

European Experience Start Paris

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Day 1 | Arrive Paris



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

Hotel: Ibis Alésia Montparnasse 14ème

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Seine Cruise and Parisian Icons - Get set to see Paris in a whole new way! Hop on a cruise along the River Seine, where iconic landmarks like the Grand Palais and Eiffel Tower line the route. Then, enjoy a comfortable drive through the city, soaking in the vibrant atmosphere as you see some of its most celebrated sights.

Adult: 51.00 EUR

Day 2 | Paris Sightseeing and Free Time



Audrey Hepburn described it best when she said: 'Paris is always a good idea.' We're sure you'll agree. Hit its grand boulevards on a city sightseeing tour with your Travel Director. See the Arc de Triomphe and Champs-Élysées then spend the rest of the day discovering the city on your terms. Don't resist the urge to tread in the footsteps of Picasso and Dalí and visit Montmartre this afternoon, exploring its maze of streets and Artist's Square. There's time to shop for artwork and savour some local specialities before considering a real highlight this evening – an optional dinner and cabaret performance.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Ibis Alésia Montparnasse 14ème

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

You will have the opportunity to choose between the following two Choice Experiences:

Montmartre Village and Artists' Square - Montmartre, dominated by the soaring Sacre Coeur Basilica, is Paris's treasure not to be missed. Wander its quirky streets with a Local Guide who'll help you explore hidden galleries and the iconic Artist's Square – a playground for legends like Toulouse Lautrec and Picasso. Dive into the local scene: haggle over one-of-a-kind art, get a taste of local eats, and soak up the real Montmartre vibe on this eye-opening tour.

Adult: 51.00 EUR

Notre Dame and Latin Quarter - Wander through the pages of history on this walking tour with a Local Specialist. You'll start in the soul-stirring Latin Quarter, where every cobbled lane and cosy cafe has a story to tell. Think tucked-away

bookshops, ivy-clad walls and that classic Paris charm. Then it's on to the mighty Notre Dame. You'll get the lowdown on its dramatic Gothic facade and hear how it's stood tall through centuries of triumph and turmoil. After the tour, enjoy free time to explore inside at your own pace.

Adult: 39.00 EUR

You will have the opportunity to choose between the following two Choice Experiences:

Moulin Rouge Cabaret and Dinner - No tour of Paris is complete until you've been to the iconic Moulin Rouge for a night of dinner and cabaret! This is the cabaret that got Baz Luhrmann all fired up—60 dancers and entertainers dazzling you in over 1000 flashy costumes, all while you enjoy the spectacular show. Sip on wine and champagne included, and toast to an unforgettable evening in Paris.

Adult: 224.00 EUR

La Nouvelle Eve Cabaret and Dinner - Get ready to be dazzled at La Nouvelle Eve, the iconic spot you've seen in "Emily in Paris" and the backdrop for ultra-chic fashion events including Dolce & Gabbana, Christian Louboutin & Vivienne Westwood. Celebrating 125 years of elegance, this Parisian revue theatre offers more than just a night out—it's an experience. Feast your eyes and taste buds with an à la carte menu and a cabaret show that brings the French can-can to life in all its sparkling glory.

Adult: 169.00 EUR

Day 3 | Paris - Lucerne Region



Journey through the idyllic French countryside before arriving in Lake Lucerne. You'll want to put the 'heart' of Switzerland in your pocket and take its history, culture and epic landscapes with you.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: SwissEver Zug

Day 4 | Lucerne orientation and free time



Turn the page to a land of fairy-tale landscapes and medieval history. You have a full day to see the sights and explore Lucerne, starting with a morning orientation including the Chapel Bridge and the Jesuit Church. No visit to Lucerne is complete without a visit to the Lion Monument, built to commemorate the brave Swiss Guards who died defending Louis XVI during the French Revolution. You may be tempted to do some souvenir shopping, but a Choice Experience into the mountains will be hard to resist. Ascend Mount Pilatus by a cog-wheel railway then embark on a scenic lake cruise.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: SwissEver Zug

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Mount Pilatus And Lake Cruise - Embrace the great outdoors as you travel to Mount Pilatus, ascending its towering summit aboard a thrilling cogwheel train. Soak in the spectacular views and breathe in the crisp mountain air, marvelling at the magic of the Swiss landscape. Then, descend by cable car before taking a scenic lake cruise. It doesn't get much better

than this! Note: from mid-November to mid-May the ascent will be by a series of cable cars.

