's royal hunting grounds and dine in a charming chalet. Savour German cuisine, history and architecture!

### DAY 4. BERLIN - POZNAŃ - WARSAW

Visit Poznań, 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: Ibis Warsaw Centrum



Unleash the magic of Warsaw's soul with a private concert by a celebrated Polish pianist.

### DAY 5. WARSAW SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

This morning, perhaps enjoy a Choice Experience guided visit to the baroque Wilanów Palace, then dive into Warsaw's turbulent past with a Local Guide. (B)



Explore King Sobieski III's 17<sup>th</sup>-century Wilanów Palace on a guided tour and marvel at the royal collection.

### DAY 6. WARSAW -Auschwitz - Kraków

Today you'll travel south towards the former Royal Capital of Krakow. Pay your respects during a visit to the memorial site of the former concentration camp at Auschwitz, honouring the survivors and victims of the Holocaust.. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Stare Miasto



### DAY 7. KRAKÓW SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Your Local Guide will share the legend of the city's origins and royal history. Perhaps join an optional visit to the UNESCO-listed 14th-century salt mines. **(B)** 



Explore the subterranean chambers and salt sculptures of the UNESCO-listed Wieliczka Salt Mine.





Dance to Polka music, savour traditional dishes and drinks at a lively dinner in Krakow.

### DAY 8. KRAKÓW - BUDAPEST

Head south through Poland, then travel through the pastoral heart of Slovakia bound for Hungary. Your final destination today is Budapest. Begin your exploration of this 'Pearl of the Danube' on the water with an optional private dinner cruise. **(B)** Hotel: Ibis Styles City



Delight in Hungarian delicacies and views on a Danube cruise as Budapest's skyline is illuminated.

### DAY 9. BUDAPEST SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Like all great capitals, Budapest's story begins with a legend, which your Local Guide will share





as you see Castle Hill. This afternoon, perhaps join a Choice Experience to the medieval town of Szentendre. **(B)** 

Visit scenic Szentendre for a goulash





Indulge in Hungarian cuisine whilst musicians serenade you with tales of Romani folklore in a local restaurant.

### DAY 10. BUDAPEST - GYÖR - VIENNA

Maybe marvel at the exquisite interior of the Hungarian Parliament. Stop in Győr on your way to Vienna. **(B, D)** Hotel: Ibis Wien Mariahilf



Tour the Hungarian Parliament, Europe's most ornate state parliament and Gothic Revival masterpiece.

### DAY 11. VIENNA SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

This morning, consider a Choice Experience to Schönbrunn Palace and Gardens. Afterwards, your Local Guide will reveal all the sights of this imperial city. **(B)** 



Tour the stunning Palace of Schönbrunn with a Local Guide to experience its rich history and beauty.





Vienna's got the goods - history, culture and food. Treat yourself to a dinner with traditional Viennese music!

### 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. Known as the 'City of a Hundred Spires', Prague shines even brighter at night, so it's only fitting to join an evening introduction to this fairy-tale city. **(B, D)** Hotel: Ambiance



Join a Local Guide to enjoy an introduction to Prague's city sights from the comfort of your private tram.

### DAY 13. PRAGUE SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Join your Local Guide for a sightseeing tour featuring Prague Castle, St. Vitus Cathedral and Old Town Square. Consider a Choice Experience cruise with lunch on the VItava River, and later, opt for an evening of dinner and live music. **(B)** 

### DAY 14. PRAGUE - ROTHENBURG - FRANKFURT

Take a step back in time during your stop in Rothenburg ob der Tauber. Continue to Frankfurt, where tonight you'll enjoy a farewell dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Frankfurt Airport - Neu-Isenburg

### **DAY 15. DEPART FRANKFURT**

Great empires created the enchanting land which you've explored over the past 15 days. **(B)** 

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Trip departure months

Year-round



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preferred Travel Agent.





Days



Countries

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Dubrovnik:** See the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries

Kotor: Orientation around the Old Town, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with your Travel Director

Budva: Enjoy an orientation, free time and beach in Old Town

Saraievo: See the Old Town with your Local Guide

Mostar: See the iconic historic bridge, Stari Most, a symbol of unity and resilience, and visit the bustling Bazaar with your Local Guide

Split: With your Local Guide, see the grand Diocletian's Palace, a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** 

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Trip departure months

May - Oct



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Step back in time on this 9-day journey through the Balkans, where medieval ruins meet ancient Roman wonders. Explore the enchanting old towns of Dubrovnik and Split, stroll through multicultural cities and marvel at breathtaking architecture.



### DAY 1. ARRIVE DUBROVNIK

Welcome to Dubrovnik, where you'll get to see 'paradise on earth'! (D) Hotel: Vis/ Komodor/Adria

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

### DAY 2. DUBROVNIK SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Explore Dubrovnik with a Local Guide. Opt to join a sunset dinner cruise to a secluded bay. (B)

### DAY 3. DUBROVNIK - KOTOR - BUDVA

Continue to the Old Town of Kotor (Stari Grad) and join your Travel Director for an orientation tour. (B) Hotel: Eurostars Queen of Montenegro



Enjoy a private happy hour cruise along the Budva Riviera passing Sveti Nikola island on the way to Bečići.

### DAY 4. BUDVA - SARAJEVO

Travel to Sarajevo, the 'Jerusalem of Europe'. (B, D) Hotel: Ibis Styles

### DAY 5. SARAJEVO SIGHTSEEING

Join a Local Guide for a walking tour of Sarejavo. (B)

**Uncover Sarajevo's Siege survival:** experience the Tunnel of Hope and hear personal accounts from a Local Guide.



Immerse yourself in Sarajevo over an intimate dinner at a local's home, enjoying traditional cuisine.

### DAY 6. SARAJEVO - MOSTAR

Discover Mostar with a Local Guide. Choose a guided visit to Blagaj, famous for its natural springs. (B, D) Hotel: HA Mostar

### DAY 7. MOSTAR - SPLIT

Head to Split and see the highlights including Diocletian's Palace, with a Local Guide. Opt to join a Dalmatian dinner with live music in a traditional konoba. (B) Hotel: Split INN by President

### DAY 8. SPLIT YOUR WAY

See Split at leisure. Why not opt to visit one of the Dalmatian islands? (B, D)

### DAY 9. DEPART SPLIT

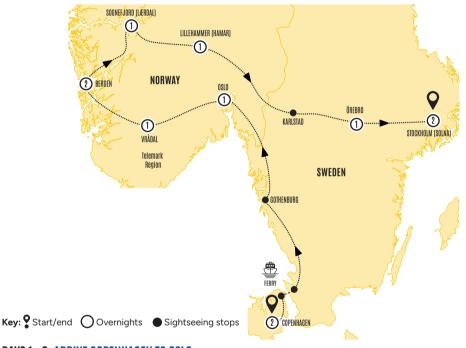
Say farewell to your fellow travellers after a memorable journey through the best of the Balkans. (B)

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Included meals: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D) Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.



Step into the land of Vikings, majestic fjords, and those unforgettable long summer nights. This 12-day adventure through Norway, Denmark and Sweden is your ticket to unspoilt beauty and Nordic lore. Take in the dramatic 'King' and 'Queen' of the fjords, dive into centuries of trading heritage, and let the landscapes of Scandinavia sweep you off your feet. Get ready to explore a region where nature and history dance in perfect harmony.



### DAYS 1 - 3. ARRIVE COPENHAGEN TO OSLO

Begin your Scandinavian adventure in vibrant Copenhagen, exploring Nyhavn, Tivoli Gardens and city highlights with a Local Guide. Join a Choice Experience to visit the Danish Riviera and Frederiksborg Castle, or charming Dragør. Then journey through scenic Sweden to Oslo, where nature and Nordic charm meet.

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

### DAYS 4 - 6. OSLO TO BERGEN

Explore Oslo's iconic sights and Vigeland's striking sculptures before heading to the scenic Telemark region. Journey through dramatic fjords and mountains to historic Bergen, where you'll uncover Hanseatic heritage, vibrant harbours, and breathtaking views in Norway's charming coastal gem.

### DAYS 7 - 9. BERGEN - SOGNEFJORD -LILLEHAMMER - KARLSTAD - OREBRO

Marvel at majestic Sognefjord, with a Choice Experience to ride the Flåm Railway or cruise Nærøyfjord. Journey through Norway's mountains to Olympic Lillehammer, then cross into Sweden's serene countryside, ending in charming Örebro with its riverside castle and relaxed, small-town atmosphere.

### DAYS 10 - 12. DEPART STOCKHOLM (SOLNA)

Arrive in stylish Stockholm (Solna), where waterways and parks meet chic city life. Explore landmarks like the Royal Palace and Storkyrkan, or visit the iconic Vasa Museum and Ice Bar. Toast your final night before bidding farewell to your Scandinavian adventure.

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# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







Countries

Days

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Copenhagen:** View the Little Mermaid, Nyhavn and see Christiansborg Palace

**Oslo:** View the medieval fortress Akershus, the City Hall and the Royal Palace

**Bergen:** See Haakon's Hall the bustling fish market and explore the colourful wooden houses of UNESCO-listed Bryggen

**Stockholm:** View the medieval Storkyrkan, the City Hall, Riddarholm Church and the Royal Palace

plus more

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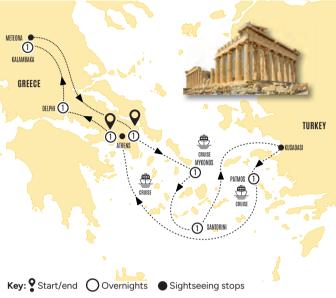
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Days

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Athens: Visit the UNESCO-listed Acropolis and view the Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch

**Delphi:** Explore the UNESCO-listed Temple of Apollo with a Local Guide

Meteora: Visit one of the iconic rock Monasteries, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, with a Local Guide

**Mykonos:** Spend the evening exploring this lively island

plus more

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### DAY 2. DELPHI



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Meet beekeepers at their family-run honey farm.

### DAY 4. ATHENS



Wine and dine meze-style in Psiri, then tour the UNESCO-listed Acropolis.

### DAY 6. SANTORINI



Explore Oia and Fira your way, take in the views and end by cable car.

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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Athens: Sightseeing tour with a Local Guide includes a visit to the magnificent UNESCO-listed Acropolis and view the Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch

Santorini: Enjoy an orientation of the town of Fira with the views over the caldera with your Travel Director

Mykonos: Explore the 'Island of the Winds' and admire the iconic windmills and stunning whitewashed Cycladic architecture

plus more

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### DAY 2. ATHENS



Surf through history at Temple of Poseidon and see Byron's carvings.

### DAY 4. SANTORINI



Board a wooden "caique" to Nea Kameni before dinner with music in Oia.

### DAY 7. MYKONOS



Soak up Cycladic views, visit Ano Mera, then take a dip at Kalafatis Beach.

### **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months



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Trip departure months

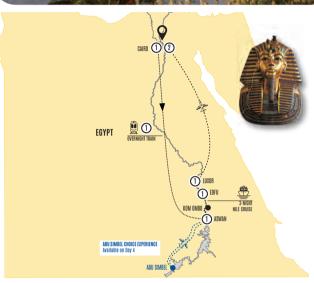
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### ESSENTIALS RV IIS







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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Istanbul:** See Hagia Sophia and Blue Mosque. Visit the Grand Bazaar

**Cappadocia:** Visit Paşabaği and the Red Valley and marvel at the underground city of Saratli

**Konya:** Visit the Mevlana Museum, home of the Whirling Dervishes

**Gallipoli:** See Anzac Cove, Lone Pine and Chunuk Bair Cemeteries

plus more

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### DAY 2. ISTANBUL

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Explore Topkapi Palace Museum, then sail along the Bosphorus.

### DAY 5. CAPPADOCIA

HOOSE

Experience local tradition as you witness the dance of the Whirling Dervishes.

### DAY 7. IZMIR

SHOOSE

Relax with seaside views, seafood delights and meze at a top-rated restaurant.

### ESSENTIALS RY IIS







Country

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Cairo:** Visit the Pyramids of Giza and the mighty Sphinx

Kom Ombo: Visit Kom Ombo Temple dedicated to two gods

**Luxor:** Explore the imposing Karnak Temple Complex

Valley of the Kings: See the Memnon Colossi and visit the mortuary temple of Queen Hatshepsut

plus more

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### DAY 3. ASWAN

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Cruise to Philae Island to hear of local legends in a Roman-style amphitheatre.

