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Simply the Best

Vacations. It's something we all look forward to. Quality time spent with family and friends in the world's most beautiful places. It's the greatest feeling in the world when it flows effortlessly, so you're free to live in the moment.

There's never been a more important time to choose to travel with someone you can trust from beginning to end, to deliver the vacation you're dreaming of. As you turn every page, you'll discover how we deliver Simply the Best experiences, with confidence and stability, whilst quickly and efficiently adapting to the needs of a changing world. Just a few of these include:

Bringing on-board a solely dedicated Wellbeing Director for 2021 to support your Travel Director and Driver Team for additional reassurance and comfort. (page 11)

Achieving the endorsement of the World Travel and Tourism Council for our 3-step Wellbeing Protocols and guidelines across everything we do. (page 11)

Increasing our offering of flexible, risk-free bookings, with the reassurance of knowing your monies are safe with us. (page 11)

Importantly you'll travel knowing that you can simply sit back and enjoy the same remarkable travel experience that we've been perfecting for over a century. Behind us is the 100% family owned and operated company, The Travel Corporation (TTC) founded in 1920, where my family name personally and proudly stands behind 42 award-winning travel and hospitality brands. Tour Differently isn't just what we promise, it's what we deliver.

We can't wait to welcome you back to Europe and Britain once again.

Gavin Tollman, CEO





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49 countries. 126 trips. The care and attention to detail you're looking for.

No matter where you choose to go, from planning to travel and everything in between – we take care of it all and take care of you, making it easy to sit back and enjoy your vacation.

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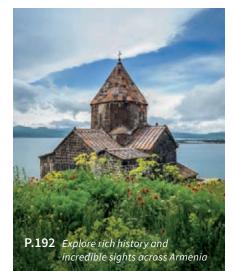
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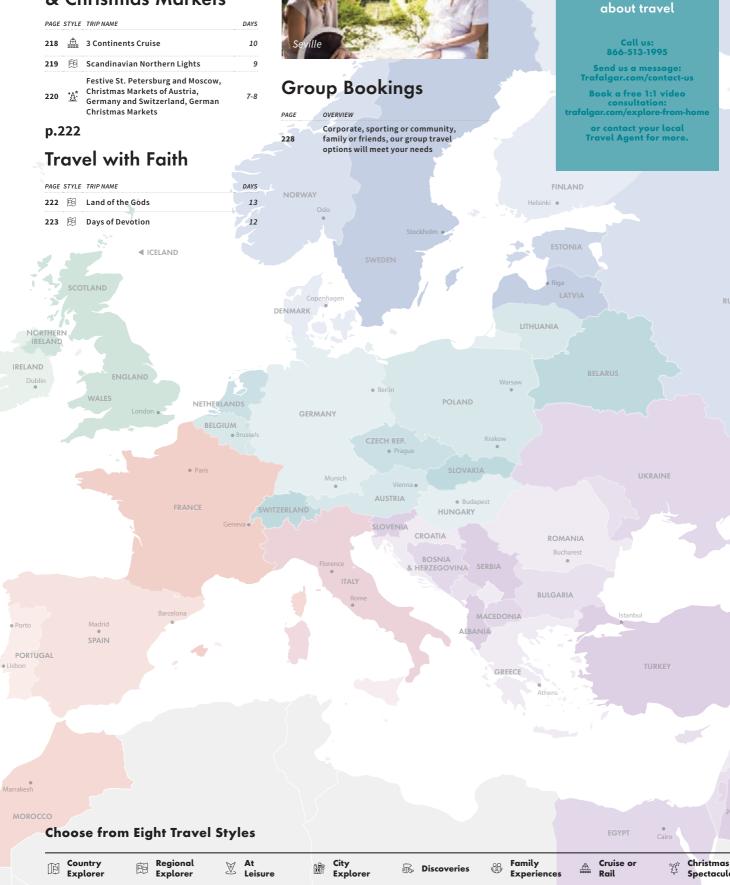
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Autumn, Winter, Spring & Christmas Markets



Spectacular

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you like and want

to know more, or just want to chat

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GEORGIA 🌢

ARMENIA 🕨

Tour Differently

Dream vacations without the stress of the 'what ifs', is what we do.

We design our tours so you can experience the world differently. You'll get the care, attention to detail and ease you're looking for, and enjoy the unmissable experiences you've always dreamed of.

Discover why we've been trusted by 5 million guests and are proud to deliver the very best vacations that you'll cherish for years to come.

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The Trafalgar Difference





Worry-Free Travel

Have peace of mind knowing that your travel plans are secure and that on every perfectly planned trip your wellbeing is our priority.

- | 3-step Wellbeing Protocols
- | Perfectly Planned Tours With 24/7 Support
- | Risk-free And Flexible Booking Options
- Learn more on pages 10-11.

Always Remarkable

You'll get the best of every place you visit. Every tour is designed so you cross off the must-sees and enjoy privileged access to the local people and places you've only dreamed of.

- | Iconic Sights
- | Exclusive Local Experiences
- Responsible Travel

Learn more on pages 12-17.

101 Years of Experiences

Unlock a century of travel expertize. Family run and operated - you'll get unmatched knowledge and personal service on every trip.

- Expert Global Network
- Family Owned, Family Run
- | Travels Most Awarded Brand
- Learn more on pages 18-19.



Worry-Free Travel

We're by your side, taking care of everything on a journey where your wellbeing comes first. Your solution to worry-free travel starts here. Visit trafalgar.com/worry-free-travel for more.









Included on Best of Poland, page 178





We're proud to have the endorsement of the World Travel and Tourism Council (WTTC) Safe Travels Stamp, recognizing our implementation of strict travel wellbeing protocols and standards.

Our 3-Step Wellbeing Protocols

Always-On Support Team

As an industry innovation for 2021, a Wellbeing Director will support your Travel Director and Driver to monitor wellbeing protocols throughout your trip.



Our Team and Guests all complete a travel declaration before traveling. All frequently touched surfaces on our coaches are cleaned multiple times a day, and sanitizer, extra gloves and masks are freely available and

we've allowed additional space for onboard distancing. Our hotels, venues and suppliers are vetted to meet our stringent standards.



24/7 Incident Response

We are ready and equipped to pivot should regulations from health authorities and local governments change. Should an incident arise on trip, we're by your side and ready to assist and follow directives from local authorities.

Perfectly Planned Vacations

Total Ease

With your dedicated travel team by your side, everything is taken care of. You just sit back, relax and enjoy.

Must-Sees

Discover the best of wherever you choose to go. Our knowledge and connections unlock each place on your bucket list and beyond.

Local Access

Our tours are built from real insight of how the locals live. Our extensive global network gets you interactions and one-of-a-kind experiences, you won't find elsewhere.

Feel Good Travel

Each tour isn't just a great experience, it does 'good' too, making a positive impact for the people and places we visit.

Risk-Free & Flexible Booking Options

Your Trip Reassurance

As a proud member of TTC, our financial strength, integrity and US \$300m in assets gives the booking reassurance today's traveler needs.

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"Every day was a 'wow' day... just when you thought it couldn't get any better, it did."

Our guest A. Boden Scenic Scandinavia and its Fjords

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Sleep on the edge of Geirangerfjord

Geirangerfjord, one of the world's bucket list destinations. With us, you'll find your home at the Havila Hotel Geiranger, within walking distance of this natural wonder, leaving you fully immersed in the wild, natural beauty of Norway.

Included on our trip featured on page 200.

Always Remarkable

We know the places that everyone should experience at least once in their lifetime. Thats why we design our tours with a depth of culture. Not your standard tourism – you'll visit the unmissable sites and spend time within communities around the world. Our connections and understanding of how the locals live, and the importance we place on making a positive impact on the places we visit are all part of what choosing to Tour Differently, is all about.

Look out for all the must-see highlights included in your trip, see the itinerary pages of this brochure or visit trafalgar.com.

- An exclusive opportunity to Connect with Locals
- You'll Dive into Culture igniting every sense
-) Discover *The Icons* of Europe and Britain
- Make Travel Matter for people and places
- Our Stays with Stories are extra special overnights
- Look out for Hidden Gems as shared by your Team as you travel

Unmissable Icons and Experiences

We hold deep knowledge of the icons and iconic experiences that have been written about and captured for 100s or even 1000s of years, the fundamental sites that deeply resonate with people. Here are just a few of the many foundation stones that you won't miss when you visit Europe and Britain. Learn more on every trip page and at trafalgar.com









Your VIP Vatican Experience

Join our *Local Specialist*, a Vatican expert, who'll bring the treasures of the Holy See to life, after the gates to the public have shut. You'll love visiting the Sistine Chapel and Michelangelo's ceiling, before the main event - dining among the Greco-Roman splendors of the Vatican Museums.

Included on our trips featured on pages 40, 52, 64 and 70.

O An In-Depth Look at Versailles

Take a journey through time, history and opulence at Louis XIV's palace. You'll wander the halls and rooms with our *Local Specialist*, including the extraordinary Hall of Mirrors, and the Battle Gallery, whose busts of kings and queens and paintings of important battles speak of the great victories of the Ancient Régime. Finish the experience with a stroll through the Royal Gardens, Petit Trianon and Marie Antoinette's rustic Hamlet.

Included on our trip featured on page 122.

🔊 Your Scottish Whisky Journey

Founded in 1833, there's no better place to *Dive into Culture* than Glengoyne. Within the beautiful historic setting of the original distillery, you'll learn the significance of this Scottish icon. Exploring the muchloved spirit's historic roots to modern day production through the eyes of a whisky expert – topped off with a 'wee' dram or two at the end, will be a day to remember.

Included on our trips featured on pages 116 and 118.

🔊 Discover Granada's Alhambra

No trip to Granada is complete without exploring the buildings and gardens of the exotic Alhambra. With our *Local Specialist* sharing stories and secrets, you'll soon learn that the patterns and designs of the buildings and gardens are said to have been inspired by poetry, reflecting descriptions of paradise found in Islamic verse.

Included on our trips featured on pages 136, 140, 146, 148 and 152.

Enjoy Two Nights of La Dolce Vita On The Amalfi Coast

You'll be charmed during your two-night stay in the small town of Maiori. Gliding across the Bay of Naples, to the Isle of Capri, it's here you'll really fall in love with the colorful 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.

Included on Italian Concerto page 58.



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"Incredible! Saw the most beautiful parts of Italy in the time we had. Perfect."

★ ★ ★ ★ Our guest B. Michetti Italian Concerto

Privileged Local Access

We are privileged to provide remarkable experiences all across Europe and Britain, including our exclusive *Be My Guest* series, established 11 years ago, where you have the opportunity to *Connect with Locals* in their homes and family businesses. It's a rare chance to meet the characters who bring these places to life, a one-of-a-kind experience that will leave you with inspiring stories you'll tell years to come.

Wind Back the Clock in Paris

Feel like you've gone back to a legendary Paris of the mid-20th century at our exclusive *Be My Guest* experience at Bistro Chez Paul. You'll be greeted with a welcoming smile by Daniel, who will guide you to the Balajo, once the haunt of stars such as Marlene Dietrich, Gregory Peck and Brigitte Bardot. Later, take your seat for an aperitif and Parisian cuisine, knowing you're experiencing hidden treasure of the Paris of old.

Included on Paris Explorer page 122.







🔊 Take Tea at Kensington Palace

There are few better places to take tea than Kensington Palace. After a guided tour, lovers of tradition will delight as we *Dive into Culture*, learning the proper etiquette of British teatime, where debate still rages whether you put the cream or jam on your scones first (you decide which side to choose!).

Included on London Explorer page 74.

Live Like Royalty at Ashford Castle

An 800-year-old castle in Ireland's emerald green Cong county is more fantasy getaway than a hotel stay. You'll begin your *Stays with Stories* experience on the waters of Lough Corrib, disembarking to the haunting sounds of a lone piper before enjoying the delights that await at this truly spectacular property. A National Geographic Unique Lodge of the World, and Ireland's first Forbes five-star, you'll learn that the Castle has housed earls, princes and is the former home of the dynastic Guinness family.

You'll be spoilt with the finest food and spectacular views with plenty to do and see. Meet the Castle's two resident Irish wolfhounds, or choose to fish, take flight with feathered friends at Ireland's oldest school of falconry or just sit back and relax in style. Get ready to experience exceptional luxury on this never to be forgotten treat made possible as one of our TTC sister brands, Red Carnation Hotels.

Included on Iconic Ireland & Ashford Castle page 106.

🔊 Indulge in a Taste of Tuscany

Alongside our longtime friend Chef Libero, you'll *Dive into Culture*, leaving with an understanding and appreciation of life in rural Tuscany. First up, shop at his favorite market for fresh produce you'll use to make lunch, paired with pasta you'll make from scratch under his expert guidance. Feeling just like an Italian local, you'll enjoy your creations over lunch and a tasting of Libero's own blue wine!

Included on Rome and Tuscan Highlights page 40.

Make Travel Matt

Each tour is not just a good experience, it has to 'do good', too. We're focused on ensuring we make a positive impact on the places we visit and the communities and cultures we interact with. Here's just one of the many people and businesses who's lives are enriched by the support of our visits. This is travel you can feel good about.

Meet One of Italy's Last Remaining Weavers

At her workshop Guiditta Brozetti, meet the extraordinary Marta Cuccia, a fourth-generation Renaissance weaver who shares her creations, made on original antique looms using traditional techniques that have survived since medieval times. Not only will you *Make Travel Matter*, you'll gain an in-depth understanding for the ancient Italian arts, not possible to find elsewhere.

Included on Italy Bellissimo page 56.



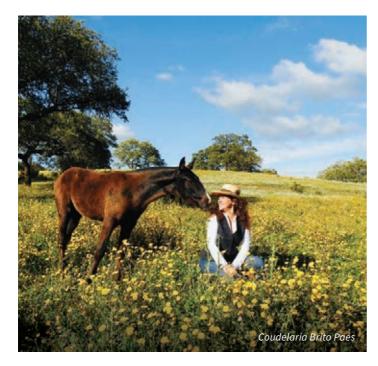
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DID YOU KNOW

"We not only saw the highlights of Italy but also the little hidden gems. Trafalgar made sure we had the opportunity to meet the people, see the country, and learn some of their traditions."

★ ★ ★ ★ Our guest L. Thornton Italy Bellissimo

Trafalgar, as part of The Travel Corporation, is proud to be using 100% recycled LEIPA paper for the body stock of our brochures. (or "travel catalogues" for the US market) 95% Recycled Post-Consumer waste paper is recognized as the most eco-friendly solution of publishing a printed catalogue. LEIPA papers are certified according to the leading environmental standards. By using 100% recycled paper, TTC actively contributes to the conservation of resources and the environment.





Experience Life on a Portuguese Stud Ranch

Coudelaria Brito Paes stud ranch *Be My Guest* experience will be one of the highlights of your Portugal trip. Under the guidance of your hosts Vera and Tiago, learn the rich history of the stables and their ancestors who founded them. Visit the 'Picadero' (riding school) where you'll stop for coffee and watch a special performance from the iconic Lusitano horses, before a delicious Portuguese lunch in Tiago's grandparent's house, filled with charming salons and rooms that transport you to days gone by.

Included on our trips featured on pages 142 and 146.

Spend the evening in Tuscany's Most Infamous Castle

Connect with proud Tuscans, Anna and Alberto, in their home, Castello del Trebbio, one of Italy's last year-round inhabited castles. At this exclusive *Be My Guest* experience you'll take your front-row seat to the feud which rocked Florence centuries ago, it's here at this very castle that Pazzi family came up with a plot to dethrone the Medici as rulers of the city. Finish the act with a taste of their award-winning Chianti, locally produced olive oil and a Tuscan feast as the night rolls in.

Included on our trips featured on pages 24, 30, 38 and 56.



© Explore the History of Asturian Cider in Spain

You won't forget your first sip at the Castañón family's Cider Mill, where three generations have been perfecting the art of cider production with a twist, at our exclusive *Be My Guest* experience. Heading down to the ancient cellars, you'll learn how the family have been brewing Asturian cider here since 1938, before witnessing the famous pouring technique. Afterwards comes the best part – tasting – before an 'Espicha' dinner, where cider takes the leading role, accompanying each delicious dish.

Included on Northern Spain page 138.

Have Lunch in A French Aristocrat's Château

Spend an afternoon experiencing all things French with Remy de Scitvaux and his talented wife, Lydia, at Château d'Éporcé, their magnificent 17th-century home. At this exclusive *Be My Guest* experience you'll enjoy a stroll around the idyllic gardens, hearing their family story, before a light lunch prepared by Lydia, featuring the best of Sarthe cuisine paired with local wines, cheeses, pâtes and macarons.

Included on Treasures of France including Normandy page 124.

See itinerary pages and trafalgar.com for more.



101 Years of Experiences

Travel with the confidence of knowing your future travel plans are in the best possible hands.

Our story is 101 years in the making, as the anchor brand of The Travel Corporation (TTC) family of 42 awardwinning hospitality and travel brands.



Your Expert Travel Network

We've seen a complete revolution of travel throughout our first century, but as much as things change, we're here, we continue to evolve and innovate, and the next century of adventure awaits.

Long-term reassurance

We've been around longer than most, weathering highs and lows over many decades. Through it all we've proven we're here for the long term, ensuring our guests always have the best experience with us.

Unbeatable connections

Throughout our first 100 years, we've built a network and nurtured connections that have spanned the test of time. For our guests this means the ultimate destination expertize. It's the wealth of knowledge, valued historical context and modern insights that comes together for the most remarkable travel experience across every continent.

Spanning global, thinking local

Our infrastructure and network spans all seven continents. We have offices spanning every corner of the globe, with travel experience developers, on-theground teams and contact centers across each.





There's an adventure for every age across every continent. Visit ttc.com to learn more.

Family Owned, Family Run

TTC is 100% family owned and passionately operated, with the family name Tollman being recognized for its promise of confidence and exceptional service.

Our journey started humbly, at a 13-room hotel in the tiny South African fishing village of Paternoster, purchased by Solomon Tollman. 'Driven by Service' was his promise to every single customer, and as the company has expanded to become the industry leader it is today, 'Driven by Service' remains the firm guiding light for all 42 brands that make up TTC. Today, the Tollman family have reached the fourth generation of passionate explorers, proudly leading TTC into the future.

Travels Most Awarded Brand

When you choose to Tour Differently with Trafalgar, you're joining an army of more than 5 million happy past guests who have chosen to travel the world with us to date. We're proud to have received more than 90 awards, and we're honored that more than 50% of our guests return to explore the world with us year after year.









European Highlights

7 Days

4 Countries

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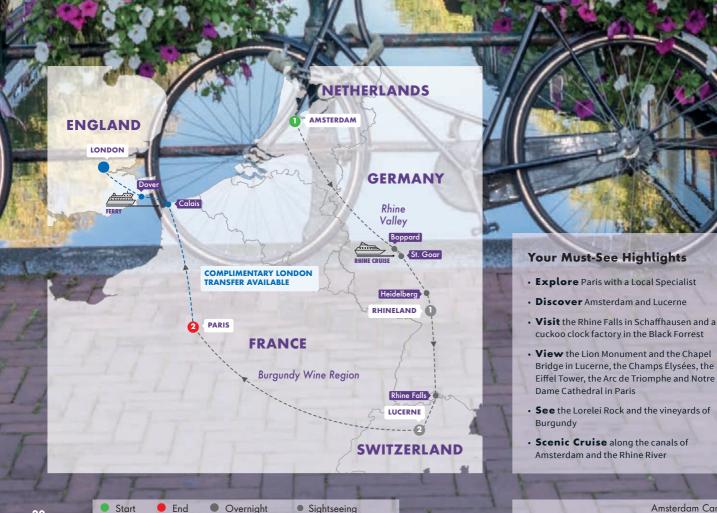
9 Meals

From \$1825 Per person, double share

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

Past feefo Guest 4.5/5 Rated

Learn more at trafalgar.com



Day

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

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

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



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

3 Journey through the Black Forest to Lucerne In the enchanting Black Forest, we'll *Dive Into Culture* and witness the fine craft of cuckoo clock making, before crossing the Swiss border. We'll visit the dramatic Rhine Falls at Schaffhausen, the largest waterfall in Europe and arrive on the shores of Lake Lucerne, where we will stay for the next two nights. (B, 50%) Hotel: Grand Europe

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

Off through the Burgundy Wine Region to Paris See the changing landscape as you travel into France through Alsace and across the Maginot Line. Admire the scenic Burgundy Wine Region, before arriving in Paris. Indulge in a free evening to explore the grand boulevards of the French capital. Experience the pageantry of Paris first-hand and opt for an Optional Experience to a Parisian Cabaret. (B) Hotel: Pullman La Defense

Connect With LocalsWR Welcome ReceptionB Breakfast

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- Stays With StoriesL LunchD Dinner
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Explore Magical 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. This evening we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our travel companions and Travel Director. (**B, FD**)

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

Please note: Your coach returns to London from Paris on day 7. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer.

Optional Eurostar[™] Extension

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

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

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



Travel Director Tip

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

Debra Lan

Travel Style

Your vacation planner

Start Amsterdam	End Paris	Start Amsterdam	End Paris
MON 11 JAN	SUN 17 JAN	MON 09 AUG	SUN 15 AUG
MON 25 JAN	SUN 31 JAN	MON 16 AUG	SUN 22 AUG
		MON 23 AUG	SUN 29 AUG
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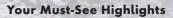
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- Discover Lucerne and Venice
- **Visit** a glassblowing factory in Venice and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
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- **See** the Somme Battlefields and the vineyards of Burgundy in France

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- 1 Welcome to London Spend some time exploring the pomp and pageantry of a city that effortlessly combines old and new. Hotel: Park Plaza County Hall/Park Plaza Riverbank
- 2 **Discover Historic London** Join a *Local Specialist* this morning for a tour of the iconic and unexpected highlights of London, including Big Ben, the imposing Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. The rest of the day is free. **(B)**
- 3 Cross the English Channel to Paris Meet your Travel Director and depart London for the White Cliffs of Dover, England's last hurrah before we cross the English Channel. We pass the tragic World War I battlefields before arriving in Paris where we will enjoy a Welcome Reception with dinner to meet our fellow travelers and Travel Director, followed by an orientation drive. (B, WR) Hotel: Novotel Centre Bercy
- **Explore the Sights of Paris** Embark on a scenic sojourn, with your *Local Specialist*, along the grand Champs Élysées to view the Arc de Triomphe, honoring those who fought for France. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. This afternoon, you'll have some leisure time to explore the treasures of Paris. Maybe wander through Montmartre in search of beautiful art, view da Vinci's Mona Lisa at the Louvre or relax at a cozy French café and enjoy a glass of wine while watching the world go by. **(B)**
- Onwards to Explore Lucerne We wind our way through the sprawling vineyards of Burgundy, journeying south past rolling green farmlands into Switzerland bound for Lucerne. Cross the famous wooden Chapel Bridge with its 17th-century paintings and view the mortally wounded lion hewn from rock. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Europe
- Journey to the Floating City of Venice Journey through the Alps today, traveling 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. Arrive in Venice later. (B) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana
- 7 On to Florence Board a private motor launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. View the Bridge of Sighs and ornate Doge's Palace, then Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old craft of glassblowing at one of the oldest workshops on the islands. We'll have some time to explore and fit in some shopping before crossing the Apennine Mountains bound for Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. (B, Soft) Hotel: Cosmopolitan Concept
 - Journey to Rome The magnificent Renaissance Dome of Santa Maria del Fiore Cathedral and the Baptistery are among the sights we will view during our guided walking tour with a *Local Specialist*. Admire the Ponte Vecchio which has spanned the Arno River for almost 700 years. Marvel at the impressive *palazzi* and art in the Piazza della Signoria, the political hub of the city. Continue to Rome, the last stop on your trip. (**B**) Hotel: A.Roma Lifestyle/Barceló Occidental Aurelia

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



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

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

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> Our Guest: R. Sant on European Traveler

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- **Explore** Rome, Florence, Paris and London with a Local Specialist
- Discover Venice and Lucerne
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and a glassblowing 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

Start

Day

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- Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Welcome to the 'Eternal City' - once home to gods and goddesses, emperors, senators and slaves. Explore the city's bustling boulevards and labyrinthine lanes before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director at a Welcome Reception. This evening, we embark on an orientation drive revealing some of the city's most celebrated sights. (WR) Hotel: Grand Tiberio
 - **Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** The Holy See takes center stage today as we join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour that will see us visit the 16th-century St. Peter's Basilica in the Vatican City and witness Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà, a masterpiece of Renaissance sculpture. We cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to delve into what was once the largest empire in the world and view such ancient sites as the imposing Colosseum where brave gladiators and slaves duelled to their deaths. Later, enjoy some free time to explore the picturesque *piazze* of Rome. Sit on the Spanish Steps and shop up a storm on Via Condotti or perhaps join an Optional Experience to see the exquisite frescoed ceiling of the Sistine Chapel. **(B)**
- 3 **Onwards to Florence** We travel north into the vineyard-clad hills of Tuscany and along the Arno River Valley. *Connect With Locals* over lunch in a castle during a *Be My Guest* experience, 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, BMG, ^(S)) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**



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

Journey to the Canals of Venice The romantic island city of Venice is our 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. We'll *Dive Into Culture* next and witness the centuries-old art of Venetian glassblowing before enjoying an afternoon at leisure to explore narrow *calle* in search of a cozy *bacaro* where you can enjoy delicious Venetian cuisine washed down

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with an Aperol Spritz or two. If you have 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**, 5(3)*) **Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana**

- 5 Across the Alps to Lucerne We depart Venice, traveling north into the picturesque Italian and Swiss Lake Districts via Como and Lugano. Slicing through the Alps, we arrive in Switzerland and the laid-back lakeside city of Lucerne. The city is perhaps most famous for its solid wooden Chapel Bridge and poignant Lion Monument, a memorial to Swiss Guards. Enjoy an afternoon at leisure, amble through the Old Town or consider joining an Optional Experience and ascend one of the surrounding mountain peaks for panoramic views. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Europe
 - Through Burgundy to Paris From Lucerne, we head into France and through the rolling vineyard-clad hills of Burgundy. Arriving in Paris, we enjoy a free evening. Wander up grand boulevards and along the scenic Seine, or consider attending one of the city's famous colorful cabaret shows. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza Neuilly
- 7 Explore Elegant Paris Join a *Local Specialist* today and see the Arc de Triomphe and Place de la Concorde. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. (B)
- 8 Cross the English Channel to London Pass the tragic Somme battlefields en route to Calais from where we set sail across the English Channel to Dover and travel through Kent to London. (B) Hotel: Hilton Kensington
- 9 Discover Historic London Join a Local Specialist today to see the sights of London. View Big Ben, the imposing Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace, after which you have an afternoon at leisure to soak up the dynamic atmosphere of this capital city that combines centuries-old heritage with modern verve. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers at a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- **Journey Home** It's time to bid farewell to London and your fellow travelers as your memorable European vacation comes to an end. **(B)**
 - " If you have never been to Europe and always wanted to visit all the places you see in movies then this is the trip. We saw EVERYTHING! "

Our Guest: D. Costello on European Dream

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Splendor of Versailles Join a *Local Specialist* today to explore the opulent Palace of Versailles – its splendor and beauty created to reflect the

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self-proclaimed majesty of King Louis XIV, the 'Sun King'. See the exquisite sprawling gardens, the Hall of Mirrors with its impressive chandeliers and glinting mirrors and enjoy time to explore Versailles town. This evening, enjoy the city by night or perhaps attend a colorful Parisian cabaret performance. **(B)**



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

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

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



Travel Director Tip

In Paris, do like the locals do and grab some pain (bread), vin (wine) and fromage (cheese) from a local shop and head to the bank of the river Seine for a picnic. Picnic was originally a 17th-century French word, pique-nique and the banks of the Seine are a perfect spot for the most treasured Parisian sport - people watching.

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

Day

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

1 Welcome to Rome Benvenuto a Roma - what was once the 'Capital of the World' is today a vibrant city filled with Italian zest for life and centuries of celebrated history. Enjoy some free time to explore before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive to kick off your unforgettable European adventure. (WR) Hotel: Cardinal St. Peter

Explore the Ancient Sights of Rome We venture to the center of Christianity and the great square that bears the name of the first 'bishop of Rome', St. Peter. Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that includes a visit to St. Peter's Basilica, where we will have an opportunity to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà hewn from the most perfect block of Carrara marble. We cross the Tiber River to see the ancient sites of Rome, including the mighty Colosseum and Circus Maximus. This afternoon there is time to explore the city on your terms. Perhaps toss a coin in the Trevi Fountain to secure your return to Rome or embark on an Optional Experience to visit the Colosseum and the Vatican. (B)

Admire Siena on the way to Florence We travel into the scenic Tuscan hills to medieval Siena with its honey-stone façades. View the Piazza del Campo, where the exhilarating Palio horse race takes place, and see ornate medieval palaces and the 14th-century marble Duomo. Continue to Florence, the 'Cradle of the Renaissance', where we will spend the next two nights. Tonight we Connect With Locals over dinner for a special Be My Guest experience, at a magnificent Tuscan villa that once featured as a famous film location. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Cosmopolitan Concept

Discover Renaissance Florence The extraordinary art and architecture of Florence are celebrated during our guided walking tour with a Local Specialist. We'll view the exquisite marble Duomo and visit Piazza della Signoria with its palazzi and magnificent art, including a replica of Michelangelo's David statue. View the Ponte Vecchio bridge, the only bridge over the River Arno that the fleeing German army did not destroy during World War II, then admire panoramic views of the iconic cityscape from Piazzale Michelangelo. Spend a leisurely afternoon exploring the city on your own. (B)

5 Onwards to Pisa and Venice We travel to Pisa today and to the Square of Miracles to view the famous Leaning Tower and Italy's largest Baptistery. Cross the Apennine hills and flat Veneto plains to the island city of Venice. The rest of the day is yours to relax and soak up the sights and sounds of the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. Consider joining an Optional Experience and explore the labyrinthine canals of Venice by gondola before dinner. (B, RD) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido

Explore the Canals of Venice Dive Into Culture and witness first-hand the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassmaking. Take to the water and cruise by private launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. Join your Travel Director to see the iconic and unexpected highlights of the city - the ornate Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Basilica and the Campanile with its five bells. The rest of the day is yours at leisure or consider joining an Optional Experience to the island of Burano. (B, 5)

Off to Lake Como and Lucerne We travel through the Italian Lake District bound for Switzerland this morning and enjoy some free time for lunch in the laid-back lakeside town of Como, which for centuries has served as the crossroads between Central Europe and the Mediterranean. We continue through alpine landscapes, past Lugano and through the St. Gotthard tunnel into central Switzerland, where we'll spend the next two nights in the medieval lakeside city of Lucerne. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe



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Uncover Lucerne's Treasures Enjoy an orientation of Lucerne with your Travel Director. You'll see the Lion Monument and pay tribute to the Swiss Guards who lost their lives during the French Revolution, before heading to the solid wooden Chapel Bridge. Spend the rest of the day at leisure ambling past the beautifully painted façades in the Old Town. Shop for luxurious Swiss chocolate or consider joining an Optional Experience to one of the surrounding mountains to admire panoramic views. (B, D)

9 Journey to Paris Cross the French border and what remains of the Maginot Line, journeying through the rolling vineyard-clad hills of Burgundy, one of France's most prominent wine regions. Arriving in Paris later this afternoon, we have the evening at leisure to wander up grand boulevards and admire the vibrant cityscape of one of Europe's most sophisticated cities. (B) Hotel: Meliá La Défense

- 10 Discover Magical Paris Join a Local Specialist this morning for a guided tour along the grand Champs Élysées and Place de la Concorde. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. This evening, we join our fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner celebrating the end of our European adventure. (B, FD)
- Au Revoir Paris For now, it's time to say a fond farewell 11 to our newfound friends and Travel Director at the end of an unforgettable journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)
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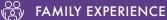
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VIEW

the ancient sites of Rome, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, scenic Lake Como, the spectacular alpine scenery of Switzerland, th e Chapel Bridge in Lucerne and the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris

SEE the vineyards of Burgundy and the Somme Battlefields in France

> SCENIC CRUISE along the Seine River in Paris

Day

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Welcome to Rome Buckle up Bambini – we're off on a grand adventure through Europe, launching our Family Experience in the 'Eternal City' of Rome. This evening we enjoy a Kickoff Party where we Dive Into Culture with a Family Fun experience and learn how to make pizza. (KP, (2)) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's



Make your own pizza. Roll up your sleeves and learn to make pizza the authentic Italian way, before sampling your delicious creations piping hot from the oven. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour to the Vatican. See Michelangelo's famous Pietà statue in St. Peter's Basilica before crossing the Tiber into Ancient Rome to visit the Colosseum and see Circus Maximus. **(B)**

Admire Siena and Florence Explore the medieval playground of Siena, home to the festive Palio bareback horse race. Arrive in Florence this afternoon, followed by a *Be My Guest* experience where you'll *Connect With Locals* over dinner in the Chianti countryside. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo

Explore Florence Join a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour of the city. Visit the Piazza della Signoria, and view the magnificent marble Duomo. Spend the afternoon at leisure pounding the pavements in search of the city's tastiest *gelato*. **(B)**

Journey to Bologna and on to Venice Cross the Apennine Mountains to the city of Bologna where you will join a *Local Specialist* to view the city's Kissing Towers and *Il Gigante*. Indulge in the delicious flavors of what is widely regarded as the gastronomic capital of Italy. Arrive in the island city of Venice later for some leisure time or enjoy an Optional Experience gondola ride. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana**

Discover the Floating City of Venice *Dive Into Culture* and witness first-hand the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassmaking. Take to the water and cruise by private launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. Join your Travel Director to see the ornate Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Basilica and the Campanile with its five bells. Then, join a *Local Specialist* for a *Family Fun* experience to learn about the great Venetian tradition of Carnival masks, with an opportunity to create your own colorful alter egos (**B**, *S*)*)

- Onwards to Lake Como and Engelberg We travel through the Italian Lake District and enjoy some free time for lunch in the laid-back lakeside town of Como. We continue through alpine landscapes next, past Lugano and through the St. Gotthard tunnel into central Switzerland, before arriving in Engelberg. (B) Hotel: H+ Hotel & Spa
- 8 Uncover Lucerne's Treasures Walk across the flowerlined 14th-century wooden Chapel Bridge and into a land of lakes and lions. See the giant dying lion hewn from sandstone rock to commemorate the heroism of the Swiss Guard. Ascend one of the magnificent surrounding mountains during an Optional Experience or spend the afternoon sampling the rich flavors of delicious Swiss chocolate. **(B, D)**
- **9 Off to Magical Paris** From Switzerland, we cross the mighty Rhine River and into France, traveling through the famous Burgundy wine region en route to the 'City of Lights'. **(B) Hotel: Novotel Centre Tour Eiffel**
- Explore Paris's Sights Join a Local Specialist on a guided sightseeing tour which includes a drive along the Champs Élysées with views of the magnificent Arc de Triomphe and the Eiffel Tower. Now, take to the water for a leisurely cruise on the Seine River with spectacular views of the city's bridges and life on the river. Enjoy a free afternoon to discover Paris. This evening, celebrate with our travel companions and Travel Director at a special Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- 11 **Farewell Paris** For now, it's time to say *au revior* to your fellow travelers at the end of an unforgettable experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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- **Explore** Rome, Florence and Paris with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Amsterdam, Heidelberg, Munich, Innsbruck, Venice and Lucerne
- Visit a glassblowing factory in Venice and 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
- **See** the Lorelei Rock and the vineyards of Burgundy
- Scenic Cruise along the canals of Amsterdam and the Rhine River

Your vacation

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

- 1 Welcome to London The vibrant British capital where you will spend the next two nights, enjoying the pomp and pageantry of a city that effortlessly combines old and new. Hotel: The Tower
- 2 Discover Historic London Join a Local Specialist this morning for a tour of the iconic and unexpected sites of London. (B)
- 3 Eurostar to Brussels and on to Amsterdam Meet vour Travel Director before boarding the Eurostar™ for a high-speed train journey to Brussels and a luxury coach journey to Amsterdam. Enjoy an orientation tour before your Welcome Reception dinner cruise. (B, WR) Hotel: Mercure City
- Journey to the Rhineland and a Scenic Cruise Driving through the lush landscapes of The Netherlands and Germany, we arrive in Boppard where we board a cruise along the Rhine to St. Goar, passing vineyard-clad hills and medieval castles perched above riverside towns. Arriving in the Baroque city of Heidelberg, we explore its iconic and unexpected highlights before traveling to our Rhineland hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Sinsheim
- Off to Innsbruck We arrive in Munich, where you'll 5 enjoy an orientation of the city. We drive across the Austrian border, arriving in Innsbruck. Here, we'll admire Emperor Maximilian's famous Golden Roof and perhaps indulge in an evening of traditional Tyrolean entertainment. (B) Hotel: Innsbruck
- Onwards to the Canals of Venice Journey along the Brenner Pass into Italy and continue to Venice. Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square, viewing the ornate Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs. Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old craft of glassblowing before a free afternoon. (B, 🕬) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana
- 7 All Roads Lead to Rome Travel south across the Veneto Plain, passing Bologna and the dramatic Apennine Mountains as well as the green and golden fields of Lazio before reaching Rome, the 'Eternal City'. En route, we Connect With Locals over lunch at a Be My Guest experience and enjoy true Tuscan hospitality with a local family on their private estate in the Chianti countryside. (B, BMG, (S) Hotel: A.Roma Lifestyle

Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our first stop today sees us discover the divine beauty of the Vatican City. We'll visit St. Peter's Basilica with a Local Specialist to view Michelangelo's Renaissance masterpiece, the Pietà. We continue to Ancient Rome to view the iconic Colosseum and Circus Maximus, once the site of exhilarating chariot races centuries ago. The afternoon is yours to explore the city on your terms. (B)

- 9 Continue to Renaissance Florence From Rome. we travel north through the rolling countryside of Tuscany and along the Arno valley to the 'Cradle of the Renaissance', Florence. Delve into the rich Medici heritage of this beautiful medieval city with your Local Specialist. Visit what was once the political hub of the city, Piazza della Signoria, with its impressive sculptures and stunning palazzi. View the imposing Duomo with its Brunelleschi dome and Baptistery renowned for its bronze doors filled with relief sculptures. (B) Hotel: Hilton Metropole
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- Across the Alps to Lucerne Drive across the Alps into 10 Switzerland, where the next two nights are spent in Lucerne, Tonight, why not consider an optional Swiss Folklore Show? (B) Hotel: Grand Europe
- 11 Explore Lucerne This morning, view the mournful, mortally wounded lion hewn from rock to commemorate the Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending Louis XVI. Walk along the flower-lined 14th-century covered Chapel Bridge, crossing the river Reuss. Or join an exciting Optional Experience to one of the surrounding peaks for breathtaking views of the Swiss countryside. (B, D)
- On to Captivating Paris Crossing the border into 12 France this morning, we travel past the picturesque vineyards and country towns of Burgundy en route to the 'City of Lights'. Spend some time this evening strolling along the Seine and grand boulevards in search of a cozy bistro for fine French cuisine or consider an Optional Experience to a colorful Parisian cabaret. (B) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel
- Discover the Sights of Paris Join a Local Specialist 13 today for a sightseeing tour of this romantic city. View the sophisticated Champs Élysées, Place de la Concorde, the 19th-century Arc de Triomphe and Notre Dame Cathedral, then enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. Our European Whirl almost at its end, we spend the evening with fellow travelers and our Travel Director, enjoying a Farewell Dinner in a local bistro. (B, FD)
- 14 Farewell Paris Today bid adieu to your fellow travelers and Travel Director at the end of your memorable experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)
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- Visit the Prado Museum in Madrid, the Fragonard Perfumery in Grasse, the Leaning Tower in Pisa and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
- **View** the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris, Château Amboise and the ancient sites of Rome
- See the Somme Battlefields in France

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Your vacation

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

- Welcome to London The sights and sounds of a city that embraces old and new are yours to explore today. Wander along the Thames, see the bright lights of Piccadilly Circus or relax in one of the Royal Parks. Hotel: The Tower
- 2 Discover London Join a Local Specialist today to see the city's iconic sights. Spend the rest of the day at leisure shopping on Carnaby Street, exploring centuries of royal heritage at the Tower of London or visiting one of the city's captivating museums. (B)
- Cross the English Channel to Paris Meet your Travel 3 Director before crossing the English Channel by ferry from Dover to Calais. We travel across the World War I battlefields before arriving in Paris. Later, we join our Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception including dinner and drinks and an evening drive to embrace the energy of this vibrant city. (B, WR) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel
- Explore Paris's Sights Join a Local Specialist for a drive Δ along the Champs Élysées to the Arc de Triomphe and view the Eiffel Tower. View Notre Dame Cathedral and enjoy a stroll through the Latin Quarter. Perhaps stroll along the Seine admiring the exquisite work of street artists or consider attending one of the city's famous colorful cabaret shows. (B)
- 5 Journey to Amboise and Bordeaux Journey through France's Loire Valley, stopping to see the royal château at Amboise. Continue south through one of France's most renowned wine regions before arriving in Bordeaux. Spend the evening exploring its historical center or amble along the Garonne and watch how the 18thcentury Place de la Bourse glitters across the river at night. (B) Hotel: Mercure Centre Ville
- Admire Elegant Biarritz and on to Pamplona This morning, we delve into the heady days of la Belle Époque in the glitzy seaside resort of Biarritz. Tonight we Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience of local specialties. (B, BMG, 🛞) Hotel: Tres Reyes
- 7 Onwards to Madrid Head to the heart of Spain and its lofty capital, Madrid. Enjoy an included visit to the Prado Museum and admire the works of Rubens, Goya and El Greco. This afternoon join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the city's iconic landmarks. View the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain before joining your fellow travelers for dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Meliá Castilla
 - Discover Magical Madrid This morning, perhaps take to the waters of Retiro Park, visit the Mercado de San Miguel to indulge in the delicious flavors of Spain, or join an Optional Experience to the imperial city of Toledo. Enjoy free time this afternoon in one of Europe's most gracious capitals. (B)
- 9 Off to Barcelona Driving towards Catalonia and the shores of the Mediterranean, we pass Guadalajara en route to vibrant Barcelona, where we will spend the next two nights delving into the intoxicating charm of this cultural and artistic powerhouse. (B) Hotel: Tryp Apolo
- 10 Uncover Colorful Barcelona Join a Local Specialist today and delight in the whimsical world of Gaudí. See his unfinished masterpiece La Sagrada Familia, before spending the rest of the day embracing the energy of Barcelona. This evening, you could choose to witness Spanish passion, power and drama unfold at an unforgettable foot-stomping flamenco evening including a delicious Spanish buffet. (B)
 - Connect With Locals WR Welcome Reception
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Journey Along the French Riviera From the rugged 11 Costa Brava to the stylish shores of the French Riviera, we travel through the South of France, stopping to Dive Into Culture during a guided visit of Fragonard Perfumery where we'll learn how fragrances are crafted. Later, we arrive in the glamorous French Riviera. (B, 5) Hotel: Montaigne & Spa



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

- Enjoy French Riviera Your Way Tread in the footsteps of showbiz royalty, savoring a full day at leisure in the French Riviera. Admire the irresistible backdrop of the Mediterranean or consider joining an Optional Experience to the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, renowned for its museums and galleries. (B)
- Explore Monaco and Pisa on the way to Florence 13 Travel to the Principality of Monaco, where you'll see the Royal Palace and the cathedral where Princess Grace is buried. Cross into Italy and pass Genoa, the birthplace of Columbus, before arriving in Pisa to admire its Leaning Tower. This evening we arrive in the Renaissance city of Florence. (B, D) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- 14 Discover Florence Join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour of one of the cultural capitals of the world. Enjoy views of the marble Duomo, the Baptistery and the Ponte Vecchio bridge. Visit Piazza della Signoria, once the political hub of the city, and in your free time consider joining an Optional Experience to the Tuscan hilltop town of San Gimignano. (B)
- All Roads Lead to Rome Italy's 'Eternal City' beckons 15 and we head south to Rome stopping in Passignano Sul Trasimeno to admire its beautifully preserved medieval center. Arriving in Rome you'll have an evening to explore the city your way. (B) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna
- 16 Uncover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist to visit St. Peter's Basilica, then cross the Tiber for views of the mighty Colosseum and Circus Maximus. After an afternoon of sightseeing on your terms, you'll join your fellow travelers for a memorable Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, FD)
- 17 Journey Home After breakfast, you'll say farewell to your fellow travelers and Travel Director as your memorable journey across Europe comes to an end. If you're leaving today, choose one of our scheduled airport transfers. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)
- Dive Into Culture RD Regional Dinner FD Farewell Dinner

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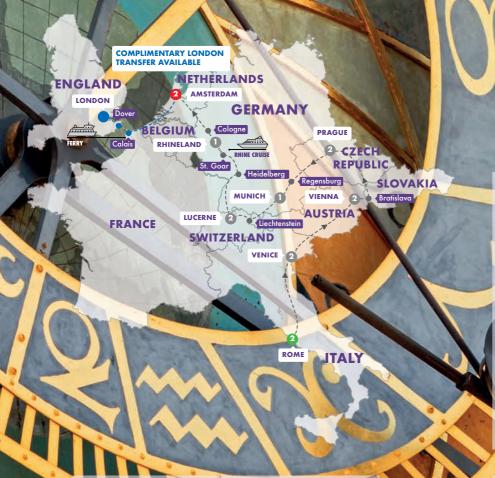
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- Visit St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, a glassblowing factory in Venice and Vaduz the capital of Liechtenstein
- View the ancient sites of Rome, the Opera House and Hofburg Palace in Vienna, the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne and the ruins of Heidelberg Castle
- **See** the Lorelei Rock in the Rhine Valley and Cologne Cathedral
- Scenic Cruise along the Rhine River and through Amsterdam's canals

Astronomical Clock, Prague

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- 1 Welcome to Rome Explore this imperial city of emperors and senators, gods and goddesses, before joining your companions and Travel Director later for a Welcome Reception and glimpse into what lies in store during our stay in the 'Eternal City'. (WR) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna
- Uncover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a 2 Local Specialist to visit St. Peter's Basilica, then cross the Tiber for views of the mighty Colosseum and Circus Maximus. Enjoy an afternoon of sightseeing on vour terms. (B)
- Onwards to Venice We journey across the Tuscan 3 countryside bound for Venice, the 'Oueen of the Adriatic'. The city's canals and bridges beckon, but not before we Connect With Locals at lunch amidst the olive groves and vineyards of Tuscany for a Be My Guest experience that will linger long after you've left. (B, BMG, 🛞) Hotel: Viktoria Palace Lido
 - Cruise the Canals of Venice Dive Into Culture and witness the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassmaking. Glide through the city's bustling canals by private launch, arriving at St. Mark's Square. The rest of today is yours to enjoy the sights and sounds of this Byzantine treasure. (B, 5)
- On the Road to Vienna A scenic drive from Italy 5 to Austria takes us through the Carnic Alps to the imperial capital of Vienna. On arrival, transfer to your Stays With Stories accommodations, the palatial Parkhotel Schönbrunn, the former guest house of Emperor Franz Joseph. (B, 📣) Hotel: Austria Trend Parkhotel Schönbrunn

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

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

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

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

- Uncover Liechtenstein and Lucerne We leave Germany for Switzerland, stopping in the Liechtenstein capital of Vaduz. We continue to Lucerne, our home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Grand Europe
- Connect With Locals WR Welcome Reception Breakfast D R
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- Dinner

- 11 Uncover Lucerne's Treasures Pay tribute to the brave Swiss Guards who lost their lives defending King Louis XVI in the French Revolution and see the famous mournful Lion Monument. Walk along the wooden Chapel Bridge and admire its decorative ceilings. Then spend the rest of the day admiring the colorful façades of the Old Town or join an Optional Experience to one of the surrounding peaks. (B)
- Enjoy a Scenic Cruise in the Rhineland View the 12 ruins of Heidelberg Castle perched above the Neckar River and board a relaxing cruise down the mighty Rhine from St. Goar to Boppard – fantasy castles and hillside vineyards line your scenic journey. This evening, we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - Bellevue hotel, located close to the Rhine River. (B, D, 📣) Hotel: Bellevue



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

- 13 Onwards to Cologne and Amsterdam Admire the tall twin Gothic spires of the Cologne Cathedral this morning, before crossing into the Netherlands and on to Amsterdam where we spend the next two nights. Sit under the leafy canopy at Leidseplein indulging in Dutch beer and kroketten, hire a bike and hit the city's tree-lined streets or bask in the warm glow and gezelligheid of one of the city's renowned bruin cafés. (B) Hotel: Corendon City
- Explore Amsterdam Enjoy an orientation of 14 Amsterdam and spend the rest of the day exploring the city on foot, by bike or tram. Consider delving into the tragic story of Anne Frank, admire the works of Van Gogh or people-watch in Vondelpark. This evening enjoy a Farewell Dinner with your travel companions on board a glass-top boat. Cruise through the city's canals looking up at the centuries-old gabled façades for which Amsterdam is so famous. (B, FD)
- 15 Farewell Amsterdam After breakfast, it's time to say a fond farewell to your fellow travelers and Travel Director as you return home with wonderful memories. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Please note: Your coach returns to London from Amsterdam on day 15. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer.