Adult: 131.00 CHF

* On certain departures this optional experience may be operated in reverse.

Swiss Countryside & Carriages - Cruise through the rolling green hills of Switzerland in style and enjoy a delightful countryside tour on a horse-drawn carriage ride. As you clop through quaint villages, gear up for a farm visit where local treats await. Mingle with a local farmer and get a front-row seat to the Swiss countryside's charm.

Adult: 83.00 CHF

* Children must be accompanied by an adult.

You will have the opportunity to choose between the following two Choice Experiences:

Swiss Folklore Evening with Dinner - Tonight's the night for a tasty Swiss meal, including the famous cheese fondue, in a typical restaurant. But it's not just about the food; get ready for a side of entertainment with a traditional folklore show. Picture this: yodeling, flag-throwing, and Alpine horn-blowing. It doesn't get more Swiss than that! Two drinks are also included.

Adult: 120.00 CHF

Swiss Dinner Party in Old Lucerne - Tonight, you'll enjoy a delicious Swiss meal that includes the famous Swiss cheese fondue and a drink in a typical local restaurant. Its riverside location in the heart of old Lucerne will ensure a relaxing evening enjoying the hearty Swiss menu.

Adult: 113.00 CHF

Day 5 | Lucerne - Florence (Campi Bisenzio)



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

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: The Gate

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Pisa and The Arno Valley - Visit the historical city of Pisa and with our Local Expert enjoy a guided visit of Piazza dei Miracoli, one of Italy's most impressive squares. Visit the Cathedral to discover its treasures, see the largest baptistery in Italy and of course, admire the iconic Leaning Tower of Pisa. You'll also have plenty of free time to shop and explore on your own.

Adult: 66.00 EUR

Day 6 | Florence – Rome



Enjoy your day in Florence before heading to Rome. Admire the city skyline from Piazzale Michelangelo. There's time to explore Piazza della Signoria, the Duomo and Giotto's Bell Tower or shop for the bespoke Italian leather goods and fine gold jewellery for which Florence is justifiably famous. You could choose instead to join a Choice Experience revealing the Renaissance heritage of a city which attracted artists, physicists, astronomers and philosophers like Michelangelo, Machiavelli and Galileo. Next, travel to Rome. If Rome was a person, she would be confident, alluring and complex. You'll get to know her, and her quirks, over the next two days. You'll find reminders of an ancient world, a holy empire and the Renaissance around every turn. You could choose to join a Local Guide for an optional guided stroll through Rome's piazzas. Linger in your favourite square, or perhaps enjoy a scoop or three of the local gelato and soak up the effervescent energy of a city that knows how to enjoy life.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Raganelli/Ergife Palace

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Florence's Renaissance Treasures - Dive into the heart of Florence, the cradle of the Renaissance, with a tour that's all about capturing the essence of this artistic city. Led by a Local Guide, you'll meander through its charming streets, taking in iconic sights like the Ponte Vecchio, the buzzing Mercato del Porcellino, and the historic Piazza della Signoria. Prepare to be awed by the majestic Duomo, a masterpiece of architectural genius. And because no Italian adventure is complete without a taste of the sweet life, you'll wrap up your journey with a scoop (or two) of gelato.

Adult: 50.00 EUR

Michelangelo's 'David' & Accademia - Dive into Michelangelo's world and stand face-to-face with his masterpiece, David, at the Academy of Fine Arts. Your Local Guide will talk you through Michelangelo's masterpieces, spilling the secrets of this Renaissance superstar's life and art. Get ready for a deep dive into history, creativity, and sheer genius.

Adult: 66.00 EUR

* The Accademia is not available on Mondays due to weekly closure day.

Day 7 | Rome Sightseeing and Free Time



You could spend a lifetime exploring Rome and just scratch the surface, but with your Local Guide on hand you'll dive right into the city's heart and soul. Head to Vatican City to watch the pigeons and people tread on holy ground. The rest of your day is free to explore the City. This evening, why not consider an optional dinner at one of the local restaurants?

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Raganelli/Ergife Palace

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Rome's Piazzas and Fountains - Discover the most charming areas of the city as you explore Rome's iconic piazzas and fountains with a Local Guide. Wander through the historic centre's narrow streets, uncovering the Eternal City's highlights and hidden treasures alike. It's Rome up close – a perfect blend of grandeur and secret charm.