### DAY 5. LUXOR

HOOSE

Skip the crowds and dive into Egypt's golden age at the Luxor Museum.

### DAY 7. CAIRO

HOOSE

Enjoy a two-hour Nile cruise with dinner, city lights and belly dancing.

### **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months
Year-round



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Fly like a bird on a helicopter over Victoria Falls and kayak around camera-friendly Walker Bay. Dive into history on a guided tour of Soweto. Ride the Franschhoek Wine Train then sip and savour top-notch South African wines. Make each day your own. Plan and dream now, and book your Choice Experiences on trip. See what Costsaver guests are loving right now @costsavertours



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Essentials by Us: Rise early for a safari in search of the Big 5, exploring the fynbos landscape for lions, buffalo, weavers, and dung beetles. Included on Wonders of the Western

Cape (p. 62-63).











Country

### Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Cape Town: City orientation tour includes Bo-Kaap and the Castle of Good Hope. Visit Table Mountain via Aerial Cableway (weather permitting)

Mabula Game Reserve: Included safari vehicle game drives, in search of lion, leopard, rhino, elephant, and buffalo that make up the magnificent Big 5

Johannesburg: Orientation tour of South Africa's largest city

plus more

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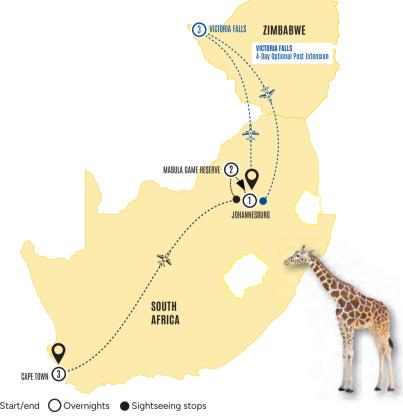
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**Key:** Start/end Overnights ■ Sightseeing stops

Discover the vibrant mix of Cape Town's culture, the stunning heights of Table Mountain and the unforgettable thrill of a South African safari. Get close to nature as you travel to see the Big 5, and experience local traditions and flavours. This is Southern Africa at its finest.

### **DAY 1. ARRIVE CAPE TOWN**

Nothing can guite prepare you for what awaits in Cape Town! Table Mountain, endless beaches, and big city scenes, all this and much more are ready to welcome you today. Explore the heart of the city and get a first-hand feel of this cosmopolitan buzz, before starting the trip off right, with your Travel Director and your fellow travellers, where excitement will be riding high. (D) Hotel: SunSquare Cape Town Gardens Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:30.

### DAY 2. CAPE TOWN ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

You'll waste no time exploring what locals call 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 cableway, 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). (B)



Celebrate Cape Town's distinctive gin with two craft tastings and discover the stories that distil its diverse culture.





Pedal through Cape Town's gorgeous scenery on an e-bike, marvel at stunning views and enjoy a sunset beach braai.

### DAY 3. CAPE TOWN FREE DAY

Today is about taking in Cape Town and its surroundings 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. If your perfect day is in the great outdoors, lace up your boots for a guided hike up Table Mountain, or take it up a notch on a thrilling mountain-bike ride. (B)



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Visit the rolling vineyards of Franschhoek onboard the vintage style Wine Tram and taste samples of your favourite wines.





Join your local expert guide on a hike up the iconic Table Mountain, with spectacular views of the Atlantic.





Get your adrenaline pumping and soak up panoramic views on a guided mountain e-biking tour on Table Mountain.





Enjoy a djembe drumming session and hand washing ceremony before feasting on a 14-dish menu of African cuisine.

### DAY 4. CAPE TOWN - JOHANNESBURG - MABULA **GAMF RESERVE**

Farewell Cape Town, it's been a dream. But as they say, all good things must come to an end. You're in for a treat though, as another adventure in the form of a safari, awaits today! Board your included flight and say a quick hello to Johannesburg before hopping straight to it as you make tracks to Mabula Game Reserve, home to the main event. Set against the picturesque backdrop of the UNESCO-listed Waterberg Mountains, the fantasy of coming to Africa will really set in. Wild, open and magical, in your 4x4 vehicle, you'll end the thrill to your first game drive with a relaxing sundowner. Your Driver will find the perfect spot to watch one of Africa's beautiful sunsets over the bushveld with a drink in hand.

(B, L, D) Hotel: Safari Plains Game Lodge





### DAY 5. MABULA GAME RESERVE SAFARI **GAME DRIVES**

You'll be rising early today as you go in search of the lion, leopard, rhino, elephant, and buffalo that make up the magnificent Big 5, and there's no better way to do it than with your Local Guide leading the charge. Feel like a true explorer as you navigate the dusty tracks in pursuit of spotting animals in both the vegetation and sparse open spaces whilst learning all about the area from your Local Guide's expert knowledge. Whether you spot the Big 5 or not, there's no doubt you'll enjoy this truly magical experience. So take a moment to put your camera down and soak up the sights, sounds, and smells of Africa. (B, L, D)

### DAY 6. MABULA GAME RESERVE -**JOHANNESBURG**

Bid a fond farewell to the bushveld, tucking into a tasty breakfast, and just like that, it's time to head back to civilisation for your next

> city stop. Johannesburg is hard to resist, get your bearings first with an orientation of its sights and sounds with your Travel Director. With an afternoon to explore your way, take the opportunity to get a

history fix at Soweto, delving into the infamous past 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 Maropeng Visitor Centre, where humanity's origin story comes to life through interactive exhibits. However you choose to explore this afternoon, you'll be sure to have taken away a piece of why people fall in love with the energy and spirit of this vibrant city. (B) Hotel: Protea Balalaika



**Explore Soweto, one of South Africa's** most historic townships and learn about the anti-apartheid resistance.





Step back in time at Maropeng Museum. Learn about human evolution and the history of animal extinction.

### DAY 7. DEPART JOHANNESBURG

Your trip around southern Africa's icons comes to an end today. Say 'totsiens' (until we see each other again) to your new friends as you prepare to return home. (B)

### **NOT DONE YET?**

Choose to extend your trip with the Victoria Falls add-on. This trip extension travels from Johannesburg to Victoria Falls for a 3-night stay at the A'Zambezi River Lodge. One of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World takes centre stage as you explore Victoria Falls with a Local Guide. Learn about this natural marvel and enjoy free time to relax and take in this beautiful region. Flights to and from Johannesburg are included. Visit costsavertour.com to learn more.

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code: AFCI









Country

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

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

Hermanus: Visit the whale watching capital of South Africa

Cape Agulhas: Visit the southernmost tip of Africa where the Indian Ocean and Atlantic Oceans meet

Garden Route Game Reserve: Safari vehicle game drives

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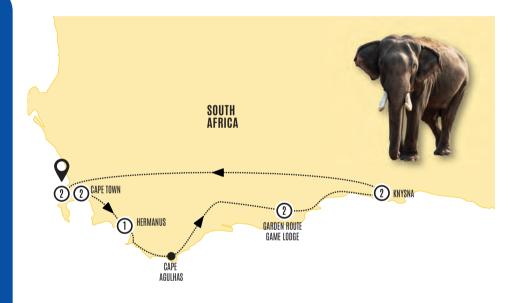
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**Key: 9** Start/end **○** Overnights **○** Sightseeing stops

No, you're not dreaming, the incredible beauty of the Western Cape is part of its charm. From the eclectic streets of Cape Town to the wild nature of Cape Agulhas and the Garden Route Game Reserve, you'll be living out your dream as you dive in to the culture, landscapes and lifestyle of this region.

### DAY 1. ARRIVE CAPE TOWN

Aweh (hi), Cape Town! South African surprises lie in store for the next few days. Connect with the energy of the cosmopolitan Cape capital before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a dinner and trip briefing. (D) Hotel: Protea

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:30.

### DAY 2. CAPE TOWN ORIENTATION AND FREE TIME

Ready for an exhilarating day, Cape Town style? Kick things off by exploring the suburb of Bo-Kaap, where rainbow-hued houses and

facades turn the streets into works of art. Get your first dose of nature during a visit to the Company Gardens, before taking a spin around the 17th-century Castle of Good Hope. Then, leave the city below to catch a ride up Table Mountain, where the local furry residents (hyraxes) are the only things that may steal your attention from the view. Later, check out the golden beaches of the area on an optional e-bike ride, followed by a sunset beach braai (barbecue). (B)



Branch out with a guided tour of Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens, then unwind with afternoon tea and cake.





Pedal through Cape Town's gorgeous scenery on an e-bike, marvel at stunning views and enjoy a sunset beach braai.

### DAY 3. CAPE TOWN - HERMANUS

Put away your camera and just enjoy the ride as you wind your way along one of South Africa's most awe-inspiring drives from Cape Town to Hermanus. The Hottentots Holland mountains plunge dramatically into the Atlantic for most of the route, so you'll want to simply stare out over the epic scenery. Arrive in Hermanus and enjoy lunch with stunning views of the ocean. Then, hit the water on a Choice Experience Walker Bay kayak adventure or unleash your inner wine connoisseur on a visit to a renowned vineyard in the aptly named Hemel-en-Aarde (Heaven-and-Earth) Valley. (B, L) Hotel: Windsor



Explore South Africa's Western Cape coastline by kayak to marvel at the cliffs and sea life.





Learn about the Hemel-en-Aarde estate's history during a guided walk through the vineyards.

### DAY 4. HERMANUS - GARDEN ROUTE GAME RESERVE

Before heading into the wild, expect to be wowed by the swirling waters of the southernmost tip of Africa, Cape Agulhas, where the Indian Ocean collides with the Atlantic. Then, get your game face

on for your safari adventure at the Garden Route Game Reserve, keeping your eyes peeled for the wonders of the African bushveld—glimpses of impala, zebra and giraffe are highly likely.

**(B, D)** Hotel: Garden Route Game Lodge

# DAY 5. GARDEN ROUTE GAME RESERVE SAFARI DRIVES

The one thought on everyone's minds today: will you spot the Big 5? Rise with the Cape turtle doves and let their songs kickstart another magnificent day in South Africa. You'll get out into the bush early to avoid the heat of the day. After grabbing a cup of coffee, don your safari hat for a morning adventure through the fynbos-clad landscape in search of wildlife. You may be lucky enough to spot lions lazing in the shade of a tree, buffalo weavers stripping the trees to craft their nests or perhaps even a lonely dung beetle rolling his 'treasure' uphill. Return to camp for a hearty breakfast and afternoon siesta to recharge, before grabbing your binoculars for another safari late this afternoon. (B, D)





After your game drive, learn the tricks of the trade by joining the optional Safari Game Walk with a Local Guide.

### DAY 6. GARDEN ROUTE GAME RESERVE - KNYSNA

You don't need green fingers to enjoy South Africa's lush Garden Route. Take a quick side trip to Victoria Bay and stretch your legs or soak in its refreshing salty waters. Your next stop is Knysna, pronounced 'Naaisnah' (the 'k' is silent), which sits sheltered on the edge of a lagoon. With the rest of the day to do as you choose, perhaps join a guided walk through flora-dense forests in nearby Wilderness. Or, kick back until a Choice Experience sunset dinner cruise on board a traditional paddle steamer. (B) Hotel: aha The Rex



Cruise the Knysna Lagoon aboard the only paddle-driven vessel in South Africa at sunset enjoying a fine dining experience.

### DAY 7. KNYSNA FREE DAY

You'll be grateful for an extra day to explore Knysna your way today. There's plenty to do in this pretty town and its surrounds, but you could join a boat ride across the Knysna Lagoon, to Featherbed Nature Reserve. Once here, buckle up and enjoy a 4x4 ride along the western headland, stopping along the way to appreciate the contrast of the bright blue sea, sandy beaches

and lush green headlands. If a slower pace is more your vibe, take a stroll down Sedgefield beach with a Local Guide to learn about the Strandlopers, who once roamed these beaches to gather food. (B, D)



Harvest mussels on the beach at Sedgefield with a storytelling guide who brings to life stories of the Strandlopers.

### DAY 8. KNYSNA - CAPE TOWN

End your epic journey in South Africa's Fairest Cape as you return to Cape Town. Stop in Swellendam, the third-oldest town in South Africa, to admire its famed Cape Dutch architecture: whitewashed walls, thatched roofs, and the characteristic gable which makes them unmistakably Dutch in heritage. Back in Cape Town, spend the evening your way by relaxing in the hotel

or heading out for dinner in the city. **(B)** Hotel: Protea Fire and Ice



Enjoy a djembe drumming session and hand washing ceremony before feasting on a 14-dish menu of African cuisine.