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- Discover Venice, Verona and Pisa
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- View the ancient sites of Rome, the Byzantine St. Mark's Basilica, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence
- Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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- 1 Ciao Rome Indulge all your senses in the imperial city of Rome, your introduction to a memorable encounter with Italy which will have you returning for more. Spend your afternoon relaxing after your journey, or explore the ancient city streets before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception. This evening, we take an orientation drive past Rome's most magnificent sights which we will have an opportunity to explore tomorrow. (WR) Hotel: Cicerone
- Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our encounter with Rome begins in the Holy See as we visit 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 early admission, we admire the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel when it is less crowded and visit St. Peter's Basilica, the greatest cathedral in Christendom, to see Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture into Ancient Rome to visit the imposing Colosseum and view Circus Maximus, once the site of tremendous 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)
- 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, traveling through Tuscany's terraced olive groves and the Apennine Mountains bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana
 - Onwards to Verona We cruise by private launch to the city's most prominent sights, including views of the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. *Dive Into Culture* witnessing first-hand the intricate craft of glassblowing. Then, 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
- 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 arriving in Florence. Explore the birthplace of the Renaissance and home to the Medici dynasty, whose penchant for beautiful art and architecture created one of the cultural centers of the world. Tonight we *Connect With Locals* at a *Be My Guest* experience set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. (**B**, **BMG**, **(S) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo**



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- All Roads Lead to Rome We join a *Local Specialist* today to delve into the rich medieval and Renaissance history of Florence. Our sightseeing tour will take us to Piazza della Signoria with its impressive sculptures and imposing *palazzi*. We'll wander through the narrow streets and encounter the multi-colored marble Duomo and famous Baptistery, then view the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio. Admire this spectacular feat of engineering dating from the Middle Ages and today lined with jewelers. Continuing our journey through Umbria and the valley of the Tiber River, we return to Rome where our vacation concludes. Toast to a memorable trip with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner. (**B**, **FD**) Hotel: Grand Tiberio
- 7 Farewell Rome After breakfast, it's time to say a fond arrivederci to Rome, Italy and your travel companions as you return home with wonderful memories of this magnificent destination. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



Travel Director Tip

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

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- View the ancient sites of Rome including the Colosseum, Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence and the Leaning Tower of Pisa

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- 1 Welcome to Rome *Ciao Roma!* 'The Eternal City' opens its doors for an unforgettable At Leisure jaunt through Tuscany and two millennia of culture, history and fiery Italian verve. Spend the afternoon exploring the city before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. Embark on an orientation drive past Rome's iconic and unexpected highlights, including views of the Colosseum and Circus Maximus, once the site of exhilarating chariot races which attracted thousands of enthusiastic spectators. (WR) Hotel: Barceló Occidental Aurelia
- Journey to the Tuscan Hills Our journey through Rome begins in the center of Christendom, where we join a Local Specialist on an included sightseeing tour to visit St. Peter's Basilica and Michelangelo's muchadmired Pietà. This afternoon, we enjoy a leisurely drive through the scenic Tuscan hills to the thermal spa resort of Montecatini, the largest and most famous spa town in Italy and your home for the next six nights. (B) Hotel: Columbia
- 3 Explore Renaissance Florence Your Local Specialist will reveal the history of Renaissance Florence during your walking tour. View the magnificent Duomo and visit Piazza della Signoria. Perhaps in your free time walk across the Ponte Vecchio bridge, one of the city's most famous landmarks, lined with goldsmiths and jewellers. This is a legacy of the 16th-century decree which mandated that only jewellers and goldsmiths be allowed to ply their trade on the bridge. (**B**, **D**)
- Montecatini Your Way You have a full free day to relax in the soothing waters of Montecatini Thermal Spa or join an Optional Experience to Cinque Terre, whose pastel-hued villages cling to the rugged Ligurian cliffs. (B)
- Discover Pisa and Vinci Journey to Pisa where we join a *Local Specialist* to view the famous Leaning Tower, the finely sculpted marble Cathedral and the ornate Baptistery, said to be the largest in Italy. We continue through Tuscany, arriving in Vinci where we'll *Dive Into Culture* with a *Local Specialist* at Museo Leonardiano and gain a deeper understanding of the life of this talented master. Admire Leonardo da Vinci's machines and models, his sketches and handwritten notes, as well as interactive exhibits during your visit. Tonight, *Connect With Locals* at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia where you'll enjoy dinner at an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. (**B, BMG**, *Sp*^{*}, *Sp*)
- 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 which hosts the biannual Palio horse race. We venture to the walled medieval town of San Gimignano, renowned for its towers. Enjoy some free time strolling through its narrow lanes and shopping for locally-produced delicacies and hand-painted Tuscan pottery the alluring aromas of pecorino and cured meats can be found around every turn. (B)

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



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

- **Onwards to Rome and the Vatican City** Departing Tuscany, we travel south to Rome. This evening, we *Dive Into Culture* at a Farewell Dinner amidst the stunning Roman and Ancient Greek artistry. We'll have access to the museum before dinner and join a *Local Specialist* later for a guided evening tour of the Vatican Museums, including a visit to Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel when it is less crowded. **(B, FD, 50) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna**
- 9 Journey Home Today we bid a fond farewell to newfound friends and an epic At Leisure experience, departing Rome today. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)
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1 Country

10 Meals

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

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- VIP Admission to the Botanical Gardens
 on Isola Madre
- **Explore** Milan, Parma, Cinque Terre and Genoa with a Local Specialist
- Discover Stresa on Lake Maggiore
- 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 Isola Madre and Cinque Terre

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- 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 travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception, evening orientation drive and hint of the friendship and adventures to come. (WR) Hotel: Starhotels Tourist
 - 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, glass-domed 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 favorites. Consider a visit to the medieval fortress of Sforza Castle to admire the magnificent artistry of da Vinci and Michelangelo, including the famous statue of the Pietà Rondanini. Or 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)
- Journey to Parma Leaving sophisticated Milan 3 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: Sina Maria Luigia



Savor the best Italian flavors. Experience first-hand the legendary cheeses and hams for which the beloved Italian gastronomic hotspot of Parma is worldrenowned. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Onwards to the Italian Riviera Beyond its obvious attraction as a haven for foodies, Parma is also a fascinating historic center 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 La Spezia on the Italian Riviera. Slow it right down this evening, taking in the tranquil seaside setting as you walk along its pretty promenade, with an evening to do as you wish. (B) Hotel: NH La Spezia

- 5 Admire Colorful 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 La Spezia, we'll enjoy dinner with our fellow travelers, sharing stories of the magnificent cliffside villages we've spent the day admiring. (B, D)
- 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 center of Genoa lined by ancient palaces, and enjoy time for lunch in the city center, 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/Grand Dino
- Lake Maggiore Your Way Lap up gentle lakeside living 7 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, we cross the tranguil waters of Maggiore to secluded Isola Madre in the middle of the lake. Visit the picturesque Isola Madre Botanical Gardens with its rare plants before you Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience with Signor Telli. This private Piedmontese Farewell Dinner at La Piratera, a restaurant housed in a converted 800-yearold tower, is filled with captivating tales of 'The Pirate Island' and how Telli's grandmother came to open her restaurant in 1937 at the request of a local prince wanting to entertain VIPs in private. (B, BMG, 🗞)

Farewell Italy While your vacation 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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Your Must-See Highlights

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

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ITALY

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- 1 Journey from Milan to Lake Maggiore The favorite summer retreat for the who's who of Italy for centuries provides an enchanting backdrop for your first day in Italy. Airport transfers will be provided at set times from Milan Malpensa Airport to your hotel in the charming resort of Baveno on the shores of Lake Maggiore. Enjoy a Welcome Reception this evening to meet your fellow travel companions and Travel Director before embarking on your At Leisure jaunt. (WR) Hotel: Simplon/Grand Dino
- 2 Admire Beautiful Lake Como Journey through Italy's exquisite Lake District to scenic Lake Como. Walk along the beautiful Como waterfront or relax by the lake indulging in a tasty gelato. Then it's time to ease into *la dolce vita*, ambling along the glamorous Baveno Marina – the gentle sounds of this lakeside setting are a soulful way to enjoy your afternoon. Spend free time exploring Baveno with its Romanesque bell tower and octagonal baptistery. (B)
- 3 Continue to Lake Garda The enchanting lanes of Bergamo, near the foothills of the Alps, yield architectural and artistic treasures which we will have an opportunity to explore this morning. Wander past centuries-old Renaissance façades and into the exquisite Piazza Vecchia built on the site of an ancient Roman forum. See the ornate Contarini Fountain and 12th-century Santa Maria Maggiore Basilica. We continue our love affair with the Italian Lakes, traveling to Lake Garda for a relaxing five-night stay. This evening, we Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience featuring local fare with the Serenelli family. Learn about their local history over dinner and the formation of the Red Cross as you explore their farm. (B, BMG, 🛞) Hotel: Oliveto

Explore Verona Romance is in the air as we journey to Verona and Juliet's balcony, the setting for Shakespeare's tragic tale of star-crossed lovers. Our walking tour with a *Local Specialist* will take us past the Roman arena, still in use today, followed by some free time to explore the city alone. See the seven medieval towers of Castelvecchio, relax under the shady trees in Verona's expansive Piazza Bra or clamber up Lamberti's Tower for magnificent views. **(B)**

- 5 Discover the Treasures of Mantua A leisurely start to your day could see you enjoy a quiet coffee overlooking the lake. Later today, you'll embark on a half-day excursion to Mantua, a European 'Capital of Gastronomy'. Surrounded by lakes, this historic city with its UNESCO-listed center is a delight to explore as you'll come to discover during your visit. See architectural treasures and artifacts, elegant palaces and Renaissance cityscapes before returning to the picturesque lakeside setting of Lake Garda. (B)
- Lake Garda Your Way Indulge in a full day at leisure to soak up the picture-perfect setting of Italy's largest lake. Journey along its tranquil shores, stopping at lakeside villages to savor the intoxicating aroma of lemons around every turn. Enjoy the flavors of delicious local olive oils and cheese at local markets, stroll along flower-lined lakeside paths or visit the lake's extraordinary sights. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to the Dolomite mountain range, a World Heritage Site comprising 18 peaks over 10,000 feet high. (B)

Admire Ferraris in Modena Sparkling Lambrusco, salty *prosciutto* and the intense aromas of *parmigiano* await in the gastronomic hub of Modena, which we explore today in the company of a *Local Specialist*. Wander past pastel-hued façades in Modena's Old Town into the magnificent Piazza Grande which, along with its 12th-century cathedral and Torre Civica, has been designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Sample the intoxicating flavors, including their world famous balsamic vinegar, of a city that was the birthplace of Ferrari and Pavarotti and is home to Michelin Star restaurants and tortellini. Our gourmet interlude nearing its end, we'll *Dive Into Culture* and visit the Enzo Ferrari Museum. This evening, we enjoy a leisurely dinner at our hotel. **(B, D, ﷺ)**



Learn about all things Ferrari. Take the trip of a lifetime to Modena's Enzo Ferrari Museum where you'll discover the history of the Ferrari brand and admire a collection of the most noteworthy cars. Learn more at trafalqar.com.

Onwards to Milan In search of spires that reach the sky, we leave our tranquil lakeside setting behind for the chic northern capital of Milan. Admire the extraordinary Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and 19th-century Galleria with its impressive glass and iron-domed roof. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at leisure to jostle with the ambitious Milanese for your spot on the runways of Via Montenapoleone, Via della Spiga and Via Sant'Andrea. This evening we indulge in a Farewell Dinner, joining our fellow travelers to celebrate the end of an exquisite vacation together. (B, FD) Hotel: Starhotels Business Palace

9 Farewell Italy Our leisurely vacation through the Italian Lakes has come to an end. We say *arrivederci* to Italy and our newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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VIP ADMISSION

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EXPLORE

Rome, Florence, Bologna and Venice with a Local Specialist

> DISCOVER Pisa

VISIT

St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel, the Colosseum in Rome, the Academy of Fine Arts and a gelateria in Florence and a glassblowing factory in Venice

VIEW

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

> **SCENIC CRUISE** by private launch to St. Mark's Square

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1 Welcome to Rome Ciao Roma! Feast your eyes and your stomach on the 'Eternal City' - the launch pad for an unforgettable adventure with la famiglia. Tread in the footsteps of the ancients before meeting with your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Kickoff Party that will rock Rome. (KP) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's

Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist to delve into centuries of history and culture, including a guided tour of the Vatican Museums. Gaze up at the wonder of Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and explore the Catholic shrine of St. Peter's Basilica. Venture across the Tiber to the Colosseum imagining a time when brave warriors fought to the thunderous roar of thousands. (B)

3 Venture to a Gladiator School Book your spot on the podium. It's time to become a gladiator for the day. You'll learn how to wield a gladiator's sword and gain insights into military techniques with an expert. This afternoon, you'll have some free time to explore the city with the family. Perhaps count the Spanish Steps or toss a coin into the Trevi Fountain to secure your speedy return to Rome. Then it's time for a cheesy Family Fun affair as we Dive Into Culture and learn how to make authentic Italian pizza, sharing a tasty slice or two of our culinary masterpieces with our loved ones. (B, RD, S)



Be a gladiator for the day. Step into the shoes of a Roman gladiator, closing the book on ancient Rome history and bringing it to life as you learn how to wield a Roman sword like a pro. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Enjoy Pisa and on to Florence Set your watch to Italian time and embark on a scenic drive north through Tuscany's golden fields. Stop in Pisa to visit the UNESCO World Heritage Site Piazza del Duomo to snap a selfie in front of the famous Leaning Tower. Carry on to the Renaissance city of Florence, our home for the next three nights. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo

5 Discover Art and Architecture in Florence The exquisite sights of Florence are brought to life on a walking tour in the expert company of a Local Specialist. See the magnificent Gothic Duomo and famous Baptistery before marvelling at Michelangelo's statue of David at the Academy of Fine Arts. Where better to Dive Into Culture and indulge in a refreshing gelato than in the city where it was

Connect With Locals Kickoff Party KP

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invented. Tonight we Connect With Locals joining Count Miari Fulcis and his family for a Be My Guest experience, enjoying delicious specialties against the backdrop of picture-perfect olive groves and vineyards on their 15th-century estate in the Tuscan hills. Salute! (B, BMG, S, S)

Florence Your Way You have a full day at leisure to enjoy this remarkable Renaissance city. Florence is a living museum that you can explore on foot. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to the 'Town of Towers' -San Gimignano. (B)

- 7 Venture to Bologna and Onwards to Venice Stop and smell the rich aromas of Bolognese sauce. spending the morning with a Local Specialist to explore the medieval city of Bologna. Then it's just a hop, skip and a jump to the island city of Venice. Discover the 'Queen of the Adriatic' from the comfort of one of its traditional gondolas on an Optional Experience. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana
- Experience Venice's Food Market Dive Into Culture and witness first-hand the exquisite tradition of Venetian glassblowing. Time for Family Fun as you learn about the art of crafting Carnival masks, before cruising to bustling St. Mark's Square on a private launch. View the famous Bridge of Sighs, so named for the sound condemned prisoners made at catching their last glimpse of beautiful Venice, the exquisite Doge's Palace, St. Mark's Basilica and the Campanile. The afternoon is yours to explore - go in search of the cosiest trattoria in town. (B, 🔊)
- Experience Venice's Food Market Navigating the 9 bustling canals to the Rialto Bridge, we embrace the sights and sounds of Venice from the water before we Dive Into Culture and savor the flavors of Italy during a visit to an ancient food market. We delve into the hidden highlights of Venice during a Small Group Sightseeing walking tour, working up an appetite for our Farewell Lunch at a local restaurant. (B, FL, 3)

Journey Home Our unforgettable journey together has come to an end. All that's left to say is a hearty arrivederci as you prepare to return home with fantastic shared memories. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B) Travel Style

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Your Must-See Highlights

- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Rome, Florence, Milan, Bologna and Assisi with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Turin and Venice
- **Visit** St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, a glassblowing factory in Venice, the medieval city of Ferrara and the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi
- View the ancient sites of Rome, Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Lake Como, the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan, the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice and the Kissing Towers in Bologna
- Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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Ciao Rome Tread in the footsteps of emperors and 1 slaves - your first encounter with intoxicating Italy is the 'Eternal City' and its glorious past which you will have an opportunity to explore on your own before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. This evening, we enjoy an enchanting antipasto of our Italian Discovery during an orientation drive past some of the city's most famous sights. (WR) Hotel: Villafranca

Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our exploration of Rome begins at the Vatican Museums where we have priority admission, allowing entry to view the masterpieces collected by Popes throughout the centuries. Dive Into Culture during an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist, admire Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and visit St. Peter's Basilica to see his famous Pietà. Crossing the Tiber, we venture to Ancient Rome to see where hundreds of thousands of spectators would cheer chariot riders to victory at Circus Maximus, followed by a visit to the imposing Colosseum. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the magnificent sights of what was once the capital of the world, or kick back in a piazza soaking up the aromas of fine coffee while you watch the world go by. (B, S))



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Onwards to Florence Today we drive north through rolling Tuscan landscapes to the Renaissance city of Florence. Beauty and artistry seep through the walls of the city's exquisite *palazzi*, churches and bridges. Embark on a walking tour with our Local Specialist and visit the Piazza della Signoria then admire the exquisite marble Duomo and Baptistery featuring beautiful bronze doors with relief sculptures. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the fine art and architecture of Florence. This evening, we Connect With Locals during dinner at a Be My Guest experience with Count Miari Fulcis on his 15th-century organic olive oil estate in the Tuscan hills. (B, BMG, 🐼) Hotel: Ambasciatori

Admire Pisa and on to Turin A short journey brings us to Pisa and its Square of Miracles, home to the famous Leaning Tower, ornate Baptistery and

Cathedral. We continue northwards, past the marble

quarries of Carrara and the resort hubs of Portofino,

Journey to Lake Como and Milan We leave Turin 5 and continue to the Italian lakes for a stop at Lake Como. Then it's on to the economic powerhouse that is Milan, where we'll enjoy a walking tour with a Local Specialist to explore the city's spectacular sights. We view the ornate Duomo, one of the grandest Gothic

cathedrals in the world, the ancient Galleria shopping arcade and the celebrated La Scala Opera House. This evening, join your companions for a delicious Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD) Hotel: Starhotels Business Palace

Rapallo and Genoa in Liguria before arriving in

sophisticated Turin. This afternoon, we venture

through the grand boulevards of this aristocratic

city during an orientation drive which will reveal the

impressive Castello del Valentino and Po River, the

longest in Italy. (B) Hotel: Concord

- Off to Historic Verona and Venice Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers feature on our stop in Verona where we'll view Juliet's Balcony and the first-century ancient Roman arena still in use today. Crossing the Veneto plains, we arrive in what was once the haunt of Casanova and Marco Polo, enchanting Venice. (B, D) Hotel: Viktoria Palace Lido
- Explore the Floating City Dive Into Culture and 7 witness first-hand the exquisite tradition of Venetian glassblowing - a tradition that spans centuries. Board a private launch and cruise to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square - our introduction to such sights as the Doge's Palace and the Byzantine Basilica. Enjoy free time to explore Venice. Wander through the labyrinthine alleys, over its bridges and into quiet squares. (B, 🕬)
- Continue to Beautiful Bologna Visit the Renaissance city of Ferrara before arriving in Bologna - perhaps more famous for its gourmet achievements than being the site of the oldest university in Europe. Join a Local Specialist to explore the sights, including Neptune's fountain, the Kissing Towers and Piazza Maggiore. Of course, a visit to the home of tortellini, mortadella, tagliatelle and ragù would be incomplete without taking time to sample its delicious cuisine. Buon appetito! (B) Hotel: Best Western Plus Tower

9 Venture to Assisi on the Return to Rome Today, we cross the dramatic Apennine Mountains to the mystical town of Assisi. Come face-to-face with the legacy of St. Francis, founder of the Franciscan Order, during a walking tour of his home town with a Local Specialist. Visit the Basilica of St. Francis and see his tomb, before returning to Rome past the scenic hill-town of Orte. Tonight, we celebrate a journey of discovery through Italy during a Farewell Dinner with our companions and Travel Director. (B, FD) Hotel: A.Roma Lifestyle

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POMPEII OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE Available on Day 3

- VIP 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 glassblowing factory in Venice
- View the Colosseum and Forum in Rome, Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence, the Leaning Tower of Pisa and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice
- Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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- 1 Welcome to Rome Kick off your *bellissimo* journey through the cities of Italy in Rome. Join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. Your introduction to *la dolce vita* begins with a short walk to see the Colosseum and the Forum. (WR) Hotel: Grand Palatino
 - **Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** Embark on a very special included *Dive Into Culture* sightseeing tour with your *Local Specialist* at the Vatican this morning. Skip the queue and wander through its Museums and the Sistine Chapel, then visit St Peter's Basilica. Continue to the Pontifical Villas of Castel Gandolfo where you'll enjoy a tour of its gardens and lunch in its beautiful surrounds before returning to Rome. **(B, L, Solv**)



Explore the Pope's summer residence. Be one of the privileged few to visit the stunning Castel Gandolfo and explore its elegant gardens overlooking a lake. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

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

- **Uncover Pisa's Treasures** Cross the Arno Valley to Pisa and join a *Local Specialist* to visit the Square of Miracles, home to the incredible Leaning Tower and beautifully sculpted marble Cathedral. See the ornate Baptistery and the Camposanto, built on sacred soil brought back from the Holy Land during the Crusades. Later, *Connect With Locals* over dinner at an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience, joining the Landi family at their home near Florence, set within a garden of oak trees against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves where they produce olive oil and wine. **(B, BMG,**)
- 7 Journey to Bologna and Venice Travel north to Bologna, perhaps best known for the delicious pasta sauce that bears its name. Your sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist* includes views of the Kissing Towers which lean towards each other, seemingly poised to embrace. Then it's off to Venice for an evening at leisure. There's no better way to explore the city than on its canals and an optional gondola and this Grand Canal experience is the perfect end to the evening. (B) Hotel: Principe
- Cruise Venice's Canals Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the delicate Venetian art of glassblowing. Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square to admire the Bridge of Sighs, Customs House, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure. (**B**, *S*^(a))
- 9 Experience Venice's Food Market Take a leisurely stroll from our hotel along the canals to the famous Rialto Bridge with a *Local Specialist*. Enjoy a guided Small Group Sightseeing walking tour, which brings all the flavors of Italy to life at a centuries-old food market. Your love affair with Italy's capitals comes to an end this evening at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
 - Farewell Venice Say a fond arrivederci to Italy and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



Travel Director Tip

When in Venice, look for Friulane slippers on sale around the Rialto Bridge shopping district. These slippers, which emulate the splendors of Venetian opulence of the 18th century, are made from rich velvet fabric in an assortment of traditional Venetian colors.

Lisa Bottazzo

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- 1 Welcome to Rome Benvenuti a Roma, where we begin our exciting journey through some of Italy's most beautiful cities. Spend time relaxing after your travels or take a walk down memory lane, tracing centuries of art, antiquities and culture before joining your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive through Rome's intoxicating cityscape. (WR) Hotel: Grand Palatino
 - Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City We visit the center of Christianity this morning, joining a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour which includes a visit to St. Peter's Basilica to see the Pietà. Our next stop is in Ancient Rome where we'll visit the Colosseum and see the Circus Maximus before returning to the Holy See. Dive Into Culture and gain priority admission to the Vatican Museums where a Local Specialist will take us on a guided tour of the Sistine Chapel and the Museo Gregoriano Profano followed by an *al fresco* dinner against the spectacular backdrop of St. Peter's. (B, RD, 5)

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

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

- Journey By High-Speed Train to Florence Sit back on the high-speed train and watch the Tuscan landscape go by, bound for Florence. Join a Local Specialist on a walking tour to gain insights into the city's Renaissance treasures. View the Ponte Vecchio, almost 700 years old and lined with goldsmiths, then visit the Fine Arts Academy to see one of Michelangelo's masterpieces, the statue of David. Our love affair with Florence continues as we stroll to the Piazza della Signoria, featuring Palazzo Vecchio and the Uffizi Gallery. (B) Hotel: Ambasciatori
- 5 Admire Pisa Cross the Arno River and see the enchanting skyline of Florence from Piazzale Michelangelo before driving to Pisa through the Arno Valley. Meet your Local Specialist to explore the Square of Miracles and see the famous Leaning
 - Connect With Locals Welcome Reception WR R
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Tower, the Cathedral, Baptistery and Camposanto, built on soil brought back from the Holy Land during the Crusades. Over lunch. Connect With Locals at the Agriturismo Borgo Vigna Vecchia where you'll enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest experience surrounded by vineyards and olive groves. This evening, stroll along the Arno River in search of the perfect gelato, see the beautifully lit Duomo or visit a cozy enoteca for some wine tasting. (B, BMG, S)

- Discover Renaissance Florence Today is yours to discover the beauty and elegance of Florence - a city filled with exquisite galleries, lush gardens and opulent palaces. Consider a visit to the hilltop town of San Gimignano, the 'medieval Manhattan' of Tuscany. Venture outside the city to see Tuscan villages and taste rich *panforte* and *tortas*, or shop for the latest fashions in Florence's sophisticated boutiques. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience in Chianti for a delicious Tuscan dinner. (B)
- Travel By High-Speed Train to Venice All aboard 7 the express train for Venice. We cross the spectacular Appenines and fertile Veneto plain before arriving in this island city. Get lost this afternoon, wandering its narrow lanes in search of a cozy bacaro, peoplewatch in St. Mark's Square, or take an unforgettable gondola ride along the city's enchanting canals. (B) **Hotel: Principe**
- Cruise the Canals of Venice This morning, we Dive Into Culture, witnessing first-hand the centuries-old craft of glassmaking on the island of Giudecca. Breathe in the salty sea air as you board a private launch and cruise to St. Mark's Square to see the Bridge of Sighs, Palladian Churches, the Customs House, St. Mark's Basilica and Campanile, as well as the Doge's Palace. This afternoon, enjoy free time to explore the city. Find a quiet campo and sidewalk café or take a cruise to colorful Burano for a delicious meal. (B, 🔊)
- 9 Experience Venice's Food Market The sights and sounds of modern Venice come to life today as we join our Local Specialist for a walking tour and explore the vibrant Rialto Food Market, which has been feeding Venetians since the 11th century. We wander through the narrow calli - seeing the ornate façades of merchant houses that line the canals, before enjoying an afternoon at leisure for one last taste of Venice. Our adventure through Italy's charming cities is about to come to an end. We celebrate newfound friendships and an unforgettable experience at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- Farewell Venice Say arrivederci to Italy and your fellow travelers as your fascinating vacation comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Croatia Small-Group Cruise Extension

Extend your trip with a 7-night 'Pearls of the Adriatic' Croatian small-group cruise from Opatija to Dubrovnik. A transfer from Venice to Opatija is included. See pages 186-187 for trip details or visit trafalgar.com and view the full itinerary for the 'Contrasts of Italy and Pearls of the Adriatic' Trip code: CIGV

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

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- 1 Buongiorno Rome Open your heart to a whirlwind of fiery passion, antiquities and hearty flavors crafted by Italian mammas over centuries. Join your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive to see the bustling cityscape. (WR) Hotel: Il Cantico
- Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Dive Into Culture on an included sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist at the Vatican Museums, Admire the works of great masters - the Bramante staircase, the magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and the sorrowful Pietà inside St. Peter's Basilica. In Ancient Rome, we pay tribute to the brave gladiators who fought for supremacy at the Colosseum during our included visit. We'll also see the Circus Maximus before a free afternoon. (B, 5)
- 3 Journey to Lucca We travel north to Lucca and enjoy time to wander through the medieval streets and admire the 14th-century San Martino Cathedral and Piazza dell'Anfiteatro, built on the site of an ancient Roman arena. Relax in Piazza San Michele or ascend one of the city's ancient towers for panoramic views in your free time. (B) Hotel: Best Western Grand Guinigi
 - Explore Cinque Terre and Pisa A sea of pastel pinks, yellows and blues cling dramatically to the Ligurian cliffs in the Cinque Terre UNESCO World Heritage Site, which we will have an opportunity to explore today on our included excursion. Join a Local Specialist and travel by boat and train to delve into daily life in these picturesque fishing villages. Stop in Pisa and visit its UNESCO-listed Square of Miracles to view the architectural feat that is the Leaning Tower. (B, D)
 - Onwards to San Gimignano and Florence The gentle Tuscan landscape gives way to our next destination. the hilltop town of San Gimignano, famed for its stunning medieval architecture and historic towers. We Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience in a beautiful family owned vineyard overlooking the rolling Chianti Hills. You will join the Lenzi family for lunch and wine and olive oil tasting on their farm located on the ancient road between Siena and Florence, Later arrive in Florence for an evening at leisure. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo



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

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Uncover the Treasures of Florence We join a Local

Specialist who will bring the legacy of the influential

lanes into expansive piazze, viewing the magnificent

marble Duomo and a replica of the David statue in Piazza della Signoria. View the Ponte Vecchio, almost

700 years old, and the spectacular panorama from

Admire Verona and on to Venice Shakespeare's

star-crossed lovers are remembered today during

our jaunt to the romantic city of Verona. Here we'll

arena, still used today to host spectacular operatic

performances. We venture to Venice next, our home

for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido

view Juliet's Balcony and the 1st-century Roman

Discover the Floating City We Dive Into Culture

and witness the centuries-old tradition of Venetian glassblowing before seeing St. Mark's Basilica, the ornate Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs

Cruise by private launch to see the city's most iconic attractions before enjoying free time to explore the

city on your terms. Wander through the labyrinthine alleys, over ornate bridges and into quiet campi as

you get lost in this enchanting city. (B, 🔊)

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that lean towards one another seemingly poised to

embrace. We continue to our hotel in Assisi where we

legacy of St. Francis of Assisi in his home town on the

slopes of Mount Subasio. Join a Local Specialist for

a visit to the Basilica of St. Francis, renowned for its

beautiful frescoes depicting the life of this beloved saint. Continue to Tivoli for a guided visit of the Villa

d'Este Gardens with a Local Specialist. This evening

travelers and Travel Director. (B, FD) Hotel: Barceló

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Italy and our newfound friends after a memorable

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All Roads Lead to Tivoli and Rome Discover the

explore the 'Cradle of the Renaissance'. (B)

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Isle of Capri



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- 1 Welcome to Rome Spend the day exploring Rome on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation. (WR) Hotel: Grand Tiberio
- Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Our captivating journey through Rome begins at the Vatican Museums where we join a Local Specialist to admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and his Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We see the enduring symbols of Ancient Rome, including Circus Maximus and visit the Colosseum, before spending the afternoon at leisure. (B) Please note: On certain departures the Vatican

Museums will be visited upon return to Rome.

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

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

Onwards to Assisi We sail back across the Mediterranean to Naples and venture north to Perugia. Here we'll Make Travel Matter and discover Italy's ancient weaving tradition. Continue to the ancient hilltop town of Assisi where tonight we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. (B, 🕸, 📣) Hotel: Cenacolo



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

Journey to Venice Visit the beautiful Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi with a Local Specialist before continuing north to Venice. Enjoy a free evening watching the sun set over the Venetian Lagoon or consider joining an Optional Experience. Tonight's Stays With Stories accommodations was once frequented by Romantic poet, Robert Browning. (B, D, 📣) Hotel: Albergo Quattro Fontane Lido

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

**Travel Director Tip** 

A local story teller credits the Sienese Knight Ricciardetto for the shape of these cookies - a mini version of a sultan's slipper, a curious memory from his crusade. This almond paste biscuit will literally melt in your mouth.

Cruise the Canals of Venice The Winged Lion of

Venice is your constant companion as you cruise by

private launch to Dive Into Culture and witness the

delicate Venetian tradition of glassmaking before

Discover Pisa and the Tuscan Hills This morning we travel to Pisa and to its Field of Miracles to view

the famous Leaning Tower, before arriving in the spa-resort of Montecatini Terme in Tuscany. (B)

Off to Renaissance Florence Your Local Specialist

shares all the sights of Florence today, including views

of the magnificent marble Duomo, Baptistery, Piazza

della Signoria and Ponte Vecchio. Later, you'll have

with the Callistri family at their 'borgo' in the Hamlet of Limonaia for a delicious Italian dinner olive oil

tasting and leisurely walk through their olive groves

and lemon orchards. (B, BMG, 🛞)

Venture to Siena and Rome We admire the medieval beauty of Siena today, strolling to its shell-

(B, FD) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna

transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

shaped Piazza del Campo. See the hilltop town's

Arrivederci Rome After breakfast, we say a fond

extraordinary architecture, shop for beautifully hand-

painted ceramics or relax with a gelato at a sidewalk

café. This evening, we celebrate a magnificent Italian adventure with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner.

farewell to Italy. Find out more about your free airport

some free time to explore or shop for high-quality leather goods in Florence's boutiques. This evening, we Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience

Hotel: Minerva Palace

continuing to St. Mark's Square. See the Basilica, the Doge's Palace and Bridge of Sighs. (B, 5)

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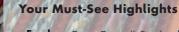
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- View the ancient sites in Rome, the Benedictine Abbey in Cassino, the Duomo in Florence and St. Mark's Basilica in Venice
- Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri and private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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Italian Musician

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- 1 **Ciao Rome** Embrace excess on this At Leisure jaunt through the highlights of Italy, which begins in Rome. Spend the day soaking up its vibrant atmosphere before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers at a Welcome Reception. We enjoy a leisurely orientation through the city this evening, venturing into Ancient Rome before our journey through Italy begins. **(WR) Hotel: Cicerone** 
  - **Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** Explore the Vatican City this morning with a *Local Specialist* who will reveal all the highlights of St. Peter's Basilica. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to visit the awe-inspiring Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel. We continue to Ancient Rome next, to admire where exhilarating chariot races were once held, and visit inside the Colosseum. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore on your own. From Roman ruins to Renaissance *palazzi* - Rome has it all. (**B**)
- 3 Rome Your Way Discover why the Italians say 'it is sweet doing nothing', spending your day watching Rome's beautiful people embrace life lived to its fullest. Delve into its treasures spanning millennia – the museums, churches, gardens and architecture that remain as enduring symbols of a powerful city. Or perhaps consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, site of the magnificent Villa d'Este Gardens. (B)
  - **Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and the Amalfi Coast** Today we pay homage to the thousands of brave souls whose final resting place is the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino. View the 6th-century Abbey that was destroyed during World War II, before venturing south to Pompeii, a city frozen in time. Join a Small Group Sightseeing tour through the excavations that yield the tragic story of a once vibrant city engulfed by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. Wander down the stone avenues past such sights as the Forum and Temple of Apollo. We arrive later at our hotel on the iconic Mediterranean Amalfi Coast where we'll dine tonight. **(B, D) Hotel: San Pietro Maiori**



Soak up the warmth of the Amalfi Coast. Meet the Mediterranean and be sure to sample the local limoncello and laidback life on this overnight stay in one of the most magical regions of Italy. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- 5 Scenic Amalfi Coast Your Way Indulge in a full free day at leisure. Consider joining an Optional Experience along the Amalfi Coast to the seaside village of Positano, a true painter's paradise. You could also choose to soak up the extraordinary beauty of the village of Ravello which has long inspired musicians, writers and artists. Smell the fresh scents of lemons as you stroll along cliffside terraces and indulge in the picture-perfect setting. After a day of sightseeing, spend a relaxing evening sipping limoncello and watching the Mediterranean sky light up in glorious pinks, yellows and blues. (B)
- Experience the Isle of Capri This morning, we set sail to the glamorous island of Capri, ascending to Capri town by funicular for a guided walking tour with a *Local Specialist* who will share views of the piazzetta, the heart and soul of this beautiful town. Later, we return to the mainland and have some free time to stroll around the medieval town of Amalfi and see its 10th-century Romanesque Cathedral of Sant'Andrea and Campanile. (B)
- 7 Journey to Florence From the Amalfi Coast, we travel north through the rolling green and golden landscape of Umbria into scenic Tuscany before arriving in the Renaissance city of Florence. You'll have a free evening to amble along the Arno River, admire the famous city skyline at night from Piazzale Michelangelo, or indulge in the finest *antipasti* in town. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- 8 Florence Your Way Delve into the history of a city renowned for its art, architecture and cultural treasures. Join your *Local Specialist* for a walking tour, including views of the exquisite marble Duomo, Baptistery and Ponte Vecchio. Wander through the Piazza della Signoria, the center of Florentine political life since the 14th century, with its prominent Palazzo Vecchio. Later, *Connect With Locals* at a *Be My Guest* experience at the 12th-century Castle of Trebbio set against the backdrop of Tuscan vineyards and olive groves. The Pazzi and Medici feud is brought to light over dinner as you enjoy traditional Tuscan fare, explore the cellars, and indulge in olive oil and wine tasting. (B, BMG, )
- 9 Venture to Venice After a leisurely start to the day, continue north, bound for Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic' and our home for the next two nights. (B)
   Hotel: Principe
- 10 **Cruise the Canals of Venice** Glide through the bustling canals of Venice on board a private launch. *Dive Into Culture* witnessing first-hand the centuries-old craft of glassmaking on the island of Giudecca, before arriving at the gateway to the city, St. Mark's Square. Our love affair with Venice continues as we view St. Mark's Basilica, the Doge's Palace and the Bridge of Sighs, before enjoying a Farewell Dinner with our Travel Director and newfound friends to toast to the delicious flavors of Italy. **(B, FD, s**)
- Journey Home For now our leisurely encounter with an extraordinary destination has come to an end.
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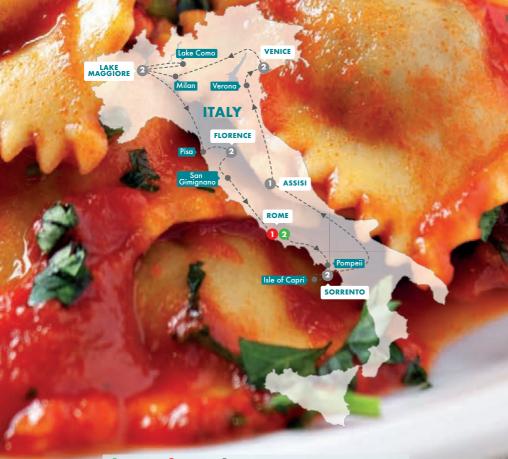
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- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Rome, Pompeii, Capri, Assisi and Florence with a Local Specialist
- Discover Venice, Milan and San Gimignano
- **Visit** St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, the excavations at Pompeii, the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi, a glassblowing 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 in Monte Cassino
- Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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- 1 Welcome to Rome Savor some free time in Rome before joining your companions and Travel Director later for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive. (WR) Hotel: Cicerone/Una
  - Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join a Local Specialist for an included sightseeing tour in the Vatican Museums. Dive Into Culture and admire the Bramante staircase and Michelangelo's magnificent frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel, then see the marble masterpiece of the Pietà in St. Peter's Basilica. We venture to Ancient Rome to visit the Colosseum and see Circus Maximus. Spend the afternoon at leisure. (B, 🕬)
- 3 Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento We journey south to the well-preserved ruins of Pompeii. Here we join a Local Specialist who will share details of the devastation caused by the eruption of Mount Vesuvius as we wander through the ancient paved roads of a city that was frozen in time. (B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park/La Residenza
- A Day on the Isle of Capri Cross the Bay of Naples by ferry to the Isle of Capri and join a Local Specialist for a guided walking tour in Capri town, before returning to the mainland. (B)
- 5 Onwards to Assisi See the Benedictine Abbey of Cassino. Continue north where you will meet a Local Specialist for a walking tour in Assisi to visit the Basilica of St. Francis. We'll stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. (B, D, 📣) Hotel: Cenacolo
  - Discover Verona and Venice We travel to Verona, the home of Shakespeare's star-crossed lovers, where we'll view the balcony from which a fictional Juliet once called to her Romeo, and the Roman arena, still in use today. Later, continue to Venice, where tonight we'll enjoy a Regional Dinner. (B, RD) Hotel: Biasutti Lido/Viktoria Palace Lido
  - St. Mark's and More in Venice Today, we'll Dive Into Culture watching centuries-old glassmaking traditions. Continue past the Bridge of Sighs and the Doge's Palace to St. Mark's Square where we will view the impressive square and Basilica. (B, 🔊)
  - On to Milan and Scenic Lake Maggiore Today we cross the plains of Lombardy to sophisticated Milan. An orientation tour takes us past the Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the famous Galleria. Later arrive at Lake Maggiore where we'll enjoy dinner served tonight at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Simplon/ Grand Dino

Stroll around Lake Como Indulge in free time to explore Lake Como. This evening, we venture by private boat to a secluded island on Lake Maggiore where we'll Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience. Join Signor Telli for colorful stories of pirates and princes and a delicious local fare in this family run restaurant. (B, BMG, 🐼)

Connect With Locals

WR Welcome Reception

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Dinner with Signor Telli on Lake Maggiore. Cruise to the island of Isola Madre where colorful stories of pirates and princes and delicious local fare await in this family run restaurant. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- Admire Pisa and on to Florence Tuscany lures us past the marble quarries of Carrara to Pisa and its Square of Miracles where we will view the Leaning Tower. Our next stop is Florence. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- 11 Experience Art and Architecture in Florence Delve into the extravagant legacy of the Medici family in the company of a Local Specialist. The elegant Duomo dominates the skyline as we visit Piazza della Signoria with its exquisite statues and *palazzi*. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the beautiful skyline of Florence and the almost 700-year-old Ponte Vecchio from Piazzale Michelangelo. (B)
- Treasures of San Gimignano and Return to Rome This morning we stop at the Florence American Cemetery and Memorial. Continuing south, we visit the Tuscan hill-town of San Gimignano, featuring extraordinary examples of medieval architecture. This evening in Rome, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna
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- **Explore** Milan, Florence, Pompeii and Rome with a Local Specialist
- Discover Venice
- Visit Amalfi Town, St. Peter's Basilica and the Colosseum in Rome and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- View the Cathedral and La Scala Opera House in Milan, Lake Como, the Roman Arena and Juliet's Balcony in Verona, St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, the Duomo in Florence and the ancient sites of Rome
- See the Abbey at Cassino
- Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

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



A Tuscan feast in a 12th-century castle. Raise a glass of Chianti with the Baj-Macarios in their home, once the place where the Pazzi family plotted against their enemies, the Medici of Florence. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

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- 7 Off to the Sunny Amalfi Coast Journey south through the Arno Valley, passing the Bay of Naples bound for Maiori on the Amalfi Coast, where we will dine tonight at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: San Pietro Maiori
- 8 Uncover the Treasures of Amalfi This morning travel to Amalfi, perched perfectly on this dramatic stretch of coastline. See the 10th-century Sant'Andrea cathedral in the heart of the town, with its beautifully striped Byzantine façade, and soak up the laid-back atmosphere. You'll also have time to join an Optional Experience to Positano. (**B**)
- 9 Amalfi Coast Your Way Relax at your hotel on the Amalfi Coast or wander past fragrant lemon terraces. You have a full free day to indulge in your heart's desires – consider a fresh seafood lunch, from sea to table, or take a dip in the welcoming, warm Mediterranean waters. (B)
- The Ruins of Pompeii and on to Rome Embark on a Small Group Sightseeing walking tour and discover the lost city of Pompeii, which was buried under volcanic ash when Mount Vesuvius erupted. Continue to the 'Eternal City' of Rome later, enjoying views of the 6th-century Benedictine Abbey in Cassino en route.
   (B) Hotel: Grand Tiberio
- 11 Experience Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Spend the morning in the Vatican City with a Local Specialist, visiting St. Peter's Basilica to view Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà. Consider an Optional Experience to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel with its exquisite frescoed ceilings. Then, cross the Tiber into Ancient Rome to see the Circus Maximus, and visit the impressive Colosseum. This afternoon, we have time to explore the city on our own terms. (B)
- 12 Rome Your Way Indulge in a full free day to explore the passionate embrace of the city and its zesty locals. Ease into *la dolce vita* or consider an Optional Experience to Tivoli, where you can visit Villa d'Este and its magnificent Renaissance gardens and exquisite fountains. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with newfound friends and your Travel Director before bidding *arrivederci* to Rome. **(B, FD)**
- 13 Arrivederci Italy Our unforgettable encounter with Italy comes to an end today. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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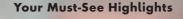
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- Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri and by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

#### **Your vacation**

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- 1 Welcome to Rome Blaze a trail through *la bella Italia* starting in Rome. Meet your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive this evening. (WR) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's
  - **Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** Embark on an included sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*, to visit St. Peter's Basilica, home to Michelangelo's Pietà. Then, venture to Ancient Rome to see Circus Maximus and visit the Colosseum. **(B)**
- **3 Journey to the Alberobello Region** We travel east through the orange and olive groves of Puglia. Dinner tonight is at our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Sierra Silvana**
- 4 Admire Alberobello's Iconic Architecture Enjoy a leisurely morning on your own. Consider an Optional Experience or indulge in delectable local flavors at a traditional *trattoria*. This afternoon, the conical limestone houses of Alberobello take center stage during our guided tour with a *Local Specialist*. Here, we'll see the UNESCO-listed collection of almost 1,500 *trulli* dating back to the 14th century. This evening, we *Connect With Locals* with a *Be My Guest* experience at a traditional *masseria*. Meet Signor Luciano for dinner on his Alberobello farm where you can taste seasonal produce, including fresh almonds, cherries, tomatoes and olive oil, as well as enjoy a local stone masonry demonstration. (**B, BMG**, **(**)
- Onwards to Sunny Sorrento View the Piazza Tasso and Corso Italia in Sorrento before spending the rest of the day on your own. Tonight we dine at our hotel.
   (B, D) Hotel: La Residenza
  - A Day on the Isle of Capri Cruise the deep blue waters of the Tyrrhenian Sea to the beautiful Isle of Capri. Enjoy a guided tour of Capri town, watching the beautiful people sip their cappuccino in the glamorous *piazzetta*. (B)
- 7 Uncover Pompeii's Ruins and on to Assisi Explore the tragic history of the ancient lost city of Pompeii with a *Local Specialist*. Continue to the mystical hilltown of Assisi, where you'll join a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour, followed by dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Grand
  - **Onwards to Verona and Venice** Celebrate the epic tale of Romeo and Juliet during this morning's visit to the fair city of Verona where you will view Juliet's Balcony and the Roman arena built in the 1st century. We venture to the Adriatic coast this afternoon bound for Venice. Our home for the next two nights is one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories* Hyatt Centric hotel, preserving the tradition of Murano glass art. (**B**, (**A**)) **Hotel: Hyatt Centric Murano**
- 9 Cruise the Canals of Venice Dive Into Culture this morning and witness the delicate craft of Venetian glassblowing. Glide by private launch to view the Bridge of Sighs, ornate Doge's Palace and St. Mark's Basilica before spending time at leisure. (B, (3))
  - Journey to Northern Trento We visit Trento and wander around the Piazza Duomo before checking in to our hotel. (B) Hotel: Grand Trento

- 11 Explore Milan and on to the Italian Lakes Continue west, bound for Milan. You'll have some time on your own after an orientation of the city's iconic sights. See the exquisite Gothic Duomo, La Scala Opera House and the Galleria. We spend this afternoon on the quiet shores of Lake Maggiore. (B, D) Hotel: Simplon/ Grand Dino
- 12 Onwards to La Spezia Journey to Genoa where a *Local Specialist* will show us this city's majestic architecture. Continue to the seaside resort of La Spezia where we will dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: NH La Spezia
- La Spezia Your Way Indulge in a full free day to soak up the laid-back atmosphere, or consider joining an Optional Experience where you'll embark on an encounter with the cliffside villages of Cinque Terre.
   (B)
- Uncover Pisa and on to Florence Travel to Pisa to view its famous Leaning Tower before continuing to Florence. This afternoon is yours at leisure. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- 15 Discover Renaissance Florence Join a Local Specialist this morning to view the city's finest masterpieces – the Duomo, Giotto's Bell Tower and the 13th-century Santa Croce Basilica. Enjoy a free afternoon. (B)
- 16 All Roads Lead to Rome We journey through the sprawling vineyards of Chianti, past the hill-towns of Umbria before arriving in Rome. This evening we *Dive Into Culture* at an exclusive farewell dining experience in the Vatican. (B, FD, S[™]) Hotel: Barceló Aran Mantegna



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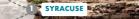
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- Explore Palermo, Monreale, Valley of the Temples, Ragusa, Syracuse and Taormina with a Local Specialist
- Discover Modica and Catania
- Visit Monreale Norman Cathedral, Mondello, Erice, Infersa Mill in Marsala, Valley of the Temples, Ragusa, Modica, the Syracuse Archaeological Museum, Ortygia and the Greek Theater in Taormina
- View Mt. Etna

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- 1 Welcome to Palermo You'll start your Sicilian journey in Palermo, whose rich trading history has left its unforgettable mark on the city's Italian, Arab and Norman-styled piazzas, street markets and churches. Enjoy some free time to relax before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your Sicilian adventure. (WR) Hotel: Garibaldi
  - Explore the Capital of Sicily Palermo's rich history, culture and gastronomy are revealed on this morning's sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist, who will take you on a journey into the city's tumultuous past. You'll have the afternoon to take in the colors and traditions of Palermo on your own before heading to Monreale on the slopes of Monte Caputo. A Local Specialist will guide you through one of the greatest examples of Norman architecture, the 12th-century Cattedrale di Monreale. This evening, why not join an Optional Experience to the beautiful fishing village of Sferracavallo, at the foot of Mount Capo Gallo? Here you'll feast on Palermitano specialties, perfectly paired with delicious Sicilian wine. (B)
  - Journey to Ancient Marsala Leave Palermo behind, stopping in the fishing village of Mondello, historically a favorite seaside retreat for the who's who of Palermo, Breathe in the cool sea air and savor the easy-going atmosphere before you head to Erice, the hilltop 'City of a Hundred Churches'. You'll have some free time for lunch before continuing to Marsala, home to the nutty-flavored wine which shares its name. Dive Into Culture along the way, stopping at the salt pans to visit the Infersa Mill to learn about the ancient 'culture of salt' and industry which has shaped this region. You'll be thrilled with an evening at leisure in picture-perfect Marsala with its marble streets and expansive piazze filled with colorful restaurants. Find a trattoria spilling out on to the sidewalk and indulge in the favorite local Pollo alla Marsala (Marsala chicken). (B, 🕬) Hotel: Seawater
  - Onwards to Agrigento and Ragusa Today's first stop is Agrigento where you'll join a Local Specialist for a visit to the UNESCO-listed Valley of the Temples. You'll explore one of the world's most treasured centers of Greek art and architecture, including the seven sandstone Doric temples overlooking the city. There's time for lunch before we head to Ragusa, a city with two very different souls- the lower and older Ragusa Ibla and higher Ragusa Superiore. These two distinct areas are separated dramatically by a deep ravine, the Valle dei Ponti. You'll want to explore both after dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Poggio del Sole
- Explore Beautiful Barogue Modica Learn about the 5 rebuilding of Ragusa after a devastating 17th-century earthquake which all but levelled its skyline. Your Local Specialist will reveal how this devastating seismic event led to the development of an entirely new city on a nearby ridge, while some of its brave residents remained to rebuild what was lost. You'll hear how it was only in the early 20th century that the two were eventually fused together. Later, take a drive to Modica - your Travel Director is on hand to give you an orientation of this Baroque beauty before you'll Dive Into Culture and learn the secrets of Modican chocolate. You'll return to Ragusa for an evening at leisure, the aroma of roasted cocoa beans lingering long after your visit to the local chocolatier. (B, 5)
  - Connect With Locals Welcome Reception WR Breakfast R
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- Off to Historic Syracuse Once a major Mediterranean power and the birthplace of Archimedes, the historic city of Syracuse takes center stage this morning as you join your Local Specialist for in-depth insights into its colorful past. You'll see some of its treasures at the Archaeological Museum, then visit the island of Ortygia, the ancient heart of the city connected to the mainland by a stone bridge. Your afternoon is open to spend as you wish. This evening you'll join your fellow travelers for dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD) **Hotel: Mercure Prometeo**
- 7 Venture Past Mount Etna to Taormina Continue up the coast to Catania, the city that lies in Mount Etna's shadow. You'll have some free time to explore on your own and perhaps sample arancini, a favorite Catania snack. Later join a Local Specialist to delve into the history and culture of the ancient town of Taormina. A particular highlight of this afternoon will be a visit to the beautifully preserved ruins of the Teatro di Taormina, Imagine masked actors performing against the backdrop of glorious sea views more than 2,500 years ago. You'll have an evening on your own to spend as you wish or consider joining our Optional Experience evening of Sicilian specialties in Castelmola, one of the most dramatically located villages in Sicily. (B) Hotel: Caesar Palace Giardini Naxos
  - Taormina Free Day Taormina is yours for the taking today. You could choose to visit the 10th-century Palazzo Corvaja with its Islamic-style tower or explore the elegant boutiques along Corso Umberto. Work up an appetite and stop for some of the city's signature cannoli or cool down with a famous Sicilian granita, a half-frozen desert served with a piping-hot brioche. Movie buffs will delight in an Optional Experience to Mount Etna and Savoca, the hilltop village of 'The Godfather'. Later this evening, you'll head up to the slopes of Mount Etna for an exclusive Be My Guest experience with Maria Marano. Connect With Locals as you visit the estate and cellars and enjoy the flavors from secret family recipes. (B, BMG, 🗞)



Dinner on the slopes of Mount Etna. Meet Maria Marano on her vineyard for an evening of all things Sicilian. You'll feast on home-made appetizers and learn how she produces her 'Liperus' wine. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

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

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- Welcome to Rome *Ciao Roma*, the 'Eternal City', which you'll have an opportunity to explore on your own before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception this evening. Enjoy an orientation drive a perfect introduction to this beautiful city, the center of which has been proclaimed a UNESCO World Heritage Site with its ruins, imposing monuments, statues and fountains. (WR) Hotel: Grand Palatino
  - **Explore the Ruins of Pompeii and Sorrento** From Rome, visit the Commonwealth War Cemetery in Cassino to commemorate those who died here in the WWII battle and view the Benedictine Abbey, originally founded by Saint Benedict in the 6th century. Next, stop at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Pompeii. Your *Local Specialist* will take you on a walking tour of the excavations buried for centuries under a layer of volcanic ash after Mount Vesuvius erupted. See such sites as the Gymnasium, the Temple of Apollo and the impressive Basilica before arriving later at your hotel in Sorrento. **(B, D) Hotel: Johanna Park**
  - A Day on the Isle of Capri Take a ferry to Capri, the isle of sirens according to Greek mythology. You'll ascend to Capri town by funicular railway and see the famous Piazzetta during your guided walking tour with a *Local Specialist*. Spend some free time peoplewatching at one of the local cafés before returning to the mainland where you can enjoy free time in Sorrento. **(B)**



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

Cross the Strait to Taormina Drive south via Salerno and through Calabria, crossing the straits of Messina to Sicily and the beachside resort town of Giardini Naxos below Taormina. Tonight *Connect With Locals* during a *Be My Guest* experience hosted at a beautiful Sicilian winery and restaurant overlooking Mount Etna. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Sant Alphio Garden Giardini Naxos

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

- Taormina Your Way Enjoy a full day to do as you please in this beautiful resort town. Shop, relax, see the sights of your choice or consider an Optional Experience. Whatever you decide, your Travel Director will be on hand to help you get the most out of your day. This evening, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D)
- 7 Journey to Ancient Agrigento Enjoy views of Enna on the way to Agrigento, where your *Local Specialist* will take you to the Valley of the Temples - the finest Greek sanctuary in Sicily. See the Temple of Concord and the Temple of Juno overlooking the sea. (B) Hotel: Dioscuri Bay Palace
- Explore Sicilian Towns and on to Palermo Travel to Erice and discover this famous hilltop medieval town in western Sicily with its cobbled streets, Norman castles and stunning views of the sea, salt pans and wooded hillsides. Perhaps take a walk to the ruins of Venus Castle with its Balio Gardens. Before arriving in Palermo, the Sicilian capital, visit the chic seaside resort of Mondello, with its beautiful beach, popular with the elite Palermitans. (B) Hotel: Garibaldi
- 9 Enjoy the Views in Monreale Meet your Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour of Palermo. See Palermo's famous Opera House and the Cathedral. Travel to Monreale for views of La Conca d'Oro and explore the magnificent 12th-century Norman Cathedral. Later join your companions and celebrate your journey with a Farewell Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, FD)
- O Journey Home Say *arrivederci* to Sicily and your newfound friends at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



#### **Travel Director Tip**

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

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15 Days

2 Countries

20 Meals

From \$3895 Per person, double share

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## Your Must-See Highlights

- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Palermo, Agrigento, Pompeii, Capri, Rome, Assisi, Cinque Terre and Florence with a Local Specialist
- Discover Taormina, Sorrento and Venice
- Visit the Norman Cathedral at Monreale, the fishing village of Mondello, the Valley of the Temples in Agrigento, the Isle of Capri, the excavations at Pompeii, the amazing Vatican Museums, Sistine Chapel, St. Peter's Basilica and Colosseum in Rome, and a glassblowing factory in Venice
- View Palermo Cathedral, the ancient sites of Rome, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Santa Croce Basilica and the Duomo in Florence and the Byzantine St. Mark's Basilica in Venice
- Scenic Cruise to the Isle of Capri and St. Mark's Square in Venice

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- Welcome to Palermo The multicultural capital of Palermo launches your journey across Sicily and Italy. You'll have some free time before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and orientation of the city's attractions.
   (WR) Hotel: Mercure Centro
- 2 Enjoy the Views in Monreale Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour, which includes the Teatro Massimo and old 'La Cala' harbor. Later, travel to Monreale on the slopes of Monte Caputo overlooking the almond, olive and orange groves of La Conca d'Oro. Here you'll visit the 12th-century Norman Cathedral, dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin Mary. (B)
- 3 Journey to Ancient Agrigento Continue to the pretty fishing village of Mondello. Journey to Agrigento to tour the impressive Greek Valley of the Temples, with a *Local Specialist*, dating back to the 6th century BC. This evening, dinner is served at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Dioscuri Bay Palace
- Onwards to Scenic Taormina Travel through the vineyards of the southern hills towards the seaside resort of Taormina. Enjoy spectacular vistas and a taste of *la dolce vita* in this hillside town, with some free time on arrival. (B) Hotel: Caesar Palace Giardini Naxos
- 5 Taormina Your Way Spend the day relaxing at your chic Sicilian resort. Dive into the warm Mediterranean waters, shop for exquisite handmade lace on Corso Umberto or indulge in a mulberry granita. Consider joining an Optional Experience to Savoca, the village made famous by 'The Godfather', or Europe's most active volcano, Mount Etna. This evening, Connect with Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience hosted at a vineyard on the slopes of Mount Etna. Join Maria Marano for a walking tour through her estate and cellars, and enjoy home-made appetizers accompanied by the local wine. (B, BMG, (S))
  - Explore Pompeii's Ruins and Sorrento Today we cross the Strait of Messina to mainland Italy by ferry, driving north through rustic Calabria via Salerno to UNESCO-listed Pompeii where a *Local Specialist* will take you on a walking tour of the town buried for centuries under a layer of volcanic ash after Mount Vesuvius erupted. We continue to our hotel in Sorrento where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: La Residenza
  - A Day on the Isle of Capri We cruise to the Isle of Capri where we'll enjoy a guided walking tour of Capri town with a *Local Specialist*. Window-shop along Via Camerelle and watch the beautiful people in the Piazzetta, before returning to Sorrento, where you will have the evening at leisure to indulge in a little *limoncello* at Piazza Tasso, with its many cafés. (B)
  - All Roads Lead to Rome Admire the dramatic coastline, driving north from Sorrento to the 'Eternal City' of Rome. This evening an exclusive Trafalgar experience will see you *Dive Into Culture* and enjoy an *al fresco* dinner against the spectacular backdrop of St. Peter's in Rome. Marvel at the frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel and visit the Museo Gregoriano Profano. (**B**, **RD**, S^(s)) Hotel: Il Cantico

- An exclusive dinner at the Vatican Museums. There are few more special Rome experiences than a private meal in the Vatican surrounded by the works of great masters and centuries of history. Read more at trafalgar.com.
- 9 Explore Ancient Rome and the Vatican City Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour to the Vatican and see Michelangelo's magnificent Pietà inside St. Peter's Basilica. Your next stop is Ancient Rome, where you'll see Circus Maximus and visit the Colosseum. (B)
- 10 Off to Historic Assisi Today, we drive north to the mystical medieval hilltop town of Assisi. Join a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour, which includes a visit to the Basilica of St. Francis. Tonight, we'll stay at one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories* a fully renovated old Franciscan monastery. (**B**, **D**, ^(A)) Hotel: Cenacolo
- 11 Admire Pisa and on to La Spezia Venture to Pisa to visit the Square of Miracles and view the Leaning Tower that bears this city's name. A short drive north takes us to La Spezia, where we'll spend the evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: NH La Spezia
- 12 Enjoy Colorful Cinque Terre and Florence Join a Local Specialist to visit Cinque Terre, a series of centuries-old seaside villages clinging impossibly to rugged cliffs that plunge into the Ligurian Sea. Continue later to Florence, where you'll have the night off to explore as you wish. (B) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
- 13 Journey to Venice The magnificent marble Duomo, Santa Croce Basilica, Ponte Vecchio and Piazza della Signoria all feature on your walking tour through Florence with a *Local Specialist* through Florence. Later, head north to Venice, the 'Queen of the Adriatic'. (B) Hotel: Le Boulevard Lido
- 14 **Cruise the Canals of Venice** *Dive into Culture* next and witness the centuries-old craft of glassblowing. Then, embark on a scenic cruise by private launch to the gateway of Venice, St. Mark's Square. See St. Mark's Cathedral and the Bridge of Sighs. Tonight, you'll join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner and toast to shared memories that will linger long after the evening ends. (**B, FD**, (3))
- 15 Farewell Venice For now, it's a fond *ciao* Venezia as you say goodbye to new friends and prepare to depart for our journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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10 Days

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**3** Countries

14 Meals

From \$3250 Perperson, double share

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



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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- VIP Admission to the Vatican Museums
- **Explore** Rome, Florence, Delphi and Athens with a Local Specialist
- Discover Venice
- Visit St. Peter's Basilica, the Sistine Chapel and the Colosseum in Rome, Piazzale Michelangelo and Piazza della Signoria in Florence, a glassblowing factory in Venice, the monasteries of Meteora, the Temple of Apollo in Delphi and the Acropolis in Athens
- View the ancient sites of Rome, the Duomo and Baptistery in Florence, the Doge's Palace and the Basilica in Venice and the Parthenon, Royal Palace and the Temple of Zeus in Athens
- See Hadrian's Arch in Athens
- Scenic Cruise by private launch to St. Mark's Square in Venice

GREECE

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**OPTIONAL CRUISE** 

4-night Aegean cruise

ATHENS

DELPHI

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

1 Ciao Rome Welcome to Rome, the 'Eternal City'. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive to view some of this city's magnificent sites. (WR) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's

**Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City** Visit St. Peter's Basilica and view Michelangelo's Pietà with a *Local Specialist*. See the Circus Maximus where chariot races were once held and visit the impressive Colosseum. **(B)** 

3 Journey to Renaissance Florence Visit the Vatican Museums with a *Local Specialist* and *Dive Into Culture* as you ascend the Bramante staircase, then admire Michelangelo's frescoed ceiling in the Sistine Chapel. Later, drive north to Florence. Tonight, *Connect With Locals* at a *Be My Guest* experience. (**B**, **BMG**, *s*[™], [™]) **Hotel: Cosmopolitan Concept** 



**Dine with an Italian Count.** Learn all about Tuscan life and taste award-winning olive oils when you visit this 15th-century olive oil estate, where 'Tea with Mussolini' was filmed. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Venture to Venice Your *Local Specialist* reveals Florence's rich cultural heritage during your walking tour. Visit Piazza della Signoria and view the marble Duomo, the famous Baptistery, and Ponte Vecchio. Travel through the Apennines and cross the Veneto plains to Venice. **(B) Hotel: Novotel Mestre Castellana** 

**Explore the Floating City** Cruise by private launch to Giudecca Island, where you'll *Dive Into Culture* and witness the Venetian tradition of glassmaking. See the Bridge of Sighs, St. Mark's Square, St. Mark's Basilica and the ornate Doge's Palace. (**B**, (**b**)

6 Board an Overnight Ferry to Greece Travel south to the ancient port city of Ancona to board your overnight ferry to mainland Greece. (B, D)

7 Monasteries of Meteora on the way to Kalambaka Arrive early at the port of Igoumenitsa and travel along the foothills of the Athamanika mountains before arriving at the UNESCO-listed monasteries of Meteora. Your *Local Specialist* will guide you on a visit to two of the six monasteries built on sandstone rocks that tower above the town. Dine tonight at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Amalia Kalambaka

- Onwards to Legendary Delphi Drive south towards Mount Parnassos and Delphi. Join a *Local Specialist* and walk the Sacred Way to the Temple of Apollo where athletes competed in the Pythian Games. (B) Hotel: Amalia Delphi
- 9 Off to Historic Athens We travel to Athens where we'll discover the city's rich heritage during our morning sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. Marvel at the Agora, the Royal Palace, the Temple of Zeus and the Acropolis. See Hadrian's Arch and the stadium where the first modern Olympics took place in 1896. Indulge in a Farewell Dinner to celebrate the end of your trip. (B, FD) Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis
- **Farewell Athens** Say goodbye to your fellow travelers and Travel Director after an unforgettable journey or join a 4-day Aegean cruise. For more information see the panel below. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

### Best of Italy and Greece with 4-Day Aegean Cruise

A 4-day Aegean cruise is available to join at the end of the 'Best of Italy and Greece' itinerary. On the morning of day 10, you will be transferred from your hotel to the port of Athens to embark on the cruise.

