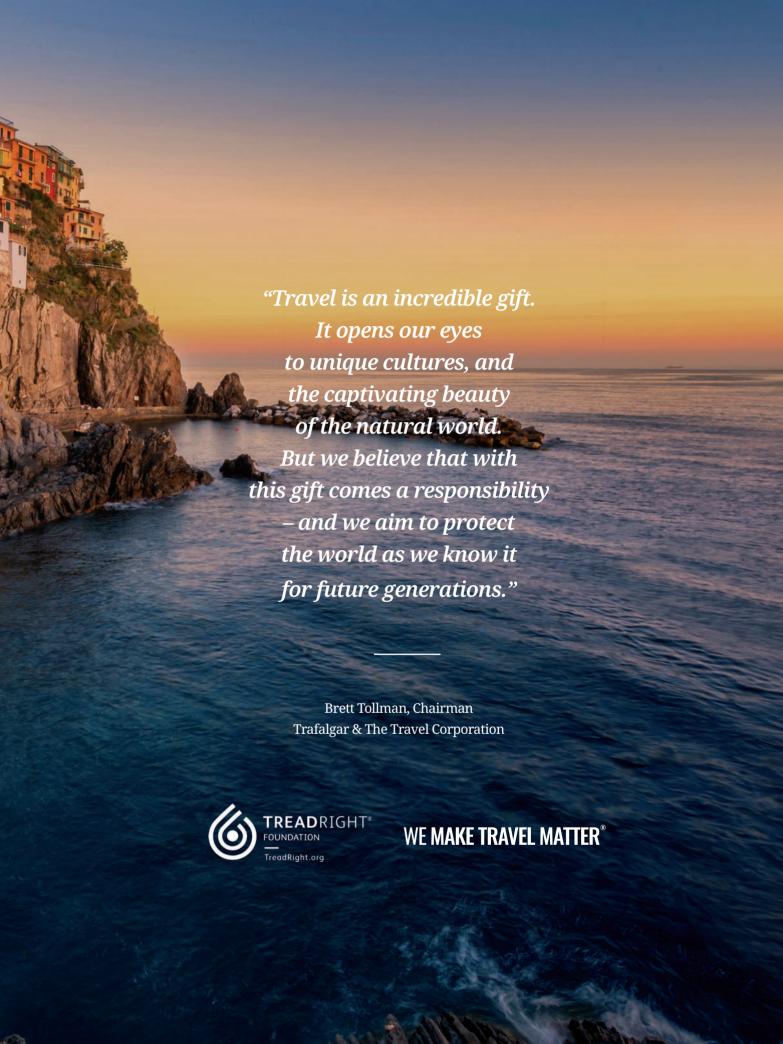


# Tour Differently. **Europe & Britain**





# Dear traveller,

Leaving a positive lasting legacy is at the heart of what drives us at Trafalgar and all brands *that make up* The Travel Corporation (TTC). As a trusted and respected industry player with a global footprint, we don't shy away from this reality but rather embrace our responsibility to address it. It is a necessity.

As father, traveller and leader, I care deeply about 'leading by example' and I am so proud of how deeply engrained our commitment to MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® is within our DNA, through all our brands and our people.

Our commitment to MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® began fifteen years ago with the inception of the not-for-profit TreadRight Foundation. As a business we pledge to be conscious throughout – from the offices we work in to the trips we deliver, thanks to our 5-year How We Tread Right sustainability strategy.

Alongside this, TreadRight has supported more than 60 sustainable tourism projects to date. The foundation also invests in nature-based solutions to tackle climate change including Trees For Life, Project Vesta, and GreenWave. And, on our tours, our MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experiences are individually chosen for their direct support of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. You can read more about what you can look forward to on pages 20-21.

Lastly, I want to say thank you to you. We know you have a lot of choices when it comes to your travels. Know that when you choose Trafalgar, not only are you choosing a trusted travel provider that takes care of every detail, more importantly, you're choosing a company that makes a positive impact.

Happy travels, Brett

# Find your perfect tour.

# 50 Countries, 126 Tours

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# Your best tour starts here Proud to be the world's most loved tour company

Travel is in our blood. It is who we are and what we do. Every Trafalgar tour is carefully crafted so you can experience the places you visit *differently*.

We unlock the very essence of each destination, where you'll get to know the locals and with everything taken care of by us at every step. As the world's most loved and awarded tour company with 90+ awards and counting, since 1947 more than 5 million happy past guests have discovered our difference.

We MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® and ensure that, through travel, the impact on our planet, the people we visit and the wildlife we find is a positive one.

We're proud of our independently rated Feefo Platinum Trusted Service Award, and our 4.6/5 past guest transparent rating. Throughout the following pages, you'll see and hear from our past guests, local friends and On Road Team who share their love of travelling with us in Europe, and why you will too. Tour *Differently*.



# Top 10 guest must-sees The bucket-

The bucket-list moments

The Trafalgar difference means seeing the not-to-miss man-made and ancient wonders, and discovering some of the best natural phenomena Europe & Britain has to offer. Here are just 10 of our guests' favourite must-sees. You can also get inspired by hundreds of real guest stories from our tours at **trafalgar.com/trafalgarunlockedawards** 



# Brandenburg Gate Berlin, Germany

This Neoclassical building should be at the top of your German must-sees. Once a symbol of division, today the Brandenburg Gate celebrates unity after the fall of the Berlin Wall. Bohemian Highlights (p.108), Best of Germany (p.128) & 2 other tours.



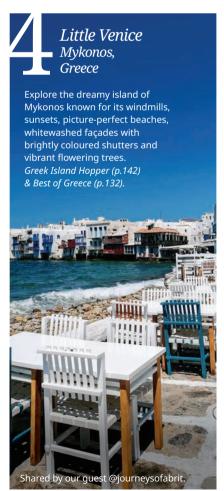
Olufsvej Copenhagen Denmark

Stroll one of Copenhagen's most colourful streets and grab your perfect pic. Nestled between Fælledparken Park and the neighbourhood's main shopping street, Olufsvej is a photographer's paradise lined with tempting boutiques and cafes. Capitals of Scandinavia (p.122), Scenic Scandinavia and its Fiords (p.124), & 1 other tour.

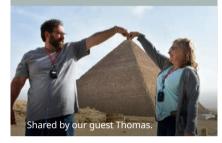
Eiffel Tower
Paris, France

Your guided tour of the magnificent City of Light takes you to admire the Champs-Élysées, the Place de la Concorde, the Arc de Triomphe built for Napoleon in the 19th century and – of course – the iconic Eiffel Tower. European Highlights (p.22), Best of France (p.76) & 7 other tours.





Marvel at the only remaining wonder of the ancient world. Stand at the base gazing up almost 400 feet as you reflect on the tens of thousands of people who built them over 4,000 years ago. Wonders of Ancient Egypt (p.140) & Best of Egypt (p.144).



Lofoten Islands Norway

With so much natural beauty, the Lofoten Islands are a paradise for outdoor enthusiasts. Go for a hike or delve into the area's Viking connections at Lofotr Viking Museum. If you're lucky, you might even spot the vibrant spectacle, the unmissable Northern Lights. Nordic Adventure (p. 130).

Shared by our guest Georgina.



Plaza de España Seville, Spain

The golden Plaza de España (Spainish Square) with its mix of Moorish, Baroque and Renaissance is a sight to behold. Part of the lush Maria Luisa Park, the city is brought to life through the storytelling from your Local Specialist. Best of Spain (p.94), Great Iberian Cities (p.82) & 4 other tours.

Vatican and Saint Peter's Basilica, Rome, Italy

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Team up with a Local Specialist to discover St. Peter's Basilica, the spiritual centre of the Vatican. You'll love the local insight as you gaze upon the work of Italy's great Renaissance artists including Bramante, Raphael and Michelangelo. *Great European (p.30), Best of Italy (p.44) & 3 other tours.* 





Get lost in the narrow lanes of Edinburgh – the Scottish capital that combines heritage with the verve of a modern city. See if you can spot a local piper, ascend Castle Rock and visit Edinburgh Castle which watches over the city from high above. Best of Scotland (p.60), Scotland's Highlands, Islands & Cities (p.74) & 6 other tours.

Wooden
Chapel Bridge
Lucerne,
Switzerland

Built in 1333 and connecting the Reuss River to the Old Town, the Chapel Bridge is the world's oldest covered wooden bridge and the city's most iconic landmark Admire the Water Tower and the historical paintings embedded into the architecture. Best of Switzerland (p. 100), Contrasts of



# Explore from a local's *viewpoint*

Travel like an insider, not a tourist.

"I have worked in the travel industry for most of my career as a Local Guide, in hotels and as a Travel Director, so this has been a natural progression to my current role as Head of Travel Experiences for Trafalgar. Working in travel has allowed me to see parts of the world that I could have previously only dreamed of and I get to live my passion each day". Meet Jen, here to share how she and her team work behind the scenes to curate the special experiences that bring the best of Europe and Britain to life for you.

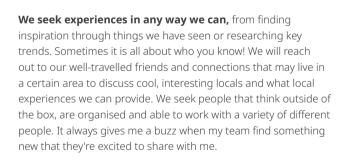
**Trafalgar delivers the magic differently.** Our tours allow you to enjoy where you are without having to decide what is the best thing to do, as we've done all the hard work and planning. Being able to jump on a coach and have everything explained to you before you get there, getting insight on the history and culture (but not so much that you feel like you are in school!). This means you can just enjoy your surroundings and embrace each new destination fully and know you've got the best out of each place.

### Every region and trip brings special things to the table.

Be My Guest experiences (on every Trafalgar trip) have all my favourite elements of food, locals and something that the average independent traveller would not have access to. I am a real foodie, and my team and I pride ourselves in the combination of food, hospitality and storytelling that these experiences provide. Each Be My Guest is so heartwarming and really brings a destination to life in a way you just can't with a guidebook. There is an element of surprise and that feeling of it being something our guests would have never been able to do without Trafalgar.

"I'm lucky that my team brings together different ideas and personalities to shape tours that are full of new, different experiences. Knowing I've helped to fulfill guests' dreams is the best part."

- Jen



I love travelling and I'm always seeking new things, new places to get a photo from a new perspective. My team share this passion which is apparent in the way we craft our tours. Eating oysters and washing them down with a nice white wine in Croatia (YUM!) is a personal favourite, going for a wine or olive oil tasting or any type of bike ride or walking tour excite me no matter where I am. I appreciate having my feet on the ground as I listen to a guide and take it all in at the same time, looking through shop windows or taking pictures of a cool stairway or from an interesting new angle. We know our guests share these same passions - and everything we do is with them in mind.







Your one-of-a-kind experiences.

# Be My Guest

The original local experience, exclusive to Trafalgar.

Delight at the hospitality of locals just like these, who open their homes, wineries and farms to share their stories over the universal language of good food.







# Meet Arild from Øvre-Eide Farm

Scenic Scandinavia and Its Fjords (p.124) & Best of Norway (p.130)

"I'm happy to host you at our fifthgeneration family farm. Meet our animals including sheep, chickens, rabbits and horses, then we'll sit down for a typical Norwegian dinner of cured meats, smoked salmon and potato salad, finished with ice-cream and almond cookies. We'll complete the experience with music and dancing"

# Meet Jakov from *Konoba Humac*

Highlights of Austria, Slovenia & Croatia (p.118)

"Our small restaurant is a hidden gem, just 40 mins from Hvar Old Town that you just can't find on your own. Overlooking our vineyards and sipping our wine, you'll taste my secret pika-bell-cooked octopus, lamb and vegetables, and learn about how we operate 'off the grid' in this rustic village where time stands still."

# Meet Alexandra from *L'Etape Gourmande*

Best of France (p.76) & Enchanting Europe (p.34)

"You'll feel like you've stepped into 17th-century France here on our farm near the famous Château de Villandry. Alongside my mother, we'll show you around our garden, property – and perhaps meet a few goats and chickens – before enjoying a traditional threecourse, regional Tourangelle dinner with local wines."

# Meet the Karembellas Family from Magna Grecia (pictured left)

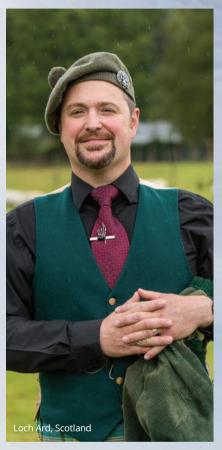
With Greece being the world's oldest producers of olive oil, you'll love an in-depth look at the production of olive oil (and wine) at Magna Grecia Estate, with the Karembellas family on the outskirts of ancient Olympia. Learn about production of oil from seed to press, followed by a tasting session of oil and wine, and a traditional Greek dinner and dancing. *Best of Greece (p.132)* 



# Meet Vera from *Coudelaria Brito Paes*

Best of Portugal (p.80) & Highlights of Spain and Portugal (p.84)

"We can't wait to show you the beautiful Lusitanian horses on our stud farm, founded 1778 when the King of Portugal gave our ancestors the rights to raise horses here. Enjoy a homecooked lunch before watching the horses perform and visiting the tower and old saddle room of the riding school."



Meet Gregor from *Ledard Farm* 

Best of Scotland (p.60)

"Join my family on our historical farm on the shores of Loch Ard for a meal, tales of Rob Roy and a few foottapping Ceilidh tunes. I'll welcome you with a traditional bagpipe before a stroll around the farm – home to 14 sheepdogs - and lunch of Scottish fare followed by our famous father-son singing competition."



Meet Amina from *Riad Arabesque* 

Best of Morocco (p.88)

"We look forward to welcoming you to our centuries old Riad to meet us and try exquisite Moroccan cuisine. Through our Jewish heritage, we offer you a unique flavourful experience with the perfect view – a spectacular sunset over the Medina".

You'll enjoy a Be My Guest experience on every itinerary. See the trip pages, and visit **trafalgar.com** for more.

# Stays with Stories

# Take your accommodation to a deeper level

These properties are part of the fabric of the place you're visiting, offering stories that will stay with you long after your tour has ended. Here's a sample of what you can expect at just a few of these special and unique properties across Europe & Britain.

### Abbeyglen Castle

Connemara, Co. Galway, Ireland

It's not every day you get to stay overnight in a castle. Dating back to 1832, you'll love your time at this 4-star ivy-covered beauty. Learn about its rich history, from a castle to an orphanage, and then a hotel, which is today one of the regions premier overnights. Each room is entirely unique, and surrounded by manicured lawns, gardens and pathways. After the sun goes down, head to the piano bar for a drink and live music. *Castles and Manors* (p.62)

### Château de Beauvois

Loire Valley, France

Step back in time at the Château de Beauvois, whose ornate architecture spans the 15th, 16th and 17th centuries. Linger on the outdoor terraces, taking in this historic setting, once a favourite destination of King Louis XIII. Enjoy rooms that combine modern comforts with decor reminiscent of royalty for an unforgettable stay in the Loire Valley. Best of France (p.76)

### **Finland Aurora Cabins**

Ivalo, Finland

Feel immersed in the fairy-tale landscapes of the Arctic as you gaze up at the sky keeping a keen eye out for the Northern Lights in the cosy comfort of your Apukka Resort Aurora Cabin. Within the expansive glass roof, you'll get the best views of the Northern Lights at this resort that has been welcoming guests since 1865. *Scandinavian Northern Lights. (p.148)* 

On our tours, experience a mix of independent properties and trusted accommodation partners including Novotel, Mercure, Hilton & Crowne Plaza.

# Relax with everything taken care of

Your On Road Team takes care of all the logistics, bookings, transport and insider knowledge of each destination you visit - so you can enjoy your holiday without worry or stress.



"It really does give me a buzz seeing my guests experience incredible sights like the Swiss Alps, the Brandenburg Gate or a German beer hall for the first time. I really enjoy bringing destinations to life for our guests." Meet Michael, one of our Travel Directors who proudly calls the Alpine regions of Europe his home and office, and loves to share it all with you.

For me, being a Travel Director is definitely more fun than being a lawyer. I started working as a Travel Director when I was 23. I finished my law degree in Australia and wanted to take a year off to work and travel in Europe. My initial plan to work overseas for a year then turned into a career and I haven't looked back.

**I work mostly in Germany, Switzerland and Austria.** I love this region because it combines both stunning scenery and fascinating history. In addition, everything is organised and clean, and the Alpine countries are very focussed on sustainable living (and travel) which I love, and so do our guests!

I am often overwhelmed by my guests' appreciation for the work Trafalgar and I do to make their trips a success. From the moment you arrive, you can relax, knowing that your Travel Director will look after your hotel rooms, your meals, your travel and transport and, of course, your sightseeing. You honestly don't have to think about anything and for me, that is a great way to travel!

"I took some of my group to Munich Oktoberfest last year and showed them how to find a table, order beer, and meet the locals. I came back an hour later and heard loud cheering, and discovered several of my group dancing on the tables with a group of Germans. A true local experience that made their trip!"

- Michael

My guests love the local touches I offer, like chocolate in Switzerland, wine from the Rhine Valley in Germany or even a Sound of Music singalong in Salzburg. The most satisfying feedback I receive is when guests tell me that they were not fans of history at school but after a trip through Germany with me, they have a newfound appreciation for it. That really makes me happy – because I firmly believe that those who do not learn history are destined to repeat it.

My guests are all amazing but there are some that have left a profound mark on me. I had a guest on one trip who was losing his sight and wanted to see the Swiss Alps before his vision failed. He was so positive and treated every day as a new adventure and as a gift. It made me realise how lucky I am to see incredible sights every day.

I could visit the Matterhorn mountain in Zermatt, Switzerland, every day. We travel up the mountain in a series of different cable cars and from the top you have the most amazing views over Switzerland and Italy. There is normally snow at the very top, even in Summer, and it is a true highlight of any visit to Switzerland.

# Getting you from A to B with ease

Our trips are crafted with a variety of transport options to ensure the journey is as good as the destination. Our luxury coaches feature reclining seats and large windows to take in the views, WiFi, air-con, filtered air and on-board bathroom facilities, USB chargers and more.

Rest assured your Driver knows how to get you from A to B without worry, while knowing the best places to park to get you where you need to be, and take care of it all.

We also take your luggage from the coach to your hotel door, and bring it back on the coach when it's time to go.



# Your Local Specialist Guides

Fiercely passionate and incredibly proud, they'll unlock destinations on an even deeper level thanks to their personal lens on the places you visit. Here are a few of the people you can expect to meet across Europe & Britain.

# Meet Maria, your Local Specialist Guide in *Taormina*, *Sicily*, *Italy*.

Southern Italy & Sicily (p.52)



"It would be impossible not to love Taormina, perched on a hilltop and surrounded by stunning views of the coast and Mt Etna. Come exploring its ancient streets with me, to find the beauty that inspired so many artists, musicians and writers of the past."

# Meet Samra, your Local Specialist Guide in *Sarajevo*, *Bosnia & Herzegovina*.

Balkan Adventure (p.116)



"Sarajevo is usually associated with recent history, however, this city has so much more to offer! Ruled by different empires, the Old Town's architecture blends medieval Ottoman and 19th-century Austro-Hungarian styles, creating a melting pot of oriental influences and western flair."

# Meet Neven, your Local Specialist Guide in *Zagreb*, *Croatia*.

Highlights of Austria Slovenia and Croatia (p.118)



"Best explored on foot, let me share history and highlights of Zagreb including the fascinating story that led to two rival settlements, Kaptol and Gradec. We'll take a walk, and you'll learn from the churches of St. Mark's and St. Catherine's to Parliament, Lotrščak Tower and more."

# Meet Isabel, your Local Specialist Guide in *Lisbon*, *Portugal*.

Best of Portugal (p.80)



"What can you expect when you explore Lisbon with me? Beautiful monuments, pretty façades with glazed tiles and wrought iron balconies, and more recently interesting urban art and so much more close by. Plus... great weather! It's perfect."

# Travel and make a positive impact

A blueprint to change, our 5-year sustainability strategy

Our sustainability strategy, How We Tread Right (HWTR), is our guiding light on how we run our business and how we travel. It is based on 11 measurable goals anchored to the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which address the issues of climate change, sustainable food production, waste reduction, travel experiences, wildlife, diversity and inclusion. Here are just 3 of the 11 core focuses:

# On the road to net zero emissions by 2050.

You can travel knowing that our 4-point Climate Action Plan is guiding us towards net zero or near zero emissions by 2050. As the only tour company with an internal carbon fund to transition to low carbon, backed by validated near-term, long-term and net zero targets, we are dedicated to reducing our carbon footprint and restoring nature's ability to respond to the climate crisis.

# Diversity, equity and inclusion - the foundation of meaningful travel.

We don't travel to experience sameness – we explore to meet different people, hear new perspectives and experience new places. To us, DEI is much more than sustainability, it's how we operate as a business. From taking concrete actions to increase diverse representation across our teams to targeted partnerships that directly support underrepresented communities, DEI is ingrained in our day-to-day at all levels of our business and across all countries.

# Every tour has at least one MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience included.

Every one of our tours has at least one immersive impact experience that gets you up close and personal to positive impact by advancing one or more of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). See just a few of the many experiences featured on this page and look out for yours on your preferred itinerary.

# MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE



WE SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS











↑ Plitvice Lakes National Park, Croatia One of the oldest and largest national parks in Croatia, famous for its lake waters tumbling over limestone rocks, you'll Join a Local Specialist for a tour along the wooden pathways suspended over the blue and green water. Learn how, over thousands of years, these waters made natural dams which have created beautiful lakes, caves and waterfalls that are now protected by law. Your visit also directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land. Best of Croatia and Slovenia, (p.112)





- <sup>♠</sup> Dundreggan Rewilding Centre, Scotland Contribute to safeguarding one of the most beautiful and ancient landscapes in Europe that is in a critical condition at Dundreggan Rewilding Centre's rewilding programme. Learn from an expert on the reintroduction of native animal species such as the Scottish red squirrel, lynx and beaver into the wild, and the reforestation of the Caledonian pine forest. Your visit also directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land. Best of Scotland, (p.60)
- ◆Traditionally a beekeeping area, Moka Honey, Delphi, Greece has lost most of its beekeeping activity. The decline in bee populations has seen a significant loss of biodiversity. Thanks to their effort, Nikiforos and his family are rebuilding a local activity and directly contributing to regenerating the land. This experience supports Sustainable Development Goal 15: Life on Land. Best of Greece (p.132)



# Meet Shannon Guihan, Chief Sustainability Officer.

"Something which has really stood out to me throughout the years is the incredible energy and commitment that all of our team members have. Whether it is searching for a new MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, making sure to use the 2 paid volunteer days we offer to all team members, or doing their part in ensuring we achieve our sustainability targets - everyone here is on the same mission".





To learn more about how you can choose to MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® and see how we are tracking with our most up-to-date Impact Report



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

Day 2 Enjoy a Scenic Cruise in the Rhineland Journey through Germany where we'll board a river cruise past terraced vineyards, historic towns and medieval castles to St. Goar. Then head to the old university town of Heidelberg, with its impressive Renaissance structures, Baroque Old Town and views of the ruined red sandstone castle that towers above the city. Then we head to our Be My Guest experience where you'll Connect With Locals over dinner at the family-owned Weingut Wehweck vineyard. Currently owned by the third generation of the family, Herr Philipp Wehweck. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure **Mannheim Am Friedensplatz** 

Day 3 Journey through the Black Forest to Lucerne Delve into a world of legends and fairy-tales today as you enter the enchanting Black Forest. Dive Into Culture and witness the fine craft of cuckoo clock making, before crossing the Swiss border. We'll visit the dramatic Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen, the largest waterfall in Europe and arrive on the shores of Lake Lucerne, where we will stay for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe

Day 4 Explore Lucerne Soak up the relaxed lakeside atmosphere before your morning orientation begins. Cross the solid wooden Chapel Bridge, visit the solemn Lion Monument, commemorating the massacre of the Swiss Guards in 1792 and spend your afternoon shopping in the Old Town. Consider an Optional Experience ascending the surrounding mountains for panoramic alpine views, wander along the tranguil lake shore or stroll around the city admiring the decorative signposts and ornate façades lining the city's streets. (B)

Day 5 Off through the Burgundy Wine **Region to Paris** See the changing landscape as you travel into France through Alsace and cross the Maginot Line. Admire the scenic Burgundy Wine Region, famous for its delicious Chardonnay and Pinot Noir grape varieties, before arriving in Paris. Indulge in a free evening to explore the grand boulevards of the French capital. Experience the pageantry of Paris first-hand and opt for an Optional Experience to a Parisian Cabaret. (B) Hotel: Pullman La Défense

Day 6 Explore Magical Paris Join a Local **Specialist** today and delve into the artistic and historic treasures of Paris, including views of the elegant Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. On the

way, stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at a small fromagerie for a tasting of cheese produced using only farm-fresh ingredients and respecting the natural environment. This afternoon, amble through the city's stylish gardens, avenues and lanes, admiring the sophisticated atmosphere or consider joining an Optional Experience to the exquisite Palace of Versailles. Or, join an Optional Experience taking the fastest lift in Europe to the Tour Montparnasse Panoramic Observation deck for unbeatable views of the Eiffel Tower and all of the city's iconic monuments. Then visit the Dôme des Invalides with our Local **Specialist** to see Napoleon's final resting place. Another option finds you cruising along the Seine and taking in unmatched views of the Notre Dame Cathedral and the Eiffel Tower. Afterwards, we'll drive through the City of Lights to see some of the fascinating sights this beautiful city has to offer. This evening we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our travel companions and Travel Director. (B. D)



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE** 



Trip code: EHIG/WHIL

Taste farm-fresh cheese in Paris. At a local fromagerie, discover delicious, innovative and responsible produce that supports sustainable and seasonal agriculture.

Day 7 Farewell Paris After breakfast, say a fond au revoir to your fellow travellers and Travel Director. (B)

### Optional Eurostar™ Extension

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

# Find your tour

### **Departure months**

Year-round

### **Special Events & Dates**

Bastille Day is a national holiday in France and celebrations will be taking place throughout the country on 14 July.

See Trafalgar.com or your Travel Advisor for dates and prices



# Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Amsterdam and Lucerne

**Visit** the Rhine Falls in Schaffhausen and a cuckoo clock factory in the Black Forrest

View the Lion Monument and the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne, the Champs-Élysées, the Eiffel Tower, the Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

**See** the Lorelei Rock and the vineyards of Burgundy

Scenic Cruise along the canals of Amsterdam and the Rhine River

> Be My Guest Visit a familyowned vineyard



"This was our first time visiting Europe and we made so many new friends with our fellow travellers. Simply the best!"

- Ronald Linatoc Morales

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Day 1 Cross the English Channel to Paris Meet your Travel Director and depart London for the White Cliffs of Dover, England's last hurrah before we cross the English Channel. We pass the tragic World War I battlefields before arriving in Paris where we will enjoy dinner, followed by an orientation drive. (D) Hotel: Novotel Centre Bercy

Day 2 Explore the Sights of Paris Embark on a scenic sojourn, with your Local Specialist, along the grand Champs-Élysées to view the Arc de Triomphe, honoring those who fought for France. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. This afternoon, you'll have some leisure time to explore the treasures of Paris. Maybe wander through Montmartre in search of beautiful art or relax at a cosy French café and enjoy a glass of wine while watching the world go by. (B)

Day 3 Onwards to Explore Lucerne
We wind our way through the sprawling
vineyards of Burgundy, journeying
south past rolling green farmlands into
Switzerland bound for Lucerne. Cross the
famous wooden Chapel Bridge with its
17th-century paintings and view the mortally
wounded lion hewn from rock. (B, D)
Hotel: Grand Europe

Day 4 Journey to the Floating City of Venice The contrast of scenery today is nothing short of remarkable. Traversing the Alps, we travel through the St. Gotthard tunnel and the border at Chiasso into Italy. Catch a glimpse of northern Italy's beautiful lakes, whose scenic retreats have attracted the aristocracy for centuries, before arriving later in Venice. (B) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana



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Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glass-blowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

Day 5 On to Florence Take to the water and board a private motor launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. View the Bridge of Sighs and ornate Doge's Palace, then embark on your unforgettable **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience where you'll witness the centuries-old craft of glassblowing at one of the oldest workshops in Venice. Watch how talented master craftsmen shape the molten glass into the delicate works of art you've come to admire from afar and perhaps be inspired to buy vour own souvenir to remind you of this special experience. Later, there's time to explore the hidden calle and campi of Venice to fit in some shopping or soak up the sights and sounds of the Queen of the Adriatic before crossing the Apennine Mountains bound for Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. (B) Hotel: Villa Neroli

Day 6 Journey to Rome The magnificent Renaissance dome of Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral and the Baptistery stand imposingly in the centre of Florence and are among the sights we will view during our guided walking tour with a Local Specialist. Delve into the city's rich cultural, artistic and architectural heritage, then learn about the quality and workmanship of one of this city's historic industries at a demonstration of Florentine leathercraft. Marvel at the impressive palazzi and art in the Piazza della Signoria, the political hub of the city. Rome is our final stop today. (B) Hotel: TH Roma Hotel Carpegna Palace

Day 7 Uncover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Visit the Vatican for a memorable encounter with the centre of Christianity. A Local Specialist will take you on a tour of St. Peter's Basilica, the home of Michelangelo's Pietà. Consider an Optional Experience to see the magnificent frescoes of the Sistine Chapel, before travelling to Ancient Rome to view the Roman Forum. This evening, at our Farewell Dinner, we Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience and celebrate the Italian zest for life, food and good company. (B, D)

**Day 8 Farewell Rome** We say a fond farewell to Rome and our travel companions at the end of our journey. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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### **Departure months**

Year-round

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Paris, Florence and Rome with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Lucerne and Venice

**Visit** a glass-blowing factory in Venice and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

View the White Cliffs of Dover, the Eiffel Tower, the Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, the Lion Monument and the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice and the ancient sites of Rome

**See** the Somme Battlefields and the vineyards of Burgundy in France

**Scenic Cruise** by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy an evening with Fabio and his family in a unique setting amongst Roman excavations



"Seeing the Eiffel Tower, Colosseum and Alps in Switzerland were a few moments from the European Traveller, seeing these was a dream come true Thank you Trafalgar and team"

- Pushpa Voddi

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Day 1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Welcome to the 'Eternal City' – once home to gods and goddesses, emperors, senators and slaves. Explore the city's bustling boulevards and labyrinthine lanes before meeting your fellow travellers and Travel Director at a welcome Dinner. This evening, we embark on an orientation drive revealing some of the city's most celebrated sights. (D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's

Day 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City The Holy See takes centre stage today as we join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that will see us visit the 16th-century St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City and witness Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà, a masterpiece of Renaissance sculpture. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to see the exquisite frescoed ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. We cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to delve into what was once the largest empire in the world and view such ancient sites as the imposing Colosseum where brave gladiators and slaves dueled to their deaths. (B)

Day 3 Onwards to Florence We travel north into the vineyard-clad hills of Tuscany and along the Arno River Valley. Next we'll Connect With Locals over lunch during a Be My Guest experience at a 12th-century castle with Anna, before continuing to Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance. Join a Local Specialist for an enchanting encounter with one of the world's cultural centers, admiring the exquisite architecture and artistry around every turn. View the marble Duomo and Piazza della Signoria, the political hub of Florence, before arriving at your hotel. (B, L) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo



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Day 4 Journey to the Canals of Venice The romantic island city of Venice is our final destination today. We take to San Marco's waters, cruising the canals and admiring views of the imposing St. Mark's Basilica and ornate Doge's Palace. On this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, we'll witness the centuries-old art of Venetian glass-blowing before enjoying an afternoon at leisure to explore narrow calle in search of a cosy bacaro where you can enjoy delicious Venetian cuisine washed down with a Venetian Spritz, or two. Take some time, venture to the enchanting canal-side setting of St. Mark's Square. The sounds of talented musicians, seagulls and lapping water provide the perfect backdrop for a memorable sunset over the Grand Canal. (B) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana

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

Day 6 Through Burgundy to Paris From Lucerne, we head into France and through the rolling vineyard-clad hills of Burgundy. Arriving in Paris, we enjoy a free evening. Wander up grand boulevards and through quaint squares, or perhaps take a cruise on the Seine followed by a tour of Paris's illuminations. (B) Hotel: Oceania Porte de Versailles Paris

Day 7 Explore Elegant Paris Join a Local Specialist today to delve into the artistic and historic treasures of Paris, including views of the elegant Champs Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. This afternoon, amble through the city's stylish gardens, avenues and lanes, admiring the sophisticated atmosphere or consider joining an Optional Experience to the exquisite Palace of Versailles. (B)

Day 8 Au Revoir Paris After breakfast, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell as our memorable holiday comes to a close. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Year-round

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Venice and Lucerne

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

View the Colosseum and other ancient sites in Rome, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Lion Monument and the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne, the Champs-Élysées, the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, the White Cliffs of Dover, Buckingham Palace and the Houses of Parliament in London

**See** the Tuscan countryside, the vineyards of Burgundy and the Somme Battlefield in France

**Scenic Cruise** by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional Tuscan buffet at the 12thcentury castle of Trebbio



"The untouched beauty of Switzerland helped to heal my spirit. This trip will always have a piece of my heart." - Sally Wilson

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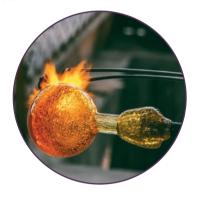


Day 1 Eurostar™ to Brussels and on to Amsterdam Board the Eurostar™ for a high-speed train journey to Brussels and a luxury coach journey to Amsterdam. Enjoy an orientation tour before your dinner cruise. (D) Hotel: Mercure City

Day 2 Journey to the Rhineland and a Scenic Cruise Drive to Boppard where we board a cruise along the Rhine to St. Goar. Arrive in Heidelberg, explore its unexpected highlights before travelling to our Rhineland hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Sinsheim

Day 3 Off to Innsbruck Arrive in Munich, where you'll enjoy an orientation of the city. Drive across the Austrian border, arriving in Innsbruck. Here, we'll admire Emperor Maximilian's famous Golden Roof. (B) Hotel: Tivoli Innsbruck

Day 4 Onwards to the Canals of Venice Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, viewing the Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll witness the craft of glass-blowing. (B) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana



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Day 5 All Roads Lead to Rome Arrive in Rome, the 'Eternal City'. En route, we Connect With Locals over lunch at a Be My Guest experience and enjoy true Tuscan hospitality with a local family on their private estate in the Chianti countryside. (B, L) Hotel: A.Roma Lifestyle

**Day 6 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** Discover the divine beauty of the Vatican City. Visit St. Peter's Basilica with a **Local Specialist** to view Michelangelo's Renaissance masterpiece, the Pietà. We continue to Ancient Rome to view Roman Forum, the walls of the iconic Colosseum and Circus Maximus. **(B)** 

Day 7 Continue to Renaissance Florence
From Rome, travel through Tuscany to the
'Cradle of the Renaissance', Florence. Delve
into the rich Medici heritage with your Local
Specialist. Visit the political hub of the city,
Piazza della Signoria, with its impressive
sculptures and stunning palazzi. View the
imposing Duomo, crowned by Brunelleschi's
dome, and the Baptistery, renowned for its
sculptured bronze doors. (B) Hotel: Hilton
Metropole

Day 8 Across the Alps to Lucerne Drive across the Alps into Switzerland, where the next two nights are spent in Lucerne. View the wounded lion hewn from rock to commemorate the Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending Louis XVI. Walk along the flower-lined 14th-century covered Chapel Bridge. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe

**Day 9 Explore Lucerne** This morning join an exciting Optional Experience to one of the surrounding peaks for breath taking views of the Swiss countryside. **(B, D)** 

**Day 10 On to Captivating Paris** Spend some time this evening strolling the grand boulevards in search of a cosy bistro for fine French cuisine or consider an Optional Experience to a colourful Parisian cabaret. **(B) Hotel:** Evergreen Laurel

Day 11 Discover the Sights of Paris Join a Local Specialist today for a sightseeing tour of this romantic city. View the sophisticated Champs-Élysées, Place de la Concorde, the Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral, then enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. We spend the evening with fellow travellers and our Travel Director, enjoying a Farewell Dinner in a local bistro. (B, D)

**Day 12 Farewell Paris** Today bid adieu to your fellow travellers and Travel Director. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

### Optional Eurostar™ Extension

Consider extending your holiday with a return to London. Includes a one-way Eurostar™ train ticket from Paris to London Standard Class, London accommodation at The Tower hotel and station transfers. See trafalgar.com for details.