### DAY 9. CAPE TOWN FREE DAY

Get your final fix of Cape Town with a full day to spend your way. If you want to relax, consider kicking back at a craft beer tasting before tucking into a beach braai (barbecue) at Blaauwberg Nature Reserve. Keen to fit in one last adventure? Explore the rugged Cape Peninsula coastline, passing Boulders Beach to check out the colony of African Jackass penguins. (B)



Say cheers to Cape Town's growing craft beer scene and sample the city's finest brews over a traditional beach braai.





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### DAY 10. DEPART CAPE TOWN

The time has come to say totsiens (until we see each other again) as you enjoy a final breakfast and prepare to return home after your adventure to South Africa's fairest Cape. Don't be surprised if you start planning your next trip to Africa whilst heading to Cape Town International Airport for your flight. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code:



#CSHIGHLIGHTSOFKENYA

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

# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







Country

Days

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Amboseli National Park: Full-day game drive in search of elephants, leopards, cheetahs and lions

Lake Elementaita: Visit this bird watchers paradise that's part of the UNESCO-listed Kenya Lake System in the Great Rift Valley

Maasai Mara: Full-day game drive and afternoon game drive within the National Reserve. Visiting June to October, you may even get a chance to witness the Great Migration

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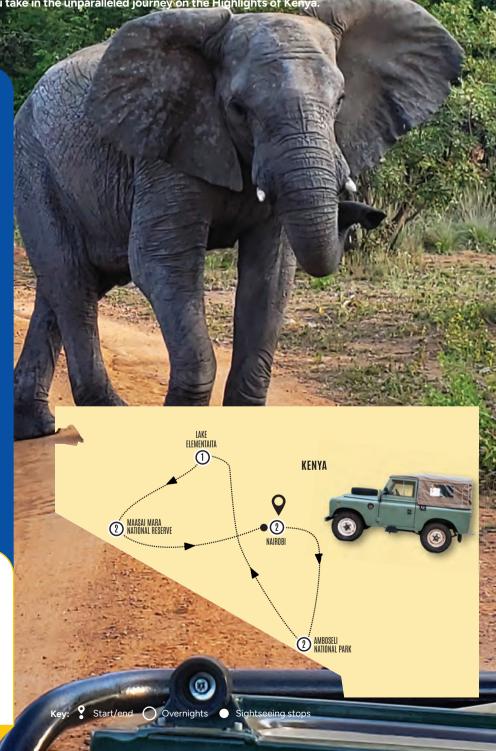


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### DAY 1. ARRIVE NAIROBI

Receive a warm karibu (welcome) to Kenya, as you touch down at Nairobi's Jomo Kenyatta International Airport. Arrive at your hotel, then the rest of today is all about going pole-pole (slow). Sleep off the jet lag and ease into holiday mode before meeting up with your Costsaver Driver Guide and fellow travellers for a briefing and traditional (and tasty) dinner. (D) Hotel: Boma Inn

Welcome: Meet your Driver Guide at 19:30.

### DAY 2. NAIROBI FREE DAY

Today is all about taking in the delights of Nairobi your way, with two Choice Experiences to enjoy during the day. Culture vultures will enjoy the chance to embark on a Nairobi city tour and hear the unique tales of how the young elephants were rescued. In the evening, you'll also have the chance to sample authentic Kenyan cuisine with a visit to the famous Carnivore Restaurant. (B)



Take in the bustle of Nairobi, seeing the vibrant City Market, Parliament Buildings and the National Museum and Snake Park.





At the lively Carnivore Restaurant, sample delicacies like ostrich and crocodile roasted on traditional Maasai swords.

### DAY 3. NAIROBI - AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK

Swapping concrete jungles for iconic views of mighty Mount Kilimanjaro and the home of the legendary Maasai, today you'll travel to Amboseli National Park. Settle in to your accommodation nestled among Amboseli's vast plains before heading out on a safari adventure later this afternoon. Surrounded by scenes that feel like a real-life film set, the fantasy of coming to Africa will really set in, and it will be all eyes peeled during your first encounters with Kenya's epic wildlife. (B, L, D) Hotel: Amboseli Sopa Lodge



After a day of safari game drives, there's nothing better than a sunset over the Amboseli landscape, drink in hand.

### DAY 4. AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK FULL DAY Safari game drive

In Africa, the early bird gets the best wildlife sightings. Rise before the sun to head out on a morning safari through Amboseli National Park with your Driver Guide in search of leopards, cheetahs and lions. As the sun rises, you'll get to sit back and enjoy the ride whilst watching

large herds of African elephants roaming through the park's "salty dust" and high grasses. Enjoy a quick picnic lunch with the snow-capped peaks of Mount Kilimanjaro in the background to make the most of the afternoon safari. Ride back to your lodge as the sun goes down for a delicious dinner and an evening swapping stories of all the animals you spotted. (B, L, D)





### DAY 5. AMBOSELI NATIONAL PARK - LAKE Elementaita

Another day, another blockbuster. The utterly serene Lake Elementaita is guaranteed to capture your imagination today, not least because of the multitude of bird species that inhabit this area - some of which can only be found here. See if you can spot the lake's Great White pelicans, greater and lesser flamingos, yellow-billed stork, or African spoonbill from the camp grounds. If you're a self-proclaimed twitcher or bird enthusiast, welcome to utopia. (B, L, D) Hotel: Elementaita Sentrim Lodge

### DAY 6. LAKE ELEMENTAITA - MAASAI MARA

Why not start the day your way, with a lazy breakfast and a cup of steaming coffee whilst admiring the view. Wave goodbye to Lake Elementaita and cast our eyes on the vast expanse of the Maasai Mara National Reserve. (B, L, D) Hotel: Mara Sopa Lodge

### DAY 7. MAASAI MARA FULL DAY SAFARI Game Drive

Today the Maasai Marai is all yours to explore. Accompanied by your Driver Guide, your mission today (should you choose to accept

it), is to spot the Big 5. Keeping energy levels high, you'll tuck into a picnic lunch whilst out in the wild, before continuing the safari adventure into the afternoon. If you're visiting between June to October, you may even get a chance to witness the Great Migration, where vast herds of wildebeest make their annual journey across the plains. Keen to learn more about the culture and people of this ancient land? An afternoon Choice

Experience will give you the chance to visit a Maasai village to learn about local life and traditional customs. (B, L, D)



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Visit a mud-thatched homestead in a traditional Maasai village in Kenya's Maasai Mara National Reserve.

### DAY 8. MAASAI MARA - DEPART NAIROBI

The words of 'Out of Africa' author Karen Blixen will feel especially poignant as you say a final farewell to the Maasai Mara this morning. "If there were one more thing I could do, it would be to go on safari again." Well, never say never! You'll return to Nairobi in a haze of wildlife and happy memories for a quiet afternoon at your hotel ahead of your evening flight (onward flights should not be booked to depart until after 5pm). If you can already tell you'll want another day to explore cosmopolitan Nairobi and grab some final gifts, consider staying overnight and flying out the following evening. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code:













Country

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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Tokyo:** Visit the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory, Sensō-ji Temple and the Meiji Jingu Shrine

**Mt. Fuji:** Drive up to the 5<sup>th</sup> Station for panoramic views

Hakone: View Mt. Fuji

**Kyoto:** Visit Kinkaku-ji Temple and Heian-jingu Shrine

**Hiroshima:** Visit Itsukushima Shrine on Miyajima Island, and the Peace Memorial Park and Museum

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

### DAY 1. ARRIVE TOKYO

'Konnichiwa' and welcome to dazzling, futuristic Tokyo, Japan's incredible capital city. One of the most culturally rich cities on Earth, Tokyo is a place where every day is a new adventure and no two neighbourhoods are the same. This evening, meet up with your Travel Director and fellow travellers for your first taste of Japanese cuisine. (D) Hotel: Shinjuku Washington Main

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 19:30.

### DAY 2. TOKYO SIGHTSEEING

Tokyo's got variety and today you'll see just that. Start with sky-high views from the Tokyo Metropolitan Observatory, then take a breather at the peaceful Meiji Jingu Shrine. Wander through Asakusa, shop for traditional treats along Nakamise Street and visit the centuries-old Sensō-ji Temple. This afternoon, choose your own adventure: explore Japan's art, armour and ancient treasures on a Choice Experience to the Tokyo National Museum, with bonus shopping time in Ameyoko and glitzy Ginza. Or join a foodie-favourite Choice Experience and master the art of takoyaki— Japan's famous snack balls—before diving into a tasty spread of yakitori, ramen, edamame and unlimited soft drinks. **(B)** 



Visit the Tokyo National Museum collection of Buddhist sculptures, samurai swords, and kimonos.

### DAY 3. MT. FUJI AND HAKONE SIGHTSEEING

You may have seen glimpses of its snowcapped peaks, but today you'll get up close to the iconic Mt. Fuji. Drive up to the 5th Station (weather permitting) and catch your breath as you take in the scenery from 2,300 metres above sea level. Not done with incredible views just yet? Opt for a ride on the Komagatake Ropeway for equally impressive views of Lake Ashi. On the drive back through Hakone, soak in the mountain landscapes before returning to the city for your final night in Tokyo. **(B)** 

### 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. Start 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 Annex

### DAY 5. KYOTO FREE DAY

Today is yours to explore your way, and in beautiful Kyoto there is no shortage of choices. 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 freeroaming deer. Dive into Kyoto's history at Kivomizu Temple. a UNESCO-listed treasure perched in the foothills of Mount Otowa. Soak in the views from its famous wooden stage, make a wish at



Inari Shrine. (B)

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Visit a family-run traditional tea farm to learn about the cultural significance of tea and enjoy a tasting.

the sacred waterfall, then wander through the

endless sea of orange torii gates at Fushimi



Visit Kiyomizu Temple and the Fushimi Inari Shrine, famed for its orange tori gates leading up into the mountains.

### DAY 6. KYOTO - KURASHIKI - HIROSHIMA

Your first stop today will be Kurashiki, where you'll meet up with a Local Guide 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. (B, D) Hotel: Hiroshima Tokyu Rei

### DAY 7. HIROSHIMA SIGHTSEEING

Today's Hiroshima sightseeing tour will begin with a ferry ride across the beautiful Seto





Inland Sea, bound for the island of Miyajima. Considered one of Japan's most scenic spots, this is where you'll visit the 12<sup>th</sup>-century Itsukushima Shrine and see the famous orange torii gate, which appears to be

floating above the sea. Heading back to Hiroshima, it will be on to the quiet, leafy space of the Peace Memorial Park. Dotted with memorials and tranquil spaces for reflection, visit the cenotaph displaying the names of all those who lost their lives in the

catastrophe before heading on to the Memorial Museum. Here, exhibits of ragged clothes, a melted lunchbox and a watch frozen in time at 8.15am all bring home the horror of a day that changed history forever. Your tour will end at the UNESCO-listed Peace Memorial, the only building in the city to survive the bomb. This afternoon, perhaps opt to join the 'Secrets of Hiroshima' Choice Experience. (B)



Dine on oysters, sashimi, miso soup and rice followed by a visit to Shukkeien Japanese Garden and Hiroshima Castle.

### DAY 8. HIROSHIMA - HIMEJI

Heading on from Hiroshima, this morning you'll journey on to Himeji. After some free time for lunch, you'll meet up with a Local Guide this afternoon 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 Guide. 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 a Choice Experience to the Umeda Sky Building and Osaka Castle. This evening, to see out your trip in style, perhaps opt to join a foodie-inspired trip to Namba for a final feast of local delights. **(B)** Hotel: Hankyu Respire Osaka



Admire panoramic views from Umeda Sky Building's Floating Garden Observatory, then visit Osaka Castle.





At a local restaurant, enjoy a dinner of traditional Osaka cuisine such as okomomiyaki, takoyaki, and kushikatsu.