- 10 Embark and Cruise to Stunning Mykonos Board your ship in Athens. Cruise to the island of Mykonos and spend time discovering the town and sparkling beaches. (B, L, D)
- 11 Continue to Ancient Ephesus and Patmos Arrive early at the port of Kusadasi in Turkey where you will enjoy a complimentary Shore Experience to Ephesus. Continue on to Patmos, where you might join an Optional Experience to the cave where the Book of Revelation was written. (**B**, **L**, **D**)

12 A Day to Explore Beautiful Rhodes Arrive in Rhodes. Explore the fascinating medieval Old Town on your complimentary Shore Experience. (B, L, D)

13 Cruise to Heraklion and on to Santorini Disembark in Heraklion on the island of Crete, and perhaps visit the Palace of Knossos. Then cruise to the spectacular volcanic island of Santorini. (B, L, D)

14 Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your ship for your transfer to the airport. (B)

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# London Explorer

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8 Days 1 Country 11 Meals From \$2195 Perperson, double share

History comes alive on this most epic of London trips. You're in for a royal time at Windsor Castle and the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace. See life unfold from the water as you cruise to Greenwich and feel the buzz and spirit of one of London's oldest markets - Borough Market. Past Guest Rated feefo ** <del>*</del> **4.7**/5

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## ENGLAND



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### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore London with a Local Specialist
- Discover Borough Market and Greenwich
- Visit Stonehenge, Windsor Castle, Westminster Abbey and Kensington Palace. You will also have a choice of fantastic free museums to visit 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
- Tickets London Oyster Card (Public Transport) pass

Start

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

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

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

Journey to Prehistoric Stonehenge and Windsor 3 Regal traditions and ancient monuments take center stage today as we embark on a full-day excursion from London. Our first stop sees us delve into the history of the ancient circle at Stonehenge, followed by free time for lunch. Next, we'll visit Windsor Castle one of the Queen's elegant homes, including the superb Georgian State Apartments and St. George's Chapel, before returning to London. (B)

London Your Way Armed with your 3-day travel pass and recommendations from your Travel Director, make the most of your full day at leisure. Pay tribute to Admiral Nelson in Trafalgar Square and wander down The Mall to Buckingham Palace. Alternatively, consider a full-day Optional Experience to the enchanting Cotswolds, visiting Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon, with a stop in the university town of Oxford. (B)

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

**Explore Westminster Abbey and Kensington** Palace Imagine the kings and queens who have glided gracefully up the 13th-century mosaic floor of Westminster Abbey. We'll have an opportunity to explore this architectural wonder on a guided visit with a Local Specialist. Later, visit Kensington Palace and Dive Into Culture, gaining insights into the lives of the Royal Family, followed by an English cream tea. (B, L, 5)



Explore Kensington Palace. No need to be a royalist to revel in your behind-the-scenes visit to Princess Diana's beloved home, followed by an English cream tea in the garden. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Cruise the Thames to Greenwich Enjoy one last full 7 day in the lively city streets of London. This afternoon meet with your Travel Director and travel companions for a leisurely cruise down the Thames to Greenwich. Sail under the famous Tower Bridge before enjoying a Farewell Dinner at a historic pub with a toast to your unforgettable week. (B, FD)

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

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" It was a great trip to see all the highlights of London, get to have optional experiences to choose from, and enough free time to explore the city on your own!"

Our Guest: A. Brooks on London Explorer

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- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season

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9 Days

**3** Countries

10 Meals

## From \$1725 Per person, double share

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.



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### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore London and 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
- View Bath Abbey, Cardiff Castle, the Lake District's magnificent scenery, Hadrian's Wall, York Minster, and Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage
- **See** the Principality Stadium in Cardiff, and the Palace of Holyroodhouse in Edinburgh

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

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

- 3 Journey to Stonehenge, Bath and Cardiff This morning meet your Travel Director before embarking on a journey to discover what's 'great' about Great Britain, on this mesmerizing sojourn past the peaks of Wales and the rolling hills and lush farmlands of England to 'bonnie' Scotland. Head west to Stonehenge's stone monoliths, whose centuries-old myths have yet to be fully revealed. The elegant Georgian architecture of Bath takes center stage during our visit to this famous spa town. Here, we'll see the Abbey and visit the Roman baths, before crossing the Severn Estuary to Cardiff. Embark on an orientation of the city to see the Principality Stadium and Cardiff Castle, in the heart of the city. Tonight, we celebrate the beginning of an epic adventure through Britain at a Welcome Reception. (B, WR) Hotel: Mercure Holland House
  - Through the Scenic Countryside to Liverpool 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
- 5 Venture to the Romantic Lake District and on to Edinburgh The enchanting views of Britain's Lake District provide a scenic backdrop for our leisurely drive north to Scotland. Skirt the romantic shores of Lake Windermere and enjoy views that inspired literary greats like William Wordsworth. We stop at the runaway wedding capital that is Gretna Green where 'Blacksmith Priests' would marry couples over the Marriage Anvil. Later, we arrive in enchanting Edinburgh – our home for the next two nights. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn
- Discover Edinburgh's Treasures Ramble up the Royal Mile in the mesmerizing 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

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 Dinner

visit the Royal Yacht Britannia. This evening, consider attending a lively Scottish banquet with traditional haggis and bagpipes. **(B)** 

#### 7 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 in York for a homecooked *Be My Guest* Farewell Dinner and some hearty British hospitality. **(B, BMG,** ) Hotel: Novotel Centre



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

- 8 Admire Stratford-upon-Avon and return to London Delve into the story of Shakespeare's life at his Birthplace and Visitor Center in Stratford-upon-Avon, and view Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage. We return to London this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Hilton Kensington
- 9 Cheerio London Say farewell to your fellow travelers and Travel Director as you return home with magical memories. (B)

#### The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 6 – 28 August 2021

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

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**Your Must-See Highlights** 

• Discover Bath, Bristol, Brixham, Plymouth, Dunster, Lynmouth, Exeter and Salisbury

• Visit Royal Windsor, the Roman Baths in Bath, Longleat House in Warminster, Lacock village, Buckfast Abbey, the artists' colony of St. Ives, Exeter Cathedral, the ancient stone circle at Stonehenge and John Constable's Salisbury

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

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1 Arrive London Welcome to London, a vibrant mix of old and new which marches to its very own unforgettable multi-cultural tune. Spend your day exploring the city's iconic sights - its royal heritage, exquisite architecture and fascinating museums. Then, take to the city's streets this evening, enjoying the buzz of Soho or perhaps attend a West End show. Hotel: Hilton Kensington

Explore Windsor, Bath and Bristol This morning, meet your Travel Director for a journey through lush landscapes to the historic market town of Windsor. Journeying west, we arrive in the stately Georgian town of Bath, whose beautiful Pulteney Bridge and 15th-century Gothic Abbey provide a picturesque backdrop for the Roman Baths from which the city takes its name. See the steamy thermal pool of the 'Great Bath' before traveling to easygoing Bristol, where we'll enjoy an orientation of the city including views of the Clifton Suspension Bridge and Brunel's SS Great Britain, the world's first ocean-going luxury liner. (B, WR) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn City Centre

**Experience a Stately Home and British Village Life** Leaving trendy Bristol behind, we embark on a scenic drive through the English countryside, arriving at Longleat Stately Home where we'll Dive Into Culture and tour one of the country's finest stately homes, currently home to the 7th Marguess of Bath. Later, we stop in the picturesque village of Lacock - its honey-coloured stone cottages and 15th-century inns have served as an iconic backdrop for such famous films as 'Pride & Prejudice', 'Harry Potter' and 'Downton Abbey'. (B, 5)



Explore an English manor. Learn all about Elizabethan society on your visit to Longleat House and its Capability Brown parkland, one of England's most stately homes. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Coastal Devon and Plymouth The sounds and smell of the sea beckon as you make your way to Devon and stop in the fishing town of Brixham where Sir Francis Drake's ship 'Golden Hind' is permanently moored. You'll head to Totnes, on the Dart River, and Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience where you'll savor a cream tea at The Old Forge. This 600-year-old structure was originally the workshop for the Duke of Somerset's Berry Pomeroy Castle and Estates and the former family home of Jane Seymour, one of Henry VIII's six wives. Continue to Buckfast Abbey where you'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into how Benedictine monks have lived and prayed for

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nearly 1,000 years. Venture to Plymouth next, where pilgrims once left English shores for an unknown new world. This evening you could choose to toast to their bravery over an optional dinner with your fellow travelers. (B, BMG, 🐼, 🔊) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

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Admire Historic Sights and Venture to Exeter Continue your journey to lovely St. Ives, a popular retreat for artists, surfers and sun-worshippers. On the way, enjoy views of St. Michael's Mount with its 17th-century castle, perched dramatically atop the tidal island near the seaside town of Penzance. Stop at Tintagel Castle, the legendary birthplace of King Arthur, and admire its rugged clifftop vantage point overlooking the wild Atlantic. Your final destination today is the sophisticated capital of Devon - Exeter. Its stunning medieval center is yours to explore on your own this evening. (B) Hotel: Mercure Southgate

- **Enjoy Scenic Somerset and Dartmoor National** Park This morning, visit the Exeter Cathedral with its 15th-century astronomical clock and misericords said to be the earliest complete set in the United Kingdom. Continue to the Somerset village of Dunster, where you'll have some free time for lunch and an opportunity to view its castle on your own. Visit Lynmouth next, the walking capital of Exmoor, then drive through the brooding landscape of Dartmoor National Park, stopping at a traditional pub for a memorable Farewell Dinner with your travel companions. Return to Exeter, where you'll spend the night. (B, FD)
- **Onwards to Prehistoric Stonehenge and London** 7 Visit the ancient monoliths at Stonehenge, which rise up imposingly on Salisbury Plain this morning, imagining a time when pagans and druids would gather in their mysterious midst. We'll visit the town of Salisbury, home to Britain's tallest spire, before returning to London. (B) Hotel: Hilton Kensington
- Depart London Say a fond farewell to your traveling companions at the end of a wonderful vacation, as you prepare to return home with treasured memories. (B)

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When in Cornwall, be sure to try the Cornish pasties, originally popularised by the tin miners a convenient lunch, and still very popular today.

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## Your Must-See Highlights

- 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, Hadrians' Wall and Jedburgh Abbey
- See the 18th green on the Old Course at St. Andrews, Blair Castle and the Lake District

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- 1 Welcome to London Explore the vibrant mix of old and new on this free day in London. Hotel: Hilton Kensington
- 2 Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon and on to York Join your Travel Director this morning and indulge your love of theater and poetry. We travel to romantic Stratford-upon-Avon, made famous by its favorite son, William Shakespeare. View Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage and visit Shakespeare's Birthplace and Visitor Center for insights into his life. Continue to the ancient cathedral city of York where we will enjoy an orientation walk to view its ancient city walls, picturesque Shambles and magnificent 800-year-old Minster. Join your Travel Director and fellow travel companions this evening for a memorable Welcome Reception and delicious local pub fare. (**B**, **WR**) **Hotel: Holiday Inn**
- 3 Cross Hadrian's Wall and onwards to Edinburgh We venture north to the medieval riverside town of Durham, whose exquisite 11th-century Durham Cathedral sits imposingly alongside Durham Castle. We cross what was once the northern frontier of the Roman Empire, Hadrian's Wall, before enjoying a scenic drive through the breathtaking landscapes of Northumberland National Park. Admire spectacular views of the windswept Cheviot Hills as you cross the Scottish border, stopping to admire the 12thcentury ruins of Jedburgh Abbey en route to alluring Edinburgh. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn/Jurys Inn
- 4 Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Fall in love with the enchanting city of Edinburgh as you join a *Local Specialist* to discover what lies behind its medieval façades. Ramble up the Royal Mile and enjoy astounding views of the Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Spend some free time this afternoon strolling through Edinburgh and admiring medieval relics. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)
- 5 Venture into the Scottish Highlands Cross the Firth of Forth to the ancient Kingdom of Fife and St. Andrews. This famous golf course is renowned for its 18th hole and 800-year-old Swilcan Bridge. We continue our journey into the dramatic Scottish Highlands, where we'll *Dive Into Culture* at a whisky distillery and sample a *wee dram*. Visit picture-perfect Pitlochry, before arriving at your hotel in the Scottish Highlands where you'll dine tonight. (B, D, s⊙*) Hotel: Highlander
- Onwards to Loch Lomond and Glasgow's Rich Legacy The arresting natural beauty of the Scottish Highlands provides a stunning backdrop for today's leisurely drive to Glasgow. View the World War II Commando Memorial at Spean Bridge and admire views of Britain's highest mountain – Ben Nevis. See Glencoe, the site of a bloody massacre in 1692 following the Jacobite Uprising, and travel to the 'bonnie' banks of Scotland's prettiest loch, Loch Lomond. We arrive in Glasgow this afternoon where our orientation will take us past St. Mungo's Cathedral and George Square. (B) Hotel: Novotel

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

#### Through the Beautiful Welsh Countryside

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**to Discover Bristol** Traverse the pretty Welsh countryside this morning and stop in an area of outstanding natural beauty – the Wye Valley, with its characteristic limestone gorge scenery and dense woodlands. Visit the Shropshire market town of Ludlow with some time to explore on your own before arriving in Bristol to see the Clifton Suspension Bridge and *SS Great Britain*, the world's first oceangoing luxury liner. As the curtain comes down on a memorable journey through England and Scotland, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner in a local restaurant with our Travel Director and newfound friends. (**B, FD**) **Hotel: Mercure Holland House** 



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

- 9 Soak up Bath and Stonehenge then off to London Journeying back to London, we visit the UNESCOlisted city of Bath to admire its elegant Georgian façades and the Roman baths from which the city takes its name. Emerging from the Salisbury Plain, the imposing monoliths of Stonehenge are our final stop before continuing to London for a final night at leisure. (B) Hotel: Hilton Kensington
- **Goodbye London** We bid 'Old Blighty' a fond farewell as we prepare to return home after a memorable vacation. **(B)**

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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

> **VIEW** the scenic Lake District

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 Welcome to London Delight in the magic and mystery of an ancient land of kings and queens, knights and magical creatures. Your springboard to an unforgettable Family Experience through Britain is the lively capital of London. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a memorable Kickoff bash.
 (KP) Hotel: Crowne Plaza Kings Cross

Discover the Sights of London March down the grand boulevards and secret lanes of London. exploring the city's iconic sights with a Local Specialist. Practice your royal wave at Buckingham Palace, snap a selfie in front of Big Ben and see where Britain's royalty has been crowned since the 11th century. Enjoy some Family Fun and head to platform 9¾ then shrug off your Muggle mantle and see the red telephone box where Harry Potter and Mr. Weasley descended into the secret Ministry of Magic in 'Order of the Phoenix'. Admire the pomp and ceremony of the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace (subject to the event taking place), before enjoying free time for a leisurely lunch at St. Katherine's Dock near Tower Bridge. Our last stop today is the brooding Tower of London to see the Crown Jewels. (B, ()



Mystery and magic with Harry Potter. All Muggles are welcome on your visit to Platform 9%, Harry Potter's home in Lacock village and the Ministry of Magic's red telephone box. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- 3 London Your Way Soak up the buzzing multicultural atmosphere of London on this full day at leisure. Wander through the colorful array of toys at Hamleys on Regent Street or take a day trip to 11th-century Windsor Castle the choice is yours. (B)
  - Journey to Oxford and on to Elegant Bath Imagine yourself as an Oxford scholar as you enjoy a quick visit (as long as students are not sitting exams) to the imposing historic hall of one of Oxford's Schools. Later, we continue to the pretty Wiltshire village of Lacock for some *Family Fun* to see Harry Potter's house. Arrive in Bath for your overnight stay. (**B**, ^C) **Hotel: Hilton Bath**
- 5 Onwards to Historic Wales and Ruthin Castle Gain insights into the elegant city of Bath during Roman times, enjoying an orientation that will include beautiful Pulteney bridge. Admire the honeyhued Georgian architecture of Bath and view such highlights as the 15th-century Bath Abbey before crossing the border into Wales. We stop in the historic
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town of Llangollen, and then cross the Horseshoe Pass to a medieval castle and one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories* where you'll dine like lords and ladies. (**B**, **D**, **(A)**) **Hotel: Ruthin Castle** 

- Enjoy a Day in Chester Go back in time today during your visit to Chester, whose medieval city walls and famous red cathedral will give you a sense of what it must have been like to live in the Middle Ages. You'll take to its ancient walls with a Roman centurion *Local Specialist*, learning all there is to know about 2,000-year-old Deva, Britain's biggest Roman fortress on which modern-day Chester was built. The highlight of today will undoubtedly be the opportunity to *Connect With Locals* at an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience featuring an English cream tea. (**B, BMG,** ^(S))
- 7 Explore a Manor House and Continue to Lancaster Discover centuries of history at Tatton Park, set within a 400-hectare deer park. We'll join the butler and housekeeper of this elegant medieval manor house and *Dive Into Culture*, gaining insights into the day-to-day of English aristocrats once upon a time. We continue north to the Lake District, whose enchanting landscapes have inspired poets and writers for centuries. Consider boarding a steam train and cruise across the tranquil waters of Lake Windermere before arriving at your hotel. (B, D, ) Hotel: Lancaster House
  - Admire Hadrian's Wall and on to Edinburgh Start today with some *Family Fun* to experience life as a brave Roman soldier on Emperor Hadrian's northern frontier, exploring the treasures of the Roman Army Museum and Hadrian's Wall. We cross into 'Bonnie Scotland' and arrive in the charismatic capital of Edinburgh. (B, (*) Hotel: Marriott
- 9 Uncover Edinburgh's Treasures Delve into the magic of Edinburgh's iconic sights as you join a sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. Ramble up the Royal Mile and see the tall spires of the Scott Monument, visit Edinburgh Castle, where you will hear tales of bravery, treason and intrigue. Get lost in 'Auld Reekie', strolling through its secret lanes and past medieval façades or join your Travel Director for an Optional Experience. Our epic family adventure is almost at its end. Celebrate a memorable vacation with new friends and your Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B, FD)
- **10 Journey Home** It's time to say bye for now, but not goodbye forever, as the curtain falls on an unforgettable Family Experience through Britain. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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- **Explore** London, 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
- View Eilean Donan Castle, Alnwick Castle used as Hogwarts in the Harry Potter films, York Minster and Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage
- See Dartmoor, the Lake District, Ben Nevis and Glencoe in the Scottish Highlands and the 18th green at St. Andrews

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- 1 Welcome to London London's vibrant city streets are your launch pad to an epic journey through the iconic sights of Britain. Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank/Park Plaza County Hall
- Explore Historic London Join a Local Specialist today for a tour of the city's iconic sights. See Big Ben and the imposing Houses of Parliament on the banks of the Thames, then Buckingham Palace, the official UK residence of the UK's sovereigns since the mid-19th century. (B)
- 3 Journey to Stonehenge, Bath and Exeter Meet your Travel Director and commence your journey through the rolling green and golden landscapes of rural Wiltshire to the mystical ancient monoliths of Stonehenge. Continue to UNESCO-listed Bath before arriving in the historic cathedral city of Exeter, where we will enjoy a memorable Welcome Reception. (B, WR) Hotel: Mercure Southgate
- Plymouth and More in the Southwest Our first stop today is in Plymouth, where we'll delve into the history of the brave Pilgrim Fathers who set sail for an unknown New World. See the Royal Citadel overlooking Plymouth Sound and consider an optional cruise. We take a step back in time at our next stop – the artists' retreat of Polperro. Continuing along the brooding moorland of Dartmoor, we arrive at Buckfast Abbey where we'll *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into how Benedictine monks have lived and prayed for over 1,000 years. (**B**, *S*)*)
- 5 Onwards to Glastonbury and Cardiff Enjoy a scenic drive and visit the ruined Glastonbury Abbey. Later, *Connect With Locals*, joining the Dyer family for lunch on their 15th-century dairy farm in Somerset for a *Be My Guest* experience. Our final stop today is Cardiff, the capital of Wales, where we'll enjoy an orientation tour before a free evening. (**B**, **BMG**, **(S) Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson City Centre**



Lunch with an English Lord & Lady. Lap up a delicious home-made feast at the Dyer family's 15th-century farm, mentioned in William the Conqueror's Domesday Survey of 1085. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

**Explore Tudor History and on to Liverpool** We explore Tudor history in Ludlow and Chester this morning, enjoying views of Chester's medieval city

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walls and red sandstone Cathedral. Join a *Local Specialist* later in Liverpool to gain insight into the city's Beatles' history. **(B) Hotel: Jurys Inn** 

- Venture to the Romantic Lake District and on to Glasgow We travel along the shores of Lake Windermere through countryside made famous by the poet William Wordsworth. Stop in Gretna Green, where many an eloping couple have tied the knot. We arrive in Glasgow later for an orientation tour, including views of the Cathedral, George Square and the River Clyde. This evening, enjoy a Regional Dinner in a local restaurant. (B, RD) Hotel: Crowne Plaza/ Holiday Inn Theatreland
- On to Fort William and the Scottish Highlands Journey along Loch Lomond, whose bonnie banks were immortalized in the well-known Scottish song. We arrive in Glencoe and remember the 1692 massacre that led this place to be called the 'Glen of Weeping'. At the World War II Commando Memorial near Fort William, admire views of Britain's highest mountain Ben Nevis. Our day in beautiful surrounds comes to an end with a cozy dinner at our hotel located within the Cairngorms National Park in the Scottish Highlands. (B, D) Hotel: Laggan/Carrbridge
- 9 Discover the Isle of Skye We travel to the coast this morning to the Isle of Skye where a Local Specialist will take us on a journey to admire the remarkable Cuillin Mountains. Later, we cross back to view scenic Eilean Donan Castle on the mainland. Travel through the Scottish Highlands on your return to your Highland hotel. (B, D)
- **10 Journey to Enchanting Edinburgh** We stop in Pitlochry before heading to St. Andrews. See its famous 18th hole before crossing the Firth of Forth to Edinburgh. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. **(B) Hotel: Marriott/Jurys Inn**
- 11 Uncover Edinburgh's Treasures Ramble up the Royal Mile today and see the city's iconic sights. The elegant Palace of Holyroodhouse and the Scottish Parliament feature on our sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist. Visit Edinburgh Castle perched atop Castle Rock overlooking the city. Consider an Optional Experience this evening, including traditional song, dance and Scottish fare. (B)
- 12 Continue to York We travel to the medieval market town of Alnwick this morning where we'll see the impressive castle home to the Duke of Northumberland and the Tenantry Column. Then it's on to Northumberland and York, where we will enjoy an orientation walk past its cobblestone Shambles and see the Minster with its 'heart of Yorkshire'. We enjoy a final Farewell Dinner together to bring our memorable journey to a close. (**B, FD) Hotel: Novotel Centre**
- 13 Onwards to Shakespeare's Stratford-upon-Avon and London Shakespeare's legacy and life are celebrated during our visit to Stratford-upon-Avon. Later, we travel back to London for our final night at leisure. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank/Park Plaza County Hall
  - Cheerio London Say a fond farewell to London and your newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable journey. (B)

**Please Note:** Hotels in the Scottish Highlands are generally simpler establishments typical of the region.

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- **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, Kilkenny Castle and Gardens
- See the Principality Stadium in Cardiff

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

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

3 Through the Scenic Lake District to Glasgow We 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 to the runaway wedding capital of Gretna Green. Here eloping couples would tie the knot over the Marriage Anvil. We drive through the Southern Uplands to vibrant Glasgow. Tonight, consider joining an Optional Experience to Braveheart Country for a fabulous dinner and Scottish entertainment. (B) Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson City Centre

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

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

**Discover Diverse Dublin** Gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of Guinness brewing and enjoy a Storehouse tour and tasting technique demonstration. Drive through the pretty streets of Dublin with a *Local Specialist* to admire the stately Georgian Squares, Trinity College and St. Patrick's Cathedral, the tallest church in Ireland, before spending the rest of the day exploring the sights alone. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience to a rousing Irish cabaret performance. **(B)** 

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 Farm established in 1946. Enjoy a guided walk through the farm and take some time to stroll through its tranquil Japanese Gardens, regarded as the best in Europe. Admire the imposing medieval castle at Kilkenny before some free time for lunch. Our next stop sees us Dive Into Culture yet again to witness the delicate craft of Waterford Crystal. We'll watch master craftsmen at work and see the exquisitely crafted pieces in the showroom. (**B**, S⁽ⁿ⁾) Hotel: Marina/Fitzwilton

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

- 8 Ferry Across to Cultural Cardiff An early start to the day sees us cross the Irish Sea to Wales by ferry and continue our journey to the Welsh capital of Cardiff to view the Millennium Center, National Assembly and historic Cardiff Castle, at the heart of the city. This evening, we *Connect With Locals* in the idyllic Welsh countryside, joining a local family for a Farewell Dinner *Be My Guest* experience. (**B, BMG**, **(**) **Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson City Centre**
- 9 Soak up Bath and Stonehenge then off to London Traversing the Severn Estuary into England, we arrive in the glorious UNESCO-listed Bath, with its elegant Georgian façades and world-famous Roman Baths from which the city derives its name. Journey across the scenic landscapes of Wiltshire, paying a visit to the mysterious monolithic stone circle at Stonehenge, then return to London. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank/Park Plaza County Hall
- Farewell London Say farewell to your traveling companions at the end of your vacation, as you prepare to fly home with wonderful memories. (B)

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## Your Must-See Highlights

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

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1 Welcome to London The cosmopolitan capital of London rolls out its red carpet, with all the pomp and pageantry you're unlikely to encounter anywhere else in the world. Hotel: Park Plaza County Hall/Park Plaza Riverbank

Discover the Sights of London Join a Local Specialist today to explore the city's favorite landmarks. See Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Buckingham Palace, before spending the rest of the day at leisure to delve into the city's history, culture, art and architecture. (B)

Stonehenge and Bath and on to Cardfiff Meet your 3 Travel Director this morning and stop to ponder the mysteries of the ancient monoliths of Stonehenge. before driving west to Bath. Cross the Severn Estuary to Cardiff, then view the Millennium Center and the National Assembly in Cardiff Bay. Later, enjoy warm hospitality and traditional Welsh pub fare and drinks at a rousing Welcome Reception. (B, WR) Hotel: Mercure Holland House/Park Inn by Radisson City Centre

Onwards to Waterford This morning, we view the Principality Stadium and Cardiff Castle during our orientation of Cardiff. We cross the Irish Sea by ferry and travel to historic Waterford where we'll dine in our hotel tonight. (B, D) Hotel: Marina/Fitzwilton

5 Admire Blarney Castle and Journey to Killarney *Dive Into Culture* and watch the master craftsmen of the renowned House of Waterford Crystal. Then, kiss the Blarney Stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab' before traveling to the picturesque town of Killarney. (B, 🕬) Hotel: Killarney

A Day on the Ring of Kerry Today we experience the enduring beauty of Ireland's most scenic coastal drive. See Daniel O'Connell's Cahirsiveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap with its panoramic views. This evening, we Connect With Locals at Molly Gallivan's 200-year-old cottage. sharing a memorable Be My Guest experience with the O'Sullivan family and their Kerry cows. (B, BMG, 🛞)



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

Journey to Cultural Dublin Visit the Rock of Cashel in County Tipperary, the seat of Irish kings for centuries. Later, travel to Dublin, joining a Local Specialist for a

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sightseeing tour to see Trinity College, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the stately Georgian Squares. This evening, consider an Optional Experience to an Irish cabaret. (B) Hotel: Sandymount

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

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- View Eilean Donan Castle, the battlefield of Culloden, Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage, York Minster and the Mayflower Steps in Plymouth
- See Galway Cathedral and the Principality Stadium in Cardiff
- Scenic Drive around the Ring of Kerry

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Welcome to London Welcome to the cosmopolitan capital that is London. Spend your day easing into the energy of this cosmopolitan city. Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank/Park Plaza County Hall

**Discover Historic London** Join your *Local Specialist* today to see the iconic sights, including Big Ben and the Houses of Parliament. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. **(B)** 

- 3 Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon and on to York Meet your Travel Director this morning and travel to Stratford-upon-Avon. Visit Shakespeare's Birthplace and Visitor Center and see Anne Hathaway's cottage before continuing to York to see the magnificent York Minster. This evening, we join our Travel Director and travel companions for a delicious Yorkshire dinner in our hotel. (B, WR) Hotel: Novotel Centre
  - Continue through Northumberland to Edinburgh Journeying through Northumberland National Park's dramatic landscapes, we arrive at the remarkably intact ruins of the 12th-century Jedburgh Abbey en route to the enchanting Scottish capital, Edinburgh. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn
- 5 Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Join your Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour through New Town, Princes Street and the Royal Mile. Embark on a guided visit of Edinburgh Castle and consider a traditional Scottish night out. (B)
  - Venture into the Scottish Highlands Today, we travel across the Firth of Forth to St. Andrews to view its celebrated ancient university and explore centuries of golf heritage. Our next stop is Pitlochry on the banks of the Tummel River. You could choose to join an Optional Experience to visit Blair Castle, the ancestral home to the Dukes of Atholl. We continue to the Scottish Highlands, our home for two nights. (B, D) Hotel: Laggan

**Explore the Isle of Skye** We pass the Eilean Donan Castle, then cross to the Isle of Skye where a *Local Specialist* will take us on a journey to admire the remarkable Cuillin Mountains. This afternoon, we view the mysterious Loch Ness. **(B, D)** 

Onwards to Loch Lomond and Glasgow's Rich Legacy Our first stop today is the World War II Commando Memorial for views of Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis. We continue south through the 'Glen of Weeping', arriving in Glasgow, where we enjoy an orientation tour. We'll also visit the Necropolis and *Dive Into Culture* at one of Europe's most important 19th-century burial grounds. (**B**, S) Hotel: Crowne Plaza

Through the Lake District to Liverpool Cross the border into England and *Connect With Locals*, joining farmer John and his wife Christine on their Cumbrian working farm for a *Be My Guest* experience. Learn about traditional farming methods and enjoy lunch before continuing your journey through the beautiful Lake District and its landscapes that have inspired poets and painters for centuries. See Lake Windermere, England's largest lake, before traveling to Liverpool, the haunt of Britain's 'Fab Four'. (**B**, BMG, **(S)**) **Hotel: Mercure Atlantic Tower** 

Across the Irish Sea to Dublin The half-timbered Tudor Rows in Chester are our first stop today as we travel to Holyhead to catch our ferry to Dublin. Enjoy a Regional Dinner at EPIC - the Irish Emigration Museum. (B, RD) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge

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Private dinner at EPIC Museum. Discover the stories of Irish emigrants and how this nation has changed the world during your visit to EPIC – the Irish Emigration Museum. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- 11 Admire Dublin's Iconic Sights Visit the Guinness Storehouse to learn about Ireland's famous brew, before delving into Dublin's iconic sights with a *Local Specialist*. See Trinity College, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the stately Georgian Squares. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B)
- 12 On to Galway and Limerick Journey to Galway, where you will have an opportunity to see Galway Cathedral and Eyre Square before continuing to Limerick. (B) Hotel: Greenhills
- 13 Circle the Ring of Kerry and on to Cork Admire Ireland's enduring scenic beauty on one of the most beautiful drives in the world, circling the spectacular Ring of Kerry. Later, we check into our *Stays With Stories* accommodations, the historic Maldron Shandon Hotel, originally the city's first general hospital built in the 1700s. (B, A) Hotel: Maldron Shandon
- 14 The Sights of Blarney, Waterford and Wexford We visit Blarney Castle where you might kiss the famous Blarney Stone, before stopping in Cobh for a walking tour with a *Local Specialist*. This afternoon we *Dive Into Culture* during a visit to the House of Waterford Crystal. (**B**, *S*)^{*}) Hotel: Maldron
- 15 Ferry across to Cardiff We cross the Irish Sea to Wales and its capital, Cardiff, where we will see the Principality Stadium and view the Millennium Center, National Assembly and Cardiff Castle. (B) Hotel: Clayton
- Enjoy Bath, Glastonbury and Plymouth Cross the Severn Estuary to Bath and visit its Roman Baths before spending some time on your own. We wind our way to mystical Glastonbury next to visit the 7th-century Abbey.
   (B) Hotel: Copthorne
- 17 A Day Exploring Coastal Villages View the Mayflower Steps in Plymouth, then visit the fishing village of Polperro. This evening, we join our travel companions and Travel Director for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- 18 Journey to Prehistoric Stonehenge and return to London Visit the mystical ancient monoliths of Stonehenge before journeying back to London this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank/Park Plaza County Hall
- 19 Cheerio London Say a fond farewell to Britain and Ireland as you prepare to return home with treasured memories of your trip. (B)

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## Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Londonderry, Belfast, Dublin and Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Salisbury Plain, 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 to kiss the stone, the magnificent Cliffs of Moher, the Giant's Causeway, Falkirk Wheel, Isle of Skye, Edinburgh Castle, Alnwick and Shakespeare's Birthplace in Stratford-upon-Avon
- View the Mayflower Steps in Plymouth, the Principality Stadium in Cardiff, St. Mary's Cathedral and King John's Castle in Limerick, the scenic Lake District, the 18th hole at St. Andrews, Eilean Donan Castle, Culloden Battlefield and York Minster
- See Galway Cathedral
- Scenic Drive on a Cornish Excursion, experience the Ring of Kerry

#### **Your vacation**

#### Day

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

- Welcome to London Explore London on your own today. Hotel: Hilton Kensington/DoubleTree by Hilton Angel Kings Cross
- 2 Explore the Sights of London Join a *Local Specialist* to see Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. (B)
- 3 Journey to Stonehenge and on to Plymouth Meet your Travel Director today before journeying west to the Salisbury Plain. Stonehenge is our first stop before traveling to the historic naval port of Plymouth in Devon. (B, WR) Hotel: Copthorne
- 4 Discover the Cornish Peninsula Embark on an orientation tour and see the Royal Citadel and Mayflower Steps. Explore the Cornish peninsula and visit the seaside villages of Looe and Polperro. (B)
- 5 Soak up Bath and off to Cardiff Admire Bath's elegant Georgian façades before continuing to Cardiff. (B) Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson City Centre/Holiday Inn
- Cross the Irish Sea to Waterford Explore Cardiff's iconic sights, then cross the Irish Sea to Waterford.
   (B, D) Hotel: Fitzwilton
- 7 Onwards to Blarney and Killarney Our first stop today is at the House of Waterford Crystal where we will *Dive Into Culture* during a demonstration with master craftsmen. You'll have the chance to kiss the Blarney Stone, before arriving later in Killarney. (B, s) Hote: Killarney/Innisfallen
- 8 A Day on the Ring of Kerry Ireland's enduring natural beauty is our welcome companion today as we circle the enchanting Ring of Kerry. (B, D)
- 9 Off to Limerick, the Majestic Cliffs of Moher and Galway We stop in Limerick to view St. Mary's Cathedral, the Treaty Stone and King John's Castle. We'll visit the Cliffs of Moher, before arriving in Galway. (B) Hotel: Connacht
- 10 Venture into County Donegal This morning, admire Galway Cathedral and stroll through Eyre Square. Then, enjoy an orientation in Sligo on your way to Donegal to see its 15th-century castle. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: Central
- On the road to Dublin A *Local Specialist* 'Cabbie' takes us on a journey through the recent history of Belfast in their taxi. In Dublin, we join a *Local Specialist* to see St. Patrick's Cathedral and other iconic sights.
   (B) Hotel: Mespil/Clayton Leopardstown
- **13** See the Sights of Dublin *Dive Into Culture* and gain entry to the Guinness Storehouse before general admission. The rest of the day is free. (B, 5년)
- 14 Ferry across to Historic Chester and Liverpool Cross the Irish Sea to Wales and continue to the ancient town of Chester, where your orientation tour will take you past its Roman walls and famous half-timbered
  - Connect With Locals
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Tudor Rows. Later, we head to the haunt of the 'Fab Four', edgy Liverpool, where we'll spend the night. **(B)** Hotel: Jurys Inn

- 15 Continue to the Beautiful Lake District Heading north to the idyllic Lake District, we see Lake Windermere and admire its spectacular scenery. (B, D) Hotel: North Lakes/Castle Green
- 16 Journey North to Glasgow Stop in the runaway wedding capital, Gretna Green before arriving in Glasgow. *Dive into Culture* at Falkirk Wheel and experience the world's only rotating boat elevator. (B, St) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn City Centre/Park Inn by Radisson City Centre
- 17 Over the Sea to Skye Journey past the site of the tragic 1692 massacre at Glencoe and see Britain's highest mountain Ben Nevis. View Eilean Donan Castle before visiting the Isle of Skye. (B, D) Hotel: Dunollie/Kings Arms
- The Sights of Loch Ness and Culloden in the Scottish Highlands Travel through the scenic Scottish Highlands via Glen Shiel and along the banks of Loch Ness. View the site of the bloody Battle of Culloden.
   (B, D) Hotel: Highlander
- 19 Onwards to Edinburgh We stop in Pitlochry before traveling to St. Andrews and then Edinburgh. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn
  - **Explore Edinburgh Castle** Join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour which will include a visit to Edinburgh Castle. See the Royal Mile, Palace of Holyroodhouse and new Scottish Parliament building. **(B)**



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21 Uncover York's Treasures Visit the medieval market town of Alnwick before stopping in York for an orientation walk along the Shambles to York Minster. This evening we *Connect With Locals* over dinner at a *Be My Guest* experience in Yorkshire. (**B, BMG**, **(S)**) **Hotel: Novotel Centre** 

- 22 Journey to Stratford-upon-Avon and on to London Travel to Stratford-upon-Avon to view Anne Hathaway's thatched cottage and visit Shakespeare's Birthplace and Visitor Center before returning to London this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Hilton Kensington/ DoubleTree by Hilton Angel Kings Cross
- 23 Farewell London Your journey through Britain and Ireland comes to an end. (B)
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Blaze a trail and tick off the Treasures of Ireland on this quick jaunt around the Emerald Isle, including stops in Dublin, Cork and Cobh, Titanic's final fateful stop. Learn all about Viking history, kiss the Blarney Stone and watch in wonder as the idyllic Ring of Kerry unfolds.

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Dublin, Titanic Story in Cobh and Killarney National Park 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 St. John's Castle in Limerick
- See Dublin's Georgian Squares
- Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

Start

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



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

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

- 3 See the Sights of Blarney and Killarney Stop in Cobh, the charming seaside town that was the final port of call for the tragic Titanic on its fateful voyage. Join your *Local Specialist* for a walking tour to re-live the timeline of the Titanic, then embark on a scenic drive to Blarney Castle, kissing its famous stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Continue to Killarney where you'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Killarney Avenue
  - A Day on the Ring of Kerry Stop and admire Torc Waterfall during your leisurely guided walk with a *Local Specialist* over wooded paths and lakeshore trails. The rest of our day is spent admiring the enduring beauty along Ireland's most scenic coastal drive around the Ring of Kerry. Later, join your companions for a *Be My Guest* experience at Muckross Farms, where you'll *Connect With Locals* over dinner, stepping back in time to learn about traditional Irish farm life against the scenic backdrop of the lakes of Killarney. (**B, BMG**, **(S)**

- Admire the Cliffs of Moher and on to Limerick Delve into the era of the first transatlantic flights during a visit to the Flying Boat Museum in Foynes. At one time, it was the refuelling point for Pan Am's Flying Boat, the Yankee Clipper. *Dive Into Culture* as you board a replica Boeing 314 to experience life as a passenger. Learn how Irish Coffee was invented to treat weary passengers whose New York flights were delayed due to bad weather before enjoying your very own cup of 'Foynes Original'. This afternoon, we travel to the spectacular Cliffs of Moher which rise over 650 feet above the pounding Atlantic waves, before continuing to our hotel in Limerick. (**B**, (**P**) **Hotel: Greenhills**
- Onwards to Shannon Our epic journey through the highlights of Ireland has come to an end.
   For now it's time to wish your fellow travelers *slán abhaile* as our memorable vacation comes to an end.
   Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

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> Our Guest: P. Doucette on Treasures of Ireland

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### Your Must-See Highlights

- 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 Showroom at Waterford and the famine ship in New Ross
- View King John's Castle in Limerick
- See St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin, the Cathedral of Galway and St. Mary's Cathedral in Limerick
- Scenic Drive of the Ring of Kerry

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- 1 Welcome to the Emerald Isle Tread in the footsteps of James Joyce and Oscar Wilde, through the lyrical streets of Dublin - your launch pad to a memorable encounter with Ireland's iconic highlights. After a leisurely morning, meet a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour with views of Trinity College, St. Patrick's Cathedral and the stately Georgian Squares. Indulge in a little Irish craic this evening, joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge/Ballsbridge
- Onwards to Galway and Limerick We journey to 2 Galway, the 'City of Tribes', where we'll see its stone cathedral on the banks of the Corrib and spend some free time exploring its colorful façades. Irish traditions and heritage are explored next, during a visit to Bunratty Castle and its Folk Park, a living history museum that reveals insights into life in Ireland during the 18th and 19th centuries. Continue on to Limerick, for an orientation tour to view the 13thcentury King John's Castle overlooking the Shannon. (B) Hotel: Greenhills/Great National South Court
- Experience the Iconic Cliffs of Moher and on 3 to Killarney We leave Limerick and stop at the spectacular Cliffs of Moher to visit the 'Atlantic Edge' exhibition. After a scenic drive, we take a short ferry journey across the Shannon estuary. Our home for the next two nights is the colorful little town of Killarney. (B) Hotel: International/Innisfallen
- A Scenic Day on the Ring of Kerry Circle the spectacular Ring of Kerry – its emerald green hills and vivid blue seascapes provide a soul-stirring backdrop. We'll see Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the coastal village of Waterville, Moll's Gap and the Black Valley, renowned for being the last place in Ireland without electricity and telephone networks. (B)
- 5 Explore Blarney and Journey to Waterford Cross the rugged Kerry Mountains and travel to Blarney Castle to kiss the stone and acquire the 'gift of the gab'. Continue to Waterford, where we will have dinner at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Fitzwilton





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



#### **Travel Director Tip**

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- St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated in Ireland on these departures

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- **Explore** Dublin, Killarney National Park and Westport with a Local Specialist
- Discover Galway and Killarney
- Visit EPIC The Irish Emigration Museum, the National Irish Famine Museum at Strokestown Park, Kylemore Abbey, Cliffs of Moher, Blarney Castle, Kilkenny Castle and Trinity College
- View the mountains of the Connemara and Torc Waterfall
- See St. Patrick's Cathedral and the Georgian Squares in Dublin and Galway Cathedral
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- 1 Hello Dublin A warm welcome to Dublin, a modern multi-cultural city that embraces its past and exudes an enduring sense of fun. Meet your *Local Specialist* this afternoon for a guided city tour to view the elegant Georgian Squares and St. Patrick's Cathedral. A special Welcome Reception this evening sees you visiting EPIC - The Irish Emigration Museum. (WR) Hotel: Clayton Cardiff Lane
- **Experience Irish history and on to Enniscrone** Journey through the lush green countryside before your first stop at Strokestown where we will Dive Into Culture at the Irish Famine Museum, delving into the stories of the 1840s famine. See the haunting pleas of starving tenants on the estate and the response they received, before continuing to Enniscrone. (B, D, 🕬) Hotel: Ocean Sands
- 3 Journey to Westport and Galway Travel to Westport and meet your Local Specialist for a walking tour during which you'll learn about the town's heritage - from its settlement 5,000 years ago to modernday times. Later, visit the Benedictine monastery of Kylemore Abbey, set against the striking backdrop of Lake Kylemore, and stroll through its walled Victorian gardens. We continue to Galway, the 'City of Tribes', where we'll see Galway Cathedral and spend the rest of the evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: Connacht
  - The Iconic Cliffs of Moher and Onwards to Killarney The sheer Cliffs of Moher plunge dramatically into the Atlantic Ocean, providing endless ocean views which we'll have an opportunity to admire during a morning visit. Later, we cross the Shannon estuary by ferry to Killarney, our home for the next two nights. Spend a free evening soaking up some unforgettable Irish craic or delve into the town's centuries-old history. (B) **Hotel: Killarney Towers**

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



Idyllic nature walk to Torc Waterfall. Learn about the legends of this waterfall as you explore the Ring of Kerry on foot, passing Muckross Lake and sheep-dotted farmlands. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

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Venture to Blarney and Medieval Kilkenny Kiss the famous Blarney Stone at Blarney Castle and receive the 'gift of the gab'. Travel to County Kilkenny to discover the 12th-century town of Newtown Jerpoint and hear about the saint buried there, who inspired the legend of Santa Claus. Later, we meet local farmers Joe and Maeve O'Connell at their home, Belmore House, to Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience and hear the tale of the 'lost' town over dinner. (B, BMG, 🛞) Hotel: Kilkenny

7 Return to Lively Dublin Visit Kilkenny Castle, an Anglo-Norman stone castle that sits majestically over the Nore River. In the castle basement, you'll find the Butler Gallery, one of Ireland's most important art galleries outside of Dublin. Returning to the Irish capital, visit Trinity College and enjoy priority access to see the Book of Kells, said to be the world's most famous medieval manuscript. All that's left to say is a rousing *sláinte* or two while you indulge in a memorable Farewell Dinner, enjoying a fun night out at a classic public house in the city. Admire the authentic Victorian bar and walk up the original staircase from Trinity College, which was featured in the Michael Caine film 'Educating Rita'. (B, FD) Hotel: Clayton Dublin Airport

Farewell Ireland It's time to close the chapter on an unforgettable Irish vacation. We bid our newfound friends and Travel Director a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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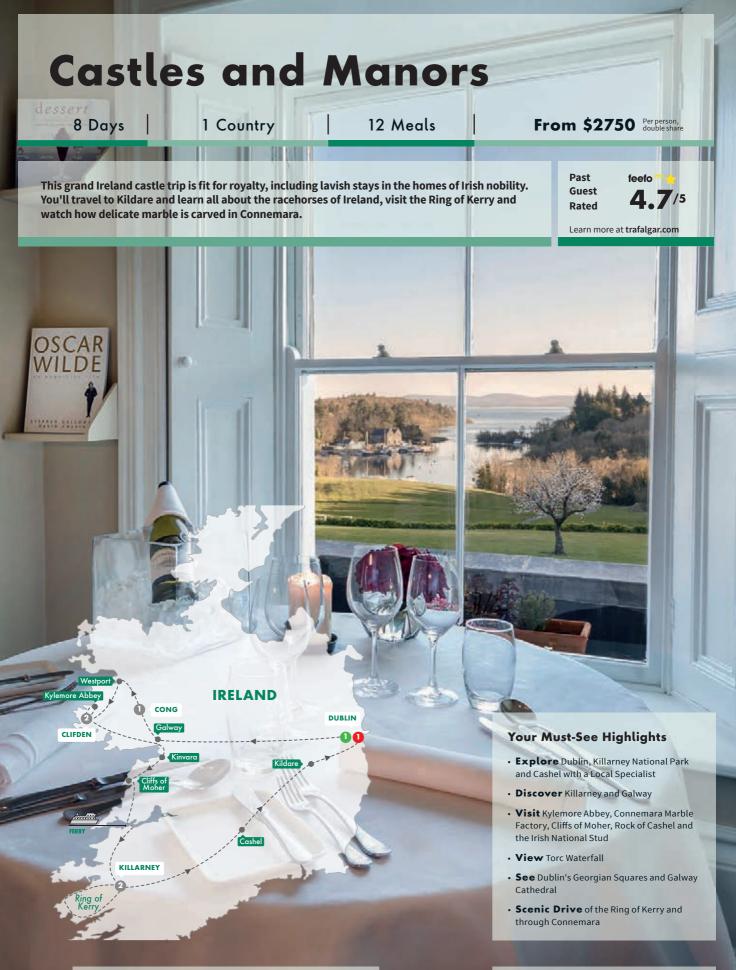
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- 1 Welcome to Dublin Set your watch to the lively pace of Ireland's capital city - the springboard for your in-depth journey through the lush landscapes and enduring allure of Ireland. Our exploration of Dublin with a Local Specialist will see us view St. Patrick's Cathedral and the colorful Georgian Squares. Spend some time strolling through Dublin's pretty streets before joining your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception celebrating traditional Irish flavors. (WR) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge
- Journey to Galway and on to Ashford Castle Our first stop today is Europe's 'Capital of Culture', where you will have an opportunity to see Galway Cathedral and stroll through Eyre Square. We overnight at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories on the shores of Lough Corrib. Feel like lords and ladies as you relax in the elegant country quarters of the Lodge at Ashford Castle, celebrating the heritage and hospitality of Ireland. (B, 4) Hotel: The Lodge at Ashford Castle
- 3 Admire the Elegant Westport House and Abbyglen Castle Leaving the elegant estate of Ashford Castle behind, our journey takes us to Westport House where we'll Connect With Locals and indulge in a memorable Be My Guest experience with tales of the Pirate Queen, and enjoy Banoffee and Baileys flavors in the Drawing Room of this stately 18th-century home. Our home for the next two nights is one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - the spectacular Abbeyglen Castle. (B, BMG, D, ℅, △) Hotel: Abbeyglen Castle



Overnight in a castle. Romance and royalty are guaranteed on your overnight stay at historic Abbeyglen, along the famous Sky Road overlooking Clifden Bay and the spectacular Twelve Bens. Read more at trafalgar.com.