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Year-round

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist

Visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

View the canals in Amsterdam, the Golden Roof in Innsbruck, St. Mark's Square in Venice, the ancient sites in Rome, the Chapel Bridge in Lucerne and the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

Scenic Cruise along the canals of Amsterdam, the Rhine River and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy lunch with the Landi family at their home near Florence, with eight generations of stories to tell



"Our familys first exploration trip in Europe. The breathtaking scenery and wonderful people at Engelberg village made this a wonderful experience. We will definitely come back again. Special thanks to our travel director Bern "

- Ting Luof

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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.



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**Day 1 Journey to Bruges** Meet your Travel Director before departing London for mainland Europe. Journey to Bruges for a Welcome Dinner including dinner and drinks. **(D) Hotel: De' Medici** 

Day 2 Discover Amsterdam's Canals Unlock Amsterdam's iconic sights on today's orientation tour. Enjoy a **Be My Guest** dinner at the Pauw family dairy farm. (**B**, **D**) **Hotel: Mercure City** 

**Days 3-9** Visit Heidelberg, the Rhineland, Lucerne and Vaduz before crossing into Austria. Explore the must-sees of Innsbruck, Salzburg and Vienna before making your way to Venice, Italy.

Day 10 Discover the Floating City of Venice Embark on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience witnessing the Venetian tradition of glass-blowing. Take a private launch to St. Mark's Square to see the Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs. (B) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido

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Day 11 Continue to Assisi and join a Local Specialist to visit the Basilica of St. Francis. See the Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels and enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Casa Leonori

Day 12 Pass Monte Cassino en route to the Bay of Naples and the lost city of Pompeii where you'll join a Local Specialist who will share the story of this remarkable ancient Roman settlement following the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. We continue to Sorrento where we will stay the night in our hotel. (B) Hotel: Grand Parco del Sole

**Days 13-18** Continue through Italy visiting, Isle of Capri, Rome, the Vatican City, Florence and Pisa. Explore Monaco, the French Riviera, Avignon and Beaune.

Day 19 Onwards to Paris We travel north through the vineyards of Burgundy to Paris, our home for the next two nights. The 'City of Lights' shines brightly as you explore its grand boulevards, amble along the Seine or embrace the pageantry of a traditional Parisian cabaret. (B) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel

Day 20 Explore the Sights of Paris Join a Local Specialist and see the Champs-Élysées and the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and stroll through the Latin Quarter. Savour a Farewell Dinner with wine in a local restaurant. (B, D)

**Day 21 Farewell Paris** Today, bid farewell to your fellow travellers and Travel Director. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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### **Departure months**

Mar - Oct

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Salzburg, Vienna, Assisi, Pompeii, Capri, Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bruges, Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Venice, Pisa, Monaco, Nice and Avignon

**Be My Guest** Dine with the Pauw family on their Dairy Farm, savouring local cheeses

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**Day 1 Travel to Paris by Eurostar** Arrive by Eurostar to Paris. Later, enjoy a Welcome Dinner including dinner and drinks and an evening drive. **(D) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel** 

Day 2 Explore Paris's Sights Join a Local Specialist to unlock the city sights with a drive along the Champs-Élysées to the Arc de Triomphe. View the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral, then stroll through the Latin Quarter. Consider attending a colourful cabaret show. (B)

**Days 3-15** Visit Bordeaux, Biarritz, Pamplona, Madrid, Barcelona, the French Riviera and Monaco before crossing into Italy. Explore the must-sees of Pisa, Florence, Rome and the Vatican City before making your way to Venice.

Day 16 Cruise the Canals of Venice
Witness the centuries-old tradition of
Venetian glassmaking during your MAKE
TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at one of
the city's last studios. Take a private launch
to St. Mark's Square. (B) Hotel: Viktoria
Palace Lido

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**Day 17** A scenic drive from Italy to Austria takes us through the Carnic Alps to the imperial capital of Vienna, where we'll spend the next two nights exploring a city famous for its musical heritage and elegance. **(B) Hotel: Renaissance Wien** 

**Day 18** Join your **Local Specialist** to explore the sights, including views of the famous Opera House, Stadtpark, Parliament, Imperial Boulevards and Hofburg Palace. **(B)** 

Day 19 Continue to Prague, stopping for an orientation in Bratislava with your Travel Director. (B) Hotel: Vienna House by Wyndham Andel's

**Day 20** Join your **Local Specialist** this morning to explore Prague's Castle District and Old Town. See the 15th-century Astronomical Clock. **(B)** 

**Days 21-24** Visit Munich, Liechtenstein, Lucerne and the Rhineland.

Day 25 Onwards to Cologne and Amsterdam Admire the tall twin Gothic spires of the Cologne Cathedral, before heading to Amsterdam to bask its warm glow. (B) Hotel: Leonardo Amsterdam Rembrandtpark

**Day 26 Explore Amsterdam** Enjoy an orientation of Amsterdam and spend the rest of the day exploring the city. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner on board a glass-top boat. **(B, D)** 

**Day 27 Farewell Amsterdam** After breakfast, say a fond farewell as you return home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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### **Departure months**

Mar - Sep

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Discover** Bordeaux, Biarritz, Pamplona, French Riviera, Monaco, Pisa, Passignano sul Trasimeno, Venice, Bratislava, Regensburg, Munich, Vaduz, Lucerne, Heidelberg, and Amsterdam

**Visit** the Prado Museum, Fragonard Perfumery, St. Peter's Basilica and a glass-blowing factory

**Be My Guest** Enjoy lunch with the Landi Family at their home near Florence, with eight generations of stories to tell

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### **Enchanting Europe, day 7**

Art lovers will adore exploring the Prado Museum in Madrid, featuring the largest collection of European art in the world. As you wander through its grand halls, your *Local Specialist* will reveal all the stories behind the treasured art by great masters spanning the past 500 years. You'll leave with an understanding of the hidden symbolism behind these celebrated works of art, which you've had a rare opportunity to see first-hand and will continue to be preserved for the enjoyment of art-loving generations to come.

### Majestic Europe, day 3

Journey across the lush and rolling countryside, stopping for a traditional Be My Guest lunch with the Landi family at their home near Florence. Set within a garden of oak trees, admire a picturesque backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. Hear about eight generations of family history as you enjoy a typical meal shared with locals. Walk away with a new understanding of this famous region's culture and its colourful stories.

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

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

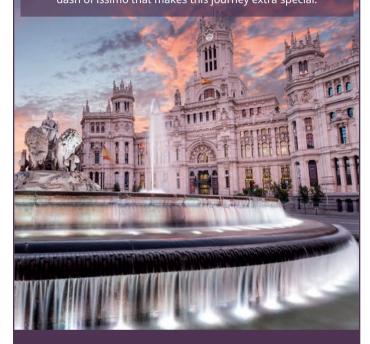


# Enchanting Europe

15 Days | 6 Countries | 19 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Paris, Bordeaux, Pamplona, Madrid, Barcelona, Florence, Rome, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Paris, Madrid, Barcelona, Florence and Rome with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bordeaux, Biarritz, Pamplona, French Riviera, Monaco, Pisa and Passignano sul Trasimeno

**Visit** the Prado Museum in Madrid and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

**View** the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, the Leaning Tower in Pisa and the ancient sites of Rome

Be My Guest Dine with the Montferrier Family in the Loire Valley

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Departure months: Mar - Sep

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# Majestic Europe

15 Days | 9 Countries | 19 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Venice, Vienna, Prague, Munich, Lucerne, Rhineland, Amsterdam, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Explore Rome, Vienna and Prague with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Venice, Bratislava, Regensburg, Munich, Vaduz, Lucerne, Heidelberg, Cologne and Amsterdam

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and glass-blowing factory in Venice

**View** the ancient sites of Rome, the Opera House and Hofburg Palace in Vienna, the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne and the ruins of Heidelberg Castle

**See** the Cologne Cathedral

Be My Guest Enjoy lunch at the Landi family home near Florence

# Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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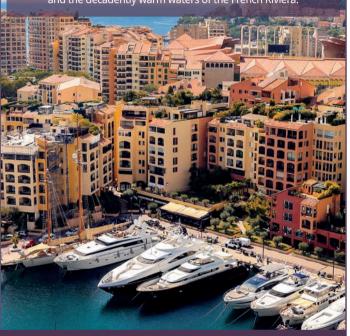
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# Traditional Europe

18 Days | 9 Countries | 24 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Amsterdam, Rhineland, Lucerne, Innsbruck, Venice, Rome, Capri, Assisi, Florence, Pisa, Monaco, Nice, Paris, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Colmar, Lucerne, Vaduz - the capital of Liechtenstein, Innsbruck, Venice, Sorrento, Pisa, Monaco, Nice, Saint-Paul-de-Vence, Avignon, Lyon and Beaune

**Visit** a glass-blowing factory in Venice, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and the excavations in Pompeii

**View** the ancient sites in Rome, the Lion Monument in Lucerne, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the Eiffel Tower in Paris

# Find your tour

**Departure months**: Apr - Sep + Dec

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# London and Paris Explorer

9 Days | 2 Countries | 11 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: London, Bath, Windsor, Paris, Versailles, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** London and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bath and Windsor

**Visit** the Roman Baths in Bath, Stonehenge and the Palace of Versailles

**View** the Eiffel Tower, the Champs-Élysées, the Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

**See** Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace in London and the White Cliffs of Dover

Be My Guest Dine with Daniel and His Family at his Parisian Bistro

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Departure months: Year-round

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# European Splendour

11 Days | 4 Countries | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Siena, Florence, Pisa, Italian Lakes, Venice, Lucerne, Paris, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist

Discover Siena, Pisa, Venice, Lake Como and Lucerne

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

**View** ancient sites of Rome, Piazza del Campo in Siena, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square

Be My Guest Dine with Count Flucis at their Home near Florence

# Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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**Family Fun itinerary** 

# European Wonderland

11 Days | 4 Countries | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Siena, Florence, Bologna, Venice, Como, Lucerne, Paris, plus more

Bring history to life on your European travels as you learn about life as a Roman gladiator and try your hand at pizza-making on an epic European family trip. Visit grand cities and see ancient sites. Fill your days with carnival masks, medieval castle banquets and tons of fun for the whole family.



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Florence, Bologna and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Siena, Venice and Lucerne

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, a glass-blowing factory and a mask-making studio in Venice

**View** ancient sites of Rome, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, alpine scenery of Switzerland, the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a Traditional Tuscan Buffet at the 12th-century Castle of Trebbio

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**Departure months**: Jun - Jul

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Celebrate the glamour and style of 1950s Paris at Chez Paul, an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience with your hosts, Daniel and his daughter Lucie. Through their stories, you'll explore Paris through the chic lens of that unforgettable era, as one of a privileged few who enjoy a private visit to an infamous night club of the 1930s and 50s – the 'Balajo' haunt of celebrities like Marlene Dietrich, Edith Piaf, Gregory Peck and Brigitte Bardot. With Hollywood stars from yesteryear on your mind, you'll sit down to dinner in the restaurant, still decorated with 1950s telephones, a 1930s zinc bar, vintage posters and art providing an incredibly special backdrop for true Parisian cuisine and memories to last a lifetime.

London and Paris Explorer, day 6



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

Day 2 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our encounter with Rome begins in the Holy See as we **Dive Into Culture** with a visit to the Vatican Museums in the company of a Local **Specialist** to admire the masterpieces that have been collected by Popes throughout the centuries. Gaining priority admission, we admire the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and then visit St. Peter's Basilica, the greatest cathedral in Christendom, to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture into Ancient Rome to view the Circus Maximus, once the site of thrilling chariot races. Spend a leisurely afternoon exploring Rome. Admire the Spanish Steps or toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your speedy return. (B)

Day 3 Journey to the Floating City of Venice This morning we venture north through the valley of the Tiber into the green and golden landscapes of Umbria. We pass the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto, travelling past Tuscany's terraced olive groves and across the Apennine Mountains bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana



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Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glass-blowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit. Day 4 Onwards to Verona Cruise by private launch into the heart of Venice this morning, where we will see the city's most celebrated sights including the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. Enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience learning the intricate craft of glass-blowing. Soak up the pageantry and elegance of Venice before continuing to Verona, home of Shakespeare's ill-fated lovers Romeo and Juliet, where we'll spend the night. (B) Hotel: Leopardi

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

Day 6 All Roads Lead to Rome We join a Local Specialist today to delve into the rich medieval and Renaissance history of Florence. Our sightseeing tour will take us to Piazza della Signoria with its impressive sculptures and imposing palazzi. We'll wander the narrow streets, passing by the multi-coloured marble Duomo, the famous Baptistery, and the almost 700-yearold Ponte Vecchio. Admire this spectacular feat of engineering dating from the Middle Ages which is today lined with jewellers. Continuing our journey through Umbria and the valley of the Tiber River, we return to Rome where our holiday concludes. Toast to a memorable trip with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Tiberio

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

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Year-round

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome and Florence with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Venice, Verona and Pisa

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the Vatican Museums and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

View the ancient sites of Rome, the Byzantine St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional Tuscan buffet at the 12thcentury castle of Trebbio



"The Italian Holiday was the perfect combination. I highly recommend this tour and can't wait to go back!"

- Jennifer Lang

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### Northern Italy including Cinque Terre

8 Days | 1 Country | 10 Meals | Balanced Activity



Day 1 Welcome to Milan Embrace the glamour of Milan, your introduction to the sights and sounds of northern Italy. Spend the day exploring this stylish city, home to many of the most renowned fashion houses in the world. Later, join your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner, evening orientation drive and hint of the friendship and adventures to come. (D) **Hotel: Starhotels Tourist** 

Day 2 Discover Fashionable Milan Wander through the sophisticated streets of Milan joining your Local Specialist on a tour that will reveal the city's iconic and unexpected highlights. See the Gothic Cathedral, glassdomed Galleria and La Scala Opera House, one of the finest opera houses in the world. Then it's time to pound the pavements and see Milan your way. Your Travel Director will share their personal favourites. Don't miss an opportunity to join today's Optional Experience visit to Lake Como for a cruise past some of the region's most glamorous lakeside properties. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Parma Leaving sophisticated Milan behind, today is the day to treat your taste buds. Gourmands will adore our Dive Into Culture visit to a prosciutto (ham) factory near Langhirano. There's time for a photo stop at Torrechiara fortress, perched high above the Parma Valley, before arriving at a family-run caseificio where we'll learn the ancient craft of *Parmigiano Reggiano* cheese production - perfected since the 1600s. On arrival in Parma, continue your day of tasting and feasting, deepening your knowledge of Parma's foodie heritage at an Optional Experience dinner of local specialties paired with Italian wine. (B) Hotel: Novotel Centro

#### Day 4 Onwards to the Italian Riviera

Beyond its obvious attraction as a haven for foodies, Parma is also a fascinating historic centre which you'll come to discover this morning with your Local Specialist. Learn all about its history as a Roman settlement and medieval trading hub, including such sights as the Piazza Garibaldi, the site of a Roman Forum 2,000 years ago. You'll have some free time for lunch perhaps indulging one last time in the city's legendary cuisine, before heading to Santa Magherita on the Italian Riviera. Slow it right down this evening, taking in the tranguil seaside setting as you walk along its pretty promenade, with an evening to do as you wish. (B)

#### Day 5 Admire Colourful Cinque Terre

Today we explore the dramatic coastal setting of UNESCO-listed Cinque Terre on an included full-day excursion. The deep blue Ligurian Sea provides a stunning backdrop for the expanse of pastel pinks, yellows and oranges that cling to the rugged seaside cliffs. Starting in Porto Venere, we'll travel along the coast by boat, joining a Local **Specialist** who will share how the region's

isolated position protected it from pirates in years gone by. Returning to our hotel in Santa Margherita, we'll enjoy dinner with our fellow travellers, sharing stories of the magnificent cliffside villages we've spent the day admiring. (B, D)

#### Day 6 Off to Genoa and Lake Maggiore

The maritime city of Genoa and birthplace of Columbus is your first stop today as you join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour to view the city's majestic Renaissance and Baroque architecture. Visit Via Garibaldi, the historic centre of Genoa lined by ancient palaces, and enjoy time for lunch in the city centre, perhaps sampling some of the local focaccia before continuing to Lake Maggiore. Set against the backdrop of the Southern Alps, the quiet shores of this lake are your home for the next two nights, as they are for many well-heeled locals. Later, you could choose to join an Optional Experience to one of the Borromean Islands - Isola Bella, which includes a visit inside the aristocratic Borromeo Palace and its gorgeous terraced gardens. (B) Hotel: Simplon

Day 7 Lake Maggiore Your Way Lap up gentle lakeside living during a full day spent at leisure in this picture-perfect setting. Spend the day relaxing or take an alpine train journey to see the magnificent panoramic views of the north. This evening, **Connect** With Locals at a Be My Guest experience. Join the Cinque family and hear all about the intriguing history of Villa Toscanini situated on a tiny romantic island which was the hideaway of the great Italian conductor Arturo Toscanini one of the most influential musicians of the 19th century. (B, D)



Join the Cinque family and enjoy a delicious Be My Guest dinner at Villa Toscanini.

Day 8 Farewell Italy While your holiday has come to an end, the special memories made with new friends will linger long after you return home. Say farewell to your Travel Director as you prepare to take your transfer from your hotel in Baveno to Milan Malpensa airport for your onward journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Join the Cinque family and enjoy a delicious Be My Guest dinner

**Explore** Milan, Parma, Cinque Terre and Genoa with a Local Specialist

**Visit** a prosciutto factory near Langhirano, cheese factory in Montechiarugolo and Cinque Terre

View the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan and the Renaissance Palaces in Genoa

Scenic Cruise to Cinque Terre

Be My Guest Dine with the Cinque Family at Villa Toscanini



"One place we stopped was Monterosso. The beautiful landscape, colourful buildings, beach and water view and being there with my husband made this picture. Our trip to Northern Italy was spectacular."

- Lorri Melis

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Day 1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Spend the afternoon exploring the city before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner. Embark on an orientation drive past some of Rome's icons and unexpected highlights. (D) Hotel: Barceló Occidental Aurelia

Day 2 Journey to the Tuscan Hills Our journey through Rome begins in the centre of Christendom, where we join a Local Specialist on an included sightseeing tour to visit St. Peter's Basilica and Michelangelo's much-admired Pietà. This afternoon, we enjoy a leisurely drive through the scenic Tuscan hills to the thermal spa resort of Montecatini, the largest and most famous spa town in Italy and your home for the next six nights. Join an Optional Experience to a delightful regional restaurant set among the pines and cypress trees. Here a feast of gastronomic specialities awaits, accompanied by song and music. (B) **Hotel: Columbia** 

Day 3 Explore Renaissance Florence Your Local Specialist will reveal the history of Renaissance Florence during your walking tour. View the magnificent Duomo and visit Piazza della Signoria. In your free time, perhaps take a walk across the beautiful Ponte Vecchio. In the 16th-century, a decree mandated that the only businesses allowed to ply their trade on this bridge were goldsmiths and jewellers, and to this day, they remain. Or, enjoy an insight into the world of Michelangelo and his masterpiece, David, during a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts with a Local Specialist. (B, D)

**Day 4 Montecatini Your Way** You have a full free day to relax in the spa atmosphere of Montecatini or join an Optional Experience to Cinque Terre, whose pastelhued villages cling to the rugged Ligurian cliffs. With a **Local Specialist**, you'll visit the Bay of Poets and the beautiful Porto Venere, gateway to the UNESCO-protected Cinque Terre. **(B)** 

Day 5 Discover Pisa and Vinci Journey to Pisa where we join a Local Specialist to view the famous Leaning Tower, the finely sculpted marble Cathedral and the ornate Baptistery, said to be the largest in Italy. We continue through Tuscany, arriving in Vinci where we'll Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist at Museo Leonardiano. Admire Leonardo da Vinci's machines and models, his sketches and handwritten notes, as well as interactive exhibits during your visit. Tonight, Connect With Locals at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia, where you'll enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest dinner surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. (B, D) Hotel: Columbia

**Day 6 Off to Siena and San Gimignano** Saunter through the beautifully preserved medieval city of Siena to see

the 13th-century marble cathedral and the shell-shaped Piazza del Campo, home to the biannual Palio horse race. Learn about stained-glass from a local artist on your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® experience. Venture to the walled medieval town of San Gimignano, renowned for its towers. Enjoy some free time strolling through its narrow lanes and shopping for locally-produced delicacies and hand-painted Tuscan pottery. (B)



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Meet stained glass master Massimo and apprentice Emily during a fun and enlightening visit of his studio. Learn from Massimo's passion to restore the craft and train the next generation to create intricate pieces of art.

**Day 7 Tuscan Lifestyle Experience** Feast your eyes on the vibrant colours and busy stalls heaving with fresh produce at a local food market where you will join a **Local Specialist** professional chef for a tasty introduction to Tuscan cuisine. **(B, L)** 

Day 8 Onwards to Rome and the Vatican City Departing Tuscany, we travel south to Rome. This afternoon, we Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist for a guided tour of the Vatican Museums, including a visit to Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. The evening brings a special treat, as we stay at the Vatican Museums for a Farewell Dinner set amidst the stunning Roman and Ancient Greek artworks. (B, D) Hotel: Villa Pamphili

**Day 9 Journey Home** Today we bid a fond farewell to newfound friends and an epic experience, departing Rome. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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Apr - Oct

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Vinci, Florence and Pisa with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Siena and San Gimignano

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the Vatican Museums and the Leonardiano Museum in Vinci

**View** the Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence and the Leaning Tower of Pisa

**Be My Guest** Enjoy an exclusive lunch at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia in the Tuscan hills



"I have loved every one of the seven trips with Trafalgar. On this trip I went solo to Italy and particularly enjoyed this moment as my new friends and I cooled our feet in the Mediterranean. One moment in a brilliant day"

- Brenda Dale

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**Day 1 Arrive Rome** Your launch pad to an epic Italian tour begins in the Eternal City of Rome. Tread in the footsteps of gods and goddesses, emperors and gladiators as you explore its ancient streets before joining your Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation past some of the city's most iconic sights. **(D)** 

#### Day 2 Rome Sightseeing and Free Time

Unlock local secrets on a tour of the Vatican Museums with a **Local Specialist**. Ascend the spiral staircase designed by Donato Bramante and admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel before visiting St. Peter's Basilica to see his sorrowful Pietà. Later, in ancient Rome, explore the historic Circus Maximus. There's time to explore on your own or relax in one of the city's piazzas watching the world go by. **(B)** 

**Day 3 Rome to Venice** Pass the hilltop towns of Orte and Orvieto as you cross the steep Appenine Mountains. Enjoy a refreshing lunch stop before arriving in Venice. Here in the Queen of the Adriatic, enjoy a three-course Regional Dinner of pasta followed by main course and decedent dessert. **(B, D)** 

#### **Day 4 Venice Orientation and Free Time**

The culture of Venice springs to life as you watch the delicate craft of Venetian glass-blowing at a glass-blowing workshop on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience.

Take a private cruise to St. Mark's Square, sharing the city's waterways with ferries, gondolas and yachts. Be dazzled by the Byzantine Basilica, the Bridge of Sighs and the ornate Doges' Palace before spending the rest of the afternoon on your own exploring the labyrinthine calli or enjoying a refreshing spritz. (B)



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Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glass-blowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

**Day 5 Journey to Bologna and Florence** The northern Italian city of Bologna's vibrant, red-tiled houses and the combination of medieval and Renaissance structures take centre stage

today as your **Local Specialist** calls out the key features. Tonight, opt for a one-of-a-kind experience in the picturesque Tuscan Hills to dine on delicious food and wine. **(B, D)** 

#### Day 6 Florence Sightseeing and Free Time

Birthplace of the Renaissance, world-class museums and Tuscan cuisine. Florence brings one remarkable sight after the next. Join a Local Specialist ticking off the must-sees of this epic city. See the multi-coloured Duomo with its impressive dome engineered by Brunelleschi and the Baptistery's gilded doors. The rest of the afternoon is yours to explore a city that inspired artists, poets and painters to create masterpieces. Consider a visit to the Academy of Fine Arts to see Michelangelo's statue of David, enjoy spectacular views from Piazza Michelangelo or marvel at the Medici legacy at the Palazzo Vecchio. This evening Connect With Locals over dinner at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, D)

Day 7 Journey to the Bay of Naples and Sorrento Travel through the Campanian plains to the Bay of Naples which lies in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. Your home for the next two nights - and introduction to the Amalfi Coast - is the clifftop town of Sorrento. Admire the pastel rainbow of colourful houses stacked upon one another. Perhaps take a stroll overlooking the Mediterranean waters before dinner at your hotel. (B, D)

Day 8 Isle of Capri Excursion and Free Time This chic island playground is packed with sights you'll discover with a Local Specialist. Even better, you'll arrive by a scenic ferry ride across the Bay of Naples. Consider an Optional Experience to Anacapri's Villa San Michele for beautiful views of the Tyrrhenian Sea. This villa showcases the Swedish physician and author Axel Munthe's life story and the creation of the villa in The Story of San Michele. View his collection of Roman artefacts and stroll through the stunning garden, recently honoured as Italy's most beautiful private park. Admire Barbarossa Mountain and postcard-worthy views over the Bay of Naples and Mount

Day 9 Discover Sorrento, Pompeii, Cassino and Rome There's no better place to learn about Italy's ancient history than in Pompeii. Explore the tragic immortalisation or this civilisation preserved by volcanic ash when Vesuvius erupted. Your Local Specialist reveals secrets on a walking tour as you learn about the day-to-day life of the city's former residents. Your Italian tour ends in Rome where you join your Travel Director and fellow travelling companions for a Farewell Dinner celebrating in true Italian style. (B, D)

Vesuvius. (B)

**Day 10 Depart Rome** It's time to bid Italy a fond *arrivederci*. Transfers are available to Rome Fiumicino Airport. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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#### **Departure months**

Nov - Dec + Mar

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Bologna, Florence, Capri and Pompeii with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Venice, Sorrento and the Isle of Capri on a one-day excursion, admiring the Barbarossa Mountain and views over the Bays of Naples and Mount Vesuvius

**Visit** the Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica, the Vatican Museums, Circus Maximus, and a Venetian glass-blowing workshop

**View** the kissing towers of Bologna, the Duomo in Florence and Monte Cassino

Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional Tuscan meal surrounded by vineyards and olive groves



"One of my favourite moments of this mother-daughter trip was walking the streets of Rome right after the sun set by the Trevi Fountain. There was something so magical about being there in that very moment."

- Melanie Yamaguchi

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Day 1 Welcome to Rome Savour free time in Rome before joining your companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive. (D) Hotel: Una

Day 2 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist for an included sightseeing tour in the Vatican Museums. Dive Into Culture and admire the Bramante Staircase and Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, then see the marble masterpiece of the Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We venture to Ancient Rome to explore guided visit to the Forum and see Circus Maximus. (B)

Day 3 Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and **Sorrento** Journey south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Join a Local Specialist who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. (B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park

Day 4 A Day on the Isle of Capri Cross the Bay of Naples by ferry to the Isle of Capri and join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour in Capri town, before returning to the mainland. (B)

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

Day 6 Discover Venice Travel through Emilia-Romagna, a region famed for its gastronomy. Later we will arrive into Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic' to spend time admiring this unique city. (B) Hotel: Biasutti Lido



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE** 



Learn about the history and ancient skill of Venetian glass-blowing, playing your role in ensuring the survival of this traditional craft through your visit.

Day 7 St. Mark's and More in Venice Your **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience features the Venetian tradition of glass-blowing by master craftsmen. Continue past the Bridge of Sighs and the Doge's Palace to St. Mark's

Square where we will view the impressive square and Basilica. (B)

Day 8 On to Milan and Scenic Lake Maggiore Travel to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers, then cross to sophisticated Milan. An orientation tour takes us past the Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the Galleria. Later arrive in the Italian Lakes where we'll enjoy dinner served tonight at our hotel. (B, D) **Hotel: Simplon** 

Day 9 Stroll around Lake Como Indulge in a free day to explore. This evening, we venture by private boat to a secluded island on Lake Maggiore where we'll **Connect** With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience. Join the Cinque family and hear all about the intriguing history of Villa Toscanini. (B, D)

Day 10 Admire Pisa and on to Florence Tuscany lures us past the marble quarries of Carrara to Pisa and its Square of Miracles where we will view the Leaning Tower. Our next stop is Florence. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo

Day 11 Experience Art and Architecture in Florence Our Local Specialist unlocks the Medici family history, while we visit Piazza della Signoria. We enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the beautiful skyline of Florence, dominated by the elegant Duomo and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio, from Piazzale Michelangelo. (B)

Day 12 Treasures of San Gimignano and Return to Rome This morning we stop at the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial before visiting the Tuscan hill-town of San Gimignano. This evening in Rome, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Shangri-La

Day 13 Farewell Rome Our discovery of the best of Italy has come to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi and Florence with a Local Specialist

> **Discover** Venice, Milan and San Gimignano

Visit the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, a glass-blowing factory in Venice, Lake Como and the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial

View Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the Duomo in Florence

**See** the ancient sites of Rome and the Abbey on Monte Cassino

**Scenic Cruise** to the Isle of Capri and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Dine with the Cinque family at Villa Toscanini with lakeside views from the isola dei pescatori

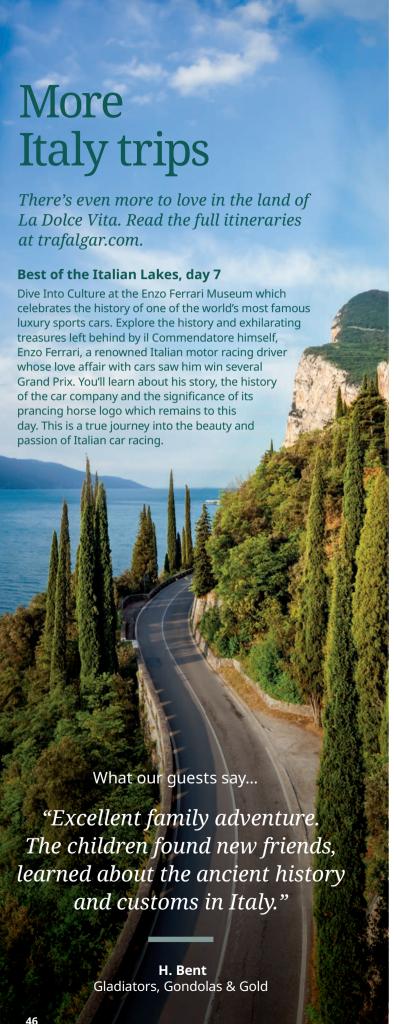


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- Alyssa Fountaine

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### Best of the Italian Lakes

9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Milan, Baveno, Lake Garda, plus more

Discover the Italians' favourite holiday haunts on this irresistible Italian Lakes trip. Linger over a sweet gelato on the shores of Lake Maggiore, sample authentic balsamic vinegar in Modena, then ease into the easygoing local way of life in enchanting lakeside villages.



#### **Included highlights** and *must-sees*

**Explore** Verona and Modena with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bergamo and Milan

Visit Lake Maggiore, Lake Como and Lake Garda, Mantua and the Enzo Ferrari Museum in Modena

View Juliet's Balcony and the Roman Arena in Verona, the Duomo and La Scala Opera House in Milan

Be My Guest Dine with the Serenelli Family at their Didactic Farm, Featuring Home-Grown Produce

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Family Fun itinerary

### Gladiators, Gondolas and Gold

10 Days | 2 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Florence, Venice, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Florence, Bologna and Venice with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Pisa

**Visit** the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and gladiator school in Rome, the Academy of Fine Arts and a gelateria in Florence and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a Tuscan Meal with Count Miari Fulcis on his Famous 15th-Century Olive Oil Estate in the Tuscan Hills

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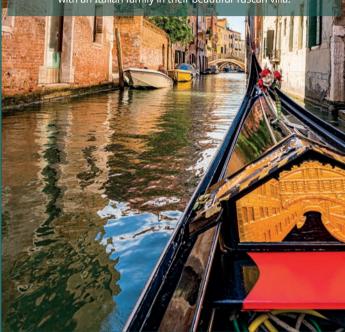
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## Great Italian Cities

10 Days | 2 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Florence, Venice, Pisa, Bologna, plus more

Rome, Florence and Venice are the stars of the show on the most incredible of Italy trips. This unforgettable trio features visits to food markets, ancient Roman ruins and the artistry of great masters. But that's not all, as you'll also get to dine with an Italian family in their beautiful Tuscan villa.



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Fast Track Admission to the Vatican Museums

**Explore** Rome, Assisi, Florence, Pisa, Bologna and Venice with a Local Specialist

**Visit** the Sistine Chapel and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, the Villa Barberini Gardens in Castel Gandolfo, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

**Scenic Cruise** by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

Be My Guest Dine with Count Flucis at their home near Florence

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

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

Contrasts of Italy, day 2



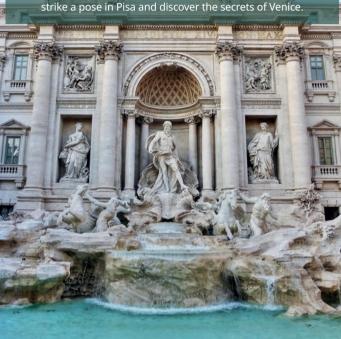
# Contrasts of Italy

10 Days | 2 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Florence, Venice, Pisa, plus more

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All aboard this exhilarating journey by high-speed train through Italy's iconic cities of Rome, Florence and Venice. Conjure up gladiators and chariots in Rome, shop until you drop on Florence's ancient Ponte Vecchio, strike a pose in Pisa and discover the secrets of Venice.