### DAY 10. DEPART OSAKA

Culturally satisfied, today your trip will come to an end. Leave with big smiles, courtesy of Japan's faultless hospitality. Say 'sayonara' to your fellow travellers. **(B)** 

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Hanoi:** See Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, visit One Pillar Pagoda and Ho Chi Minh's Stilt House

**Halong Bay:** Cruise Halong Bay and enjoy a Tai Chi session

**Hoi An:** View the Japanese Covered Bridge

Ho Chi Minh City: Visit the Củ Chi Tunnels

**Siem Reap:** Visit Angkor Wat and Angkor Thom

plus more

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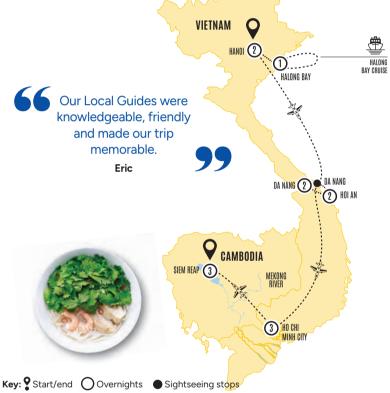


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Dive into the ultimate adventure filled with ancient temples, bustling cities and breathtaking natural wonders. From the pristine beaches of Vietnam to the majestic Angkor Wat in Siem Reap, every day is packed with excitement and discovery for stories to last a lifetime.

### DAY 1. ARRIVE HANOI

Lively, welcoming and fun, Hanoi is a city that's constantly on the move. Arriving today, make your own way to your hotel. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow guests for your first taste of Vietnam's cuisine at dinner. **(D)** Hotel: Le Jardin

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

### DAY 2. HANOI SIGHTSEEING

Begin your day at the iconic Long Biên Bridge, stretching across the Red River since the

19th century. Soak up the views, then wander down to the riverside farms where locals work the land. Next, spice things up at the bustling "Spice" market. Step back in time at Hỏa Lò Prison and discover its gripping history—from French colonial days to the "Hanoi Hilton" era, when it housed American POWs like Senator John McCain. After lunch, it's time for some serious sightseeing: marvel at the grand Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum, snap pics at the lotus shaped One Pillar Pagoda and explore Ho Chi Minh's humble wooden house. (B)

Enjoy 'The Quintessence of Tonkin', a cultural performance blending water puppetry, music and a light show.





**Explore Hanoi's Old Quarter with a local** foodie tasting phở gà (chicken noodle soup), pillow cake and local coffee.

### DAY 3. HANOI - HALONG BAY

Set sail in stunning Halong Bay, a UNESCO World Heritage Site where limestone pillars meet rich biodiversity. Begin with a welcome drink and lunch as you cruise to Bai Tu Long Bay. Explore Thien Canh Son cave, then catch a breathtaking sunset for the all-important "Happy Hour". Join a spring roll cooking class on deck, enjoy dinner under the stars, then try your hand at squid fishing! (B, L, D) Hotel: La Regina Classic

### DAY 4. HALONG BAY - HANOI - DANANG - HOI AN

Feel zen with tai chi on the sundeck and breakfast to fuel up. Then, dive into local life at Vung Vieng floating village where you can paddle a bamboo boat or try kayaking! Back onboard, relax before you drive back to Hanoi for your flight to Danang. Then it's off to Hoi An to check in and explore this amazing city don't miss the chance to visit the famous tailoring shops and have something custommade just for you! (B) Hotel: Ahoy Hoi An Resort & Spa

### DAY 5. HOI AN SIGHTSEEING

Start off today with a guided walking tour tour of Hoi An, a UNESCO World Heritage site full of charm from a bygone era, visiting 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 join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience with a lantern-making class led by local artisans in Hoi An. (B)



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Get creative at Reaching Out, make a Hoi An lantern then enjoy tea and coffee in their peaceful garden.





Explore Hoi An's streets like a local on a walking food tour and enjoy a cosy home-hosted dinner.

### DAY 6. CHAM ISLANDS

once abundant around the

The Cham Islands, 15km off the coast of Hoi An, consist of seven small islands famed for their beaches and rich marine environment including 135 coral species. Take a private speedboat ride to explore these magical Islands. Visit a traditional fishing village, where boats take shelter in bad weather, and Ong Ngu Temple, dedicated to whales and whale sharks

islands. Snorkel off Xep Beach before making a final stop at Chong Beach, a true oasis with



white sand, swaying palm trees and a simple local restaurant where you will enjoy a seafood lunch. Cruise back to Hoi An and then transfer to Danang. (B, L) Hotel: Paracel Beach

### DAY 7. DANANG

Your day in Danang is yours to enjoy! Stroll along the stunning beach, explore vibrant local cafes shop for souvenirs or just stay in and enjoy all the hotel has to offer. If freestyling it doesn't take your fancy, join a Choice Experience Danang City Tour to see the Dragon Bridge, Han Market, the Cham Museum and the Marble Mountains with their epic caves and views! (B)

### DAY 8. DANANG - HO CHI MINH CITY

Catch your flight to 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: Bay Ho Chi Minh

### DAY 9. HO CHI MINH CITY SIGHTSEEING

Your guided sightseeing tour will then tick off some of the most famous sights including the Notre-Dame Cathedral, the Central Post Office, and the Independence Palace. Choice Experiences for today? Choose from the Ců Chi Tunnels, a thrilling Vespa ride to grab a bite or take a stroll through the city's historic Chinatown. (B)

### DAY 10. HO CHI MINH CITY FREE DAY

Your day in Ho Chi Minh is yours to explore! Wander vibrant markets, sample street food, or dive into the city's history. Or, join our Bến Tre Experience—cruise the Mekong Delta, snack on coconut treats, meet local artisans, and unwind with a peaceful sampan ride through lush waterways. (B)

Uncover Saigon's former secret weapons chamber, then admire French Colonial architecture whilst sipping iced coffee.

### DAY 11. HO CHI MINH CITY - SIEM REAP

Time to say goodbye to Vietnam and jet off to Siem Reap, your gateway to the legendary temples of Angkor! Once a sleepy village, this buzzing

hotspot is bursting with things to see and do. Meet your Cambodia Travel Director at the airport, then settle into your hotel. Feeling

adventurous? Dive into Siem Reap's vibrant nightlife with a Choice Experience out on the town! (B) Hotel: Steung Siem Reap

### DAY 12. SIEM REAP SIGHTSEEING

Few travel experiences on earth can match the first 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. In the evening, you can take in dinner and a show by attending the Phare Circus. (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 by joining our optional dinner and Apsara dance show. (B)



Cruise Tonle Sap Lake to discover the floating villages, wildlife and how communities live and work on the lake.





**Traditional Apsara dancers and musicians** bring ancient Khmer culture to life whilst you enjoy Khmer cuisine.

### DAY 14. DEPART SIEM REAP

Your epic Vietnam and Cambodia adventure comes to an end after breakfast. Bid your new friends a fond farewell as you prepare for your journey home, carrying with you a heart full of memories and the spirit of Southeast Asia. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Year-round



Trip code: ĊTVV



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#### DAY 1. ARRIVE BALI - UBUD

'Om Swastiastu' and welcome to beautiful Bali, the Island of the Gods. 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, head 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, and get to know each other better over dinner. (D) Hotel: Radha Phala Ubud

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:00.

#### DAY 2. BALI SIGHTSEEING

Today will be packed with adventure, so be sure to fuel up at breakfast. You'll kick things off 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, enjoy lunch with a difference. What's the difference? 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, you'll make your way back to Ubud for a visit to 'Puri Saren Agung', or Ubud Palace, the former official residence of the royal family of Ubud. Finally, you'll finish the epic first day of your Bali value tour with a trip to Ubud Market, where there's time to shop for locally made art and handicrafts. (B, L)

#### 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 macagues roam free amongst the temple ruins. Alternatively, you could take part in one of the Choice Experiences to embrace the true spirit of Ubud. In the morning, perhaps join a 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)

Go on a culinary adventure to discover the secrets of authentic Balinese cooking using fresh herbs and spices.



Join a half-day yoga experience, tailored for both yoga lovers and those who would like to learn where to start.

#### DAY 4. UBUD - SANUR

Beach bliss awaits you in Sanur later today, but not before an action-packed day of



sightseeing. The serene 17th-century Ulun Danu Bratan Temple will be our first stop, where a temple dedicated to the Goddess of the Waters is built on the small islands of Lake Bratan. From here you'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 (multitiered shrines). Still not templed out, your final visit of the day 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, you'll then end the day to the gentle sound of the waves, in laid-back Sanur. (B, L) Hotel: Prime Plaza

#### 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 consider joining a Choice Experience touring Bali's capital city, Denpasar, travelling in style in a vintage VW Kombi. This afternoon you'll head to Uluwatu, a gorgeous stretch of headland that's also home to the Pura Luhur Uluwatu Temple, perched high above the sea. This evening, you'll be treated to a traditional Balinese Kecak dance performance, before a dinner

All aboard your vintage VW Open Rooftop vehicle on an adventure in Denpasar seeing the market, museum and more.

of fresh seafood is served right on Jimbaran



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Visit the Coral Triangle Centre for Marine Conservation and learn about protection efforts.

#### DAY 6. SANUR FREE DAY

beach. (B, D)

Another incredible day in Sanur stretches before you this morning, with plenty of Choice Experiences to tailor it your way. Sea lovers won't be able to resist an optional full-day catamaran and snorkelling cruise to

the neighbouring island of Nusa Lembongan, whilst those who want to learn more about local life could choose to join the Balinese Daily Life Choice Experience. A market visit, a trek through the lush rice fields, and a visit to 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. This evening, why not see out your trip in style with a final optional dinner. (B)



Learn about local life in Bali by visiting a bustling market, rice fields, an ancient temple and enjoying 'Bali Coffee'



Journey to the island of Nusa Lembongan where you can snorkel, enjoy a delicious BBQ lunch and tour a local village.



Dine at Tandjung Sari, a beachfront retreat and boutique resort, once the private home of its founder, Wija Wawo-Runtu

#### 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. (B)

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Apr - Dec



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Trip code: BAMA







Country

Days

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Bangkok:** Visit Wat Pho and the Grand Palace

Kanchanaburi: Visit the Thailand-Burma Railway Centre, the War Cemetery, the infamous Death Railway and the Bridge on the River Kwai

**Sukhothai:** Visit the UNESCO-listed Sukhothai Historical Park

Chiang Rai: Visit Wat Rong Khun - the White Temple

Mae Kachan: Feel refreshed in the natural hot springs

**Chiang Mai:** Visit the Night Market and the temples of Wat Phra Singh and Wat Chedi Luang

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Diving into Thailand's rich history and fascinating culture, experience the contrasts between the bright lights, glittering skyscrapers and vibrant street markets of Bangkok and the lush green landscapes and peaceful rural life of northern Thailand.



#### DAY 1. ARRIVE BANGKOK

'Sawadee ka/krub' and welcome to Bangkok! **(D)** Hotel: Galleria 10

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 19:00.

#### DAY 2. BANGKOK SIGHTSEEING

Enjoy sightseeing in Bangkok. Choose a private boat ride through the city's klongs. (B, L)

#### DAY 3. BANGKOK FREE DAY

Explore Bangkok your way. (B)



Explore Bangkok's "green lung," Bang Krachao, on a bike tour through lush landscapes and city skyline views.



CHOOSE

Visit Bang Pa-In Palace and Ayutthaya Historic Park, then enjoy a buffet lunch whilst cruising back to Bangkok.

#### DAY 4. BANGKOK - KANCHANABURI

Travel to Kanchanaburi, visit the highlights including the famous Bridge over the River Kwai. (B, L, D) Hotel: Felix River Kwai Resort

#### DAY 5. KANCHANABURI FREE DAY

Choose to visit Hellfire Pass. (B)

#### DAY 6. KANCHANABURI - SUKHOTHAI

Head to Sukhothai, visit the hillside-carved Rock Buddha en route. (B, L, D) Hotel: Le Charme Sukhothai Historical Park Resort

#### DAY 7. SUKHOTHAI SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Visit Sukhothai Historical Park. Opt to join a Thai cooking class. **(B)** 

#### DAY 8. SUKHOTHAI - CHIANG RAI

Travel to Chiang Rai, stop at Khaw Hayao Lake and Wat Rong Khun (the White Temple). (B, L, D) Hotel: Wiang Inn

#### DAY 9. CHIANG RAI FREE TIME

Consider a visit to the Golden Triangle. (B)

#### DAY 10. CHIANG RAI - CHIANG MAI

Visit Mae Kachan Hot Springs en route to Chiang Mai. **(B, L)** Hotel: The Empress

#### DAY 11. CHIANG MAI FREE DAY

Explore Chiang Mai your way. Opt to join a Khantoke dinner with cultural show. **(B)** 

#### DAY 12. DEPART CHIANG MAI

Say 'báai baai' to Thailand and your newfound friends. (B)

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Your Thailand and Malaysia adventure kicks off in bustling Bangkok, where ancient temples meet neon lights. Visit beach resort of Hua Hin and the lush tea plantations of Malaysia, ending in vibrant Kuala Lumpur, a city rich with diverse Eastern cultures.