A Day Exploring Stunning Connemara Drive through the 'savage beauty' of Connemara, as described by Oscar Wilde who was inspired by the region's craggy mountains, shimmering lakes and endless shades of green. We visit Kylemore Abbey, a magnificent castellated structure built as a family home and now inhabited by a group of Benedictine nuns. Venture into the secret nooks and crannies of its extensive walled Victorian garden before returning to your castle accommodations for a delicious dinner. (B, D)

Onwards to the Cliffs of Moher and Killarney

This morning visit the Connemara marble artisan workshop where you'll Dive Into Culture and witness first-hand how this famous green jade-like marble is

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carved. Later we stop at a charming sea port village of Kinvara before visiting the plunging Cliffs of Moher that rise imposingly from the Atlantic, over 650 feet above the waters below. Then head to Killarney, one of Ireland's most beautiful heritage spots. Our home tonight is one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories - Great Southern, a Victorian-styled hotel built over 160 years ago. (B, 🔊, 📣) Hotel: Great Southern

- A Day on the Ring of Kerry Enjoy a slow start to 6 your morning, joining a Local Specialist for a leisurely guided walk at Torc Waterfall, strolling over wooded paths and lakeshore trails. We embark on an epic drive next, exploring the enduring beauty of the Ring of Kerry whose enchanting coastal landscapes have inspired writers and poets for centuries. (B)
- 7 Discover Cashel and Return to Dublin Discover the legacy of St. Patrick when you visit the imposing Rock of Cashel, once the traditional seat of the kings of Munster. View its ecclesiastical ruins with a Local Specialist then traverse scenic landscapes to Kildare Here you'll Dive Into Culture and learn about Ireland's thoroughbred industry at the Irish National Stud. You'll have a rare opportunity to see the foaling unit, museum and of course the magnificent stallions that continue to make racing history. Later today, return to the Irish capital where you'll inject a bit of the craic into your Farewell Dinner with new friends. (B, FD, 5) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge
- Journey Home We say a fond farewell to our newfound friends and Dublin today. You will be transferred to the airport, where your journey through the 'Emerald Isle' comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



**Travel Director Tip** 

Dive Into Culture

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While staying at the Great Southern hotel in Killarney, be sure to have a drink in the beautiful Brownes Bar. Look for the silver fire bell in an alcove near the bar with the date 1861 inscribed on it, the year that Queen Victoria visited Killarney.

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Welcome to Ireland Write your own lively tale of legends and iconic landscapes during this epic encounter with Ireland's treasures. We begin our journey in the whimsical capital of Dublin, joining a *Local Specialist* to see the sights. Irish history takes center stage this evening as we visit Glasnevin Trust for an informative and poignant tour with a *Local Specialist*. Our visit will *Make Travel Matter* by preserving Irish history and we'll hear stories about some of the country's bravest characters followed by a Welcome Reception with our fellow travelers and Travel Director. (WR, ⊕) Hotel: Maldron Parnell Square/Clayton Ballsbridge

Through the Scenic County Wicklow to Waterford Journey through the scenic countryside of County Wicklow, 'The Garden of Ireland', and on to New Ross – the ancestral home town of John F. Kennedy. *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the plight of the starving Irish emigrants who boarded the Dunbrody Famine Ship to flee the potato famine. We continue to Waterford, where we'll stay overnight. This afternoon, we celebrate the centuries-old craft of flint glass creations, as we *Dive Into Culture* at the House of Waterford Crystal, witnessing talented master craftsmen at work. (B, D, @") Hotel: Fitzwilton/Dooley's

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

- A Day on the Ring of Kerry Ireland's soul-stirring Ring of Kerry takes center stage today as we embark on a scenic drive past its mountains, lakes and lush green countryside – unquestionably one of the most scenic routes in Ireland. We'll see Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, Moll's Gap and the Black Valley, whose remoteness saw it become the last area in Ireland to receive electricity. (B)
- 5 Onwards to Lively Limerick We continue through the windswept countryside, arriving in Adare, one of the prettiest villages in Ireland. Our next stop is Limerick, we'll enjoy views of St. Mary's Cathedral, the Treaty Stone and the 13th-century King John's Castle during an orientation tour. Delve into an Ireland of old, as you discover the day-to-day life of the Irish during the 18th and 19th centuries on your included visit to Bunratty Castle and Folk Park this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Great National South Court/Greenhills

Admire the Cliffs of Moher and Onwards to Galway We journey to the magnificent Cliffs of Moher which plunge over 650 feet into the Atlantic waters below. Gain insights into the history of these imposing sheer cliffs during a visit to the 'Atlantic Edge' exhibition. Later, we arrive in Galway with some time at leisure to see its beautiful stone Cathedral or stroll through Eyre Square. (B) Hotel: Connacht

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

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A Pilgrimage to Knock and on to Sligo Our journey

With Locals and indulge in a memorable Be My Guest

experience with tales of the Pirate Queen, and enjoy

Banoffee and Baileys flavors in the Drawing Room of this stately 18th-century home. Heading north, we stop

in the pilgrimage town of Knock to view the Marian Shrine where villagers witnessed an apparition of

Our Lady in 1879. We arrive in Sligo this evening, our

Morning tea in Westport House. Tales of a

Pirate Queen are the perfect match for sweet

and savory treats in the restored Victorian Old

Kitchens of this stately 18th-century home.

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Return to Lively Dublin Our journey continues south

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to Dublin. Here we'll enjoy some free time to take a

walk down Grafton Street or stroll along the Liffey.

through Ireland, joining our fellow travelers for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (**B**, **FD**) **Hotel: Clayton** 

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- Welcome to the Emerald Isle Your journey through a 1 land of music and myth begins in Ireland's whimsical capital, Dublin. On arrival, you'll be transferred to your hotel, then enjoy the rest of the day on your own to kick-start your sightseeing. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception where you'll get a glimpse of what lies ahead on your journey. (WR) Hotel: Sandymount
- Journey to Iconic Belfast Your Local Specialist will reveal all the colorful stories that have shaped Dublin into a city that enchanted the likes of W.B. Yeats and Oscar Wilde. Dive Into Culture and visit the Guinness Storehouse and trace the history of Ireland's beloved 'Black Stuff' before leaving Dublin, bound for Belfast. Later this evening you'll join your travel companions for dinner at your hotel. (B, D, 🔊) Hotel: Ten Square
- 3 The Titanic and More in Belfast You'll have a full day to delve into the sights and sounds of Northern Ireland's trendy capital, starting with a Dive Into Culture visit to the Titanic Experience. Join your Local Specialist for an insider's perspective on the city's tumultuous history, before enjoying the rest of the day at leisure. You could choose to join an optional walk with a Local Specialist followed by Fish and Chips. (B, 5)



Visit the Titanic Belfast Experience. Hear the moving stories of love, loss and courage that define the tragic tale of the world's most famous, but ill-fated luxury liner. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Admire the Giant's Causeway and Continue to Londonderry Trace the coastal route via the Glens of Antrim to the Causeway Coast. Your visit will Make Travel Matter by helping to conserve this iconic natural landmark. It was here that Finn McCool was said to have forged his path to Scotland millions of years ago. You'll have some time to tread in his giant footsteps before continuing to Londonderry where you'll stretch your legs along the city's 17th-century walls with your Local Specialist who will reveal its history and status as

5 Explore Omagh Continue to Omagh today, where you'll Dive Into Culture at the Ulster American Folk Park and delve into the story of the brave emigrants who journeyed across the Atlantic to seek a new life in America centuries ago. Return to Londonderry where you'll have some free time to explore the city at your leisure. (B, 3)

a vibrant cultural center. (B, ) Hotel: City

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Enniskillen and on to Westport Your first stop

today is Belleek, where you'll Dive Into Culture and

watch talented pottery craftsmen create exquisite

collectables. Continue to Enniskillen, a scenic island

town with a rich history and surrounded by castles

quaint town center filled with galleries, cafés and

museums before carrying on to Westport. (B, 5)

Discover Stunning Achill Island This morning,

it's settlement 5,000 years ago to modern day

times. Cross the bridge to Achill Island, lashed

by the Atlantic, carved by wind and drenched by

rain for a soul-stirring encounter with nature. This

evening's exclusive Be My Guest experience is hosted

at Westport House, the stately 18th-century home of

Ireland's formidable Pirate Queen, Grace O'Malley.

You'll Connect With Locals over dinner. (B, BMG, 🛞)

Explore Galway and Journey to Athlone See first-

the backdrop of John Wayne's award-winning 'The

Quiet Man' before heading to Galway. Your Travel

Director will lead an orientation tour past some of

the city's iconic sights before you have some free

**Hotel: Athlone Springs** 

time to explore and enjoy lunch. Your final stop today is Athlone on the banks of the Shannon River. (B)

Return to Lively Dublin Enjoy a leisurely start to your day or consider joining an optional cruise along the Shannon River or a visit to 6th-century Clonmacnoise, home to western Europe's largest collection of Early Christian gravestones. Return to Dublin later where you'll have some free time. This evening, embrace the good spirits of your Irish hosts and join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner you'll remember forever. (B, FD) Hotel: Clayton Dublin Airport

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## Iconic Ireland and Ashford Castle



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Ashford Castle

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- 1 Hello Dublin The 'Emerald Isle' puts its best foot forward in this iconic exploration of its breathtaking landscapes and whimsical charm. We kick off our epic journey along the walled gardens and rambling walks of Powerscourt Gardens. Its sweeping terraces, ornamental lakes and over 200 varieties of trees and shrubs ensure it befits its status as one of the most beautiful gardens in Ireland. Enjoy a Welcome Reception this evening to get to know your fellow travelers. (WR) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge
- Discover Diverse Dublin Lyrics and legends await 2 this morning as we join a Local Specialist on a city tour to visit St. Patrick's Cathedral, where Jonathan Swift was once installed as Dean. We admire the colorful doorways in the stately Georgian Squares and stroll along the cobbled courtyard of Trinity College and enjoy priority access to see the Book of Kells. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure to soak up the charisma of this city. Wander along Grafton Street and see its lively performers, stop for a pint of the 'Black Stuff' in Temple Bar or relax in St. Stephen's Green. (B)
- 3 Admire County Kilkenny and on to Cork We leave the hospitality of Dublin behind for County Kilkenny where we delve into the history of a 'lost' medieval town - Newtown Jerpoint. Take a step back in time to the 12th century and wander through its remains which are said to be the final resting place of St. Nicholas. Later, you'll join the O'Connells for lunch at their home, Belmore House. Embrace the peaceful rural setting - the perfect backdrop to Connect With Locals at a Be My Guest experience. Inspired by Irish food and the warmth of our hosts, we continue south to the lively city of Cork, enjoying a free evening to discover its sights, sounds and flavours. Our Stays With Stories accommodations is the historic Maldron Shandon Hotel, originally Cork's first general hospital with a colorful history dating back to the 1700s. (B, BMG, 🗞, 📣) Hotel: Maldron Shandon



**Explore the Lost Town of Newtown** Jerpoint. Meet the O'Connells in their home, Belmore House, for colorful stories of this 12th-century town and final resting place of St. Nicholas. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Blarney and on to Killarney Head to Blarney in pursuit of the 'gift of the gab'. Kiss the fabled Stone then head west to the lakeside setting of Killarney, our springboard to the enduring beauty of the Ring of Kerry. (B) Hotel: Killarney Towers

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- 5 A Day on the Ring of Kerry Spend a leisurely morning exploring Killarney or join a *Local Specialist* for a scenic guided walk at Torc Waterfall, strolling over wooded paths and lakeshore trails. Circle the scenic Ring of Kerry, admiring its famous 'forty shades of green' and seeing first-hand the scenic landscapes that have inspired writers and poets for centuries. (B, D)
- Onwards to the Cliffs of Moher and Galway Our up-6 close encounter with Ireland's ravishing beauty not yet at its end, we journey north for a walk along the iconic Cliffs of Moher, an extraordinary feature of the famous Wild Atlantic Way. Admire the dramatic cliffs that rise 650 feet above the pounding Atlantic and survey endless ocean views. We continue to Galway for a two-night stay. (B, D) Hotel: Maldron Sandy Road
- 7 Galway Your Way Dive Into Culture at the Connemara Marble Factory, watching master craftsmen carve Connemara marble. Then enjoy an orientation tour of Galway with plenty of free time afterwards to explore this vibrant city on your own. (B, 🔊)
- 8 **Explore Stunning Connemara and Continue to** Ashford Castle A rugged realm of mountains, lakes, rivers and villages provides a stunning backdrop for our leisurely drive through Connemara - an unspoilt region of western Ireland that was immortalized in John Wayne's 'The Quiet Man'. We'll visit Kylemore Abbey and ramble through its exquisite Victorian walled garden. Later, board 'The Isle of Innisfree' for an exclusive cruise on shimmering Lough Corrib. Captain Patrick, Ashford Castle's Local Specialist, will share his local knowledge as you glide through its peaceful waters. Upon disembarking, a lone piper will escort you over the drawbridge to Ashford Castle, one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories, where tonight you will dine as lords and ladies at an elegant royal dining experience (gentlemen are requested to wear a jacket). (B, D, 📣) Hotel: Ashford Castle
- 9 Return to Lively Dublin Indulge in the sumptuous surrounds of Ashford Castle. Stroll around its exquisite estate and admire lavish interiors before returning to Dublin. Spend the rest of the afternoon delving into the centuries-old history of the Irish capital. This evening, it's time to reminisce over shared memories at a delicious Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Clayton Ballsbridge
- Journey Home As the curtain falls on a memorable journey with new friends, we say a fond slán go fóill to Dublin and the 'Emerald Isle'. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### **Ashford Castle**

Dating back to 1228, iconic Ashford Castle has housed earls, princes and the dynastic Guinness family. Recently reopened after refurbishment, this award-winning hotel is one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories and is owned and operated by our sister company, The Red Carnation Hotel Collection.

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- St. Patrick's Day will be celebrated in Ireland on these departures.

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## Your Must-See Highlights

**EXPLORE** Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry with a Local

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**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

> SCENIC DRIVE of the Ring of Kerry

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- 1 Welcome to Dublin You're in for a grand time on this family jaunt through the 'Emerald Isle', which begins in Dublin. Explore the lively Irish capital with your clan in tow before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers this afternoon for a Kickoff Party and sightseeing tour with your *Local Specialist*. View St. Patrick's Cathedral, the stately Georgian Squares and Trinity College. (KP) Hotel: Ballsbridge
  - Journey to Coastal County Down No need to follow the rainbow for this morning's chance encounter with Ireland's lucky little people. Visit the home of the last remaining leprechauns with a *Local Specialist* and learn how your belief in their existence keeps them alive. Journey to County Down, arriving at the Slieve Donard Resort and Spa one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories* and your home for the night. Spend the afternoon at leisure strolling along the waterfront or relaxing at the pool of this lovingly maintained Victorian hotel, where you will also enjoy dinner tonight. (**B**, **D**, **(**) **Hotel: Slieve Donard Resort & Spa**
  - **Onwards to Colorful Belfast** It's time for some *Family Fun* to play the 'Game of Thrones'. After a leisurely start to your day, head to the 'Winterfell Castle Archery Range' movie set for behind-thescenes insights into this award-winning series. Dress in costumes from the program and try your hand at shooting medieval arrows using ancient bows. Then, head to Belfast where you'll delve into the crossroads of British and Irish culture during an introductory sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. See the Queen's University, then admire the colorful murals that line the city streets, an enduring symbol of Northern Ireland, depicting the region's political and religious divisions. **(B) Hotel: Maldron City**



**Game of Thrones archery at Winterfell.** String your bow and aim for the bullseye when you kit yourself out in medieval costumes and channel your inner Bran or Arya. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

A Day at the Giant's Causeway Tread in the footsteps of Finn MacCool – his geometric Giant's Causeway is more the stuff of legends than the result of ancient volcanic activity which left its mark on the northern Irish coast. Admire the 40,000 interlocking basalt columns that fade into the sea, then see the enchanting tunnel of the Dark Hedges. After a day of myths, legends and Hollywood blockbusters, consider tucking into an optional Fish and Chips pub dinner. (B)

Stays With Stories

Lunch

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- 5 Journey to Londonderry and Seaside Sligo Dive Into Culture at the Titanic Belfast Experience and gain a new perspective into the world's most famous ship and the tragedy that befell it. Then, journey to Londonderry, where we join a Local Specialist who will take us on a stroll along its ancient walls. We continue to Sligo, where we'll dine in our hotel tonight. (B, D, s⊙r) Hotel: Clayton
- **biscover Galway and Limerick** We Connect With Locals and join the Feeneys on their sheep farm located on the edge of the scenic Wild Atlantic Way. Martin will teach you the art of sheepdog handling and you'll learn about the role and use of wool on the farm. You may even get to cuddle puppies at this *Be My Guest* experience with this warm couple. Later, we travel to Galway and enjoy an orientation tour. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Great National South Court/Castle Oaks House
- 7 Admire the Cliffs of Moher and on to Killarney Your first stop today is the sheer Cliffs of Moher. Admire how they rise over 650 feet from the pounding surf below. We travel south to the Flying Boat Museum in Foynes. *Dive Into Culture* as you board a replica Boeing 314 to experience life as a passenger. Dinner is at your hotel this evening. (B, D, A) Hotel: Innisfallen
- 8 Explore the Ring of Kerry Admire Ireland's enduring scenic beauty on one of the most beautiful drives in the world. Circling the spectacular Ring of Kerry, we see mountains, valleys, lakes and sea blend into a landscape that has inspired writers and poets for centuries. The afternoon is free to explore Killarney on your own. (B)
- 9 Return to Lively Dublin Visit Blarney Castle and secure your 'gift of the gab' after kissing its Blarney Stone, then journey to Dublin. We join our fellow travelers and Travel Director for a rousing Farewell Dinner, aboard a canal barge. (B, FD) Hotel: Ballsbridge
- Farewell Ireland For now, it's time to say a fond slán abhaile to your fellow travelers as you close the curtain on an unforgettable journey through the 'Emerald Isle'. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)



### **Travel Director Tip**

Looking for leprechauns? A European Habitats Directive made Leprechauns a protected species in a little town called Carlingford in Co. Louth. Look out for the signs officially declaring "Plants, Wild Animals and Leprechauns are protected in this area. Please tread lightly."

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### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Dublin, Belfast and Londonderry with a Local Specialist
- Discover Galway and Waterford
- **Visit** the Glasnevin Trust 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 to kiss the stone and gain the 'gift of the gab', the Crystal Showroom at Waterford and the Famine Ship in New Ross
- View the City Walls and Murals of Londonderry
- See St. Patrick's Cathedral in Dublin and Galway Cathedral
- Scenic Drive through Connemara and along the Ring of Kerry

Foraging with Oonagh, Wild Atlantic Way

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- 1 Welcome to Ireland Embrace your playful side and discover the lively Irish capital before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers this afternoon for a sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist. See St. Patrick's Cathedral, the stately Georgian Squares and Trinity College. We enjoy a Welcome Reception this evening, joining a Local Specialist at the Glasnevin Trust to hear how our visit Makes Travel Matter and preserves Irish history. (WR, 2) Hotel: Mespil/Sandymount
- Journey to Colorful Belfast Leaving the 2 cosmopolitan streets of Dublin behind, we travel to Belfast, where we'll have some free time for lunch. Later, we meet our Local Specialist 'Cabbie' for an insider view of the city's living history on a journey through its vibrant streets in a real taxi. Spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure, or perhaps join an Optional Experience. (B) Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson/Maldron City
- 3 Venture to the Giant's Causeway and on to Londonderry Dive Into Culture during a visit to the award-winning Titanic Belfast Experience. Gain insights into the tragic story of the Titanic and its passengers who lost their lives in the icy Atlantic. We leave the city behind us, traveling along the beautiful Antrim coast road to the Giant's Causeway and walk in the footsteps of Finn MacCool. Make Travel Matter by helping to conserve this iconic natural landmark. Take some time to admire the natural spectacle of 40,000 interlocking basalt columns before continuing to Londonderry, our home for the next two nights. (B, 🕼, 🏟) Hotel: Everglades/City Hotel
  - Discover Londonderry's Past Join your Local Specialist for a walk along the 17th-century city walls and see the formerly turbulent Bogside neighborhood, with its street murals depicting the history of the 'Troubles'. Spend the afternoon on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience to Inishowen Peninsula. This evening we dine at our hotel. (B, D)
  - Onwards to Scenic County Galway We journey through the lush countryside to Belleek, where we'll Dive Into Culture and witness talented pottery craftsmen create the exquisite collectables that have graced homes since the mid-19th century. Arrive in County Galway later, where we will stay for the next two nights. (B, 🕬) Hotel: Maldron Oranmore/ **Maldron Sandy Road**
  - Connemara Excursion The rugged beauty of Connemara was captured in the film 'The Quiet Man' with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. Its loughs and mountains are yours to explore today during a scenic drive. We arrive at Kylemore Abbey later to visit the country's most romantic castle and ramble through the hidden nooks of its Victorian walled garden. Returning to Galway, we enjoy some free time to explore its imposing stone Cathedral or stroll through Eyre Square, which John F. Kennedy visited in 1963. (B, D)
- 7 Explore the Cliffs of Moher and Killarney See the imposing sheer Cliffs of Moher rise over 650 feet above the pounding sea and learn about the history of these natural phenomena during a visit to the 'Atlantic Edge' exhibition. We Connect With Locals and join Oonagh to forage before our Be My Guest experience at Barrtra Seafood restaurant along the world famous Wild Atlantic
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Way. Enjoy spectacular views of the dramatic coastline before boarding a ferry across the tranguil Shannon River estuary. Then, continue through County Kerry to your hotel in Killarney, where we'll have an evening at leisure or join in the craic at an optional Irish ceilidh. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Killarney Towers/Hotel Killarney



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

- A Day on the Ring of Kerry The soul-stirring landscapes of Iveragh Peninsula feature on our scenic coastal drive around the Ring of Kerry. En route, we will see Killorglin, famous for its annual 'Puck Fair', as well as Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap. (B, D)
- 9 Off to Blarney, Waterford and Kilkenny Today you might acquire the 'gift of the gab', bending over backwards to kiss the Blarney Stone before we travel to Waterford. Admire the delicate creations of fine crystal during a visit to the House of Waterford Crystal where we will Dive Into Culture and witness a demonstration by master craftsmen. This evening, we arrive in Kilkenny. (B, 🕬) Hotel: Kilkenny
- Through County Wicklow's Countryside to Dublin 10 After a morning exploration of Kilkenny, we depart for New Ross where we'll see the monument to John F. Kennedy, who visited his ancestral family hometown in 1963. We Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the tragic plight of Irish emigrants during the potato famine of the 1800s on our visit to the nearby three-masted Famine Ship Dunbrody. Journey through the lush Irish countryside of County Wicklow, the 'Garden of Ireland', and back to Dublin later. Here we'll spend our final evening at a Farewell Dinner with our travel companions sharing stories of a memorable journey through Ireland. (B, FD, 🔊) Hotel: Sandymount/Ballsbridge
- Farewell Dublin It's time to say a fond farewell to 11 Ireland and newfound friends as you prepare to end your wonderful Irish experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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### Your Must-See Highlights

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

### Your vacation

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

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

3 A Day at the Giant's Causeway Visit the Giant's Causeway and *Make Travel Matter* during your visit, which helps to conserve this iconic landmark, the result of ancient volcanic activity. (**B**, [⊕])

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

5 Admire Belleek's Famous Pottery Explore the town of Donegal located at the mouth of the River Eske and Donegal Bay. Consider visiting the ancient Donegal Castle, once the stronghold of the O'Donnell clan. This afternoon, we visit Belleek where we'll *Dive Into Culture* and learn about the locally made Irish pottery for which the region is famous. (**B**, *K*⁽³⁾)

Pilgrimage to Knock and on to County Galway The highlight of this morning's drive south for lovers of poetry is a view of the final resting place of celebrated Irish poet W.B. Yeats in Drumcliff. Continuing to the pilgrimage town of Knock, we visit the beautful Marian Shrine where the Virgin Mary, Saint Joseph, and John the Evangelist are said to have made an appearance to the townsfolk in 1879. We continue to County Galway. (B) Hotel: Maldron Oranmore

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

- **Explore the Cliffs of Moher and Killarney** Our encounter with the rugged beauty of Ireland continues as we see the spectacular Cliffs of Moher plunging into the wild Atlantic over 650 feet below. This evening is yours to spend as you wish in Killarney, but perhaps we can tempt you with a bit of *craic* at a traditional Irish *ceilidh*. **(B) Hotel: International**
- 9 A Day on the Ring of Kerry Circle the mystical Ring of Kerry. View the island's stunning scenery as you journey through Moll's Gap and take a moment to capture the marvelous natural scenery at Ladies View. You'll have an evening off to explore on your own. (B)

Explore the mystical Ring of Kerry. You'll wish you could stay forever, watching the staggering natural scenery unfold at epic viewpoints like Ladies View. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- See the Sights in Blarney, Cork and Waterford Your 'gift of the gab' secured after kissing the Blarney Stone, we venture to Cork. Our final stop today is in medieval Waterford where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Marina
- 11 Uncover the Treasures of Kilkenny A leisurely start to your morning could see you stroll along Meagher's Quay, before you visit the House of Waterford to *Dive Into Culture* and witness the art of creating exquisite crystal. *Dive Into Culture* again with a visit of Kilkenny Castle, an Anglo-Norman castle that sits majestically over the Nore River. We spend the rest of the afternoon at leisure in Waterford, though you may wish to join an Optional Experience trying your hand at Ireland's national sport, 'hurling'. (B, ^(*))

12 Venture to Wexford and Return to Dublin Traverse beautiful County Wexford to the John F. Kennedy Arboretum. We take a step back in time to the 1800s as we visit the three-masted Famine Ship Dunbrody, where we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the tragic potato famine. We join the Fulvio family and Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience, savoring Irish fare with an Italian twist served at their Ballyknocken Farmhouse near Dublin. (B, BMG, 5%, S) Hotel: Maldron Kevin Street

- 13 Discover Diverse Dublin We wander through Dublin this morning, joining a *Local Specialist* for a superb sightseeing tour that will see us view Trinity College and the magnificent Georgian Squares. This evening, let the rousing sounds of a traditional Irish cabaret tempt you for an Optional Experience that will have you dancing your way through the Dublin streets. (B)
- 14 Farewell Ireland Our memorable journey through Ireland is at its end. All that's left to say is *slán abhaile* to newfound friends as you prepare to depart home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

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• Visit Connemara Marble Factory, Kylemore Abbey, Westport, Drumcliff, Donegal, Giant's Causeway, Titanic Experience in Belfast, Loch Lomond, Glencoe, Fort William, Loch Ness, Blair Athol whisky distillery, Pitlochry and Edinburgh Castle

• **View** W.B. Yeats's grave at Drumcliff, the 18th hole at St. Andrews

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 Hello Dublin You're in for a lyrical love affair with Ireland's whimsical capital, your launch pad to an enchanting encounter with the 'Emerald Isle' and Scotland. This evening, you'll join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception on Dublin's 200-year-old Grand Canal. (WR) Hotel: Clayton Leopardstown

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

3 Admire Stunning Connemara Connemara's 'savage beauty' takes center stage today on your full-day excursion through the endless shades of green which once captured the heart of Oscar Wilde. Visit Kylemore Abbey, a magnificent castellated structure built as a family home and now inhabited by a group of Benedictine nuns. Later, we visit the Connemara Marble artisan workshop where you'll *Dive Into Culture* and witness first-hand how their famous jade-like marble is carved. (**B**, *S*(*****)

Onwards to Poetic Drumcliff and Donegal See
 firsthand why the rugged beauty of Cong was chosen as the backdrop of John Wayne's award winning 'The Quiet Man'. Travel to Westport on Ireland's west coast for a memorable *Be My Guest* experience filled with tales of the Pirate Queen and Banoffee and Baileys flavors. You'll *Connect With Locals* over lunch in the drawing room of Grace O'Malley's stately 18th-century home. Stop in Drumcliff, where acclaimed poet and playwright, W.B. Yeats was laid to rest. Then, continue to Donegal, the gateway to the Wild Atlantic Way.
 (B, BMG, ) Hotel: Central

- 5 Venture to Londonderry and Belfast Start your day with a visit to Londonderry where a *Local Specialist* will take you on a stroll along its ancient walls. Follow the scenic Causeway Coastal Route through rolling countryside and past rugged cliffs to the Giant's Causeway. Your visit will *Make Travel Matter* by helping to conserve this iconic landmark. Continue to Belfast, your home for the next two nights. (**B**, ) **Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson** 
  - Discover Colorful Belfast Explore Northern Ireland's trendy capital today, starting with a visit to the Titanic Belfast Experience, where you'll *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the tragic story of the famous ship. Your *Local Specialist* will join you for a sightseeing tour through the city. Take the rest of the afternoon to explore at your leisure. (**B**, *S*)
- 7 Cross the Irish Sea to Glasgow Bid Ireland farewell as you board your ferry to Scotland. Follow the rugged Ayrshire coast past Ailsa Craig, then continue to Glasgow, where you'll enjoy an orientation of a city that exudes edginess. (B) Hotel: Maldron

- Uncover Loch Ness and the Scottish Highlands Sensational scenery follows your journey through the Scottish Highlands from Glasgow to Newtonmore. Loch Lomond sets the tone with views over the water to craggy Ben Lomond. Continue to Glencoe where the tragic 17th-century massacre of the MacDonalds turned the wild beauty of this valley into a 'Glen of Weeping'. Then, on to Fort William, before arriving in Loch Ness, where you'll keep a keen eye out for the beloved monster that lurks beneath its surface. (**B**, **D**) **Hotel: Highlander**
- 9 Continue to Elegant Edinburgh It's never too early for a wee dram when you travel the wilds of Scotland. Your day begins with a visit to Pitlochry and the Blair Athol whisky distillery where you'll Dive Into Culture and learn how Scotland's golden goodness is made. Continue to the home of golfing gods, St. Andrews. You'll view its famous 18th hole before continuing to Edinburgh. (B, S)th) Hotel: Jurys inn



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

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

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

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# **Best of Ireland and Scotland**

15 Days

**3** Countries

20 Meals

From \$3575 Per person, double share

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.





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- Welcome to Dublin Delve into the whimsy of the Irish capital, then join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Mespil/Ballsbridge
- 2 Discover Diverse Dublin Drive through the streets of Dublin, joining your *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour past the stately Georgian Squares and St. Patrick's Cathedral. Spend the rest of the day on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience at an Irish cabaret. (B)
- 3 Journey to Waterford Dive Into Culture and explore Ireland's strong tradition of breeding world-class thoroughbreds at the Irish National Stud. We travel to the House of Waterford Crystal this afternoon and Dive Into Culture yet again, witnessing talented master craftsmen at work in their workshop. (B, S) Hotel: Fitzwilton
  - Onwards to Blarney and Killarney Maybe, bend over backwards and kiss the Blarney Stone to acquire the 'gift of the gab', before crossing the Kerry Mountains to County Kerry. We visit the working farms of Muckross, where we'll *Connect With Locals* over dinner at a *Be My Guest* experience in the Quilles Farmhouse. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Killarney Towers/Hotel Killarney
- 5 A Day on the Ring of Kerry Embark on a soul-stirring journey around the Ring of Kerry. See Daniel O'Connell's Cahirciveen, the fishing village of Waterville, the Black Valley and Moll's Gap. (B)
- Continue to Galway and Coastal Enniscrone Drive to Adare, one of Ireland's prettiest villages, known for its thatched cottages. See the imposing stone cathedral, built on the site of an old prison and Eyre Square on our next stop in Galway, where we'll enjoy some free time to explore the city before continuing our journey northward. This evening we dine in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Ocean Sands/The Ellison
- 7 Off to Donegal and on to Londonderry Head north to Donegal with its 'Diamond' center before joining a *Local Specialist* in Londonderry to see the 'Troubles' neighborhood of Bogside. (B) Hotel: Everglades/City
- Admire the Giant's Causeway and on to Belfast Tread in the footsteps of Finn MacCool and along the other-worldly Giant's Causeway 'steps' that descend into the sea. Your visit will *Make Travel Matter* by helping to conserve this iconic landmark. We arrive in Belfast later and visit the Titanic Belfast Experience, where we'll *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the tragic story of the famous ship. (**B**, *S*[®], [⊕]) **Hotel: Stormont**
- 9 Cross the Irish Sea to Glasgow Join your Local Specialist in Belfast this morning for an included city tour to Queen's University and City Hall. We board our ferry at Larne and cross to Cairnryan in Scotland, driving to Glasgow. (B) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn City Centre/Maldron
- **Discover Glasgow's Rich Legacy** Delve into Scotland's intriguing cultural capital and stroll through the *toon* to admire views of George Square and the River Clyde, once the heart of Scotland's shipbuilding industry. We head to whisky country next, visiting the beautiful Glengoyne whisky distillery where we'll *Dive Into Culture* and learn how to make Scotland's favorite
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honey-coloured drink with a chance to sample a *wee dram*. Our hearts warmed, we return to Glasgow for some free time to explore the city. (**B**, 愛)

11 Continue Over the Sea to Skye Journey to the tragic site of the 1692 massacre of the MacDonalds at the 'Glen of Weeping'. Continue to Fort William at the foot of Britain's highest mountain, Ben Nevis. Then, cross to the Isle of Skye, where we'll spend this evening dining in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Dunollie



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

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

- 13 Journey to Enchanting Edinburgh Traversing the dramatic landscapes of the Scottish Highlands, we pass Pitlochry before arriving in St. Andrews to see its famous golf course on which golfing greats have clamoured to play for centuries. We cross the scenic Firth of Forth to enchanting Edinburgh, our home for the next two nights. Perhaps, take to the streets of the Scottish capital this evening, soaking up its warmth and convivality with an evening of traditional dance, music and Scottish fare. Tickets to see the spectacular Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B) Hotel: Novotel City Centre/Apex Haymarket
- 14 Uncover Edinburgh's Treasures Join your Local Specialist for a guided sightseeing tour including a visit to Edinburgh Castle. See the Royal Mile, the elegant Palace of Holyrood in the shadow of Arthur's Seat, and the new Scottish Parliament building. We join our Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. (**B, FD**)
- 15 Farewell Edinburgh For now it's time to say a fond farewell to Scotland and our newfound friends, at the end of an unforgettable Celtic sojourn. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# **Best of Scotland**

7 Days

1 Country

10 Meals

#### From \$1525 Per person, double share

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

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### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- Discover Glasgow and Stirling
- Visit Edinburgh Castle, Pitlochry, the Isle of Skye, Glasgow Cathedral, Culloden Battlefield and Stirling Castle
- View the 18th green at St. Andrews, the Glenfinnan Monument, Eilean Donan Castle, Loch Ness, Glencoe, Necropolis, George Square and Glengoyne whiskey distillery in Glasgow

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

**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**)

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 cozy dinner at our hotel located within the Cairngorms National Park in the Scottish Highlands. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: Laggan/Craiglynne

Explore Culloden, Loch Ness and the Isle of Skye Pay tribute to the brave men who lost their lives on the tragic battlefield of Culloden in the Jacobite Uprising, then journey past Scotland's infamous Loch Ness. The rugged beauty of Eilean Donan Castle will leave you speechless before you reach the coast and cross to the Isle of Skye. Heather-clad peaks provide a stunning backdrop for our scenic drive across the Sleat Peninsula. Indulge in some free time for lunch before boarding your ferry back to the mainland. Our stop to view the lone Highlander, high atop the Glenfinnan Monument, framed by dramatic Highland scenery will make for a moving end to today's outing. **(B, D)** 

- 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. Continuing towards the River Clyde, we arrive at our final stop for the day – Glasgow. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza
- Walk the Walls of Stirling Castle Madainn mhath! While your Gaelic may be a little rusty, your orientation tour around this edgy city will be anything but. Begin your day seeing Glasgow's iconic sights. Enjoy views of the Necropolis, the regal George Square and River Clyde, for over 200 years the center of shipbuilding. Journey to Stirling, to see its hilltop fortress, which stands as a symbol of national pride. Stirling Castle was once the seat of Scottish kings and queens, including Mary, Queen of Scots. View

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the Wallace Monument from the castle walls, paying tribute to the Scottish hero who fought for Scotland's independence. Later, *Dive Into Culture* at Glengoyne Whisky Distillery and enjoy a *wee dram* before joining the Wood family at their 15th-century farm on the shores of Loch Ard to *Connect With Locals* over a home-cooked *Be My Guest* Farewell Dinner, amidst tales of Rob Roy and a few foot-tapping *ceilidh* tunes. **(B, BMG, ﷺ**, **()** 



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

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

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#### The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo 6 – 28 August 2021

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

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# Scotland's Highlands, Islands and Cities

13 Days

1 Country

18 Meals

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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.



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

- Explore Edinburgh with a Local Specialist
- Discover Dundee, Orkney Islands, Stirling and Glasgow
- Visit Edinburgh Castle, Glamis Castle, Blair Athol Whisky Distillery, the battlefield and Visitor Center 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
- **View** Jedburgh Abbey, the 18th green at St. Andrews, Inverness Castle, Eilean Donan Castle and Glencoe
- **See** Loch Ness, Loch Lomond and the Battlefield at Bannockburn

### Your vacation

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- 1 Welcome to Edinburgh Enjoy your day at leisure before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your turas through an unimaginably beautiful part of the world. (WR) Hotel: Apex Haymarket/Marriott
- 2 Discover Enchanting Edinburgh Let your Local Specialist take you on an informative sightseeing tour of Edinburgh. See the regal Palace of Holyroodhouse, the new Scottish Parliament Building and the Royal Mile, before visiting Edinburgh Castle, perched atop Castle Rock. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. Tickets to see the Edinburgh Tattoo are included on departures that coincide with performance dates. (B)
- A Day of Abbeys, Landscapes and History A scenic 3 day's excursion brings us to the ruins of the 12thcentury Augustinian Jedburgh Abbey, which we will have an opportunity to view. Continue to nearby Melrose Abbey, said to be the final resting place of the embalmed heart of Robert the Bruce. We take the scenic route back to Edinburgh this afternoon, following the lush green landscapes along the Tweed River. (B)

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

- Venture to Culloden and the Scottish Highlands Dive Into Culture and learn about the local whisky industry at a famous distillery, including a tasting of Scotland's much-loved golden nectar. Hearts and hands warmed, we wind our way to the tragic battlefield and Visitor Center at Culloden, past rugged landscapes and the imposing Cairngorms Mountains. Our final stop for the night is in the Scottish Highlands. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Carrbridge
- Journey to Loch Ness, Inverness and Thurso The mystical haunt of Nessie is our first stop today before passing through Inverness en route to Dunrobin Castle. Spend your afternoon exploring the castle's château-like structure and surrounds, once home to the Clan Sutherland. Arriving in Thurso, our home for the next two nights, we enjoy dinner at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Pentland/Norseman
- A Day on the Orkney Islands We board a ferry to South Ronaldsay in the Orkney Islands, viewing the stretch of WWII causeways known as the Churchill Barriers. Visit the ornate Italian Chapel, built by Italian prisoners of war. See the prehistoric free-standing stones of the Ring of Brodgar, before visiting Skara Brae and delving into the stories of the Neolithic village. We stop at beautiful Kirkwall Cathedral for a photo opportunity before returning to our hotel for dinner. (B, D)



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

- Over the Sea to Skye Dramatic landscapes accompany our scenic drive along the rugged northwest coastline of the Scottish Highlands to remote Ullapool on the shores of Loch Broom. We journey to the 13th-century Eilean Donan Castle, then continue to the Isle of Skye where we'll stay overnight and enjoy a dinner in our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Kings Arms
- 9 Onwards to Oban We return to the mainland, following a beautiful route that takes us past the Glenfinnan Viaduct which Harry Potter's Hogwarts Express once crossed to his beloved school of magic. We pass Fort William, renowned as the gateway to Ben Nevis, before continuing to Oban. (B) Hotel: The Royal
- Sail to the Isles of Mull and Iona Set sail from Oban to the Isle of Mull. Cross the pretty island countryside to catch a ferry from Fionnphort to the island of Iona. Before our journey back to Oban, we'll have the chance to view Rèilig Odhrain, the final resting place of many Scottish kings. (B, D)
- 11 Off to Glasgow A solemn reminder of the MacDonald clansmen, who were massacred at the 'Glen of Weeping', marks our journey south to Glasgow. We follow the banks of Loch Lomond, then enjoy an orientation tour visiting St. Mungo's Cathedral and viewing George Square. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn Theatreland
- Uncover Stirling Castle's Secrets Enjoy a visit to Stirling Castle's grounds. Then, visit the splendidly decorated Royal Palace of King James V and view the renowned Stirling Heads, before embarking on an excursion to Bannockburn. Connect With Locals this afternoon, joining the Wood family for a memorable Be My Guest experience at their 15th-century farm on the shores of Loch Ard, amidst tales of Rob Roy. (B, BMG, S)
- 13 Farewell Glasgow It's time to say a fond farewell to our travel companions and Travel Director as our memorable vacation comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Please Note: Hotels in the Scottish Highlands and on the Isle of Skye are generally simpler establishments typical of the region. Accommodations on the Isle of Skye may be substituted with accommodations on the mainland. All sightseeing will remain the same as per the itinerary.

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- Edinburgh Tattoo 6-28 August 2021: We've included Tattoo tickets when you're in Edinburgh during these dates. See page 77 for further details
- Reversed Itinerary: The departure marked will operate in reverse and may stay in alternative hotels to those listed opposite. All sightseeing and inclusions will remain as described.

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Travel Style

## **Paris Explorer**

8 Days

1 Country

10 Meals

### From \$2395 Per person, double share

Remember why you love to travel on this in-depth Paris trip. You'll blend your very own unique fragrance, go behind the scenes and uncover the secrets of Montmartre's artists' quarter and imagine the charmed life of the 'Sun King' as you explore Versailles. Past feefo *** Guest Aated 4.7/5



PARIS

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

- Explore Paris with a Local Specialist
- Visit the Eiffel Tower, Fragonard Parfumerie, the Royal Estate of Versailles including the Royal Palace, the Petit Trianon and Marie Antoinette's Hamlet 'Le Petit Hameau', the 'village' of Montmartre and the Louvre Museum
- **View** the Champs Élysées, the Paris Opera House, the Arc de Triomphe, the Place de la Concorde and Notre Dame Cathedral

NORMANDY AND THE D-DAY BEACHES OPTIONAL EXPERIENCE Available on Day 3

FRANCE

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

- 1 Welcome to Paris Paris is yours to explore on this indepth City Explorer. Check in to your centrally located hotel and spend the afternoon getting to know your surrounds. Wander through the leafy boulevards and winding lanes of the French capital, stopping for a leisurely café au lait while watching sophisticated Parisians go by. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a quintessentially Parisian Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Le Méridien Etoile
- Paris and the Eiffel Tower Join your Travel Director this morning for a tour of this mesmerizing city. View the grand Champs Élysées, Place de la Concorde and Arc de Triomphe, built by Napoleon in the 19th century. Delve into its hidden squares and secret passages, visiting one of Paris's most historic neighborhoods and a favorite local haunt that remains a secret to outsiders. Next you'll Dive Into Culture at Fragonard Parfumerie for a visit with a certified 'nose' who will guide you in the creation of your own unique fragrance. Later, you'll experience a true Parisian highlight. Ascend to the second level of the Eiffel Tower for incredible views of the city, then enjoy an afternoon tea at the Tower's restaurant. (B, 5)
- 3 Consider an Optional D-Day Experience Spend the day soaking up the sights and sounds of this elegant European capital. Your Travel Director will suggest activities and attractions that will ensure a memorable day spent discovering Paris. You may wish to experience a full-day Optional Experience on the Normandy coast to uncover the poignant history of the D-Day Landings. Spend your evening at leisure exploring the city's glittering sights at night. (B)
  - A Day to Explore Versailles Tread in the footsteps of French nobility and explore the opulence and splendor of Versailles. Join a Local Specialist as you wander through the palace's extraordinary Hall of Mirrors and Battles Gallery. Stroll through the picturesque Royal Gardens and visit the Petit Trianon to see first-hand how the French Royal Family lived in private, before discovering Marie Antoinette's Hamlet. Return to Paris later for an evening at leisure. (B)
- Experience the Marais and French Cuisine Explore 5 the intriguing and beautiful Marais district on a walking tour. See the mansions and courtyards of this delightful corner of Paris. Then, Dive Into Culture, savoring the exquisite flavors of French cuisine as you meet a Parisian chef for an unforgettable lunch experience. Delve into local culinary secrets, and delicious flavors and aromas, which you will have an opportunity to create yourself and enjoy afterwards. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. This evening, perhaps connect with the pageantry of a traditional cabaret performance at the world-famous Moulin Rouge. (B, L, 🕬)



Learn to cook with a Parisian chef. Butter plays a starring role in this mouth-watering lesson in French cuisine. Leave with a few tips and tricks up your sleeve and feast on your creations. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- Enjoy Montmartre and the Louvre A leisurely start to our morning sees us take a private street trolley car back in time to Montmartre, home to the picturesque Sacré-Coeur. Join your Local Specialist and Dive Into Culture discovering the hidden squares, artists' haunts and romantic hideaways along with ample time for shopping. Spend the rest of the day on your own embracing your inner bon vivant, before embarking on a special evening experience at the renowned Louvre museum. Enjoy the quiet atmosphere of the museum during this Small Group Sightseeing tour with your Local Specialist. (B, S))
- Paris Your Way Perhaps admire the exquisite 7 collection of modern art in the Center Georges Pompidou or enjoy an Optional Experience to the inspirational gardens of Monet at Giverny. This evening, Connect With Locals during a memorable Be My Guest experience and Farewell Dinner at Chez Paul, bringing you back to the Paris of the forties and fifties. (B, BMG, 🛞)
- 8 Au Revoir Paris After breakfast it's time to bid Paris au revoir as you prepare to return home after a memorable break in one of the world's greatest cities. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

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### Treasures of France including Normandy

8 Days

NORMANDY BEACHES

MONT-SAINT-MICHEL

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1 Country

12 Meals

From \$2195 Per person, double share

Travel from Paris and the Loire Valley to the D-Day landing beaches on this in-depth France and Normandy tour. Imagine life as a French noble when you dine at a chateau and learn all about the battles that were fought here through the ages.

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### Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Mont-Saint-Michel and Châteaux of the Loire with a Local Specialist
- Discover Paris, Bayeux and the Loire Valley
- Visit the town of Rouen, Honfleur, the Bayeux Tapestry, the Normandy D-Day Landing Beaches of Omaha and Juno, the monastery of Mont St. Michel, the Châteaux of Amboise and Chenonceau and Chartres cathedral
- View the Champs Élysées, the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe in Paris

Chartres

LOIRE VALLEY

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- Bonjour Paris Bienvenue! The 'City of Lights' welcomes you as you prepare to embark on an unforgettable journey through France. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director this evening for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive to admire the glittering cityscape of Paris - past grand boulevards and iconic sites like the Champs Élysées and the Arc de Triomphe. (WR) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel
- Admire Normandy's Colorful Honfleur and the Bayeux Tapestry This morning, we depart Paris and venture to the city of Rouen, the tragic site where Joan of Arc was burnt at the stake. We travel to the enchanting harbor town of Honfleur - its narrow lanes and colorful shopfronts have long attracted artists who have immortalized its beauty on canvas. Arriving in Bayeux, we visit the Tapestry Museum. Here vou'll *Dive Into Culture* and see the Bayeux Tapestry, depicting events before and during the Battle of Hastings in 1066. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D, 🕬) Hotel: Mercure Omaha Beach
- Explore the D-Day Landing Beaches We begin the day visiting the American Rangers Memorial at Pointe du Hoc. Pay tribute to the brave souls who lost their lives on the D-Day Landing Beaches of Omaha, imagining the sense of terror and triumph felt the fateful day that Allied forces set foot on mainland Europe. We stop for lunch in the seaside setting of Arromanches, once at the heart of the Normandy landings, before visiting the D-Day Museum to learn about the artificial harbor used by the Allies. Finish the day on the beaches of Juno, where the Canadian forces came ashore in 1944. (B)

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

Journey to Picturesque Mont-Saint-Michel This morning, travel to the fortified island town of Mont-Saint-Michel. Here we'll join a Local Specialist for a tour of Mont St. Michel's medieval Benedictine Abbey. Legend has it, the abbey was built after the Archangel Michael appeared to the Bishop of Avranches inspiring him to build a church atop the island. Consider an Optional Experience to the historic walled port city of Saint-Malo, once home to the famous French explorer Jacques Cartier. (B, D) Hotel: Le Relais du Roy

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- Continue to the Beautiful Loire Valley Journey 5 through the scenic countryside, stopping to Connect With Locals at a lunch with wine in a 17th-century château during a Be My Guest experience set within beautiful gardens. We journey to the Loire Valley, where we will spend the next two nights. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Novotel Amboise
- Discover the Stunning French Châteaux We spend our day admiring the beautiful châteaux of the Loire Valley and join a Local Specialist for a visit to the Amboise Royal Château. It is here that King François I hosted Leonardo da Vinci, whose tomb now lies in the Chapel of Saint-Hubert adjoining the château. We continue with a visit to Chenonceau, built on the Cher River. (B)
- Continue to Chartres and Paris Our first stop today 7 is the town Chartres and its beautiful Roman Catholic cathedral, regarded as one of the most authentic and complete works of religious architecture from the early 13th century. We journey back to Paris this afternoon and spend the rest of our day in the 'City of Lights' with free time to take in some of the sights. Celebrate with your Travel Director and newfound friends this evening at a Farewell Dinner with local wines at a Parisian bistro. (B, FD) Hotel: Renaissance La Défense
  - Farewell Paris For now it's time to say a fond au revoir to France and your fellow travelers at the end of a memorable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

- " We saw so many things! And had experiences that we never would have even known existed if we had tried to do it ourselves."
  - Our Guest: M. Gyorko on Treasures of France including Normandy

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# **Riviera Explorer**

8 Days

**3** Countries

11 Meals

From \$1995 Per person, double share

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

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Your Must-See Highlights

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• Explore Nice with a Local Specialist

• **Discover** Dolceaqua, Rocchetta Nervina and Monaco

• Visit Place Massena in Nice, a French perfumery in Èze, the Palace and Cathedral in Monaco and the market in Antibes

• View the Bay of Angels and La Turbie

ITALY

Nice

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

- 1 Welcome to Nice Stretch your legs on sun-kissed Mediterranean shores. On arrival, you'll be transferred to your hotel and have the day to embark on your own exploration of Nice before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Beau Rivage
- Explore Elegant Nice Delve into the Italian heritage of Nice's elegant Old Town when you join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that will take you to the heart of the city, Place Massena, Promenade des Anglais and the Bay of Angels. On your free afternoon, consider an Optional Experience to the medieval hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence. (B)
- A Day in Italy Begin your day in the hilltop village 3 of Dolceaqua with its 12th-century castle. Tread in the footsteps of Claude Monet, walking across the picturesque bridge depicted in several of his paintings. Continue with a visit to an Italian agriturismo in Rocchetta Nervina. Dive Into Culture and savor the flavors of taggiasche olives grown on-site during an olive oil tasting. (B, 🕬)

Nice Your Way Consider a full-day Optional Experience to St. Tropez and Cannes. You'll embark on a drive along the scenic coast to Sainte-Maxime and board a boat to St. Tropez, where you'll have some free time for lunch and your own exploration. Returning to Nice, you'll stop in Cannes and view the Palais des Festivals, where the annual film festival is held. (B)

Discover the French Riviera and Monaco Dive Into Culture and stop at Fragonard Parfumerie, which has been crafting delicate French scents since the 1920s. A stop in medieval Èze delivers panoramic views of the sparkling Côte d'Azur before you continue to La Turbie for a remarkable photo opportunity of Monaco. Follow the winding road down to the coast and the glamour of Monaco. Here you'll visit the Roman-Byzantine Monaco Cathedral and the Prince's Palace. Experience lifestyles of the rich and famous at a dinner in Monaco-Ville before we enjoy a scenic drive to Monte Carlo, to see the Grand Casino and parts of the Monaco Grand Prix race track. (B, RD, 🔊)



Visit Monaco's Prince's Palace. Go behind the walls of this Genoese fortress to see the lavish private palace apartments where Monaco's ruling elite have lived since the  $13^{\rm th}$ century. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

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Travel Style

Markets, Mega-Yachts and More in Antibes Follow

the Mediterranean coastline south to Antibes, once

the haunt of Pablo Picasso. Join your Travel Director

for an orientation tour before exploring the bustling

market squares. Alternatively, head down to the harbor to admire the many private yachts moored

there. Later, you'll enjoy an exclusive Be My Guest experience as you *Connect With Locals* over a hearty

Enjoy Nice Get your final fix of Nice on this full free

day to explore the city on your own. Consider an Optional Experience to Villa Ephrussi de Rothschild,

an elegant seaside villa surrounded by beautiful gardens. This evening, you'll join your new friends for

good friends and the French joie de vivre. (B, FD)

Farewell Nice Say a fond farewell to your travel

companions at the end of our time on the Riviera.