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Fast Track Admission to the Vatican Museums

**Explore** Rome, Florence, Pisa and Venice with a Local Specialist

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

**View** the ancient sites in Rome, the Duomo in Florence, the Leaning Tower of Pisa

Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy an exclusive lunch at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia in the Tuscan hills

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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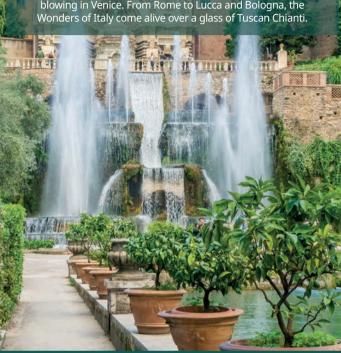
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# Wonders of Italy

11 Days | 2 Countries | 15 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Cities: Rome, Lucca, Florence, Venice, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Lucca, Cinque Terre, Florence and Assisi with a Local Specialist

Discover Pisa, San Gimignano, Verona and Venice

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, a glass-blowing factory in Venice, the Vatican Museums and Villa d'Este Gardens in Tivoli

**Scenic Cruise** to Cinque Terre and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy lunch, and a Chianti and olive oil tasting with the Lenzi family on their wine farm

#### Find your tour

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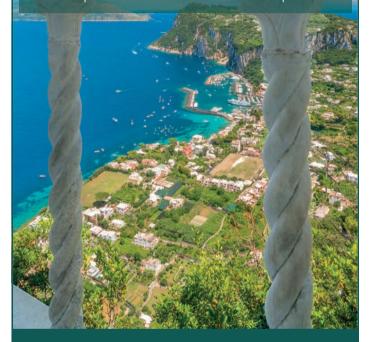
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### Italy Bellissimo

11 Days | 2 Countries | 15 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Cities: Rome, Assisi, Venice, Montecatini, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi and Florence with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Venice, Perugia and San Gimignano

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a delicious Italian dinner with the <u>Callistri family</u> at their Borgo in the hamlet of Limonaia

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### Italian Concerto

11 Days | 2 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Amalfi Coast, Florence, Venice, Isle of Capri, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Pompeii, Capri and Florence with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Amalfi Town and Venice

**Visit** St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, the ruins of Pompeii, the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

**Scenic Cruise** to the Isle of Capri and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional meal at Count Flucis' home set amidst Tuscan vineyards and olive groves

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### Italian Glory

13 Days | 2 Countries | 17 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Milan, Rome, Amalfi Coast, Florence, Venice, plus more

Get set for one of our most glorious Italy trips, from the well-heeled streets of Milan to what was once the 'Eternal City' of Rome. Base yourself on the beautiful Italian Lake District for a few days of stunning scenery before the colourful Amalfi coast with its pretty cliffside villages.



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Milan, Florence, Pompeii and Rome with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Verona, the Amalfi Coast and Venice

**Visit** Amalfi Town, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

**See** the Abbey at Cassino

**Scenic Cruise** by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional meal at Count Flucis' home set amidst Tuscan vineyards and olive groves

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### Grand Italian Experience

17 Days | 2 Countries | 24 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Alberobello, Sorrento, Assisi, Venice, Trento, Baveno, La Spezia, Florence, plus more

A rare opportunity to see the trulli houses of Alberobello is the highlight of this journey. Discover Italy's delights at dinner with Signor Luciano, and journey across the Bay of Naples to Capri.



#### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Rome, Alberobello, Capri, Pompeii, Assisi and Florence with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Sorrento, Venice and Milan

Visit the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica and the Sistine Chapel in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi and a glass-blowing factory in Venice

Be My Guest Meet Signor Luciano for Dinner in Alberobello

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the colourful Amalfi Coast, its beautiful scenery and elegant coastline.

Arriving on the island itself for a day of exploring, you'll discover the key sites including where Ulysses was said to have been seduced by sirens on your included walking tour with our expert Local Specialist. This is the Italy you've been dreaming of.

Italian Concerto, day 4

### Colours of Sicily

9 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Palermo, Marsala, Ragusa, Syracuse, Taormina, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Palermo, Monreale, Valley of the Temples, Ragusa, Syracuse and Taormina with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Modica and Catania

**Visit** Monreale Norman Cathedral, Erice, Infersa Mill in Marsala, Valley of the Temples, the Syracuse Archaeological Museum, Ortygia and the Greek Theatre in Taormina

View Mount Etna

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a local meal and learn how to make macaroni with the locals of Castiglione Di Sicilia, a Jewish village

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# Southern Italy and Sicily

10 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Rome, Sorrento, Taormina, Agrigento, Palermo, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Pompeii, Capri, Taormina, Agrigento and Palermo with a Local Specialist

**Visit** the excavations at Pompeii, the ruins of the ancient Greek theatre at Taormina, the Valley of the Temples at Agrigento, Erice, Monreale Cathedral

Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri

**Be My Guest** Dine on a family owned lemon farm overlooking Mount Etna

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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# Best of Italy and Sicily

15 Days | 2 Countries | 20 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Palermo, Agrigento, Taromina, Sorrento, Rome, Assisi, La Spezia, Florence, Venice, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Palermo, Agrigento, Pompeii, Capri, Rome, Assisi, Cinque Terre and Florence with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Taormina, Sorrento and Venice

**Visit** the Norman Cathedral at Monreale, the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, the Isle of Capri, the excavations at Pompeii, the Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, and a glassblowing factory in Venice

**Be My Guest** Dine on a Family Owned Lemon Farm Overlooking Mount Etna

#### Find your tour

**Departure months**: Apr - Sep

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Trip code: ITIS

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### Real Britain

6 Days | 3 Countries | 7 Meals | Balanced Activity

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



Day 1 Journey to Stonehenge, Bath and Cardiff Meet your Travel Director before embarking on a journey to discover what's 'great' about Great Britain, on this mesmerising sojourn past the rolling hills and farmlands of England to Wales, the land of Castles. Head west to visit Stonehenge's stone monoliths, whose centuries-old myths have yet to be fully revealed. The elegant Georgian architecture of Bath takes centre stage during our visit to this famous spa town. Here, we'll see the Abbey and visit the Roman baths, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, before crossing the Severn Estuary to Cardiff. Embark on an orientation of the city to see the Principality Stadium and Cardiff Castle. Tonight, we celebrate the beginning of an epic adventure through Great Britain at a Welcome Dinner. (D) **Hotel: Clayton** 



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Visit the well-preserved Roman Baths. Discover 2000 years of history and learn how this hub of culture is pioneering new educational investments to benefit the community.

Day 2 Through the Scenic Countryside to Liverpool Delve into the proud culture and heritage of the Welsh as you embark on an orientation of the city to see the Principality Stadium and Cardiff Castle, in the heart of the city. The half-timbered Tudor houses of Ludlow feature today on our exploration of this market town with its medieval walls and historic castle. We journey north through the Shropshire Hills and Cheshire landscapes to the bold British city of Liverpool, hometown of the 'Fab Four'. Saunter through its edgy 'Scouse' streets and perhaps visit The Cavern Club, where the Beatles once played, during your evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: Mercure **Atlantic Tower** 

Day 3 Venture to the Romantic Lake District and on to Edinburgh The enchanting views of Britain's Lake District provide a scenic backdrop for our drive north to Scotland. Skirt the shores of Lake Windermere and enjoy views that inspired literary greats like William Wordsworth. We stop at the runaway wedding capital that is Gretna Green where 'Blacksmith Priests' would marry couples over the Marriage Anvil. Later, we arrive in enchanting Edinburgh – our home for the next two nights. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn

Day 4 Discover Edinburgh's Treasures Ramble up the Royal Mile in the mesmerising medieval city of Edinburgh, where you'll join a Local Specialist on an included city sightseeing tour. Stroll through the Old Town and view Arthur's Seat and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, for centuries the seat of the kings and queens of the Scots. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Spend the rest of the day exploring Auld Reekie's medieval relics and elegant Georgian and Gothic façades on your own, or join your Travel Director on an Optional Experience to visit Rosslyn Chapel. This evening, consider attending a lively Scottish banquet with traditional haggis and baggipes. (B)

Day 5 Explore Hadrian's Wall and Onwards to York Trace the northern frontier of the Roman Empire at Hadrian's Wall before crossing the River Tyne and venturing south to the ancient cathedral city of York, whose origins hark back to Roman times. Walk along the famous Shambles and view York Minster, one of the greatest cathedrals in the world. This evening we Connect With Locals, joining a family at their stately home in York for a home-cooked Be My Guest Farewell Dinner and some hearty British hospitality. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Centre

Day 6 Admire Stratford-upon-Avon and return to London Delve into the story of Shakespeare's life at his Birthplace and Visitor Centre in Stratford-upon-Avon, and view Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage. We return to London this afternoon. (B)

#### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

#### **Special Events & Dates**

Edinburgh Tattoo 4 - 26 August: We've included Tattoo tickets when you're in Edinburgh during these dates.

Special departures will celebrate Hogmanay in Edinburgh on 31 December.

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bath, Cardiff, Liverpool and York

Visit Stonehenge, the Roman Baths in Bath, the Tudor town of Ludlow, Gretna Green, Edinburgh Castle, and Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon

**See** the Principality Stadium in Cardiff, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse in Edinburgh

**Tickets** for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates

**Be My Guest** Dine with a local family in the Vale of York



"We stopped at William
Shakespeare's family home & garden,
a special moment for us as we have
each read many of his books and
enjoyed many of his plays. So special
to see where he grew up."

- Ray Trusik

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### **Amazing Britain**

8 Days | 2 Countries | 11 Meals | Leisurely Activity

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



Day 1 Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon and on to York This morning, we travel to Stratford-upon-Avon, made famous by William Shakespeare. View Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage and Shakespeare's Birthplace and Visitor Centre. Continue to the cathedral city of York where we will enjoy an orientation walk. Join your fellow travel companions this evening for a Welcome Dinner. (D) Hotel: Clayton Leeds

Day 2 Cross Hadrian's Wall and onwards to Edinburgh We venture north to the medieval riverside town of Durham, whose 11th-century cathedral sits imposingly alongside Durham Castle. Cross Hadrian's Wall before enjoying a drive through Northumberland National Park. Admire views of the windswept Cheviot Hills as you cross the Scottish border, stopping to admire the 12th-century ruins of Jedburgh Abbey en-route to Edinburgh. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn

Day 3 Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Autumn in love with the enchanting city of Edinburgh as you join a Local Specialist. Ramble up the Royal Mile and enjoy views of the Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)

Day 4 Venture into the Scottish
Highlands Cross the Firth of Forth to the ancient Kingdom of Fife and St. Andrews. This famous golf course is renowned for its 18th hole and 700-year-old Swilcan Bridge. We continue our journey into the dramatic Scottish Highlands. Visit picture-perfect Pitlochry before arriving at your hotel in the Scottish Highlands. (B, D)
Hotel: Highlander Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.

Day 5 Onwards to Loch Lomond and Glasgow's Rich Legacy The arresting beauty of the Scottish Highlands provides a stunning backdrop for today's drive to Glasgow. View the World War II Commando Memorial at Spean Bridge and admire views of Britain's highest mountain – Ben Nevis. See Glencoe and travel Loch Lomond. We arrive in Glasgow this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Novotel

Day 6 Explore the Lake District and Journey to Liverpool Today's first stop is in the runaway wedding capital, Gretna Green, where eloping couples would exchange their vows over the Marriage Anvil. Returning to England, join Christine for lunch at a Be My Guest experience in the company of Highland cows. See beautiful Lake District landscapes and skirt

the romantic shores of Lake Windermere, arriving in edgy Liverpool of 'Fab Four' fame. (B, L) Hotel: Mercure Atlantic Tower

Day 7 Through the Beautiful Welsh Countryside to Discover Bristol This morning, traverse the pretty Welsh countryside before we visit the Shropshire market town of Ludlow. Later, arrive in Bristol for an orientation drive. As the curtain comes down on a memorable journey, enjoy a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure Holland House



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Day 8 Soak up Bath and Stonehenge then off to London Journeying back to London, we visit the UNESCO-listed city of Bath to admire its elegant Georgian façades and the Roman baths, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Emerging from the Salisbury Plain, the imposing monoliths of Stonehenge are our final stop before continuing to London. (B)

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**Departure months** 

Mar - Oct

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** York, Durham, Glasgow, Bristol and Bath

Visit Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon, Edinburgh Castle, a whisky distillery, Gretna Green, Ludlow, Wye Valley, the Roman Baths in Bath and the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge

View Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage, York Minster, Hadrian's Wall and Jedburgh Abbey

**See** the 18th green on the Old Course at St. Andrews and the Lake District

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a lunch with Christine at her Cumbrian farm



"Our first visit to Great Britain was unforgettable! It was our fourth trip with Trafalgar and each trip gets better."

- Judy Gee

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### Britain and Ireland Highlights

8 Days | 5 Countries | 10 Meals | Balanced Activity

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



Day 1 Stratford-upon-Avon, York and on to Harrogate Travel to Stratford-upon-Avon and follow in the footsteps of Shakespeare. Visit his Birthplace and the Visitor Centre, before embarking on a scenic drive north to the Viking city of York, where we'll enjoy an orientation walk around its historic streets. View the cobbled Shambles, see the ancient city walls and the magnificent York Minster. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner in the Victorian spa town of Harrogate. (D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

Day 2 Through the Scenic Lake District to Glasgow Journey through the Yorkshire Dales National Park to the beautiful Lake District. A highlight on our journey is England's pretty Lake Windermere, which we'll pass as we continue through countryside made famous by the poet William Wordsworth. We'll cross the border, into Scotland, to the runaway wedding capital of Gretna Green. Here eloping couples would tie the knot over the Marriage Anvil. We drive through the Southern Uplands to Glasgow where our orientation will take us past Glasgow Cathedral and George Square. (B)

**Hotel: Novotel** 

**Day 3 Explore Enchanting Edinburgh** From Glasgow to enchanting Edinburgh, with its exquisite medieval façades, our encounter with Scotland will see us join a Local Specialist for a memorable sightseeing tour. We'll visit Edinburgh Castle, perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city, and see the Royal Mile, the elegant Palace of Holyroodhouse and the new Scottish Parliament. Admire the elegant Georgian architecture in the New Town before returning to Glasgow this evening for a delicious meal at a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 4 Cross the Irish Sea to Belfast and **Dublin** Board the ferry to Northern Ireland, then join a Local Specialist to explore the crossroads of British and Irish culture in Belfast. We'll view City Hall and the dock where the Titanic was built. This evening, we arrive in the vibrant capital of Ireland where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: The Address Hotel Connolly/ Clayton Ballsbridge

Day 5 Discover Diverse Dublin Dive Into Culture and discover the fascinating 250-year-old story of Guinness at its original home, the Guinness Storehouse. Drive through the pretty streets of Dublin with a Local Specialist to admire the stately Georgian Squares, Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral, the tallest church in Ireland. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience to a rousing Irish cabaret performance. (B)

Day 6 Journey to Kilkenny and on to Waterford We Dive Into Culture this morning and gain insights into rearing world-class thoroughbreds at the Irish

National Stud established in 1946. Enjoy a guided walk through the farm and take some time to stroll through its tranguil Japanese Gardens, regarded as the best in Europe. Next, stop in Kilkenny before continuing to Waterford. Dive Into Culture to witness the delicate craft of Waterford Crystal. We'll watch master crafters at work during a tour of the workshop and see the exquisitely crafted pieces in the showroom. (B) Hotel: Marina

Day 7 Ferry Across to Cultural Cardiff An early start to our sightseeing sees us cross the Irish Sea to Wales by ferry and continue our journey to the Welsh capital of Cardiff to view the Wales Millennium Centre, National Assembly and historic Cardiff Castle, in the heart of the city. Visit the oldest and largest vineyard in Wales as we Connect With Locals, joining a local family for a Farewell Dinner Be My Guest experience. (B, D) Hotel: Park Inn by **Radisson City Centre** 



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Day 8 Soak up Bath and Stonehenge then off to London Traversing the Severn Estuary into England, we arrive in the glorious UNESCO-listed city of Bath, with its elegant Georgian façades and visit the world-famous Roman Baths from which the city derives its name for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Journey across the scenic landscapes of Wiltshire, paying a visit to the mysterious monolithic stone circle at Stonehenge, then return to London. (B)

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#### **Departure months**

Mar - Oct

#### **Special Events & Dates**

St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated in Ireland on 17 March.

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Edinburgh, Belfast and Dublin with a Local Specialist

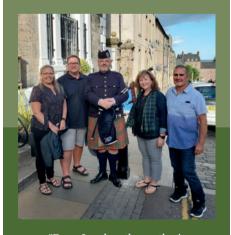
> **Discover** York, Glasgow, Cardiff and Bath

**Visit** Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon, Gretna Green, Edinburgh Castle, Guinness Storehouse, the Irish National Stud and Japanese Garden, the Waterford Crystal Showroom, the Roman Baths in Bath and the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge

**View** York Minster, Glasgow Cathedral and George Square, City Hall in Belfast

See the Principality Stadium in Cardiff

Be My Guest Enjoy a Welsh dinner in the beautiful award-winning vineyards of Wales with a farming family

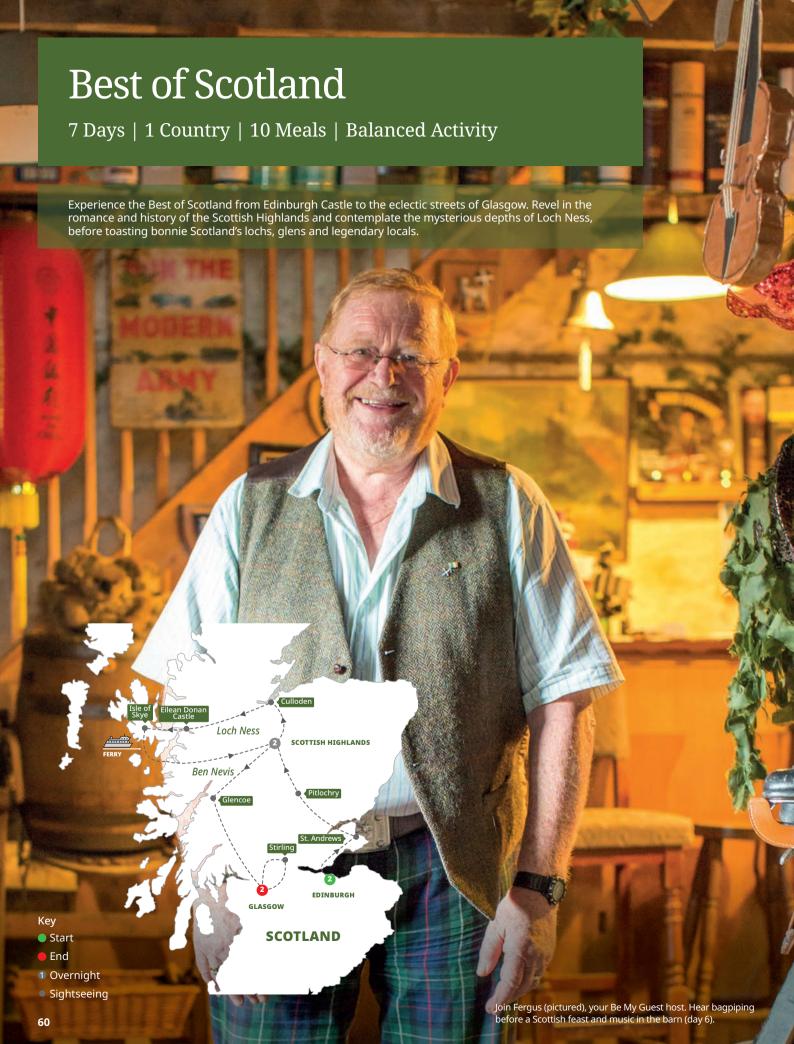


"From London, the castles in Scotland or spending time with locals in Ireland - they all hold a special place in our hearts forever!" - Lisa Macneil

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Day 1 Welcome to Edinburgh Get lost in the narrow lanes of Edinburgh before joining your travel companions and Travel Director for a light meal and drinks. (D) Hotel: Novotel Centre/Delta by Marriott

Day 2 Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Join your Local Specialist this morning for an intriguing sightseeing tour of the city. Ascend Castle Rock and visit Edinburgh Castle, which watches over the surrounding city from its elevated vantage point. Stroll through the Old Town along the Royal Mile and see the stunning Palace of Holyroodhouse before enjoying time at leisure to soak up the city's festive atmosphere. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)

Day 3 Venture into the Scottish Highlands Tread in the footsteps of the world's golfing greats and head to St. Andrews en route to the glorious Scottish Highlands. A scenic drive takes us north and across the Firth of Tay, past the city of Dundee to Pitlochry. After lunch, enjoy some free time to explore its riverside setting or join an Optional Experience to Blair Castle, the ancestral home of the Clan Murray. Our day in beautiful surrounds comes to an end with a cosy dinner at our hotel located within the Cairngorms National Park in the Scottish Highlands. (B, D) Hotel: Laggan/ Craiglynne Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.



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Learn from a rewilding expert on the reintroduction of native animal species such as the Scottish red squirrel, lynx and beaver into the wild, and the reforestation of the Caledonian pine forest. This experience advances the United Nation's Global Goal 15: Life on Land. Visitors to the rewilding centre directly contribute to safeguarding one of the most beautiful and ancient landscape in Europe, that is in a critical condition.

Day 4 Explore Culloden, Loch Ness and the Isle of Skye Continue your journey to the tragic battlefield of Culloden. Pay tribute to the brave men who lost their lives in the Jacobite Uprising, then travel past Scotland's infamous Loch Ness. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at the Dundreggan Rewilding Centre, to learn about the preservation of the fragile Caledonian pine forest and rare animal species. The solitary beauty of Eilean Donan Castle will leave you speechless before you continue to the coast and cross to the Isle of Skve. Heatherclad peaks provide a stunning backdrop for our scenic drive across the Sleat Peninsula. Indulge in some free time before boarding your ferry in Armadale and crossing to Mallaig, back on the mainland. (B, D)

Day 5 Journey to Thriving Glasgow Our first stop today sees us commemorate World War II history at the Commando Memorial near Fort William, from which we admire spectacular views of Britain's highest peak, Ben Nevis. We journey through the volcanic ruins and precipitous mountains that lie just beyond Glencoe to see the 'Glen of Weeping'. Here we remember the MacDonald clansmen who were massacred in 1692. Join a wildlife cruise on Loch Lomond. Continuing towards the River Clyde, we arrive at our final stop for the day – Glasgow. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

Day 6 Walk the Walls of Stirling Castle
Enjoy views of the Necropolis, the regal
George Square and River Clyde. Continue
to Stirling, to see its hilltop fortress, which
stands as a symbol of national pride. View
the Wallace Monument from the castle walls,
paying tribute to the Scottish hero who
fought for Scotland's independence. Later,
Dive Into Culture at a whisky distillery and
enjoy a wee dram before joining the Wood
family at their 15th-century farm on the
shores of Loch Ard to Connect With Locals
over a home-cooked Be My Guest Farewell
Dinner, amidst tales of Rob Roy and a few
foot-tapping ceilidh tunes. (B, D)

Day 7 Farewell Glasgow Looking back on a week exploring Scotland's enchanting countryside and its historic cities, enjoy one last hearty breakfast with your travel companions before wishing them and your Travel Director a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

#### **Special Events & Dates**

Edinburgh Tattoo 2 - 24 August: We've included Tattoo tickets when you're in Edinburgh during these dates.

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

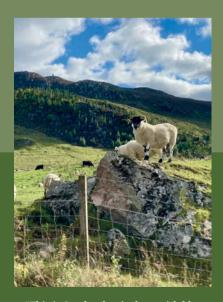
**Explore** Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Glasgow and Stirling

Visit Edinburgh Castle, Pitlochry, the Isle of Skye, Glasgow Cathedral, Culloden Battlefield, Stirling Castle and a whisky distillery

View the 18th green at St. Andrews, the Glenfinnan Monument, Eilean Donan Castle, Loch Ness, Glencoe, Necropolis and George Square in Glasgow

**Be My Guest** Dine with the Wood family at their 15th-Century farm on the shores of Loch Ard



"This is Scotland at its best with blue skies, lush highlands and of course sheep! What a memory." - Jerry Kindy

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### Castles and Manors

8 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

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



See full detailed itinerary at trafalgar.com

Day 1 Welcome to Dublin Our exploration of Dublin with a **Local Specialist** will see us view St. Patrick's Cathedral and Georgian Squares. Join your travel companions for a Welcome Dinner. (D) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge

Day 2 Journey to Galway and on to Ashford Castle See Galway Cathedral and stroll through Eyre Square. (B) Hotel: The Lodge at Ashford Castle



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE** 



Experience the Connemara region on a visit to DK Connemara Oysters. This family run farm leads the way in sustainability, biodiversity and packaging for farming.

Day 3 Admire the Elegant Westport House and Abbeyglen Castle Indulge in a Be My Guest experience in the Drawing Room of Westport House. (B, L, D) Hotel: Abbeyglen Castle

Day 4 A Day Exploring Stunning Connemara Drive through Connemara. Visit Kylemore Abbey. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an oyster farm. (B, D)

Day 5 Onwards to the Cliffs of Moher and Killarney Visit the Connemara Celtic Crystal Factory, where you'll witness how their crystal designs are made. Stop at the village of Kinvara before our visit to the Cliffs of Moher. (B) Hotel: Great Southern

Day 6 A Day on the Ring of Kerry Join a **Local Specialist** for a walk at Torc Waterfall. Explore the Ring of Kerry whose coastal landscapes have inspired writers and poets, and forage Irish seaweed on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. (B)

Day 7 Discover Cashel and Return to **Dublin** Discover the legacy of St. Patrick at the Rock of Cashel. Learn about Ireland's thoroughbred industry at the Irish National Stud. Return to the Irish capital for your Farewell Dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Radisson Blu **Hotel Dublin Airport** 

Day 8 Journey Home Transfer to the airport, where your journey comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

May - Sep

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Dublin, Killarney National Park and Cashel with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Killarney and Galway

**Visit** Kylemore Abbey, Connemara Celtic of Cashel and the Irish National Stud

**Scenic Drive** of the Ring of Kerry and through Connemara

Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional high tea hosted in the drawing room of a stately 18th-Century home near Westport

> See real quest stories #TTCastlesAndManors

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### Best of Ireland

10 Days | 1 Country | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

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



See full detailed itinerary at trafalgar.com

Day 1 Welcome to Ireland We begin our journey in the capital of Dublin, joining a Local Specialist to see the sights. A Welcome Dinner this evening sees you visiting EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum. (D) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge/Sandymount

Day 2 Through the Scenic County Wicklow and Waterford to Kilkenny Journey through the scenic countryside of County Wicklow, and on to New Ross. Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the plight of the emigrants who boarded the Dunbrody Famine Ship to flee the potato famine. Celebrate the centuries-old craft of flint glass creations as we Dive Into Culture in Waterford and visit the House of Waterford Crystal. Next, continue to Kilkenny. (B, D) Hotel: Kilkenny

Days 3-4 Journey to Blarney and the Ring of Kerry Today, pursue the 'gift of the gab' at Blarney Castle, where you'll have a chance to kiss the famous stone. Ireland's soul-stirring Ring of Kerry takes centre stage on a scenic drive past its mountains and lakes. (B, D) Hotel: Killarney Towers/Hotel Killarney

Day 5 Onwards to Lively Limerick
Continue through the countryside to Adare.
Then explore Limerick's highlights during
an orientation tour. Discover Irish life in the
18th and 19th centuries on your included
visit to Bunratty Castle and Folk Park. (B)
Hotel: Greenhills/The Inn at Dromoland

Day 6 Admire the Cliffs of Moher and Onwards to Galway We journey to the magnificent Cliffs of Moher. This UNESCOlisted highlight along the Wild Atlantic Way is one you will never forget. Later, we arrive in Galway with some time at leisure to see its beautiful stone Cathedral or stroll through Eyre Square. **(B) Hotel: Connacht** 

Day 7 A Day Exploring Stunning
Connemara Connemara's 'savage beauty'
is yours to explore today. Stop at Brigit's
Garden, a Celtic heritage garden, on a MAKE
TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Admire the
views on a scenic drive to Kylemore Abbey,
where we will embark on a visit to the
country's most romantic castle. (B, D)

MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE



Brigit's Garden offers a peaceful journey through Ireland's Celtic heritage. With your Celtic heritage expert guide, explore the colourful gardens, native woodlands and wildflower meadows.

Days 8-9 A Pilgrimage to Knock and on to Sligo and Dublin Our journey takes us to Westport House where we will Connect with Locals and indulge in a Be My Guest experience. Heading north, we stop in the pilgrimage town of Knock to view the Marian Shrine of Our Lady. Then on to Sligo and south to Dublin, with free time. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner to end this epic Irish journey.

**Day 10 Farewell Ireland** After a hearty Irish breakfast, we bid our fellow travellers a fond farewell as our Irish holiday ends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

#### Find your tour

#### Departure months

Apr - Oct

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Waterford, Killarney, Limerick and Galway

Visit the Dunbrody Famine Ship in New Ross, the crystal showroom at Waterford, Blarney Castle to kiss the stone and gain the 'gift of the gab', Adare, Bunratty Folk Park, Cliffs of Moher, Connemara and Kylemore Abbey

Be My Guest Enjoy a traditional high tea hosted in the drawing room of a stately 18th-Century home near Westport

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### More Great Britain and Ireland trips

Tradition, history and royal tales await and there's even more to love. Read the full itineraries at trafalgar.com.



Traditional British cream tea at The Old Forge. The former home of Jane Seymour, Henry VIII's 6<sup>th</sup> wife, you'll enjoy these delicious, hot scones piled high with jam and cream in a slice of English history.

Best of Devon & Cornwall, day 3

#### Explore...

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

Best of Devon & Cornwall, day 3

### London Explorer

8 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: London, Windsor, Oxford, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** London with a Local Specialist **Discover** Borough Market and Greenwich

**Visit** Stonehenge, Windsor Castle, Westminster Abbey, Kensington Palace, and a choice of fantastic free museums including the Imperial War Museum and the British Museum

**View** Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace

Scenic Cruise on the Thames from the London Eye to Greenwich

**Be My Guest** Feast on a traditional British Be My Guest dinner in a pub in London's trendy East End

#### Find your tour

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# Best of Devon and Cornwall

6 Days | 1 Country | 8 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Windsor, Bath, Bideford, Lacock, Plymouth, St. Ives, Exeter, Stonehenge, Lynmouth, plus more

Sign up for a whirlwind adventure on this popular England trip through Devon and Cornwall. Learn how the monks of Buckfast Abbey have lived for centuries, before indulging in a traditional cream tea or Cornish pasty.



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Discover** Bristol, Plymouth, Dunster, Lynmouth, Exeter and Windsor

Visit Royal Windsor, Longleat House in Warminster, Lacock village, Buckfast Abbey, the artists' colony of St. Ives, Exeter Cathedral, the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge

**View** Windsor Castle, the Capability Brown landscaped parkland at Longleat, Tintagel Castle in Cornwall, the Mayflower Steps in Plymouth and St. Michael's Mount

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: BDEVA

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## Best of Britain

11 Days | 3 Countries | 16 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Bath, Exeter, Plymouth, Cardiff, Liverpool, Glasgow, Edinburgh, York, Stratford-upon-Avon, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Liverpool, the Isle of Skye and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bath, Plymouth, Cardiff, Chester, Glasgow and York

Visit the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge, the Roman Baths in Bath, Polperro, Buckfast Abbey, Glastonbury Abbey, the town of Ludlow, the Isle of Skye, Edinburgh Castle, Alnwick and Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon

**Be My Guest** Lunch with the Dyer family on their 15th-Century dairy farm in Somerset

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: BBOB

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# Wonders of Britain and Ireland

12 Days | 4 Countries | 16 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Windsor, Bath, Cardiff, Chester, Dublin, Waterford, Killarney, Edinburgh, York, Oxford, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bath, Cardiff, Chester, York and Oxford

**Visit** Stonehenge, the Roman Baths, Waterford Crystal Showroom, Blarney Castle, the Rock of Cashel, Edinburgh Castle and Stratford-upon-Avon

Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

**Be My Guest** Join the O'Sullivan family and their Kerry cows for a dinner of Irish stew at Molly Gallivan's 200-year old cottage

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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Trip code: BIBI

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### Britain and Ireland Panorama

16 Days | 4 Countries | 21 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: York, Edinburgh, Isle of Skye, Chester, Dublin, Limerick, Cork, Waterford, Plymouth, Oxford, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Edinburgh, the Isle of Skye, Dublin and Cobh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** York, Glasgow, Chester, Galway, Cork, Cardiff, Bath and Plymouth

**Visit** Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon, Edinburgh Castle, Isle of Skye, the Guinness Storehouse, Blarney Castle, the Waterford Crystal Showroom, the Roman Baths in Bath, Glastonbury Abbey and Stonehenge

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a lunch with Christine at her Cumbrian farm

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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### Britain and Ireland Grandeur

20 Days | 5 Countries | 27 Meals | Dynamic Activity

Cities: Plymouth, Bath, York, Waterford, Killarney, Galway, Belfast, Dublin, Chester, Isle of Skye, Edinburgh, York, plus more

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



#### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Londonderry, Belfast, Dublin and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

Discover Plymouth, Bath, Cardiff, Limerick, Galway, Sligo, Chester, Glasgow and York

**Visit** the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge, the Roman Baths in Bath, Waterford Crystal Showroom, Blarney Castle, the magnificent Cliffs of Moher, the Giant's Causeway, Guinness Storehouse, Falkirk Wheel, Isle of Skye, Edinburgh Castle, Alnwick and Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon

**Be My Guest** Dine with a local family in the Vale of York

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#### Wonders of Britain and Ireland, day 6

Experience the enduring beauty of Ireland's most scenic coastal drive around the Iveragh Peninsula - the emerald green hills, centuries-old stone villages and vivid blue seascapes provide an exquisite backdrop for our leisurely drive around what has become known as the Ring of Kerry. See Daniel O'Connell's Cahirsiveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap with its panoramic views. This evening, Connect With Locals at Molly Gallivan's 200-year-old cottage, sharing a memorable Be My Guest experience with the O'Sullivan family and their Kerry cows.