#### DAY 1. ARRIVE BANGKOK

Welcome to Thailand's cosmopolitan capital, Bangkok! **(D)** Hotel: Galleria 10 **Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 19:00.** 

#### DAY 2. BANGKOK SIGHTSEEING

See the best of Bangkok. Choose to visit Wat Pho or Jim Thompson's House.  $(\mathbf{B},\mathbf{L})$ 

#### DAY 3. BANGKOK FREE DAY

Explore Bangkok your way. (B)

#### DAY 4. DAMNOEN SADUAK - HUA HIN

Cruise Damnoen Saduak Floating Market, then head to Hua Hin. **(B)** Hotel: Loligo Resort

#### DAY 5. HUA HIN SIGHTSEEING

Dive into the coastal charm of Hua Hin. (B, L)

#### DAY 6. HUA HIN FREE DAY

Consider a visit to Baan Silapin Artist Village and Monsoon Valley Vineyards. **(B)** 

#### DAY 7. HUA HIN - BANGKOK - PENANG

Return to Bangkok for your flight to Penang. **(B)** Hotel: Cititel Penang

#### DAY 8. PENANG

Opt to visit Kek Lok Si Temple. (B, D)

#### DAY 9. PENANG - CAMERON HIGHLANDS

Journey to Kuala Kangsar en route to Cameron Highlands. (B, L, D) Hotel: Strawberry Park Resort

#### **DAY 10. CAMERON HIGHLANDS**

Visit a tea plantation before fluttering by a butterfly farm. **(B)** 

#### DAY 11. CAMERON HIGHLANDS - KUALA LUMPUR

Head to Kuala Lumpur and take in the sights. **(B)** Hotel: Ibis Kuala Lumpur City Centre

#### DAY 12. KUALA LUMPUR FREE DAY

Explore Malaysia's capital your way. (B)

CHOOS

Explore Malacca's history on a city tour then light up your taste buds with a traditional Peranakan Nyonya lunch.



Toast to the end of your incredible trip through Thailand and Malaysia with a dinner of local specialities.

#### DAY 13. DEPART KUALA LUMPUR

Your exploration of Thailand and Malaysia comes to an end. **(B)** 

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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Bangkok:** Visit the Grand Palace, Chinatown and the Temple of the Golden Buddha

**Phetchaburi:** Visit Phra Nakhon Khiri Palace and Tham Khao Luang Cave

Penang: Visit Snake Temple, the Chinese clan house Khoo Kongsi and see Georgetown's amazing street art

**Kuala Kangsar:** Visit Ubudiah Mosque

Cameron Highlands: Visit Malaysia's largest tea station, a butterfly farm, local market and strawberry farm

Kuala Lumpur: Visit the Petronas Twin Towers, view the King's Palace, the Sultan Abdul Samad Building and Royal Selangor Club

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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Beijing:** Visit the UNESCO-listed Great Wall of China, Tiananmen Square and the UNESCO-listed Forbidden City

Xian: Visit the UNESCO-listed Terracotta Warriors

Yangtze River Cruise: Sail through the Three Gorges; the narrow Qutang Gorge, Wu Gorge and Xiling Gorge

**Shanghai:** Visit the Bund, a Silk Factory Outlet and Nanjing Road

plus more

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A showcase of China's wonders: visit the majestic Great Wall, marvel at the Terracotta Warriors and cruise the Yangtze River. This Iconic China trip ticks all the boxes—natural and man-made icons, rich history and world-class cities.



#### DAY 1. ARRIVE BEIJING

Welcome to China's sprawling capital, Beijing! (D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Express Temple of Heaven Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 18:30.

#### DAY 2. BEIJING SIGHTSEEING

Opt to see the 'Legend of Kung Fu' show. (B)

#### DAY 3. BEIJING AND THE GREAT WALL

Tick off 'visiting the Great Wall of China'. (B, L)

#### DAY 4. BEIJING - XI'AN

Consider a Choice Experience before catching a flight to Xi'an. **(B)** Hotel: Holiday Inn Express Xi'an Bell Tower



Admire the Temple of Heaven's magnificent architecture and symbolic layout, where emperors prayed for good harvests.



Visit the 798 Art District, where historic buildings, unique architecture and vibrant art paint a colourful cultural scene.

#### DAY 5. XI'AN SIGHTSEEING

Visit the Terracotta Army then a Yaodong cave dwelling for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience. (B, L)

#### DAY 6. CHONGOING - YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Catch a high-speed train to Chongqing. Later board your Yangtze River cruise. **(B, D)** Hotel: Victoria Katarina

#### DAY 7. YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Visit Shibaozhai, a 12-storey pagoda. Get in the spirit with an optional visit to Fengdu, China's 'Ghost City'. (B, L, D)

#### DAY 8. YANGTZE RIVER CRUISE

Board a motorboat and glide along the Goddess Stream. (B, L, D)  $\,$ 

#### DAY 9. YICHANG - SHANGHAI

Rise early for views of the Three Gorges Dam. Later, fly to Shanghai. **(B)** Hotel: Ocean

#### DAY 10. SHANGHAI SIGHTSEEING

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Shanghai. Choose to see a daring acrobatics show. (B, L)

#### DAY 11. SHANGHAI FREE DAY

Explore Shanghai your way. Opt for a trip to the ancient water town of Zhujiajiao. (B)

#### DAY 12. DEPART SHANGHAI

Say farewell to China and your fellow travellers. **(B)** 

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#### DAY 1. ARRIVE DELHI

Welcome to India and the big city bustle of Delhi! **(D)** Hotel: Zone Connect by The Park Saket

Welcome: Meet your Travel Director at 17:00.

#### DAY 2. DELHI SIGHTSEEING

Explore Old and New Delhi, from Jama Masjid to Raj Ghat and Humayun's Tomb. (B)

#### DAY 3. DELHI TO AGRA

Head to Agra, opt to visit Agra Fort before visiting the UNESCO-listed Taj Mahal. **(B, D)** Hotel: The Retreat

#### DAY 4. AGRA TO JAIPUR

Choose to see the Taj Mahal at sunrise. Travel to the UNESCO-listed 'Pink City' of Jaipur. **(B)** Hotel: The Fern Residency

#### DAY 5. JAIPUR SIGHTSEEING

Enjoy a sightseeing tour of Jaipur, then paint the city your way. **(B)** 

#### DAY 6. JAIPUR TO JODHPUR

Venture to the 'Blue City' of Jodhpur and explore its coolest highlights. **(B)** Hotel: Zone by the Park

#### DAY 7. JODHPUR AND RANAKPUR TO UDAIPUR

Stop at Ranakpur Jain Temple en route to Udaipur. **(B, L)** Hotel: Howard Johnson

#### DAY 8. UDAIPUR SIGHTSEEING

See the best of Udaipur. Choose to join the Lake Pichola boat ride with dinner. (B)

#### DAY 9. UDAIPUR TO MUMBAI

Jet off to Mumbai and explore its iconic sights and culture. **(B)** Hotel: Fariyas

#### DAY 10. MUMBAI SIGHTSEEING

Discover the Hollywood of India your way. (B, D)



Get ready for the rock-cut temple carvings on Gharapuri, better known as Elephanta Island, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.



Enjoy a behind-the-scenes tour of Bollywood, see live filming, explore sets and join a dance performance.

#### DAY 11. DEPART MUMBAI

Your blockbuster adventure through the highlights of Northern India and Mumbai comes to a close. **(B)** 

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**Delhi:** Visit Jama Mosque, Raj Ghat, UNESCO-listed Humayun's Tomb and see the Red Fort

**Agra:** Visit the magnificent UNESCO-listed Taj Mahal

**Jaipur:** Visit the UNESCO-listed Amber Fort and the Maharaja's City Palace and view the Palace of Winds

**Jodhpur:** Visit the impressive 16<sup>th</sup>-century Mehrangarh Fort

Udaipur: Visit City Palace, Jagdish Temple and Saheliyon Ki Bari, the Garden of the Maidens. View Fatehsagar Lake

Mumbai: See Dhobi Ghat and the UNESCO-listed Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminus (formerly Victoria Terminus Station). Visit Mani Bhavan, Gandhi's former residence

plus more

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Trip departure months

Apr - May + Aug - Dec



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**2**Countries

**2**Tours

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Country

Days

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Auckland: Sightseeing tour of the waterfront out to Mission Bay, Bastion Point and the Michael Joseph Savage memorial

Rotorua: A guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery Aotearoa, the leader in kiwi husbandry and visit to a Pounamu workshop to discover the art of jade carving

**Queenstown**: Orientation tour of the 'adventure capital of the world'

**Cromwell:** Taste the delicious stone fruit at a stall belonging to a local orchard

Lake Tekapo: See the Church of the Good Shepherd, the rugged hills, snowcapped mountains and the bronze statue of a collie dog

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Nowhere takes your breath away quite like New Zealand. Step into the Hobbiton Movie Set, sip fine wines in Queenstown and see newly hatched chicks at the National Kiwi Hatchery. Whether you go high on adventure on a jet-boat ride on the Shotover River or sit back on a scenic flight over Mt. Cook, Costsaver takes you to the New Zealand you've always dreamed of.



#### DAYS 1 - 2. ARRIVE AUCKLAND

Discover the City of Sails. Make your way around the waterfront from central city out to Mission Bay and stop at Bastion Point for stunning views of Auckland. Explore your way with Choice Experiences.



Take a scenic cruise across the Hauraki Gulf on Auckland Harbour. See the skyline, and famous landmarks.



Discover 'kiwi culture' and the All Blacks through an immersive journey, including a powerful Haka experience.

#### DAYS 3 - 4. AUCKLAND - ROTORUA

Set off for Rotorua. Enjoy a guided tour of the National Kiwi Hatchery and visit a Pounamu workshop for a fascinating look into the art of jade carving, both MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experiences. Choice Experiences abound. Consider a tour of the Hobbiton Movie Set. Perhaps bliss out at Wai Ariki Hot Springs & Spa. Or board a scenic flight for a bird's-eye view.

#### DAYS 5 - 7. ROTORUA - AUCKLAND -OUFFNSTOWN

Return by coach to Auckland and fly to Queenstown. Explore the adventure capital with a selection of Choice Experiences, like a Boutique Wine Tour or a jet-boat ride. Movie buffs can choose a scenic tour to The Lord of the Rings filming locations. Flight Auckland-Queenstown included.



Experience the stunning beauty of Milford Sound on a Scenic Cruise, witnessing dramatic cliffs, waterfalls and wildlife.

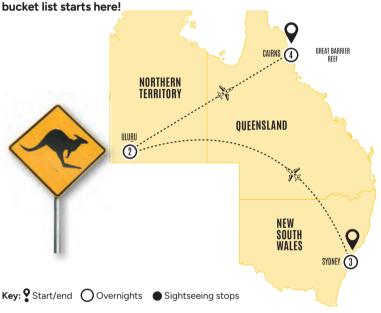
# DAYS 8 - 9. QUEENSTOWN - TEKAPO - DEPART CHRISTCHURCH

Set your sights on Christchurch via Tekapo. Get your cameras ready for views across Lake Takapo framed by rugged hills and snow-capped mountains. Take your pick of Choice Experiences like soaring over New Zealand's highest peak or viewing the amazing constellations at the International Dark Sky Reserve. Say farewell to your new-found friends on arrival in Christchurch.

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Prepare for an Aussie adventure brimming with unforgettable memories! Scale the Sydney Harbour Bridge for unbeatable views, snorkel the vibrant Great Barrier Reef, and ride the rails to a charming rainforest village. Surf the waves at Bondi Beach or bask in the magic of an Uluru sunset - it's all yours to choose. Your ultimate Australian



#### DAYS 1 - 3. WELCOME TO SYDNEY

Discover the sights of the harbour city. Make the most of your stay with Choice Experiences like the Sydney Harbour Bridge Climb or embrace the beach lifestyle with a surfing lesson at Bondi Beach or a cruise on Sydney Harbour.