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trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

**Travel Director Tip** 

Old Town market. Here you will be able to try a traditional chickpea flatbread topped with onions and parsley that is sure to make your taste

a rousing Farewell Dinner as you toast to good times,

lunch. (B, BMG, S)

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# Wonderful France

### 9 Days

2 Countries

12 Meals

From \$2650 Per person, double share

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

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### Your Must-See Highlights

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

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- Bonjour France Discover romance, sophistication and French *joie de vivre* in Paris – the launch pad to a memorable journey through the French countryside. Explore the grand boulevards and winding lanes of the 'City of Lights', before meeting your Travel Director and companions for a Welcome Reception. We take to the streets this evening to see some of the city's most iconic sights, including the Champs Élysées and Arc de Triomphe, standing in all its glorious splendor for you to admire. (WR) Hotel: Renaissance La Défense
- 2 Discover the Delights of Paris Join a Local Specialist to explore the Latin Quarter, a vibrant student hotspot and home to the Sorbonne University. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice, then soak up the authentic atmosphere and local day-to-day life of the Parisians as you stroll through one of its most historic neighborhoods. Spend your evening embracing the pageantry of Paris and perhaps experience a traditional Parisian Cabaret. (B)
- 3 Journey through Burgundy to Lyon Travel through the picture-perfect Burgundy wine region and stop in its walled regional capital, Beaune – most famous for the colorful geometric-tiled Hôtel-Dieu. We continue to the gastronomic capital of Lyon, where we spend the night. Discover the historic treasures of its wellpreserved Old Town or perhaps indulge in delicious Beaujolais flavors in a local *bouchon* – the choice is yours. (B) Hotel: Charlemagne
- **Continue to Monaco and the French Riviera** Follow the Rhône Valley south, enjoying some free time in Aix-en-Provence for a delicious lunch and the sweet flavors of *Calissons*, then stop in the glamorous Principality of Monaco bound for the sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera. View the Palace, which has been the home of the Grimaldis since the 13th century, and the cathedral where Princess Grace and Prince Rainier were married. This evening, we enjoy a delicious Regional Dinner together in Monaco before arriving at our hotel, where we'll spend the next two nights. **(B, RD) Hotel: Montaigne & Spa**
- 5 The French Riviera Your Way The sun-kissed shores of the French Riviera are yours to explore today. Consider relaxing on the beach with your fellow sun-worshippers or an Optional Experience could see you visit the hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, a popular haunt for actors seeking a relaxing retreat. In your free time, you have the opportunity to soak up the fresh sea air and perhaps indulge in a delicious *Salade Niçoise*. (B)
  - On to Sunny St. Tropez and Avignon We arrive by boat in glitzy St. Tropez for a leisurely morning sojourn to soak up our fashionable surrounds. Continue on to the ancient city of Avignon, once the seat of the Papacy, where we will spend the next two nights. Our orientation of this extraordinary historic city includes views of the imposing Palace of the Popes and the famous ruined bridge straddling the Rhône, which inspired the famous French song, *Sur le Pont d'Avignon*. (B) Hotel: Mercure Pont d'Avignon

Explore Ancient History in Pont du Gard and Arles We visit the impressive Pont du Gard aqueduct before continuing to Arles, to admire the Romanesque Cathedral and Roman amphitheater, once the site of bloody battles and exhilarating chariot races. Tread in the footsteps of Vincent van Gogh with your *Local Specialist*, exploring the heritage of a city that was once an important Phoenician trading port. Tonight, we enjoy delicious Provençal flavors as we *Connect With Locals* and join the widow of Pierre Salinger for dinner at a memorable *Be My Guest* experience in a converted historic mill on the banks of the Sorgue. (**B**, **BMG**, )



Provençal home-cooking with Pierre Salinger's widow. Learn about the life of John F. Kennedy's former advisor when you join Poppy for dinner in her home, an old mill on the Sorgue River. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- 8 Travel By High-Speed Train to Paris The pictureperfect French countryside is our constant companion as we take the high-speed TGV train through the heart of France, past Auxerre and the sprawling vineyards of Burgundy, back to Paris where you'll have the rest of the afternoon to explore the city on your own. This evening we celebrate an unforgettable sojourn through France at a Farewell Dinner with our Travel Director and newfound friends. (B, FD) Hotel: Evergreen Laurel
- 9 Au Revoir Paris This morning after breakfast, it's time to bid Paris a fond *au revoir* as our fascinating journey through France comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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16 Meals

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

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Welcome to London From tragic battles to tales of triumph, this special-interest exploration of two World Wars kicks off in the vibrant British capital of London. Meet your Travel Director and fellow companions this evening for a traditional English pub Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Park Plaza Riverbank/Park Plaza County Hall

See the Sights of London Towering Big Ben, the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey feature on this half-day introductory sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist, which includes views of Buckingham Palace. This afternoon, we visit the Imperial War Museum, which tells the story of those whose lives were shaped by war, from World War I to today. (B)

3 Cross the English Channel to Caen We journey south to Portsmouth and leave British shores bound for Caen by ferry this afternoon. After dinner on the ferry, we transfer to our hotel in Caen. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Côte de Nacre

Explore the D-Day Normandy Beaches We journey to the historic D-Day Normandy Landing Beaches, including Juno Beach, Pointe du Hoc and Omaha Beach. Visit the D-Day Museum in Arromanches as well as the American Cemetery and Memorial to learn about the Canadian, American, and Commonwealth involvement in this unbelievable battle for supremacy. (B, D)



Visit the D-Day Landing Beaches. Imagine thousands of soldiers advancing bravely on to the beaches of Normandy and learn how this infamous day turned the tide of World War II. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Journey to Elegant Paris Take yourself back to June 6, 1944. Imagine the terror and bravery of thousands of soldiers who landed on the beaches of Normandy to free Europe from the Nazis. This morning, we visit the Memorial de Caen to learn about the significance of Normandy and the day that changed World War II. You'll also receive a D-Day Landings souvenir booklet, before traveling to Paris, the 'City of Lights'. (B) Hotel: Mercure Vaugirard Porte de Versailles

- Discover the Delights of Paris Join your Local Specialist to visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice, then delve into the lives of Parisians, wandering through the enchanting hidden squares and secret passages of one of Paris's oldest
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neighborhoods. Our walking tour concludes in one of the city's loveliest squares which is a real favorite among the locals. Spend the rest of the day on your own to see the sights. Consider an Optional Experience to the opulent Palace of Versailles. This evening, you may wish to enjoy a traditional Parisian Cabaret. (B)

- **Onwards to the Somme Battlefields and Amiens** The bloody battlefields of the Somme take center stage today. Stop at Villers-Brettoneux to visit the memorial to the Australian soldiers who lost their lives in WWI. Carry on to Thiepval to see the poignant memorial which honours the 72,337 missing British and South African men who died with no known graves. We journey to Amiens for an evening at leisure. (B) Hotel: Mercure Cathedrale
- Venture to Vimy Ridge, Dunkirk, Fromelles and Lille Today we visit the memorial at Vimy Ridge dedicated to the Canadian soldiers, who fought a battle here in 1917. This horrific battle, and the bravery of the men who fought in it, came to symbolize Canada's coming of age as a nation. We then journey to Dunkirk, where Operation Dynamo miraculously saw over 330,000 Allied troops evacuated to Britain. We stop in Fromelles, where there was a combined operation between British troops and the Australian Imperial Force, described as the 'worst 24 hours in Australia's military history'. (B, D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza - Euralille/Novotel **Centre Grand Place**
- 9 Off to the Ypres Battlefields and Menin Gate Some of the biggest battles of World War I are explored at Ypres Salient in Belgium, where we will see such sites as Tyne Cot, Langemark and Vancouver Corner. Stop in Zonnebeke for an included visit to the Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917, where you can see a replica trench. See Essex Farm Cemetery where over 1,200 brave servicemen are buried and where Lt. Col. John McCrae wrote his immortal poem, 'In Flanders Fields'. Spend the rest of the afternoon on your own, before making your way to Menin Gate to witness the moving Last Post Ceremony that pays tribute to over 100,000 soldiers who laid down their lives more than a century ago. (B)
- Journey to Bruges and on to Amsterdam Travel to Bruges and perhaps try the delicious local chocolate and Belgium's famous frites - the perfect fried chips! Explore the cobblestone streets and medieval façades reflected in the still waters of the canals. Continue to Amsterdam, where we spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Leonardo Royal
- 11 Experience Atmospheric Amsterdam Gabled townhouses dating back centuries and leafy canals provide a beautiful backdrop for our orientation tour. Enjoy free time afterwards to explore the city on your own. Later, we Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the art of making cheese and wooden clogs, before we Connect With Locals, joining the Pauw family for a gezellig Be My Guest Farewell Dinner. (B, BMG, S, S)
- Farewell Amsterdam Say farewell to this magical country and your newfound friends at the end of a remarkable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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### Your Must-See Highlights

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

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- 1 Bonjour Paris All the flavors of France come to life on this unforgettable journey that kicks off in Paris, the 'City of Lights'. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and an orientation drive through the city. (WR) Hotel: Mercure 17 Batignolles
  - Journey through Burgundy to Lyon We travel south to Burgundy, past the Côte d'Or vineyards of Gevrey-Chambertin and Nuits St. Georges. The colorful geometric roof tiles of the 15th-century Hospices are a sight to behold as we arrive in the medieval town of Beaune before continuing to Lyon, the gourmet capital of France. Perhaps spend your evening delving into the epicurean delights for which Lyon is justifiably famous. (B) Hotel: Mercure Centre Saxe Lafavette
- 3 Onwards to Avignon, Monaco and the French Riviera We stop in the heart of Provence and the city of Avignon. See the Papal Palace and bridge made famous in the song - Sur le Pont d'Avignon. Journey through the fields of Provence to the sophisticated Principality of Monaco, where we'll view the cathedral where Prince Rainier and Princess Grace were married. This evening, we enjoy a Regional Dinner in Monaco before arriving at our hotel. (B, RD) Hotel: Holiday Inn

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

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

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

Discover Scenic Dordogne The lush green valleys and hills of the Dordogne take center stage today during a scenic half-day excursion. We drive to Saint-Émilion, whose wine heritage dates back to

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Roman times and return to Bordeaux this evening for some free time to explore the city. Perhaps, tease vour taste buds with delicious Bordelaise cuisine or stroll through the city's historical center, admiring its beautiful architecture by night. (B)

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

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

### Off to Mont-Saint-Michel and the Normandy

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

11 Journey to Paris We travel west 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

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

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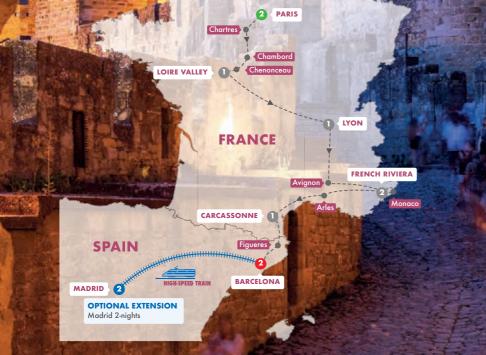
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- **Explore** Paris, Lyon, Carcassonne and Barcelona with a Local Specialist
- Discover Avignon, Nice, Monaco and Arles
- Visit Saint-Sulpice Church in Paris, Château de Chenonceau in the Loire Valley and the Dalí Theater and Museum in Figueres
- View Notre Dame Cathedral and the Eiffel Tower in Paris, Chartres Cathedral, Château de Chambord, the Papal Palace of Avignon, the Promenade des Anglais and Place Masséna in Nice, Monaco's Royal Palace and Cathedral, the Roman Amphitheater of Arles and the La Sagrada Família and Columbus Monument in Barcelona
- Scenic Drive through the Loire Valley

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- Welcome to Paris This capital city is your launch pad for an epic adventure through the highlights of France and magnificent Barcelona. Spend your first day in the 'City of Lights' exploring the art, architecture and culture of this romantic city on your own. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of the city's most impressive sights, including the grand Champs-Élysées and Arc de Triomphe. (WR) Hotel: Pullman La Defense
- **Explore the Sights of Paris** Join a *Local Specialist* this morning to stroll through the hidden squares and secret lanes of Paris, revealing how real Parisians live and shop. Visit the remarkable church of Saint-Sulpice, then enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. This evening, consider soaking up the pageantry of Paris with an Optional Experience to a popular Parisian cabaret. **(B)**
- 3 Chartres and Châteaux in the Loire Valley Visit Chartres, an important place of pilgrimage on the 'Way of Saint James'. Journey through the rolling landscape of the Loire Valley, past beautiful villages and castles. View the impressive Château de Chambord and visit Château de Chenonceau, which straddles the Cher River. Later, Connect With Locals, joining the de Montferrier family on their farm near the famous Château de Villandry for a traditional Tourangelle Be My Guest dinner experience paired with local wines. (B, BMG, (S)) Hotel: Mercure Tours Nord
  - Onwards to Renaissance Lyon Traveling through the heart of France, we arrive in the gastronomic capital of Lyon where we'll join a *Local Specialist* for a tour of the old city revealing its rich cultural heritage. Wander through the *traboules* of France's largest Renaissance city and marvel at the magnificent skyline from Fourvière hill. We dine at our hotel this evening. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Gerland**
- 5 Journey to Papal Avignon and on to the French Riviera From Lyon, we drive to Avignon, a Papal Seat in the 14th century. See the Papal Palace and the famous bridge immortalized in the French song – Sur le Pont d'Avignon. Dive Into Culture as you indulge in a glass of the local vintage. This afternoon, we arrive in the French Riviera, where an orientation tour will introduce us to this coastal area, a favorite among aristocrats for centuries. (B, S) Hotel: Novotel Aéroport Cap 3000
  - **Enjoy a Day in Monaco** Relax on the sun-kissed shores of the Côte d'Azur. Retreat to the beach with your fellow sun-worshippers, relax at a café overlooking the Bay of Angels or take a stroll along the Promenade. Consider an excursion to the medieval hilltop village of Saint-Paul-de-Vence. Then, enjoy an excursion through splendid seaside scenery to Monaco where you'll view the cathedral where Prince Rainier and Princess Grace were married. **(B)**
  - Off to Colorful Arles and Carcassonne We travel west to Arles, with its colorful façades and Roman ruins, before continuing through beautiful Provençal landscapes, immortalized in the works of Cézanne and Van Gogh. Arriving in the fortified city of Carcassonne, we join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour. (B, D) Hotel: Best Western Le Donjon

Pass the Pyrenees to Barcelona Our journey continues past the foothills of the Pyrenees to Figueres, where we'll visit the Dalí Theater and Museum. Here, we'll *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the world of Salvador Dalí. We arrive in Barcelona this afternoon and enjoy an included sightseeing tour, seeing the Columbus Monument and Antoni Gaudi's unfinished *La Sagrada Família*, with a *Local Specialist*. (B, S)^a) Hotel: Hyatt Regency Tower/Fairmont Rey Juan Carlos



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- 9 Discover Lively Barcelona Spend the day soaking up the vibrant spirit of Barcelona. Consider an Optional Experience to Montserrat to visit its Benedictine monastery and see the mysterious Black Madonna. This evening, join your Travel Director and travel companions for a memorable Farewell Dinner with wine at a traditional Spanish restaurant. (B, FD)
- Journey Home Say *adiós* to the bustling streets of Barcelona and your travel companions. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/ freetransfers. You could choose instead to enhance your experience and travel from Barcelona to Madrid via high-speed train. (B)

### **Optional Madrid Extension**

On Day 10 you will be transferred to the station for a high-speed train ride to Madrid. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Enjoy a two-night stay enabling you to have a whole free day to explore.

- Journey By Train to Madrid Take the train to the Spanish capital. On arrival, transfer to your hotel. (B) Hotel: Ayre Gran Colon
- Fiery Madrid Your Way After breakfast, enjoy a full free day at leisure to enjoy the sights and sounds of Madrid. (B)
- 12 Farewell Madrid Enjoy breakfast before you are transferred to Madrid Airport for your onward journey home. (B)

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12 Meals

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- **Explore** Toledo, Madrid, Córdoba, Seville and Barcelona with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Valencia
- Visit an inlaid steel factory, the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo, Mosque of the Caliphs in Córdoba, the Cathedral in Seville, the Alhambra Palace in Granada and Montjuïc Hill and Plaça de Catalunya in Barcelona
- View the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain in Madrid, the Cave Homes of Guadix, the Serrano and Quart Towers and the City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia and La Sagrada Família in Barcelona

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- 1 Welcome to Madrid The lively capital of Spain is our launch pad to a memorable encounter with one of Europe's most soulful destinations. Relax in the lush surrounds of Buen Retiro Park, shop up a storm on Gran Via or people-watch over coffee and *churros con chocolate* in the Puerta del Sol. This evening, join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for an orientation drive to see some of the city's most iconic sights, followed by a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Ayre Gran Colon/Meliá Castilla
- Explore Vibrant Toledo We head to Toledo, the former capital of Spain, where we join a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour of this city that dates back to Roman times. We'll visit a traditional factory and *Dive Into Culture*, witnessing the age-old inlaid steel craft, before seeing one of El Greco's most famous paintings in the Church of Santo Tomé 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz'. We'll also visit the synagogue, before returning to Madrid where we'll admire the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain with our *Local Specialist*. Spend the evening on your own, delving into the delicious flavors of Spain's *tapas* capital. (**B**, *S*)
- Journey to Cordoba and on to Seville Journeying south through La Mancha, we arrive in Córdoba, once a significant Moorish settlement. Join a *Local Specialist* to visit the Mosque of the Caliphs and learn about centuries of Moorish rule and its influence on the culture and architecture of the region. We travel to flamboyant Seville, our home for the next two nights. Consider an Optional Experience to see the colorful twirling skirts of a fiery *flamenco* show or rub shoulders with the Sevillanos in search of delicious *tapeo* and wine. (B) Hotel: Zenit/Occidental Viapol

Discover Seville's Sights This morning, we meet our *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of Seville. View the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower, see the Moorishinspired Maria Luisa Park, with its tiled fountains, pavilions and ponds, and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. Marvel at Christopher Columbus's ornate tomb in the cathedral, then take a walk through the former Jewish Quarter. This evening, we *Connect With Locals*, joining the Morillo family for a *Be My Guest* experience at their olive oil mill, where you'll learn how oil is produced from their 6,000 trees and get to sample some of their produce. (**B, BMG,** )



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

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

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

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

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- Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Barcelona Head north, along the coast through the Levant region, and stop at Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. View the ancient castle of the 'Spanish Pope', built by the Knights Templar and used in the film, 'El Cid'. Then, journey along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona with its whimsical Gaudí architecture. Admire this famous architect's talents as we view his unfinished *La Sagrada Familia*. See the Plaça de Catalunya and pay tribute to the great Christopher Columbus, with your *Local Specialist*. From the hill of Montjuïc, we'll enjoy panoramic views of this enchanting city. Enjoy a free evening to spend as you wish. (B) Hotel: U232/Hyatt Regency Tower
- **Uncover Gaudi's Barcelona** Explore centuries of history, contemporary culture and exquisite art and architecture on your day at leisure. Visit Gaudi's fantasy Park Güell, or join an Optional Experience to the monastery perched atop Montserrat to see the mystical Black Madonna. This evening, we celebrate with our newfound friends and Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner with wine. **(B, FD)**
- 9 Farewell Spain For now it's a fond *adiós* to Spain at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

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- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
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1 Country

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### Your Must-See Highlights

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

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- Welcome to Barcelona Trace the treasures of the north on this grand expedition from Barcelona to Madrid, easing yourself into *la buena vida* as only the Spaniards can. Delve into centuries of history and the cosmopolitan culture of Barcelona, rambling up Las Ramblas, people watching in Plaça de Catalunya and admiring the whimsical architecture of Gaudí. Later, you'll meet with your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and evening drive to see the city's iconic sights. (WR) Hotel: Condal Mar
- 2 Discover Vibrant Barcelona The unfinished La Sagrada Família is our first stop this morning. We join a Local Specialist to see the Plaça de Catalunya and pay tribute to Christopher Columbus at the monument that bears his name. Later, spend the rest of the day on your own and explore the city's enchanting barrios. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the mountain-top monastery of Montserrat to see the shrine of the Black Madonna affectionately known in Catalonia as La Moreneta. (B)

3 Journey to Pamplona The feisty former capital of Navarre takes center stage. We follow in the footsteps of thousands of exhilarated runners and hot-blooded bulls today. See Pamplona's ancient city walls and Plaza del Castillo, the heart of the city where markets, tournaments and even bullfighting have taken place. (B, D) Hotel: Tres Reyes

- 4 **Off to Culinary San Sebastián and on to Santander** Today, we journey to the sophisticated culinary capital of San Sebastián. See the beautiful Bahía de la Concha beach or stroll along la calle 31 de Agosto in the Old Town. Our next stop is Bilbao to view the modern Guggenheim Museum, designed by talented architect Frank Gehry. We arrive in Santander later this evening for a two-night stay. **(B) Hotel: Santemar**
- 5 **Sophisticated Santander Your Way** Spend the day at leisure in elegant Santander. Relax on the sun-kissed shores of one of the nearby playas, amble through the charming Old Town or perhaps join an Optional Experience to the coastal town of Comillas, with its cobbled streets. Here you will explore Gaudi's El Capricho, built in the late 19th century as a summer villa, then carry on to Santillana del Mar to visit the museum dedicated to the impressive UNESCO-listed Altamira Caves. **(B)**

Scenic Landscapes, Quaint Towns and Oviedo Spectacular scenery awaits today as you travel through the dramatic Picos de Europa which sits between two main pilgrim routes along which you will encounter several quaint historic market towns. Visit the grotto of 'Our Lady of Covadonga', a famous Marian pilgrimage site, and the pink-hued basilica made from the marble of the surrounding hills. Later we'll *Connect With Locals* and enjoy a traditional lunch and cider tasting at our *Be My Guest* experience with the Castañón family at their Cider Mill. This evening is free for you to explore Oviedo at leisure. (**B**, BMG, **S**) **Hotel: Silken Monumental Naranco** 

Asturian cider tasting. The story of how the Castañón family came to brew cider is second only to the epic espicha experience you'll get to enjoy on your visit to their farm. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

**Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela** The Asturian fishing village of Luarca is our first stop today. Soak up its seafaring atmosphere en route to the pilgrim city of Santiago de Compostela, renowned as the end of the 'camino' pilgrimage route that has its origins dating as far back as the 9th century. **(B) Hotel: Tryp Santiago** 

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**Explore Santiago de Compostela** Join a *Local Specialist* who will share insights into the 'Way of Saint James' and explain why thousands of people attempt the life-changing pilgrimage annually. Visit the vast St. James Cathedral and the Praza do Obradoiro, a square dominated by four architectural styles. **(B)** 

- 9 Onwards to Artistic Zamora and Salamanca Journey through the lush Galician landscape and Castile-Leon to Zamora, a veritable open-air museum of Romanesque art. We continue to Salamanca its golden-hued façades providing an air of mystery and majesty. We join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour including views of Spain's oldest university and the Cathedral, as well as a walk through the imposing Plaza Mayor, built in the Spanish Baroque style. (B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol
- 10 Venture to Stylish Madrid Traveling east, we arrive in the fiery Spanish capital, Madrid, for an afternoon of sightseeing with a *Local Specialist. Dive Into Culture* and visit the Prado Museum, which houses the largest collection of European art in the world. Then, see the Royal Palace, Gran Via and the neoclassical Cibeles Fountain that has become an iconic symbol for the city of Madrid. Tonight, join your Travel Director and fellow companions for a memorable Farewell Dinner with wine, toasting to a magnificent journey through northern Spain. (B, FD, s⊙P) Hotel: AC by Marriott Cuzco
- 11 Adiós Madrid For now it's a fond *hasta luego* to your newfound friends as our Spanish adventure comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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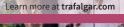
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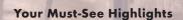
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- Explore Barcelona, Seville, Córdoba, Toledo and Madrid with a Local Specialist
- Discover Burgos, Santander, Bilbao, San Sebastián, Pamplona and Valencia
- Visit The Tomb of El Cid in Burgos, the Alhambra Palace in Granada, the Rock of Gibraltar, the Cathedral in Seville, the Mosque of the Caliphs in Córdoba, the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo and the Prado Museum in Madrid
- View the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, La Concha Bay in San Sebastián, the Cathedral of Zaragoza, La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Castle of Peñíscola, the Serrano and Quart Towers and City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia

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1 Hola Madrid Welcome to the fiery Spanish capital that is Madrid. Delve deep into the soul of a city that marches to the tune of the *tapas*, before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a memorable Welcome Reception and orientation drive to see some of the city's most iconic sights. (WR) Hotel: Rafael Atocha

Journey to Burgos and on to Santander Journey over the pine-clad Guadarrama Mountains to Burgos, the historic capital of Castile, where we will visit the tomb of El Cid. We cross the Ebro River and the Cantabrian Cordillera Mountains, traveling to the coast and the sophisticated capital of the Cantabrian region, Santander. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: Santemar

- 3 Onwards to Culinary San Sebastián and Pamplona We depart Santander and travel to Bilbao to view the striking Guggenheim Museum. Continuing to San Sebastián, the gourmet capital of Spain, we see the beautiful Bahia de La Concha beach during our orientation drive. (B, D) Hotel: NH Iruña Park
- 4 **Continue to Gaudi's Barcelona** Our journey continues through the Ebro Valley to Zaragoza where we'll view the Basilica of El Pilar and Cathedral of La Seo. Later, admire panoramic views of a city that dates back to Roman times from atop Montjuïc in Barcelona. **(B) Hotel: Barceló Sants**
- 5 Discover Barcelona The whimsical fantasy world of Gaudí is on display this morning as we embark on a sightseeing tour and see the inspiring, but as yet unfinished, *La Sagrada Família* in the company of a *Local Specialist*. We'll see Las Ramblas and Plaça de Catalunya, before paying tribute to Christopher Columbus. **(B)**

Off to Coastal Peñíscola and Valencia The sweet scent of oranges accompanies us on our journey along the Costa Dorada south to fortified Peñíscola, where we'll see the ancient castle used in the film 'El Cid'. We arrive in sunny Valencia where we will stay the night. Our orientation of this cultural city includes views of the town hall, the bullring, the Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the cathedral. Witness the modern verve of Valencia and view the City of Arts and Sciences. (B) Hotel: Silken Puerta

Venture to Granada Journey via the dramatic Mora Pass to the city of Granada where we'll meet our *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of the spectacular UNESCO-listed Alhambra. Admire extraordinary Moorish architecture and the exotic water gardens of the Generalife, the royal residence. Check in to your hotel later, where we will dine tonight. (B, D) Hotel: Occidental

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- On the Road to Sunny Costa del Sol Enjoy a leisurely morning on your terms, or consider taking an Optional Experience to the medieval Moorish Quarter of Granada. We leave Granada behind for the sun-kissed shores of the Costa del Sol, where we'll spend the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Meliá
- Connect With LocalsWR Welcome ReceptionB Breakfast

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- 9 Costa del Sol Your Way Another day in paradise for you to kick back, worship the Spanish sunshine and indulge in *la buena vida*. Enjoy fresh seafood in Torremolinos, soak up the Mediterranean atmosphere or consider an Optional Experience to the effervescent Andalusian capital of Málaga to explore centuries of fascinating history. (B)
- Explore Gibraltar and on to Seville A scenic drive takes us past the millionaire's playground of Marbella and on to La Linea, before crossing to the Rock of Gibraltar, for free time to explore. Tonight, we Connect With Locals over dinner at a Be My Guest experience with the Morillo family at their olive oil estate.
   (B, BMG, , , ) Hotel: Las Casas de La Juderia



**Traditional Seville stay.** Live like a local in the heart of the Jewish Quarter at Las Casas de la Juderia, a collection of 15th-century Andalusian townhouses connected by hidden passages. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

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

 Discover the Algarve, Lagos, Castelo de Vide, Viseu, Coimbra, Tomar, 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, the Shrine at Fátima, the Gothic Monastery at Batalha and the medieval village of Óbidos

View the Castle of Guimarães

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1 Welcome to Lisbon A sea of pastel pinks, yellows and blues dot the seven hills of the romantic Portuguese capital, which you will have an opportunity to explore today before meeting your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past the city's most iconic sights. (WR) Hotel: Turim Av Liberdade

Discover Colorful Lisbon Delve into Lisbon's centuries-old seafaring heritage today, paying tribute to the brave men who set off from these shores to discover the 'New World'. With our Local Specialist we'll see the shimmering white Monument to the Discoveries, the iconic suspension bridge spanning the Tagus, and Belém Tower, built to commemorate Vasco da Gama's expedition. We'll Dive Into Culture on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, an exquisite testament to 16th-century Manueline architecture and art There's time to join an Optional Experience to the historic towns of Cascais and Sintra. In the evening, perhaps enjoy a traditional Portuguese dinner amidst the heart-wrenching, haunting sounds of the fado. (B, 🔊)

Journey to the Algarve Region We journey across the Tagus this morning and drive south towards the Serra da Arrábida Mountains and to the golden pastures of the 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, where Lusitano horses were once reared at the pleasure of King João VI in the 18th century. Our journey continues further south, bound for the sun-kissed shores of the Algarve - our home for the next two nights. (B, BMG, 🛞) Hotel: Real Bellavista

Cliffs, Beaches and More in the Algarve The dramatic cliffs and beautiful beaches of the Sagres Peninsula provide a stunning backdrop for our morning coastal drive. Admire spectacular views across Baleeira Beach, before continuing along the coast to Cape St. Vincent, the site of many sea battles centuries ago. We end our excursion with a visit to the resort town of Lagos - once the home of Henry the Navigator. (B)

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

Venture Past Mountains to Viseu Our first stop today is in the hilltop town of Castelo de Vide with its white façades, narrow alleys and Jewish Quarter. Travel north towards the Serra de Estrela mountains and arrive later in Viseu, set high on a plateau near the famous Dão vineyards. Explore the city's rich art and architectural history, seeing the 12th-century Sé, standing imposingly on a hill overlooking the city. (B) Hotel: Grão Vasco

- Through the Duoro Valley to Porto Vineyard-clad hills provide an enchanting backdrop for our journey today through the Douro Valley, where Port wine is
- Connect With Locals WR Welcome Reception
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produced. We explore the magnificent gardens at the Baroque-style Palácio de Mateus, depicted on the label of the distinctive Mateus wine bottles. We then continue via Guimarães for views of its impressive 10th-century castle. (B) Hotel: Neya/Carris Ribeira

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



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

On to Coimbra and Pilgrimage to Fátima Soak up the grand atmosphere of one of Europe's greatest and oldest universities and stroll through the ancient streets and squares of Coimbra, before journeying to the Templar city of Tomar to visit the Convent of Christ, originally built as a Templar stronghold in the 12th century. We arrive in the pilgrimage center of Fátima, where we rub shoulders with millions of Catholic pilgrims who have journeyed to this pilgrimage site, where three young shepherds famously saw apparitions of the Virgin Mary. (B, D) Hotel: Fátima

- 10 Experience Village Life Returning to Lisbon En route to Lisbon, we stop at the imposing monastery of Batalha - a UNESCO World Heritage site and the best example of late Gothic architecture in Portugal. Our next stop is the fishing village of Nazaré, before we visit the medieval walled city of Óbidos with its whitewashed houses and cobblestone roads. Our last night in Portugal together sees us toast to an incredible journey at a Farewell Dinner with wine. (B, FD) Hotel: Neya Lisboa/Occidental
- 11 Farewell Lisbon Say a fond adeus to your fellow travelers at the end of an unforgettable Portuguese vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- **Explore** Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Seville and Lisbon with a Local Specialist
- Visit Plaça Catalunya in Barcelona, Prado Museum in Madrid, Church of Santo Tomé and Toledo Synagogue in Toledo, Maria Luisa Park and Plaza de España in Seville and Hieronymite Monastery in Lisbon
- **View** La Sagrada Família in Barcelona and the Giralda Bell Tower in Seville
- See the Royal Palace, the Gran Vía, Retiro Park and the Cibeles Fountain in Madrid, Seville Cathedral, the Monument to the Discoveries and the Belém Tower in Lisbon

aza de Cibeles, Madrid

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- 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 mesmerizing 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 Gaudi'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. (WR) Hotel: Hyatt Regency Tower
- 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 Gaudi. We'll see his masterpiece *La Sagrada Familia* during our guided sightseeing tour of the city with a *Local Specialist*, then Montjuïc and 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)
- **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
  - Explore Fiery Madrid We join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of Madrid, where we will see trendy Gran Via 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**, *Sort*)
- 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. (B) Hotel: Occidental Viapol



- **Guided visit to Toledo.** Learn about Toledo's ancient sword-making heritage and all the highlights of this imperial hilltop city, renowned for its religious tolerance during the Spanish Inquisition. Discover more at trafalqar.com.
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- 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. Meet the Albaserrada family and their horses on their farm in the Andalusian countryside near the whitewashed village of Gerida. At this *Be My Guest* experience you'll *Connect With Locals* over dinner featuring fresh regional ingredients and the local *sangria* of course. (**B, BMG**, **(**)
- Continue to Colorful Lisbon We travel west to 7 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 colorful 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 15th century, then spend the rest of the evening on your own exploration of the Portuguese capital. (B, 🔊) Hotel: VIP Grand
- 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 vacation. (**B**, **FD**)
- 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 vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- **Explore** Córdoba, Seville, Évora, Lisbon, Toledo and Madrid with a Local Specialist
- Discover Valencia, Cádiz and Salamanca
- Visit the Alhambra Palace in Granada, the Cathedral Mosque in Córdoba, Seville Cathedral, the Cathedral of Évora, the Hieronomyte Monastery in Lisbon, the Shrine at Fátima, Plaza Mayor in Salamanca and the Church of Santo Tomé and the Synagogue in Toledo
- View the Hanging Houses of Cuenca, the Towers of Serrano and Quart and the City of Arts and Sciences complex in Valencia and the Cave Houses of Guadix

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- Welcome to Madrid Embrace *la buena vida* and soak up the vibrant atmosphere in Madrid before joining your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation of the city's glorious sights.
   (WR) Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding
- Journey to Cuenca and Valencia Witness the dramatic honey-coloured clifftop hanging houses of Cuenca during your first stop today, before continuing your journey to Valencia. An orientation drive will include views of the 15thcentury Towers of Serrano and Quart, and the City of Arts and Sciences. (B) Hotel: Oceanic
- 3 Off to Unique Guadix and on to Granada We travel through the Sierra Nevadas bound for Guadix, where we'll witness how generations of locals have carved cozy abodes into their rocky surrounds. Next, we'll drive through the jagged Mora Pass to Granada. This evening, sample the hearty flavors of Andalusia during a special Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD) Hotel: Catalonia
  - Onwards to Córdoba and Seville Tread in the footsteps of Spain's last emirs, joining your *Local Specialist* for a visit to the Alhambra, with its amazing palaces, gardens and fountains. We leave Granada behind for Córdoba where we'll join a *Local Specialist* to visit the mesmerizing Cathedral of Córdoba, the former mosque of the caliphs and a jewel of Hispano-Islamic art. Our final stop for the day is enchanting Seville. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros Access to attractions 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.
- 5 Uncover the Secrets of Seville Seville takes center stage today as we explore this charismatic city. We'll see the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower with a *Local Specialist*, then stroll through the imposing Plaza de España in Maria Luisa Park and visit the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. This evening, consider joining an Optional Experience *flamenco* performance. (B)
  - Admire the Sights of Jerez and Cádiz We indulge in the aromatic flavors of Jerez today as we *Dive Into Culture* and into the centuries-old tradition of Spanish sherry production. The leafy boulevards and quiet plazas of romantic Cádiz are our next stop. Tread in the footsteps of Columbus, who used this historic port city as his launch pad to the 'New World'. (B, S)



- Sherry tasting in Jerez. Warm your heart with the sweet and fiery flavours of sherry, traditionally made in this part of southern Spain since the time of the Romans and Moors. Discover more at trafalgar.com.
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- Venture to Évora Leaving the zesty scents of Seville behind, we head to the golden landscapes of the Alentejo, where the Brito Paes family await our arrival for a special *Connect With Locals* lunch on their traditional stud ranch, which has been rearing Lusitano horses since the 18th century. Enjoy a *Be My Guest* experience in the home of their ancestor before continuing to Évora for a guided sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist* of its cathedral, Roman temple and Chapel of Bones. Tonight, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (**B**, **BMG**, **D**, **(S)**) Hotel: M'ar de Ar Muralhas
- On to Lively Lisbon We arrive in the seafaring Portuguese capital of Lisbon this afternoon, where we'll join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of the city's highlights. A particular highlight of this afternoon is an opportunity to *Dive Into Culture* at the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, an exquisite testament to 16th-century Manueline architecture and art. (**B**, Sorthe Hotel: Olissippo Marquès de Sá
- 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)
- Pilgrimage to Fátima and on to Salamanca Follow the road taken by pilgrims over the last 100 years to the Shrine at Fátima, a site of celebrated religious miracles. We leave Portugal, traveling to the historic Spanish city of Salamanca with its golden-hued façades and ancient university heritage, where we will visit its 18th-century Plaza Mayor during our orientation tour. (B) Hotel: Gran Corona Sol
- Continue to Toledo and Madrid See the walled city of Ávila, the 'Town of Stones and Saints', so named for its vast collection of Romanesque and Gothic churches. We arrive in the clifftop city of Toledo and join a *Local Specialist* for a guided walk through its streets. We'll visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to one of El Greco's most famous paintings – 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz' and the former Synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca. Later, *Dive Into Culture* and witness local craftsmen at work creating inlaid steel the traditional way. We arrive in Madrid this evening, our home for the next two nights. (B, S)*) Hotel: Ayre Gran Colon
- 12 **Explore Fiery Madrid** This morning, we join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of Madrid, where we'll see the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. Spend the rest of the afternoon exploring the city on your own terms. This evening marks the end of our memorable journey through the Iberian Peninsula. Join your fellow companions and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, FD)**
- **13** Adiós Madrid For now it's time to say a fond farewell to Spain and Portugal at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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19 Meals

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- **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 Shrine at Fátima, the Hieronomyte Monastery in Lisbon, Seville Cathedral, the Alhambra Palace in Granada and Montjuïc Hill in Barcelona
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- See the Monument to the Discoveries in Lisbon

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- 1 Hola Madrid Kick-start your epic encounter with Spain and Portugal in Europe's highest capital city, Madrid. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of Madrid's most iconic sites. (WR) Hotel: Barceló Imagine
- Admire the Sights of Toledo and Madrid We journey south for an excursion to the hilltop city of Toledo, where we'll join our *Local Specialist* for a walking tour. Visit the Church of Santo Tomé, home to El Greco's most famous painting, 'The Burial of the Count of Orgaz', and visit the former synagogue of Santa Maria la Blanca. This afternoon, join a *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of the Spanish capital, which includes views of the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. (B)
- Journey to Segovia and Zamora Venture to Segovia and see the Roman Aqueduct. View the Alcázar of Segovia and the city's medieval and Moorish architecture. Travel to the city of Zamora where you'll view the cathedral and the Church of Mary Magdalene. Then, *Dive Into Culture* and savor the fruity flavors of the city's refreshingly sweet sangria.
   (B, D, S^(*)) Hotel: NH Palacio del Duero
- A Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela Travel to Santiago de Compostela, where you'll join a Local Specialist, who will share insights into the 'Way of Saint James'. Visit the vast Cathedral and the Praza do Obradoiro. (B, D) Hotel: Eurostars Gran
- 5 Journey to Scenic Porto Embark on a sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist* today in Porto. See the remarkable bridges that span the river, the medieval Ribeira Quarter and the city port. Visit the Stock Exchange Palace with its splendid Arabian Hall inspired by Granada's Alhambra, before you *Dive Into Culture* and the centuries-old tradition of local Port production at a tasting in a Port cellar. Later, check in to your impressive *Stays With Stories* accommodations, the Neya Porto Hotel, built from the ruins of a 16th-century convent. (**B**, *s*), *Hotel: Neya*
- Onwards to Fátima and Lisbon Follow the road taken by pilgrims over the last 100 years to the Shrine at Fátima, site of a celebrated religious miracle. Later, we arrive in colorful Lisbon. (B) Hotel: VIP Grand
- 7 Discover Lisbon's Treasures We'll see the Monument to the Discoveries, the suspension bridge spanning the River Tagus, and Belém Tower when we join a *Local Specialist* on a sightseeing tour of Lisbon. We'll *Dive Into Culture* at the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery. (B, S⁽ⁿ⁾)
- On to Seville We travel east through Alentejo the country's cork capital and cross into Spain, before arriving in Seville. Explore the fine art of olive oil production at a *Be My Guest* experience and *Connect With Locals* over dinner at an olive oil estate.
   (B, BMG, ) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros



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

**Explore Spectacular Seville** Join a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour through the city. View the symbolic Giralda Bell Tower, see the Maria Luisa Park and walk through the imposing Plaza de España. Later, we'll stroll through the historic Jewish Quarter before visiting the largest Gothic Cathedral in the world. **(B)** 

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 Off to Granada Multicultural Granada takes center stage today as we visit the magnificent Alhambra in the company of a *Local Specialist*. (B, D)
 Hotel: Abades Nevada Palace
 Access to attractions within the Alhambra complex,

Access to attractions 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.

- 11 Onwards to Valenica This morning, we journey via the Mora Pass to Guadix where you will see the whitewashed troglodyte dwellings lodged in the ochre-coloured cliffs of the surrounding area. We travel to Valencia to view the Bullring and admire the architecture of its medieval cathedral and the Serrano and Quart Towers. (B) Hotel: Silken Puerta
- 12 See the Sights of Barcelona Head north along the coast through the Levant region and stop at Peñíscola, the 'City in the Sea'. We continue along the Costa Dorada to Barcelona with its whimsical Gaudí architecture. Join a *Local Specialist* and see the unfinished *La Sograda Família* then explore the Plaça de Catalunya. (B) Hotel: Tryp Apolo
- 13 Barcelona Your Way Embrace the charm of Barcelona, ramble through El Born or consider joining an Optional Experience to the mountaintop monastery of Montserrat. This evening, we join our fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- **Journey Home** For now it's *adios* to Spain at the end of a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)
  - Please Note: Your coach returns to Madrid from Barcelona on Day 14. You are welcome to use this complimentary transfer. Drop-off in Madrid will be at the Trafalgar Madrid hotel and not at the airport. Arrival will be at approximately 6pm, depending on traffic conditions.

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- **Explore** Madrid, Barcelona, Cinque Terre, Florence and Rome with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Arles, Avignon, Lourmarin, Monaco and Pisa
- Visit Pont du Gard, the French Riviera, Piazza della Signoria in Florence and St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
- View La Sagrada Família in Barcelona, the Papal Palace in Avignon, the Palace and Cathedral in Monaco, the Leaning Tower of Pisa, the Duomo and Ponte Vecchio in Florence and the Colosseum in Rome
- See the Royal Palace and Cibeles Fountain in Madrid, Las Ramblas in Barcelona and the towns of Orvieto and Orte

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

- 1 Welcome to Madrid Settle into the passionate embrace of fiery Madrid, your launch pad to an epic journey through Spain, France and Italy. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive past some of Madrid's most iconic sites. (WR) Hotel: AC by Marriott Cuzco
- 2 Discover Fiery Madrid We join a *Local Specialist* this morning for a sightseeing tour of the Spanish capital, during which we'll see the Royal Palace and the Cibeles Fountain. Enjoy an afternoon on your own, exploring the world's best collection of Spanish art at the Prado Museum. Or consider joining an Optional Experience to the imperial city of Toledo. (B)
- 3 Journey to Gaudi's Barcelona Leave Europe's highest capital behind, bound for the Costa Dorada and the sun-kissed shores of Barcelona. We venture to the pretty banks of the Ebro River and to mystical Zaragoza, whose centuries of heritage have been shaped by the Romans, Moors and Christians. Enjoy some free time in Barcelona this evening. (B) Hotel: Condal Mar
- Explore Vibrant Barcelona Join your Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour, ascend Montjuïc to get your bearings and enjoy panoramic views of the city. See the monument to Christopher Columbus and vibrant Las Ramblas, before stopping at Antonio Gaudi's unfinished masterpiece, La Sagrada Familia. Enjoy the rest of your day at leisure or consider joining an Optional Experience to the mountain-top monastery of Montserrat. (B)
- 5 Pass the Pyrenees to Arles and Avignon We journey via the foothills of the Pyrenees into France. Stop in Arles, where Vincent van Gogh found inspiration for so many paintings. We arrive in the Provençal city of Avignon later this afternoon, where we'll view the Gothic Papal Palace and bridge made famous in the song 'Sur le Pont d'Avignon'. (B) Hotel: Novotel Centre
  - Venture through Pretty Provence to Nice We start the day with a visit to the UNESCO-listed Pont du Gard. Then, our journey takes us through the picture-perfect wheat and lavender fields of Provence, immortalized in the works of Van Gogh and Cézanne. We'll *Dive Into Culture* in the Provençal town of Lourmarin, before continuing to Nice, on the azur-blue shores of the French Riviera. **(B, Solv) Hotel: Novotel Centre**



**Explore Lourmarin.** Brimming with pinch-me picturesque photo opportunities, this enchanting village off the beaten path in Provence is one of the most beautiful in France. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

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- A Day to Enjoy the Riviera Kick back and enjoy a well-deserved morning at leisure on the glorious French Riviera. Soak up the vacation atmosphere or perhaps join an Optional Experience to the nearby hilltop town of Saint-Paul-de-Vence, one of the oldest medieval towns on the French Riviera. Later, visit the Principality of Monaco, where you will have an opportunity to view the cathedral where Prince Rainier and Grace Kelly were married. This evening, the glitz and glamour beckon as you join your new friends for a memorable dinner in sophisticated surrounds. (B, RD)
- Onwards to Colorful Cinque Terre and Pisa Cross the border into Italy and join a *Local Specialist* for a visit to the dramatic UNESCO-listed Cinque Terre, a series of centuries-old seaside villages which cling impossibly to rugged cliffs that plunge into the Ligurian Sea. Later, we head to Pisa where tonight, you'll dine in your hotel.
   (B, D) Hotel: AC by Marriott
- 9 Off to Renaissance Florence View Pisa's Square of Miracles, where we'll see the famous Leaning Tower. Next, your introduction to Tuscany is an exclusive Be My Guest experience where you'll Connect With Locals over traditional lunch fare and the legendary hospitality for which the region is renowned. Continue to the birthplace of the Renaissance where we'll dine at our hotel this evening. (B, BMG, D, ) Hotel: Grand Mediterraneo
  - Uncover Florence's Treasures Join your Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour of magical Florence. View the multi-colored Duomo and the almost 700-yearold Ponte Vecchio. Then, walk through what was once the political hub of the city, the Piazza della Signoria, a veritable open-air treasure trove featuring wonderful sculptures and *palazzi*. Spend the rest of the day on your own exploration of Florence's iconic and unexpected sights. (B)
- 11 All Roads Lead to Rome Journey through the rolling hills of Tuscany and Umbria, past the hilltop villages of Orvieto and Orte, before arriving in Rome, the 'Eternal City' and our home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Crowne Plaza St. Peter's
- 12 Discover Ancient Rome and the Vatican City This morning, we'll visit the Vatican City and see the imposing St. Peter's Basilica, where Michelangelo's sorrowful Pietà has been admired by millions. We venture into Ancient Rome with a *Local Specialist* and explore the remnants of Roman rule, enjoying views of the Colosseum and Circus Maximus. On your final afternoon, enjoy some free time to indulge in *la dolce vita*. This evening marks the end of a magnificent journey through southern Europe. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for an unforgettable Farewell Dinner. (**B**, **FD**)
- 13 Arrivederci Italy For now it's a fond farewell to Rome and your newfound friends as your vacation through Spain, France and Italy comes to an end. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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## Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Madrid, Toledo, Marrakesh, Fes, Seville and Lisbon with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Casablanca, Rabat, Tangier, Fátima and Salamanca
- **Visit** the Synagogue and Santo Tomé in Toledo, the Alhambra in Granada, Bahia Palace and a Moroccan pharmacy in Marrakesh, the Cathedral in Seville, Monastery of the Hieronymites in Lisbon and Plaza Mayor in Salamanca
- View the Royal Palace in Rabat, the Hassan Il Mosque in Casablanca, the Belém Tower in Lisbon and the Shrine at Fátima

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



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

Cross the Strait of Gibraltar to Tangier We travel along the sun-kissed shores of the Mediterranean and cross to North Africa by ferry, arriving in Tangier, the gateway to Morocco. (B, D) Hotel: El Minzah

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Continue to Casablanca and Marrakesh We journey south to the Moroccan capital, Rabat, to view the Mausoleum of Mohammed V and the 19th-century Royal Palace. Continuing on to Casablanca next, we enjoy views of the Hassan II Mosque with the world's tallest minaret, before venturing to Marrakesh. (B) Hotel: Le Méridien N'Fis

Discover Marrakesh Visit the Bahia Palace during your walking tour with a Local Specialist. See Djemaa el-Fna Square in the Old Quarter with its palm-readers, acrobats and snake charmers. Visit a traditional Moroccan pharmacy and Dive Into Culture, gaining insights into the blending of creams and

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cosmetics using regional ingredients. The rest of the day is yours to explore. Don't miss the chance to shop for bargains in the souks (markets) and bazaars, or perhaps visit a local Berber village. Dine tonight at your hotel. (B, D, 🕬)

- Off to Vibrant Fes Departing Marrakesh, we journey north to Fes, the cultural capital of Morocco. Relax after your journey or join an Optional Experience Arabian dinner in a traditional riad - a night of heartfelt local entertainment, including belly dancing awaits. (B, D) Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace
- 0 The Medina and More in Fes Join a Local Specialist for a stroll through the Medina of Fes. Admire traditional Moroccan handiwork during a visit to a carpet cooperative. Spend the rest of your afternoon at leisure. (B)
- 10 Sail the Strait to Seville Crossing the Straits of Gibraltar by ferry, we arrive in Spain and journey past Jerez to Seville. Consider joining an Optional Experience to witness first-hand the intoxicating flamenco performance. (B) Hotel: Meliá Lebreros
- 11 Explore Spectacular Seville Join your Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour that will take you past the iconic Giralda Bell Tower, Maria Luisa Park and the imposing Plaza de España before we visit Christopher Columbus's ornate tomb in the Cathedral. Meet the Albaserrada family and their horses on their farm in the Andalusian countryside near the whitewashed village of Gerena. Here you'll enjoy a Be My Guest experience as you Connect With Locals over a dinner featuring fresh regional ingredients and the local sangria. (B, BMG, S)
- Venture to Lisbon Your panoramic journey continues through the province of Huelva. We cross into the golden fields of the Alentejo region, bound for Lisbon. See the gleaming Monument to the Discoveries, the suspension bridge spanning the Tagus River and Belém Tower. Then, join your Local Specialist for a city tour and Dive Into Culture on a sightseeing tour of the UNESCO-listed Hieronymite Monastery, built in the 15th century. (B, 🖅) Hotel: Olissippo Oriente
- 13 Lisbon Your Way Explore the centuries-old seafaring heritage of the Portuguese, paying tribute to the great explorers who bravely set off from Portugal's shores to discover the 'New World'. Consider an Optional Experience to discover Portugal's 'Golden Triangle' of Sintra, Cascais and the Estoril coast. (B)
- 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
- 15 Return to Madrid Traversing the Sierra de Guadarrama Mountains, we arrive in Madrid. This evening, we join our travel companions and Travel Director for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) **Hotel: NH Collection Eurobuilding**
- Journey Home Our epic journey through Spain, 16 Morocco and Portugal comes to an end this morning. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

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1 Welcome to Casablanca Delve into the intrigue and romance of Casablanca, immortalized by Hollywood, before meeting your travel companions and Travel Director for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Grand Mogador City Centre

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 including views of the grand 17th-century Palace and Mausoleum of Mohammed V. Traveling to the imperial city of Meknès, we'll see the grand gate of Bab el-Mansour adorned by green and white *zeillij* tiles. We arrive in Fes later today and spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B) Hotel: Marriott Jnan Palace

**3 Discover Vibrant Fes** Join a *Local Specialist* today to explore the Medina, one of the largest thriving medieval centers 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 at a *Be My Guest* experience, featuring Moroccan specialties served with wine in a traditional *riad*. (**B**, **BMG**, *Sorter*, *Sorter*)

**Onwards to Erfoud** We follow the old caravan trail south, stopping for a lunch in Midelt. 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'. (**B**, **L**, **D**) **Hotel: Kasbah Xaluca** 

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**, **4**) Hotel: Xaluca Dades



Overnight in the scenic Dades Valley. Experience Morocco's Berber culture first-hand as you overnight on the edge of the majestic Atlas mountains overlooking the Dades Valley. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- Venture through the High Atlas Mountains to Marrakesh Ouarzazate has provided a backdrop for such famous movies as 'Lawrence of Arabia', 'Cleopatra' and 'Gladiator'. Spend some time exploring the sights during your orientation tour. See the UNESCO-listed 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
- 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, acrobats and snake-charmers. **(B)**
- 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: Coté Océan Mogador
- 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, FD) Hotel: Grand Mogador City Centre
- 10 Farewell Morocco Say goodbye to your newfound friends at the end of your Moroccan vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# Amsterdam Explorer

6 Days

1 Country

8 Meals

# From \$1975 Perperson, double share

Explore the photogenic Dutch capital and iconic sights beyond its canals on this in-depth Amsterdam trip. You'll feast with the locals, see how they carve their sturdy clogs and experience first-hand the enduring symbols of Holland, from windmills to cheese. Past feefo ** + Guest 4.4/5

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KEUKENHOF (end March - mid May only) Koukanhai

**NETHERLANDS** 

AMSTERDAM

#### Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam and Corrie ten Boom House in Haarlem with a Local Specialist
- Discover Amsterdam
- **Visit** a Dutch windmill and a cheese farm in Zaanse Schans, Volendam and Gouda
- Scenic Cruise of Amsterdam's canals
- Tickets for Keukenhof Tulip Bulb fields are included during the flowering season as an alternative to Gouda (end of March until mid-May)

Start

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

- 1 Welcome to Amsterdam Welcome to the pictureperfect city of Amsterdam, buzzing with bicycles and boats. Every alley leads to another cozy bruin café and the canals are more plentiful than in Venice. Delve into the gezelligheid of Amsterdam during a city orientation - to see its beautifully preserved medieval buildings and tree-lined canals. Then, enjoy a Welcome Reception and laid-back city cruise along the winding canals, soaking up the alluring setting as you enjoy a light meal. (WR) Hotel: Eden
  - Rijksmuseum and More in Amsterdam This morning, we enjoy a Small Group Sightseeing tour of the Rijksmuseum, home to masterpieces of Rembrandt, Hals and Vermeer. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city your way. Visit the floating flower market or stroll along the gabled façades that line Amsterdam's ring of canals. End your day with delicious local flavors at one of the city's many cozy restaurants. However you choose to spend your day, you're in for a gezellig time in one of Europe's cutest capitals. (B)
- 3 A Day Exploring Dutch Culture and History Take a trip back in time to discover the centuries-old traditions of Holland stopping in the pretty town of Haarlem. We join a Local Specialist this morning for a visit to the Corrie ten Boom House and Museum. Learn how this watchmaker helped countless Jews escape Nazi prosecution during World War II, which ultimately led to her arrest. Dive Into Culture and visit Zaanse Schans to sample delicious Dutch cheeses and investigate the inner-workings of one of the country's many windmills. Along the way, you'll learn about the Zuiderzee, and its incredible story of land reclamation and battle against the encroaching sea. We travel to the fishing village of Volendam on the shores of the IJsselmeer, our gateway into a Holland of yesteryear. This evening, we Connect With Locals to enjoy a home-cooked dinner with the Pauw family during an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, S, S)
  - Amsterdam Your Way You'll get to explore Amsterdam your way today. Don your most comfortable shoes, this is a city for walking. Spend the day tracing Amsterdam's elaborate canal system and admire the centuries-old gabled homes that jostle for their spot overlooking the water. Sit back in a leafy plein and enjoy a crisp pils as you watch the busy Amsterdammers go about their day. You could choose to brave the city streets like the locals by bike. Pedal along the tree-lined canals and over bridges bound for some of the city's great highlights like the Westerkerk, tranquil Jordaan and Vondelpark. (B)
- Discover Gouda (or Keukenhof During Tulip 5 Season) The powerful aroma of delicious Dutch cheese will infuse our senses today. Seemingly frozen in time with its beautiful 15th-century town hall and medieval cheese weighing station, Gouda's status as a cheese trading town dates back to the Middle Ages. Dive Into Culture and witness this proud tradition firsthand in the town's beautiful market square, before spending the rest of the day at leisure. Returning to Amsterdam this evening, you'll be treated to a superb Farewell Dinner in the heart of the city. (B, FD, 5)



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

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

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

> Our Guest: K. Hughes on Amsterdam Explorer

# Travel Style

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# **Best of Holland**

7 Days

1 Country

9 Meals

#### From \$2050 Per person, double share

Saddle up for a wild ride through the best of Holland on this epic Netherlands trip. You'll see the works of great masters at the Rijksmuseum, cycle through medieval Groningen like a local and soak up some of that characteristic *gezellig* spirit with a family on their farm. Past feefo to the feefo to the

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KEUKENHOF (end March - mid May only)



AMSTERDAM

ROTTERDAM

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# Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, Zwolle and Groningen (on bicycle tour) with a Local Specialist
- Discover Amsterdam and Rotterdam
- **Visit** Aalsmeer or Keukenhof (when open), Royal Delft Pottery, the Airborne Museum in Arnhem, Hoge Veluwe Park, Kröller-Müller Museum in Zutphen and a cheese and clog factory in Volendam
- **View** the John Frost Bridge in Arnhem
- Tickets for Keukenhof Tulip Bulb fields are included during the flowering season (end of March until mid-May)

Start

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

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



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

Onwards to Arnhem and Oosterbeek We travel north to Arnhem to see John Frost Bridge, so named to pay tribute to the commander of the British forces that held the bridge for four days with a mere 750 soldiers, during the World War II Battle of Arnhem. We stop for a visit of the Airborne Museum to learn about the

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Battle of Arnhem. This afternoon, we'll also visit the

Hoge Veluwe Park and the Kröller-Müller Museum,

featuring the second-largest Van Gogh collection in

the world. (B) Hotel: Fletcher De Buunderkamp

Off to Stunning Zwolle and Groningen We head

we'll join our Local Specialist for a walking tour

north to the beautiful Hanseatic city of Zwolle, where

through its medieval center before making our way

Fries dialect, the city will be a highlight for culture

Venture to Volendam and Return to Amsterdam

university city of Groningen during a guided bicycle

tour of its medieval center. Ramble along the city's

ring of canals like a local, before enjoying a stunning

drive through the mesmerizing Frisian Lake District

edge of IJsselmeer. Dive Into Culture and learn about

the craft of wooden clog making and Dutch cheese,

with the Pauw family as you Connect With Locals

over a traditional Dutch meal. (B, BMG, 🔊, 🔊)

Farewell Amsterdam For now we say a fond

tot ziens to Amsterdam and our newfound friends,

Find out more about your free airport transfer at

trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

**Travel Director Tip** 

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

closing the door on a memorable Dutch experience.