#### Britain and Ireland Panorama, day 7

Drive to the rugged coast of Scotland this morning, passing scenic Eilean Donan Castle. We cross to the Isle of Skye, to admire the spectacular scenery before enjoying free time for lunch. A Local Specialist will take us on a journey to admire the remarkable Cuillin Mountain. Cross back to the mainland and continue past the lochs and glens of the Scottish Highlands.

#### **Britain and Ireland Grandeur, day 21**

Visit the medieval market town of Alnwick before stopping in York where we'll embark on an orientation walk along the picturesque Shambles and to York Minster, one of the greatest cathedrals in the world. This evening Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience, a grand private home of a Yorkshire family enjoying traditional flavours and hospitality.





**Family Fun itinerary** 

# Castles and Kilts

10 Days | 3 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: London, Oxford, Lacock, Bath, Llangollen, Chester, Tatton Park, Lancaster, Edinburgh, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** London, Chester and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Oxford and Bath

**Visit** the Tower of London, Divinity School in Oxford, Lacock village, Llangollen, Tatton Park to meet the butler and housekeeper, the Lake District, the Roman Army Museum, Hadrian's Wall and Edinburgh Castle

**Tickets** for the Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates

Be My Guest Enjoy a typical English cream tea

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Jun - Aug

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# Treasures of Ireland

6 Days | 1 Country | 7 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Cork, Killarney, Limerick, plus more



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Titanic Story in Cobh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Waterford, Cork and Killarney

**Visit** Trinity College, Glendalough, Waterford Crystal, Blarney Castle, Torc Waterfall, Foynes Flying Boat Museum and the Cliffs of Moher

**View** St. Kevin's Cross in Glendalough and King John's Castle in Limerick

**Be My Guest** Visit the working farms of Muckross and learn how to churn butter, then dine in The Quilles farmhouse

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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Trip code: BRSD

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### Irish Highlights

7 Days | 1 Country | 9 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Galway, Limerick, Killarney, Waterford, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Galway, Limerick and Waterford

**Visit** Bunratty Folk Park, the Cliffs of Moher, Blarney to kiss the stone and gain the 'gift of the gab', the Crystal <u>Showroom at Waterford and</u> the famine ship in New Ross

Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

**Be My Guest** Join the Fulvio family at Glenealy House to enjoy traditional Irish fare with an Italian twist

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Year-round

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Trip code: IRIH

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#### **Guest favourite: Ashford Castle**

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

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

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

**Iconic Ireland and Ashford Castle, day 8** 



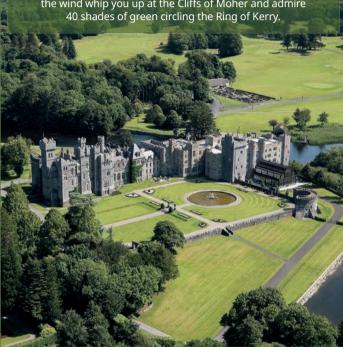
# Iconic Ireland and Ashford Castle

10 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Dublin, Cork, Galway, Killarney, plus more

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

40 shades of green circling the Ring of Kerry.



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Killarney National Park and Lough Corrib with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Killarney and Galway

**Visit** Powerscourt Gardens, St. Patrick's Cathedral and Trinity College in Dublin, Blarney Castle, Torc Waterfall, the Cliffs of Moher, Connemara Celtic Crystal Factory and Kylemore Abbey

**Be My Guest** Lunch at the O'Briens Barrtra seafood restaurant overlooking Liscannor Bay

#### Find your tour

Departure months: May - Sep

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Trip code: BRAC

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Shamrocks and Leprechauns

**Family Fun itinerary** 

10 Days | 2 Countries | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Belfast, Londonderry, Donegal, Galway, Limerick, Killarney, Blarney, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Limerick and County Galway

**Visit** Winterfell Castle, the Giant's Causeway, Titanic Experience in Belfast and the Flying Boat Museum in Foynes

View King John's Castle in Limerick

**See** St. Patrick's Cathedral and the Georgian Squares in Dublin and St. Mary's Cathedral in Limerick

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a morning tea at the Feeney's sheep farm on the edge of the Wild Atlantic Way

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Departure months: Jun - Aug

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Trip code: FSIA

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# Highlights of Ireland and Scotland

11 Days | 3 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Galway, Londonderry, Belfast, Glasgow, Glencoe, Edinburgh, plus more

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



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Londonderry, Belfast and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Galway and Glasgow

Visit Connemara Celtic Crystal Factory, Kylemore Abbey, Westport, Donegal, Giant's Causeway, Titanic Experience in Belfast, Loch Lomond, Glencoe, Fort William, Loch Ness, a whisky distillery and Edinburgh Castle

View the 18th hole at St. Andrews

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional scone tea as you explore Catherine and Jim Power's Glen Keen farm

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Mar - Oct

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### Be My Guest Experience: Foraging with Oonagh & Barrtra Seafood restaurant

Enchanting Oonagh is your lovely host on this unforgettable Be My Guest experience on the stunning Wild Atlantic Way and you'll treasure every moment spent in her company – a real highlight on your trip. Connect With Locals and head down the rustic lane that leads to a beautiful beach just outside Lahinch, joining Oonagh, a local horticulturalist, for a walk along the windswept shore. Oonagh shares her in-depth knowledge of the various wild foods scattered around the beach that can be eaten and you'll be amazed by her stories before strolling up the lane to Barrtra Seafood restaurant for a tasty lunch prepared by the owner, Ruben, all while enjoying irresistible views of Liscannor Bay and the Cliffs of Moher. Say your goodbyes, enriched by Oonagh's passion for living off the land on one of the world's most iconic coastlines.

Irish Experience, day 7



### Enchanting Emerald Isle

8 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Ballina, Galway, Killarney, Blarney, plus more

Step into this most enchanting of Ireland trips, revealing what life is like on the island. Breathe in the fresh Galway air and wander the flower-scented gardens of Kylemore Abbey.



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Killarney National Park and Westport with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Galway and Killarney

**Visit** Trinity College and EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum in Dublin, the National Irish Famine Museum at Strokestown Park, Kylemore Abbey, Cliffs of Moher and Blarney Castle

**View** the mountains of the Connemara and Torc Waterfall

**Be My Guest** Join the Fulvio family at Glenealy House to enjoy traditional Irish fare with an Italian twist

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: BRED

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## Irish Experience

11 Days | 2 Countries | 16 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Kilkenny, Killarney, Galway, Londonderry, Belfast, plus more

Explore the Emerald Isle on this most in-depth of Irish experience trips, filled with tales of mythical creatures and the troubled history of an island split in two.

Beyond soul-stirring landscapes, there's time with a local 'Cabbie' who'll guide you through Belfast.



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry with a Local Specialist **Discover** Galway and Waterford

**Visit** St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, the Titanic Experience in Belfast, the UNESCO World Heritage site at the Giant's Causeway, Belleek to see how the famous pottery is made, Kylemore Abbey, the Cliffs of Moher, Blarney Castle, the Crystal Showroom

at Waterford and the Dunbrody Famine Ship in New Ross **Be My Guest** Lunch at the O'Briens Barrtra seafood
restaurant overlooking Liscannor Bay

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: IREX

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## Amazing Ireland

14 Days | 2 Countries | 18 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Belfast, Londonderry, Galway, Killarney, Waterford, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Belfast, Londonderry and Dublin with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Donegal, Galway, Cork and Waterford

Visit the Titanic Experience in Belfast, the Giant's Causeway, Belleek Pottery Visitor Centre, Kylemore Abbey, Connemara, Cliffs of Moher, Blarney Castle, the John F. Kennedy Arboretum and the Dunbrody Famine Ship in New Ross and Waterford Crystal

Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

**Be My Guest** Join the Fulvio family at Glenealy House to enjoy traditional Irish fare with an Italian twist

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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Travel back to 1930s Ireland over an exclusive Be My Guest experience and historic encounter at Muckross Traditional Farms, an open-air museum that forms part of the Killarney National Park. The warm and friendly locals who work here are genuine country folk who love nothing more than to show you how their parents and grandparents used to make a living in rural Ireland. You'll be greeted by your host, a storyteller who'll enchant you with tales in the finest Irish tradition and make you feel like you're part of the family. As you walk through the old buildings, admire the original furnishings, including the charming kitchen, and be transported back to the 1930s with the aromas from the open peat fires. During your meal, featuring such delicious dishes as Irish lamb casserole and Potato 'Boxtie', a traditional musician will entertain you with lively local tunes, all washed down with your choice of local beer or French wine.

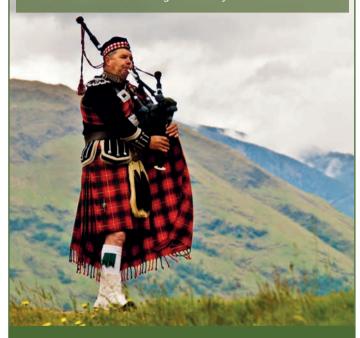
Best of Ireland and Scotland, day 4

# Best of Ireland and Scotland

15 Days | 3 Countries | 20 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Dublin, Waterford, Killarney, Ballina, Londonderry, Belfast, Glasgow, Glencoe, Pitlochry, Edinburgh, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Dublin, Londonderry, Belfast and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Waterford, Adare, Galway and Glasgow

**Visit** the Irish National Stud in Kildare, the Waterford Crystal Showroom, Blarney Castle, Giant's Causeway, Titanic Experience in Belfast, a whisky distillery and Edinburgh Castle

**Be My Guest** Visit the working farms of Muckross and learn how to churn butter, then dine in the Quilles farmhouse

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: BIAS

See real guest stories — **#TTIrelandScotland** 

## Scotland's Highlands, Islands and Cities

13 Days | 1 Country | 18 Meals | Balanced Activity Cities: Edinburgh, Dundee, Inverness, Thurso, Oban, Stirling, Glasgow, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Dundee, Orkney Islands, Stirling and Glasgow

Visit Edinburgh Castle, Glamis Castle, a whisky distillery, the battlefield and Visitor Centre of Culloden, Dunrobin Castle, John O'Groats, The Italian Chapel in Orkney Islands, Skara Brae, Ullapool, Isle of Skye, Isle of Mull, Isle of Iona, St. Mungo's Cathedral in Glasgow and Stirling Castle

**Be My Guest** Lunch with the Wood family at their 15th-Century farm on the shores of Loch Ard

### Find your tour

**Departure months**: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: BHLD

See real guest stories — **#TTScotHighlands** 

# Highland Trail inspired by Outlander

13 Days | 1 Country | 19 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Edinburgh, Scottish Highlands, Orkney Islands, Isle of Skye, Fort William, Glencoe, Stirling, Glasgow, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Edinburgh with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Dundee, Orkney Islands, Glasgow and Stirling

**Visit** Fort William, Cranesmuir, Wentworth Prison, St. Andrews, Highland Folk Museum, Newtonmore, the Culloden Battlefield, John O'Groats, Skara Brae, Ullapool, Isle of Skye, Glencoe, a whisky distillery in Pitlochry, St. Mungo's Cathedral and Linlithgow Palace

View Inverness Castle and Eilean Donan Castle

**Be My Guest** Lunch with the Wood Family at their 15th-Century Farm on the Shores of Loch Ard

### Find your tour

Departure months: May - Sep

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Trip code: BHOD

See real guest stories — **#TTOutlander** 



Day 1 Bonjour Paris All the flavours of France come to life on this unforgettable journey that kicks off in Paris, the 'City of Light'. Join your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and an orientation drive. (D) Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles

Day 2 Journey through Burgundy to Lyon

We travel south to Burgundy. The colourful geometric roof tiles of the 15th-century Hospices are a sight to behold as we arrive in the medieval town of Beaune before continuing to Lyon, the gourmet capital of France. Perhaps spend your evening delving into the epicurean delights for which Lyon is justifiably famous. (B) Hotel: Mercure Centre Saxe Lafayette

Day 3 Onwards to Avignon, Monaco and the French Riviera Journey to the city of Avignon at the heart of Provence. See the Papal Palace and the famous bridge. Continue to Monaco. View the cathedral where Prince Rainier and Princess Grace were married, then enjoy a Regional Dinner before continuing along the Riviera to our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Nice

Day 4 The French Riviera Your Way The sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera are yours to explore today. Consider relaxing on the beach or an Optional Experience could see you visit the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, consistently named the most beautiful hilltop town in this region. In your free time perhaps indulge in a delicious Salade Niçoise. (B)

Day 5 Admire Arles and Continue to
Carcassonne Visit Arles with its honeycoloured façades, Roman ruins and Camargue
culture. Alternatively, choose an Optional
Experience to gain a deeper understanding of
Vincent van Gogh and local history with our
resident expert, before winding your way to
the fortified city of Carcassonne. Dive Into
Culture on a guided tour of this ancient town
with your Local Specialist, who will reveal
the Cité, its double ring of ramparts and 52
towers. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure La Cité

Day 6 Pilgrimage to Lourdes and on to Biarritz We drive toward the Pyrenees this morning and arrive in Lourdes. You will have an opportunity to see the Basilica, perched atop St. Bernadette's Grotto. Travel west to the Basque Coast, where we spend the night (B) Hotel: Novotel Anglet Biarritz

Day 7 Venture to Bordeaux We arrive in the wine capital of Bordeaux whose stunning riverfront and Age of Enlightenment history and architecture have made it one of France's most visited cities. Spend some time seeing the sights during your orientation of the city. (B) Hotel: Mercure Centre Ville

Day 8 Discover Scenic Dordogne The lush green valleys and hills of the Dordogne take centre stage today during a scenic halfday excursion. We drive to Saint-Émilion, whose wine heritage dates back to Roman

times, after we return to Bordeaux for some free time. Perhaps, stroll through the city's historical centre, admiring its beautiful architecture. **(B)** 

Day 9 Explore a Château in the Loire Valley We journey on toward the 'Garden of France', stopping to Connect With Locals for a light lunch and Be My Guest experience. Enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience and visit the remarkable gardens at Château de Villandry before arriving at our hotel - one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories. (B, L, D) Hotel: Château de Beauvois



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Visit Château Villandry in the Loire Valley and admire the exquisite Renaissance gardens that surround this elegant estate.

Day 10 Off to Mont-Saint-Michel and the Normandy Beaches Travel to Mont-Saint-Michel on the Normandy coast. Visit the island town and view its impressive abbey. Follow the Liberty Highway to St. Lô and on to Omaha Beach. Reflect on the bravery of the young men who sacrificed their lives for freedom and visit the D-Day Landing Zone to learn how the operation was planned. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure Omaha Beach

Day 11 Journey to Paris We travel east towards Paris, stopping at Giverny to visit the house and gardens that once inspired Claude Monet's exquisite Impressionist works of art. This evening, consider a trip to one of the city's renowned cabarets. (B) Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles

Day 12 Discover the Delights of Paris Join your Local Specialist on a journey through the historic neighbourhoods of Paris. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice. This evening, we celebrate an epic adventure with your Travel Director and newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (B, D)

Day 13 Farewell Paris Bid au revoir to the Best of France and your fellow travellers. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

Trip code: FBOF

### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

Mar - Jun + Aug - Oct

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Carcassonne and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Lyon, Avignon, Monaco, Nice. Arles, Lourdes and Bordeaux

Visit the Hospices de Beaune, Château de Villandry, the American Cemetery at Omaha Beach, Claude Monet's home at Giverny and the Saint-Sulpice Church in Paris

View the Papal Palace in Avignon, Promenade des Anglais and Place Massena in Nice, the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes, the Abbey of Mont-Saint-Michel and the Eiffel Tower in Paris

**Be My Guest** Lunch with the Montferrier family on their farm near the famous Château de Villandry



"Our tour guide David was really the icing on the cake. He was everybody's friend, hilarious, and made everyone with a birthday on the trip feel special. Thank you"

Susan Colwell

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# Spanish Wonder



Day 1 Welcome to Madrid The country's capital is our launchpad for a memorable encounter with Spain. Relax in the lush surrounds of Buen Retiro Park, shop on Gran Vía or people-watch over churros con chocolate in the Puerta del Sol. This evening, join your fellow travellers and Travel Director for an orientation drive followed by a Welcome Dinner. (D) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding/ Melia Castilla

Day 2 Explore Vibrant Toledo Head to Toledo, the former capital of Spain and join a Local Specialist for a walking tour. Dive Into Culture as you witness the age-old inlaid steel craft during a visit to a traditional factory. View one of El Greco's most famous paintings in the Church of Santo Tomé before returning to Madrid to admire the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain with our Local Specialist. Later, delve into the sights and flavours of the city with an Optional Experience. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Córdoba and on to Seville Journey south through La Mancha to Córdoba. Visit the Mosque of the Caliphs with a Local Specialist before travelling to Seville, our home for the next two nights. This evening, join the Morillo family for a Be My Guest experience at their olive oil farm. Learn how oil is produced from their 6,000 trees and sample some of their produce. (B, D) **Hotel: Zenit/Occiental Viapol** 

Day 4 Discover Seville's Sights Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of Seville. Visit Plaza de España, the tomb of Christopher Columbus and the former Jewish Quarter. Later, consider an Optional Experience to see a flamenco show. (B)

Day 5 Onwards to Granada Visit the magnificent Alhambra in the company of a Local Specialist. Wander through the water gardens of the Generalife and admire exquisite examples of Moorish architecture. (B) Hotel: Occidental/ Catalonia Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 6 Admire Iconic Architecture in Guadix and on to Valencia Journey to Guadix in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada mountains. See the troglodyte dwellings in the hills and cliffs, then travel to Valencia. Embrace the city's spirit of innovation at the City of Arts and Sciences and enjoy organic horchata, the celebrated drink of Valencia, during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. This evening, dine at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Silken Puerta



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Enjoy a taste of organic horchata, the local nut-based drink, from a family-run vendor using only natural ingredients and traditional production methods.

Day 7 Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Barcelona Travel along the coast and stop at Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. Continue along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona. Admire Gaudí's talents as we view the exterior of his unfinished La Sagrada Família and pay tribute to the great Christopher Columbus with your Local Specialist. (B) Hotel: U232/Barceló Sants

#### Day 8 Uncover Gaudí's Barcelona

Explore centuries of history, contemporary culture and exquisite art and architecture on your day at leisure. Ramble down the Ramblas or join an Optional Experience to Montserrat to see the mystical Black Madonna the patron saint of Catalonia. Celebrate with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (B, D)

#### Day 9 Farewell Spain

Bid a fond adiós to Spain. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B) Please Note: Your coach returns to Madrid from Barcelona on day 9. You are welcome to use this complementary transfer. Drop-off in Madrid will be at the Trafalgar Madrid hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 6pm, depending on traffic conditions.

Trip code: SPWO/WPWO

#### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Toledo, Madrid,

**Discover** Valencia and Peniscola



smells at the Mercat de la Boqueria on the La Rambla in Barcelona."

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Day 1 Welcome to Lisbon A sea of pastel pinks, yellows and blues saturates the seven hills of the romantic Portuguese capital, which you will have an opportunity to explore today before meeting your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation. (D) Hotel: Turim Av Liberdade

Day 2 Discover Colourful Lisbon Delve into Lisbon's centuries-old seafaring heritage today. With our Local Specialist, see the shimmering white Monument to the Discoveries, the iconic suspension bridge spanning the Tagus, and Belém Tower. Dive Into Culture on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. There's time to join an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. In the evening, perhaps enjoy a traditional Portuguese dinner amidst the sounds of fado music. (B)

Day 3 Journey to the Algarve Region We journey across the Tagus this morning and drive south towards the Serra da Arrábida Mountains and to the golden pastures of the Alentejo. The hearty aroma of Portuguese chicken fills the air at our Be My Guest experience as we Connect With Locals over a traditional lunch at a stud ranch. Our journey continues further south, bound for the sun-kissed shores of the Algarve. (B, L) Hotel: Real Bellavista

Day 4 Cliffs, Beaches and More in the Algarve During our morning coastal drive, admire spectacular views across Baleeira Beach, before continuing along the coast to Cape St. Vincent. We end our excursion with a visit to the resort town of Lagos. (B)

Day 5 Onwards to Elegant Évora Journeying north, we travel to the ancient Alentejo city of Évora. Join your Local Specialist and visit the elaborate cathedral, Roman temple and the Chapel of Bones. Spend the rest of your day by joining an Optional Experience to the medieval village of Monsaraz. This evening, we dine at our hotel in Évora. (B, D) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas

#### Day 6 Venture Past Mountains to Viseu

Our first stop today is in the hilltop town of Castelo de Vide. Travel north towards the Serra de Estrela mountains and arrive later in Viseu. Explore the city's rich art and architectural history, and see the 12th-century Sé, standing imposingly on a hill overlooking the city. **(B) Hotel: Grão Vasco** 

#### Day 7 Through the Douro Valley to Porto

Vineyard-clad hills provide an enchanting backdrop for our journey today through the Douro Valley, where Port wine is produced. We explore the magnificent gardens at the Baroque-style Palácio de Mateus. We then continue via Guimarães for views of its impressive 10th-century castle. (B) Hotel: Neya

Day 8 Explore Vibrant Porto Join a Local Specialist today for a sightseeing tour of Porto. See the remarkable bridges and the Gothic Church of St. Francis. Visit the Stock Exchange Palace, before we Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of local port production at a tasting in a port cellar. Spend the rest of the afternoon strolling through the historic centre of Porto. (B)

Day 9 On to Coimbra and Pilgrimage to Fátima Soak up the grand atmosphere of one of Europe's greatest and oldest universities with a Local Specialist, then stroll through the ancient streets and squares of Coimbra, before journeying to the Templar city of Tomar. We join a Local Specialist to visit the Convent of Christ. We arrive in the pilgrimage centre of Fátima. (B, D) Hotel: Fátima

**Day 10 Experience Village Life Returning to Lisbon** En route to Lisbon, with a

Local Specialist we stop at the imposing monastery of Batalha – a UNESCO World Heritage site. Our next stop is the fishing village of Nazaré, before we visit the medieval walled city of Óbidos. Celebrate your memorable journey through Portugal during a visit to an organic winery for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience and an unforgettable Farewell Dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Neya/Smy Lisbon



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Trip code: PORT/WPOR

Bid farewell to your Portuguese adventures at the award-winning organic vineyard Vale da Capucha. This family-ran farmhouse prides itself in producing organic and biodynamic wines.

Day 11 Farewell Lisbon Say a fond adeus to your fellow travellers at the end of an unforgettable Portuguese holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Lisbon, Coimbra, Tomar, Évora and Porto with a Local Specialist

**Discover** the Algarve, Lagos, Castelo de Vide, Viseu, Nazaré and Óbidos

Visit the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon, the cathedral in Évora, the Palace Gardens at Palacio de Mateus, the Stock Exchange Palace, Arabian Hall and a local port wine cellar in Porto, the University Library of Coimbra, the Convent of Christ in Tomar and the Gothic Monastery at Batalha

**View** the Castle of Guimarães and the Shrine at Fátima

**Be My Guest** Lunch with Tiago and Vera in beautiful Alentejo



"To tour through Portugal and learn so much about the vast history truly was a treat. My favourite part was our knowledgeable tour

Genevieve Francois

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# **Great Iberian Cities**

9 Days | 2 Countries | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity



Day 1 Welcome to Barcelona Ramble up Las Ramblas and get ready for an unforgettable discovery of the Iberian Peninsula. The fiery coastal city of Barcelona kicks off your mesmerising encounter with Spain and Portugal. Set your watch to the leisurely Mediterranean way of life, spending the day relaxing or connecting with a city that once inspired Gaudí's imagination. Later, meet your fellow compañeros and Travel Director for an orientation drive through some of the city's iconic sights, followed by a Welcome Reception at Restaurant Mescladis, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. (WR) Hotel: Hyatt Regency Tower



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Join your fellow travel companions on a Welcome Reception oozing with local flavours at Mescladis. This neighbourhood restaurant, mostly frequented by locals, promotes opportunities to people with difficulties in accessing the labour market.

Day 2 Discover Lively Barcelona We spend the morning exploring a city whose great passions include football, fashion and fairy-tale façades by famed architect Antoni Gaudí. We'll see the exterior of his masterpiece La Sagrada Familia during our guided sightseeing tour of the city with a Local Specialist, then Plaça de Catalunya, in the heart of Barcelona. The rest of the day is yours to delight in Spanish culture and cuisine. Consider joining an Optional Experience to Montserrat to see the shrine of the Black Madonna, affectionately known in Catalonia as La Moreneta. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Madrid Today, we drive through the valleys and pastures of Aragón towards Spain's capital. We arrive this evening in Madrid, renowned for its vibrant nightlife which we will have an opportunity to enjoy on our own terms. (B, D) Hotel: Barceló Imagine

Day 4 Explore Fiery Madrid We join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of Madrid, where we will see trendy Gran Vía and the Cibeles Fountain, before we **Dive**  Into Culture visiting the world-famous Prado Museum. Admire the masterpieces of Velázquez and other Spanish greats in this extraordinary museum, said to house the largest collection of European art in the world. Spend the rest of your day exploring the city at leisure. Visit the Royal Palace or stroll through Buen Retiro Park at the heart of the city – the choice is yours. (B)

Day 5 Onwards to Toledo and Seville We journey south to the clifftop city of Toledo, where we'll join our Local Specialist for a walking tour. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to one of El Greco's most famous paintings, 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz', and visit the former synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca. We arrive in Seville this evening and immerse ourselves in the effervescent spirit of Andalusia. Visit Basilippo Olive farm which produces 100-percent organic extra virgin olive oil. At this experience you'll Connect With Locals over dinner featuring fresh regional ingredients and the local sangria of course. (B, BMG) **Hotel: Occidental Viapol** 

Day 6 See the Sights of Seville The charisma of Seville is unmistakable. Your Local Specialist will take you on a sightseeing tour past the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower, Maria Luisa Park and the imposing Plaza de España. Later, we'll stroll through the historic Jewish Quarter before visiting the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world, where Christopher Columbus is entombed. (B)

Day 7 Continue to Colourful Lisbon We travel west to Portugal, meandering through the province of Huelva, renowned for its Jabugo ham. After crossing into Portugal's picturesque rural landscapes of the Alentejo - the country's cork capital - we arrive in colourful Lisbon where we'll meet our Local **Specialist** for a sightseeing tour celebrating the grand triumphs of the Portuguese in centuries past. See the Monument to the Discoveries, the suspension bridge that spans the Tagus, and Belém Tower, once the ceremonial gateway to Lisbon. Dive Into Culture on a visit to the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, built in the 16th century, then spend the rest of the evening on your own exploration of the Portuguese capital. (B) Hotel: VIP Grand

Day 8 Lisbon Your Way Enjoy the day sauntering through Lisbon's grand shopping boulevards and the narrow lanes of *Bairro Alto* or consider joining an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with newfound friends and our Travel Director, toasting to an epic Iberian holiday. (B, D)

Day 9 Farewell Lisbon Our journey through Spain and Portugal has come to an end. All that's left is to say a fond *adeus* at the end of an unforgettable holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B) Find your tour

**Departure months** 

Apr - Sep

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Seville and Lisbon with a Local Specialist

Visit Plaça Catalunya in Barcelona, Prado Museum in Madrid, Church of Santo Tome and the Synagogue in Toledo, Plaza de España in Seville and Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon

View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Monument to the Discoveries in Lisbon and the Giralda Bell Tower in Seville

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo family and learn about their organic olive oil production



"My best friend and I went to Spain and Portugal...We had so much fun and met such a lovely group of people, and we can't wait to travel again."

- Kimberly Fleck

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Day 1 Welcome to Madrid Embrace la buena vida and soak up the vibrant atmosphere in Madrid before joining your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation of the city's glorious sights. (D) Hotel: NH **Collection Eurobuilding** 

#### Day 2 Journey to Cuenca and Valencia

Witness the clifftop houses of Cuenca during your first stop today. Continue to Valencia for an orientation drive past iconic sights. Enjoy organic horchata, the celebrated drink of Valencia, during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. (B) **Hotel: Silken Puerta** 



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Enjoy a taste of organic horchata, the local nut-based drink, from a family-run vendor using only natural ingredients and traditional production methods.

#### Day 3 Off to Unique Guadix and on to **Granada** We travel through the Sierra Nevada bound for Guadix, where we'll witness how generations of locals have carved cosy abodes into their rocky surrounds. Next, we'll drive through the jagged Mora Pass to Granada. (B, D) **Hotel: Catalonia**

#### Day 4 Onwards to Córdoba and Seville

Join your Local Specialist for a visit to the Alhambra, with its amazing palaces, gardens and fountains. We leave Granada for Córdoba to join a **Local Specialist** at the mesmerizing Mezquita-Cathedral. Our final stop for the day is enchanting Seville. (B, D) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

#### Day 5 Uncover the Secrets of Seville

Seville takes centre stage today. We'll see the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower with a Local Specialist, then stroll through the imposing

Plaza de España in Maria Luisa Park and visit the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience flamenco performance. (B)

Day 6 Admire the Sights of Jerez and Cádiz Indulge in the aromatic flavours of Jerez today as we learn about traditional sherry production. The leafy boulevards and quiet plazas of Cádiz are our next stop. (B)

Day 7 Venture to Évora Depart Seville for Portugal's Alentejo, where the Brito Paes family await our arrival for a Be My Guest lunch on their traditional stud ranch. Continue to Évora for a guided sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. Tonight, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, L, D) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas

Day 8 On to Lively Lisbon Arrive in the seafaring Portuguese capital of Lisbon this afternoon and join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. Visit the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery and the Monument to the Discoveries. (B) Hotel: Olissippo Marquês de Sá

Day 9 Lisbon Your Way Wander through Old Town Lisbon and the grand shopping boulevards that stretch from the shores of the Tagus and Lisbon Baixa to Rossio. Today is yours to embrace the captivating sights and sounds of the Portuguese capital on your own. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. (B)

Day 10 Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca Visit the century-old pilgrimmage site at Fátima before leaving Portugal, bound for the golden-hued city of Salamanca. (B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol

Day 11 Continue to Toledo and Madrid See the walled city of Ávila, the city of Saint Teresa of Ávila. We arrive in the clifftop city of Toledo and join a Local Specialist for a guided walk through its streets. We'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to one of El Greco's most famous paintings -'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz' Witness local craftsmen at work creating inlaid steel pieces, then travel to Madrid. (B) Hotel: Meliá Castilla

#### **Day 12 Explore Fiery Madrid A Local**

Specialist guides you through Madrid on a morning sightseeing tour. See the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. The afternoon is at leisure. This evening, join your fellow companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. (B, D)

Day 13 Adiós Madrid For now it's time to say a fond farewell to Spain and Portugal at the end of a memorable holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Year-round

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### Included highlights and must-sees

View the Hanging Houses of Cuenca.



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# Spain, Morocco and Portugal

16 Days | 3 Countries | 22 Meals | Balanced Activity

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



Day 1 Hola Madrid Kick off your unforgettable journey in the fiery Spanish capital of Madrid. Join your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive past some of the city's most iconic sites. (D) Hotel: Meliá Castilla

Day 2 Explore Fiery Madrid Join your Local **Specialist** on this day of discovery, including views of the iconic Cibeles fountain and Paseo de la Castellana. Admire the Royal Palace and Retiro Park before spending the rest of the day on your own indulging in la buena vida. (B)

Day 3 Onwards to Toledo and Granada Join your Local Specialist for a walking tour of Toledo. Dive Into Culture at a local steel and Damascene workshop before continuing to Granada. (B, D) Hotel: Occidental

Day 4 Journey to the Sunny Costa del Sol Admire the impressive palatial city of the Alhambra. Join a Local Specialist for a guided visit, then continue to the Costa del Sol. (B) Hotel: NH Marbella Access to sites within the Alhambra complex, including the Nasrid Palace, is at the discretion of the staff of the Alhambra. Your Travel Director will advise and, if necessary, adjust your itinerary accordingly.

Day 5 Cross the Strait of Gibraltar to Fes We travel along the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean and cross to North Africa by ferry. A memorable drive past the Rif Mountains brings us to Fes, our home for the next two nights. (B, D) Hotel: Marriott Jnan **Palace** 

Day 6 The Medina and More in Fes Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour through the Medina of Fes. Spend the rest of your afternoon at leisure. Tonight, maybe join an Optional Experience Arabian dinner in a traditional riad. (B)

Day 7 Off to Vibrant Marrakesh Departing Fes, journey west through the golden landscape that deepens to rusty red as we approach vibrant Marrakesh. Past and present collide in the world-famous Jemaa el-Fnaa Square. (B) Hotel: Le Méridien N'Fis

Day 8 Discover Marrakesh Visit Dar El Bacha during your walking tour with a **Local Specialist**. See Jemaa el-Fnaa Square in the Old Quarter. Visit a traditional Moroccan pharmacy and Dive Into Culture, gaining insights into the blending of creams and cosmetics using regional ingredients. Meet the inspiring ladies of a local women's cooperative over tea and cakes, on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. The rest of the day is yours to explore. (B, D)

#### Day 9 Continue to Casablanca and Tangier

We journey north to Casablanca before arriving in the country's capital. Stop at the opulent Mohammed V Mausoleum before continuing to Tangier. Our unique Stays With **Stories** is El Minzah, which overlooks the Bay of Tangiers. (B, D) Hotel: El Minzah

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



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The ladies of a local women's cooperative welcome you for tea and cakes at their community Café in Marrakesh.

Day 10 Sail the Strait to Seville Crossing the Strait of Gibraltar by ferry, we return to Spain and continue to Seville. Consider an optional Flamenco performance this evening. (B) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros

Day 11 Explore Spectacular Seville Join your **Local Specialist** for a sightseeing tour and visit the ornate tomb of Christopher Columbus in the Cathedral. (B)

Day 12 Venture to Lisbon Depart Seville and journey through Portugal's Alentejo region. Stop at a stud farm for a Be My Guest experience as you meet with Tiago and Vera for lunch in their family home. In Lisbon, see the Monument to the Discoveries and Belém Tower during a sightseeing tour. (B, L) **Hotel: Olissippo Oriente** 

Day 13 Lisbon Your Way Join your Local Specialist for a tour of Lisbon, including the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. Consider an Optional Experience to discover Portugal's 'Golden Triangle' of Sintra, Cascais and the Estoril coast. (B)

Day 14 Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca We trace the path of pilgrims at the celebrated shrine in Fátima, then depart Portugal bound for Salamanca. (B) **Hotel: Gran Corona Sol** 

Day 15 Return to Madrid Traverse the Sierra de Guadarrama Mountains to Madrid. This evening, join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. (B, D) **Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding** 

Day 16 Journey Home Our epic journey through Spain, Morocco and Portugal comes to an end this morning. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Trip code: SMAP/WSMP

### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

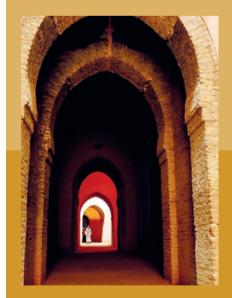
Year-round

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### Included highlights and must-sees

Be My Guest Visit a historic,



and mystery we discovered in Morocco. Like no other place I have ever been.