Explore the UNESCO-listed Blue Mountains, and view the Three Sisters rock formation up close from Echo Point.

#### DAYS 4 - 5. SYDNEY - ULURU

Jet off to Uluru. Walk to Mutitjulu Waterhole and get up close to Aboriginal Rock Art before a classic sundowner at an Uluru sunset. Explore your way with Choice Experiences like a scenic flight over Uluru or view Kata Tjuta at sunset. Flight Sydney-Ayers Rock included.



Embark on a 10.5 km walk around the base of Ulu<u>r</u>u, world's largest monolith, immersing in its sacred sites and natural wonders.

#### DAYS 6 - 7. ULURU - CAIRNS

Wind down and fly to Cairns, where you're surrounded by ancient rainforest and the Great Barrier Reef and it's the perfect place for adventure. Breathe in the fresh air on an orientation tour along the beachfront boardwalk. How about a swim? Flight Ayers Rock-Cairns included.

#### DAYS 8 - 9. CAIRNS YOUR WAY

You're spoiled for Choice Experiences. Perhaps get up close (safely) to crocodiles at Hartley's Crocodile Adventures.



Cruise to the Great Barrier Reef and pull on your snorkelling gear to be blown away by this underwater oasis.

#### DAY 10. DEPART CAIRNS

It's been a grand journey of bucket list experiences in Australia. But all good things must come to an end - even down under. After breakfast, say a fond farewell to your trayel mates.

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Included meals: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D) Hotels: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard and location may be used.

# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







Country

Days

Meals

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Sydney: See Sydney Opera House and Sydney Harbour Bridge on a city sights tour. Walk the cobblestone streets and view colonial buildings of the Rocks District. Discover the sand and surf culture at Bondi Beach, see the famous Bondi Lifesavers and stroll along the coastal walk for stunning ocean views

Uluru: Visit UNESCO World
Heritage Site Uluru-Kata Tjuta
National Park, explore the base
of Uluru, walk to the Mutitjulu
Waterhole, view ancient Aboriginal
rock art and hear traditional First
Nations stories

Cairns: Orientation tour along the Cairns Esplanade, take a swim in the saltwater lagoon and visit the night markets

plus more

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Trip departure months

Year-round



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# CANYON COUNTRY SHOWCASE

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The American southwest features some of the most stunning landscapes. Your journey through the Canyonlands takes you from Las Vegas onto Route 66 to the Grand Canyon, off-roading in Monument Valley, chasing hoodoos in Bryce Canyon, and awe-inspiring cliffs of Zion National Park.

# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







Country

Days

Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Grand Canyon:** Experience this stunning UNESCO-listed site

Monument Valley: Explore the famed valley with a Navajo Local Guide

Horseshoe Bend: Visit one of the most photographed areas on the Colorado River

Bryce Canyon National Park: Stare in awe at the multicoloured hoodoos

**Zion National Park:** Revel in one of the most scenic canyons

plus more

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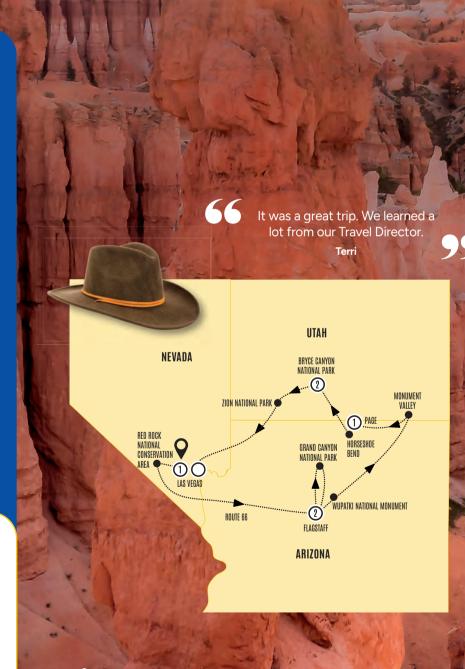


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#### DAY 1. ARRIVE LAS VEGAS

The entertainment capital of the world, Las Vegas is famed for its glittering casinos, allyou-can-eat buffets and shotgun weddings ordained by none other than Elvis himself! Take a walk through the downtown Fremont District, or head to The Strip, where the city's finest hotels and casinos can be found. Hotel: Golden Nugget & Casino

Welcome: You can visit the Welcome Desk from 15:00.

#### DAY 2. LAS VEGAS - FLAGSTAFF

Kick off your first full day visiting Red Rock Canvon National Conservation Area. Learn about the park's 250-million-year-old geological history at the Visitor Centre before embarking on the Scenic Loop Drive. Get your kicks on Route 66 as you head east on this iconic highway, stopping off at Seligman and Kingman on the way for a taste of all things Americana, before finishing today in friendly Flagstaff. Hotel: Days by Wyndham Flagstaff

#### DAY 3. GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK SIGHTSEEING

Arrive at Grand Canyon National Park, one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. At an astonishing 445 km long, 29 km wide and 1.6 km deep, the Grand Canyon is the second most visited national park in the USA. You will have the afternoon to discover the best of the Grand Canyon starting at the Visitor Centre. Perhaps take a stroll to Mather Point to take in views of the South Rim. For those seeking a bit more adventure, take the 3.2 km hike to the Yavapai Geology Museum to learn about the canyon's unique geological history. Explore this 2-million-year-old feat of nature or better yet, treat yourself to a Choice Experience that could see you flying in a helicopter or aircraft over the north and

**Experience the Grand Canyon South Rim** on a 45-minute fixed-wing aerial tour offering unobstructed views.

#### DAY 4. FLAGSTAFF - MONUMENT VALLEY - PAGE

This morning before you depart your Flagstaff hotel, enjoy an Iconic Breakfast at Charly's Pub and Grill in the historic Weatherford Hotel, a location that hosted many famous guests, including William Randolph Hearst, in the early 1900s. Continue to Wupatki National Monument, a landscape dotted with over 2,700 pueblo ruins built by the ancestors of the Hopi, Zuni and Navajo people. After a stop at Cameron Trading Post, join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience exploring Monument Valley in an open-air vehicle with a local Navajo guide. Immortalised as the setting for countless movies and TV shows, Monument Valley is an emblem of the Wild West, with its rusty red spindles and grand buttes. (B) Hotel: Super 8 by Wyndham Page/Lake Powell





#### DAY 5. PAGE - BRYCE CANYON

Wake in Page with the chance to join an optional helicopter flight that combines remarkable views of Horseshoe Bend from the air with an exclusive Tower Butte landing. Perhaps enjoy a lunch and cultural heritage performance at

Red Heritage, before you set your course for Horseshoe Bend, a horseshoe-shaped sandstone cliff formed over 5 million years ago. The 2.4 km round-trip walk to the overlook will bring you to the top of the

305-metre-deep canyon offering dramatic views of the Colorado River and sweeping canyon vistas. (B) Hotel: Bryce View Lodge

Combine remarkable views of Horseshoe Bend from the air with an exclusive Tower Butte landing.



**Explore Rattlesnake and Owl Slot** Canyons with a Navajo Local Guide keeping an eye out for resident owls.

#### DAY 6. BRYCE CANYON NATIONAL PARK SIGHTSEEING

Venture into Bryce Canyon National Park, where repeated freezes and thaws of the park's landscape over millions of years have created fascinating formations. Stand in amazement in front of the multicoloured 'hoodoos' and vast amphitheatres, then take a stroll along one of the many juniper-lined trails to the viewpoints hugging the rim of the Paunsaugunt Plateau. (B)

Saddle-up for a horseback ride through Bryce Canyon's Bristlecone Pine Ridge to the Water Canyon Amphitheatre.



Giddy up and get ready for an evening of old-fashioned fun, music and great cowboy food at Ebenezer's.

#### DAY 7. BRYCE CANYON - ZION NATIONAL PARK -**DEPART LAS VEGAS**

Travelling back to Vegas, you'll make one final stop at Zion National Park. Marvel at the soaring red and white cliffs and vast canyons that stand in stark contrast to the soft wildflower meadows and natural hanging gardens that can also be found here, as a result of the park's lower elevation compared to others. Continue along the Virgin River Gorge for your final drive, reflecting on the incredible sights and experiences you've witnessed over the past seven days. Your trip ends at Harry Reid International Airport, or at the Costsaver post hotel for those extending their stay in Sin City. (B, L)

Transfer: Arrive at the airport at 17:00.

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Mar - Jun + Sep - Oct



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Country

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Calgary: Fuel up with an Iconic Breakfast in Heritage Park Historical Village that includes before-hours entry to one of the world's largest public collections of antique vehicles

Banff: View stunning hoodoos and waterfalls in this UNESCO World Heritage Site

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

Icefields Parkway: Enjoy a stunning drive down the Icefields Parkway with jaw-dropping vistas at every turn

> Columbia Icefield: Take a ride in a massive Ice Explorer to Athabasca Glacier

Victoria: Embark on an introductory sightseeing tour of the city and visit beautiful Butchart Gardens

Vancouver: See Gastown, Stanley Park and Prospect Point

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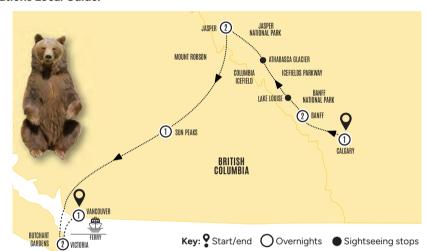
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The rugged snow-capped peaks and glacier-fed emerald green lakes are in a league all of their own. A range of Choice Experiences from guided nature walks and rafting to a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Plant Medicine Walk in the Banff boreal forest with a First Nations Local Guide.



#### DAY 1. ARRIVE CALGARY

Welcome to Calgary and discover the city

Welcome: You can visit the Welcome Desk from 15:00.

#### DAYS 2 - 3. BANFF NATIONAL PARK AND FREE TIME

Enjoy an Iconic Breakfast in Heritage Park Historical Village and an overview of Gasoline Alley Museum. Then hit the road towards Lake Louise and Banff. Explore Banff National Park or take advantage of a Choice Experience.



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Join a guided medicine walk to learn Indigenous plant knowledge and medicine-making.

#### DAYS 4 - 5. JASPER NATIONAL PARK

In the Columbia Icefield, ride the Ice Explorer across the Athabasca Glacier. Visit Athabasca Falls before continuing to Jasper where you can choose to see the live theatre performance "From Jasper With Love", a gentle float trip on the Athabasca

River (seasonal) or explore Maligne Lake by boat (seasonal). Join a guided scenic nature hike or enjoy a three-course dinner followed by a two-hour twilight wildlife tour and interpretive "Horns and Antlers" talk at Becker's Chalets.

#### DAY 6. JASPER - SUN PEAKS

Journeying through Jasper National Park, you'll see Mount Robson, the most prominent mountain in the North American Rockies. and visit the Mount Robson Visitor Centre. Today's drive will finish up in Sun Peaks.

#### DAYS 7 - 8. VICTORIA

Drive to the coast and board a ferry to Vancouver Island. Continue to Victoria for a sightseeing tour of the city along the waterfront district and into the downtown area. Head to the world-famous Butchart Gardens and explore Victoria your way. Consider choosing a seaplane flight or a whale watching excursion.

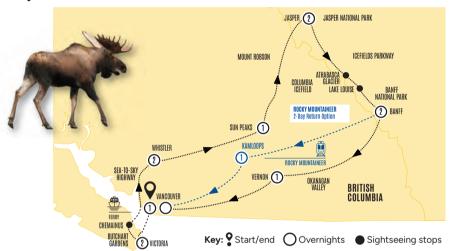
#### DAYS 9 - 10. DEPART VANCOUVER

Arrive by ferry in Vancouver and explore the city highlights, including Gastown and Stanley Park. Depart at leisure as your adventure comes to an end.

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Kicking off and wrapping up in Vancouver, this journey travels to the heart of the Canadian Rockies' splendour. Get your outdoor fix and choose to cruise the ethereal Maligne Lake (seasonal) and riding an Ice Explorer across a glacier. Plus, gear up for a day in UNESCO-listed Banff — a true haven for nature enthusiasts.



#### DAYS 1 - 2. ARRIVE VANCOUVER - VICTORIA

Welcome to Vancouver and explore its highlights before travelling along the Sea-to-Sky Highway en route to Victoria.