Hotel: Mercure City

followed by a celebratory Be My Guest Farewell Dinner

en route to Volendam, a former fishing port on the

Dive Into Culture and saddle up to explore the

and history buffs. (B) Hotel: Apollo

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# **Best of Holland, Belgium** and Luxembourg

10 Days

**3** Countries

13 Meals

From \$2625 Per person, double share

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Guest

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

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KEUKENHOF



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• Explore the Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam,

Luxembourg City and Bruges with a Local Specialist

- Discover Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Maastricht, Ghent and Brussels
- Visit Royal Delft Pottery, General George Patton's Grave, 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
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#### **Your vacation**

#### Day

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

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

3 **Discover Delft and Rotterdam** Soak up the *gezellig* Dutch atmosphere this morning, before heading to Delft via The Hague. We *Dive Into Culture* during a visit to the Royal Delft Pottery workshop and admire the delicate blue and white porcelain that has made this historic town famous. We continue our journey south, arriving in the edgy port city of Rotterdam, where we will enjoy an informative orientation tour. (**B**, *s*)^{*})

**Onwards to Maastricht, Bastogne and Luxembourg City** The fortified city of Maastricht takes center stage this morning. We spend some time strolling through its town center before continuing to Bastogne, the site of bloody skirmishes in the World War II Battle of the Bulge. Visit the 12th-century Cistercian Orval Abbey, renowned for being one of the few breweries that produce Trappist beer before journeying to the Duchy of Luxembourg, where tonight we'll dine in our hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Novotel Kirchberg** 

5 See the Sights of Luxembourg City This morning, we pay tribute to Allied Forces hero, General George S. Patton, whose final resting place is the Luxembourg American Cemetery and Memorial. Later, we embark on a leisurely walking tour of Luxembourg City with a *Local Specialist*. Our route takes us past the Cathedral and the Grand Ducal Palace, with its Flemish Renaissance façades, and includes spectacular views of the gorge of the rivers Alzette and Petrusse. Spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B)

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

Uncover the Treasures of Bruges Wake up in beautiful Bruges and join a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour of the town. Take to the water and enjoy a whimsical sightseeing cruise along the city's wonderful canals lined with Gothic façades. *Dive Into Culture* next and admire the delicate art of Belgian lace. Spend the rest of the day on your own. This evening, we *Connect With Locals*, joining Marc Nyssen at his 18th-century Bruges farmstead to learn about Flanders farm life and enjoy dinner at an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience. (**B**, **BMG**, *S*^(b), *S*^(b))



Feast on Flanders farm life. Pull up a chair with Marc Nyssen and learn about the centuries-old dairy farm and family history as you enjoy the best of Belgian farm-to-table cuisine. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Continue to Ghent and Brussels Delve into centuries of trade heritage in the port city of Ghent. See the medieval city's three famous towers – Saint Nicholas Church, the Belfry and Saint Bavo's Cathedral – before continuing to Brussels. See the Atomium, designed for the 1958 Brussels World's Fair, Mannekin Pis and the exquisite Grand Place with its ornate guildhalls. Step into our elegant *Stays With Stories* accommodations, the Sofitel Brussels Europe surrounded by leafy parks, cafés and museums, in the heart of the tranquil European District. (**B**, **(**) **Hotel: Sofitel Europe** 

9 Brussels Your Way Embrace a full free day to explore the Belgian capital as you wish. Your Travel Director will assist you to make the most out of your free day. This evening we celebrate a memorable sojourn through three fascinating countries during a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)

Farewell Brussels We bid Belgium a fond adieu this morning as we prepare to close the curtain on a memorable vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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

" The Itinerary was spot on, lots of places I visited that I probably wouldn't do if I didn't go through Trafalgar, they were amazing and friendly and were always there to help you. "

> Our Guest: D. Devries on Best of Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg

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# **Best of Germany**

12 Days

1 Country

16 Meals

# From \$2825 Per person, double share

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.

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HAMBURG

- **Explore** Berlin with a Local Specialist
- Discover Frankfurt, Cologne, Hamburg, Dresden, Nuremberg, Rothenburg, Munich and Heidelberg
- **Visit** the Berlin TV Tower, Mödlareuth Open Air Museum and Neuschwanstein Castle
- View Cologne Cathedral and Heidelberg Castle
- See the Lorelei Rock and the Bavarian Alps
- Scenic Cruise along the Rhine River

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

- 1 Welcome to Frankfurt On your first day in Germany, see the sights of Frankfurt on your own before meeting your Travel Director for an orientation of the medieval Römerplatz and financial district. Later, enjoy a Welcome Reception, including a light meal and welcome drink. (WR) Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach
- Cruise along the Rhine and journey to Cologne and Düsseldorf Board your leisurely Rhine cruise, stopping for lunch at a 13th-century castle where we *Connect With Locals* at our *Be My Guest* experience and lunch with views over the Rhine Valley. Visit Cologne and view the Gothic spires of its cathedral during an orientation, then continue to Düsseldorf. (B, BMG, ^(S)) Hotel: Leonardo Royal Königsallee
- 3 Onwards to the Port City of Hamburg Journey through the lush landscape of Lower Saxony to the international trade center of Hamburg for an orientation tour. Spend the rest of the day at leisure exploring the city's seafaring heritage. Tonight, we will dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza City Alster

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

- 5 Discover the Grit and Glamour of Berlin Ascend the iconic Berlin TV Tower for 360° views of the city and Spree River. You'll learn how this landmark changed from being a symbol of the communist regime of East Germany to a symbol of a reunited Berlin before enjoying some time this afternoon to explore Berlin your way. You could choose to join an Optional Experience to delve into the secrets of Berlin's past, including a visit to the site of Checkpoint Charlie. (B)
- Off to Dresden Visit Dresden, the 'Florence on the Elbe' and learn about the restoration of city's beatiful Baroque façades following its devastation during World War II. See the Semper Opera, Zwinger Palace and the fully reconstructed Frauenkirche. This afternoon, you could choose an Optional Experience to visit the Dresden Royal Treasury, one of the richest treasure chambers in Europe, followed by a visit to Moritzburg Castle. (B) Hotel: Pullman Newa

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

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

**RD** Regional Dinner

FD Farewell Dinner

- 9 Explore Munich Immerse yourself in the diversity and splendor of Munich. Enjoy an orientation tour of the city's landmarks and see the Wittelsbach Royal Family Residenz and Marienplatz, home to the Town Hall Glockenspiel. Later you'll have some time to explore Munich your way, including perhaps a visit to one of the local beer halls for which the capital of Bavaria is famous. (B)
- 10 Admire Neuschwanstein Castle and the Black Forest Snap your fingers and be transported to a land of fables and folklore. Visit King Ludwig II's fairy-tale Neuschwanstein Castle, then continue to the Black Forest, whose mystical landscape inspired fantasy and fiction from the famous Brothers Grimm. This evening, we dine at our *Stays With Stories* accommodations, Hofgut Sternen, a historic Black Forest style inn. **(B, D, ^(A)) Hotel: Hofgut Sternen**



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

11 On to Heidelberg and Frankfurt Witness the centuries-old craft of cuckoo clock making as you *Dive Into Culture*. Then view the ruins of Heidelberg Castle, as well as the Baroque-style Old Town. Tonight, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our newfound friends. (B, FD, (3)) Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach

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

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2 Countries

18 Meals

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Modern cities, medieval towns and all the sights in between make this Best of Germany and Austria experience one you'll remember. Beyond the beauty of the Rhine and Wachau, you'll explore Vienna's musical treasures, Alpine landscapes and the castle of a shy king.



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## Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Berlin, Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist
- **Discover** Frankfurt, Cologne, Würzburg, Rothenburg, Munich and Innsbruck
- Visit the Berlin TV Tower, Neuschwanstein Castle and Swarovski Crystal Worlds in Innsbruck
- View Cologne Cathedral, the Golden Roof in Innsbruck, Mozart's birthplace in Salzburg, Hofburg Palace and St. Stephen's Cathedral in Vienna
- See the Lorelei Rock, the Marienberg Fortress and the Prince-Bishops' residence in Würzburg and Melk Abbey
- Scenic Cruise along the Rhine River

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

- 1 Welcome to Frankfurt Embrace centuries-old heritage and modern style in the vibrant city of Frankfurt. Meet your Travel Director for an orientation of the medieval Römerplatz and dynamic financial district. Later, we join our fellow travelers for a memorable Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach
- Cruise in the Rhineland and on to Cologne The legend of Lorelei kick-starts our morning as we board a leisurely cruise along the mighty Rhine past castles and vineyard-clad hills. We stop to Connect With Locals at our Be My Guest experience and lunch with views over the Rhine Valley. Continuing to the cultural capital of the Rhineland, we view the spectacular Gothic spires of Cologne Cathedral. Spend the rest of the evening exploring the city's great artistic treasures and historic town squares. (B, BMG, S) **Hotel: Mercure Severinshof**
- 3 Journey By High-Speed Train to Berlin This morning, we board a high-speed train to historic Berlin and join a Local Specialist to see the imposing Brandenburg Gate, Tiergarten, Unter den Linden Boulevard and the Reichstag Building, with its famous glass dome. Enjoy the rest of the day at leisure. (B) Hotel: Hampton by Hilton City Centre Alexanderplatz
  - Uncover Berlin's Secrets Venture up one of the icons of a united Berlin and Germany. Ascend the Berlin TV Tower for spectacular 360° views of the city. Enjoy some free time this afternoon to explore the city on your own. Perhaps see the remnants of the Berlin Wall, visit the infamous Checkpoint Charlie or enjoy an Optional Experience to the District of Potsdam, the former Prussian royal seat. (B)



A bird's-eye view of Berlin. Enjoy a full 360° view of Berlin and all its sights from the top of the Berlin TV Tower. You'll also learn how it is an icon of a reunified Berlin and Germany. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

Onwards to Rothenburg Admire art and architecture in beautiful Würzburg, where you will see the Prince-Bishops' residence and Marienberg Fortress, before arriving in Rothenburg, where we'll dine tonight in our hotel. Your Stays With Stories accommodations this evening is the traditional Prinzhotel, ideally located within the 15th-century fortified town walls. (B, D, 4) Hotel: Prinzhotel

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- Off to Historic Munich This morning, we embark on an orientation walk through the medieval center of Rothenburg, seemingly frozen in time and encircled by a fortified town wall that remains intact after centuries. Continuing south through picture-perfect landscapes of Bavaria, we arrive in Munich. We check into our Stays With Stories accommodations, the Arabella Sheraton Munich which once saw Led Zeppelin, Iggy Pop and Freddie Mercury belt out tunes in the then-hotel basement recording studio. (B,  $\bigtriangleup$ ) **Hotel: Sheraton Arabellapark**
- 7 Discover Munich Stroll through the heart of Munich this morning, visiting Marienplatz with both its new and old City Halls. See the magical Glockenspiel that delights visitors throughout the day with its re-enactment of 16th-century tales. Spend the rest of the day on your own, exploring the city's Baroque palaces and vibrant markets, or embrace the Bavarian region's rich beer brewing heritage at one of Munich's many beer halls. (B)
- Admire Neuschwanstein Castle and on to Innsbruck Indulge in a world of fantasy and fables during your visit to Neuschwanstein Castle, built as a retreat for King Ludwig II to retire from public life. Wind your way through the countryside, climbing higher into the Bavarian Alps bound for Innsbruck, where you'll spend the next two nights. This evening, dinner is served at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Innsbruck
- 9 Explore Alpine Innsbruck This morning, you'll embark on a short orientation tour that includes views of the Old Town, Hofburg Palace and the ornate Golden Roof, built to commemorate the wedding of Emperor Maximilian I. Next, admire the fascinating crystal installations at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. You could consider joining a traditional dinner and Tyrolean folklore show this evening. (B)
- Venture to Salzburg Join a Local Specialist in Salzburg for a walking tour of a city that featured in 'The Sound of Music'. You'll view Mozart's birthplace and family house in the picturesque Getreidegasse, and the Domplatz dominated by Salzburg Cathedral. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Austria Trend Europa
- 11 Through the Wachau Valley to Vienna Scenic landscapes provide a beautiful backdrop for our drive past Lake Mondsee to the UNESCO-listed Wachau Valley. This afternoon, we arrive in the imperial capital of Vienna. We'll transfer to your Stays With Stories accommodations, the Hilton Danube Waterfront, a renovated grain silo built in 1916. We have the evening at leisure to enjoy the sounds of the 'City of Music' or consider an evening of Viennese classical music. (B, 📣) Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront
  - Hofburg Palace and More in Vienna Explore the splendor of Vienna at Hofburg Palace - one of the highlights of your guided sightseeing tour of Vienna with a Local Specialist, which will also include views of the grand State Opera House and Ringstrasse. Admire the ornate, colorful roof of St. Stephen's Cathedral, one of the city's most beloved icons, before spending the afternoon at leisure. Tonight, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- 13 Farewell Vienna We bid farewell to our companions at the end of a wonderful vacation. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# Sound of Music

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- VIP Admission to the Kunsthistorisches Museum in Vienna
- **Explore** Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist
- Discover Munich, Oberammergau and Innsbruck
- Visit Neuschwanstein Castle, the alpine resort of Berchtesgaden and the Church made famous in the film 'The Sound of Music' in Mondsee
- View Wilten Basilica and the Golden Roof in Innsbruck and Mozart's Birthplace in Salzburg
- See Melk Abbey and Wachau Valley

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 Welcome to Munich Willkommen in München – which you will have an opportunity to explore before embarking on your lyrical sojourn through the Sound of Music. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a memorable Welcome Reception to kick-start your leisurely journey through Germany and Austria.
 (WR) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark

Discover Bavarian Munich Embark on a morning orientation tour past some of the city's most renowned sites, including the Opera House, Ludwigstrasse, Hofbräuhaus and Marienplatz, whose Glockenspiel delights visitors throughout the day with its re-enactment of 16th-century tales. Spend the rest of the day and evening at leisure exploring the city's Old Town or consider an Optional Experience to the Dachau Concentration Camp Memorial Site, the first of the Nazi camps established in Germany. This evening you could consider an optional evening out at one of the city's local beer halls for a typical Bavarian food and beer experience. **(B)** 

**3** Onwards to Neuschwanstein Castle and

**Oberammergau** Journey to Neuschwanstein Castle, built as a retreat for shy King Ludwig II to retire from public life. Continue through Bavaria, arriving in Oberammergau, where locals have performed the Passion Play every decade since 1634 to fulfil their vow after the village was spared from the grip of the Black Plague. Continue to Innsbruck where tonight you'll dine in your hotel. **(B, D) Hotel: Wittelsbach** 

- Spend a Day in Alpine Innsbruck The Tyrol mountains beckon today in this capital of Tyrol. We spend a leisurely day against a magnificent alpine backdrop, exploring the city's iconic sights. Admire Emperor Maximilian I's ornate Golden Roof, then maybe take a trip up the funicular for spectacular views, or see the Hofburg Palace. Admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. You could choose instead to take an Optional Experience scenic train ride through the Tyrolean Alps to visit the glamorous ski resort of Seefeld, including a horse-drawn carriage ride and a chance to sample the local schnapps. **(B)**
- Journey to Salzburg Spend a soul-stirring morning connecting with the astounding natural beauty of Berchtesgaden. You'll want to take in all the spectacular views on an Optional Experience visit to Eagle's Nest, intended as a mountain retreat for Hitler and his inner circle. See the awe-inspiring mountain landscape and learn about the area's fascinating history before arriving in Salzburg, the birthplace of Mozart and the backdrop for the 'The Sound of Music.' (B) Hotel: Mercure City
- Explore Spectacular Salzburg Join your Local Specialist for a tour of the city's iconic highlights including Getreidegasse, the Salzburg Cathedral, Mozart's birthplace and many of the locations used in the film 'The Sound of Music'. This afternoon travel to Faistenau where we will Connect With Locals on a farm just outside Salzburg. The Klaushofer family and their resident bees are the hosts for an exclusive Be My Guest experience. Enjoy a family dinner, complete with delicious home-made cheese strudel. (B, BMG, )

Follow the Sound of Music. Recognise scenes from the classic musical filmed in enchanting spots you'll get to explore like Mirabell Gardens in Salzburg and Mondsee Church. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Off to Mondsee and Vienna Leave the sounds of Salzburg behind for lakeside Mondsee, where you'll visit Mondsee Abbey, the one-time Benedictine monastery that served as the church where Captain Von Trapp and Maria were married in 'The Sound of Music'. Gaze at the mountains and green fields as we leave the Salzkammergut region and journey eastward towards the regal Austrian capital, Vienna. There's no better introduction to the City of Music than a traditional dinner and local entertainment which you could enjoy as part of tonight's Optional Experience. (B) Hotel: Imperial Riding School

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- See the Sights of Vienna Enjoy an exclusive guided visit of the Habsburg royal collection of art at the Kunsthistorisches Museum, prior to admission of the general public. *Dive Into Culture* and visit the Kunstkammer during this private insider visit. Later, your *Local Specialist* will show you the city's major landmarks and palaces during your included sightseeing tour. The magic continues with a walking tour through the oldest parts of the city. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD, 50)
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# **Switzerland and Austria**

13 Days

4 Countries

17 Meals

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

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- **Explore** Salzburg and Vienna with a Local Specialist
- Discover Zurich, 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
- See Melk Abbey and the Wachau Valley

#### **Your vacation**

#### Day

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1 Welcome to Zurich Your epic journey to the heart of Europe starts in Zurich. Explore its historic center and scenic lakeside setting, before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for an orientation and Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Mövenpick Regensdorf

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

3 Onwards to Vienna Waltz through the scenic Austrian countryside, past Lake Mondsee and the rolling hills and fortresses of the Wachau Valley. See Melk Abbey overlooking the beautiful Danube, 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: NH Danube City

 Discover Artistic Vienna Admire the grand boulevards and beautiful Gothic and 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)

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

Ascend to Alpine Innsbruck Admire 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 admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. **(B) Hotel: Grauer Bär** 

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



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

- Journey to Lake Maggiore and on to Zermatt Drive via the Maloja Pass, past Lake Como, to Lake Maggiore. Explore the lakeside town of Stresa, before seeing the Borromean Islands. Then, head towards the Simplon Pass en route to Zermatt, where you will dine at your hotel. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: Alpen Resort
- **9 Zermatt Your Way** Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air. Relax in beautiful surrounds or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn. **(B)**
- 10 On to Lake Geneva and Montreux We continue our journey through the Rhône Valley, arriving on the tranquil shores of Lake Geneva later today, where we will view Chillon Castle. We follow the lakeshore to Montreux, set against the pristine backdrop of snowcovered peaks and vineyards. (B) Hotel: Eurotel
- 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
- 12 Lucerne Your Way Wander through Lucerne's medieval streets, spending the day exploring the city on your own or consider an Optional Experience ascending a nearby mountain for panoramic views. This evening, toast to your epic journey during your Farewell Dinner. (**B**, **FD**)
- 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 your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# **Contrasts of Switzerland**

8 Days

1 Country

11 Meals

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All aboard for one of the world's most beautiful train journeys. On this exciting Switzerland trip, you'll travel through the stunning Swiss countryside. It's a gem of a trip featuring life in tiny villages and sophisticated cities, not to mention St. Moritz with its jet-set appeal.

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- **Discover** Zurich, St. Moritz, Zermatt, Geneva and Lucerne
- Visit Interlaken
- View the Matterhorn and Jungfrau mountains (weather permitting), the Jet d'Eau in Geneva and the Lion Monument and Chapel Bridge in Lucerne

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Welcome to Zurich Zurich is our springboard to a spectacular journey through Switzerland. Explore its mix of ancient heritage and modern verve during your orientation tour before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception to launch your Swiss experience. (WR) Hotel: Mövenpick Airport

**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** 

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 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. (B, L) Hotel: Alpen Resort



Matterhorn views from Zermatt. Feel like a local as you go about your day against the imposing snow-capped backdrop of the Matterhorn, a magnet for adventurers. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

**Discover Scenic Zermatt** Join your Travel Director for an orientation walk around this car-free resort before spending the rest of the day on your own, indulging in the tranquil mountain atmosphere. Consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn, ascending over snow-capped mountains to Europe's highest cable car station. **(B)** 

5 A Train Journey to Lakeside Geneva We board a train to Vevey and *Connect With Locals* in Chexbres on the shores of Lake Geneva. We'll enjoy lunch at this memorable *Be My Guest* experience then continue to sophisticated Geneva where your orientation will include views of the Old Town, Jet d'Eau and the Flower Clock, paying tribute to the city's centuriesold 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, BMG,** (S)) **Hotel: Warwick** 

#### Journey on the Golden and Brünig Pass to

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Interlaken and Lucerne Picture-perfect 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 dinner. (B) Hotel: Astoria

7 Explore Medieval Lucerne 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 with wine in a local restaurant. (B, FD)

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



#### **Travel Director Tip**

In Switzerland, look for the simple but iconic Mondaine Clock in every railway station in the country. They are not just precise but also unique. The red second-hand circles the face in just 58-seconds, then does a 'two-heartbeat stop' before the next minute begins.

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Your Must-See Highlights

- Discover Zurich and Lucerne
- Visit Bern, Chillon Castle, Montreux, Zermatt, St. Moritz, 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

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Welcome to Zurich Welcome to the sophisticated Swiss city of Zurich - a flawless blend of fascinating heritage and modern spirit. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and orientation in this beautiful lakeside setting. (WR) Hotel: Mövenpick Regensdorf

Journey to Lake Geneva We leave the bright lights of Zurich 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

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



Wine tasting with views of Lake Geneva and the Alps. Enjoy local vintages and cheeses with Maude Vogel on the family wine farm her self-taught wine-making grandfather began. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Zermatt Your Way Spend the day soaking up the crisp mountain air and panoramic alpine vistas. You have a full day on your own to explore the town, or simply relax in beautiful surrounds. Consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views or explore the heritage of what was once a remote mountain village. (B)

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

- Off to Alpine St. Moritz We travel through the scenic Italian countryside, crossing the Swiss border into the scenic Upper Engadine Valley. We stop in the fortified town of Tirano, where we will board the famous Bernina Express train and wind our way through scenic landscapes en route to the stylish resort town of St. Moritz. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers. (B, D) Hotel: Reine Victoria
- Journey to Lakeside Lucerne Journeying through lush green landscapes, past Lake Zurich, we arrive in lakeside Lucerne. Pay tribute to the brave Swiss Guards, who lost their lives defending King Louis XVI at the Lion Monument, and cross the iconic wooden Chapel Bridge before strolling past the city's colorful façades. Consider joining a cruise on the tranquil lake waters and then ride the world's first double deck 'CabriO' cable car to the top of Mount Stanserhorn.
   (B) Hotel: Grand Europe
- Admire Scenic Brienz and Interlaken We travel to Interlaken at the heart of Switzerland, which lies in the shadow of the Jungfrau Mountain. Stopping in the village of Brienz en route, we'll *Dive Into Culture* and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of wood carving for which this village is so famous. Spend some time on your own and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our fellow travelers and Travel Director toasting the highlights of Switzerland we've enjoyed along the way. (B, FD, (1))
- 9 Homeward Bound As our journey through the Best of Switzerland comes to an end, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### **Basel Tattoo**

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

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



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- View the Castle and Old Town of Bratislava, the Hofburg Palace and Imperial Boulevards of Vienna and the Parliament Building in Budapest
- See Hofburg Palace and the Opera House
  in Vienna

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Welcome to Prague The gleaming spires of Prague shine brightly on this At Leisure sojourn through the imperial capitals of Prague, Vienna and Budapest. Admire the Gothic, Renaissance and Baroque façades, before joining your Travel Director and travel companions for an unforgettable Welcome Reception to kick off your vacation. (WR) Hotel: Vienna House Andel's

**Discover Historic Prague** Delve into centuries of history, joining your *Local Specialist* for a guided walk past the city's iconic sights. Visit the final resting place of Bohemian kings, St. Vitus Cathedral, set within the precincts of Prague Castle. Then, admire the Astronomical Clock in the Old Town Square, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. See the 14th-century Charles Bridge, lined with the Baroque statues of saints, before spending the afternoon admiring the spectacular cityscape on your own. **(B)** 

- 3 **Prague Your Way** Today is yours to explore the legends, castles and palaces of Prague. Follow the 'Royal Route' and discover historic treasures, admire picturesque views of the city from Petřín Hill, or join an Optional Experience to Kutná Hora, with its bone-bedecked chapel and five-nave St. Barbara Church. Spend your evening at leisure, enjoying some of the local beer for which the country is famous. **(B)** 
  - Journey to Slovak Bratislava and on to Vienna Travel south from Prague through lush Moravian landscapes to Bratislava, passing its quaint Old Town, before continuing your journey to Vienna – our home for the next three nights. Admire the city's musical talents and consider attending a Viennese concert. (B) Hotel: Imperial Riding School

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 Habsburg's royal collection of art and wonders before the doors are open to the general public. Later, we join an included sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist* to view the Hofburg Palace, the official residence of the President of Austria and former home of the Habsburg Dynasty. We'll see such sights as the Parliament Building, the magnificent Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral with its geometrically tiled roof. Spend the afternoon on your own, indulging in the city's *kaffee* culture with a slice or two of *Sachertorte.* (**B**, (**S**))



VIP entry to Kunsthistorisches Museum. Spend quality time exploring the Royal Collection of Habsburg Empire featuring the works of great masters in this palatial art museum in Vienna. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

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Dive Into Culture

**RD** Regional Dinner

FD Farewell Dinner

Vienna Your Way Today is yours to explore the 'City of Music' on your terms. Tread in the footsteps of the great sons of Vienna – Mozart, Haydn and Strauss, as you delve into the city's rich musical heritage nurtured by aristocrats throughout the centuries. Consider a visit to the beautiful Baroque Schönbrunn Palace to see the former imperial summer residence. (B)

Onwards to Budapest Journey along the Danube Bend, a narrow twisting valley in the pretty Carpathian Basin, stopping in Esztergom to view its Castle Hill, domed Cathedral, and St. Thomas Hill. We follow the scenic landscape to the romantic city of Budapest where we will spend the next three nights. Enjoy a free evening sipping Hungarian wines or consider cruising along the Danube. (B) Hotel: Hilton City

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See the Sights of Budapest Join a Local Specialist this morning for a walking tour through the winding lanes of Buda's Castle District. Visit the Fisherman's Bastion, view the Matthias Church and drive to Pest to see the Great Synagogue, the largest in Europe. We pay tribute to the seven chieftains of the Magyars in Heroes' Square before enjoying time at leisure to indulge in coffee and krémes in the Jewish Quarter or shop for Hungarian embroidery and fine porcelain. 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, BMG**, (S)

- 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, FD)
- 10 Farewell Budapest We say a fond farewell to our companions and Travel Director today after an unforgettable At Leisure trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# **Your Must-See Highlights**

- Explore Prague, Budapest, Vienna and Salzburg with a Local Specialist
- Discover Munich and Regensburg
- Visit Bratislava, the Fisherman's Bastion in Budapest and Győr
- View the Marienplatz in Munich, St. Vitus' Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague, the Imperial Boulevards of Vienna and Melk Abbey

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

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

- 3 Discover Colorful Prague Delve into centuries of history as you join a *Local Specialist* for a guided sightseeing tour of Prague. View the impressive architecture of St. Vitus Cathedral in the grounds of the 1,000-year-old Prague Castle. Cross the river on your walking tour to the Old Town Square to see the Astronomical Clock, with its hourly Walk of the Apostles. The afternoon is yours to explore the city on your own. (B)
- Onwards to Slovak Bratislava and Budapest Cross the lush landscapes of Moravia and stop in Bratislava to admire its eclectic Gothic, Baroque and Art Deco architecture. Continue across the Hungarian border before arriving in Budapest, the 'Paris of the East' where a free evening could see you choose an Optional Experience Danube cruise with dinner featuring Hungarian specialties and awe-inspiring views. (B) Hotel: Novotel Danube
- 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. Visit Fisherman's Bastion and enjoy superb views across the imposing Parliament building and Danube below. 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. (B, BMG, (S))



Hungarian dinner at a family run winery. A heart-warming experience with the whole Schiezl family, featuring traditional Hungarian fare and the family's captivating history. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- Venture to Vienna A leisurely start to your morning could see you joining an Optional Experience guided tour of the magnificent Parliament Building and a visit to the world-famous Gundel restaurant for pancakes. Cross the hilly landscapes of Transdanubia stopping in Győr to soak up its medieval atmosphere. Arrive in Vienna for an evening at leisure to indulge in the captivating melodies, art and architecture of a city that was once home to famous composers. (B) Hotel: Holiday Inn South
- 7 See the Sights of Vienna Join a Local Specialist and explore the imperial splendor of Vienna at Hofburg Palace, the former winter residence of the Habsburg Dynasty. Admire the grand State Opera House and Ringstrasse, then see the ornate colorful roof of St. Stephen's Cathedral, one of the city's most beloved icons. Perhaps consider a visit to the Baroque Schönbrunn Palace with its tranquil gardens or enjoy Vienna's musical talents at one of the performances for which the city is famous. (B)
- Off to Picturesque Salzburg See the Benedictine Melk Abbey perched on a rocky outcrop above the Danube. Arrive in Salzburg later and embark on a leisurely walking tour with a *Local Specialist*. Dine in your hotel this evening. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure City
- Return to Munich Return to Munich where your journey began. Celebrate a memorable vacation with new friends at an unforgettable Farewell Dinner.
   (B, FD) Hotel: Sheraton Westpark/Holiday Inn Westpark
- **Farewell Munich** Say a fond *auf Wiedersehen* to Germany, at the end of your exhilarating European experience. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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# Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Warsaw, Gdańsk, Toruń, Wrocław and Kraków with a Local Specialist
- Discover Zakopane

Visit the Old Town in Warsaw, the European Solidarity 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

• View the Cathedral, Salt Square and the Old Town Hall in Wrocław, Wawel Royal Castle and the Cathedral in Kraków

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Welcome to Warsaw Connect with Warsaw's steadfast spirit – a city rebuilt from the ashes of World War II. This evening, meet your fellow travelers and Travel Director at your hotel. (WR) Hotel: Crowne Plaza Hub

**Discover Historic Warsaw** This morning, embark on an in-depth guided sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. Gain a deeper understanding of how the city was rebuilt after the devastation of the Second World War. In your free time, you may consider an Optional Experience to Wilanów Palace. (**B**)

3 Onwards to Coastal Gdańsk Journey to Gdańsk, the amber capital of the world and one of the oldest cities in Poland. Enjoy a sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*, then *Dive Into Culture* during a visit to the European Solidarity Center, which reveals the history of Solidarity, the Polish trade union and civil resistance movement. Tonight, dinner is served at your hotel. (B, D, ☞) Hotel: Radisson Hotel & Suites

**Gdańsk Your Way** Enjoy a full free day to explore Gdańsk on your terms. Consider joining an Optional Experience to visit Malbork Castle, founded by the Teutonic Order of Knights in 1274. **(B)** 

Journey to Toruń and Cultural Wrocław Stop in the medieval town of Toruń this morning, a UNESCOlisted World Heritage Site. You'll join your *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour that will reveal the city's Leaning Tower, the house of famed astronomer Nicolaus Copernicus and Toruń Castle, among other key attractions. Continue to Wrocław, a former European 'Capital of Culture'. Tonight, enjoy dinner at your hotel. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: **Q Plus** 

Explore Wrocław This morning, join your Local Specialist on a guided tour of the city. Discover its complex history and see some of its most important sites, including Wrocław Cathedral, the Main Market Square, Old Town Hall and Salt Square, a former medieval marketplace and today, a flower market. Dive Into Culture and visit the Baroque ceremonial hall of Aula Leopoldina at Wrocław University. This afternoon, consider joining an Optional Experience to Książ Castle and UNESCO-listed Świdnica Church of Peace. (**B**, K☉)*)

Off to the Tatra Mountains and Zakopane Your iourney today takes you towards the foot of the Tatra Mountains, the highest mountain range of the Carpathians, which stretch across Central Europe. Spend some free time enjoying the local town or consider taking an Optional Experience. Break bread with a local Polish family at the foothills of the Tatra Mountains in Zakopane. You'll Connect With Locals and gain insights into their way of life in the Polish Highlands, while enjoying a home-cooked dinner featuring local specialties at this memorable Be My Guest experience. Warm up at your Stays With Stories accommodations, the Mercure Hotel Zakopane, nestled right next to the ski slope and bubbling geothermal pools. (B, BMG, 🗞, 📣) Hotel: Mercure Kasprowy



**Dinner in the Polish Highlands.** Pull up a chair with the Ziebas, a family of forest rangers in the Tatras, and feast on local favorites like roasted goat's meat and salty sheep cheese. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- **Continue to Kraków** Travel to Kraków where you will enjoy views of the Royal Castle and Cathedral on Wawel Hill during your tour with a *Local Specialist*. Your walking tour through the Old Town includes a visit to the Cloth Hall and St. Mary's Church. This evening, perhaps sample some lively Polish entertainment with dinner. **(B) Hotel: Qubus**
- 9 Kraków Your Way Consider joining an Optional Experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine, renowned as the Underground Salt Cathedral of Poland. The rest of the day is yours to explore the sights on your own. (B)
- 10 Venture to Auschwitz and Return to Warsaw We visit the concentration camp at Auschwitz, a poignant reminder of the horrors perpetrated during the Holocaust. Traveling to Jasna Góra Monastery, we see the iconic Black Madonna of Częstochowa. This evening, we arrive in Warsaw, where we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with newfound friends. (**B, FD**) Hotel: Crowne Plaza Hub
- 11 Farewell Warsaw Say farewell to your travel companions and Travel Director. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

" The itinerary was perfect. We really did get The Best of Poland!"

Our guest S. Mazza on Best of Poland

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# **Bohemian Highlights**

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From \$3175 Per person, double share

A jam-packed Bohemian trip showcasing the stories of central Europe. Learn about its colorful folklore and the tragedies of war as you visit in the heart of Old Town Kraków, slice through the Carpathians and see all the highlights of Prague, Budapest and Vienna.

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

- Welcome to Berlin Start your central European adventure in Berlin. Spend time meandering through this remarkable city before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Hilton
  - **Explore Bustling Berlin** Explore an iconic landmark of a unified Berlin and reunified Germany during an experience at the Berlin TV Tower. Enjoy inspiring 360° views of the city, then see the neo-Renaissance Reichstag, Tiergarten, Brandenburg Gate and Unter den Linden Boulevard with a *Local Specialist*. Spend some free time this afternoon exploring the city on your own. **(B)**
- 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. You'll check in to your Stays With Stories accommodation, the Leonardo Royal hotel, situated just 500 meters from the Warsaw Uprising Museum and near the remains of the ghetto walls if you'd like to dive deeper into the area's tragic history. (B, D, (A) Hotel: Leonardo Royal
  - **Discover Historic Warsaw** Join a *Local Specialist* this morning to explore Warsaw's colorful historic center, including the Old Town, which the Nazis destroyed in retaliation for the brave Warsaw Uprising. We'll also see the Warsaw Ghetto, tragically immortalized in the poignant Roman Polanski film – 'The Pianist'. Spend the rest of the day exploring the city's sights on your own. Consider a visit to the Wilanów Palace, a priceless testimony to the splendor of Poland's royal past, and treat yourself to a Chopin recital, before joining your travel companions this evening for a delicious Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. **(B, RD)**

**Onwards to Auschwitz and Kraków** *Dive Into Culture* as we pay homage to Częstochowa's Black Madonna at the Jasna Góra Monastery. Continue to the Auschwitz Memorial Site for a poignant reminder of one of the greatest tragedies of World War II. We continue to the enchanting city of Kraków. **(B, D, S) Hotel: Qubus** 



See the Black Madonna in Czestochowa. Stand in the site that pilgrims have flocked to for over 600 years, where you'll learn all about this sombre painting's many miracles. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- See the Sights of Kraków We take to the beautiful streets of Kraków, joining a *Local Specialist* for a walking tour of the medieval Old Town. Visit the Mariacki Church, see Wawel Castle, then enjoy panoramic views of the city from Wawel Hill. The rest of the day is yours to explore the sights on your own. Consider joining an Optional Experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine, renowned as the Underground Salt Cathedral of Poland. (B)
- 7 Venture through Slovakia to Budapest Drive south through the Tatras mountains and across the border into Slovakia. Continue to Hungary and arrive later in the majestic capital of Budapest. (B) Hotel: Mercure Korona
- Uncover the Treasures of Budapest We join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour, featuring views of the famous Chain Bridge and the UNESCO-listed Castle Hill district with a visit to the Fisherman's Bastion. See Heroes' Square to pay tribute to the Magyar chieftains who founded the Hungarian nation. Spend the rest of the day exploring on your own or consider a trip to Szentendre, a lively riverside town renowned for its art life. This evening, we Connect With Locals and join the Schieszl family for dinner and hear the story of their winery at our Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, (S))
- 9 Off to Vienna Cross the hilly Transdanubia region to the Roman town of Győr. Amble along Baross Gábor utca before departing for Vienna. Your Stays With Stories accommodation this evening is the Hilton Danube Waterfront, a renovated grain silo built in 1916. (B, ^(A)) Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront
- 10 Admire Vibrant Vienna Tread in the footsteps of Mozart, Haydn and Strauss, admiring Vienna's imperial elegance on an included sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. See the Parliament Building with its marble statues, the 13th-century Hofburg Palace, State Opera House and St. Stephen's Cathedral. Spend the rest of the day discovering the city at your own pace. Consider joining an Optional Experience to a famous local hostelry for traditional Austrian cuisine and a musical performance. (B)
- Venture to Prague Travel north to the Czech Republic and visit Tábor, once a Hussite stronghold. This afternoon, arrive in the remarkable city of Prague.
   (B, D) Hotel: NH City
- 2 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)
- 13 Journey to Frankfurt We journey west across the German border today before arriving in Frankfurt. Spend the last evening with your travel companions and Travel Director at a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach
- **Farewell Frankfurt** We say farewell to our newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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- ★ Festive celebrations: Christmas and New Year's Eve celebrations have been arranged for this departure. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
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17 Days

8 Countries

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

- Explore Vienna, Ljubljana, Zagreb, Budapest, Kraków, Warsaw, Berlin and Prague with a Local Specialist
- Discover Dresden
- Visit Lake Bled in Slovenia, Fisherman's Bastion in Budapest, Wawel Royal Castle in Krakow, the concentration camp at Auschwitz, Jasna Góra Monastery, Berlin TV Tower, St. Vitus Cathedral and the Old Town Square of Prague and Tábor
- View Lake Balaton, the Archbishop's Palace and the Opera House in Zagreb, Wawel Royal Castle in Kraków and Brandenburg Gate in Berlin

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- Welcome to Vienna Admire Vienna's Hofburg Palace. Imperial Boulevards and the beloved St. Stephen's Cathedral in the company of a Local Specialist. We'll transfer to your Stays With Stories accommodation, the Hilton Danube Waterfront, a renovated grain silo built in 1916. This evening, we join our Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR, 🕰) Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront
- 2 Journey to Lake Bled Journey through the Loibl Pass to Slovenia, arriving later at Lake Bled. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Park
- 3 Lake Bled Your Way Spend the day on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience to the extensive maze of underground caves at Postojna. (B)
  - Continue to Ljubljana and Zagreb We arrive in the Slovenian capital, Ljubljana, where we will join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour to see its Opera House, Cathedral, National Museum, Three Bridges Square and Castle. We cross into Croatia and travel to its capital, Zagreb. (B, D) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn/Canopy by Hilton
  - Discover Historic Zagreb Explore a tale of two hilltop settlements and Zagreb's alluring streets, to this day lit by gas lamps in the Upper Town. 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. (B)



Explore the cultural heart of Croatia. Get a local perspective of this vibrant European capital as you stroll along café-lined streets to Zagreb's iconic St. Mark's Church, featuring the coat of arms on its colorful roof. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

**Onwards to Lake Balaton and Budapest** Crossing the border into Hungary, we enjoy a photo stop on the shores of Lake Balaton. We continue to Budapest - our home for the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Ensana Thermal Margitsziget

- Explore Architectural Budapest Today, we join a Local 7 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. Later, we meet the Schieszl family and Connect With Locals over dinner at our Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, S)
  - Off to Slovakia and on to Kraków Journey through Slovakia to Poland and the enchanting city of Kraków. (B) Hotel: Qubus
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Admire Kraków's Charms We amble through the beautiful streets of Kraków this morning with our Local Specialist, admiring views of the Royal Castle and Cathedral on Wawel Hill. Our walking tour through the Old Town includes a visit of the St. Mary's Church and view of the Cloth Hall. Spend the afternoon exploring the city or perhaps join an Optional Experience to the Wieliczka Salt Mine. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D)

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- On to Auschwitz, Częstochowa and Warsaw Our journey this morning takes us to the concentration camp at Auschwitz, a poignant reminder of the horrors perpetrated during the Holocaust. Traveling to Jasna Góra Monastery, we Dive Into Culture and rub shoulders with Catholic pilgrims, who have journeyed to the famous shrine for centuries to see the iconic Black Madonna of Czestochowa. This evening, we arrive in the elegant Polish capital of Warsaw, where we will dine tonight at our hotel, the Leonardo Royal. This Stays With Stories accommodation is situated a short walk from the Warsaw Uprising Museum and near the remains of the ghetto walls if you'd like to dive deeper into the area's tragic history. (B, D, 🔊, 📣) Hotel: Leonardo Royal
- See the Sights of Warsaw This morning, we join a Local 11 Specialist visiting the Old Town and the site of the Warsaw Ghetto. Spend the rest of the day seeing the sights. (B)
- 12 Journey to Bustling Berlin Journey across Poland's patchwork countryside along the Autostrada Wolności (Motorway of Freedom). Cross the German border and arrive in Berlin, a capital city with an enviable youthful verve and charisma. Here you'll enjoy an evening at leisure to explore the city your way. (B) Hotel: AC Humboldthain Park
- 13 Uncover Berlin's Secrets Ascend an icon of reunification this morning as you indulge in spectacular panoramic views of the city from the Berlin TV Tower. Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour through the city's great landmarks, including the Brandenburg Gate, Unter den Linden Boulevard and the Reichstag Building. (B)
- Onwards to Dresden and Prague Travel through the Spreewald Forest to Dresden where your orientation tour will reveal insights into the city's restoration. Amble through its streets to see the Semper Opera, Zwinger Palace and fully reconstructed Frauenkirche. We arrive later in glorious Prague. Spend your evening savoring hearty Czech flavors during a Regional Dinner at a local restaurant. (B, RD) Hotel: Vienna House Diplomat
- 15 Discover Colorful Prague Stroll 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, the 14th-century Charles Bridge and Old Town Square. Visit the Cathedral of St. Vitus, then enjoy the rest of the day free to explore or relax. (B)
- Through Southern Bohemia to Vienna Journey through 16 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, FD) Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront
- 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)

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

- Explore Zagreb, Pula, Rovinj, Trogir, Split and Dubrovnik with a Local Specialist
- Discover Ljubljana, Bled, Opatija and Ston
- Visit the Church of Assumption on Bled Island, the arena in Pula, Plitvice National Park, Diocletian's Palace in Split and the salt pans in Ston
- **View** the Park of Sv. Jakov in Opatija and the lakes and waterfalls of Plitvice National Park
- See Zagreb's Ban Jelačić Square, the Triple Bridge and Castle of Ljubljana and the Old City of Dubrovnik
- · Scenic Cruise to Bled Island

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- 1 Welcome to Zagreb Embark on an off-the-beaten track discovery of Croatia. The capital city of Zagreb is your springboard to an enchanting journey through what was once a troubled region and is today a land of diverse cultures and traditions. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception and orientation drive. (WR) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn
- Journey to Lakeside Bled Spend the morning exploring Zagreb with a Local Specialist before traveling through romantic landscapes to the lakeside resort town of Bled, where we'll stay the next two nights. (B) Hotel: Park
- 3 Discover Enchanting Bled Spend today exploring this magnificent setting on your terms, or consider joining an Optional Experience to discover more of Slovenia's majestic scenery. This evening, at our Be My Guest experience, savor local Slovenian flavors as you Connect With Locals at a traditional dinner with a local family. (B, BMG, 🛞)
- Onwards to Ljubljana and Opatija We leave the beauty of Bled behind for one of Europe's smallest capitals. Embark on an orientation tour of Ljubljana this morning, admiring its Old Town, bridges and castle. We continue to the seaside resort of Opatija. (B) Hotel: Paris
- 5 Enjoy a Day in Pula and Rovinj Seaside splendor is on the agenda today and you'll start your day in the coastal city of Pula on Croatia's Istrian Peninsula. A visit to the 1st century arena with a Local Specialist will unravel the city's historical role as a strategic location for the Romans, Ostrogoths, Venetians and Allied Forces in World War II. Later, we head to the fishing port of Rovinj, where we wander through the Old Town and witness it's Mediterranean influences. Return to Opatija for some free time. See the statuesque nymph, her hand outstretched to cradle a seagull as a symbol of this region, and admire the belle-époque architecture. (B)
  - Off to Stunning Plitvice The extraordinary natural beauty of Plitvice takes center stage today as we embark on a guided walking tour. Admire the cascade of spectacular waterfalls and crystal-clear waters reflecting green, grey and blue against the lush landscapes. Enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Jezero



Explore soul-stirring nature in Plitvice. Admire all the shades of blue on this stunning encounter with the cascading waterfalls and lakes of Croatia's Plitvice National Park. Read more at trafalgar.com.

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- Admire Historic Trogir and on to Split Today, we visit the walled island of Trogir with a Local Specialist. The stone town is connected to the mainland and the island of Čiovo by bridges and will delight lovers of art, and Renaissance, Baroque and Romanesque architecture. We continue our journey to Split, where we'll join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour. which includes entry into Diocletian's Palace, built for the emperor's retirement. Spend the evening on your own, or join an Optional Experience to enjoy traditional Dalmatian flavors. (B) Hotel: Atrium
- Split Your Way Delve into centuries of heritage on this free day in Split. Consider a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian islands. Ascend the bell tower for magnificent views of the sprawling terracotta roofs and white marble façades that edge on to the Adriatic. Or sayor the city's delicious gastronomy at cafés tucked away in hidden lanes. (B)
- 9 Continue to Dubrovnik 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. Dive Into Culture and visit Europe's oldest salt pans where vou'll hear how salt has been harvested here since ancient times. We continue to Dubrovnik this evening. (B, 🕬) Hotel: Lero
  - Explore Iconic Dubrovnik Tread in the footsteps of Lord Byron and George Bernard Shaw, who were intoxicated by the allure of Dubrovnik. With your Local Specialist, you'll embark on a Small Group Sightseeing tour past the Rector's Palace, Onofrio's Fountain and the Franciscan and Dominican monasteries, before spending time on your own. As our journey comes to an end, join your travel companions for a Farewell Dinner. (B, FD)
- 11 Farewell Dubrovnik Our time together comes to an end this morning after breakfast. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### **Croatia Small-Group Cruise Extension**

Extend your trip through Croatia and Slovenia with a 7-night 'Pearls of the Adriatic' Croatian small-group cruise from Dubrovnik to Opatija. See pages 186-187 for trip details or visit trafalgar.com and view the full itinerary for the 'Best of Croatia, Slovenia and Pearls of the Adriatic'.

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### **Pearls of the Adriatic Croatian Cruising**

9 Days

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1 Country

17 Meals

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There's nothing better than lazy days on the Adriatic which you'll get to experience on this Croatia cruise from Dubrovnik to Opatija. Discover why Rab is the 'island of love', explore the buzzing historic center of Split and fill up on sun-kissed days along the Dalmatian coast.

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Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Korčula Old Town, Split, Rab and Opatija with a Local Specialist
- Visit Dubrovnik, Metković, the Narona Archaeological Museum, Split Market, Skradin, Bibich winery, Krka Waterfalls National Park, Skradinski Buk, Šibenik, Zadar and Volosko
- See the Augusteum Roman Temple in Metković and the Zadar Sea Organ

End Overnight Sightseeing

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

1 Welcome to Dubrovnik Imposing stone walls encircle the Old Town of Croatia's most recognizable city. On arrival in Dubrovnik, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel. The rest of the day is free to explore 'paradise on earth' in the words of George Bernard Shaw. Your local host will meet you and provide suggestions on how to explore the city's limestone streets and elegant courtyards lined with remnants of Dubrovnik's Golden Age. Hotel: More

Embark and Cruise to Korčula A leisurely start to your day could see you get your final fix of Dubrovnik. Then, transfer to the MV Aquamarin where you'll meet your onboard team. Set sail for Korčula, most famously the birthplace of Marco Polo and reminiscent of Dubrovnik with its medieval squares, churches and palaces. You'll discover why the locals call it 'The Black Island' and see how its towering walls have shielded its capital for centuries as it came under the rule of the Greeks, the Romans, the Venetians and even the British. After a tour through the Old Town's narrow streets, you'll have time to soak up the local atmosphere in one of the many konobas, restaurants or cocktail bars. (B, L)

#### **Deluxe MV Aquamarin or MV** Fantaziia

Explore the beauty of the Adriatic in comfort, boarding the deluxe MV Aquamarin or MV Fantazija to navigate the picture-perfect Croatian coastline and secluded harbors. Enjoy an intimate encounter with sun-kissed resort towns and fishing villages, made possible with small ship cruising. It's the easiest way to experience the true Croatia.