Adult: 50.00 EUR

Guided Visit to the Colosseum - Hop on a blast from the past with your Local Guide, diving into the epic tales of the Roman Empire. Check out the Arch of Constantine up close and march where Gladiators and Roman Soldiers once ruled. Skip the long lines with fast-track entry to the Colosseum and get ready for the inside scoop on ancient showdowns and the power of Rome, all in the very arena where history was made.

Adult: 75.00 EUR

You will have the opportunity to choose between the following two Choice Experiences:

Roman Evening with Dinner - Step up your Rome tour by fully embracing la dolce vita with a light-hearted evening out in this enchanting city. Kick back and treat yourself to mouth-watering Italian favorites, like the legendary Spaghetti Carbonara and authentic Roman-Style Pizza. All this while soaking in the sweet sounds of Roman music at one of our top restaurant picks.

Adult: 79.00 EUR

Colosseum and Dinner - Skip the lines and step inside Rome's iconic Colosseum, where gladiators once fought for glory. After soaking up the ancient atmosphere, head to a local trattoria for a traditional Italian dinner. Think rich flavours, timeless recipes and Roman charm. History and hearty food? Now that's a night worth choosing.

Adult: 134.00 EUR

Day 8 | Rome – Venice (Mestre)



Journey on to Venice, which bewitches in all her Byzantine glory, softening even the hardest of hearts with her opulence. Highlights include a cruise on a private launch to St. Mark's Square and views of the magnificent St. Mark's Basilica and Doge's Palace. The talents of master craftsmen are the star of the show later as you visit their glassblowing workshop, a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. There's even time for an optional Gondola and Grand Canal cruise – grand palazzi, churches and ornate bridges line your journey.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Campanile Venice Mestre

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Gondolas & the Grand Canal - Set sail on a journey that's as enchanting as Venice itself. Be whisked away by private water taxi along the Grand Canal. See the Palazzi Barbaro, Rialto Bridge and the iconic St. Mark's Square. But the magic doesn't stop there – next, you'll slip into the quieter, dreamlike waterways of Venice on a gondola. It's a glide through the heart of the city, where every turn reveals a little more of its world-renowned charm and storybook canals.

Adult: 96.00 EUR

Day 9 | Venice – Innsbruck



Today you continue along the Inn Valley to the Austrian Tyrol and its capital, Innsbruck, where you can 'ooh and aah' at the impressive ski jump and view the famed Golden Roof, constructed from 2,657 copper tiles. Admire the fascinating crystal installations and browse for precious gifts and souvenirs at the Swarovski Crystal Worlds Store. This evening, a Choice Experience could see you enjoy a lively evening of entertainment during a traditional Tyrolean evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Bon Alpina

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Traditional Tyrolean Evening - Dive into the heart of Tyrolean culture with an unforgettable night in Innsbruck. Get ready for a vibrant spectacle of traditional entertainment as singers, dancers and musicians decked out in national attire bring folklore to life. With two drinks on us, settle in for a night of dazzling performances and genuine Tyrolean fun.

Adult: 62.00 EUR

* This evening choice experience may not be available on every departure.

Day 10 | Innsbruck - Munich - Rhineland



Your first stop today is Munich where you can admire the Glockenspiel in the Marienplatz and the Hofbräuhaus. Continue on to the Rhineland.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: ACHAT Bad Dürkheim

Day 11 | On to Amsterdam



Suitably inspired by its spires, you'll board a lazy river cruise down the Rhine past terraced vineyards and fairy-tale castles. Your experience of a lifetime ends in the free-thinking capital of the Netherlands. Immerse yourself in Amsterdam's gezelligheid as you soak up the buzz of the city's canals, gabled houses and festive squares. There's no better way to see the capital than from its waterways, why not join a Choice Experience in a glass-topped boat winding through Amsterdam's historic canal ring.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Ibis Schiphol

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Amsterdam Discovery Canal Cruise - Get ready to tick a big one off your bucket list with a private cruise down Amsterdam's legendary canals. Together with your Local Guide, you'll glide under fairy-tale bridges and past dreamy merchant houses, all from a glass-roofed boat. It's Amsterdam from the best seat in the house – chilled, charming, and oh-so-Dutch.

Adult: 43.00 EUR

Day 12 | Depart Amsterdam



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

Meals: Breakfast

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