Welcome: You can visit the Welcome Desk from 15:00 on day 1.

#### DAYS 3 - 5. VICTORIA - WHISTLER

Spend the day in Victoria where you will visit the famous Butchart Gardens and later explore the city your way where you may opt for a whale watching cruise. Hop on board a ferry across the Georgia Strait and arriving into Horseshoe Bay, where you'll then travel along the iconic Sea-to-Sky Highway onto Whistler. Enjoy your day in Whistler as you explore this stunning adventure playground. Consider our Choice Experiences, like bear watching with a local photographer, whitewater rafting, or zip lining.

#### DAYS 6 - 8. WHISTLER - SUN PEAKS - JASPER

Fuel for another big day with a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience breakfast at Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre where you'll get to know more about First Nations culture through food and music. You will then leave Whistler behind as you venture along scenic Duffey Lake Road with an overnight in Sun Peaks then onwards

to Jasper. In Jasper National Park, consider our Choice Experiences like cruise on Maligne Lake, explore on an E-bike eco tour, or hike through the stunning wilderness.

#### DAYS 9 - 10. ICEFIELDS PARKWAY - BANFF

Kick off your adventure along the Icefields
Parkway and ride the Ice Explorer for an up-close
encounter with the Athabasca Glacier. Journey
from Jasper to Banff National Park, visiting Lake
Louise. Enjoy a Choice Experience helicopter
flight (weather permitting). Explore Banff on a
scenic sightseeing tour along Tunnel Mountain
Drive. Choose a Plant Medicine Walk or a sunrise
tour of Moraine Lake.

#### DAYS 11 - 12. VERNON - DEPART VANCOUVER

Cross the Continental Divide at Kicking Horse Pass, stop at Larch Hills Winery for a tour and tasting before arriving in Vernon. Drive along the Fraser River Valley to Vancouver, where your trip ends at the airport.

Transfer: Arrive at Vancouver International Airport at 15:30

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**Vancouver:** Explore Gastown and Stanley Park

Whistler: Travel along the scenic Sea-to-Sky Highway. Enjoy an Iconic Breakfast at the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre

**Victoria:** Embark on an introductory sightseeing tour of the city and visit Butchart Gardens

Columbia Icefield: Take a ride in a massive Ice Explorer to Athabasca Glacier

**Lake Louise:** Admire the majestic mountains and Victoria Glacier

**Banff:** View stunning hoodoos and waterfalls at this UNESCO World Heritage Site

**Salmon Arm:** Enjoy a guided tour and tasting at Larch Hills Winery

plus more

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Trip departure months

May - Sep



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Country

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Boston: Learn Boston's rich history while touring the city and a part of the Red-Brick Freedom Trail

Plymouth: Visit the Plimoth Patuxet Museum where a 17<sup>th</sup>-century colony comes to life

Hyannis: Indulge in an Iconic Breakfast for a taste of classic American dishes

Provincetown: Visit Cape Cod National Seashore's pristine sandy beaches

Montpelier: Visit a local sugar house for a 100% pure maple syrup experience

plus more

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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, stunning Stowe and sea swept Maine, all adorned in vibrant fall foliage.

#### DAY 1. ARRIVE BOSTON

The Red Sox and Celtics, the Freedom Trail and Boston Cream Pie, America's oldest city, 'Beantown' extends a warm welcome. Meet your Travel Director this afternoon. Maybe you want to head down to the Seaport District to discover just how seriously Boston takes

its reputation as a seafood capital. Local specialities include 'scrod', fresh lobster and creamy chowder, each cooked fresh, steaming and delicious. Hotel: Holiday Inn Boston -Cambridge Area

Welcome: You can visit the Welcome Desk from 15:00

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#### DAY 2. BOSTON - PLYMOUTH

Follow the cobblestones of the Freedom Trail. ticking off historical sites like Quincy Market, the State Capitol and Boston Common. Leave Boston behind on your New England tour, travelling to 'America's Hometown' of Plymouth, Later, wind back the clock with a visit to the Plymouth Patuxet Museums, a meticulously recreated version of the original 17th-century Plymouth Colony. You'll even see a full-scale reproduction of the Mayflower II, one of the many hundreds of ships that made the transatlantic crossing to the Americas in the 1600s. Hotel: Riviera Beach Resort

#### DAY 3. CAPE COD AND PROVINCETOWN EXCURSION

Wind your way through some of the oldest villages in America via Old King's Highway past beaches, sand dunes, salt marshes, and nature trails. At the very tip of the Cape sits artsy Provincetown, a place of pilgrimage for writers and artists packed with galleries, craft shops and cafes. Cap off the day with a Choice Experience cruise through the Hyannis Harbour. You'll have the chance to 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 Hyannis Port.



Cruise the landmark-lined harbour of Hyannis hearing all the tales and lore from your knowledgeable guides.

#### DAY 4. SOUTH YARMOUTH - BERKLEY, MA -**NEWPORT - PROVIDENCE**

This morning, cross the Cape Cod Canal to visit one of New England's iconic cranberry bogs before continuing to Rhode Island on your New England tour. You will get a unique glimpse into the cranberry farming business, learning all about the cultivation and harvesting of cranberries. If you are lucky, you will also witness the iconic flooded bogs and vibrant red cranberries being prepared for autumn harvest. In Newport, take in the dazzling mansions dotted along the coastline dubbed Newport's 10-Mile Ocean Scenic Drive. You'll have the chance to see the collection of mansions built by New York's wealthiest families on our Choice Experience visiting the Breakers Mansion, a summer "cottage" of the Vanderbilt's, before continuing to Providence, home of Brown University. Hotel: Graduate Providence



No visit to Newport is complete without seeing the city's magnificent collection of mansions, and a visit to The Breakers.

#### DAY 5. PROVIDENCE - KILLINGTON

Wet your whistle at Putney Mountain Winery, a 100% solar-powered winery specialising in the production of fruit wines. Learn about its history, the winemaking process, and their efforts to be a sustainable winemaker before indulging in a guided tasting. Bottoms up! Hotel: Killington Mountain Lodge (B)





#### DAY 6. VERMONT'S GREEN MOUNTAINS

Green peaks and green valleys, travel past the appropriately named Green Mountains to Vermont's capital, Montpelier. Meander through the charming streets and past the state's gold-domed capital building before pulling up at Morse Farm Maple Sugarworks. Go local, tasting Sugar on Snow, a traditional sweet treat made by pouring hot, maple syrup over ice. Grab your camera for a quick stop in Stowe before pulling into Killington to round out the day of your New England tour. (B)

#### DAY 7. KILLINGTON - NORTH CONWAY

New Englanders know a thing or two about incredible scenery, and you'll be right there with them today crossing from Vermont's Green Mountains to New Hampshire's White Mountains. Keep your camera handy as you travel along "The Kanc", a historic National Scenic Byway, leading the way to your North Conway home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Fox Ridge Resort, North Conway

#### DAY 8. NORTH CONWAY SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Red, burnt orange and yellow leaves stretch out in every direction as you head into the White Mountains. Tick off the tallest peak in the Northeast, Mount Washington, on your way through Crawford Notch State Park, and pull up at Silver Cascade Falls, which twists, turns and cascades 250 feet down the side of Mount Jackson. Your time in North Conway isn't over yet, so get local and stroll past the restored buildings, antique shops and treasure-trove bookshops of the historic downtown. (B)

#### DAY 9. NORTH CONWAY - BOSTON

It's the last day on your New England tour, but the fun isn't over yet! Vast forests, pretty seaside villages, and cliff-lined shores will dot your adventure through Maine. Make a stop in Kennebunkport, packed with boutiques and flashy art galleries and take a trip back in time with Portsmouth's 18th-century buildings and seaside vibes. End the day back where it all began, Boston. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Boston -Cambridge Area

#### DAY 10. DEPART BOSTON

Your adventure through New England's Fall Foliage comes to an end this morning. Make your own way to Boston Logan International Airport. Or, if Boston still has more you'd like to discover, you have the choice of extending your stay a few more days.

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Trip departure months

Sep - Oct



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# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







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Meal

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Niagara Falls: Witness the majestic falls aboard a cruise

**Prince Edward County:** Visit Campbell's Orchard for a farm tour and cider tasting

Québec City: Iconic Breakfast at a traditional Cabane à Sucre (Sugar Shack) where you'll learn how maple syrup is harvested and turned into various other maple products

Montréal: Your Local Guide will introduce you to Canada's cultural capital where festivals, art, and good food make up daily life

plus more

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#### **DAY 1. ARRIVE TORONTO**

Welcome to the world's most multiculturally diverse city, Toronto. Known to locals as the 'Six', Canada's hipster enclave and largest city is all about unique neighbourhoods, fusion food, fascinating museums, vintage shopping, and a healthy obsession with all things hockey. At the centre of it all is the city's icon, the CN Tower, its 553 metre (1,815 foot) spire dominating the landscape. After settling into your hotel, you can wander around the district's open-air markets. For dinner, why not head to Kensington Market, where fusion food is taken to all new heights. Hotel: Chelsea

Welcome: You can visit the Welcome Desk from 15:00.

#### DAY 2. NIAGARA FALLS EXCURSION

Pack your sense of adventure this morning as you're off to visit Niagara Falls! The biggest (and loudest) falls in North America, an incredible 75,750 gallons of water thunder into the gorge below every second, creating a natural phenomenon many have dubbed the 8th Wonder of the World. You'll be getting up close and personal on a cruise to Horseshoe Falls, allowing you to see both the Canadian and American sides. Remember that raincoat? Now's the time to use it. Back in Toronto later, the rest of the day is yours to do as you please. Maybe head to Queen West to explore the neighbourhood's impressive collection of art galleries and design studios, or take advantage of our CN Tower Choice Experience to test your head for heights.



Enjoy an exhilarating and scenic helicopter flight and experience the views of the awe-inspiring Niagara Region.





Enjoy the panoramic views of Toronto on the observation deck of CN Tower.

#### DAY 3. TORONTO - KINGSTON - OTTAWA

Leaving Toronto behind this morning, kick back and enjoy the gorgeous drive alongside Lake Ontario as you make your way to Kingston. Get your bearings, and then wake up your taste buds at Campbell's Orchard in Prince Edward County with a farm tour and a cider tasting. Hotel: Four Points by Sheraton Gatineau-Ottawa



Embark on Kingston's 1000 Islands Cruise, unveiling the heritage of Canada's first capital amidst scenic national historic sites.

#### DAY 4. OTTAWA SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

Start your morning in Ottawa with a sightseeing tour of the city's icons: Sussex Drive, the Royal Canadian Mint, the National Gallery of Canada, the Supreme Court of Canada, the National War Memorial, the National Arts Centre, the Canada War Museum, Library and Archives Canada, and the stunning Notre-Dame Cathedral Basilica. After your sightseeing, enjoy some free time for your Choice Experiences. Head to ByWard Market's vibrant indoor/outdoor open market for a quick bite or maybe experience culture and MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ with an authentic powwow dance performance accompanied by music from First Nations members at Mādahòki Farm.





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Enjoy a 60-minute cruise along the Ottawa River with the finest city views and the region's natural beauty.





Explore food markets, discover local produce and dishes, area chefs and food artisans on a gourmet walking tour.

#### DAY 5. OTTAWA - QUÉBEC CITY

Ready for some romance? Good news—elegant Québec City is calling. With cobblestone streets, leafy parks and grand architecture, this French-flavoured gem feels like Europe without the flight. This afternoon, you can choose to head out on a Choice Experience to Montmorency Falls. Take in the epic views, then round off the experience with a classic French dinner in Old Québec at a spot famed for its steak-frites and secret sauce. Hotel: Sepia



Take in sky-high views over Montmorency Falls before sitting down to a French feast.

#### DAY 6. QUÉBEC CITY SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

After no doubt grabbing a taste of France with a croissant and coffee, you'll be heading out to join a Local Guide this morning for a tour of the UNESCO-listed Old Town. Check out sites including the historically significant Plains of Abraham, Place Royale, and the famous turrets of the Château Frontenac, the world's most photographed hotel.



Learn repoussé metalwork from the Gilles family, create copper art, and end with coffee, tea, and canelé cake.