Onwards to Picturesque Metković Follow in the footsteps of ancient Illyrian, Greek and Roman sailors as you cruise to Metković. It's here, on the banks of the Neretva, that you'll find one of the last remaining wetland deltas in Europe. A barge ride into the groves provides the perfect opportunity to view the local flora, fauna and birdlife. Next, visit the Narona Archaeological Museum, where you'll see the remains of the Augusteum Roman temple, at the heart of what was once a major Roman stronghold. Tonight, you'll be hosted by the Captain for dinner. (B, L, D)

Continue to Historic Split Your cruise continues towards the capital of Dalmatia and the home to the UNESCO-listed Diocletian's palace. Explore Split's buzzing historical town center on foot with your Local Specialist who will share all the iconic and unexpected highlights with you as you wind your way towards Split Market at the heart of Croatia's second-largest city. Watch the animated vendors ply their fruits, fish and vegetables to locals visiting the market for their daily grocery run. You'll be tempted to stay in Split forever, but the comfort of your ship beckons and you'll return to it later this afternoon. (B, L)

5 Admire the Krka Waterfalls and on to Šibenik Arrive in Skradin and travel to Bibich winery where you'll get to sample some of the indigenous varietals produced by this boutique family-owned winery. Next up is a visit to Krka Waterfalls National Park, where you'll visit Skradinski Buk, a spectacular vantage point from which to view 17 separate falls cascading 150 feet to the pools below. You'll have the afternoon to explore the cultural monuments and waterfront attractions of Šibenik, a historic city along the Dalmatian coast and the oldest native Croatian town on the shores of the Adriatic. (B, D)



Visit Krka Waterfalls National Park. For the best views, you'll head to Skradinski Buk to capture the park's spectacular waterfalls on camera. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- Off to Stunning Zadar Cruise to Zadar, Croatia's oldest university town. From the 1st-century Roman forum to the 9th-century St. Donat Church, there's history around every turn. After exploring the wealth of museums, churches and palaces, you'll make your way to Zadar's Riva to see (and hear) the mesmerizing Sea Organ, comprising several stairs that descend into the sea. (B, L)
- 7 A Day Exploring Rab Island Today you'll explore the 'island of love'. A guided tour of Rab will reveal its highlights, including its ancient walls, church bell towers and the monastery at the 16th-century Church of St. Justine. Sample Rab cake and enjoy a presentation of how this local delight is made. Rub shoulders with local artists who add a splash of color to the streets of the town before returning to your cruise ship. (B, L)
- Cruise to Opatija Opatija was a favorite getaway of the Habsburgs and it will be for you too. Often compared to the French Riviera, the area has a colorful history which is brought to life by your Local Specialist. Savor the town's café culture and stroll down Franz Joseph promenade to the fishing village of Volosko. Tonight your Farewell Dinner on board is paired with live entertainment. (B, L, FD)
- 9 Disembark and Journey Home Say a fond farewell to your newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable iourney. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### You might also like these trip add-ons

The 'Pearls of the Adriatic' cruise joins seamlessly with either the 'Contrasts of Italy' trip (pages 52-53) or the 'Best of Croatia and Slovenia' trip (pages 184-185) with all transfers included.

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Reverse itinerary: These departures sail southbound from Opatija to Dubrovnik. One fewer dinner is included. See trafalgar.com for full details. Trip code: CICS

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12 Days

**3** Countries

17 Meals

#### From \$3025 Per person, double share

The secrets of Balkan travel are revealed on this jam-packed eastern Europe trip. Go underground and learn how Sarajevo once relied on its Bosnian War Tunnel, see the bridge of peace rebuilt with salvaged stone and explore Adriatic beauty, from Dubrovnik to Kotor. Past Guest Rated 4.6/5

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Zagreb, Sarajevo, Mostar, Dubrovnik, Kotor, Split, Trogir, and Plitvice National Park with a Local Specialist
- **Visit** the War Tunnel in Sarajevo, Kotor in Montenegro 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

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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 travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive. (WR) Hotel: Hilton Garden Inn

Explore Historic Zagreb The paved squares and steep alleyways of Zagreb are ours to explore this morning as we join a Local Specialist to delve into the city's rich medieval and religious history. See the majestic cathedral on Kaptol and St. Mark's Church, with its vividly colored tiled roof. Admire the Opera House, then take a stroll around the 17th-century Ban Jelačić Square. Spend the rest of the afternoon on your own - enjoy panoramic city views from Strossmatre, pay tribute to Zagreb's patron saint at the Stone Gate or wander through the Old Town, twirling your Šestine umbrella as you ramble through its labyrinthine lanes. Perhaps join an Optional Experience to Kumrovec, birthplace of the iconic leader Tito and enjoy a delicious meal of regional specialties with magnificent views of the Croatian countryside. (B)

Journey to Sarajevo We journey to Sarajevo, whose rich religious and multicultural heritage has earned it the nickname, the 'Jerusalem of Europe'. Its centuries-old religious history is reflected in its beautiful synagogues, mosques, and Orthodox and Catholic churches. Delving into the depths below Sarajevo, we join a Local Specialist for an insider tour of the Bosnian war tunnel which allowed food, war supplies and humanitarian aid to come into the city, and people to get out. Hear war-time tales of bravery and tragedy. This evening, join your travel companions for dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Bristol

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, the Eternal Flame and the Sarajevo Roses that are dotted across the city as a stark reminder of the turmoil Sarajevo endured decades ago. 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)

- 5 Along the Dalmatian Coast to Dubrovnik We journey to the secluded coves and dramatic cliffs of the Dalmatian coast that for centuries have attracted famous artists, actors and aristocrats. En route to Dubrovnik, the 'Pearl of the Adriatic', we stop at the magnificent Mostar Bridge. A Local Specialist will provide tales of this impressive bridge over the Neretva River and the bridge keepers who watched over it in medieval times - giving Mostar its name. The 16th-century bridge was destroyed during the war and has been rebuilt using age-old traditions. Enjoy some free time to explore the town, 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: Ariston
- 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 travel to Osojnik for a Be My Guest experience and Connect With
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- Dinner

Locals, joining the Muhoberac family for a traditional dinner in the village their ancestors have lived in for over 500 years. (B, BMG, 🛞)



Experience local life in a Croatian village. Hear the story of the welcoming Muhoberac family as you cook with them over the coals and taste traditional Pika over music and wine. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- A Day in Montenegro Dazzling natural surrounds are 7 ours to enjoy today as we travel to the Republic of Montenegro, where we will meet a Local Specialist and head towards 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)
- 8 Onwards to Split We pass old fishing villages and modern resorts, 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. Spend the evening on your own, or join an Optional Experience to savor traditional Dalmatian flavors. (B, 🔊) Hotel: Corner
- Split Your Way Indulge in a full free day to discover Split 9 on your terms. Ascend the bell tower for magnificent views of the sprawling terracotta roofs that edge onto the Adriatic or consider a full-day Optional Experience to one of the Dalmatian islands. (B)
- 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: Jezero
- 11 Return to Zagreb The tranquil turquoise, emerald and grey waters of Plitvice's multitude of lakes and waterfalls are explored today on a walking tour with a Local Specialist. Amble past the scenic natural landscapes, admiring the lush green vegetation in this UNESCO World Heritage site. We return to Zagreb for a final Farewell Dinner together, reminiscing over an enchanting Balkan exploration. (B, FD) Hotel: The Westin
- 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)
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7 Countries

20 Meals

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Visit several countries on this adventure-filled Balkan trip, where you'll venture deep into the Carpathian Mountains, walk in the mythical footsteps of Count Dracula at Bran Castle in Transylvania and revel in the beauty, history and traditions of the Balkan nations.

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Overnight

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Bucharest, Braşov, Veliko Târnovo, Sofia, Skopje, Tirana, Mostar, Sarajevo and Belgrade with a Local Specialist
- Discover Kotor and Budva
- Visit Bran Castle in Braşov, Tsaravets Fortress in Veliko Târnovo, the Church of the Nativity in Arbanasi, Sofia, Skopje, Tirana, Kotor, Budva, Mostar, the War Tunnel in Sarajevo and Kalmegdan Fortress in Belgrade
- View Peleş Castle in Sinaia, St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and St. Sofia Church in Sofia, the Palace of Culture and the National library in Tirana and the Stari Most in Mostar
- See the Palace of Parliament in Bucharest

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- 1 Welcome to Bucharest You'd be forgiven for thinking you were in Paris when you explore the Belle-Époque atmosphere of Romania's capital, Bucharest. Your first day will be free to explore the city your way. Later, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Intercontinental
- Journey to Transylvania and Braşov A full day of sightseeing stretches ahead, beginning in Bucharest where you'll join a Local Specialist to delve into the city's tumultuous history. See the immense Palace of the Parliament, one of the lasting legacies left behind by dictator Nicolae Ceausescu. Venture to Sinaia and view Peleş Castle, the summer retreat of Romania's first king. Then, continue to Brasov and check in to your hotel in Poiana Braşov ski resort. (B, D) Hotel: Ana Sport
- 3 Dracula's Castle and More in Braşov The highlight of the day is this morning's visit to Bran Castle, the legendary home of Dracula. Dive Into Culture with a Local Specialist and learn about its history, then journey to the medieval streets of Braşov, where you'll take a step back in time with a Local Specialist. Your evening is free to indulge in some of the local Transylvanian favorites, or consider joining your travel companions for an optional dinner. (B, 5)
  - Continue to Medieval Veliko Târnovo Head south, through ancient villages and tranguil landscapes across the Danube River into Bulgaria. Your journey ends in Veliko Târnovo, the 'City of the Tsars' and former capital of the Bulgarian Empire. Relax after your scenic drive and join your travel companions for dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Yantra Grand
- 5 Onwards to Historic Sofia The fairy-tale façades of Veliko Târnovo exude medieval history around every turn and your Local Specialist will reveal a rich history and culture befitting a former imperial capital. Your next stop is the UNESCO-listed town of Arbanasi. Visit the Church of the Nativity before we continue to Sofia, where you'll join a Local Specialist for an in-depth sightseeing tour of Bulgaria's modern-day capital including views of the golden-domed St. Alexander Nevsky Cathedral and St. Sofia Church, Later, check in to your unique Stays With Stories accommodations, the Marinela Hotel designed by renowned Japanese architect Kisho Kurokawa. (B, 📣) Hotel: Marinela

Sofia Your Way You'll have a full day to explore this modern city built on Roman ruins. You could choose instead to join an Optional Experience to the UNESCOlisted Rila Monastery, founded by the hermit St. Ivan of Rila in the 10th century. (B)

7 Cross to Macedonian Skopje Cross the Macedonian border today, bound for Skopje. See the legacy of the Ottomans in the mosques and bazaars as you join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour this afternoon. Local flavors and stories are on the menu tonight as you Connect With Locals at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, 🗞) Hotel: Holiday Inn

Off to Albania and Tirana Leaving Macedonia behind, head to the Albanian capital of Tirana where you'll join a Local Specialist on arrival 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

- Connect With Locals WR Welcome Reception Breakfast R
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- 0 Journey to Montenegro's Kotor and Budva Soak up Montenegro's natural beauty as you drive towards Kotor. You'll have some time for lunch on your own and an orientation tour of this fortified town. Travel to Budva next where your Travel Director will provide an orientation tour before you have the rest of the day to explore 'Montenegro's Miami' on your own. (B) Hotel: Falkensteiner
- 10 Venture to Mostar and Sarajevo In Mostar, a Local Specialist will lead you through its colorful cobbled streets and you'll view the Stari Most Ottoman-style bridge reconstructed entirely using traditional methods. Head to Sarajevo next where you'll delve into the rich religious and multicultural heritage that has earned it the nickname, the 'Jerusalem of Europe'. Tonight you'll enjoy dinner at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Novotel Bristol



Walk across the Stari Most. Visit the beautiful Old Bridge in Mostar, destroyed during the Bosnian War. Rebuilt using its salvaged stone, it's a reminder of peace and reconciliation. Read more at trafalgar.com.

Discover Sarajevo Join a Local Specialist for a guided 11 walking tour of Sarajevo. Visit the War Tunnel, an underground tunnel of hope that was built in 1993 during the Siege of Sarajevo, allowing war supplies and humanitarian aid to reach the city at the height of the Bosnian War. Then, enjoy a free afternoon to explore on your own. (B)

On the Road to Belgrade Travel through lush forests, pastures and the Bosnian Mountains into Serbia - a scenic day of driving that will end in Belgrade. The 'White City' has a long history which you'll have an opportunity to explore tomorrow. (B) Hotel: Mercure Excelsior

13 Explore Riverside Belgrade Your Local Specialist will share the sights and sounds of Belgrade from an insider's perspective this morning. Visit Kalemegdan Fortress and discover how the Romans, Ottomans and Austro-Hungarians have each had a hand in rebuilding the fortress. This evening, we reunite one final time for a rousing Farewell Dinner to reminisce over our shared travel experience. (B, FD)

14 Farewell Belgrade All that's left is to say a fond doviđenja as you bid your new friends farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Tbilisi and Yerevan with a Local Specialist
- Discover Goris
- 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, four 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

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Dilijan, Armenia

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1 Welcome to Tbilisi A smorgasbord of architectural marvels overlook the cobbled streets of Georgia's capital. On arrival in Tbilisi, you'll be met at the airport and transferred to your hotel where you'll meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception with drinks and Georgian-style fare this evening. (WR) Hotel: Wyndham Grand

Explore Colorful Tbilisi Your sightseeing tour begins at the 13th-century Metekhi Church, from there you'll wind your way along narrow streets and stroll past the patterned balconies and colorful façades that are so characteristic of this city. Ascend to the ancient Narikala Fortress by cable car next, before delving into the legend of the Golden Fleece at the Georgian National Museum. (B)

3 Onwards to Mtskheta and on to Akhaseni Leave Tbilisi behind as you head to the ancient capital of Mtskheta. Known as the religious center of Georgia, you'll revel in the twin UNESCO World Heritage sites - the 6th-century Jvari Monastery and 11th-century Svetitskhoveli Cathedral. Delve into the city's Christian history which saw it granted the status of a 'Holy City', then retire to your hotel where you'll enjoy dinner. (B, L, D) Hotel: Wine Resort

Off to Sighnaghi and return to Tbilisi Travel to the fortified town of Sighnaghi in the heart of Georgia's wine region. Visit Bodbe Monastery, one of the country's most prominent pilgrimage sites, then head to Kakabeti village in Sagaredjo where you'll Connect With Locals and enjoy lunch and a wine tasting. At this exclusive Be My Guest experience, your host will treat you to some of the local wines, followed by a master class in Georgian bread baking and churchkhela sweets. Return to your hotel later for an evening at leisure. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Wyndham Grand



Learn about Georgian wine history. Meet Beka at his traditional wine cellar and learn how it's been made for centuries in fascinating clay Kvevri jars that are buried underground. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- A Day in Uplistsikhe and Gori Trace the ancient Silk 5 Route and visit Uplistsikhe Cave Town where you'll find an ancient theater, church and dwellings hewn directly out of the rocky hillside. Next, delve into the life of the former leader of the Soviet Union at the Joseph Stalin Museum in Gori, his birthplace. Later, Connect With Locals at lago's wine cellar where you'll sample some of the local wines produced using a traditional method. Iago
  - Connect With Locals WR Welcome Reception L. Breakfast R

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and his wife Marina regale guests with colorful stories of their life as wine producers in the area before you return to Tbilisi. (B, 🐼)

- Continue to Monastic Haghpat and Dilijan Bid farewell to Georgia and cross the border into Armenia. Your first taste of this ancient land is the UNESCO-listed monastic complex of Haghpat featuring incredible works of medieval Armenian architecture. Enjoy lunch in Dzoraget village, then Dive Into Culture by tasting Russian pancakes and homemade tea with a local in Fioletovo village, before heading to Dilijan for your overnight stay. (B, L, D, 🕬) Hotel: Best Western Plus Paradise
- 7 Admire Stunning Lake Sevan and Goris A day of tranquil beauty awaits at Lake Sevan - your reward for an early start to the day. You'll see first-hand why it is deserving of its nickname 'The Blue Pearl of Armenia' before stopping in the lakeside village of Noratus. Head to Yeghegnadzor, where you'll savor a homemade lunch of local specialties. Then, enjoy a quick photo stop in Karahunge, known as 'Armenia's Stonehenge'. Tonight you'll enjoy dinner at your hotel in Goris. (B, L, D) Hotel: Goris
  - Journey to the Tatev Complex, Ararat Valley and on to Yerevan A thrilling start to the day sees us take a trip across the Wings of Tatev cableway to the 'monastery on the edge of nothing'. Watch the epic scenery unfold as the world's longest aerial tramway delivers you to the 9th-century Apostolic monastery. Then, continue to Shinuhayr village where you'll Make A Difference to the local community which makes a living from crafting traditional wool carpets. Enjoy lunch in a local family's home nearby before continuing to your final stop for the day, Khor Virap Monastery. Admire the views of Mount Ararat, Armenia's national symbol, then head to Yerevan, the country's capital. (B, L, 🕸) Hotel: Ramada By Wyndham
- 9 Discover Historic Yerevan Your sightseeing tour will start in Republic Square and continue to the Cascade Complex, home to the Gafesjian Center which houses some of Armenia's most important works of art. Take the Great Cascade to Victory Park for incredible views of the heart of the city before visiting the moving Armenian Genocide Memorial, dedicated to the memory of over a million Armenians who perished in the first genocide of the 20th century. The rest of the day is free to explore the city your way. (B)
- A Day Exploring Geghard Monastery Today's excursion takes us to the UNESCO-listed Geghard Monastery. Hewn partly from the surrounding rock, Geghard is most famous for its incredible acoustics and spectacular natural beauty. You'll *Dive Into Culture* during a moving performance of Armenian spiritual songs, or sharakans, performed by a live quintet, before a scenic drive brings you to Garni. Here you'll meet a local family who will teach you how to make Armenia's national flatbread lavash paired with cheese and greens. Connect With Locals as you sample the brduj snack you've just made yourself and take a walk around your host's garden and orchard. On your return to Yerevan, enjoy delicious flavors of the legendary Armenian brandy during a local distillery visit. Tonight, you'll end your epic adventure through Georgia and Armenia with a Farewell Dinner in a traditional Armenian tavern, paired with folk songs and dance. (B, FD, 🗐, 🛞)
- 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)
- Dive Into Culture **RD** Regional Dinner FD Farewell Dinner

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

• Explore St. Petersburg, Moscow, Minsk, Vilnius, Riga, Tallinn and Helsinki with a Local Specialist

• Visit the Peter and Paul Fortress and Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, the Kremlin in Moscow, the Peter and Paul Church in Vilnius, the Hill of Crosses in Šiauliai and the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral in Tallinn

**View** Red Square in Moscow, Nevsky Prospekt and St. Isaac's Cathedral in St. Petersburg, Riga's Art Nouveau architecture and the Finlandia Hall in Helsinki

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- 1 Welcome to Helsinki Welcome to Helsinki, the cool capital of Finland, before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travel companions for an orientation drive to see the city's iconic sights followed by a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Holiday Inn City Centre
  - Venture to St. Petersburg Follow the beautiful shoreline along the Gulf of Finland, crossing the border into Russia. We journey through the lush forests of Karelia to the imperial city of St. Petersburg - our home for the next three nights. You will have the option of admiring the 'Venice of the North', taking to its waters and navigating the city's canals by boat. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Holiday Inn Moskovskie Vorota
- 3 The Hermitage and More in St. Petersburg Join a *Local Specialist* this morning to explore the city's iconic sights including the Tsar's Winter Palace, Nevsky Prospekt, St. Isaac's Cathedral and the Statue of Peter the Great. Visit the Peter and Paul Fortress, then join a Small Group Sightseeing tour with a Local Specialist to the spectacular Hermitage Museum, one of the world's largest and most valuable art collections. Admire the exquisite works of da Vinci, Rembrandt and Vermeer which hang proudly on its magnificent Baroque and Rococo walls. (B, 🕬)
  - St. Petersburg Your Way Spend the day exploring St. Petersburg, admiring the ornate golden domes and colorful mosaics of cathedrals and churches. Consider joining an Optional Experience to a highenergy Russian folklore show. (B)
  - Journey By High-Speed Train to Moscow Leave St. Petersburg behind, boarding your high-speed train bound for Russia's imposing capital city. Delve into the tumultuous and captivating history of Moscow. an ancient city that oozes grandeur. This evening, we dine at our hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Azimut Olympic



High-speed train from St. Petersburg to Moscow. This is how the locals travel between these two main centers and you'll follow their lead aboard a high-speed Sapsan (Peregrine Falcon) bullet train. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- Explore Magnificent Moscow Join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour of the imposing Red Square. See the domes of St. Basil's Cathedral, before venturing beyond within the red walls of the Kremlin for a memorable visit to the seat of Russian power. (B)
- Connect With Locals Welcome Reception WR L. Breakfast R
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- Moscow Your Way Immerse yourself in the kofe 7 culture of Moscow, before taking to its streets to learn about the city's triumphs and defeats. Consider an Optional Experience to the Tsar's Treasury Chamber or St. Sergius Monastery and its handicraft market. (B)
- Onwards to Minsk Pass near the 'bloody battlefields' of Borodino and stop for lunch in the Smolensk region. We cross the border and journey to Minsk, where tonight we dine on traditional cuisine at our hotel. (B, L, D) Hotel: Crowne Plaza
- Discover Slavic Minsk This morning, we join our 0 Local Specialist to see the iconic sights of Minsk, including the Hero City Memorial. This evening, Connect With Locals and join Anatolij and his family in their Belarus farmstead for a traditional dinner. Enjoy rousing accordion choruses and, of course, a few shots at this exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, 🛞)
- Continue to Vilnius We journey west to Vilnius. Join a *Local Specialist* on a leisurely tour past the city's iconic sights. Explore the Baroque Church of St. Peter and St. Paul. Then, walk to the Gates of Dawn, the Carmelite Church of St. Theresa and former Jewish Ghetto, passing the Cathedral on the way. (B) Hotel: Courtyard by Marriott City Center
- 11 Off to Šiauliai and Riga Enjoy a leisurely morning in Vilnius, departing the city after lunch. Our first stop is the extraordinary Hill of Crosses at Šiauliai. We arrive in the ancient city of Riga later, where we will spend the next two nights. This evening, after dinner, maybe take to the streets to explore the Latvian capital's inspiring Gothic spires. (B, D) Hotel: AC by Marriott
- Uncover Riga's Secrets Stroll through the winding 12 medieval streets of Riga's UNESCO-listed Old Town - with one of the world's finest collections of Art Nouveau buildings and a Hanseatic trade history we will have an opportunity to explore during a sightseeing and walking tour with a Local Specialist. Spend the rest of the day exploring the sights on your terms. (B)
- Journey to Coastal Tallinn We follow the Gulf of Riga 13 north into Estonia, and travel via Parnu. Explore the beautifully preserved streets of Tallinn's old Hanseatic Quarter with a *Local Specialist*. See its 15th-century Luhike Jalg Gate and visit the Alexander Nevsky Cathedral. This evening, you'll check into our Stays With Stories accommodations, the Nordic Forum hotel, offering marvelous views over Tallinn's UNESCO Old Town, and the first hotel to lead the way in urban beekeeping. (B, 🕰) Hotel: Nordic Forum
- Return to Helsinki We board a ferry this morning, crossing the Baltic Sea to Helsinki where we'll meet a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour past Finlandia Hall, the Senate and Market Squares, and the café-lined Esplanadi. This evening, we join our fellow travelers for a special Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Holiday Inn City Centre
- 15 Farewell Helsinki We say a fond farewell to newfound friends at the end of a memorable trip. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- View the Little Mermaid in Copenhagen, the Finlandia Hall in Helsinki, the Tsar's Winter Palace, Nevsky Prospekt, St. Isaac's Cathedral and the statue of Peter the Great in St. Petersburg and Red Square and the Walls of the Kremlin in Moscow
- 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

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- 1 Welcome to Copenhagen Spend a leisurely afternoon connecting with the *hygge* atmosphere of Copenhagen, before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and evening orientation drive. Check in to your *Stays With Stories* accommodation, the historic Phoenix Hotel in the heart of Copenhagen's most elegant district. (WR, A) Hotel: Phoenix
- 2 **Explore Historic Copenhagen** Join a *Local Specialist* today for a sightseeing tour of the iconic sights of Copenhagen. See the beloved Little Mermaid, the Renaissance Stock Exchange, and the Royal palaces of Amalienborg and Christiansborg. An afternoon at leisure could see you choose an Optional Experience visiting the Danish Riviera. **(B)**
- **3 Journey to Oslo** Cross the Øresund by ferry and wind your way north, through the Swedish countryside past Gothenburg to Norway. (B) Hotel: Scandic Solli

Vikings and More in Oslo Join your *Local Specialist* this morning for a sightseeing tour of Oslo. See the medieval fortress of Akershus, the elegant Royal Palace and Oslo Opera House and visit Vigeland Sculpture Park. Enjoy a free afternoon to explore the city on your terms. **(B)** 

5 Onwards to Stockholm We cross the border into Sweden today and continue via Karlstad on Lake Vänern, the largest lake in the European Union. Passing Örebro, we arrive in the island-ringed capital of Stockholm. (B) Hotel: Elite Palace

**Discover Beautiful Stockholm** Join your *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour this morning, including sights of Stockholm's historic mother church, Storkyrkan, the Royal Palace and a visit to City Hall. This evening *Connect With Locals* over dinner during a *Be My Guest* eco-friendly experience of Swedish hospitality amidst the former hunting and fishing grounds of Swedish kings. **(B, BMG,** (S))

**Embark on an Overnight Cruise** Spend your day exploring the city on your own or perhaps join an excursion to the Vasa Museum showcasing the 17th-century warship reclaimed from the seabed. This evening, we board an overnight ferry and cross the Baltic bound for Finland. **(B)** 

Arrive in Vibrant Helsinki After an early arrival in Helsinki, meet your *Local Specialist* for an introduction to the city's iconic sights and its Swedish and Russian heritage. See the modern marble façades of Finlandia Hall, the Senate and the colorful stalls in Market Square. Enjoy a Regional Dinner with your fellow travel companions. (B, RD) Hotel: Holiday Inn City Centre

Continue to St. Petersburg We depart Finland and journey to the imperial city of St. Petersburg where Peter the Great's magic touch on its pastel-hued façades and elegant canals provides the perfect introduction to our adventure through Russia. Tonight, dinner is served at your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Park Inn by Radisson Nevsky The Hermitage and More in St. Petersburg Explore the might of imperial Russia on a sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. View the magnificent Tsar's Winter Palace, Nevsky Prospekt, St. Isaac's Cathedral and the statue of Peter the Great. Visit the Peter and Paul Fortress on an included visit before we *Connect With Locals*, meeting some of the students of St. Petersburg's Theater for canapés and a stage performance. Learn how your visit will *Make Travel Matter* by supporting the theatrical education of St. Petersburg's youth. Later, join a Small Group Sightseeing visit with a *Local Specialist* to the Hermitage Museum. (**B**, (**b**), (**b** 



- Small group visit to the Hermitage. An expert reveals all the highlights and some secrets of the Tsars' impressive private collection of millions of artifacts and art spanning the ages. Read more at trafalgar.com.
- 11 St. Petersburg Your Way Admire the ornate domes and colorful mosaics of the Church of the Savior on Spilled Blood and the gold-plated dome of St. Isaac's Cathedral. Consider joining an Optional Experience to cruise the River Neva and the canals of St. Petersburg. (B)
- 12 Journey By High-Speed Train to Moscow Board a train to the Russian capital. Straddling the Moskva River, Moscow is the country's political, economic, religious and financial hub – and your home for the next three nights. (B) Hotel: Hilton Leningradskaya
- 13 Explore Magnificent Moscow The imposing Red Square takes center stage this morning during a guided sightseeing tour with a *Local Specialist*. Visit inside St. Basil's Cathedral and see the Kremlin Walls before spending some time at leisure exploring the sights. (B)
- Moscow Your Way Kick-start your morning immersing yourself in the *kofe* culture of Moscow, before taking to its streets to learn about its triumphs and defeats. Consider an Optional Experience to the 14th-century Sergiyev Posad, a place of pilgrimage and the largest religious and cultural center in Russia. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner. **(B, FD)**
- 15 Farewell Moscow Say a fond farewell to Russia and newfound friends after your memorable vacation comes to an end after breakfast. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Explore Oslo with a Local Specialist
- Discover Bergen

• Visit Hardangerfjord, Geirangerfjord, the State Church at Lom and Vigeland Sculpture Park

• View Voringfoss, Steinsdalsfoss, Haakon's Hall in Bergen, Akershus, the Opera and Royal Palace in Oslo

See Sognefjord, Bøyabreen Glacier and Hamar Olympic ice arena

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Welcome to Oslo Prepare for a spellbinding encounter with nature – an untamed landscape of fjords, lakes and dense forests that begins in the understated capital of Oslo, set within beautiful natural surrounds. On arrival, transfer to your *Stays With Stories* accommodation, the Clarion Collection Bastion, an exquisite boutique hotel with a warm personality. Spend the day exploring the city's interesting architecture and exquisite open spaces, before joining your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your journey. (WR, A) Hotel: Clarion Collection Bastion

Journey to Scenic Geilo and Hardangerfjord We journey along the shores of the Tyrifjord to the ski resort of Geilo with its scenic location at the foot of Hallingskarvet, before continuing across the Hardanger Plateau to Voringfoss, a cascade of water that plunges impressively into the Måbødalen Canyon below. We continue to Hardangerfjord – its title as the 'Queen of the Fjords' is well deserved and you'll have an opportunity to admire its deep blue waters as you travel along part of its shoreline to your hotel in Norheimsund where you will dine tonight. (B, D) Hotel: Thon Sandven

Onwards to Beautiful Bergen A scenic drive along lakes and fjords will bring us to the 'Capital of Fjords', Bergen. We'll learn about the city's Hanseatic heritage, enjoying an orientation tour past the 13th-century Haakon's Hall and bustling fish market. Enjoy some free time to explore this colorful city. This evening, *Connect With Locals* as the Øvre-Eide family welcome us on their farm for dinner and a very special *Be My Guest* experience. (**B**, **BMG**, **(S) Hotel: Thon Orion** 

Off to Voss and Stunning Sognefjord Delving straight back into Norway's inspiring natural landscapes, we continue to the 'King of Fjords', traveling via Voss, the country's adventure capital. There's some free time to embark on an Optional Experience on the Flåm Railway, one of the most beautiful train journeys in the world. Tonight, we overnight at one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories* -Sognefjord Hotel, nestled right on the breath-taking Sognefjord. (B, D, A) Hotel: Sognefjord

5 **Continue to Geiranger** Journey from Sognefjord, Norway's longest and deepest fjord, to Geiranger. See the impressive Bøyabreen glacier, part of Jostedalsbreen, continental Europe's largest glacier. Your day trip is filled with pinch-me moments as you skirt past three different fjords. Tonight, we stay on the shores of the fjord at one of Trafalgar's *Stay With Stories* - Hotel Havila Geiranger. (**B**, **D**, *A*) **Hotel: Havila** 



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- A Day at the Breathtaking Geirangerfjord The Geirangerfjord takes center stage today, you'll get to explore it your way today. You could choose to take a scenic cruise past its tumbling waterfalls and snow-capped peaks. Perhaps take the short drive to Flydalsjuvet viewpoint for a breathtaking panoramic view of the fjord below. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon soaking up your epic surrounds, or consider joining an Optional Experience to drive Norway's most famous road, the Trollstigen, with its eleven hairpin bends. **(B)**
- 7 Venture to Historic Lom and Lillehammer We enjoy a scenic drive to Lom, the gateway to the Jotunheimen Mountains. Here, we will *Dive Into Culture* and visit a 12th-century stave church, adorned with Runic inscriptions, paintings and carved dragon figures that are said to protect it against evil. We continue through the Gudbrandsdal Valley before arriving in Lillehammer, the proud host of the 1994 Winter Olympics. (B, String) Hotel: Scandic Victoria
- Return to Oslo We return to Oslo where we spend the afternoon exploring several of the city's highlights with a *Local Specialist*, including views of the medieval fortress of Akershus, overlooking Oslo's beautiful harbor, the Opera and the 19th-century Royal Palace. We finish our tour with a visit to the fascinating Vigeland Sculpture Park, proudly displaying the life's work of Gustav Vigeland. After a magnificent encounter with Norway's epic natural landscapes, we enjoy our last evening together at a Farewell Dinner, toasting to a memorable trip. (B, FD) Hotel: Scandic Solli
- 9 Farewell Norway Our journey through the fjords, falls and forests of Norway has come to an end. We bid our newfound friends a fond farewell and prepare to return home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- Explore Copenhagen, Oslo and Stockholm with a Local Specialist
- Discover Bergen
- Visit Odense, Stavanger, the Sognefjord, Geiranger, the Stave Chuch in Lom, the Olympic Town of Lillehammer, Vigeland Sculpture Park in Oslo and Stockholm's City Hall
- **View** the Little Mermaid in Copenhagen, Haakon's Hall in Bergen and the Geirangerfjord
- See Hamar Olympic ice arena and Oslo's Royal Palace
- Scenic Train Ride through the Norwegian countryside to Flam

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- 1 Welcome to Copenhagen Embrace this enchanting Danish capital that inspired Hans Christian Andersen to share tales of mermaids, queens and ugly ducklings with the world. Spend the day embracing its quintessential *hygge* found throughout its charming streets before enjoying a late afternoon orientation drive and Welcome Reception with your Travel Director and travel companions. (WR) Hotel: Marriott
  - **Explore Historic Copenhagen** Join a *Local Specialist* today for a sightseeing and walking tour of the iconic sights of Copenhagen, including the Amalienborg Palace Quarter. See the 17th-century Stock Exchange, Christianborg Palace and the Neo-Classical Cathedral, before paying tribute to the tragic Little Mermaid. Spend the rest of the day on your own. This evening, consider a canal cruise with stunning city views. **(B)**
- 3 Journey through Stunning Scenery to Randers Journey to Odense, then continue across pastoral landscapes to Randers, with its half-timbered merchant houses. Tonight, we stay at one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories* – the Hotel Randers, one of the oldest hotels in the area with original artwork and a VIP-rich guestbook. (B, A) Hotel: Randers
- Set Sail for Stavanger Set sail from Hirtshals across the Skagerrak to Kristiansand in Norway. Drive north past fjords, lakes and forests to Stavanger, one of Norway's oldest settlements. (B, D) Hotel: Thon Maritim
- 5 **Onwards to Colorful Bergen** Embark on an island hop from Stavanger. In Bergen, we take an orientation tour past the 13th-century Haakon's Hall, the bustling fish market and colorful Bryggen Quarter. This evening, we *Connect With Locals* over dinner at a special *Be My Guest* experience, visiting the Øvre-Eide farm, worked for five generations by the same family. **(B, BMG, ^(S)) Hotel: Thon Orion**



Dinner on a working farm. Join the Øvre-Eide family for a Norwegian dinner and traditional music on their livestock farm, which has been a working farm since the 1500s. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- **Bergen Your Way** Enjoy a full free day in the cultural center of Bergen or ascend its funicular for spectacular views of the fjords and islands. Consider an Optional Experience to Telavåg, which played a significant role in the secret North Sea boat traffic between Norway and Great Britain during World War II. (**B**)
- 7 Enjoy the Scenic Flåm Railway and on to Sognefjord We drive east to the popular ski resort of Voss, where we'll board a train ascending over 2,800 feet above sea level. *Dive Into Culture* on one of the world's most exciting train journeys, through the Flåm Valley past the Kjosfossen Falls. Later, arrive in Sognefjord, the 'King of the Fjords', where we will stay overnight at one of Trafalgar's *Stays With Stories*, the Sognefjord Hotel, located on a peninsula stretching into the Sognefjord. (B, D, S¹, A) Hotel: Sognefjord
- 8 Continue to Geiranger Norway's incredible glacier countryside surrounds us as we skirt the immense Nordfjord on the way to Geirangerfjord. Tonight, we stay on the shores of the fjord at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories Hotel Havila Geiranger. (B, D, A) Hotel: Havila
- 9 A Day at the Breathtaking Geirangerfjord Spend a full day admiring this spectacular natural wonder. Consider an Optional Experience to the Trollstigen and see Norway's most famous mountain road. Dinner is at your hotel this evening. (B, D)
- Venture to Historic Lom and Lillehammer A scenic drive from Geiranger through high peaks brings us to Lom, where we will visit a 12th-century wooden stave church. We continue through the Gudbrandsdalen Valley before arriving in Lillehammer, the proud host of the 1994 Winter Olympics. (B, D) Hotel: Scandic Victoria
- 11 On to Viking-Filled Oslo See the unusual Olympic ice arena beside the lake at Hamar as we travel to Norway's cultural capital, Oslo. Join a *Local Specialist* who will share the city's iconic sights, including views of the medieval fortress of Akershus, the Opera and 19th-century Royal Palace. We visit the fascinating Vigeland Sculpture Park, before spending the rest of the day at leisure. (B) Hotel: Scandic Solli
- 2 Journey to Stockholm We cross the border into Sweden today and continue via Karlstad on Lake Vänern, the largest lake in the European Union. Passing Örebro, we arrive in the island-ringed capital of Stockholm for a two-night stay. (B) Hotel: Clarion
- 13 Discover Beautiful Stockholm We meet our Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour of the waterside City Hall and see the medieval Storkyrkan, Riddarholm Church and the Royal Palace at the heart of Stockholm's quaint Old Town. The rest of the day is free to explore as you wish. Join your fellow travelers and Travel Director for a Farewell Dinner this evening. (B, FD)
- **Farewell Scandinavia** Our epic journey has come to an end. Bid Stockholm and your newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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1 Country

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Embrace adventure on this Iceland journey and Blue Lagoon trip featuring all the natural and manmade highlights of this ethereal world of fire and ice. The highlights? A walk in the ancient Thingvellir National Park and rewarding soak with the locals in geothermal waters.

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- Discover Reykjavik
- Visit Akranes Museum Center and the 'Golden Circle' (Gullfoss Waterfall, Geysir Hot Spring Area and Thingvellir National Park) and the geothermal Blue Lagoon
- View Harpa Concert Hall, Austurvöllur Square, Hallgrimskirkja 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

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1 Welcome to Reykjavik Your epic journey through lush lava fields and the windswept landscapes of lceland begins in the quirky capital of Reykjavik. The northernmost capital of the world seems infused with vivid color, from the bustling byway of Laugavegur to the enthusiasm of the city's friendly locals. Spend time exploring lceland's Viking heritage, pay tribute to the sun and snap a selfie in front of The Sun Voyager or stroll around the lively Old Harbor before meeting your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception to kick-start your love affair with lceland. (WR) Hotel: Grand Reykjavik

Journey to Reykholt and on to Borganes Explore the small capital city of Reykjavik 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 Museum Center and lighthouse. View Deildartunguhver, Europe's highest-flowing hot spring, followed by a visit to Reykholt, famously the former 13th-century home of one of Iceland's most loved authors, Snorri Sturluson. Nature takes center stage as you end your day and admire Hraunfoss and nearby Barnafoss (Children's Falls) to learn about the tragic legend that gave these rapid waters its name. (B, D) Hotel: B59

- 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. Explore on your own or consider joining an Optional Experience, cruising Breidafjordur 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 Center of the Earth'. Return to your hotel in Bogarnes to enjoy an evening at leisure. **(B)**
- **Onwards through Thingvellir National Park to** Gullfoss, Geysir and Selfoss Mother Nature's magic touch can be seen around every turn on today's exploration of Iceland's famous 'Golden Circle' 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 into the air every few minutes. You'll also see firsthand 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, the ancient site where Iceland's national parliament would unite and hold its sessions over the centuries, from 930 to 1798. Head to Efstidalur Dairy Farm next, for a quick ice cream tasting. This evening, Connect With Locals with a local storyteller and her songwriter husband, and delve into their colorful family history, then join them for dinner at an exclusive Be My Guest experience. (B, BMG, 🐼) Hotel: Selfoss
- 5 Admire Reykjanes and Blue Lagoon and Return to Reykjavik You can almost feel the Earth simmering under the surface as your journey across Reykjanes Peninsula, a UNESCO Global Geopark at the south-western tip of Iceland. View Strandarkikja, then watch as sulphurous steam emerges from the
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lunar landscapes surrounding Lake Kleifarvatn, fed by waters that originate underground. Continue to Grindavík and *Dive Into Culture* at its worldfamous Blue Lagoon (please remember to pack your swimwear), sinking into its milky-blue waters amidst the surrounding black lava field. Soak up the restorative properties of its mineral-rich waters and healing mud, which is said to do wonders for your skin, before returning to Reykjavik for your final evening with new friends. Tonight, you'll toast to an enriching journey through Iceland at a rousing Farewell Dinner. (**B, FD, S**) **Hotel: Grand Reykjavik** 



The Blue Lagoon. Soak in the balmy healing thermal waters while you admire the ethereal setting of swirling steam and black lava. You'll emerge feeling like a new person. Read more at trafalgar.com.

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Epidaurus, Olympia, Delphi and Meteora

**Your Must-See Highlights** • Explore Athens, Corinth, Mycenae,

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

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- Welcome to Athens Put the 'oh' in opa and embark on an unforgettable exploration of an ancient land of gods and goddesses, myths and legends. Your springboard to your spellbinding vacation is the vibrant capital of Athens, an effortless mix of ancient treasures and modern verve, which you will have an opportunity to explore after being transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception, including a light meal and welcome drink. (WR) Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis
- 2 Explore Amazing Athens Join your *Local Specialist* for a guided sightseeing tour to the ancient complex that was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilization'. We'll have an opportunity to explore the Acropolis with its treasures. We'll admire the Parthenon, dedicated to the goddess Athena, the Royal Palace, Temple of Zeus and the Agora. *Dive Into Culture* and see remarkable displays of an ancient world during an included visit to the Acropolis Museum, and see Hadrian's Arch and the stadium where the first modern Olympics took place. The rest of the day is yours to enjoy on your own. Stroll through the Plaka, people watch in Syntagma Square or go in search of the city's tastiest *souvlaki*. (**B**, *S*)*)
- 3 Journey to Corinth, Mycenae and Nafplion We depart Athens crossing the mighty Corinth Canal to the wild Peloponnesian Peninsula. Arriving in Corinth, we join a *Local Specialist* to explore an ancient city that several empires fought over throughout the centuries. We continue to Mycenae, a mighty kingdom of Ancient Greece, where we'll see the Beehive Tombs (the Treasury of Atreus), the Lion Gate and the remains of Agamemon's Royal Palace, in the company of a *Local Specialist*. Later, we'll travel to Epidaurus to visit the ancient Theater and view the Sanctuary of Asclepius, the God of Medicine, whose snake-entwined staff remains the symbol of medicine to this day. **(B, D) Hotel: Amalia Nafplio**

**Continue to Ancient Olympia** We traverse the Mountains of Arcadia to ancient Olympia, the site of the first Olympic Games held in 776 BC. This evening, we *Connect With Locals* joining the Karambellas family for dinner on their olive and wine farm at a *Be My Guest* experience featuring traditional dancing and characteristic Greek *philoxenia*. (**B**, **BMG**, **S**) **Hote: Amalia Olympia** 



**Olympia olive oil tasting.** Toast to good times and new friends with the Karambellas family on their olive and wine farm where you'll taste their treasures and enjoy dinner and a dance. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

- Connect With Locals
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- Stays With Stories
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  D Dinner

- 5 Onwards to Patras and Delphi We join a *Local Specialist* this morning to delve into centuries of history. We'll visit the ancient Olympic site, the museum and the ruined remains of the Temples of Zeus and Hera. Leaving Olympia, we skirt the coastline north to Patras, crossing the Gulf of Corinth to mainland Greece before continuing to Delphi, our home for the night. (B) Hotel: Amalia Delphi
- Off to Thermopylae and Kalambaka Tread in the footsteps of the ancient Greeks, who would descend on the sanctuary of Delphi to consult with the most important oracle in the classical world. Join your *Local Specialist* and walk the Sacred Way to the 4th-century Temple of Apollo. View the statues immortalizing the strength of the athletes who once competed in the Pythian Games held in honor of Apollo and the Arts. A scenic afternoon drive brings us to Thermopylae, famous for the heroic defense by Leonidas and his brave Spartans against the invading Persians. We cross the lush Thessaly region, the 'bread basket of Greece', then travel over the Pourmaraki Pass towards Kalambaka. (B, D) Hotel: Amalia Kalambaka
- 7 Admire Meteora and Return to Athens The UNESCO World Heritage monasteries of Meteora are our first stop today. Join a *Local Specialist* to visit two of the six Eastern Orthodox monasteries that cling impressively to immense, rounded rock towers overlooking the town. A scenic drive returns us to Athens, where we'll enjoy a rousing Farewell Dinner with our travel companions and reminisce over an incredible journey through Greece. (**B, FD) Hotel: Divani Palace** Acropolis

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**Days 1-7 As per Best of Greece** All overnights, meals and inclusions as per pages 204-205.

- **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 you admire the pretty boutiques, then follow your nose to the best seafood in town. As the sun sets over Mykonos, there's no better place for cocktails than Little Venice. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- **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 could choose to see the Cave of the Apocalypse and St. John's Monastery as an Optional Experience. (B, L, D)
- **10 Cruise to Heraklion and on to Santorini** Europe's oldest city, takes center stage this morning as you explore Crete's ancient Minoan culture and heritage at the Palace of Knossos on your complimentary Shore Experience to Heraklion. Admire its bright wall paintings that were restored at the turn of the 20th century and explore centuries of history that predate Christ. Continue to Santorini, watching as this Cycladic island comes closer on the horizon, rising out of the Aegean with its distinctive clifftop towns. You could consider an optional Shore Experience this afternoon, passing villages and vineyards bound for Oia with its white buildings and blue-domed churches which vie for the best views over the caldera. (B, L, D)
- Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your cruise ship for your transfer to the hotel. (B)
   Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis/Radisson Blu Park
- 12 Journey Home Transfers are provided to the airport for your return flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

Trip code: AGAM/M1/M2/S/L/P

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#### DAY

- **Days 1-7 As per Best of Greece** All overnights, meals and inclusions as per pages 204-205.
- 8 Embark and Cruise to Stunning Mykonos We depart Athens, boarding our ship to cruise the azure waters of the Aegean, bound for Mykonos. Spend the evening getting lost in its labyrinthine lanes lined by white-washed cottages and tumbling cerise bougainvillea. (B, L, D)
- 9 Continue to Ancient Ephesus and Patmos Touch the Turkish coastline and visit the port of Kusadasi for a complimentary Shore Experience to the ancient city of Ephesus. We continue to Patmos later, where the Book of Revelations was written by St. John. Here, you could choose to visit the Cave of the Apocalypse and St. John's Monastery on an Optional Experience. (B, L, D)
- A Day to Explore Beautiful Rhodes The enchanting Old Town of Rhodes takes center stage today as we walk in the footsteps of the medieval knights who conquered this land on our complimentary Shore Experience. (B, L, D)



**Discover ancient history on Rhodes.** Explore the Byzantine past and tales of the Knights Hospitalle on your visit to the sun-kissed shores of this naturally beautiful Greek island. Learn more at trafalgar.com.

- 11 Cruise to Heraklion and on to Santorini We sail to Heraklion on the island of Crete, where we have the opportunity to delve into the centuries-old culture and heritage of the Minoans at the Palace of Knossos. Our final stop today is the beautiful volcanic island of Santorini with its clifftop villages, where you might consider an optional Shore Experience to the sun-kissed village of Oia. (B, L, D)
- 12 Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your ship for your transfer to the hotel. (B) Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis/Radisson Blu Park
- **13 Journey Home** Transfers are provided to the airport for your return flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

#### Trip code: AGLM/M1/M2/S/L/P

(Available in conjunction with Monday Best of Greece departures between 29 March and 11 October 2021.)

#### Best of Greece with 7-Day Aegean Cruise

#### 17 Days | 34 Meals | From \$4234 PP*

DAY

- **Days 1-7 As per Best of Greece** All overnights, meals and inclusions as per pages 204-205.
- 8 Athens Your Way Spend the day at leisure on your own and see the city's ancient sites. (B)
- 9 Embark on Your 7-Day Cruise Spend the morning on your own exploring what was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilization'. See the city's ancient sites before boarding your cruise ship this afternoon for your seven-night cruise through the Aegean. (B, D)
- 10 **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 before returning to your ship for your evening departure. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- **11 Rhodes Your Way** Explore the medieval Old Town of Rhodes and join an included walking tour revealing the story of the Knights of St. John. Join an included visit to Lindos, in the heart of Rhodes, and visit the seven lodges of the Order of St. John where the original coats of arms are still displayed. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- 12 Admire Crete's Agios Nikolaos Arriving in Crete this morning, you'll have some free time to explore the charming harbor town of Agios Nikolaos. Consider an Optional Experience to Heraklion's Palace of Knossos or explore the Crete countryside. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- **13 Enjoy Sunny Santorini** Admire the dramatic volcanic landscape of Santorini, an inspiring backdrop for laidback island life. Return to the ship this evening where you'll stay overnight. **(B, L, D)**
- **14 Journey to Milos and Mykonos** Dock in the former home of the famous Venus de Milo. There's time to explore the 'Island of Colors' on an Optional Experience, before continuing to Mykonos for an evening spent against the backdrop of its characteristic windmills. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- **15 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. Depart this evening for Athens, celebrating a final evening on board with new friends. **(B, L, D)**
- 16 Disembark in Athens This morning, disembark from your cruise ship and transfer to your hotel. (B) Hotel: Divani Palace Acropolis/Radisson Blu Park
- 17 Journey Home Transfers are provided to the airport for your return flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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10 Days

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1 Country

12 Meals

#### From \$2995 Per person, double share

Slow the world right down when you board this Greek island hop and experience how the locals enjoy life on the islands of Santorini and Mykonos. Your journey begins and ends in lively Athens where there's plenty of time to explore ancient treasures and see all the sights.

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

• **Explore** Athens with a Local Specialist

- Discover Santorini and Mykonos
- Visit the Acropolis in Athens
- **View** the Parthenon, Hadrian's Arch and the 1896 Olympic Stadium in Athens

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

- Welcome to Athens Ease into a simpler way of life the intoxicatingly slow pace of the Cycladic islands is the ultimate departure from reality, but not before you enjoy a passionate encounter with Athens after being transferred to your hotel. Join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception including a welcome drink and light meal to kick off your At Leisure discovery of Greece's capital and the enchanting islands of Mykonos and Santorini. (WR) Hotel: Radisson Blu Park
- Explore Ancient Athens Embark on a journey to antiquity with your *Local Specialist* who will take you to the Acropolis, a sacred site since Mycenaen times. Imagine Athenians ascending the hilltop shrine to worship Athena at the Parthenon, and see the Panathinaiko Olympic stadium, the Temple of Zeus and Hadrian's Arch. Admire the pom-pom march of the Evzone guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, then spend the rest of the day on your own soaking up the verve of this vibrant city. (B)
- 3 **Cruise to Santorini** We depart Athens and cruise to Santorini, where we'll spend the next three days exploring the island's dramatic beauty. Stroll through the volcanic island's quaint clifftop towns. Bluedomed whitewashed façades cling dramatically to the multi-colored cliffs providing a spectacular backdrop for exquisite sunsets. Join your companions this evening for a memorable meal of Greek cuisine. (**B**, **D**) **Hotel: El Greco**
- Santorini Your Way View the magnificent caldera, see the island's ancient ruins or ramble through the winding streets of Fira and Oia - today is yours to enjoy a leisurely exploration of this beautiful island on your own. Indulge in a day of sunbathing and relaxation on one of its many beaches or shop up a storm at its boutique stores. (B)
- 5 Enjoy Sunny Santorini Toast to the spellbinding beauty of Santorini at a local winery and learn about the art of winemaking in the region. Then consider a ride in a *caique* (sailing boat) to the volcanic island of Nea Kameni to swim in its glorious hot springs another full day at leisure to relax and soak up the island's atmosphere. (B)
- Cruise to Mykonos We take a short ferry transfer to Mykonos - its characteristic hillside windmills overlook the beautiful bay and stand as an enduring greeting to all who arrive. Enjoy an orientation before spending the rest of your day getting lost amidst the island's labyrinthine lanes, lined with whitewashed cottages and tumbling cerise bougainvillea. Take to the playground of the rich and famous and perhaps experience the island's vibrant nightlife. (B, D) Hotel: Pelican Bay
- 7 Admire Mykonos Set your watch to island time and enjoy a glorious day soaking up the laid-back vibe of Mykonos. Spend your day relaxing on its beautiful beaches, sip champagne in the picturesque Little Venice waterside, or visit some of its historical treasures, including the 17th-century Church of the Paraportiani, the Archaeological Museum and the Aegean Maritime Museum. (**B**)

Idyllic island living on Mykonos. Experience the everyday charm of your island hosts as you soak up the sun-kissed splendor and festive atmosphere on this irresistible Greek island. Read more at trafalgar.com.