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# Best of Morocco

10 Days | 1 Country | 16 Meals | Balanced Activity



Day 1 Welcome to Casablanca The intoxicating sights and sounds of Morocco are revealed on this epic adventure through an ancient land. Delve into the intrigue and romance of Casablanca, immortalised by Hollywood, before meeting your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Mogador Marina Casablanca

Day 2 Journey to Rabat, Meknès and on to Fes We continue along the coast to the capital, Rabat. Here we'll embark on an orientation tour of the city which includes views of the grand 17-century Palace and Mausoleum of Mohammed V. Travelling to the imperial city of Meknès, we'll see the grand gate of Bab elMansour. We arrive in Fes later today where you can choose to spend the evening at leisure in the country's oldest imperial city or Enjoy a local meal of fine food, and traditional entertainment on our evening optional experience. (B) Hotel: Marriott Jnan **Palace** 

Day 3 Discover Vibrant Fes Join a Local Specialist today to explore the Medina, one of the largest thriving medieval centres in the world. See the Royal Palace and Dive Into Culture during a visit to the round dye-pits and tanneries, revealing Morocco's ancient leathercraft. Spend the rest of the day shopping or relaxing in a lantern-lit courtyard away from the Medina crowds. Join your companions this evening for a special opportunity to Connect With Locals over dinner for a Be My Guest experience, featuring Moroccan specialities served with wine in a traditional riad. (B, D) Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace

Day 4 Onwards to Erfoud We follow the old caravan trail south, stopping for a lunch in Midelt, a market town set within the high plains between the Middle and High Atlas mountain ranges. Continuing along the palm-fringed Ziz Valley and past the Tafilalt oasis, we arrive in the oasis town of Erfoud, regarded as the 'Gateway to the Sahara'. Its golden façades and towering dunes have made it a popular location for filmmakers for decades. This evening we dine at our hotel. (B, L, D) Hotel: Kasbah Xaluca

Day 5 Off to Tinghir Oasis and the Stunning Dades Valley Journeying west, we arrive in Tinghir, one of the most beautiful oases in southern Morocco. We continue through part of the Todra Gorge and cut through the mountains for one of the most dramatic views in the country. Enjoy a memorable lunch, then follow the 'Route of a Thousand Kasbahs' to the flourishing Dades Valley. Here we will overnight at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories, Xaluca Dades, surrounded by panoramic views of the Atlas Mountains. (B, L, D) Hotel: Dades Xaluca

Day 6 Venture through the High Atlas **Mountains to Marrakesh Blending** effortlessly into the arid landscape, Ouarzazate has provided a backdrop for

such famous movies as 'Lawrence of Arabia', 'Cleopatra' and 'Gladiator'. See the UNESCOlisted fortified village of Aït Ben Haddou in the High Atlas Mountains and continue through the Tizi-n-Tichka Pass to Marrakesh - the 'Red City'. Marrakesh is home to Morocco's largest traditional souk (market) where you may wish to spend some time learning the art of haggling. (B) Hotel: Le Méridien N'Fis

Day 7 Explore Marrakesh Visit the ornate Bahia Palace during a city orientation with your Local Specialist and spend some time soaking up the energy of Djemaa el Fna Square in the Old Quarter with its palm readers, storytellers and snake charmers. Meet the inspiring ladies of a local women's cooperative over tea and cakes, on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. The rest of the day is yours to explore. (B)



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The ladies of a local women's cooperative welcome you for tea and cakes at their community Café in Marrakesh.

Day 8 Continue to Coastal Essaouira We travel to the laid-back shores of Essaouira this morning. Stopping en route, we Dive **Into Culture** to visit a cooperative involved in creating cosmetics from traditional ingredients. Consider a delicious seafood lunch and enjoy some free time before joining a city tour of the UNESCO-listed Medina, the walled Jewish Quarter and Skala fortress. Spend the rest of the evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: Atlas Essaouira & Spa

Day 9 Return to Casablanca This morning we journey north to Casablanca where we will enjoy views of the magnificent Hassan II Mosque, built for the late King's 60th birthday celebrations. Later, we join our Travel Director and companions for a Farewell Dinner to celebrate an unforgettable voyage of discovery. (B, D) Hotel: Mogador Marina Casablanca

Day 10 Farewell Morocco Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### **Departure months**

Jan - Dec

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### Included highlights and must-sees

Discover Rabat, Meknès, Erfoud,

**Be My Guest** Dine on Moroccan



experience the Moroccan culture food entertainment, and interact

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# More France and Iberia Trips

The French joie de vivre and sizzing Spanish sunshine doesn't end - discover more of what's waiting in both spectacular countries. Read the full itineraries at trafalgar.com.



#### Guest favourite: Château d'Eporcé

Gain an intimate understanding of French aristocracy as you tour the Château d'Eporcé with your hosts, Count Remy de Scitvaux and his talented wife Lydia. You'll feel like you've wandered into a painting with the estate cattle grazing in the shadow of centuries-old trees and a silvery moat protecting the grand château. Enjoy a quiet stroll around its idyllic gardens before joining your hosts for a light lunch in one of their château's richly decorated rooms, with the meal featuring the best of Sarthe regional produce, made by Lydia.

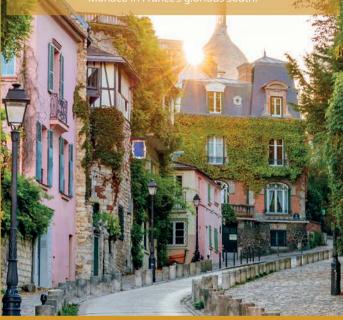
Treasures of France including Normandy, day 5

# Wonderful France

9 Days | 2 Countries | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Paris, Lyon, Avignon, Monaco, St Tropez, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Paris and Arles with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Beaune, Lyon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Avignon

**Visit** Saint-Sulpice church in Paris and Pont du Gard

View the Eiffel Tower and the Champs-Élysées, Place Bellecou and the Basilica of Notre Dame in Lyon, the Royal Palace and Cathedral in Monaco and the Palace of the Popes in Avignon

Scenic Cruise to St. Tropez

**Be My Guest** Lunch with Patrick at his home and enjoy a traditional meal from local produce

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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## WWI and WWII Battlefields

11 Days | 3 Countries | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: London, Brussels, Lens, Amiens, Rouen, Paris, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** London and Paris with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Normandy, Amiens, the Sommon Region, Yores, Brussels and Rouen

Visit the Imperial War Museum in London, the D-Day Landing Beaches, Saint-Sulpice church in Paris, Amiens Cathedral, military cemeteries throughout northern France and Belgium, the Australian National Memorial, the Caen Memorial, WWI & WWII Battlefields, the Dunkirk War Museum and evacuation beaches, and the Memorial Museun Passchendaele

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# Treasures of France including Normandy

8 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Paris, Honfleur, Loire Valley, D-Day Beaches, Mont-Saint-Michel, Chartres, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Mont-Saint-Michel and Châteaux of the Loire Valley with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Paris, Rouen, Honfleur, Bayeux and the Loire Valley

**Visit** the Bayeux Tapestry, the Normandy D-Day Landing Beaches, the monastery of Mont-Saint-Michel, the Châteaux of Amboise and Chenonceau and Chartres cathedral

**Be My Guest** Meet aristocrats from a 17th-century Northern French family, Count Remy de Scitvaux and his wife Lydia, in their home the Château d'Eporcé

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: FTOF

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# Paris Explorer

8 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Paris, Versailles, village of Montmartre, plus more

Remember why you love to travel on this in-depth Paris trip. You'll learn the art of French cuisine, go behind the scenes and uncover the secrets of Montmartre's artists' quarter and imagine the charmed life of the 'Sun King' as you explore Versailles.



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** the Royal Estate of Versailles including the Royal Palace, the Petit Trianon and Marie Antoinette's Hamlet 'Le Petit Hameau'

**Visit** the Eiffel Tower with lunch included and the 'village' of Montmartre.

**View** Champs-Elysées, the Paris Opera House, the Arc de Triomphe and the Place de la Concorde

**Be My Guest** Celebrate the glamour and style of 1950s Paris when you visit Chez Paul on an exclusive Be My Guest experience with your hosts and owners, Daniel and his daughter Lucie

### Find your tour

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Trip code: PARK

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# Highlights of France and Barcelona

10 Days | 3 Countries | 13 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Paris, Loire Valley, Lyon, Avignon, Nice, Monaco, Arles, Carcassonne, Barcelona, Madrid, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Paris, Lyon, Carcassonne and Barcelona with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Avignon, Nice, Monaco and Arles

**Visit** Saint-Sulpice Church in Paris, Château de Chenonceau in the Loire Valley and the Dalí Theatre and Museum in Figueres

Scenic Drive through the Loire Valley

**Be My Guest** Dine with the Montferrier Family in the Loire Valley

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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# Mediterranean Highlights

13 Days | 5 Countries | 18 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Madrid, Zaragoza, Barcelona, Avignon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco, Nice, Cinque Terre, Pisa, Florence, Rome, plus more

Ease into the local love of life and good food. Sunkissed days and sizzling nights guide you along this Mediterranean trip through coastal Spain, France and Italy. Enjoy lunch with sisters Sandra and Antonella on their Tuscan agriturismo near Vinci.



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Madrid, Barcelona, Cinque Terre, Florence and Rome with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Arles, Avignon, Aix-en-Provence, Monaco and Pisa

**Visit** Pont du Gard in Avignon, the French Riviera, Piazza della Signoria in Florence and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome

View La Sagrada Família, the Papal Palace, the Palace and Cathedral in Monaco, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio in Florence

Be My Guest Enjoy lunch in the Tuscan Hills

### Find your tour

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Trip code: SPRO

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#### Spotlight trip: Mediterranean Highlights

- This trip combines Spain, France and Italy, you'll love your chance to explore three distinctly European cultures with Local Specialists to share their in-depth insights
- Enjoy two-night stops in Madrid, Barcelona, Nice, Florence, and Rome
- Great for scenery lovers visiting Avignon, French Riviera, Provence and Tuscany

 Great option for foodies: visit the markets in Aix-en-Provence and a Tuscan feast at Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia, located near Leonardo Da Vinci's birtholace



# Northern Spain

11 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Barcelona, Pamplona, San Sebastián, Bilbao, Covadonga, Oviedo, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca, Madrid, plus more

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



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Barcelona, Santiago de Compostela, Salamanca and Madrid with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Pamplona, San Sebastián, Bilbao, Santander and Oviedo

**Visit** the Holy Cave of Covadonga, St. James Cathedral in Santiago de Compostela, Luarca village and the Prado Museum in Madrid

**View** La Sagrada Familia in Barcelona, the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao and the Cathedral and University of Salamanca

**Be My Guest** Enjoy lunch and Cider tasting with the Castanon family at their Cider Mill near Oviedo

### Find your tour

Departure months: Mar - Sep

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Trip code: SNOR

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# Best of Spain

15 Days | 2 Countries | 20 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Madrid, Santander, Pamplona, Barcelona, Valencia, Granada, Seville, Córdoba, plus more

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Don't miss a thing as you explore the Best of Spain, featuring all the travel highlights and some surprises, from olive oil tasting on an Andalusian farm and learning all about Toledo's three religions, to the treasured cities of Madrid, Seville and Barcelona.



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Barcelona, Seville, Córdoba, Toledo and Madrid with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Burgos, Santander, Bilbao, San Sebastián, Pamplona, Valencia, Peniscola and the Rock of Gibraltar

Visit The Tomb of El Cid in Burgos, the Alhambra Palace in Granada, the Cathedral in Seville, the Mosque of the Caliphs in Córdoba, the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo and the Prado Museum in Madrid

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo family

### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Oct

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Trip code: SBES

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# Treasures of Spain and Portugal

14 Days | 2 Countries | 19 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Madrid, Zamora, Santiago de Compostela, Porto, Lisbon, Seville, Granada, Valencia, Barcelona, plus more

Don't miss a thing on this most exhilarating of Spain and Portugal trips, filled with the flavours of sangria and port shared with locals, life-changing pilgrimages and the legacy of the Romans, Moors, Iberian royalty and a 'Spanish Pope' who built a 'City in the Sea'.



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Toledo, Madrid, Santiago de Compostela, Porto, Lisbon, Seville and Barcelona with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Segovia, Zamora and Valencia

Visit Santo Tomé and the synagogue in Toledo, the cathedral and Praza do Obradoiro in Santiago de Compostela, the Stock Exchange Palace and a local port wine cellar in Porto, the Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon, Seville Cathedral, the Alhambra Palace in Granada

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a traditional Andalusian dinner with the Morillo family

### Find your tour

**Departure months**: Mar - Oct

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Trip code: STSP

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## Be My Guest Experience: Enjoy a Traditional Andalusian Dinner with the Morillo Family

Feast on a traditional Andalusian dinner with the charming company of the Morillo family. You'll be welcomed to the home by Isaac, who used to be a journalist before joining his wife's family at their olive oil farm near Seville where they produce award-winning oils. Sip on sangria in their sun-dappled courtyard before visiting the areas where the olive oil is produced. Feel like one of the agricultural students who often come to visit as you learn how the family makes olive oil. At the end of your visit, enjoy dinner with Isaac and another family member in the courtyard or inside the farm, feeling like you've made new friends in Andalusia.

Treasures of Spain and Portugal, day 8, Best of Spain, day 10





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Days 1-2 Welcome to Amsterdam Stroll through Amsterdam's pretty streets and tree-lined canals, perhaps stopping for coffee in one of the iconic squares of the city. Join your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening on a scenic canal cruise, including a light meal and welcome drinks. Enjoy a Small Group Sightseeing tour of the Rijksmuseum, featuring the works of great Dutch masters, including Rembrandt's 'The Night Watch'. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to enjoy a meal in the Dutch countryside. Hotel: Bilderberg Garden

The Hague and Rotterdam Visit Aalsmeer and its vibrant flower auction, filled with the vividly-hued blooms for which Holland is so famous. Travel via The Hague to the historic town of Delft and Dive Into Culture at the Royal Delft Pottery workshop to gain insights into the production of this delicate hand-painted blue and white porcelain. Your orientation tour will reveal an innovative city full of dynamic history. Consider joining an Optional Experience to visit the UNESCO World Heritage-listed village of Kinderdijk. Travel east to Arnhem to see the John Frost Bridge and explore Oosterbeek at your own

Days 3-4 Journey to Aalsmeer/Keukenhof,

Days 5-6 Off to Stunning Zwolle and **Groningen** Travel to the Hanseatic city of Zwolle and join a Local Specialist for a walking tour through its historic centre. Continue to Groningen. Dive Into Culture and explore the city on a guided walk with a Local Specialist. Embark on a beautiful drive through Friesland to Volendam. Dive

pace. Hotel: Bilderberg Parkhotel

Into Culture and learn about the craft of wooden clog making and Dutch cheese. Meet Tom, miller of Katwoude, for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Visit the mill and learn about the important role the mill plays in managing rising water levels. Enjoy a celebratory **Be My Guest** Farewell Dinner with the Pauw family as you connect with locals over a traditional Dutch meal.



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Visit a mill in Katwoude and learn about the important role the mill plays in managing rising water levels.

Day 7 Farewell Amsterdam For now we say a fond tot ziens to Amsterdam and our newfound friends, closing the door on a memorable Dutch experience. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

## Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Mar - Sep

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### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, Zwolle and Groningen with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Amsterdam and Rotterdam

Visit Aalsmeer or Keukenhof (when open), Royal Delft Pottery, the Airborne Museum in Arnhem and a cheese and clog factory in Volendam

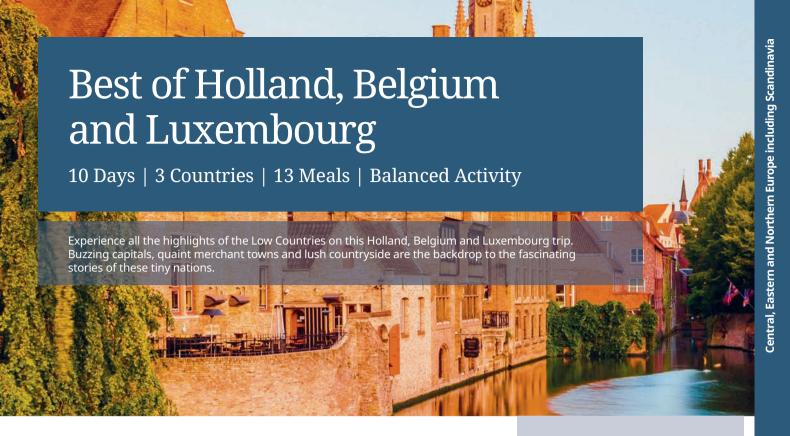
**View** the John Frost Bridge in Arnhem

Be My Guest dine with the Pauw family on their dairy farm, savouring local cheeses

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Days 1-4 Arrive Brussels Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner in Brussels. Your Travel Director will take you on an orientation of the city to see the Atomium, Mannekin Pis and the exquisite Grand Place. After, explore the capital as you wish. See the three famous towers, Saint Nicholas Church, the Belfry and Saint Bavo's Cathedral, before continuing to Bruges. Consider joining a Ypres Excursion and Last Post Ceremony which commemorates the fallen of the British Army and her allies on the surrounding Flanders Fields. Dive Into Culture and admire the delicate art of Belgian lace.



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Taste acclaimed Orval Trappist beer, renowned for its fruity flavours. Brewed in the monastic tradition, it has been produced respecting the natural environment, using low power energy and with minimal waste.

Days 5-7 Journey to Luxembourg En route to the Duchy of Luxembourg, stop in Dinant. During a visit Orval Abbey, taste the locallybrewed sustainable Trappist beer, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Embark on a leisurely walking tour of Luxembourg City with a Local Specialist. Continue to Bastogne. the site of bloody skirmishes in the World War II Battle of the Bulge. Next, the fortified city of Maastricht takes centre stage. Spend time strolling through its town centre before journeying to the magical city of Amsterdam.

**Days 8-9 Explore Amazing Amsterdam** 

In Amsterdam, **Dive Into Culture** as you join a Small Group Sightseeing tour of the Rijksmuseum with a Local Specialist. Soak up the gezellig Dutch atmosphere, before heading to Delft via The Hague. Dive **Into Culture** during a visit to the Royal Delft Pottery workshop and learn about local traditions. Continue this eventful journey south, arriving in Rotterdam for an informative orientation tour. During the tour's final evening, join your travelling companions and Travel Director for a **Be My Guest** Farewell dinner.

Day 10 Depart Amsterdam We bid Amsterdam a fond farewell this morning as we prepare to close the curtain on a memorable holiday. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Mar - Sep

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, Luxembourg City and Bruges with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Maastricht, Ghent and Brussels

Visit General George Patton's Grave in Luxembourg City, Orval Abbey, Dinant and a lace making workshop in Bruges

> **View** The American Memorial at Bastogne

Scenic Cruise on the canals of Amsterdam and Bruges

**Be My Guest** Dine with the Pauw family on their dairy farm savouring local cheeses

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# Contrasts of Switzerland

8 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Balanced Activity



Day 1 Welcome to Zürich Zürich is your springboard to a spectacular journey through Switzerland. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers to explore its ancient heritage and modern verve during your orientation tour this afternoon. This evening, attend a Reception to launch your Swiss experience. (WR) Hotel: Mövenpick Airport

Day 2 Onwards by Train to St. Moritz Our love affair with the snow-capped peaks of Switzerland begins on a scenic train journey via Chur to the stylish resort of St. Moritz, set against the beautiful backdrop of Lake St. Moritz. Admire the inspiring natural setting and perhaps travel on one of Switzerland's most spectacular rail routes across the Bernina pass this afternoon, before enjoying St. Moritz at your leisure tonight. (B) Hotel: Reine Victoria

#### Day 3 Catch the Glacier Express to

Zermatt Embrace the glamour and romance of a bygone era. Watch the epic alpine landscapes drift past as you chug along one of the world's most unforgettable rail journeys from the comfort of the Glacier Express. Cross hundreds of bridges and the Oberalp Pass at 6,700 feet (2,044 m) above sea level. Enjoy an included lunch on board as you journey past lakes and glaciers bound for the resort town of Zermatt, at the foothills of the imposing Matterhorn. Your Tour Director will take you on an Orientation of the town. (B, L) Hotel: Ambassador

Day 4 Zermatt at Leisure Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air and panoramic vistas. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views. (B)



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Meet the passionate beekeeper of Apidae, a local organisation raising awareness and promoting education on bees, wildflowers and pollinators, for a talk on bees and biodiversity in Geneva County. Day 5 A Train Journey to Lakeside Geneva This morning we board a train to Geneva and continue through green pastures to La Ferme Enchantée for a memorable Be My Guest lunch experience.

pastures to La Ferme Enchantée for a memorable **Be My Guest** lunch experience. This sustainable farm also hosts beehives, and we meet the beekeeper during our **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience. This afternoon we return to sophisticated Geneva where the orientation will include views of the Old Town, Jet d'Eau and the Flower Clock, paying tribute to the city's centuries-old watchmaking traditions. Later, explore the sights of this lakeside city on your own. Stroll through the ancient maze of medieval streets and quiet squares or consider a cruise – enjoying views of the lakeside villages. **(B, L) Hotel: Warwick** 

Day 6 Journey on the Golden and Brünig Pass to Interlaken and Lucerne Pictureperfect landscapes are our constant companion as we journey from Geneva along the Golden Pass route. We stop at Interlaken in the heart of the Swiss Alps, located at the foot of a trio of famous peaks - the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. Spend some time at leisure and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. We follow the Brünig Pass to the lakeside town of Lucerne in central Switzerland, where we will stay for the next two nights. The evening is free to spend as you wish, but you could choose to show off your vocal talents and learn how to yodel during an optional

fun-packed Swiss folklore show with fondue

#### Day 7 Explore Medieval Lucerne

dinner. (B) Hotel: Radisson Blu

Mountain top peaks surround you as you wander through the medieval streets of Lucerne on an orientation walk. Visit the poignant Lion Monument, built in memory of the Swiss Guard who bravely defended Louis XVI during the French Revolution. View the covered wooden Chapel Bridge spanning the Reuss with its decorated wooden panels, which chronicle the history of Lucerne. Later consider an Optional Experience to a nearby mountain peak, or explore the Old Town and shop for delicious Swiss chocolate. Tonight, we join our Travel Director and fellow travel companions for a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 8 Journey Home We say a fond farewell to Switzerland and newfound friends at the end of a remarkable Swiss holiday. Your Travel Director will give you tickets for the short train journey from Lucerne to Zürich Airport, which can be used at your convenience for the onward journey. (B)

### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

Apr - Sep

See **Trafalgar.com** or your Travel advisor for dates and prices



# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Discover** Zürich, St. Moritz, Zermatt, Geneva and Lucerne

View the Matterhorn (weather permitting), the Jet d'Eau in Geneva, the Swiss Alps in Interlaken and the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne

**Scenic Train Ride** on the Glacier Express from St. Moritz to Zermatt and train from Geneva to Lucerne

**Be My Guest** Enjoy Swiss hospitality and local delicacies with the owner of a local vineyard



"A beautiful day overlooking Lake Geneva with our son." - Tom Murwin

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# Best of Switzerland

9 Days | 2 Countries | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity



Day 1 Welcome to Zürich Zürich is your springboard to a spectacular journey through Switzerland. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience for a social impact guided walking tour and sustainable chocolate tasting. This evening, attend a Welcome Dinner to launch your Swiss experience. (D) Hotel: Hyatt Place Airport



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® **EXPERIENCE** 



Join a socially-engaged local guide for a walking tour of Zürich. Learn about history and social solidarity while tasting ethical chocolate. This tour directly supports local and women-led businesses.

Day 2 Journey to Lake Geneva We leave the bright lights of Zürich behind and stop in Bern with its Old Town, admiring its medieval streets, ornate fountains and arcaded walkways. Journeying to Lake Geneva, we arrive in the resort town of Montreux, set against the pristine backdrop of snow-covered peaks and vineyards. After lunch, consider joining an Optional Experience to cruise Lake Geneva, including a visit to the Charlie Chaplin museum in his former estate, Manoir de Ban. (B) **Hotel: Eurotel** 

Day 3 Onwards to Chillon Castle and Zermatt This morning, we visit Chillon Castle, immortalised by Lord Byron's 'Prisoner of Chillon'. For nearly four centuries, this water fortress was the residence of the Counts of Savoy and an important stop for traders. Our next stop is the Lavaux region, a charming wine village above Lake Geneva, where we'll Connect With Locals over lunch at our Be My Guest experience. Continue your journey to the resort town of Zermatt, set against the backdrop of the snow-capped Matterhorn. (B, L) Hotel: Mirabeau

Day 4 Zermatt Your Way Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air and panoramic vistas. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional

Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views. (B)

Day 5 Venture to the Italian Lake Maggiore Departing Switzerland, we travel to the lakeside town of Baveno on Italy's Lake Maggiore. Spend the rest of the day indulging in the laid-back lakeside atmosphere or consider joining an Optional Experience to Isola Bella, one of the lake's Borromean islands, with its palazzo and exquisite gardens. (B) Hotel: Simplon

Day 6 Off to Alpine St. Moritz We travel through the scenic Italian countryside to the fortified town of Tirano. Here, we board the UNESCO World Heritage Listed Rhaetian Railway to cross the Bernina Pass and wind our way through scenic landscapes en route to the stylish resort town of St. Moritz. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers. (B, D) Hotel: Reine Victoria

Day 7 Journey to Lakeside Lucerne Journeying through lush green landscapes, past Lake Zürich, we arrive in lakeside Lucerne. Pay tribute to the brave Swiss Guards, who lost their lives defending King Louis XVI at the Lion Monument, and admire the iconic wooden Chapel Bridge before strolling past the city's colourful façades. Consider joining a cruise on the tranquil lake waters and then ride the world's first double deck 'CabriO' cable car to the top of Mount Stanserhorn. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe

Day 8 Admire Scenic Brienz and Interlaken We travel to Interlaken at the heart of Switzerland, which lies in the shadow of the Jungfrau Mountain. Stopping in the village of Brienz en route, we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of wood carving for which this village is so famous. Spend some time on your own and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our fellow travellers and Travel Director toasting the highlights of Switzerland we've enjoyed along the way. (B, D)

Day 9 Homeward Bound As our journey through Switzerland comes to an end, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### **Basel Tattoo**

Embrace a bit of pomp and circumstance at the world's second largest open-air Tattoo show in Basel. Watch as international military bands, popular musicians, traditional folk dancers and tattoo formations wow spectators during rousing performances that will get your feet tapping. Select departures will replace the Brienz and Interlaken Excursion on day 8 with a trip to the Basel Tattoo.

Trip code: SWBO

### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Mar - Sep

#### **Special Events & Dates**

Select July departures will replace the Brienz and Interlaken excursion on day 8 with a trip to the Basel Tattoo.

See Trafalgar.com or your Travel Advisor for dates and prices



### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Discover** Zürich and Lucerne

Visit Bern, Chillon Castle, Interlaken and Brienz

**View** the Chapel Bridge and Lion Monument in Lucerne, the Jungfrau and Matterhorn mountains (weather permitting), Lake Maggiore and Lake Como

> Scenic Train Ride from Tirano to Pontresina

**Be My Guest** Enjoy flavours of local vineyard overlooking Lake Geneva



"Incredible views, culture, food and wine experiences paired with an incredible group of people from all over the world."

- Ashlinn Reale

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# Switzerland and Austria

13 Days | 4 Countries | 17 Meals | Balanced Activity

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



Day 1 Welcome to Zürich Your epic journey begins in the sophisticated Swiss city of Zürich. This afternoon join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience for a social impact guided walking tour and sustainable chocolate tasting. This evening, enjoy a Welcome Dinner in this beautiful lakeside setting. (D) Hotel: Movenpick Zurich Airport



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® **EXPERIENCE** 



Join a socially-engaged local guide for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience walking tour of Zürich. Learn about history and social solidarity while tasting ethical chocolate. This tour directly supports local and women-led business.

Day 2 Journey to Liechtenstein and Salzburg Embark on a soul-stirring encounter with the valleys and lofty peaks of Liechtenstein, bound for its tiny capital, Vaduz. Continue along the scenic Arlberg route through the Tyrol to your overnight stop in the city of Salzburg. Join a Local Specialist for a walking tour past iconic sights, including Mozart former home, the imposing Salzburger Dom Cathedral, Residenz Castle and St. Peter's Abbey. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Salzburg City

Day 3 Onwards to Vienna Waltz through the scenic Austrian countryside, past Lake Mondsee and the rolling hills and fortresses of the Wachau Valley, then continue to Vienna. Perhaps spend your first evening in the 'City of Music' on an Optional Experience Viennese dinner with traditional entertainment. (B) Hotel: Acom Vienna/NH **Danube City** 

Day 4 Discover Artistic Vienna Admire the grand boulevards and beautiful Baroque façades of the Austrian capital on a guided sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. You'll see the State Opera, Hofburg, St. Stephen's Cathedral and Parliament, before spending time exploring this imperial city your way. Enjoy the Kaffee culture of the city and tonight consider an Optional Experience dinner and Viennese Concert. (B)

Day 5 Off to the Riverside Villach Journey south to Graz, known for its striking architecture and Roman history. Continue to Lipizzaner Stud farm at Piber to gain insights into these athletic stallions bred for the Spanish Riding School. Head to Villach. This evening, connect with locals at a **Be My** Guest experience. (B, D) Hotel: Palais26

Day 6 Ascend to Alpine Innsbruck Enjoy spectacular Alpine scenery, journeying over the remarkable Felbertauern Road on your way to the capital of the Tyrol, Innsbruck. Here you will have an opportunity to admire Emperor Maximilian I's Golden Roof, St. James Cathedral and see the Olympic ski jump. You could choose to browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. (B) Hotel: Grauer Bär

Day 7 Venture to St. Moritz This morning, we cross the Swiss border and travel through the enchanting landscapes of the Engadine Valley. Arriving in the chic winter sports resort of St. Moritz, we have the afternoon on our own to explore the scenic landscape or perhaps take the Bernina line train. (B, D) **Hotel: Reine Victoria** 

Day 8 Journey to Lake Maggiore and on to Zermatt Drive via the Maloja Pass, past Lake Como, to Lake Maggiore. Explore the lakeside town of Stresa, before seeing the Borromean Islands. Then, head towards the Simplon Pass en route to Zermatt, where you will dine at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Ambassador

Day 9 Zermatt Your Way Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn. (B)

#### Day 10 On to Lake Geneva and Montreux

We continue through the Rhône Valley, arriving on the tranguil shores of Lake Geneva, where we will view Chillon Castle. We follow the lakeshore to Montreux, set against the pristine backdrop of snow-covered peaks and vineyards. (B) Hotel: Eurotel

#### Day 11 Cross the Brünig Pass to Lucerne

Travel via Bern to Interlaken, in the shadow of the Jungfrau. Cross the Brünig Pass to Lucerne, to view the ancient wooden Chapel Bridge and visit the poignant Lion Monument. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe

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

Day 13 Journey Home We say a fond farewell to Switzerland and our newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable journey. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Trip code: SWAU

### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

Apr - Sep

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist

Discover Liechtenstein, Zürich, Innsbruck and Lucerne

Visit Vaduz, St. Moritz, Stresa, Graz, Lipizzaner Stud farm in Piber and Zermatt

**View** the Golden Roof and Hofburg Palace in Innsbruck, the Matterhorn and Jungfrau mountains (weather permitting), Chillon Castle, Bern and the Chapel Bridge and Lion Monument in Lucerne

Be My Guest Enjoy a homemade dinner at the Monastery of Kloster Wernberg



"I am on top of the world. Matterhorn excursion my most spectacular mountain ride to view the magnificent snow capped top of the world "

- Elizabeth Senoron

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Day 1 Welcome to Prague The gleaming spires of Prague shine brightly on this sojourn through the imperial capitals of Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Admire the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque façades, before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for an unforgettable Welcome Dinner to kick off your holiday. (D) Hotel: Vienna House by Wyndham Andel's Prague

Day 2 Discover Historic Prague Delve into centuries of history, joining your Local **Specialist** for a quided walk past the city's iconic sights. Visit the final resting place of Bohemian kings, St. Vitus Cathedral, set within the precincts of Prague Castle. Then, admire the Astronomical Clock in the Old Town Square, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. Spend the afternoon admiring the spectacular cityscape on your own. Consider joining a relaxing cruise on the beautiful River Vltava and we'll tell you about the legends, myths, culture and hidden secrets of this enchanting city. During the cruise you'll enjoy a lunch of local specialities. (B)

Day 3 Prague Your Way Today is yours to explore the legends, castles and palaces of Prague. Follow the 'Royal Route', discover historic treasures and admire picturesque views of the city from Petřín Hill. Spend your evening at leisure, enjoying some of the local beer for which the country is famous. (B)



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE** 



Meet the resilient women of Mareena café over freshly baked goods. This wonderful organisation provides employment opportunities to vulnerable women, giving them financial independence and helping them develop their potential.

Day 4 Journey to Slovak Bratislava and on to Vienna Travel south from Prague through lush Moravian landscapes to Bratislava. In the quaint Old Town, stop for a pick-me-up and unique MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at a social business

café providing employment opportunities for vulnerable women. Continue your journey to Vienna, your home for the next three nights. (B) Hotel: Austria Trend Parkhotel Schönbrunn

Day 5 Explore Vibrant Vienna The heritage of one of Europe's most influential royal families is explored this morning as we **Dive Into Culture** during a Small Group Sightseeing guided visit to the spectacular Kunstkammer. Later, we join an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist to view the Hofburg Palace, the official residence of the President of Austria and former home of the Habsburg Dynasty. We'll see such sights as the Parliament Building, the magnificent Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral with its geometrically tiled roof. (B)

Day 6 Vienna Your Way Today is yours to explore the 'City of Music' on your terms. Tread in the footsteps of the great sons of Vienna - Mozart, Haydn and Strauss - as you delve into the city's rich musical heritage nurtured by aristocrats throughout the centuries. Consider a visit to the beautiful Baroque Schönbrunn Palace to see the former imperial summer residence. (B)

Day 7 Onwards to Budapest Journey along the Danube Bend, a narrow twisting valley in the pretty Carpathian Basin, stopping in Esztergom to view its Castle Hill, domed Cathedral, and St. Thomas Hill. We follow the scenic landscape to the romantic city of Budapest where we will spend the next three nights. Enjoy a free evening sipping Hungarian wines or consider cruising along the Danube. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

Day 8 See the Sights of Budapest Join a Local Specialist this morning for a walking tour. We pay tribute to the seven chieftains of the Magyars in Heroes' Square before enjoying time at the Castle Hill District. Tonight's **Be My Guest** experience will see us Connect With Locals over dinner with the Schieszl family and hear the story of their winery. (B, D)

Day 9 Budapest Your Way Venture up Gellert Hill for spectacular views of the Budapest skyline, relax in the Szechenyi Baths or consider an Optional Experience to Szentendre, a riverside village popular with artists and craftworkers. On our last evening together, we toast to a magnificent journey to the imperial capitals of Europe and enjoy a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant. (B, D)

Day 10 Farewell Budapest We say a fond farewell to our companions and Travel Director today after an unforgettable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

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### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**VIP Admission** to the Kunsthistorisches Museum in Vienna

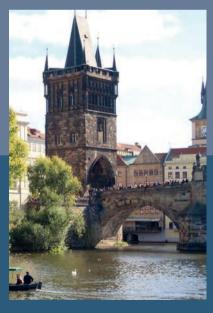
> **Explore** Prague, Vienna and Budapest with a Local Specialist

Visit St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague, and the old Hungarian capital of Esztergom

View the Castle and Old Town of Bratislava, the Hofburg Palace and Imperial Boulevards of Vienna and the Parliament Building in Budapest

See St. Stephen's Cathedral and the Opera House in Vienna

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a hearty Hungarian Be My Guest dinner with the Schieszl Family



"We were delightfully surprised by Prague. The landmarks, people, and charm were second to none."