#### DAY 7. OUÉBEC CITY - MONTRÉAL

Hopefully you're hungry this morning, as for breakfast you'll be heading to the iconic Érablière le Chemin du Roy, a traditional Cabane à Sucre (sugar shack) where you'll learn how maple syrup is harvested and turned into other maple products. You'll then make the short drive to Montréal. On arrival, you'll meet up with a Local Guide for a city tour of the UNESCO-designated 'City of Design'. This afternoon, choose Montréal your way. North Montréal is full of hip neighbourhoods, beautiful parks, hidden alleyways, and vibrant street art. (B) Hotel: Sandman Montreal-Longueuil



Enjoy a three-course meal and glass of wine at one of Old Montreal's institution - Vieux-Port Steakhouse.

#### DAY 8. DEPART MONTRÉAL OR TORONTO

And just like that, you've experienced the very best of Eastern Canada. From Toronto's trendy microbreweries to Québec City's timeless romance, you'll be finishing your trip this morning with happy memories and no doubt a longing to see what the rest of Canada has in store. Today, you have the choice to fly directly out of Montréal or take the complimentary transfer to Toronto airport.

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

May - Sep



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# **ESSENTIALS BY US**







Countries

Days

Meal

# Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Washington, D.C.: Snap photos of the Lincoln Memorial, World War II Memorial, the White House and the U.S. Capitol building, and visit the National Museum of African American History and Culture

Lancaster: Learn about the 'plain' lifestyle of the Amish community, who live without cars, televisions, mobile phones or modernday appliances

Niagara Falls: Cruise to the base of the beautiful and powerful Horseshoe Falls

**New York City:** See Broadway, the Empire State Building, the Chrysler Building, and the 9/11 Memorial with a Local Guide

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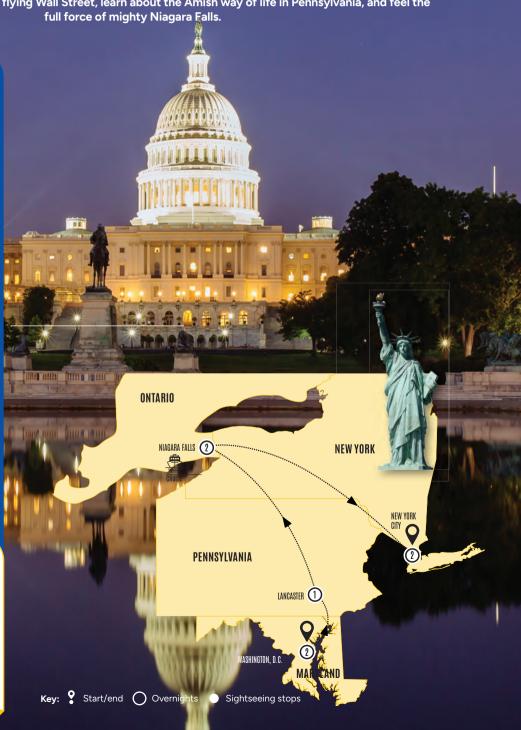


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#### DAY 1. ARRIVE WASHINGTON, D.C.

Welcome to Washington, America's capital city and the seat of political power. Fast paced, politically charged and culturally revered, 'DC' is the place you've seen a thousand times on screens small and large. Boasting arguably America's finest collection of museums, a vibrant Waterfront area and memorials to many of the nation's greats, you've certainly chosen an iconic spot to kick off your 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 by Marriott Washington, DC/U.S. Capitol

Welcome: You can visit the Welcome Desk from 15:00.

# DAY 2. WASHINGTON DC SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

You'll kick things off with a sightseeing tour that feels more like a walk through a real-life movie set, see icons including the Lincoln Memorial, the Washington Monument, and the jewel in America's political crown, the White House. Visit the National Museum of African American History and Culture, the only national museum dedicated exclusively to documenting African American life, history, and culture, and housing over 40,000 fascinating artefacts. And if that whets your appetite for history, maybe also choose to visit the Air and Space Museum. With the rest of the day to explore as you please, the question is really where to start? Perhaps take a walk around the Tidal Basin Loop Trail or choose experiences like visiting George Washington's sprawling Mount Vernon Estate. This evening, opt for the Washington Illumination Tour, where you'll see DC's most famous monuments lit up in their nighttime glory.



Visit Mount Vernon Estate for a selfguided tour and explore Washington's home, gardens, museum and memorials

#### DAY 3. WASHINGTON, D.C. - LANCASTER

You're heading into Amish Country today. Start with a stop at Kitchen Kettle Village (hello, homemade fudge and pickle-packed shops). Then it's time to witness Amish life first-hand with a Farmlands tour. You'll roll past farms and visit the Fisher Family Homestead where it's all propane lamps and no tech in sight. Keep the country charm coming with a Choice Experience — a clip-clopping buggy ride, followed by a belly-filling, pass-the-platter

#### DAY 4. LANCASTER - NIAGARA FALLS, CANADA

dinner at Plain and Fancy. Hotel: Lancaster Marriott at

Penn Square

Travelling northwest today, you'll follow the surging Susquehanna River as you make your way through the western region of New York



State. As you pass through the Appalachian Mountains, you'll no doubt be in awe of the breathtaking scenery. Bear in mind that this ancient mountain range is one of the oldest on Earth, formed around 480 million years ago and stretching across the border between the USA and Canada. Later, you'll cross from the US into Canada. Hotel: Days Inn Niagara Falls Fallsview



Dine 775 feet high at Skylon Tower's revolving restaurant, with stunning Falls views and award-winning cuisine.

# DAY 5. NIAGARA FALLS SIGHTSEEING AND FREE TIME

This morning you're off to visit a natural phenomenon, Niagara Falls! The biggest falls in North America, an incredible 75,750 gallons of water thunder into the gorge below every second. You'll get up close on a cruise to Horseshoe Falls, giving you views of both the Canadian and American sides. Remember that raincoat? Now's the time to use it.



Soar over the Niagara Region on a thrilling helicopter ride with breathtaking views of its landscapes and landmarks.



Visit a Niagara vineyard with a senior wine consultant before tasting the local product including the famous Peachwine.

#### DAY 6. NIAGARA FALLS - NEW YORK CITY

Bidding a fond farewell to Niagara Falls this morning, you'll journey back across the border through leafy and picturesque upstate New York. Passing by the

fun-to-pronounce Poconos

Mountains, which literally mean 'creek between two hills', you'll venture towards the fast and fabulous metropolis of NYC. Arriving late afternoon and no doubt itching to explore, why not spend your first night here getting acquainted with the city's foodie scene? From gourmet food

trucks to Michelin-starred 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

Wake up and get ready to dive into the heart of New York City! Start your day at an NYC institution —Junior's restaurant. Whether you're craving eggs and bacon, fluffy pancakes, or French toast, you'll fuel up for a day of adventure, all washed down with freshly roasted coffee. Next, you're off with our Local Guide to explore the real New York, Discover the stories behind some of Manhattan's most iconic spots, like Broadway, Greenwich Village, and the hustle and bustle of Wall Street. You can also visit the poignant 9/11 Memorial, a moment to reflect amidst the city's energy. This afternoon, it's time to make New York your own. You could wander through trendy Brooklyn, catch a Broadway show, or choose from a curated list of Choice Experiences. Whether it's the dizzying heights of SUMMIT One Vanderbilt or an inspiring tour of art galleries, you'll find the perfect way to enjoy your Big Apple adventure. (IC)



Awaken your senses at SUMMIT One Vanderbilt for immersive art and a wraparound deck for spectacular views.

#### **DAY 8. DEPART NEW YORK CITY**

With fond memories of spectacular waterfalls and political icons still fresh in your mind, your trip will come to an end this morning. Why not head out for one final cream cheese bagel and a 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.

# **READY TO GO?**

Trip departure months

Apr - Oct



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# **ESSENTIALS**







Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

**Grand Canyon:** Experience this **UNESCO World Heritage Site** 

Monument Valley: Explore in an open-air vehicle tour with a Navajo Local Guide

Yellowstone National Park: Visit the first U.S National Park

Crazy Horse Memorial: See the towering memorial

plus more

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#### DAY 3. PAGE

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience Red Heritage offers Navajo powwow dancing, music and Southwest cuisine

#### DAY 7. JACKSON



Relax on a 13-mile Jackson Hole float trip with Grand Teton views, wildlife, and stories

#### DAY 11. RAPID CITY



See Mount Rushmore glow at night with a ranger talk and a special lighting ceremony.

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Trip departure months Year-round



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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Grand Canyon: Learn about local Indigenous people at Desert Viewpoint Intertribal Cultural Heritage Site for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER™ Experience

Yosemite National Park: Enjoy breathtaking views of El Capitan and Half Dome

San Francisco: Iconic breakfast at renowned Boudin Bakery

plus more

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#### DAY 4. SEDONA

Enjoy a relaxing jeep tour of Sedona's most photogenic overlooks and iconic sites.

#### **DAY 5. GRAND CANYON**

**Explore Grand Canyon South** Rim on a 45-minute fixed-wing flight with stunning views.

#### DAY 11. SAN FRANCISCO

Walk the Golden Gate Bridge, explore Sausalito, and cruise the bay.

# **ESSENTIALS**







Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

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 cafe and visit Graceland and Sun Studios

New Orleans: A Local Guide will show off the top sites of the 'Big Easy'

plus more

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#### DAY 3. NASHVILLE

Discover Ryman Auditorium, where Elvis and Johnny Cash made history.

#### DAY 6. MEMPHIS

Explore Memphis' musicians, history, and stories on a guided bus tour.

#### DAY 10. NEW ORLEANS

Enjoy dinner, drinks, and funk at The Jazz Playhouse with Big Sam!

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**Key:** ♀ Start/end Overnights Sightseeing stops

Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

San José: Enjoy an orientation tour in the capital city of Costa Rica and explore Sarchi, the arts and crafts capital

Monteverde Cloud Forest: Hike into the lush cloud forest with your Travel Director and learn about the region's unique bird and wildlife ecosystems

Arenal: Enjoy trails and suspension bridges and take a scenic float trip safari with your Local Guide

plus more

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#### DAY 3. MONTEVERDE

You can soar by gondola, spot wildlife, and zipline down Sky Trek adventure.

#### DAY 3. MONTEVERDE

Enjoy a horseback ride and view Nicoya Gulf and its scenic islands.

#### DAY 3. MONTEVERDE



**Explore Monteverde Cloud** Forest by night, discovering flora and fauna.

# **ESSENTIALS**







Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Lima: Explore the "City of the Kings" and visit San Francisco Monastery, famous for its catacombs

Machu Picchu: Journey to the marvellous citadel of Machu Picchu, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World

Cusco: Visit the ruins of Sacsayhuaman, a UNESCO World Heritage Site

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#### DAY 2. LIMA



Indulge in local flavours on a foodie tour and see the Puente de los Suspiros.

#### DAY 6. RAINBOW MOUNTAIN

Take in the breathtaking scenery on a hike and visit Cusipata for lunch.

#### DAY 6. CUSCO



Discover the ancient city's darkest secrets on a guided walking tour.

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Trip departure months Year-round



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Here is just a taste of your included sightseeing highlights:

Rio de Janeiro: Explore iconic sights such as Copacabana and Ipanema Beaches and Christ the Redeemer

Iguassu Falls: Step out onto catwalks along the world's widest cascading waterfalls

**Buenos Aires:** Discover Recoleta Cemetery, the Plaza de Mayo and 9 de Julio Avenue

plus more

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#### DAY 2. RIO DE JANEIRO



**Explore vibrant Santa** Teresa, including the mosaiccovered Selarón Steps.

#### DAY 5. IGUASSU FALLS

Ride open-air wagons, hike through lush forest, then boat to the base of the falls.

#### DAY 7. BUENOS AIRES

Experience a beautiful stage show and learn to dance Tango with the locals.

# **ESSENTIALS**







Countries

Days

Here is just a taste of your included

Rio de Janeiro: Explore Copacabana, Ipanema and Christ the Redeemer

sightseeing highlights:

Iguassu Falls: Go chasing waterfalls and see Devil's Throat

Machu Picchu: Journey to this magnificent UNESCO-listed site

Sacred Valley: Visit the famous Pisac Market

plus more

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#### DAY 3. RIO DE JANEIRO

**Experience Ginga Tropical:** vibrant music and dance from across Brazil.

#### **DAY 8. BUENOS AIRES**

**Explore Argentine cuisine and** culture: make empanadas, try steak and Malbec.

#### DAY 14. CUSCO

**Embark on a full-day Rainbow** Mountain adventure, and lunch in Cusipata.

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Trip departure months Year-round



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