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DAYS

Capitals of Europe: London, Paris, Rome

Unearth the history, culture, and politics of Europe's most famous capital cities while meeting like-minded friends and creating a lifetime of memories. Avoid London's crowds and cruise through the city by boat on the River Thames, marvel at the Mona Lisa while at the Louvre, and experience the serenity of The Sistine Chapel in Vatican City.

Tour highlights

- Accommodation
- Homestay options (where noted)
- Daily Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- Transfers
- Full-time Delegation Manager
- 24-hour support on programme
- Guided sightseeing
- Expert Local Guides
- Entry Fee to Attractions/Activities
- All Tips/Gratuities



Itinerary



Day 1

London, England

Welcome to London

Arrive into Heathrow and meet your local Delegation Manager. It's time to head out into London for a special orientation of the city before stopping for your first taste of British cuisine. During a tour of the very best of London, you'll get the chance to see iconic landmarks like Tower Bridge, The Houses of Parliament, Piccadilly Circus, and Trafalgar Square.

Day 2

London, England

London Leaders and Landmarks

Visit Parliament for a unique People to People Moment to meet a former member of British Parliament. Have an enlightening discussion which will include the impact of Brexit on UK politics. Afterwards, you'll head over to Buckingham Palace to witness the Changing of the Guard. Following lunch, you will go to Tower of London, home to the Crown Jewels and over a thousand years of fascinating history. Away from the hustle and bustle of the crowds, explore London by boat, cruising past the many world-famous landmarks that line the banks of the River Thames. Top off an action-packed day with dinner and a show on London's West End, the British equivalent of Broadway.

Day 3

London, England

To Be or Not To Be

Join a drama workshop for a lesson on the works of the most celebrated playwright of all time and get insight into modern interpretations of his plays. You'll also have the chance to dress up and act with professionally trained actors. Take the Eurostar from London to Paris under the English Channel.

Day 4

Paris, France

The Palace of Versailles

Explore the extravagance of the Palace of Versailles and have a picnic in the grounds of this UNESCO World Heritage Site. For lunch, you'll enjoy the ingredients you picked out at a Parisian market earlier in the day. In the afternoon, meet with a local artist for a firsthand look into the celebrated world of Parisian art. Enjoy a selection of French delicacies, including snails, while perched on top of Montmartre (The City of Light). Spend the evening beneath the Eiffel Tower, marveling at the striking landmark's famous light show.

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Day 5

Paris, France The Louvre

Experience Paris with local French students and learn the secrets of the city from those in the know. Later on, see a wealth of art and priceless treasures on exhibit in perhaps the world's most famous museum, the Louvre. Take the time to explore the museum on your own as you marvel at works including Da Vinci's Mona Lisa. This evening dine in the Louvre's "Carousel Restaurants du Monde," which showcases different cuisines from around the globe. Tonight you will travel to Milan on an overnight train journey.

Day 6

Milan, Italy Italian Indulgences

There's no time to waste as you arrive in Milan. Take a rooftop tour of the city's breathtaking Cathedrals, complete with insightful audio guides and knowledgeable group leaders. Explore the art and history on show at some of the city's most celebrated museums and galleries before indulging in a classic Italian lunch.

Day 7

Tuscany, Italy Renaissance in Florence

With the help of an expert guide, visit the Accademia Gallery, which houses Michelangelo's colossal statue David and an impressive selection of Renaissance art. Take a walk through the city of Florence, passing the Duomo and the bronze doors to the Baptistery, fittingly known as the Gate to Paradise. Meet with Italian craftsmen who create some of the most revered products in the world before an in-depth pizza-making lesson where you can try all your creations!

Day 8

Tuscany, Italy Tuscany

Make your way to Tuscany, passing through rolling countryside and stunning views before arriving at a contemporary working farm. Learn how to identify and prepare local produce and then try out a variety of delicacies during a traditional European lunch. Try your hand at a number of intricate farming techniques under expert tutelage, many of which date back centuries. For some well-earned relaxation, join a group of Italian locals for a selection of tasty treats.

Day 9

Rome, Italy When in Rome

Tour the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of the Colosseum and Roman Forum. Stand in awe of the Pantheon, Spanish Steps, Trevi Fountain, and more. Soak up the atmosphere of Rome's ancient streets as you work up an appetite for one of Italy's most celebrated treats—Gelato.

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Day 10

Rome, Italy

St. Peter's Basilica

Explore the center of the Catholic Church and the world's smallest country, Vatican City. Your professional guide will take you on a tour of the Vatican Museums, spectacular frescos of the Sistine Chapel, and St. Peter's Basilica. Meet with a member of the Swiss Guard, hearing tales from his time spent guarding the Pope and learning just what it takes to join one of the oldest military units in the world.

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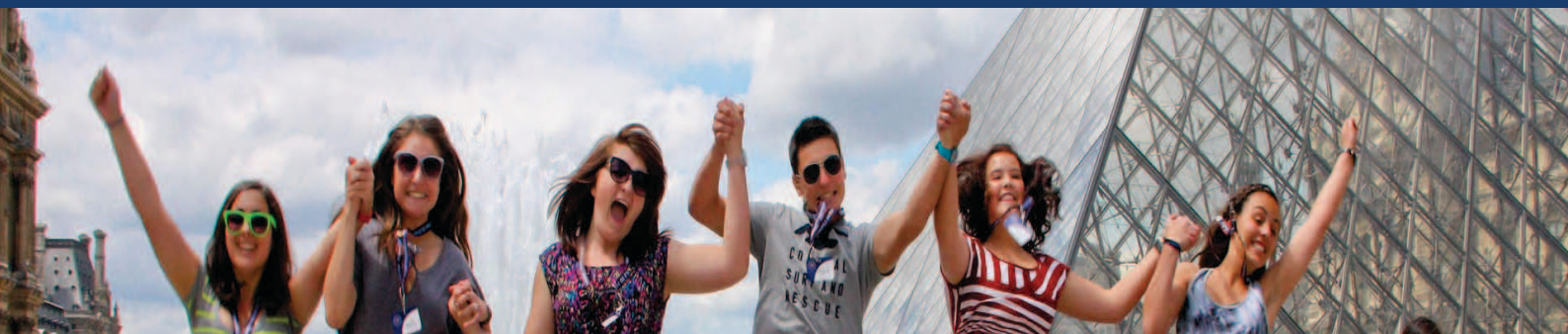
Depart, Italy

Arrivederci!

Arrivederci! Depart for home after your voyage of self-discovery in the world's most iconic capitals with a wealth of memories and friendships that will last a lifetime.



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