- Kurtis Fischer

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

Day 2 Journey to Medieval Regensburg and Prague This morning visit Regensburg, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and an unspoilt medieval gem. Cross the Czech border and head to Prague, your home for the next two nights. Consider joining an evening introduction to this fairy-tale city on private transport and with a little strolling, before enjoying a drink in a quaint restaurant as a musician entertains and discover parts of Prague that we have not seen yet.

(B) Hotel: Vienna House by Wyndham Andel's Prague

Day 3 Discover Colourful Prague Delve into centuries of history as you join a Local Specialist for a guided sightseeing tour of Prague. View the impressive architecture of St. Vitus Cathedral in the grounds of the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle. Cross the river on your walking tour to the Old Town Square to see the Astronomical Clock, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. The afternoon is yours to explore the city on your own. Perhaps take a relaxing cruise on the beautiful River Vltava as we tell you about the legends, myths, culture and hidden secrets of this enchanting city while you enjoy a lunch of local specialities. (B)



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE



Meet the women of Mareena café over coffee and freshly baked goods. This organisation provides employment opportunities to migrant women, giving them financial independence and facilitating their integration into Slovakian society.

Day 4 Onwards to Slovak Bratislava and Budapest Cross the lush landscapes of Moravia and stop in Bratislava to admire its eclectic Gothic, Baroque and Art Deco architecture. In the Old Town, stop for a pick-me-up and unique MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at a social business café providing employment opportunities for vulnerable women. Continue across the Hungarian border before arriving in Budapest, the 'Paris of the East'. (B) Hotel: Novotel Danube

Day 5 Explore Riverside Budapest Admire all the highlights of Budapest on a guided sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. See the famous Chain Bridge which connects two ancient settlements that straddle the Danube, and the UNESCO-listed Castle Hill district. Spend the rest of the day at leisure or join an Optional Experience visit to Szentendre, a picturesque medieval town located on the banks of the Danube. Later, you'll join the Schieszl family for a hearty Hungarian dinner at our Be My Guest experience. Connect With Locals and hear the story of their winery. (B, D)

Day 6 Venture to Vienna A leisurely start to your morning could see you joining an Optional Experience guided tour of the magnificent Parliament Building. Cross the hilly landscapes of Transdanubia stopping in Győr to soak up its medieval atmosphere. Arrive in Vienna for an evening at leisure to indulge in the captivating melodies, art our newfound friends and architecture of a city that was once home to famous composers. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Vienna - South

Day 7 See the Sights of Vienna Join a Local Specialist and explore the imperial splendour of Vienna. Admire the Hofburg Palace, the grand State Opera House and Ringstrasse, then see the ornate colourful roof of St. Stephen's Cathedral, one of the city's most beloved icons. Perhaps consider a visit to the Baroque Schönbrunn Palace with its tranquil gardens or enjoy Vienna's musical talents at one of the performances for which the city is famous. (B)

Day 8 Off to Picturesque Salzburg See the Benedictine Melk Abbey perched on a rocky outcrop above the Danube. Arrive in Salzburg later and embark on a walking tour with a Local Specialist. Dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D) Hotel: Arcotel Castellani Hotel

Day 9 Return to Munich Leave Austria behind, bound for the Bavarian Capital, Munich. This evening, we celebrate an unforgettable journey through some of Europe's most memorable cities during a Farewell Dinner with your travel companions and Travel Director. (B, D) Hotel: Leonardo Royal Hotel Munich

**Day 10 Farewell Munich** Say a fond *auf Wiedersehen* to Germany, at the end of your exhilarating European experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

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# Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Prague, Budapest, Vienna and Salzburg with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Munich, Regensburg, Bratislava and Győr

View the Marienplatz in Munich, St. Vitus' Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague and the Imperial Boulevards of Vienna

See Melk Abbey

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a hearty Hungarian Be My Guest dinner with the Schieszl Family



"From all the amazing friends we met, some of the best food and beer, and too many spectacular sights to list made it a special trip."

- Sean Baxter

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Day 1 Welcome to Berlin Start your Central European adventure in Berlin. Explore this remarkable city before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner. (D) Hotel: Hilton

Day 2 Explore Bustling Berlin Explore an iconic landmark of Berlin during an experience at the Berlin TV Tower. Enjoy inspiring 360° views of the city, then see the neo-Renaissance Reichstag, the Tiergarten, Brandenburg Gate and Unter den Linden with a Local Specialist. Spend some free time this afternoon exploring the city. (B)

#### Day 3 Journey to Poznań and on to Warsaw

We travel through patchwork farm landscapes stopping in Poznań, before arriving in the modern Polish capital, Warsaw. Check in and dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D) **Hotel: Leonardo Royal** 

Day 4 Discover Historic Warsaw Join a Local Specialist this morning to explore Warsaw's colourful historic centre, including the Old Town. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city's sights on your own. Consider a visit to the Wilanów Palace, a priceless testimony to the splendour of Poland's royal past, and treat yourself to a Chopin recital, before joining your travel companions this evening for a delicious Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D)

#### Day 5 Onwards to Auschwitz and Kraków

Today we journey south from Warsaw and to the Auschwitz Memorial Site Auschwitz Memorial Site, a poignant reminder a poignant reminder of one of the greatest tragedies of World War II. Our visit includes a guided tour of Auschwitz. We then continue to the enchanting city of Kraków. (B, D) **Hotel: Qubus** 

Day 6 See the Sights of Kraków We take to the beautiful streets of Kraków, joining a Local Specialist for a walking tour of the medieval Old Town. Visit the Mariacki Church, see Wawel Castle, then enjoy panoramic views of the city from Wawel Hill. The rest of the day is yours to explore the sights. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine. (B)

Day 7 Venture through Slovakia to **Budapest** Drive south through the Tatra mountains and across the border into Slovakia. Continue to Hungary and arrive later in the majestic capital of Budapest. (B) **Hotel: Mercure Korona** 

#### Day 8 Uncover the Treasures of Budapest

We join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. Spend the rest of the day exploring on your own or consider a trip to Szentendre, a lively riverside town renowned for its art life. This evening, we Connect With Locals and join the Schieszl family for dinner and hear the story of their winery at our Be My Guest experience. (B, D)

Included meals: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D)

Day 9 Off to Vienna Cross the hilly Transdanubia region to Vienna, where a **MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®** Experience awaits during a tasting of sustainable wine. (B) Hotel: Imperial Riding School, Autograph Collection



MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® **EXPERIENCE** 



Sustainable production, protection of the natural environment and high quality wine is what defines Cobenzl winery. Taste their award winning wines during a tour of their vineyard.

Day 10 Admire Vibrant Vienna Tread in the footsteps of Mozart, Haydn and Strauss, on an included sightseeing tour with a Local **Specialist**. See the Parliament Building, the 13th-century Hofburg Palace, State Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral. Spend the rest of the day discovering the city at your own pace. Consider joining an Optional Experience to a famous local hostelry for traditional Austrian cuisine and a musical performance. (B)

Day 11 Venture to Prague Travel north to the Czech Republic and visit Tábor, once a Hussite stronghold. This afternoon, arrive in the city of Prague. (B, D) Hotel: NH City

#### Day 12 The Old Town and More in Prague

Join a Local Specialist this morning and visit St. Vitus Cathedral, cross the Vltava to the Old Town Square and view the 14th-century Astronomical Clock. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 13 Journey to Frankfurt Journey across the German border, stopping in Nuremberg before arriving in Frankfurt. Spend the last evening with your travel companions and Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. (B, D) **Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach** 

Day 14 Farewell Frankfurt We say farewell to our newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### **Departure months**

Year-round

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Berlin, Warsaw, Kraków, Budapest, Vienna and Prague with a Local Specialist

Visit the Berlin TV Tower, Poznań, the former concentration camp at Auschwitz, St. Mary's Church and the Cloth Hall in Kraków, Győr, Tábor, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague

View the famous Reichstag and Tiergarten in Berlin, Kraków Cathedral and Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków and the Castle District in Budapest

> **See** Hofburg Palace and the Opera House in Vienna

Be My Guest Enjoy a hearty Hungarian Be My Guest dinner



"This was my first Trafalgar trip and the greatest experience was the wonderful people who I continue to travel with! Lifelong friendships." - Elissa Siegel

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## Highlights of Eastern Europe

17 Days | 8 Countries | 24 Meals | Balanced Activity

Shine a spotlight on Prague's colourful medieval streets and good times with a local Hungarian family at



Day 1 Welcome to Vienna Admire Vienna's Hofburg Palace, Imperial Boulevards and the beloved St. Stephen's Cathedral in the company of a Local Specialist. This evening, we enjoy a Welcome Reception at your **Stays** With Stories accommodation, the Hilton Danube Waterfront. (WR) Hotel: Hilton **Danube Waterfront** 

Days 2-6 Journey to Lake Bled - Ljubljana - Zagreb - Onwards to Lake Balaton and Budapest Pass to Slovenia, arriving later at Lake Bled. In Ljubljana, join a Local **Specialist** for a sightseeing tour to see the Opera House, Cathedral, National Museum, Three Bridges Square and Castle. Travel to Croatian capital Zagreb on day 4 to explore a tale of two hilltop settlements and Zagreb's alluring streets. Join a Local Specialist who will share the landmarks of the city's Lower and Upper Town, including the Gothic Cathedral, the Archbishop's Palace, the Opera House and St. Mark's Church. On day 6 we cross the border into Hungary, enjoy a photo stop on the shores of Lake Balaton and continue to Budapest - our home for the next two nights.

#### **Day 7** Explore Architectural Budapest

Today, we join a Local Specialist for a walking tour of the Castle district to admire views of the Danube and Fisherman's Bastion. See the Parliament and the Great Synagogue. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. Later, we meet the Schieszl family and Connect With Locals over dinner at our Be My Guest experience (B, D)



**MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® EXPERIENCE** 



Meet Nina at her studio to discover the secrets behind Licitar, the traditional and richly decorated heart-shaped Croatian cookies.

Days 8-13 Slovakia to Kraków - Auschwitz and Warsaw - Berlin Journey through Slovakia to the enchanting Polish city of Kraków. Amble through the beautiful streets of Kraków with our Local Specialist, admiring views of the Royal Castle and

Cathedral on Wawel Hill. Spend the afternoon exploring the city or perhaps join an Optional Experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine. Journey to the former concentration camp at Auschwitz on day 10, and in the evening, arrive in the elegant capital of Warsaw. Join a Local Specialist on a visit to the Old Town and the site of the Warsaw Ghetto on day 11. Spend the rest of the day seeing the sights. Day 12 is taking you to Bustling Berlin: journey across Poland's patchwork countryside along the Autostrada Wolności (Motorway of Freedom), In Berlin, a capital city with an enviable youthful verve and charisma, you'll enjoy an evening at leisure to explore the city your way, before indulging in spectacular panoramic views from the Berlin TV Tower the next day. Join a Local **Specialist** for a sightseeing tour through the great landmarks of Berlin, including the Brandenburg Gate, Unter den Linden Boulevard and the Reichstag Building.

#### Day 14 Onwards to Dresden and Prague

Travel through the Spreewald Forest to Dresden where your orientation tour will reveal insights into the city's restoration. See the Semper Opera, Zwinger Palace and fully reconstructed Frauenkirche. Arrive later in glorious Prague. Spend your evening savouring hearty Czech flavours during a Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, D) **Hotel: Vienna House Diplomat** 

#### **Day 15 Discover Colourful Prague**

Explore exquisite Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque façades as you ramble through the ancient streets of Prague with your Local Specialist who will share insights into the city's centuries-old history. Marvel at Prague Castle and the Cathedral of St Vitus, then pass the Old New Synagogue on our way to the Old Town Square. Don't miss the hourly walk of the Apostles at the famous Astronomical Clock during your free time exploring. Perhaps indulge in some delicious sweet pastry Trdelník in the Old Town Square, admire the view from Petřín Hill or consider a relaxing cruise on the Vltava. (B)

Day 16 Through Southern Bohemia to Vienna Journey through the lush green and golden landscapes of southern Bohemia, stopping in Tábor, once a Hussite stronghold. Later, we travel to the imperial city of Vienna, where we'll enjoy a final Farewell Dinner together. (B, D) **Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront** 

Day 17 Farewell Vienna Say a fond farewell to your newfound friends and an epic adventure together through eastern Europe. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Trip code: CHEE

#### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Apr - Oct

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Vienna, Ljubljana, Zagreb, Budapest, Kraków, Warsaw, Berlin and Prague with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Dresden

Visit Lake Bled in Slovenia, Castle Hill District in Budapest, Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków, the former concentration camp at Auschwitz, Berlin TV Tower, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague and Tábor

**View** Lake Balaton, the Archbishop's Palace and the Opera House in Zagreb, Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków and Brandenburg Gate in Berlin

Be My Guest Enjoy a hearty Hungarian Be My Guest dinner with the Schieszl family



"Loved exploring the city of Dresden. Amazed at how they rebuilt it from the rubble. I was fascinated by seeing history up close."

- Jascha Johnson

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Day 1 Welcome to Zagreb This epic Croatia and Slovenia tour kicks off in the political and cultural capital of Zagreb where you'll discover the treasures of its past. You'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers later this evening for a Welcome Dinner and orientation drive. (D) Hotel: Zonar Zagreb

Day 2 Sightseeing in Zagreb Zagreb's medieval heart is the star of the show today - your Local Specialist reveals its charming upper town. The beauty of Bled isn't far off and you'll head through Slovenia's green landscapes for this popular lakeside resort town. (B) Hotel: Park Bled

#### Day 3 Explore the beauty of lakeside Bled

There's time for a scenic boat ride on Lake Bled today to view the 17th century Church of Assumption as an Optional Experience before today's exclusive Be My Guest experience with Monika, Gregor and their five children. You'll visit their Slibar farm, in their family for six generations, and learn all about their sustainable way of life. Connect With Locals and discover their new organic beer, bread and pasta. (B, D)

#### Day 4 Onwards to Liubliana and Opatiia

Leaving Bled behind, we travel to Ljubljana. You'll see the Old Town with its two medieval town squares linked by narrow lanes, the Prešeren Square, the Opera House, the National Museum and Castle. Next, we stop in Postonia for a visit of the caves. After that, we head to Croatia's riviera and settle into a slower pace in Opatija. (B) Hotel: Astoria Designhotel

Day 5 Enjoy a Day in Pula and Rovinj Start your day in Pula on Croatia's Istrian Peninsula where your visit to the 1st-century Pula Arena with a Local Specialist will reveal the city's role as a strategic location for the Romans, Ostrogoths, Venetians and the Allied Forces in World War II. The fishing port of Rovinj is up next and we'll wander through the Old Town, exploring its Mediterranean influences. (B)



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Admire the irresistible beauty of Plitvice Lakes National Park, a UNESCO-listed protected area and home to bears, wolves and many rare bird species.

Day 6 Off to Stunning Plitvice Few experiences will match today's guided walking tour of the UNESCO-listed Plitviče, one of the oldest and largest national parks in Croatia. On this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, you'll choose one of two walks revealing the cascading lake waters shifting from azure to green, grey to blue. (B, D) **Hotel: Atrium** 

Day 7 Admire Historic Trogir and on to Split Join your Local Specialist in Trogir to explore its charming medieval heart. You'll visit Diocletian's Palace around which the city of Split was built and Dive Into Culture hearing how Emperor Diocletian settled on this stunning landscape for his retirement. Your Local Specialist will share the remnants of luxurious squares and temples that still stand many centuries later. (B) **Hotel: Atrium** 

Day 8 Split Your Way Discover why Split has earned its nickname 'the most beautiful city in the world' with a full day to explore its heart and beyond. People-watch in Pjaca Square where citizens of Split have met for centuries, then ascend the bell tower for magnificent views of the sprawling terracotta roofs and white marble façades that seem to tumble into the Adriatic. You could choose instead a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian Islands. (B)

Day 9 From lunch in Ston to the 'Pearl of the Adriatic' The impressive walls of Dubrovnik beckon, but not before we stop to admire the extraordinary walled city of Ston, with its dramatic views and laid-back fishing village atmosphere. Continue to Dubrovnik, much adored by famous poets, playwrights and painters. (B) Hotel: Lero

#### Day 10 Explore Iconic Dubrovnik All

the highlights of Dubrovnik and some local favorites are revealed today on a Sightseeing tour of the city with your Local **Specialist**. On our last evening, we'll come together for a memorable Farewell Dinner toasting to the beauty of the Adriatic and new friendships forged. (B, D)

Day 11 Farewell Dubrovnik Our time together comes to an end this morning after breakfast. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Find your tour

#### **Departure months**

Year-round

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Zagreb, Pula, Rovinj, Plitvice National Park, Trogir, Split and Dubrovnik with a Local Specialist

> Discover Ljubljana, Bled, Opatija and Ston

View the Park of Sv. Jakov in Opatija

**See** The Triple Bridge and Castle of Ljubljana and the Old City of Dubrovnik

**Visit** the Postonja caves

Be My Guest Join Monika, Gregor and their children for dinner and a guided walk around the farm in Bled



"I loved being able to see all the beautiful views from Lake Bled and the Croatian Coast. As a solo traveller I enjoyed meeting new friends and sharing cultural experiences together" - Michelle Pye

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## Balkan Delight

12 Days | 3 Countries | 17 Meals | Balanced Activity



**Day 1 Welcome to Zagreb** Embark on an epic discovery of the Balkans, a once-troubled region and today a land of diverse cultures and traditions. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive. **(WR) Hotel: Zonar Zagreb** 

Day 2 Explore Historic Zagreb Join a Local Specialist to delve into the city's rich history. See the majestic cathedral on Kaptol, St. Mark's Church and admire the Opera House. Spend the rest of the afternoon on your own enjoy panoramic city views from Strossmayer promenade, pay tribute to Zagreb's patron saint at the Stone Gate or wander through the Old Town. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to Kumrovec and enjoy a delicious meal of regional specialities with views of the Croatian countryside. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Sarajevo We journey to Sarajevo, also known as the 'Jerusalem of Europe'. Delving into the depths below Sarajevo, we join a Local Specialist for an insider tour of the Bosnian war tunnel. Hear war-time tales of bravery and tragedy. This evening, join your travel companions for dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel

Day 4 Uncover Sarajevo's Secrets Join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour of the city's Old Town, past the largest mosque in the Balkans. During your free time this afternoon perhaps ramble along Copper Street seeking treasures, or drink from the fountain of Sebilj to secure your return to Sarajevo. (B)

Day 5 Along the Dalmatian Coast to
Dubrovnik We journey to the secluded
coves and dramatic cliffs of the Dalmatian
coast. En route to Dubrovnik, we stop at the
magnificent Mostar Bridge. A Local Specialist
will provide tales of this impressive bridge.
Meet a traditional coppersmith artisan on a
MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, before
continuing to the ancient city of Dubrovnik.
This evening, consider joining a private sunset
cruise with dinner, enjoying the best views
of this enchanting city from the water. (B)
Hotel: Lero

#### Day 6 Discover Picturesque Dubrovnik

Stroll through the limestone streets of this stunning medieval city, joining a Small Group Sightseeing walking tour of the main sights of Dubrovnik with a **Local Specialist**. Admire the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries. Consider taking a walk along the top of the city walls. This evening, we **Connect With Locals** during a wonderful **Be My Guest** experience. **(B, D)** 

**Day 7 A Day in Montenegro** Dazzling natural surroundings are ours to enjoy today as we travel to the Republic of Montenegro, where we will meet a **Local Specialist** and head toward the mouth of the Bay of Kotor.

Celebrate centuries of history in Kotor, with its Venetian palaces and medieval churches. We return to Dubrovnik this evening and dine at our hotel. (B, D)

Day 8 Onwards to Split Arriving in the vibrant city of Split. Enjoy a sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist featuring the historic inner city. Dive Into Culture and admire the façades of Diocletian's Palace, which today forms half of the Old Town of Split. See the city's Renaissance and Gothic structures, Jupiter's Temple, the Peristyle and the Cathedral. (B) Hotel: Corner

**Day 9 Split Your Way** Indulge in a full free day to discover Split on your terms or consider a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian islands. **(B)** 

Day 10 Admire Trogir's Architecture and on to Plitvice This morning, we visit the walled island of Trogir with a Local Specialist. The stone town is a boon for lovers of art and Renaissance, Baroque and Romanesque architecture. We leave the coast and journey to the forested National Park of Plitvice, where we will dine tonight at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Palcich

Day 11 Return to Zagreb Plitvice's multitude of lakes and waterfalls are explored today on a walking tour with a Local Specialist. On this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, you'll be enchanted by the exquisite beauty of this UNESCO listed natural wonder. We return to Zagreb for a final Farewell Dinner together. (B, D) Hotel: Zonar Zagreb



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**Day 12 Farewell Zagreb** Our time together comes to an end this morning after breakfast. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

#### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

Apr - Oct

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## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Zagreb, Sarajevo, Mostar, Dubrovnik, Kotor, Split, Trogir, and Plitvice National Park with a Local Specialist

**Visit** the War Tunnel in Sarajevo and Diocletian's Palace in Split

**View** the Cathedral in Zagreb, the Rector's Palace and city walls in Dubrovnik and the lakes and waterfalls of Plitvice National Park

**Be My Guest** Gain an appreciation for Croatian hospitality during a locally-sourced meal amidst the vine-laden hills of the Konavle valley



"What I saw was one of the best views I had ever seen, the landscape the architecture and beautiful sunshine were so lovely that I didn't want to come down."

- Azar Ahmadi

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Day 1 Welcome to Bucharest You'd be forgiven for thinking you were in Paris when you explore the Belle-Époque atmosphere of Romania's capital, Bucharest. Your first day will be free to explore the city your way. Later, join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Dinner. (D) Hotel: Mercure **Bucharest Unirii** 

#### Day 2 Journey to Transylvania and Brasov

A full day of sightseeing stretches ahead, beginning in Bucharest where you'll join a Local Specialist to delve into the city's tumultuous history. See the immense Palace of the Parliament. Venture to Sinaia and view Peleş Castle. Then, continue to Braşov and check in to your hotel in Poiana Braşov ski resort. (B, D) Hotel: Ana Sport

#### Day 3 Dracula's Castle and More in Brasov

Visit Bran Castle, the legendary home of Dracula, with a **Local Specialist** and learn about its history. Journey to the medieval streets of Braşov and step back in time with a Local Specialist. This evening, consider joining your travel companions for an optional dinner. (B)

#### Day 4 Continue to Medieval Veliko

Târnovo Head south, through ancient villages and tranquil landscapes into Bulgaria. Your journey ends in Veliko Târnovo, former capital of the Bulgarian Empire. Join vour travel companions for dinner at your hote (B, D) Hotel: Yantra Grand

Day 5 Onwards to Historic Sofia Join a Local **Specialist** to appreciate the fairytale façades of Veliko Târnovo, exuding medieval history around every turn. Next, visit the UNESCOlisted town of Arbanasi. Visit the Church of Holy Nativity before continuing to Sofia. (B) **Hotel: Astoria Grand** 

Day 6 Sofia Your Way You'll join a Local Specialist for an in-depth sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's modern-day capital including views of the golden-domed St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and St. Sofia Church. You could choose to join an Optional Experience to the UNESCO-listed Rila Monastery. (B)

#### Day 7 Journey to Macedonian Skopje

Cross the Macedonian border today, bound for Skopje. See the Ottoman Empire's legacy in the mosques and bazaars as you join a Local Specialist. Tonight you'll join an exclusive **Be My Guest** experience featuring local hospitality and cuisine. (B, D) Hotel: Next Door Park & Spa

Day 8 Off to Albania and Tirana Head to the Albanian capital of Tirana where, on arrival, you'll join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. You'll view such highlights as the Palace of Culture, the National Library and the Clock Tower before enjoying dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn

Day 9 Journey to Montenegro's Kotor and Budva Soak up Montenegro's natural beauty as journey to Kotor for an orientation tour. Travel to Budva next where your Travel Director will provide an orientation tour. (B) Hotel: Iberostar Slavija

#### Day 10 Venture to Mostar and Sarajevo

A Local Specialist will lead you through Mostar's colourful cobbled streets. View the Stari Most and meet a traditional coppersmith artisan on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Then, head to Sarajevo to delve into the city's rich multicultural heritage. Tonight enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D) **Hotel: Novotel** 



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Meet Denis, one of the last traditional coppersmith artisans in Mostar. Learn about specialised techniques to design elaborated copper jewellery and appreciate the importance of this traditional craft.

#### Day 11 Discover Sarajevo Join a Local

Specialist for a guided walking tour of Sarajevo. Visit the War Tunnel, an underground tunnel of hope that was built in 1993 during the Siege of Sarajevo. Then, enjoy a free afternoon to explore on your own. (B)

Day 12 On the Road to Belgrade Travel through lush forests, pastures and the Bosnian Mountains into Serbia – a scenic day of driving that will end in Belgrade. (B) **Hotel: Mercure Excelsior** 

#### Day 13 Explore Riverside Belgrade

Your **Local Specialist** will share the sights and sounds of Belgrade from an insider's perspective this morning. This evening, reminisce over this shared travel experience at a rousing Farewell Dinner. (B, D)

Day 14 Farewell Belgrade Say a fond doviđenja as you bid your new-found friends farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### **Departure months**

Apr - Oct

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Bucharest, Braşov, Veliko Târnovo, Sofia, Skopje, Tirana, Mostar, Sarajevo and Belgrade with a Local Specialist

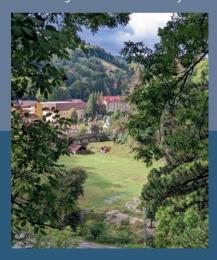
**Discover** Kotor and Budva

**Visit** Bran Castle in Braşov, Tsaravets Fortress in Veliko Târnovo, the Church of Holy Nativity in Arbanasi, Sofia, Kotor, Budva, the War Tunnel in Sarajevo and Kalmegdan Fortress in Belgrade

View Peleş Castle in Sinaia, St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and St. Sofia Church in Sofia, the Palace of Culture and the National Library in Tirana and the Stari Most in Mostar

**See** the Palace of Parliament in Bucharest

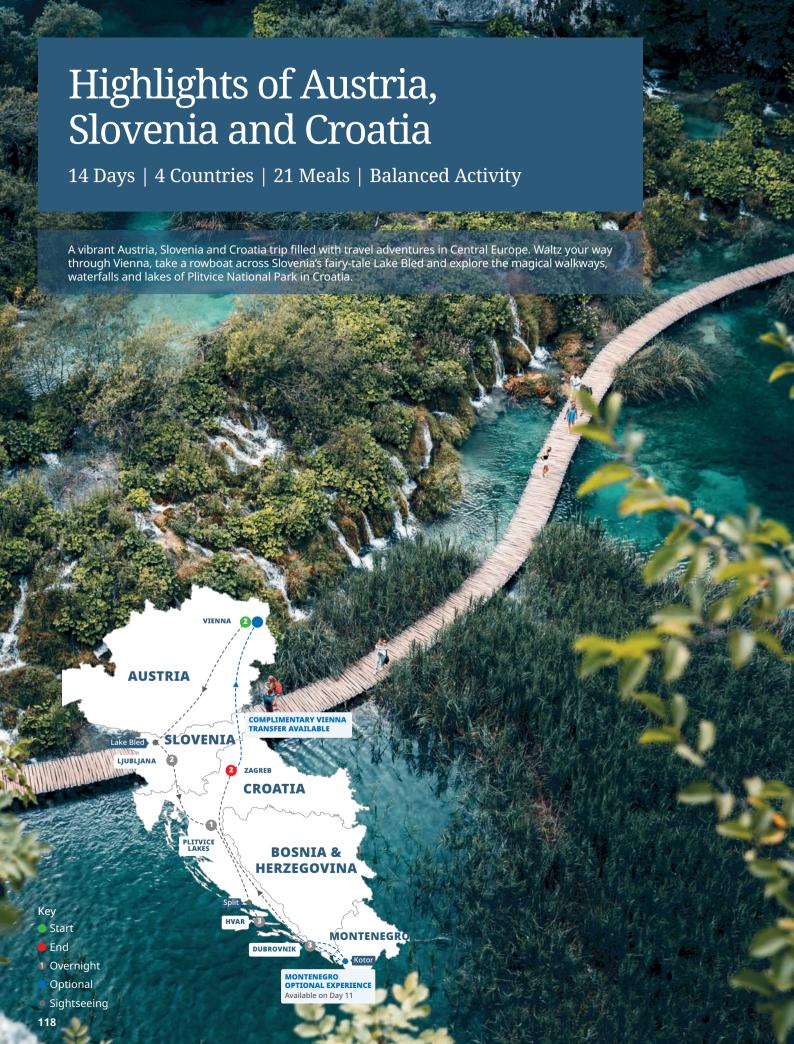
Be My Guest Learn about local cuisine and viticulture traditions during a visit to Kartal Winery



"The Balkan countries are beautiful and have a rich history, culture and artwork! This trip opened our eyes to a wonderful section of the world." - Sheila Erickson

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**Day 1 Welcome to Vienna** Waltz your way through Vienna, the 'City of Music'. This evening, meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of the city's dazzling sights. **(WR) Hotel: Renaissance** 

**Day 2 Discover Imperial Vienna** Your **Local Specialist** will share iconic sights such as the Opera House, Parliament, St. Stephen's Cathedral and the 13th-century Hofburg Palace. **(B)** 

Day 3 Journey to Stunning Lake Bled and Ljubljana We journey south via the breathtaking Loibl Pass to Slovenia and the rustic natural retreat of Lake Bled. Consider joining an Optional Experience to visit Bled Island and admire Lake Bled's crystal clear waters. Later, we travel to Ljubljana where we stay for two nights. (B, D) Hotel: One66

**Day 4 Ljubljana Sightseeing and At Leisure** A **Local Specialist** will share some of the Ljubljana's most iconic sights, including the Cathedral, Three Bridges Square and Castle. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. **(B)** 

Day 5 Venture to Plitvice Lakes Travel across the Croatian border to Plitvice, where you will enjoy a very special MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience with a Local Specialist and admire the beautiful waters reflecting green, grey and blue against the lush landscapes. (B, D) Hotel: Palcich



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Admire the irresistible beauty of Plitvice Lakes National Park, a UNESCO-listed protected area and home to bears, wolves and many rare bird species.

Day 6 Off to Split and Hvar Island Today, we travel to Croatia's sun-kissed Dalmatian coast to the city of Split where we will meet our Local Specialist and Dive Into Culture on a tour of Diocletian's Palace. View the Cathedral and Baptistery of Split, once

the Temple of Jupiter, before travelling to Hvar for a relaxing three-night stay. (B, D) Hotel: Amfora

#### Day 7 Explore Beautiful Hvar Island

Enjoy a leisurely guided walking tour with a **Local Specialist** to Hvar's Old Town and **Connect With Locals** over lunch cooked in a traditional style at our exclusive **Be My Guest** experience. **(B, L)** 

Day 8 Hvar Island Your Way Restore your spirit, relaxing in beautiful surrounds on this full free day to do as you wish. Explore the gorgeous rocky coastline on foot or join an Optional Experience taking in the island's sights and tastes, with a stop at one of Europe's oldest settlements, Stari Grad. (B)

#### Day 9 Cross the Water to Dubrovnik

Journey south along the picture-perfect Dalmatian coast, past seaside villages to the medieval city of Dubrovnik. (B) Hotel: Ariston

**Day 10 Uncover the Picturesque City** Your **Local Specialist** unveils the labyrinth of lanes and main sights of this medieval city. Admire the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries, before spending time on your own. This evening we enjoy a Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. **(B, D)** 

**Day 11 Dubrovnik Your Way** Tread in the footsteps of Lord Byron and George Bernard Shaw, who were intoxicated by the allure of Dubrovnik. Later, consider joining an Optional Experience to Montenegro to see the incredible Bay of Kotor. **(B)** 

Day 12 On to Colourful Zagreb We leave the splendour of Dubrovnik behind as we head north to the Croatian capital of Zagreb, our home for the next two nights. This evening we dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Zonar Zagreb

Day 13 Uncover Zagreb's Treasures Join a Local Specialist this morning for an exploration of the Upper and Lower Towns of this traditional medieval city. You'll see the majestic Cathedral, the Opera House and St. Mark's Church. The afternoon is yours to stroll through the Old Town or consider an Optional Experience to Kumrovec in the countryside. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner celebration. (B, D)

Day 14 Journey Home Bid your travel companions a fond farewell at the end of a memorable holiday together. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B) Please Note: Your coach returns from Zagreb to Vienna on Day 14. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Vienna will be at the Trafalgar Vienna hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be approximately 6pm, depending on traffic conditions.

#### Find your tour

**Departure months** 

May - Sep

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## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Vienna, Ljubljana, Plitvice National Park, Split, Hvar Island, Dubrovnik and Zagreb with a Local Specialist

Visit Diocletian's Palace in Split

View the Cathedral of Hvar Island

**See** the Hofburg Palace and Imperial Boulevards of Vienna, the Castle of Ljubljana, the Old City of Dubrovnik and the Cathedral of Zagreb

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a lunch cooked in traditional style using ingredients from the family's farm



"Hvar is a serene long endlessly scenic island smack dab in the middle of it all Trafalgar includes a Be My Guest experience, a gourmet meal of veal lamb or octopus our choice, cooked under an iron bell. And we topped it all off with homemade grappa - everyone sang It was one of my most memorable birthdays."