- Marvel at Mykonos Kick back and enjoy another idyllic day in beautiful surrounds. Indulge in local seafood flavors, enjoy a leisurely swim in the calm waters of the Aegean or consider a trip to see the mythical sanctuary of Delos, believed by the ancients to be the birthplace of Artemis and Apollo. (B)
- 9 Cruise to Athens We return to Athens, via a highspeed ferry. After being transferred to your hotel, you have free time for some last-minute souvenir shopping. (B) Hotel: Radisson Blu Park
- Farewell Athens Say a fond farewell to Greece and your newfound friends as you are transferred to the airport for the flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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1 Country

13 Meals

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#### Your Must-See Highlights

- **Explore** Nafplion, Olympia, Meteora, Delphi and Athens with a Local Specialist
- Discover Corfu, Metsovo, Meteora and Galaxidi
- Visit the Theater at Epidaurus, the Olympic Stadium in Olympia, the island of Corfu, the monastery of Palaiokastritsa and Achilleon Palace, the towns of Ioannina and Metsovo, the rock monasteries in Meteora, Mount Pelion region, the home of the Oracle at Delphi, the port town of Galaxidi and the Acropolis in Athens
- View the Sanctuary of Asclepius at Epidaurus and the Parthenon, Agora, Royal Palace and Temple of Zeus in Athens
- **See** the Corinth Canal, the Lion Gate and Agamemnon's Palace at Mycenae

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

- 1 Welcome to Athens Delve into the treasures of Greece in its vibrant capital. Kick off your in-depth discovery of what was once the 'Cradle of Western Civilization' this evening, when you meet your Travel Director and travel companions for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Radisson Blu Park
- Journey to Epidaurus and Nafplion Our leisurely drive takes us to the scenic northeast Peloponnese and past the Corinth Canal, which straddles two gulfs. Our first stop is the ancient Theater of Epidaurus and the Sanctuary of Asclepius, God of Medicine. Spend the rest of the day exploring the Venetian-inspired seaport of Nafplion. (B) Hotel: Amalia Nafplio
- A Day Exploring Mycenae Continuing our drive 3 inland, we visit Mycenae. Stroll through the Lion Gate and Agamemnon's Royal Palace, before seeing the tomb of this fearless Greek leader who commanded the Greeks in their battles against Trojan forces. This afternoon, we Dive Into Culture and sample delicious local vintages, gaining insights into the Nemea region's wine industry. (B, 🔊)



Winemaking in Nemea. The Greeks have had centuries to perfect their wines and you'll get to explore this first-hand as you learn about the area's vintages and have a chance to taste some. Discover more at trafalgar.com.

Onwards to Ancient Olympia Crossing the Peloponnese, we head towards the famous village of Olympia, where athletes competed for supremacy in the ancient Olympic Games. This evening, we Connect With Locals joining the Karambellas family on their olive and wine farm for a traditional Be My Guest experience including dinner and dancing. (B, BMG, 🛞) Hotel: Olympic Village

- Off to Nikopolis and Sail to Corfu We leave the 5 Peninsula and return to mainland Greece, continuing north past Amphilochia and Preveza, before arriving in Nikopolis to see where the Battle of Actium took place. Boarding a ferry, we cross to the beautiful island of Corfu. (B) Hotel: Cavalieri
  - A Day to Discover Amazing Corfu Begin your day with an orientation tour of the island, followed by a visit to the Venetian Castle and the Monastery of Palaiokastritsa. Later, we stop at the Phaeacian-styled Achilleion Palace. Stroll through its Imperial Gardens and enjoy magnificent views of the lush valley and glistening Ionian Sea. (B)
    - Connect With Locals WR Welcome Reception Breakfast R
- Stays With Stories L I Lunch D Dinner

- Continue on to Lakeside Ioannina We bid farewell to island living on Corfu and sail back to the mainland, continuing to the lively lakeside city of Ioannina, where we spend the rest of the day at leisure. (B) Hotel: Du Lac Congress Center and Spa
- Journey to Meteora and Mount Pelion The delicious flavors of Metsovone cheese and wine provide a fitting start to our day. We continue to Kalambaka and admire the famous Byzantine Monasteries of Meteora that stand almost impossibly perched atop colossal boulders. Pass the seaside town of Volos before arriving into Portaria. (B) Hotel: Despotiko
- 9 Admire Thermopylae, Delphi and on to Galaxidi We stop in Thermopylae, the site where Leonidas and his 300 Spartans fought bravely against the invading Persians. Join a Local Specialist for a quided visit to Delphi. Walk the Sacred Way to the 4th-century Temple of Apollo and ramble through what remains of this ancient sanctuary. The seaside village of Galaxidi, is our final stop for the day. (B) Hotel: Nostos
- Return to Athens We return to cosmopolitan Athens for a day of delving into antiquity. We ascend to the Acropolis and join a Local Specialist for a sightseeing tour with magnificent views of Athena's Parthenon, the Agora, Royal Palace and Temple of Zeus. See Hadrian's Arch and view the stadium where the first modern Olympics took place in 1896. On our final evening together, we join our fellow travelers for a Farewell Dinner to celebrate together. (B, FD) Hotel: Radisson Blu Park
- Farewell Athens We bid farewell to Athens and 11 newfound friends as we prepare to depart Greece, or join the 3-day Santorini Extension. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### **Optional Santorini Extension**

On the final day of your trip, why not extend your vacation with three nights in marvelous Santorini?

- 11 | Cruise to Sunny Santorini Board a highspeed ferry to the idyllic island of Santorini. Transfer to your hotel with an orientation on arrival and spend free time exploring. (B) Hotel: El Greco
- Discover Stunning Santorini Enjoy a full free day to explore the sun-kissed shores of Santorini - its villages, vineyards and caldera. (B)
- 13 Santorini Your Way Another full day to explore Santorini. Indulge in its wines or consider a ride in a caigue to the volcanic island of Nea Kamini. (B)
- Fly to Athens and Journey Home Take a short flight back to Athens this morning. Say goodbye to Greece as you continue your journey home. (B)

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17 Meals

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#### Your vacation

#### Day

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- Welcome to Istanbul Spend the day exploring 1 Istanbul after being transferred to your hotel. Later, you'll meet your Travel Director and travel companions for a memorable Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Radisson Blu Sisli
- Discover Colorful Istanbul Delve into the treasures of the Ottoman Empire, strolling through Topkapi Palace, the Basilica of Hagia Sophia and the Blue Mosque. Dive Into Culture as you haggle for souvenirs at Istanbul's Grand Bazaar. Later, visit the Byzantine Hippodrome. (B, 🕬)
- Journey to Gallipoli and Çanakkale Today, pay tribute 3 to the thousands of men who fought bravely at Gallipoli. See Lone Pine Cemetery, then spend a quiet moment at Anzac Cove and Chunuk Bair. Tonight you'll stay in Çanakkale, and dine in your hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Kolin
- 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 Center 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, BMG, D, 🛞) Hotel: Mövenpick
- Admire the Ruins of Ephesus and on to Pamukkale 5 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 Theater, still in use today. Later, relax and enjoy the blissful thermal pools at your hotel in Pamukkale. (B, D) Hotel: Colossae Thermal
  - Connect With Locals A Stays With Stories WR Welcome Reception Lunch Breakfast D Dinner

- Onwards to Hierapolis and Konya This morning enjoy a visit to the ancient ruins of the Holy City of Hierapolis with its limestone-laden thermal springs. Your last stop today is Konya. (B, D) Hotel: Dedeman
- Continue to Cappadocia Visit the Mevlana Museum and Mausoleum in Konva, a former dervish lodge of the Mevlevi order. Continuing your journey to Cappadocia, you'll see a 13th-century caravanserai then Dive Into Culture to learn about the art of pottery making in Avanos. Tonight you'll enjoy an overnight stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories set alongside the ancient Ortahisar rock castle. (B, 🕼, 📣) Hotel: Dilek Kaya
- A Day to Explore Spectacular Göreme The whimsical landscapes of Cappadocia take center stage today as you visit the Göreme Open-Air Museum, the Paşabağı and Kizil Vadi valleys and underground city of Saratli. You'll learn about the art of carpet weaving during a visit to a Turkish carpet emporium before an included dinner. (B, D)
- Return to Istanbul Take a short flight this morning to 9 Istanbul, where the rest of the day is yours to explore the city your way. You could choose 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, FD) Hotel: Radisson Blu Sisli
- Farewell Istanbul Say a fond farewell to Turkey and newfound friends as you depart for our flight home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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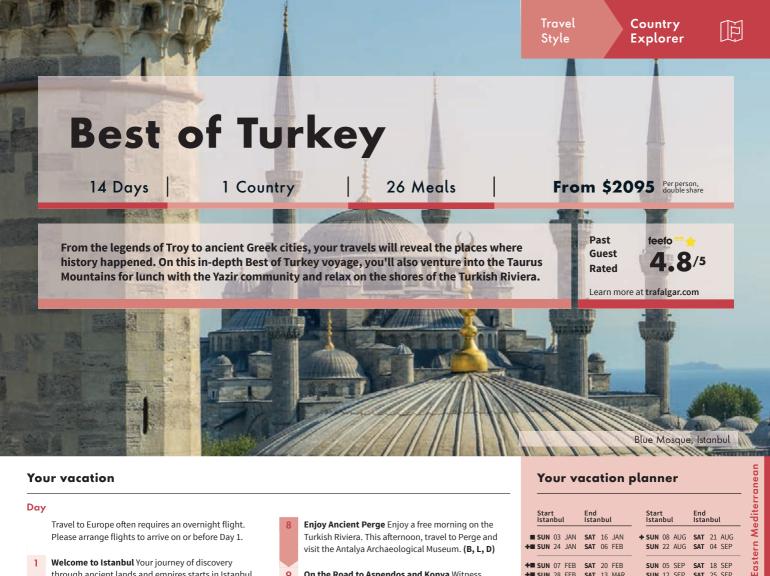
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#### Day

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- 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 travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Radisson Blu Sisli
- Discover Colorful Istanbul Embark on a guided tour of Topkapi Palace, Hagia Sophia, the Hippodrome and the Blue Mosque. Then Dive Into Culture to explore the Grand Bazaar. (B, 5)
- 3 Journey to Gallipoli and Çanakkale 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
- Off to Troy, Pergamon and Izmir Explore the legend of Troy, visit the ancient Asclepion Medical Center in Pergamon, then travel to Izmir. (B, D) Hotel: Mövenpick
- Explore the Ruins of Ephesus Visit the ruins of Ephesus 5 and see the House of Virgin Mary at Mt. Koressos. (B)
- Onwards to Pamukkale Journey inland to Pamukkale. Relax in the blissful thermal pools before dinner. (B, D) Hotel: Colossae Thermal
- Venture to Hierapolis and Antalya Visit ancient 7 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, BMG, D, 🛞) Hotel: Rixos Downtown

- Enjoy Ancient Perge Enjoy a free morning on the Turkish Riviera. This afternoon, travel to Perge and visit the Antalya Archaeological Museum. (B, L, D)
- 9 On the Road to Aspendos and Konya Witness the world's best-preserved theater of antiquity in Aspendos, before continuing to Konya, for insights into the Whirling Dervish sect. Continue to the Karatay Tile Museum. (B, D) Hotel: Dedeman
- 10 Continue to Cappadocia See a well-preserved 13th-century caravanserai before your journey to Cappadocia and Saratli. Indulge in a Regional Dinner and stay in one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories located alongside the ancient Ortahisar rock castle. (B, RD, 4) Hotel: Dilek Kaya
- A Day to Explore Spectacular Göreme Visit the 11 Göreme Open-Air Museum to admire the extraordinary rock-hewn churches and learn about the art of pottery making in Avanos. (B, D)
- Onwards to Ankara We visit the Museum of Anatolian Civilisations and the final resting place of the country's beloved Atatürk in Ankara. (B, D) Hotel: Mövenpick
- 13 Return to Istanbul Return to Istanbul for a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Radisson Blu Sisli
- 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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- Festive Meal: A New Year's Eve dinner has been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season. Please note, Christmas is not celebrated in Turkey.
- Anzac Day: The departure marked in the price panel is a special Anzac Day departure. This itinerary is altered to take in the commemorations and events at Gallipoli.
- Special Rate Solo Rooming: These departures include 20 - 100% discount on our standard single supplement.
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Travel Style Þ

# **Egyptian Trips**

Follow in the footsteps of the Pharaohs on three timeless trips through Egypt. See the Pyramids and make your way through spice-scented markets brimming with copper, carpets, silver and perfume. You'll also hop aboard a *felucca* for a slow cruise along the colorful shores of the Nile River as you uncover the treasures and antiquities of Egyptian royalty.

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#### More About Your Trip

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

* All prices are per person, double share.

**Internal Flight**: Trip prices include internal airfares and are accurate as of August 2020. For up to date pricing, please visit trafalgar.com

Important Visa Information: Visas are required for this trip. Please check with your Travel Agent when making your reservation to assess your requirements.

**Nile Cruise:** All three itineraries include a cruise along the legendary River Nile on board the most luxurious of ships; the MS Miriam, MS Medea or MS Sapphire (or similar cruise ship).

Please Note: Cruise itineraries on the Nile may vary occasionally according to seasonal circumstances. Visits to sights and highlights will not be affected.

Abu Simbel Optional Experience is available on all of these itineraries.

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### **Best of Egypt**

#### 9 Days | 16 Meals | From \$2775 PP*

#### DAY

- Welcome to Cairo Embark on an expedition to the land of the Pharaohs. On arrival at Cairo Airport, transfer to your hotel and relax after your journey. Hotel: Hilton Heliopolis
- 2 Fly to Luxor and Embark on Your Nile Cruise Fly to Luxor this morning to visit the Temple of Amun and the imposing Avenue of the Sphinx. Visit the Luxor Museum before returning to your cruise ship for lunch.(B, L, D) Hotel: Nile Cruise
- 3 A Day to Explore the Valley of the Kings Immerse yourself in the ancient history of Egypt's Valley of the Kings. Visit the mortuary temple of Queen Hatshepsut, the Colossi of Memnon and the Grand Temple of Luxor. *Connect With Locals* as you enjoy a traditional *Be My Guest* bite to eat of freshly baked bread with honey and mint tea on Luxor's West Bank. (B, L, BMG, D, S)

Journey to Ancient Kom-Ombo Sail upstream to Kom-Ombo and tour the Temple. Donning your galabeas, you'll enjoy a traditional Egyptian dinner on board later. (B, L, D)

- 5 Onwards to Aswan Set sail on a traditional *felucca* and sail past the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island. Explore the Aswan Dam then travel to the Temple of Isis, followed by a visit to the Unfinished Obelisk, lying semicarved from the solid bedrock. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- 5 Disembark and Fly to Cairo Enjoy a day at leisure or perhaps join an Optional Experience to the Sun Temple of Abu Simbel before flying back to Cairo this afternoon. (B) Hotel: Ramses Hilton
- 7 Discover Colorful Cairo Embark on a sightseeing tour through the cacophony of Cairo's busy streets. Visit the Hanging Church of St. Mary and the Sultan Hassan Mosque in Old Cairo and see the ancient Citadel, the Alabaster Mosque and Tutankhamun's priceless treasures at the Egyptian Museum. (B)
  - Admire the Wonders of Giza The Great Pyramids of Giza beckon today and we have an opportunity to embark on a soul-stirring encounter with ancient treasures – the Colossus of Ramses II, the Step Pyramid of Sakkara and the enigmatic Great Sphinx. (B)
  - **Depart Cairo** Our epic journey at its end, we say farewell to newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

#### Trip code: EGBO

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This trip departs every Wednesday between 31 March and 13 October 2021.

Winter departures operate every Wednesday between 20 October 2021 and 13 April 2022 (Trip code: WEGB).

Why not add our Jordan Experience trip after your visit to Egypt, see page 217 for full details.

### Egyptian Voyager

9 Days | 15 Meals | From \$2850 PP*

#### DAY

- Welcome to Cairo Your encounter with Egypt's ancient past begins in its capital, Cairo. On arrival, transfer to your hotel for a day at leisure. Hotel: Ramses Hilton
  - **Discover Colorful Cairo** Enjoy a guided tour of the Egyptian Museum, home of King Tutankhamun's priceless treasures. View the Great Pyramids at Giza, including the Pyramid of Cheops and the Sphinx. **(B)**
- **3** Fly to Aswan and Embark on Your Nile Cruise We fly to Aswan and visit the High Dam before traveling by motorboat to the Temple of Isis. Then board a *felucca* and sail around the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island and see the Aga Khan Mausoleum. (**B**, **L**, **D**) Hotel: Nile Cruise
- Journey to Ancient Kom-Ombo Spend the morning relaxing on your Nile cruise or consider joining an Optional Experience to see the amazing Temple of Ramses II at Abu Simbel. This afternoon, we'll visit the Temple of Kom-Ombo, before an evening celebration of Eqypt's culture and cuisine. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- 5 Uncover Luxor's Treasures Set sail early for Luxor on the banks of the Nile. Here you'll have time to visit the Luxor Museum and see an astounding collection of archaeological treasures. (B, L, D)
- Disembark and Fly to Cairo Visit Luxor's ancient Great Temple today before you explore its iconic Valley of the Kings. Connect With Locals as you enjoy a traditional Be My Guest experience with freshly baked bread, honey and mint tea then marvel at the Colossi of Memnon, the Karnak Temple Complex and Queen Hatshepsut's Temple before your flight to Cairo. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Ramses Hilton
- 7 Onwards to Amazing Alexandria Journey to the port city of Alexandria, stopping at the Coptic Monasteries at Wadi el Natrun (if open). Dinner this evening is in an unforgettable seaside setting. (B, RD) Hotel: Helnan Palestine
- Return to Cairo Delve into the treasures of Alexander the Great's once-prosperous Mediterranean city. Tour the Roman Amphitheater and Pompey's Pillar at the ancient acropolis. Visit the Kom El Shoqafa Catacomb and the National Museum. (B) Hotel: Hilton Heliopolis
- 9 Farewell Egypt We say a fond farewell to Egypt at the end of our journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Trip code: EGVO

This trip departs every Saturday between 3 April and 9 October 2021.

Winter departures operate every Saturday between 16 October 2021 and 9 April 2022 (Trip code: WEGV).

### Wonders of Ancient Egypt

12 Days | 25 Meals | From \$3350PP*

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- 1 Welcome to Cairo Delve into the antiquities of Egypt on this epic journey which begins in Cairo. On arrival, transfer to your hotel for a day at leisure. Hotel: Le Meridien Pyramids
  - Admire the Wonders of Giza During a full-day excursion see the Colossus of Ramses II and the Alabaster Sphinx at Memphis. Visit the Step Pyramid at Sakkara, then marvel at the Great Pyramid of Giza and the mighty Sphinx. This evening, watch a dazzling sound and light show. (B)
- **3** Fly to Luxor and Embark on Your Nile Cruise Fly to Luxor for a guided tour of the Karnak Temple Complex. Then explore Luxor Museum and marvel at the Luxor Temple before boarding your cruise ship. (**B**, **L**, **D**) Hotel: Nile Cruise
- **Explore Ancient Dendera** Explore the beautifully preserved Dendera Temple, then return to Luxor. **(B, L, D)**
- Journey to Aswan Today, we sail to tranquil Aswan, arriving, arriving in time for dinner. (B, L, D)
- The High Dam and More in Aswan Continue today, to the Temple of Isis on the Island of Philae, then view the Unfinished Obelisk, lying semi-carved from the solid bedrock, and visit the High Dam in Aswan. (B, L, D)
- Onwards to Philae and Kitchener's Island Consider an Optional Experience to Abu Simbel. Later, sail in a *felucca* around the Botanical Gardens on Kitchener's Island. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- Off to Ancient Kom-Ombo Today, we'll visit the roofless Temple of Kom-Ombo, worshipping two gods. (B, L, D)
- 9 Sail to Stunning Luxor Watch how the river gives life to an arid landscape as you sail down the Nile to Luxor. (B, L, D)
  - **Disembark and Fly to Cairo** Disembark in Luxor and Connect With Locals as you enjoy a traditional *Be My Guest* experience with freshly baked bread, honey and mint tea. Explore the West Bank complex of mortuary temples and tombs, then fly to Cairo. (**B, BMG**, **(S)**) **Hotel: Ramses Hilton**
- 11 Discover Colorful Cairo Visit the Hanging Church of St. Mary and the Sultan Hassan Mosque in Old Cairo, the Alabaster Mosque and the Egyptian Museum. (B)
  - Farewell Cairo Our expedition at its end, take a transfer to the airport for your onward journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Trip code: EGWE

- This trip departs every Tuesday between 30 March and 12 October 2021.
- Winter departures operate every Tuesday between 19 October 2021 and 12 April 2022 (Trip code: WEGW).

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1 Country

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.

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Jaffa Gate, Jerusalem

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From \$2850 Per person, double share

#### Your vacation

#### Day

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8 Days

- 1 Journey from Tel-Aviv to Jerusalem After arriving in the sacred city of Jerusalem, you'll join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Drink. Hotel: Dan Panorama
- A Day to Explore the Dead Sea and Masada Journey to the site where the Dead Sea Scrolls were found and visit the striking clifftop fortress of Masada. Stroll through the excavations of Herod's palatial retreat, before returning to the salty waters of the Dead Sea (time permitting). (B, D)
- 3 The Church of Nativity in Bethlehem Admire the Old City of Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives. Then *Dive Into Culture* at the Wailing Wall watching faithful Jews cede their prayers to the ancient rocks. See the Dome of the Rock and follow the path taken by Christ along the Via Dolorosa to Golgotha, arriving at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Later, travel to Bethlehem and visit the Church of Nativity, built on the site considered to be the birthplace of Jesus. (**B**, *S*)*)
- 4 Onwards to Lower Galilee Visit Yad Vashem to commemorate the lives lost in the Holocaust. See the Dead Sea Scrolls, the Knesset, and the Givat Ram Campus of the Hebrew University. In Nazareth, you'll visit the Church of Annunciation, whose cupola overlooks the cave in which Archangel Gabriel appeared to Mary. Celebrate a strong sense of community at your overnight stop at a Kibbutz hotel. (B, D) Hotel: Kibbutz Lavi
- 5 Admire Capernaum, the Mount of Beatitudes and Safed Begin the day with a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee and visit the Jesus Boat. Continue to the

ruins of the old synagogue at Capernaum, then visit the Mount of Beatitudes, where Jesus delivered the Sermon on the Mount. Next, venture to the birthplace of the Kabbalah movement, Safed. **(B, D)** 

11 Meals

**On to Acre, Haifa, Caesarea and Tel Aviv** Continue to the almost-intact 12th-century underground city of Acre, before enjoying views of the Persian Hanging Gardens of Haifa. Imagine ancient seafaring traders plying their wares in Caesarea, where we visit the Roman Amphitheater. Then travel to the vibrant city of Tel Aviv. **(B) Hotel: Dan Panorama** 

**Discover Coastal Tel Aviv** Visit Rabin Square this morning and learn about the assassination of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin. Then continue to Newe Zedek, the first neighborhood of Tel Aviv, before strolling through the ancient ruins of Old Jaffa. *Connect With Locals* over lunch at an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience in Ajami neighborhood, where you'll hear the story of a Christian girl growing up in a Jewish, Muslim and Christian area. **(B, BMG, )** 

**Farewell Tel Aviv** Say a fond farewell to fellow pilgrims as you prepare for your journey home. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

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# Jordan Experience

6 Days

1 Country

11 Meals

From \$1695 Per person, double share

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.



Camel, Jordan

#### Your vacation

#### Day

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

- **Welcome to Amman** Arriving in the white stone city of Amman, you'll be transferred to your hotel. Meet your fellow travelers this evening for a Welcome Reception followed by dinner. **(WR) Hotel: Landmark**
- 2 Explore Ancient Jerash Embark on a city tour of Amman then Make Travel Matter at the Iraq al-Amir Women's Association and admire their arts and crafts. Try your hand at making some of your own mementoes before enjoying a lunch prepared by the women. Continue to Jerash, before returning to the seven hills of Amman, where tonight we'll Connect With Locals over dinner for an exclusive Be My Guest experience with a local family. (B, L, BMG, ¹/₂, ⁽²⁾/₈)
- 3 Onwards to Petra Your journey continues on the fabled King's Highway to visit Mount Nebo, where Moses is buried. You'll see the Madaba Mosaic Map and ascend to the Crusader Shobak Castle. Arriving in Petra later, you'll join a Bedouin tribe for dinner. (B, RD) Hotel: Petra Guesthouse
- Discover Colorful Petra and Scenic Wadi Rum Imagine silk and spice caravans plying their wares as you *Dive Into Culture* and enter the mystical trading city of Petra through the narrow Siq. Emerging from the path, the stone façade of the Treasury with its ornate decoration looms ahead. Continue your journey to Wadi Rum, where you'll check in to your luxury accommodations in Bedouin tents. (**B**, **D**, S^(*)) **Hotel: Mazayen Rum Camp**

- 5 Journey to Amman This morning, embark on a desert jeep tour, then return to Amman in time for your Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Landmark
  - Farewell Jordan This morning, bid farewell to this extraordinary land. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Optional Extension to the Dead Sea

Extend your vacation and visit the mysterious Dead Sea where you can relax at the resort set in a beautiful landscape. See trafalgar.com for details.

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Eastern Mediterranean

# **3 Continents Cruise**

5 Countries

Combine your passion for ancient history and culture with a relaxing sea voyage to Egypt, Greece, Israel, Cyprus and Turkey. You'll encounter timeless wonders, sophisticated seaside ports and the diversity of the Eastern Mediterranean.

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#### Your vacation

#### Day

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

Welcome to Athens Athens is your springboard to an exciting cruise adventure to three continents - Europe, Africa and Asia. Spend the day exploring the sights before joining your fellow travelers on an unforgettable experience. Hotel: Marriott

10 Days

- 2 Discover Ancient Athens Step back in time, joining a Local Specialist today for a journey into antiquity. You'll Dive Into Culture on a guided sightseeing tour of the Acropolis that will reveal the wonders of ancient Athens. Admire the march of the curiously clad Evzone guards at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, then board your cruise ship for your journey across the Mediterranean. (**B**, **D**, *S*)ⁿ
- 3 Relax as you Cruise to Egypt Sail on the calm waters of the Aegean past the Greek Isles towards the North African coastline. You'll have a full day at sea to recover from all of yesterday's sightseeing in Athens. (B, L, D)
- 4 Marvel at the Great Pyramid of Giza As the sun rises we arrive in Port Said. *Dive Into Culture* on a guided excursion to the only remaining Wonder of the Ancient World, the Great Pyramid of Giza. Exchange the desert landscape for the cacophony of Cairo where you'll see some of the city's most famous historic monuments, before rejoining your cruise in Port Said. (B, L, D, S)
- 5 **Explore Historic Ashdod** Sailing east, we arrive in Ashdod, the gateway to Jaffa, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and Bethlehem. Embark on an Optional Experience to Israel's most famous religious sights and cultural highlights. Explore the holy landmarks in Jerusalem, including Temple Mountain, the Wailing Wall and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, and visit the birthplace of Jesus Christ, Bethlehem. (**B**, **L**, **D**)

**Discover Vibrant Limassol** The sophisticated seaside port of Limassol emerges on the horizon this morning. You'll have an afternoon to explore the medieval Old Town or stroll along the seafront promenade and cobbled streets to the old fishing harbor. **(B, L, D)** 

22 Meals

- Admire Remarkable Rhodes We arrive on the scenic shores of Rhodes, one of the most popular vacation destinations in Greece with its beautiful beaches and centuries-old history. You'll have free time to relax or choose an Optional Experience exploration of the ancient Lindos Acropolis and Citadel of the Knights perched high above the coast and the quiet village of Lindos below. Or join a walking tour through the medieval heart of the UNESCO-listed Old Town of Rhodes. Rejoin your cruise in time for dinner. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- 8 Marvel at the Iconic Ruins of Ephesus We arrive in Kusadasi, your gateway to the ancient Greek city of Ephesus. Join an included excursion to this UNESCO World Heritage Site, home to the Temple of Artemis. Stroll alongside the marble colonnades to Hadrian's Temple and the Great Theater, carved into the side of Mt. Pion. Later consider spending some time exploring the Turkish seaside setting, before returning to your ship this evening for dinner. (**B**, **L**, **D**)
- 9 Athens Your Way We return to the Greek capital this morning and are transferred to our hotel, after which we'll have a full day at leisure to explore on our own or simply relax. This evening, why not join your fellow travel companions for a rousing celebration to toast to your three-continents journey? (B) Hotel: Marriott
- Farewell Athens Our cruise adventure at its end, we bid new friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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# **Scandinavian Northern Lights**

9 Days

2 Countries

13 Meals

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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.

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Northern Lights

#### **Your vacation**

#### Day

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- Welcome to Helsinki Helsinki kick-starts your hunt 1 for the mystical Northern Lights. On arrival, you'll be transferred to your hotel. There's time to freshen up before joining your Local Specialist for a city sightseeing tour and Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Holiday Inn City Centre
- Journey to Saariselkä Fly north of the Arctic Circle to Ivalo and take a short drive to the enchanting snowy escape of Saariselkä. Bundle up and embrace the Sámi way of life as you Dive Into Culture and board a sleigh for a ride through the snowy forest. Tonight, if the sky is clear, you will have your first opportunity to marvel at the Aurora Borealis after dinner at the hotel. (B, D, 🕬) Hotel: Santa's Tunturi
- 3 Discover the Siida Sámi Museum Delve into the centuries-old traditions and heritage of the Sámi people when you Dive Into Culture and visit the Siida Sámi Museum. This afternoon, you'll want to join an Optional Experience husky safari. Watch in wonder as these eager dogs race across the white landscape with you in tow. (B, 5)
- Off to Santa Claus Village and Kemi Visit Rovaniemi, the official hometown of Santa Claus. Celebrate the magic of Christmas when you Dive Into Culture and share yuletide greetings with Santa at his post office. Tonight in Kemi, we stay at one of Trafalgar's Stays With Stories where we have another opportunity to view the Northern Lights through our hotel's iconic glass roofs. (B, D, 🔊, 📣) Hotel: Seaside Glass Villas

- Venture to Luleå in Swedish Lapland Bid farewell 5 to Finland, bound for Sweden. Your first stop is in the church village of Gammelstad, UNESCO-listed for its 424 wooden houses built around an early 15th-century stone church. Continue to Luleå, the largest city in Swedish Lapland for an afternoon to spend as you wish. (B) Hotel: Clarion Sense
  - Onwards to Kiruna Venture north to Jokkmokk, home to an annual winter market which has been running for 400 years. Later, enjoy a guided tour through the Ájtte museum learning the story of life and survival in the demanding northern climate. Tonight, Connect With Locals over a truly unique Be My Guest experience in Kiruna. You'll join a Sámi reindeer herder family for a traditional dinner in their Sámi lavvu. (B, BMG, S) Hotel: Scandic Ferrum
- Kiruna Your Way Spend the day exploring Kiruna at your 7 own pace or take the option to embark on an underground mine tour. This afternoon, maybe visit the Icehotel - an Optional Experience which includes a drink at the ice bar and an ice sculpting experience. Tonight is your last chance to catch a glimpse of the Northern Lights. (B)
- Enjoy Stunning Stockholm Leave the Arctic behind 8 and fly to Stockholm. Join your Local Specialist for a city sightseeing tour including a visit to the City Hall, where Nobel prize banquets are held and embark on an Optional Experience to the Vasa Museum to view the world's best preserved 17th-century warship. Tonight, your journey in search of the Northern Lights comes to an end with a memorable Farewell Dinner. (B, FD) Hotel: Clarion
  - Farewell Stockholm As our journey to see the Northern Lights comes to an end, bid a fond farewell to Scandinavia and newfound friends. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

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- Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for these departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.
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Christmas Spectacular



# **Christmas Markets**

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1 19 19 16 1 Ba Get swept up in the magic of Christmas as you visit Europe's oldest and most enchanting Christmas Markets. From Salzburg to St. Petersburg, you'll revel in local traditions as you wander through medieval squares, filled with twinkling lights, festive songs, and the warming notes of mulled wine and gingerbread in the air.

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* All prices are per person, double share. Christmas Markets: Are generally open

from the beginning of Advent until 24 December 2021. Trafalgar reserves the right to substitute sights and excursions in keeping with the events of the season.

Important Visa Information: Visas are required for the trip to Russia. Please speak to your travel agent at the time of booking to assess your specific requirements. Visas cannot be issued at borders in Europe

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Austrian Christmas Markets

# Festive St. Petersburg and Moscow

7 Days | 8 Meals | From \$1875 PP*

#### DAY

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 Welcome to St. Petersburg St. Petersburg extends a warm welcome for a festive sojourn. But first, meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception and light dinner before an orientation drive.
 (WR) Hotel: Courtyard by Marriott Vasilievsky

**Discover Historic St. Petersburg** Join your *Local* Specialist on a sightseeing tour that will take you past the Tsar's regal Winter Palace, St. Isaac's Cathedral and the grand avenue of Nevsky Prospekt. Included is a visit to the 18th-century Peter and Paul Fortress. Later, *Connect With Locals* and meet some of the students of St. Petersburg's Theater. (**B**, **(S)**)

- 3 Explore the Spectacular Hermitage Museum Catherine the Great's cherished collection of art takes center stage today as we *Dive Into Culture* and enjoy a Small Group Sightseeing visit to the Hermitage Museum with a *Local Specialist*. Spend the rest of the day on your own exploring the grand boulevards and regal façades of this great city. (**B**, *S*)*)
  - Journey By High-Speed Train to Moscow Tuck into a hearty breakfast of Russian fare before embarking on a high-speed train to Moscow. Follow the imposing red walls of the Kremlin on this exploration of Russia's political, economic, religious and financial hub. (B) Hotel: Marriott Tverskaya
- 5 Enjoy Moscow's Stunning Christmas Markets An enchanting winter wonderland awaits as we admire the more than 400 dazzling light installations that illuminate the city for its annual Christmas Light festival. Stroll through city squares that come alive with Christmas market stalls, then join a *Local Specialist* on a sightseeing tour to see the vibrant façade of St. Basil's Cathedral and visit the Kremlin. (B)
- 6 Moscow Your Way Spend your full day at leisure discovering the victories and tragedies that have shaped this magnificent city. Consider joining an Optional Experience to Sergiyev Posad, the largest religious and cultural center in Russia. Later, you'll join new friends for a Farewell Dinner. (**B**, **FD**)

**Farewell Moscow** For now it's time to say a fond *do svidaniya* to two great Russian cities. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)** 

#### Trip code: WFSM

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**Departures:** 13 December, 20 December, 27 December 2021 and 03 January 2022.

Festive Meals: Christmas and New Year's Eve dinners have been arranged for the 20 December and 27 December departures. Join us in Europe to celebrate the festive season.

## Christmas Markets of Austria, Germany and Switzerland

8 Days | 11 Meals | From \$1950PP*

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- Welcome to Vienna Write your very own Christmas story on a festive foray beginning in Vienna. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travelers later for an orientation drive and Welcome Reception with drinks and a light meal. (WR) Hotel: Hilton Danube Waterfront
- **Discover Vienna's Spectacular Christmas Markets** Join your *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of the Austrian capital, from its Parliament and City Hall, to the grand State Opera House and Hofburg Palace. We feed our Christmas spirit with a visit to the enchanting *Christkindlmarkt* this afternoon and feast on delicious gingerbread and *glühwein*. **(B)**
- 3 Journey to Munich Venture along the scenic Danube Valley to Mozart's beloved Salzburg, where we'll *Dive Into Culture* with a *Local Specialist* on a walking tour to see the Mirabell Gardens and other sights that featured in the 'Sound of Music'. Later, travel to Munich. (B, D, )) Hotel: Holiday Inn Westpark
- 4 Enjoy Bavarian Munich's Magical Christmas Markets Bundle up warmly for an orientation tour of one of Germany's liveliest cities. Embrace the festive cheer in Marienplatz with its ornate Glockenspiel. Then, spend the rest of your day at Munich's Christmas market – a dazzling display of twinkling lights and a magnificent Christmas tree. (B)
- 5 Off to Innsbruck Travel through Bavaria to Oberammergau, which hosts the Passion Play every ten years. Admire the village's intricate woodcarvings and elaborate frescoes before continuing to Innsbruck and maybe try delicious *Kiachl* doughnuts at the bustling Christmas market. (**B**, **D**) Hotel: Grauer Bär
- 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 then head to Lucerne for an orientation tour and sights of the sad Lion of Lucerne and famous wooden Chapel Bridge. (B) Hotel: Astoria
- 7 Explore Lucerne's Festive Glittering Lights Embrace the Yuletide cheer in true Swiss spirit during a visit to Lucerne's Christmas market. Ramble past traditional wooden stalls, a warm mug of *Glühwein* in hand. Tonight, we celebrate our magical journey together during an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience and Farewell Dinner filled with Christmas cheer as you *Connect With Locals* in their home. (**B, BMG, (**)
- 8 Journey Home We bid a festive farewell to our travel companions, returning home with magical Christmas memories. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. (B)

#### Trip code: WCMA

**Departures:** Frequent departures from 24 November to 13 December 2021

## German Christmas Markets

#### 8 Days | 11 Meals | From \$1925 PP*

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- Welcome to Frankfurt Tame your festive wanderlust on this magical journey that begins in Frankfurt. After checking in, join your Travel Director on an orientation tour before a Welcome Reception with drinks and a light meal. (WR) Hotel: Sheraton Offenbach
- 2 Venture to Nuremberg In the medieval walled town of Rothenburg, you'll enjoy an orientation walk past picture-perfect half-timbered houses and the Old Town Hall. Continue to Nuremberg with its mighty ramparts and visit the famous *Christkindlesmarkt* where the famous *Zwetschgenmännle* prune men pose in all their Christmas splendor. (B, D) Hotel: Congress Mercure
- Off to Weimar Embrace hundreds of years of festive spirit at the Eisenach Christmas market* held in the UNESCO World Heritage Wartburg Castle. Next on our Christmas wish list is Erfurt's medieval market – its Weinachtspyramiden is the gateway to delicious aromas of gingerbread and egg punch. Our final stop on our festive foray today is Weimar. (*Sat/Sun only). (B, D) Hotel: Leonardo
  - Journey to Dresden Travel to Dresden, the 'Florence on the Elbe'. Spend the day admiring the magnificent restoration of a city that was all but destroyed during World War II. (B) Hotel: Pullman Newa
- 5 Discover the Festive Atmosphere at Dresden Christmas Markets Germany's Christmas traditions take center stage today as we *Dive Into Culture* and wander through Dresden's Striezelmarkt, Germany's oldest Christmas market. (**B**, *S*)*)
  - Admire Magical Leipzig and on to Berlin Take a trip back in time at Leipzig's Christmas market as you savor the scents of *Glögi* wine and admire the traditional crafts. (B) Hotel: Sheraton Grand Esplanade
  - **Explore Berlin** Ascend hundreds of metres into the air and admire 360° views of the city from the Berlin TV Tower. Your *Local Specialist* will share insights into old East and West Berlin during a sightseeing tour including the Brandenburg Gate, Unter den Linden Boulevard, the Reichstag building and Kurfürstendamm. Spend your final evening at an exclusive *Be My Guest* experience and Farewell Dinner as you *Connect With Locals* in their home. **(B, BMG,** %)
  - **Farewell to Germany** Bid a festive farewell to new friends as you return home filled with magical memories. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

#### Trip code: WMAR

**Departures:** 29 November, 03 December, 05 December, 09 December, 11 December and 13 December 2021

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#### Your vacation

#### Day

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- Welcome to Tel Aviv On arrival in Tel Aviv, you will be met and transferred to your hotel. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow travelers for a Welcome Reception. (WR) Hotel: Dan Panorama
- 2 Journey to Sea of Galilee Your day begins at the old port of Jaffa. Continue to Caesarea, built by Herod the Great, then travel to Meggido. Your final stop is Mount Carmel where Elijah confronted the prophets of Baal. (B, D) Hotel: Nof Ginosar
- 3 **Explore Capernaum and the Mount of Beatitudes** Sail on the Sea of Galilee and see the Jesus Boat before visiting the 2nd-century synagogue at Capernaum. Stop at Tabgha, then visit the Church of Multiplication and the Mount of Beatitudes. **(B, D)**
- 4 On to Nazareth and Jerusalem See where Jesus turned water into wine and then the Church of the Annunciation. View Gideon's Spring and later visit Beit She'an. (B, D) Hotel: Dan
- 5 **Discover Jerusalem** Embark on a walking tour of Jerusalem's Old Town. Ascend the Mount of Olives, then stroll through the Garden of Gethsemane. Visit the Jewish Quarter and view the Western Wall. Later, walk the Station of the Cross to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. **(B, D)**
- Venture to Bethlehem Drive to Ein Karem to visit the Church of the Visitation. See the Dead Sea Scrolls, then journey to Bethlehem where your *Local Specialist* will guide you through the Church of the Nativity. (B, D)
- 7 Off to Admire the Masada Fortress and the Dead Sea On your drive to Jericho, you'll see where the Dead Sea Scrolls were discovered. Continue to the clifftop fortress

of Masada. Then, explore the excavations of Herod's Palace with some free time to float in the Dead Sea. **(B, D)** 

- 8 Cross Allenby Bridge to Jordan Cross the border to Jordan and meet your Jordanian Travel Director. Visit the Bethany Beyond Jordan Lutheran Church, the site of Jesus' baptism before continuing to Amman. (B, D) Hotel: Landmark
- 9 Uncover the Treasures of Amman and Iraq al-Amir Embark on a city tour of Amman. Then Make Travel Matter at the Iraq al-Amir Women's Association and enjoy a meal prepared by the women. Continue to the ancient city of Jerash, before returning to Amman to Connect With Locals and enjoy a traditional Be My Guest experience and dinner with a Jordanian family. (B, L, BMG, [⊕], [⊕])
- A Day Exploring Mount Nebo, Madaba and Shobak Castle Follow the King's Highway and visit Mount Nebo. See the Madaba Mosaic Map before ascending to the Crusader Shobak Castle. Arriving in Petra later, you'll join a Bedouin tribe for dinner. (B, RD, (A) Hotel: Hayat Zaman
- 11 Take in the Magnificent Petra and Continue to Wadi Rum Dive Into Culture today at Petra. Enter the city through the Siq and see the magnificent 40-metre façade of the Treasury. Continue your journey to Wadi Rum, where you'll check in to your luxury accommodations in Bedouin tents. (B, D, ()) Hotel: Mazayen Rum Camp
- 12 Marvel at Desert Landscapes, Then Return to Amman Embark on a jeep tour through the desert, then return to Amman for a Farewell Dinner with your travel companions. (B, FD) Hotel: Landmark
- Farewell Amman Your spiritual journey through two holy lands comes to an end this morning. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers.
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3 Countries

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#### Your vacation

#### Day

- Travel to Europe often requires an overnight flight. Please arrange flights to arrive on or before Day 1.
- Welcome to Barcelona Meet your Travel Director and fellow travel companions this evening for a Welcome Reception and orientation of the city. (WR) Hotel: Senator
- 2 **Explore Bustling Barcelona** Spend the morning exploring Barcelona in the company of your *Local Specialist. Dive Into Culture* and see the fairy-tale façades of *La Sagrada Família.* The rest of the day is yours to explore. (**B**, *S*^{*})
- 3 Journey to Ancient Carcassone We journey north to the fortified city of Carcassonne. Join a *Local Specialist* and view the Cité. Dinner is at your hotel this evening. (B, D) Hotel: Mercure Porte de la Cité
- 4 Onwards to Lourdes Journey to Lourdes, the global center of the Marian pilgrimage. As the sun sets, join your fellow pilgrims and *Dive Into Culture* for the moving Torchlight Procession. Join believers from all over the world in singing the Ave Maria of Lourdes.
   (B, s⊘r) Hotel: Mercure Impérial
- 5 See the Wondrous Sights in Lourdes Attend Sunday Mass, then trace the story of Saint Bernadette of Lourdes, who witnessed the Marian apparitions of the Immaculate Conception. A *Local Specialist* will accompany you on a visit to St. Bernadette's Grotto. (B)
- Off to Uncover the Treasures of Burgos Continue to Burgos where you'll meet your *Local Specialist* for a sightseeing tour of it's the medieval center and visit the UNESCO-listed Cathedral of Saint Mary of Burgos. Enjoy dinner tonight at a local restaurant. (B, RD) Hotel: NH Collection Palacio

- Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela Follow in the footsteps of Saint James, crossing the Spanish 'North' to Santiago de Compostela. On arrival, your Travel Director will provide a brief orientation of the city. This evening, you have an opportunity to attend Pilgrim's Mass. (B) Hotel: Eurostars San Lázaro
- 8 Discover Santiago de Compostela Join a Local Specialist this morning for a sightseeing tour which includes a visit to the Cathedral of Santiago de Compostela, the end of the Camino de Santiago. Enjoy dinner at our hotel this evening. (B, D)
- 9 Venture to Fátima Journey south to the Catholic pilgrimage site of Fátima. This evening you'll join worshippers from all over the world at an evening Rosary. (B) Hotel: Fátima
- 10 Fátima Your Way Take the Fátima Tourist Train (tickets included) to the tiny village of Aljustrel, where the three shepherds once lived, to see their humble home. (B)
- 11 Continue to Colorful Lisbon A short journey this morning sees us arrive in Lisbon. You'll meet a Local Specialist who will accompany us on a drive to Belém. You'll see the Monument to the Discoveries and the Belém Tower before embarking on a visit to the exquisite 15th-century Hieronymite Monastery. After a day of sightseeing, we Connect With Locals joining a Portuguese family for an exclusive Be My Guest experience and Farewell Dinner. (B, BMG, (S) Hotel: Neya Lisboa
  - **Farewell Lisbon** Say farewell to newfound friends after a memorable spiritual journey. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers. **(B)**

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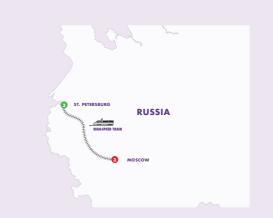
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# **Booking Conditions**

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#### **Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms**

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Oberammergau	Additional Air Tickets	Extra Accommodations	Chargeable Transfers
Deposit due per person on booking	\$200	\$350	\$500	\$575	As per airline policy	No additional deposit required	No additional deposit required
<b>inal Payment Due</b> before departure)	60 days	90 days	120 days	90 Days	As per airline policy	In accordance with guided vacation	In accordance with guided vacation
Cancellation Charges pe	r person if y	ou cancel					
120 days and over	Deposit	Deposit	Deposit	Deposit	\$75 plus airline charges	\$35	\$35
119-90 days	Deposit	Deposit	30%	Deposit	\$75 plus airline charges	\$35	\$35
39-60 days	Deposit	30%	60%	100 % of Oberammergau supplement + 30% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	\$75 plus airline charges	\$35	\$35
59-16 days	30%	60%	90%	100 % of Oberammergau supplement + 30% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	\$75 plus airline charges	Higher of \$35 or 25% of accommodations price	Higher of \$35 or 25% of transfer price
15-8 days	50%	90%	100%	100 % of Oberammergau supplement + 50% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	\$75 plus airline charges	Higher of \$35 or 30% of accommodations price	Higher of \$35 or 30% of transfer price
7-1 days	90%	100%	100%	100 % of Oberammergau supplement + 90% of land only price excl. Oberammergau	\$75 plus airline charges	100% of accommodations price	100% of transfer price
Departure Day/No show	100%	100%	100%	100 %	\$75 plus airline charges	100% of accommodations price	100% of transfer price

Level 1: Cancellation fees are the minimum cancellation fee charged and is used unless the trip is described as Level 2 or 3.

Level 2: These trips are listed at trafalgar.com/booking-conditions but are generally trips which include cruise/ferry, train or intra-trip flight elements.

Level 3: Cancellation fees to apply to Antarctic Peninsula Cruise - Land of Penguins and Icebergs.

Your Vacation Booking For the purposes of this document reference to "you" or "your" includes all guests in the party. Trafalgar Tours West Inc is the 'Sales Company'. The 'Operator' for the trips will be as described in the table below. Collectively these companies are referred to as 'Trafalgar'.

Destination	Operator
Europe and Britain, Africa, Asia	Trafalgar Tours Limited

Security: Security is a major concern to all of us and the situation globally is constantly changing. Events around the world, coupled with the "Travel Advisories" put out by various governments, may at times necessitate changes to the accommodations and itinerary or even trip cancellation. You must accept these risks involved in travel to any country that may experience security difficulties and accept responsibility for your own travel decisions. You are urged to consult with government sources, including the United States Department of State, news sources as well as your Travel Agent prior to making your travel plans.

Travel Insurance: All guests are required to have travel insurance that includes trip interruption, trip delay, medical expense coverage and evacuation protection covering all applicable dates of travel with Trafalgar. This insurance must cover: trip interruption, trip delay, emergency evacuation and medical expenses resulting from illness related to a pandemic event, such as COVID-19. COVID-19: An inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public

place where people are present. COVID-19 is an extremely contagious disease that can lead to severe illness and death. According to the WHO senior citizens and guests with underlying medical conditions are especially vulnerable. We ask that you please take personal responsibility for your wellbeing. This begins with packing any personal protective equipment and sanitizers you require. Please adopt physical distancing and hygiene practices throughout your pre-trip travel arrangements and follow all health instructions whether physical signage, or requests from our professional staff, once you are holidaying with us. To travel with Trafalgar, you voluntarily assume all risks related to exposure to COVID-19. Full details of hygiene protocols can be found on our website. Force Majeure: Force Majeure Event means any event or circumstance beyond the control of Trafalgar, including but not limited to: (a) an act of god (such as earthquake, flood, fire, explosion, landslide, lightning, action of the elements, force of nature, washout, typhoon, hurricar cyclone, tsunami, storm or storm warning or natural disaster); (b) industrial disputes, work ban or other labor dispute or difficulty; (c) acts of terrorism, political unrest, war or threat of war, riots or civil strife; (d) failure or delays to scheduled transportation and the closure of airports or ports; (e) pandemic, epidemic or health risk; (f) governmental and administrative actions (including closure of borders and travel warnings and restrictions)

#### **Reservations and Payments**

Your trip will be confirmed after receipt of a non-refundable deposit as detailed in the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table. Air-inclusive bookings may require an additional non-refundable deposit or payment in full at the time of booking, see Air Arrangements section below.

Final payment for your trip reservation will be due prior to departure no later than as detailed in the Summary Booking and Cancellation Terms table.

#### **Booking Changes**

Name Changes: Trafalgar does not charge for name changes or name

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changes however where third party costs are incurred these will be passed on to the guest. A change of trip date or itinerary after final payment is due (see Summary Booking and Cancellation table) of departure date will be treated as a cancellation

#### **Cancellations and Refunds**

Cancellation by Traveler: Travel arrangements for any member of the party may be canceled at any time by written notice by the person who made the booking. If notice of cancellation is received by Trafalgar before final payment is due (see Summary Booking and Cancellation table), the deposit will be retained along with the Travel Protection payment. If cancellation is made after final payment is due cancellation fees will apply (see Summary Booking and Cancellation table). Please also refer to Air Cancellation Section where applicable. All cancellations fees as per the Summary Booking and Cancellation table are additional to any cancellation fees or other charges that may be levied by your Travel Agent. Travel Protection Plan premiums are non-refundable.

Cancellation by Trafalgar: Trafalgar reserves the right, to modify or cancel any trip (definite or not), accommodation, in-destination activity or arrangement at any time.

Cancellation due to Failure to Pay: If full payment is not received by the due date (see Summary Booking and Cancellation table), Trafalgar has the right to cancel your reservation and no refund will be made. Trafalgar will not be responsible for lost reservations

Cancellation due to Force Majeure Events: If Trafalgar cancels a trip as a result of a Force Majeure Event, a future travel credit (FTC) to the value of funds paid to date less any third-party costs incurred will be provided. All FTCs will be valid for 24 months from date of issue. Where a trip is terminated mid-trip due to a Force Majeure event, if we provide you with any alternative services or assistance (such as hotels or travel) then you agree to pay for these costs

Cancellation due to Events other than Force Maieure Events: If the cancellation by Trafalgar is not as a result of a Force Majeure Event, Trafalgar will provide an alternative comparable trip (if available) if an alternative is not available then a refund will be made. Trafalgar is not liable for any cancellation or change cost or penalties incurred on other travel arrangements, including air travel, that may be affected thereby. Trafalgar is not responsible for other travel arrangements that you or your party have made outside Trafalgar and which are affected by our cancellations

#### **Oberammergau and Passion Play**

All Oberammergau inclusive vacation/holiday prices are subject to change including, but not limited to, hotels, meals, sightseeing inclusions, itineraries, transfers and transportation. No Book Early savings nor any other discounts are applicable to the Oberammergau portion of the trip. Deposit protection guarantee is not available on trips including Oberammergau. Trafalgar has secured hotel accommodation either in Oberammergau or close by in the picturesque villages of the Bavarian Alps. Please note that single and triple rooms are not available for the Oberammergau stay. Solo travelers and triple share guests will be matched and accommodated in a twin room with a fellow solo Trafalgar traveler (of the same gender) for the duration of the stay. All services in Oberammergau are provided by a local agent, and hotel details will be advised by the Travel Director during the trip. NOTE: Where Oberammergau specific terms and conditions conflict with those for vacations excluding Oberammergau, the specific Oberammergau terms and conditions shall prevail.

#### Flight Reservations, Deposits and Cancellations

**Reservations/ Ticketing** Air-inclusive bookings and some intra-trip flights require an additional non-refundable deposit or full payment may be required for your airfare at the time of booking. On receipt of full air payment your airfare, taxes and fuel surcharges are final. Trafalgar does not hold an allocation of air seats and all flight reservations are made on request and are subject to the terms and conditions of the airline. Changes to flight itineraries and name changes and/or corrections may either not be allowed or may result in penalties charged by the airline. These are the guest's responsibility along with the fees charged as described above.

Air Changes or Cancellation After deposit has been received any changes, including cancellations incur a service fee, plus any airline penalties. Airline imposed penalties may be up to 100% of the air ticket price. Published Fares, Priced Match Fares, Promo Fares and some other airfares booked are non-refundable. Not showing up for your outbound flight as booked and ticketed will be considered a no-show, and all the connecting flights associated with this one, even a return flight will be canceled and no refund will apply.

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# Book with confidence, thanks to our Deposit Protection included with every booking.

Should your plans change, and you cancel your booking before final payment is due, you'll receive a credit of initial deposit amount received up to \$200 per person (but not greater than the amount you paid on your initial deposit) to use toward your future travel plans.

## **Travel Protection**

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**Travel Protection Requirements** 

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#### **Our Plan Coverage**

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Please be aware that most travel insurance providers require you to purchase your insurance coverage within a certain time frame from you paying your deposit (often times within 14 days). Guests are advised to research and purchase insurance as soon as possible after paying their deposit.

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