

From St. Paul's to St. Peter's - GSA (5901)

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From London to Rome, travel to Western Europe's most famous cities on this European tour. Spend two nights in Paris, the Lucerne area, the Venice area, and Rome, and one night in Montecatini. Along the way, visit picturesque towns and witness beautiful scenery. In Paris, Florence, and Rome, enjoy sightseeing with a Local Guide, a knowledgeable expert who intimately knows the cities. See the must-see sights, including the Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, and Champs Elysées in Paris; the historic center in Florence; and Rome's Colosseum—where the deadly gladiatorial fights were held during the Roman Empire—and the Roman Forum, dating back to the 7th century BC. Also visit St. Peter's Square, where worshippers gather to hear the pope. Your orientation in Venice includes a boat ride to St. Mark's Square, one of the most famous squares in the world. In Lucerne, your orientation includes the Lion Monument, a stone sculpture erected to honor the Swiss Guards killed during the French Revolution, and Chapel Bridge, Europe's oldest covered bridge dating back to 1333. You'll experience an engineering marvel, the Chunnel, as you take the Eurostar train from London to Paris. Another marvel is Pisa's famous Leaning Tower, which you'll see on this European tour. But that's not all...you'll also witness amazing scenery throughout this Europe tour. Enjoy views of Fontainebleau Forest, the wine-growing area, prosperous farms, and half-timbered villages as you travel between Paris and picture-perfect Lucerne. Nestled amid the Alps and surrounded by its stunning lake, Lucerne is one of Switzerland's finest towns. Also enjoy a stroll along the promenade of picturesque Lake Lugano. Finally, enjoy the rolling hills in Tuscany. If you desire to see some of Europe's most picturesque scenery and famous cities, this value-minded Europe tour is the perfect vacation!

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Destinations & Sightseeing

Visits to Lucerne, Lugano, Verona, Venice, Montecatini, Pisa

Guides:

Local Guides for city sightseeing in Paris, Florence, Rome; professional Tour Director while touring

Burgundy Wine Country, Swiss Alps

December 15 Departure – Christmas in Rome

Transportation:

Private, first-class, air-conditioned motorcoach; Eurostar train London-Paris; canal transfer boat in Venice

Meals

Meals & Itinerary

Buffet breakfasts daily; 3 dinners

Itinerary

Inside visits and special features are shown in UPPERCASE in the tour description.

Day 1

LONDON, ENGLAND–PARIS, FRANCE. Board the EUROSTAR TRAIN to Paris with your Tour Director. Spend two nights in Paris.

Day 2

PARIS. Paris is a world-class city that probably has more familiar landmarks than almost any other city in the world. This morning, see these sites during the included city tour with a Local Guide. This evening, why not join an optional Parisian dinner? (B)

Day 3

PARIS–LUCERNE AREA, SWITZERLAND. Fascinating, ever-changing scenery greets you today. Enjoy views of Fontainebleau Forest, the wine-growing area of Burgundy, prosperous farms, and tidy, half-timbered villages as you head through the alpine heart of Switzerland to the picture-book Lucerne area. (B,D)

Day 4

LUCERNE AREA. One of Switzerland's finest cities, Lucerne is nestled amid its snowcapped Alps, surrounded by its lake, and graced by the clear mountain waters of the Reuss River. The orientation includes the LION MONUMENT, erected in memory of the 800 Swiss Guards who defended Louis XVI and his wife. Also admire the famous wooden CHAPEL BRIDGE with its splendid frescoes. A selection of optional activities completes the day: a cable-car ride to the 10,000-foot summit of Mount Titlis; a cruise on the fjord-like lake; and, of course, time to shop for an authentic Swiss watch. (B)

Day 5

LUCERNE AREA–LUGANO–VERONA, ITALY–VENICE AREA. More wonderful alpine scenery awaits as you drive into the mountain ranges that surround the massive St. Gotthard. Once through its great tunnel, start your scenic descent into the warmer and sunnier ambiance of Canton Ticino. Stop in beautiful Lugano and take a stroll along the lakeside promenade. Later, cross into Italy and drive through the Lombardy plains to Romeo and Juliet's Verona, known as "Little Rome" for its splendid amphitheater still standing in its former glory. Overnight in the Venice area. (B)

Day 6

VENICE AREA. Venice is more like a marvelous film set than a real-life city, with criss-crossing canals, gondolas and water buses, arched bridges, palaces, and busy little piazzas. The orientation starts with a BOAT RIDE to St. Mark's Square and is followed by a chance to watch Venetian GLASSBLOWERS fashion their delicate objects as they did centuries ago. Don't miss out on the optional gondola trip, gliding along the picturesque canals with a local troubadour to serenade you. (B,D)

Day 7

VENICE AREA–FLORENCE–MONTECATINI. Travel south across the Apennines into the gentle and hilly countryside of Tuscany. Enjoy a guided walk through Florence to discover its Renaissance treasures, then continue to Montecatini for an overnight. (B,D)

Day 8

MONTECATINI–PISA–ROME. This morning, stop in Pisa to see the famed SQUARE OF MIRACLES and to view the Leaning Tower. Then, journey south to Rome. Tonight, consider an optional evening drive through the city—a floodlit spectacular of shimmering fountains, magnificent churches, and piazzas—followed by dinner. (B)

Day 9

ROME. The “Eternal City” is steeped in history, vibrantly alive and exciting, and absolutely unique! Included sightseeing with a Local Guide starts with St. Peter’s Square and Basilica. Other highlights are the iconic Colosseum, the largest amphitheater ever built; the Roman Forum; Piazza Venezia, and Campidoglio. An optional visit is available to the Vatican Museums and Sistine Chapel, world famous for Michelangelo’s impressive fresco of The Last Judgment. (B)

Day 10

ROME. Arrivederci, Roma—your holiday ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

Tour Director

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