- Debbie Horvath

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**Day 1 Welcome to Tbilisi** On arrival in Tbilisi, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel where you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Dinner at a local restaurant and Georgianstyle fare this evening. **(D) Hotel: Wyndham Grand Tbilisi** 

Day 2 Explore Colourful Tbilisi Your sightseeing tour begins at the 13th-century Metekhi Church, from there you'll wind your way along narrow streets and stroll past the patterned balconies and colourful façades that are so characteristic of this city. Ascend to the ancient Narikala Fortress by cable car. (B)

Day 3 Onwards to Mtskheta and on to Akhasheni Leave Tbilisi behind as you head to the ancient capital of Mtskheta. Known as the religious centre of Georgia, you'll revel in the twin UNESCO World Heritage sites – the 6th-century Jvari Monastery and 11th-century Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. (B, L, D) Hotel: Akhaseni Wine Resort & Spa

Day 4 Off to Sighnaghi and return to Tbilisi Visit Bodbe Monastery, one of the country's most prominent pilgrimage sites, then head to Kakabeti village in Sagaredjo where you'll Connect With Locals and enjoy lunch and a wine tasting. At this exclusive Be My Guest experience, your host will treat you to some of the local wines, followed by a master class in Georgian bread baking and churchkhela sweets. (B, L) Hotel: Wyndham Grand Tbilisi

**Day 5 A Day in Uplistsikhe and Gori** Trace the ancient Silk Route and visit Uplistsikhe Cave Town. **Connect With Locals** at Iago's wine cellar where you'll sample some of the local wines produced using a traditional method. **(B)** 

Day 6 Continue to Monastic Haghpat and Dilijan Bid farewell to Georgia and cross the border into Armenia. Your first taste of this ancient land is the UNESCO-listed monastic complex of Haghpat featuring incredible works of medieval Armenian architecture. Enjoy lunch in Dzoraget village, then Dive Into Culture by tasting Russian pancakes and homemade tea with a local in Fioletovo village. (B, L, D) Hotel: Dilijan Resort

Day 7 Admire Stunning Lake Sevan and Goris A day of tranquil beauty awaits at Lake Sevan. You'll see first-hand why it is deserving of its nickname 'The Blue Pearl of Armenia' before stopping in the lakeside village of Noratus. Head to Yeghegnadzor, where you'll savour a homemade lunch of local specialities. Tonight you'll enjoy dinner at your hotel in Goris. (B, L, D) Hotel: Goris

Day 8 Journey to the Tatev Complex, Ararat Valley and on to Yerevan A thrilling start to the day sees us take a trip to the 'monastery on the edge of nothing'. Watch the epic scenery unfold as the world's longest aerial tramway delivers you to the 9th-century Apostolic monastery. Then, continue to Verishen village for your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience where you'll meet the local community which makes a living from crafting traditional wool carpets. (B, L) Hotel: Ramada By Wyndham



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In Verishen village, your visit helps to fund the local community who make their living through the crafting of traditional wool carpets.

Day 9 Discover Historic Yerevan Your sightseeing tour will start in Republic Square and continue to the Cascade Complex. Take the Great Cascade to Victory Park for incredible views of the heart of the city before visiting the moving Armenian Genocide Memorial. The rest of the day is free to explore the city your way. (B) Hotel: Wyndham Grand Tbilisi

#### Day 10 A Day Exploring Geghard

Monastery Today's excursion takes us to the UNESCO-listed Geghard Monastery. Hewn partly from the surrounding rock, Geghard is most famous for its incredible acoustics and spectacular natural beauty. You'll Dive Into Culture during a moving performance of Armenian spiritual songs performed by a live quintet, you'll meet a local family who will teach you how to make Armenia's national flatbread lavash paired with cheese and greens. Connect With Locals as you sample the brduj snack you've just made yourself. Tonight, you'll end your epic adventure through Georgia and Armenia with a Farewell Dinner in a traditional Armenian tavern, paired with folk songs and dance. (B, D)

**Day 11 Farewell Yerevan** It's time to say a fond farewell to new friends and prepare for your journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. **(B)** 

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**Departure months** 

Apr - Sep

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## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Tbilisi and Yerevan with a Local Specialist

Visit Bodbe Monastery in Sighnaghi, Uplistsikhe Cave Town, Stalin's Museum in Gori, Yerevan's Genocide Memorial and a local brandy distillery

View Metekhi Church, Narikala Fortress, UNESCO World Heritage sites including the Jvari Monastery, the Svetitskhoveli Cathedral and the monastic complex of Haghpat, Lake Sevan, the cross-stones in Noratus, the Wings of Tatev cableway, Khor Virap Monastery, Mount Ararat, the Cascade Complex in Yerevan and the UNESCO-listed Geghard Monastery

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a master class in Georgian bread making and Churchkhela sweets in Kakabeti village

**Be My Guest** Sample wines as Lago and his wife Marina in Chardakhi

**Be My Guest** Make Lavash bread with a local family in Garni



"I loved this tour! The tour guides were amazing and gave us a real insight into both countries."

- Claudia Spears

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As rated by Past Guests



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Mar - Oct

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#### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Copenhagen, Oslo, Stockholm and Helsinki with a Local Specialist

**Visit** Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo and the City Hall in Stockholm

**View** the Little Mermaid in Copenhagen and Finlandia Hall in Helsinki

See Børsen, Christiansborg Palace and Amalienborg Palace in Copenhagen, Akershus, the Royal Palace and the Opera House in Oslo, Storkyrkan, Riddarholmen Church and the Royal Palace in Stockholm, the Sibelius Monument, the Olympic Stadium and the Opera House in Helsinki

Scenic Cruise across the Baltic Sea

Be My Guest Enjoy an organic dining experience with Niklas and Anna



"This trip was special to me because I got to spend quality time with my Mom, see her happy and be able to learn new things together while making long lasting memories." - Ella Fiumara

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Day 1 Welcome to Copenhagen On arrival, transfer to your hotel in the heart of Copenhagen's most elegant district. Start your Scandinavian adventure with a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in Amager Faelled. Then spend your free time strolling through the happiest city in the world before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a light meal and welcome drink. (D) Hotel: Phoenix



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Join an exclusive experience at Amager Faelled, a small neighbourhood in Copenhagen. Led by a community member, stroll through the small nature reserve, hear stories of life in the neighbourhood and enjoy unparalleled views over the city.

#### Day 2 Explore Historic Copenhagen

Connect with the heartfelt hygge of your Danish hosts when you join a Local **Specialist** for a sightseeing tour that will reveal all the highlights of Copenhagen's Old Town. See the 17th-century Børsen, Christiansborg Palace and the Little Mermaid, demurely overlooking Langelinie Promenade. See the home of Denmark's beloved royal family, Amalienborg Palace, then spend the rest of the day exploring Copenhagen your way. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Oslo Cross the Øresund by ferry and wind your way north, through the Swedish countryside past Gothenburg to Norway. You'll want to keep your camera at the ready to capture the scenic landscapes that line your route to Oslo, Norway's modern buzzing capital. (B) Hotel: Scandic Solli

Day 4 Vikings and More in Oslo Tread in the footsteps of the Vikings this morning as you join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that will reveal Oslo's long-standing seafaring heritage. See the medieval fortress of Akershus, the elegant Royal Palace and Oslo Opera House. Visit a wonderland of Norwegian sculptures left behind by Gustav Vigeland in his sculpture park, then enjoy a free afternoon to explore the city on your

Day 6 Discover Beautiful Stockholm Discover Stockholm with your Local

terms. You could choose instead to embark

Day 5 Onwards to Stockholm Enjoy a scenic

on an Optional Experience to learn about

drive south through Norway's lush forest

landscapes to Sweden. Journey past Lake

stopping in the countryside to connect

Vänern, the largest lake in Sweden, before

with locals at a special **Be My Guest** lunch. Husband and wife team Niklas and Anna will welcome you to their renovated 19th-century church and explain their philosophy of using local produce to delight all your senses.

Later, arrive in Stockholm and indulge in a free evening to explore 'Beauty on Water'.

Consider joining an Optional Experience to the first Ice Bar in the world. (B, L) Hotel: Elite

Norwegian explorers. (B)

**Specialist** for a sightseeing tour this morning. See Stockholm's historic mother church, Storkyrkan, the Royal Palace and the Swedish Parliament, then **Dive Into Culture** on a visit to the City Hall, home to the annual Nobel Prize banquet. This afternoon you could do as the locals do and indulge in fika (coffee and cake), embracing the Swedish philosophy of lagom. Tonight consider an Optional Experience to cobbled Gamla Stan for a walking tour followed by a traditional Swedish meal. (B)

#### Day 7 Embark on an Overnight Cruise

Consider spending your free morning on an Optional Experience to Drottningholm Palace. The cool capital of Finland beckons as you board your overnight cruise to Helsinki, passing through Stockholm's archipelago across the Baltic Sea. (B)

Day 8 Arrive in Vibrant Helsinki Continue your cruise across the Baltic, arriving in Helsinki in time to join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. Stop for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at an inclusive café. See the modern marble facades of Finlandia Hall, the Senate and the colourful stalls in Market Square. Enjoy a Farewell Dinner to celebrate your time with new friends. (B, D) Hotel: Holiday Inn City Centre

Day 9 Helsinki at Leisure Explore Helsinki at leisure or perhaps join a full-day Optional Experience to cruise to the beautiful capital of Estonia, Tallinn. With its walled, cobblestoned Old Town, you will feel like you've stepped into the pages of a fairytale. (B)

Day 10 Farewell Scandinavia Say a fond farewell to your new friends and prepare for your return journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



Day 1 Welcome to Copenhagen Spend the day discovering Copenhagen before enjoying a late afternoon orientation drive and a light meal and welcome drink with your Travel Director and travel companions. (D) Hotel: Marriott

Day 2 Explore Historic Copenhagen Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the iconic sights, including the Amalienborg Palace Quarter. See the 17th-century Stock Exchange, Christiansborg Palace and the Neoclassical Cathedral, and the Little Mermaid. Enjoy time to explore on your

own. (B)

Day 3 Journey past Stunning Scenery to Randers Start the day with a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in Amager Faelled. Journey to Odense, then continue across pastoral landscapes to Randers. Tonight, we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - Hotel Randers. (B) Hotel: Randers



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Join an exclusive experience at Amager Faelled, a small neighbourhood in Copenhagen, led by a community member. Take a stroll through the small nature reserve threatened by urban development, hear stories of life in the neighbourhood and enjoy unparalleled views over the city.

Day 4 Set Sail for Stavanger Set sail from Hirtshals across the Skagerrak to Kristiansand in Norway. Drive north past fjords, lakes and forests to Stavanger, one of Norway's oldest settlements. (B, D) **Hotel: Scandic Stavanger City** 

#### Day 5 Onwards to Colourful Bergen

Embark on an island hop from Stavanger to Bergen and see the Haakon's Hall, fish market and colourful Bryggen Quarter. This evening, we Connect With Locals over dinner at a special Be My Guest experience, visiting the Øvre-Eide farm, worked for five generations by the same family. (B, D) Hotel: Thon Orion

Day 6 Bergen Your Way Enjoy a full free day in Bergen your way. Consider an Optional Experience to Telavåg a centre for the WWII Norwegian Resistance. (B)

Day 7 Enjoy the Spectacular Flåm Railway and on to Sognefjord We

drive east to the ski resort of Voss. Dive Into Culture on the Flåm Valley train ride past the Kjosfossen Falls. Later, arrive in Sognefjord, 'King of the Fjords', where we will stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories, the Sognefjord Hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Sognefjord

#### Day 8 Continue to Geirangerfjord

Norway's incredible glacier countryside surrounds us on the way to Geirangerfjord. Tonight, our stay is at one of Trafalgar's most spectacularly located hotels. (B, D) Hotel: Havila

Day 9 A Day at the Breathtaking **Geirangerfjord** Spend a full day admiring this natural wonder. Consider an Optional Experience to the Trollstigen, Norway's most famous mountain road. (B, D)

Day 10 Venture to Historic Lom and Lillehammer Today we will Dive Into Culture and visit a 12th-century wooden stave church. We continue through the Gudbrands Valley before arriving in Lillehammer, the proud host of the 1994 Winter Olympics. (B, D) **Hotel: Scandic Victoria** 

Day 11 On to Oslo See the Olympic ice arena at Hamar as we travel to Norway's cultural capital, Oslo. Join a Local Specialist and enjoy views of the medieval fortress of Akershus, the Opera and 19th-century Royal Palace. We visit the fascinating Vigeland Sculpture Park, before spending the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

Day 12 Journey to Stockholm We cross into Sweden today and continue via Karlstad on Lake Vänern, the largest lake in the European Union. Tonight perhaps consider an Optional Experience to the beautiful and atmospheric Old Town - Gamla Stan. (B) **Hotel: Clarion Stockholm** 

Day 13 Discover Beautiful Stockholm We meet our Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the waterside City Hall and see the medieval Storkyrkan, Riddarholm Church and the Royal Palace at the heart of Stockholm's quaint Old Town. The rest of the day is free to explore as you wish. Join your fellow travellers and Travel Director for a

Day 14 Farewell Scandinavia Bid Stockholm and your newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Trip code: SCFA

Farewell Dinner this evening. (B, D)

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**Departure months** 

Apr - Oct

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#### Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Copenhagen, Oslo and Stockholm with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Odense, Stavanger, Bergen, Sognefjord, Geirangerfjord, Flåm and Lillehammer

Visit the Stave Church in Lom, Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo and Stockholm's City Hall

**View** the Little Mermaid in Copenhagen and Haakon's Hall in Bergen

> **See** Hamar Olympic ice arena and Oslo's Royal Palace

Scenic Train Ride through the Norwegian countryside to Flåm

Be My Guest Dine with the Øvre-Eide family on their working farm in Norway



"Trafalgar's sterling staff take you to a dizzying stratosphere of excitement with all the additional frills."

- Mita Dey

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# Iceland including the Blue Lagoon

6 Days | 1 Country | 7 Meals | Balanced Activity



Day 1 Welcome to Reykjavík Your epic journey through lush lava fields and the windswept landscapes of Iceland begins in the quirky capital of Reykjavík. The northernmost capital of the world seems infused with vivid colour, from the bustling byway of Laugavegur to the enthusiasm of the city's friendly locals. Spend time exploring Iceland's Viking heritage, pay tribute to the sun and snap a selfie in front of The Sun Voyager or stroll around the lively Old Harbour, before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a drink and Canapes to kick-start your love affair with Iceland. This evening, check into the Grand Hotel Reykjavík, our Stays With Stories accommodation, where you'll get to hone your appreciation for Icelandic art and marvel at the dramatic glass masterpiece by local artist Leifur Breiðfjörð, on proud display as you check in. Hotel: Grand Reykjavik

Day 2 Journey to Reykholt and on to Borganes Explore the small capital city of Reykjavík on a sightseeing tour with your Travel Director this morning. You'll view the glass façades of Harpa Concert Hall, Austurvöllur Square and Hallgrímskirkja Church, whose other-worldly architecture is a nod to Iceland's volcanic origins. Head to the tiny fishing town of Akranes to visit its Folk Museum and lighthouse. View Deildartunguhver, Europe's highest-flowing hot spring, followed by a visit to Reykholt, famously the former 13th-century home of one of Iceland's most loved authors, Snorri Sturluson. Nature takes centre stage as you end your day and admire Hraunfoss and nearby Barnafoss (Children's Falls) to learn about the tragic legend that gave these rapid waters its name. (B) Hotel: B59

Day 3 A Day to Explore the Snæfellsnes Peninsula Bundle up warmly as you make your way to the wild, sea-swept Snæfellsnes Peninsula. The Peninsula is fondly known as 'Iceland in miniature' for boasting all those natural treasures - volcanoes, glaciers and waterfalls - in just 55 miles (90 km). Explore on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience, cruising Breiðafjörður Bay. Sample Viking 'sushi' and marvel at the quaint fishing villages and black sand beaches. Keep your eyes peeled for the star of the show, the Snæfellsjökull glacier, famous for being the location for Jules Verne's novel 'Journey to the Centre of the Earth'. Return to your hotel in Borgarnes to enjoy an evening at leisure. (B)

Day 4 Onwards through Thingvellir National Park to Gullfoss, Geysir and Selfoss Visit the 'Golden Waterfall' of Gullfoss, then head to the world-famous hot spring area of Geysir with its lively Strokkur which spouts water some 100 feet (30 m) into the air every few minutes. You'll also see first-hand how the movements of the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates have carved into the Earth's crust in the UNESCO-

listed Thingvellir National Park. This evening, Connect With Locals with a local storyteller and her songwriter husband, and delve into their colourful family history, then join them for dinner at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, D) Hotel: Selfoss

Day 5 Admire Reykjanes and Blue Lagoon and Return to Reykjavík Start the day with a visit to Iceland's newest geothermal heat and electric power station in Hellisheiði, the second largest of its kind in the world. During this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience learn why Hellisheiðarvirkjun is a world leader in the utilisation of geothermal energy. You can almost feel the Earth simmering under the surface as you journey across Reykjanes Peninsula, a UNESCO Global Geopark at the southwestern tip of Iceland. View Strandarkikja, then watch as sulphurous steam emerges from the lunar landscapes surrounding Lake Kleifarvatn, fed by waters that originate underground. Continue to Grindavík and Dive Into Culture at its world-famous Blue Lagoon (please remember to pack your swimwear), sinking into its milky-blue waters amidst the surrounding black lava field. Soak up the restorative properties of its mineral-rich waters and healing mud, which is said to do wonders for your skin, before returning to Reykjavík for your final evening with new friends. Tonight, you'll toast to an enriching journey through Iceland at a rousing Farewell Dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Reykjavik



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Experience first-hand how green, sustainable energy is produced at Iceland's newest geothermal heat and electric power station in Hellisheidi.

Day 6 Farewell Iceland For now, it's time to say a fond farewell to Iceland after an unforgettable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Year-round

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

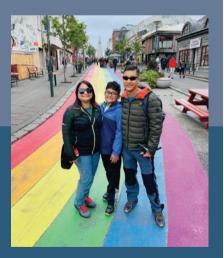
**Discover** Reykjavík

**Visit** Akranes Folk Museum, the 'Golden Circle' (Gullfoss Waterfall, Geysir Hot Spring Area and Thingvellir National Park) and the geothermal Blue Lagoon

View Harpa Concert Hall, Austurvöllur Square, Hallgrímskirkja Church, Waterfalls at Hraunfoss and Barnafoss, Deildartunguhver Hot Spring, Snæfellsnes Peninsula (Stykkishólmur, Arnarstapi, Snæfelljsökull National Park and Borgarnes), Sellfoss and Reykjanes Peninsula (Strandarkikja and Grindavík)

> See Hvalfjörður (Whale Bay), Grundarfjörður Fishing Village, Lake Kleifarvatn and Krýsuvík

Be My Guest Join a local storyteller and her famous songwriter husband for an exclusive dinner



"Iceland holds a special place in our heart. Loved the streets painted in the colours of rainbow representing the acceptance of all and the unique picturesque landscapes which indeed is a miracle of nature"

- Aman Malla

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Travel back to a time of feuding lords and ladies at the fairy-tale 13th-century Schloss Liebenstein Medieval Castle, perched high above the Rhine. You will be driven up to the castle, past steeply terraced vineyards and, on arrival, welcomed with a smile and a refreshing aperitif by our host, the charming Klaus, the castle's owner.

Klaus's vivid stories include the the famous warrior knights who once lived here and clashed with the family at the neighboring rival castle of Sterrenberg, which is why the two castles are today known as the 'hostile brothers'.

Feel immersed in the spirit and history of medieval Europe as you savour your drink while gazing out over the stunning views of the flowing Rhine, the perfect picturesque backdrop before a delicious lunch paired with local Rhine wines.

Best of Germany and Austria, day 2 and two other trips.

## Best of Germany

12 Days | 1 Country | 16 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Frankfurt, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Berlin, Dresden, Nuremberg, Munich, Black Forest, plus more

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



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Berlin with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Frankfurt, Cologne, Hamburg, Dresden, Nuremberg, Rothenburg, Munich and Heidelberg

**Visit** the Berlin TV Tower, Mödlareuth Open Air <u>Museu</u>m and Neuschwanstein Castle

View Cologne Cathedral and Heidelberg Castle

**Be My Guest** Lunch in a medieval castle high above the Rhine River valley

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Mar - Oct

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### Best of Germany and Austria

13 Days | 2 Countries | 18 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Frankfurt, Rhineland, Cologne, Berlin, Wurzburg, Rothenburg, plus more

Modern cities, medieval towns and all the sights in between make this Best of Germany and Austria experience one you'll remember. Beyond the beauty of the Rhine and Wachau, you'll explore Vienna's musical treasures, Alpine landscapes and the castle of a shy king.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Berlin, Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist **Discover** Frankfurt, Cologne, Rothenburg, Munich and Innsbruck

Visit the Berlin TV Tower, Neuschwanstein Castle.

**View** Cologne Cathedral, the Golden Roof in Innsbruck, Mozart's birthplace in Salzburg, Hofburg Palace and St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna

Scenic Cruise along the Rhine River

**Be My Guest** Lunch at a medieval castle high above the Rhine river valley

#### Find your tour

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## Sound of Music

9 Days | 2 Countries | 12 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Munich, Oberammergau, Innsbruck, Berchtesgaden, Salzburg, Mondsee, Vienna, plus more

The perfect travel experience for lovers of the outdoors and history, this trip inspired by The Sound of Music brings the beauty of the Alps and familiar views from the silver screen to life. You'll hear all the stories of Bavaria and beyond spending quality time with locals.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

VIP Admission to the Kunsthistorisches Museum in Vienna

**Explore** Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Munich, Oberammergau and Innsbruck

Visit Neuschwanstein Castle and Mondsee

**View** Wilten Basilica and the Golden Roof in Innsbruck and Mozart's Birthplace in Salzburg

**Be My Guest** Dine with the Klaushofer family on their Salzburg farm

#### Find your tour

Departure months: May - Sep

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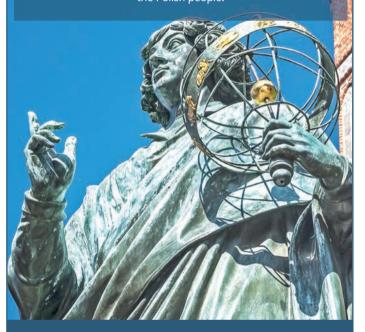
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## Best of Poland

11 Days | 1 Country | 15 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Warsaw, Gdańsk, Toruń, Wrocław, Zakopane, Kraków, Częstochowa, plus more

Get stuck into Polish comfort food as you experience the Best of Poland. Discover Warsaw's proud history, Kraków's enduring beauty and Gdańsk's glowing amber trade as you gain insight into the resilience of the Polish people.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Warsaw, Gdańsk, Toruń, Wrocław and Kraków with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Zakopane

Visit the Old Town in Warsaw, the European Solidarity Centre, the UNESCO World Heritage town of Toruń, Aula Leopoldina in Wrocław, the Cloth Hall and St. Mary's Church in Kraków, the former concentration camp of Auschwitz and Jasna Góra Monastery in Częstochowa

**Be My Guest** Enjoy a farm lunch made with local and home grown produce

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Mar - Oct

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## Best of Norway

9 Days | 1 Country | 14 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Oslo, Geilo, Hardangerfjord, Bergen, Voss, Sognefjord, Geiranger, Lom, Lillehammer, plus more

Relax into the simplicity of life along the king and queen of the fjords. Soak up the cosmopolitan vibe of Oslo and the Hanseatic heritage of Bergen as you travel through some of the most spectacular scenery on earth. Viking tales and a visit to a winter Olympics hub round off this epic Norway trip.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Oslo with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Bergen

**Visit** Hardangerfjord, Geirangerfjord, a medieval Stave Church and Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo

**View** Voringfoss, Steinsdalsfoss, Haakon's Hall in Bergen, Akershus, the Opera and Royal Palace in Oslo

**See** Sognefjord, Boyabreen Glacier and Hamar Olympic ice arena

**Be My Guest** Dine with the Øvre-Eide family on their working farm in Norway

#### Find your tour

Departure months: May - Sep

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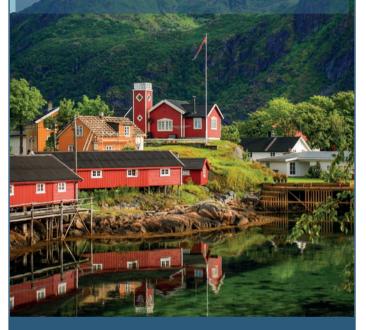
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### Nordic Adventure

20 Days | 4 Countries | 28 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki, Rovaniemi, Tromso, Svolvaer, Trondheim, Geiranger, Lillehammer, Oslo, plus more

Don't miss a thing on this exhilarating Scandinavian trip. Your travels will feature fjords, glaciers and staggering scenery. Meet Santa Claus in Lapland, experience the friluftsliv of your Norwegian hosts and venture across the Arctic Circle to the land of the Midnight Sun.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Copenhagen, Stockholm, Helsinki and Olso with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Rovaniemi and Trondheim

Visit City Hall in Stockholm, Santa Claus Village, Saariselkä, Honningsvåg, North Cape Visitor Centre, Alta, Tromsø, Svolvær, Geirangerfjord, the Stave church in Lom, Lillehammer and Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo

Be My Guest Dine with locals and taste fresh Finnish food

#### Find your tour

**Departure months**: Apr - Sep

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#### **Guest favourite: Øvre Eide**

You'll love this heart-warming visit to Øvre Eide, a 500-year-old working farm near Bergen, at the edge of a lake surrounded by lush green landscapes, where Arild (pictured left on Best of Norway) and his family will share their pride and joy – the farm which has been in the family since the late 19<sup>th</sup>-century.

There's time to explore the farm buildings and meet some of the resident sheep, ponies, chickens, horses and the cat – all of whom love the attention of animal-loving guests. Gathering in the cozy main house for a *Be My Guest* experience, you're in for an evening of delicious homemade favourites using local Norwegian produce and a performance of traditional music and folklore.

After this truly special experience, you'll say your farewells having fully immersed yourself in what it's like to live in Norway's enchanting countryside.





Day 1 Welcome to Athens Put the 'oh' in opa and embark on an unforgettable exploration of an ancient land of gods and goddesses, myths and legends. Your springboard to your spellbinding holiday is the vibrant capital of Athens, an effortless mix of ancient treasures and modern verve, which you will have an opportunity to explore after being transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Travel Director and travel companions for a light meal. (D) Hotel: Divani Caravel/Radisson Blu Park/Crowne Plaza

Day 2 Explore Amazing Athens Join your **Local Specialist** for a guided sightseeing tour to the ancient complex that was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilisation'. We'll explore the Acropolis with its treasures and admire the Parthenon, dedicated to the goddess Athena, the Royal Palace, Temple of Zeus and the Agora. Dive Into Culture and see remarkable displays of an ancient world during an included visit to the Acropolis Museum, and see Hadrian's Arch and the stadium where the first modern Olympics took place. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy on your own. Stroll through the Plaka, or go in search of the city's tastiest souvlaki. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Corinth, Mycenae and Nafplion We depart Athens crossing the Corinth Canal to the Peloponnesian Peninsula. Arriving in Corinth, we join a Local Specialist to explore an ancient city that several empires fought over throughout the centuries. We continue to Mycenae, a mighty kingdom of Ancient Greece, where we'll see the Beehive Tombs (the Treasury of Atreus), the Lion Gate and the remains of Agamemnon's Royal Palace, in the company of a Local Specialist. Later, we'll travel to Epidaurus to visit the ancient theatre and view the Sanctuary of Asclepius, the God of Medicine. (B, D) Hotel: Amalia Nafplio

Day 4 Continue to Ancient Olympia We traverse the Mountains of Arcadia to ancient Olympia, the site of the first Olympic Games held in 776 BC. This evening, we Connect With Locals joining the Karambellas family for dinner on their olive and wine farm at a Be My Guest experience featuring traditional dancing and characteristic Greek philoxenia. (B, D) Hotel: Amalia Olympia

Day 5 Onwards to Patras and Delphi We join a Local Specialist this morning to delve into centuries of history. We'll visit the ancient Olympic site, the museum and the ruined remains of the Temples of Zeus and Hera. Leaving Olympia, we travel north to Patras, crossing the Gulf of Corinth to mainland Greece before continuing to Delphi. (B) Hotel: Amalia Delphi

#### Day 6 Off to Thermopylae and Kalambaka

Tread in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks, who would descend on the sanctuary of Delphi to consult with the most important oracle in the classical world. Join your

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

Local Specialist and walk the Sacred Way to the 4th-century Temple of Apollo. View the statues immortalising the strength of the athletes who once competed in the Pythian Games. Continue on to a family-ran honey farm for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Taste the rich thyme honey freshly collected from the hive and come up close to the unique biodiversity of the area. A scenic afternoon drive brings us to Thermopylae, famous for the heroic defence by Leonidas and his brave Spartans against the invading Persians. We cross the lush Thessaly region, the 'breadbasket of Greece', then travel on towards Kalambaka. (B, D) Hotel: Amalia Kalambaka



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Meet passionate beekeeper Nikiforos at his honey farm. See the bees thriving in their natural habitat and learn about their role in nature regeneration.

Day 7 Admire Meteora and Return to Athens The UNESCO World Heritage monasteries of Meteora are our first stop today. Join a Local Specialist to visit two of the six Eastern Orthodox monasteries that cling impressively to immense, rounded rock towers overlooking the town. A scenic drive returns us to Athens, where we'll enjoy a rousing Farewell Dinner with our travel companions and reminisce over an incredible journey through Greece. (B, D) Hotel: Divani Caravel/Radisson Blu Park/Crowne Plaza

Day 8 Farewell Athens We say a fond farewell to our newfound friends and the treasures of Greece after an unforgettable journey or why not join a 3 or 7-day Aegean cruise. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers (B)

#### Cruise Extensions

Extend your time in Greece with a cruise extension. Choose between three and seven days cruising the Aegean Sea (p.134 & 135). Or why not add our 'Greek Island Hopper' trip after your visit to the mainland (p.142)? Visit trafalgar.com for itinerary details.

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## Included highlights and *must-sees*

Visit the Acropolis and Museum in Athens, the ancient ruins in Corinth, the ancient theatre at Epidaurus, the Olympic Stadium in Olympia, the home of the Oracle at Delphi, and the incredible rock monasteries in Meteora

View the Parthenon, Agora, Royal Palace and Temple of Zeus in Athens, the Sanctuary of Asclepius at Epidaurus and the battle site at Thermopylae

**See** the Corinth Canal, the Lion Gate and Agamemnon's Palace at Mycenae

**Explore:** Athens, Meteora, Delphi, Olympia, Epidaurus, Mycenae, Corinth, with a Local Specialist

**Be My Guest** Dine and dance with the Karambellas family on their olive and wine farm



"By giving us the chance to work in environmental education by the Grecian apiculturists at Moka Honey, it made travel matter!"

- Valerie Leavitt

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Meet passionate beekeeper Nikiforos at his honey farm. See the bees thriving in their natural habitat and learn about their role in nature regeneration.

Day 8 Embark and Cruise to Stunning Mykonos We leave the bustling city streets of Athens and cruise to Mykonos, where the Windmills of Kato Mili extend a warm evening welcome as they have to arriving seafarers for centuries. You'll have the evening free to explore the winding lanes of Chora, strolling past whitewashed cottages and tumbling

cerise bougainvillea. As the sun sets over Mykonos, there's no better place for cocktails than Little Venice. (B, L, D)

Day 9 Continue to Ancient Ephesus and Patmos Visit the Turkish shores of Kusadasi for a complimentary Shore Experience to ancient Ephesus. We continue to Patmos, the site where the Book of Revelation was written by St. John. Here, you can choose to see the Cave of the Apocalypse and St. John's Monastery as an Optional Experience. (B, L, D)

#### Day 10 Cruise to Crete and on to Santorini

Choose to explore Crete's ancient Minoan culture and heritage at the Palace of Knossos. Admire the brightly coloured wall paintings and explore centuries of history. Or you may opt to drive into the beautiful countryside and experience the true flavour of Cretan lifestyle. Continue to Santorini, rising out of the Aegean with its distinctive cliff-top towns. Consider an optional Shore Experience this afternoon, passing villages and vineyards bound for Oia with its white buildings and blue-domed churches. (B, L, D)

Day 11 Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your cruise ship for your transfer to the airport. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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**Departure months** 

May - Sep

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#### Included highlights and *must-sees*

Explore Athens, Meteora, Delphi, Olympia, Epidaurus, Mycenae, Corinth, ancient Ephesus with a Local Specialist

**View** the Parthenon, Agora, Royal Palace and Temple of Zeus in Athens, the Sanctuary of Asclepius at Epidaurus and the battle site at Thermopylae

**See** the Corinth Canal, the Lion Gate and Agamemnon's Palace at Mycenae

**Visit** the Acropolis and Museum in Athens, the ancient ruins in Corinth, the ancient theatre at Epidaurus, the Olympic Stadium in Olympia, the home of the Oracle at Delphi, and the incredible rock monasteries in Meteora

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#### Days 1-7 As Per Best of Greece

All overnights, meals and inclusions as per pages 132 - 133.

Day 8 Athens Your Way Spend the day at leisure on your own and see the city's ancient sites. (B) Hotel: Divani Caravel/Radisson Blu Park/Crowne Plaza

Day 9 Embark on Your 7-Day Cruise Spend the morning on your own exploring what was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilisation'. See the city's ancient sites before boarding your cruise ship this afternoon for your cruise through the Aegean. (B, D)

Day 10 Explore the Vibrant Streets of Thessaloniki Today you will have time to explore Greece's second largest city. Walk along the waterfront and enjoy the many cafes along Aristotelous Square and see ancient monuments such as the Arch of Galerius. (B, L, D)

#### Day 11 Explore the Iconic Ephesus Ruins

Arrive in Kusadasi, your gateway to the ancient Greek City of Ephesus. You'll join an included Ancient Ephesus sightseeing tour revealing the Hellenistic and Roman heritage of this UNESCO-listed site before returning to your ship for your evening departure. (B, L, D)

Day 12 Cruise to Crete Start your morning on Crete, Greece's largest island and the fifth largest in the Mediterranean. Home to myths and legends, including Zeus' birthplace and the Minotaur, you may choose to embark on an epic tour to the capital city of Heraklion.

Alternatively drive deep into the beautiful countryside and experience the true flavour of Cretan lifestyle. (B, L, D)

Day 13 Enjoy Sunny Santorini Wake up in Santorini, the Cycladic Island with sheer cliffs and dazzling panorama. Explore the capital of Thira, with its clifftop restaurants and cafés, breath-taking views, and amazing sunsets. Consider an optional Shore Experience this afternoon, passing villages and vineyards bound for Oia with its white buildings and blue-domed churches that vie for the best views over the caldera. This evening is free for you to explore the island's buzzing nightlife. (B, L, D)

Day 14 Marvel at Mykonos Enjoy a full free day to explore the narrow rambling streets of Chora. You could choose an optional visit the Sacred Island of Delos, the birthplace of Apollo. (B, L, D)

Day 15 Journey to Milos Dock in the former home of the famous Venus de Milo. There's time to explore the 'Island of Colours' on an Optional Experience. Alternatively you may prefer a trek to the heart and soul of Milos, sampling the best of local cuisine. Depart this evening for Athens, celebrating a final evening on board with new friends. (B, L, D)

Day 16 Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your cruise ship for your transfer to the airport. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers (B)

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May - Sep

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

Explore Athens, Meteora, Delphi, Olympia, Epidaurus, Mycenae, Corinth, ancient Ephesus with a Local Specialist

Visit the Acropolis and Museum in the ancient theatre at Epidaurus, the Olympic Stadium in Olympia, the home of the Oracle at Delphi, and the incredible rock monasteries in Meteora, ancient Ephesus,

View the Parthenon, Agora, Royal Palace and Temple of Zeus in Athens, the Sanctuary of Asclepius at Epidaurus and the battle site at Thermopylae

See the Corinth Canal, the Lion Gate and Agamemnon's Palace at Mycenae

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# Highlights of Turkey 10 Days | 1 Country | 17 Meals | Balanced Activity Travel along the age-old trading routes that linked East and West, where the Highlights of Turkey are revealed. Haggle in Istanbul's Grand Bazaar, daydream through the fairy-tale landscapes of Cappadocia and walk in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks in Ephesus. **TURKEY** PAMUKKALE Key Start End Overnight Sightseeing 136

Day 1 Welcome to Istanbul Spend the day exploring Istanbul after being transferred to your hotel. Later, you'll meet your Travel Director and travel companions for a memorable Light Meal. (D) Hotel: Radisson Blu Sisli

Day 2 Discover Colourful Istanbul Delve into the treasures of the Ottoman Empire. We explore Hagia Sophia, once one of the greatest churches in all of Christendom, before following in the footsteps of the faithful to see the Blue Mosque - its six minarets and beautiful blue Iznik tiles are a sight to behold. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at the museum of Classical Turkish Music, preserving this traditional art. Come across the genius of Turkey's greatest composer, Dede Efendi, during a private concert by students of the Music Conservancy. Dive Into Culture as you haggle for souvenirs at Istanbul's Grand Bazaar, one of the largest covered markets in the world with 60 streets and over 5,000 shops. Later, we visit the Byzantine Hippodrome to see where thundering chariots once raced to victory. The rest of the day is yours to explore the city. (B)



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Visit the house of Turkey's greatest classical composer, Dede Efendi. Recently brought back to its former architectural glory, this unique museum holds a rare collection of traditional instruments, which we experience first hand during a private concert by Music Conservancy students.

#### Day 3 Journey to Gallipoli and Çanakkale

We remember the heroism of the many thousands of men who fought bravely at Gallipoli. We'll see Lone Pine Cemetery and the battlefields that today still hold special significance for the Turkish, Australian and New Zealand nations. Spend a quiet moment commemorating the lives lost at Anzac Cove and Chunuk Bair. This evening we stay in Çanakkale where tonight we'll dine in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Kolin

#### Day 4 Off to Troy, Pergamon and Izmir

Admire the archaeological excavations at Troy and the symbolic replica of the Trojan horse, then continue to Pergamon to visit the Asclepion Medical Centre with its symbol of modern medicine. This afternoon, Connect With Locals over lunch in Demircidere at a Be My Guest experience. Dinner is at your hotel in Izmir. (B, L, D) Hotel: Mövenpick

Day 5 Admire the Ruins of Ephesus and on to Pamukkale Explore the ruins of the ancient Greek city of Ephesus, admiring the Library of Celsus and Temple of Artemis. Next, visit the House of the Virgin Mary, the Temple of Hadrian, and the 2nd-century Great Theatre, still in use today. You'll learn about the art of carpet weaving during a visit to a Turkish carpet emporium. Later, relax and enjoy the blissful thermal pools at your hotel in Pamukkale. (B, D) Hotel: Colossae Thermal

#### Day 6 Onwards to Hierapolis and Konya

This morning we enjoy a leisurely visit to the ancient ruins of the Holy City of Hierapolis, imagining ancient patrons seeking revival and rest within their limestone-laden thermal springs. Visit the Mevlana Museum and Mausoleum in Konya, a former dervish lodge of the Mevlevi order. Our last stop today is Konya where tonight we dine in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Dedeman

Day 7 Continue to Cappadocia Continue your journey to Cappadocia, you'll see a 13th-century caravanserai and underground city of Saratli. Then Dive Into Culture to learn about the art of pottery making in Avanos. Tonight we stay in one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories hewn out of the surrounding rock and houses. (B) Hotel: Exedra Hotel

Day 8 A Day to Explore Spectacular Göreme The whimsical landscapes of Cappadocia take centre stage today as you visit the Göreme Open-Air Museum, the Paşabağı and Kizil Vadi valleys. Later, enjoy an included dinner. (B, D)

Day 9 Return to Istanbul Take a short flight this morning to Istanbul, where the rest of the day is yours to explore the city your way. Enjoy a sensory explosion at the vibrant Spice Market, take a stroll through the historic Sultanahmet or find a quiet rooftop café and admire Istanbul's iconic skyline. You could choose instead to join an optional cruise and sail the waters of the Bosphorus which separate Asia and Europe. Tonight, join your Travel Director and fellow companions for a Farewell Dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Radisson Blu Sisli

**Day 10 Farewell Istanbul** Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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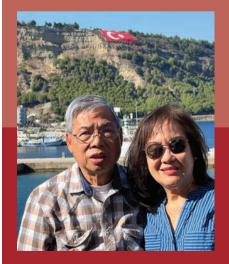
## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Istanbul with a Local Specialist

View the Wooden Horse at Troy, the Blue Mosque, the ancient ruins of the Holy City of Hierapolis, the Library of Celsus and Temple of Artemic at Ephesus

Visit the Topkapi Palace, Byzantine Hippodrome and Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Anzac Cove and the War Cemeteries at Gallipoli, the Asclepion Medical Centre at Pergamon, the Göreme Open-Air Museum and the excavations at Troy

**Be My Guest** Bake traditional bread and taste the local wine with the most liberated women in the village of Demircidere



"The Turkey trip was a wonderful tour - we visited many famous areas."

- Mailoan Nguygen

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## Best of Turkey

14 Days | 1 Country | 24 Meals | Balanced Activity

From the legends of Troy to ancient Greek cities, your travels will reveal the places where history happened. On this in-depth Best of Turkey voyage, you'll also venture into the Taurus Mountains for lunch with the Yazir community and relax on the shores of the Turkish Riviera. **TURKEY** Key Start End 1 Overnight Sightseeing 138

Day 1 Welcome to Istanbul Your journey of discovery through ancient lands and empires starts in Istanbul. Transfer to your hotel, then join your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Light Meal. (D)

**Hotel: Arts Taksim** 

#### Day 2 Discover Colourful Istanbul

Spend your day delving into a city where modern and ancient coexist effortlessly. Gain insights into the Ottoman Empire's power during your guided tour of the Topkapi Palace and see the 4th-century Egyptian obelisk. Visit Hagia Sophia and the Hippodrome. See the exquisite Blue Mosque, said to rival even the Great Mosque in Mecca. Dive Into Culture this afternoon, with a visit to the Grand Bazaar. Spend your afternoon haggling with passionate market vendors lining its labyrinthine lanes. This evening, consider an optional dinner with Turkish folk and belly dancing. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Gallipoli and **Canakkale** Journey to Gallipoli to see Anzac Cove and the Dardanelles. You'll visit the cemeteries of Lone Pine and Chunuk Bair, then continue to Çanakkale. (B, D) Hotel: Kolin

Day 4 Off to Troy, Pergamon and Izmir Explore the legend of Troy, visit the ancient Asclepion Medical Centre in Pergamon, then travel to Izmir. (B, D) Hotel: Kaya

**Izmir Thermal** 

the local raki. (B)

Day 5 Explore the Ruins of Ephesus Stroll through the ruins of the ancient Greek city of Ephesus. See the House of Virgin Mary at Mt. Koressos then spend the rest of the day at leisure. This evening you may consider joining an optional dinner at a local restaurant in Izmir and indulge in some of

Day 6 Onwards to Pamukkale Leave the coastal city of Izmir behind as you journey inland to Pamukkale. Relax and enjoy the blissful thermal pools at your hotel before dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Colossae Thermal

#### Day 7 Venture to Hierapolis and Antalya

Visit ancient Hierapolis and Pamukkale's Cotton Castle Springs. Later, Connect With Locals over a Be My Guest lunch with the Yazir community. Continue to Antalya. (B, L, D) Hotel: Oz Hotel & Resort

Day 8 Enjoy Ancient Perge Enjoy a free morning on the Turkish Riviera. Later, travel to the Roman city of Perge and visit the Antalya Archaeological Museum. (B)

Day 9 On the Road to Aspendos and Konya Witness the world's best-preserved theatre of antiquity during your first stop in Aspendos this morning, before continuing to Konya. (B, D) Hotel: Dedeman

Day 10 Continue to Cappadocia See a wellpreserved 13th-century caravanserai before your journey to Cappadocia and Saratli. Join a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience at King's Valley eco farm. Indulge in a Regional Dinner and stay in one of Trafalgar's **Stays** With Stories located alongside the ancient Ortahisar rock castle. (B, D) Hotel: Exedra



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Meet Ali, our local host and Cappadocian local, for a tour of his family run farm. See the sport where his grandfather's garden once stood, taste freshly baked bread and fresh and dried fruits grown on pigeon natural fertilizer, the traditional farming method for producing a rich and nutritious harvest.

Day 11 A Day to Explore Spectacular Göreme The other-worldly landscapes of Cappadocia take centre stage today as we explore its volcanic landscape dotted with caves and troglodyte dwellings. We visit the Göreme Open-Air Museum to admire the extraordinary rock-hewn churches and Dive Into Culture to learn about the art of pottery making in Avanos before dining in our hotel this evening. (B, D)

Day 12 Onwards to Ankara Visit the Museum of Anatolian Civilisations and the final resting place of the country's beloved Atatürk in Turkey's capital. (B, D) **Hotel: Grand Mercure** 

Day 13 Return to Istanbul Return to Istanbul and explore at leisure. Consider an optional cruise navigating the waters of the Bosphorus before meeting your Travel Director and fellow companions for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, D) **Hotel: Arts Taksim** 

Day 14 Farewell Istanbul Bid Istanbul and newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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Year-round

#### **Special Events & Dates**

Special departure will feature Anzac Day, with time to take in the commemorations and events at Gallipoli.

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Istanbul with a Local Specialist

Visit the Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sophia, Hippodrome and Grand Bazaar in Istanbul, Anzac Cove and the War Cemeteries at Gallipoli, the ancient ruins of Troy, the Asclepion Medical Centre at Pergamon, the ancient city at Ephesus, the Cotton Castle Springs in Pamukkale, the Archaeological Museum in Antalya, the home of the Whirling Dervishes at Konya, the underground city of Saratli, Göreme Open Air Museum and the Museum of Anatolian Civilisation at Ankara

**View** the Wooden Horse at Troy

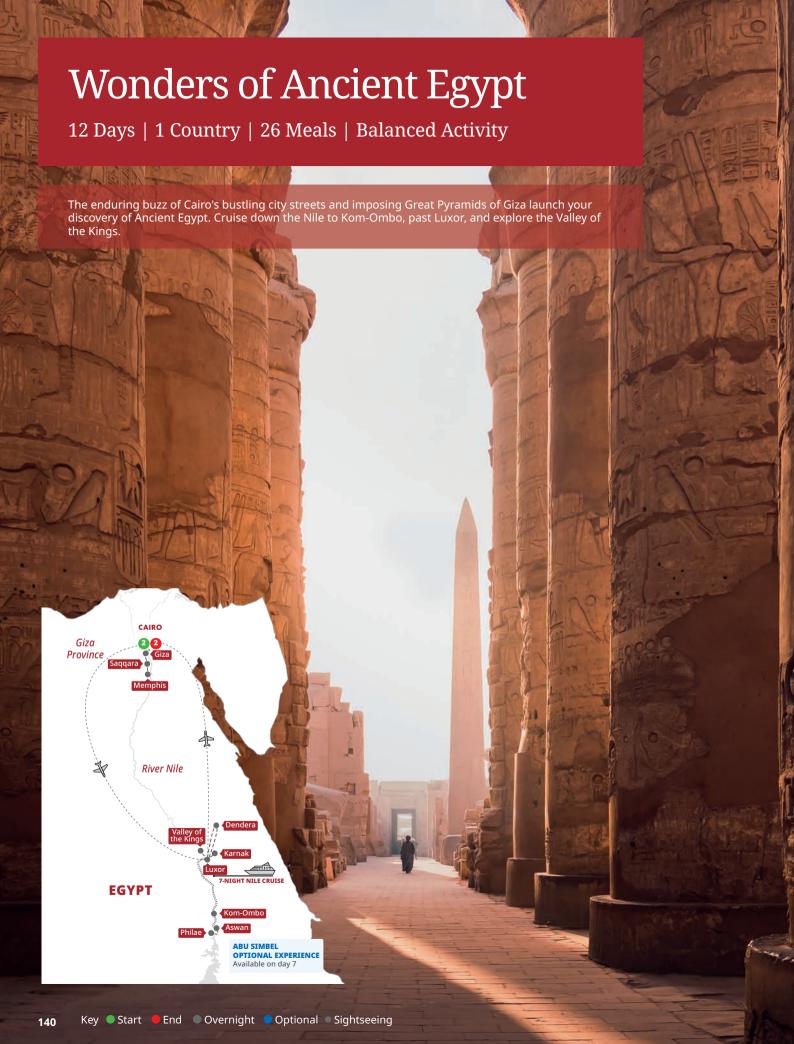
Be My Guest Lunch with the Yazir community in the Taurus mountains near Antalya



"An absolutely beautiful morning of sailing on the Mediterranean Sea from Antalya it was spectacular." - Robyn Barrett

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Day 1 Welcome to Cairo Delve into the antiquities of Egypt on this epic journey. As you transfer to your hotel for a day at leisure, you'll feel the intoxicating buzz of this lively city. Hotel: Ramses Hilton

Day 2 Admire the Wonders of Giza Immerse yourself during a full-day excursion to the old kingdom of Egypt. See the Colossus of Ramses II and the Alabaster Sphinx at Memphis. Visit the Step Pyramid at Saggara, then marvel at the Great Pyramid of Giza and the mighty Sphinx. (B)

Day 3 Fly to Luxor and Embark on Your Nile Cruise We fly to Luxor this morning and embark on a guided tour of the Karnak Temple Complex, before boarding our cruise in time for lunch. Later, marvel at Luxor's Temple and visit the Luxor Museum to see an astounding collection of archaeological treasures, including items from Tutankhamun's tomb. (B, L, D) Hotel: Nile Cruise

Day 4 Explore Ancient Dendera Pay tribute to the Goddess Hathor at Dendera Temple. Beautifully preserved and elaborate in its design. You'll learn about Dendera's role as one of the major capitals of ancient Upper Egypt before sailing to Kom-Ombo. (B, L, D)

Day 5 Journey to Aswan Today, we travel to Aswan, which for centuries held the important strategic role of being Egypt's southern frontier and gateway to the rest of Africa. Today it is a tranquil, modern city, most known for its High Dam, Nubian villages and Philae Temple, built to honor Egyptian goddess Isis. We arrive in time for dinner, watching the buzz of the city from the comfort of our boat. (B, L, D)



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Meet the ladies behind the local women's co-op and see discarded materials come to life as they are being turned into fine handicrafts. The organisation provides an important source of income for the vulnerable women of the co-op.

#### Day 6 The High Dam and More in Aswan

During your sightseeing in Aswan, you'll see how the ancient Egyptians chose a stunning place to honor the goddess of love and you'll learn how the Temple of Isis on Philae Island was nearly lost. Later, meet the wonderful ladies of a local Women owned co-operative on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. Our final stop today is a visit to the High Dam, the world's largest embankment dam which ended the cycle of flood and drought along the Nile River. (B, L, D)

Day 7 Onwards to Philae and Kitchener's **Island** Today could see you join a once in a lifetime Optional Experience to Abu Simbel, carved into a solid rock cliff in Egypt's Nubian Valley. As you approach the Great Temple, you'll marvel at the four-seated colossi on either side of the entrance and the elaborate engravings depicting great victories and paying homage to the gods. Later, you'll set sail in a traditional felucca around the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island, a haven for rare exotic birds and unusual plants. (B, L, D)

Day 8 Off to Ancient Kom-Ombo We visit the roofless Temple of Kom-Ombo, a highlight along the Nile, where we'll learn how the temple was built to honor two gods, Horus the Elder and Sobek. The Temple has a perfectly symmetrical design, the two sides a mirror of each other with one side dedicated to the crocodile god, the other to the falcon god. You'll learn all about the mythical link and why the Nile crocodile were of such importance to the ancient Egyptian priests. (B, L, D)

Day 9 Sail to Stunning Luxor Watch how the river gives life to an arid landscape and the people who live within it as you sail down the Nile to Luxor. Every moment spent exploring the temple complexes of Karnak and Luxor will leave you enthralled. (B, L, D)

#### Day 10 Disembark and Fly to Cairo

Disembark in Luxor and Connect With Locals as you enjoy a traditional Be My Guest experience with freshly baked bread, honey and mint tea. Explore the West Bank complex of mortuary temples and tombs, including Queen Hatshepsut's Temple, the Colossi of Memnon and the Valley of the Kings. Then fly to Cairo. (B, L) Hotel: Ramses Hilton

Day 11 Discover Colourful Cairo Your sightseeing tour today will include a visit to the Hanging Church of St. Mary and the Sultan Hassan Mosque in Old Cairo, see the ancient Citadel, the Alabaster Mosque. This afternoon, Dive Into Culture when you visit the Egyptian Museum, before later enjoying the sound and light show at the Great Pyramids. (B)

Day 12 Farewell Cairo Our expedition at its end, say a fond farewell to your newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Luxor and Cairo with Egyptologist

Visit the temples of Karnak, Luxor Museum, the temple dedicated to Goddess Hathor at Dendera, Luxor Temple, the Temple of Isis on the island of Philae, the Temple at Kom-Ombo, Queen Hatshepsut's Temple and the Colossi of Memnon in Luxor, the Valley of the Kings and the Egyptian Museum in Cairo

**View** the Step Pyramid in Sakkara, the Great Pyramids and Sphinx at Giza, the High Dam and the Unfinished Obelisk in Aswan, the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island, the Citadel, Alabaster and Sultan Hassan Mosques in Cairo

Be My Guest Enjoy warm mint tea and freshly baked local bread with the El Boerey family in a Luxor village



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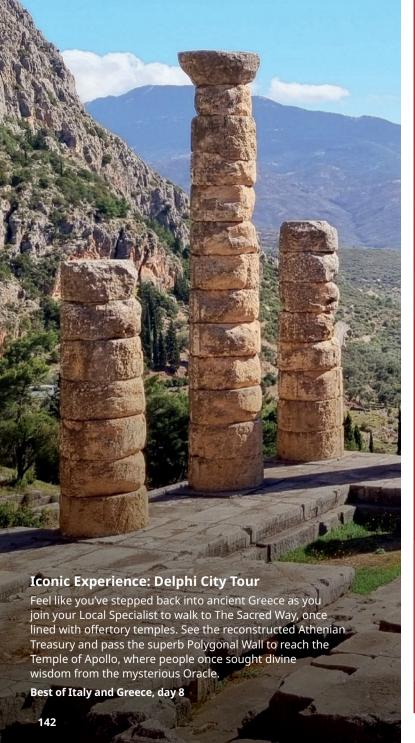
- Nelia Bell

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Cities: Rome, Florence, Venice, Kalambaka, Delphi, Athens, plus more

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



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Rome, Florence, Delphi and Athens with a Local Specialist

Visit the Vatican Museums, St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, Piazzale Michelangelo in Florence, a glass-blowing factory in Venice, the Temple of Apollo in Delphi and the Acropolis in Athens

**View** ancient sites of Rome, the Duomo in Florence, the Doge's Palace in Venice and the Parthenon in Athens

Be My Guest Enjoy a Tuscan meal with Count Miari Fulcis

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## Greek Island Hopper

10 Days | 1 Country | 12 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Athens, Santorini, Mykonos, plus more

Slow the world right down when you board this Greek island hop and experience how the locals enjoy life on the islands of Santorini and Mykonos. Your journey begins and ends in lively Athens where there's plenty of time to explore ancient treasures and see all the sights.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Athens with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Fira, Oia and Mykonos

Visit the Acropolis in Athens

**View** the Parthenon, Hadrian's Arch and the 1896 Olympic Stadium in Athens

**Sail** the Aegean Sea on high speed ferries from Athens to Santorini, Mykonos and returning to Athens

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## Secrets of Greece including Corfu

14 Days | 1 Country | 16 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Athens, Nafplion, Mycenae, Olympia, Corfu, Kalambaka, Thermopylae, Delphi, Galaxidi, Santorini, plus <u>more</u>

An in-depth Greece trip for history buffs and lovers of Greek food and culture. You'll enjoy traditional dinner and dancing on an olive farm, travel to the enchanting island of Corfu and explore ancient sights like Mycenae, Olympia and Delphi you've read about in history books.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Mycenae, Olympia, Meteora, Delphi and Athens with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Corfu. Metsovo. Meteora and Galaxidi

**Visit** the ancient theatre at Epidaurus, the Olympic Stadium in Olympia, the monastery of Palaiokastritsa, Achilleon Palace, the rock monasteries in Meteora, the home of the Oracle at Delphi, the Acropolis in Athens

**Be My Guest** Dine and dance with the Karambellas family on their olive and wine farm

#### Find your tour

Departure months: Apr - Sep

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## Best of Israel

8 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Lower Galilee, Acre, Caesarea, plus more

An extraordinary first-hand encounter with familiar places and stories, this Best of Israel travel experience will bring centuries of history to life and reveal the proud traditions of the resilient Jewish people.

You'll also visit Bethlehem, the birthplace of Jesus and visit Manger Square.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Jerusalem with a Local Specialist

Visit the Fortress of Masada and the Church of Nativity in Bethlehem, the Mount of Olives and the Israel Museum in Jerusalem, the Church of Annunciation in Nazareth, Jesus Boat at the Sea of Galilee, the old Synagogue and the Mount of Beatitudes near Capernaum, the ancient Synagogue and artists' colony at Safed, the underground Crusader City of Acre and the Roman Amphitheatre at Caesarea

**Be My Guest** Lunch with the Hiff awi family in Jaffa and hear their stories of living in a multi-religious society

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## Jordan Experience

6 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Amman, Iraq al-Amir, Jerash, Petra, Wadi Rum, plus more

Travel to the 'Rose City' of Petra, the highlight on this Jordan trip. But there's more to discover as you learn about Jordanian culture with the Khzoz family, have dinner with a Bedouin tribe and spend a soulful night gazing at the clear night's sky when you stay in Wadi Rum desert.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Amman with a Local Specialist

Visit the Greco-Roman city at Jerash, the unique ancient city at Petra, the Crusader Fortress at Shobak and Wadi Rum

**View** the Roman amphitheater and Citadel in Amman, Moses' Promised Land on Mount Nebo and the mosaic map of the Holy Land at Madaba

Scenic Drive on a jeep tour in the Wadi Rum desert

Be My Guest Dine with a Jordanian family in their Amman home

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## Best of Egypt

9 Days | 1 Country | 16 Meals | Balanced Activity

Cities: Cairo, Luxor, Edfu, Kom Ombo, Aswan, Abu Simbel, Giza, plus more

Awaken your inner explorer on this expedition through the lush river valleys and golden desert landscapes of Egypt. Cruise the Nile past the pharaonic temples of Luxor to the Nubian treasures of Aswan. Your voyage will also take you to the mystical Pyramids of Giza, Tomb of the Nobles and the Sphinx.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Luxor and Cairo with an Egyptologist

Visit the Egyptian Museum in Cairo, the temples of Karnak, the Valley of the Kings, Queen Hatshepsut's Temple and the Colossi of Memnon in Luxor, the Temple of Kom-Ombo and the temple of Isis on the island of Philae

**See** the Ramses II statue and Alabaster Sphinx in Memphis and the Step Pyramid in Saqqara

**Be My Guest** Enjoy warm mint tea and freshly baked local bread with the El Boerey family in a Luxor village

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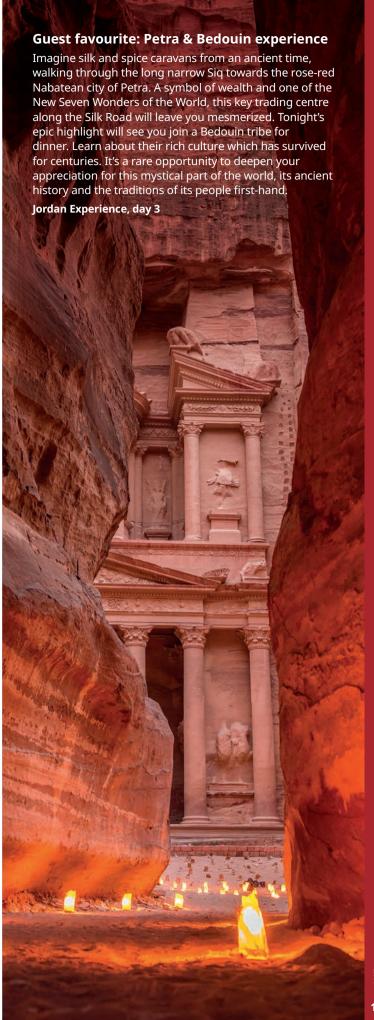
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Day 1 Welcome to Vienna Write your very own Christmas story on a festive foray to some of Europe's most magical Christmas markets. Our journey begins in Vienna. Take the opportunity to explore on your own before meeting your fellow travellers. Today, your Travel Director will provide an orientation drive of the Austrian capital before dinner. (D) Hotel: Imperial Riding School, Autograph Collection

Day 2 Discover Vienna's Spectacular **Christmas Markets** Join your **Local** Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the Austrian capital. Admire the grand exteriors of Parliament and City Hall and learn about the eventful history of the State Opera House. See Hofburg Palace, which served as the winter palace of the Habsburgs, one of the most powerful royal houses of Europe. We feed our Christmas spirit with a visit to the enchanting Christkindlmarkt this afternoon and feast on delicious gingerbread and Glühwein. Wander past wooden stalls piled high with handcrafted toys, seasonal gifts and tasty festive fare. (B)

Day 3 Journey to Munich Venture along the scenic Danube Valley to Mozart's beloved Salzburg. Dive Into Culture with a **Local Specialist** on a walking tour to see the Mirabell Gardens and iconic sights that featured in the filming of the 'Sound of Music'. Later, dramatic vistas accompany your journey as you travel past alpine landscapes to Munich, the capital of Bavaria. This evening, dinner is served at the hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Leonardo Royal



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*Join a unique exploration of Munich's* old town to uncover Munich's forgotten advent traditions. Along the way, get a taste of delicious advent treats from small independent businesses.

Day 4 Enjoy Bavarian Munich's Magical Christmas Markets Bundle up and join a Local Specialist for a unique guided journey through Munich's Advent traditions, on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER®

Experience. Explore the guieter streets to learn about well-known Christmas customs and uncover traditions that have largely been forgotten today. Embrace the festive cheer in Marienplatz with its impressive Town Hall and the ornate Glockenspiel. Then, spend the rest of your day savoring the sights, sounds and smells of Munich's Christmas market - a dazzling display of twinkling lights, carols and a magnificent Christmas tree. Continue your feast and indulge in Munich's unrivaled hospitality with an optional visit to enjoy the Gemütlichkeit atmosphere at one of Munich's most traditional restaurants. (B)

Day 5 Off to Innsbruck We leave Munich behind and travel through the romantic Bavarian countryside en route to Oberammergau, there the poignant Passion Play is hosted every ten years. Admire the Bavarian themes depicted in the village's intricate woodcarvings and elaborate frescoes. Continue to Austria's Innsbruck. Indulge in delicious Kiachl doughnuts at the bustling Christmas market before returning to your hotel for dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Tivoli

Day 6 Venture to Lucerne A winter wonderland beckons as we see the ski jump that towers over Innsbruck. Continue to Vaduz to view its turreted castle, perched perfectly above the Liechtenstein capital. Our final stop today is Lucerne, where we'll spend the next two nights. An orientation tour of the city provides an opportunity to take in the history and beauty of Lucerne. See the morose Lion of Lucerne and the famous wooden Chapel Bridge. (B) **Hotel: Astoria** 

Day 7 Explore Lucerne's Festive Glittering Lights This morning choose to join your Travel Director for an Optional Experience to the peak of a nearby mountain top. Embrace the Yuletide cheer in true Swiss-style during a visit to Lucerne's Christmas market at Franziskanerplatz, in the heart of the city's Old Town. Ramble past traditional wooden stalls, a warm mug of Glühwein in hand, and admire the swirling Christmas carousel, filled with the joyful sounds of happy children. For lunch we celebrate our magical journey together during an exclusive Be My Guest experience filled with Christmas cheer as you Connect With Locals in their home. The rest of the day is yours to spend at leisure or perhaps join an optional cruise on Lake Lucerne. (B, L)

Day 8 Journey Home We bid a festive farewell to our travel companions, returning home with magical Christmas memories. Find out more about available airport transfers at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Included highlights and must-sees

**Explore** Vienna and Salzburg

Visit the Christmas Markets of Vienna,

**View** Mozart's birthplace in Salzburg, the Marienplatz in Munich, the Golden Roof in

**See** stunning alpine scenery

Be My Guest Join a local family



"Enjoying a white Chris<u>tmas in</u> Salzburg with my eldest daughter."

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### **Chocolate Tasting**

Join Diana and her team of socially-engaged local guides, for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience to uncover the old town of Zürich during a fun and educational walking tour. Learn about medieval history and current topics of social solidarity while tasting ethical chocolate. This tour directly supports local and womenled businesses in Zürich as well as reduces inequalities within the country by supporting a local non-profit organisation - Essen für Alle (Food for All). Essen Für Alle organizes food distributions in Zürich for people in need, including locals who live below the poverty line as well as immigrants and refugees. This experience addresses SDG goals 10 & 12 - Reduced Inequalities & Responsible Consumption and Production.

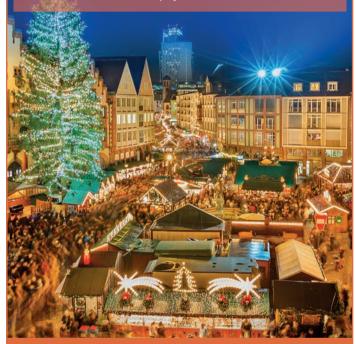
Swiss Delight, day 8

### German Christmas **Markets**

8 Days | 1 Country | 11 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Frankfurt, Rothenburg, Nuremberg, Weimar, Dresden, Leipzig, Berlin, plus more

Travel to the enchanting land of Germany's Christmas markets, sharing the festive season spirit and Gemütlichkeit of the locals amidst rousing oompah music and the spicy scents of Glühwein.



#### **Included highlights** and must-sees

**Explore** Berlin with a Local Specialist

**Discover** Frankfurt and Berlin's TV Tower

Visit the Christmas Markets of Rothenburg, Nuremberg, Wartburg Castle (Sat/Sun only), Weimar, Dresden, Erfurt and Leipzig

View the Opera House and Zwinger Palace in Dresden and the Brandenburg Gate and Reichstag Building in Berlin

> Be My Guest Enjoy Swabian and South German flavours for a Farewell Dinner

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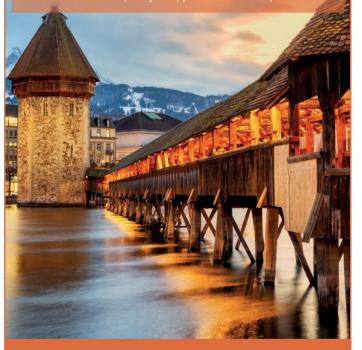
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## Swiss Delight

9 Days | 1 Country | 13 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Geneva, Lausanne, Montreux, Gruyères, Gstaad, Bern, Interlaken, Brienz, Lucerne, Kilchberg, Zürich, plus more

Get swept up in the charm of Switzerland's lively cities and soul-stirring landscapes on this perfect winter break filled with magical Christmas markets, delicious food and plenty of opportunities to shop.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Scenic Drive** along Lake Brienz and through the Alps

**Discover** Geneva, Lausanne, Montreux, Gruyères, Bern, Lucerne and Zurich

Scenic Train Ride from Montreux to Gstaad

**View** the Swiss Alps in Interlaken and the Lion Monument, Chapel Bridge in Lucerne

**Be My Guest** Enjoy local flavours at a vineyard overlooking Lake Geneva

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## Scandinavian Northern Lights

9 Days | 2 Countries | 13 Meals | Leisurely Activity

Cities: Helsinki, Ivalo, Saariselkä, Rovaniemi, Gammelstad, Luleå, Jokkmokk, Kiruna, Stockholm, plus more

Snow, Santa Claus and the fascinating culture of the Sámi people await on this arctic adventure in pursuit of the Northern Lights that dance across the dark winter skies of Finland and Sweden.



## Included highlights and *must-sees*

**Explore** Helsinki, Gammelstad and Stockholm with a Local Specialist

**Visit** Saariselkä, Siida Sámi Museum, Rovaniemi, Luleå, Jokkmokk, Ájtte Museum, Kiruna and Stockholm City Hall

**View** the Northern Lights (weather permitting)

**See** the Sibelius Monument, Olympic Stadium, Finlandia Hall, Riddarholmen Church and Royal Palace

Be My Guest Enjoy a meal in a Sami Lavvu (Tepee)

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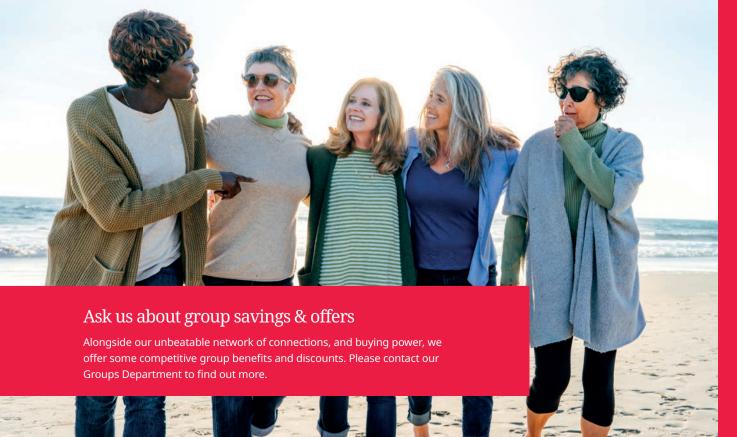
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