

10 Days | Europe Highlights | 2025

Rome - Venice - Munich - Amsterdam - Ghent - Paris - Burgundy - Swiss Alps -
Lake Como - Tuscany - Pisa - Florence

From **\$2,799** Typically \$3,730 pp twin share



See the best of Italy including Lake Como, Tuscany & Rome

Free days in the Swiss Alps and Paris to go exploring

Spend time in the countryside of the Rhine Valley

Canal cruises, wine tasting, windmill tours and more

Description



Travelling on a budget, or short on time? Soak up the magic of Europe on this ultra affordable highlights tour in 2025.

See and experience world-famous sights on one of our most well-loved tours of Europe. Start your tour in Rome and spend 10 days exploring the highlights of this exciting continent. Explore iconic destinations in France, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, Germany, the Netherlands, and Belgium. From the Rhine River and the Swiss Alps to the Eiffel Tower and the Venice canals, this popular tour ticks off multiple bucket-list attractions. Taste local cuisine, marvel at incredible natural beauty and soak up local culture.

Travelling in Europe offers a multitude of experiences, blending diverse cultures, historical landmarks, and modern cities. Each country, often just a train ride away, has its unique charm. In France, you can immerse yourself in Paris's art, fashion, and cuisine, while in Italy, the ancient ruins of Rome or the canals of Venice transport you to another era. Germany's medieval castles and vibrant cities like showcase a mix of old and new.

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Itinerary

Day 1

Rome Venice

Welcome to Italy! Leave Rome this morning and head to the city of canals and gondolas. Vineyards and orchards flash in front of a majestic mountain backdrop as the coach drives. The diversity of the Italian landscapes will continue to impress before arriving in Venice. This iconic city is home to world-famous landmarks like St Mark's Square, Grand Canal and Rialto Bridge. The evening is free to explore. Enjoy a twilight water taxi cruise and a gondola ride on the canals while admiring the sights from the water. This excursion also includes dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Dinner

Accommodation: Hotel Venezia, Hotel San Giuliano or similar

Day 2

Venice Innsbruck Munich

Say arrivederci to Italy (for now). Heading north toward Germany this morning, encounter some of the most beautiful countrysides in Central Europe. Admire the breathtaking Brenner Pass as the tour makes its way to Austria. Stop in Innsbruck, famous for its dramatic mountain backdrop. Enjoy an orientation tour and some free time to explore. Arriving in Munich in the afternoon, embark on an orientation tour of the city centre. With much of the city restored after WW2, the modern and ancient history of Munich is fascinating, and the effort to rebuild the German city is gilded with respect. Munich hosts the world's most famous beer festival - Oktoberfest! Get a taste this evening with dinner and beer in a traditional beer hall.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Accommodation: Mecure Hotel Muenchen Neuperlach Sued, Achat Hotel Munchen Sud or similar

Day 3

Munich Rhine Valley

Our German adventure continues, as the tour heads to one of the most picturesque sections of the Rhine River. Arrive in the Rhine Valley and relax onboard a Rhine riverboat as it travels into the heart of this region. This is the most concentrated stretch of castles in all of Europe, but it also features vineyards, charming medieval towns and lofty cliffs. Learn more about the castles, many of which are in ruins. Afterwards, visit a local wine merchant for a wine tasting. If the harvest has been good, try eiswein (ice wine), a sweet wine that is produced in very small quantities as it can only be harvested when the temperature drops below freezing.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Accommodation: Wyndam Garden Koblenz, Super 8 By Wyndham Koblenz or similar

Day 4

Rhine Valley Amsterdam

This morning we farewell Germany, and continue into the Netherlands. En route to Amsterdam, travel through the beautiful Dutch countryside and enjoy a photo stop at the iconic Riekermolens windmill. Then, indulge in a cheese and clog-making display - and sample some delicious local cheeses! Arrive in Amsterdam in the afternoon and enjoy some free time to explore and soak up the city's buzzing atmosphere. Later, embark on a twilight canal cruise. Gain an alternative perspective of this eclectic and bohemian city whilst drifting past famous landmarks. Afterwards, look forward to an included dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Accommodation: Holiday Inn Express Amsterdam Schiphol, Hampton By Hilton Amsterdam Schiphol or similar

Day 5

Amsterdam Ghent Paris

Next, we head south to the Belgian city of Ghent. This picturesque port city is a cultural hub, and is known for its medieval architecture, which is remarkably well-preserved. See some top sights on an orientation tour and then enjoy free time for lunch. Be sure to try an authentic Belgian waffle! Leaving Ghent behind, the tour makes its way to Paris, the 'City of Lights'. Embark on a driving tour of the French capital, so get your cameras ready for some of the city's most treasured landmarks, including the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe! After the driving tour, enjoy dinner with the group at a restaurant in the city.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Accommodation: B&B Hotel Paris Nord 18eme, B&B Hotel Paris 17 Batignolles or similar

Day 6

Paris

The wonderful thing about Paris is that there is so much to experience, regardless of the time of day, or season. Enjoy a full free day to explore all this magical city has to offer. Wander its fascinating streets, sample local cuisine (escargot, anyone?) or simply relax in one of the city's lovely parks. You might also want to try macaron tasting, a tour of a famous parfumerie, a visit to the Latin Quarter and much more! This evening, choose to explore the stunning Montmartre neighbourhood and watch an exciting cabaret show.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: B&B Hotel Paris Nord 18eme, B&B Hotel Paris 17 Batignolles or similar

Day 7

Paris 🚗 Burgundy 🚗 Swiss Alps

Au revoir, Paris! Today, get a taste of small-town France with a lunch stop in Burgundy. In the town of Beaune, visit the beautiful Hospices de Beaune or try the region's famous wine. After free time for lunch, take a scenic drive across the border into Switzerland. Welcome to the Swiss Alps, home for the next two nights. Leaving bustling cities behind, look forward to being completely surrounded by nature's beauty. Turn in any direction and see snow-capped peaks, clear-blue lakes and perfect hiking trails. Breathe in the fresh air and make the most of the time in this idyllic place. Enjoy dinner at the hotel tonight.

Meals: Breakfast and Dinner

Accommodation: Alpenrose Hotel & Gardens, Hotel Alpina Kandersteg, Hotel Baren Wilderswill, Hotel Merkur or similar

Day 8

Swiss Alps

The Swiss Alps have some of the highest peaks in the world. Surrounded by these peaks and glaciers, take the opportunity to feel on top of the world at Jungfrauoch on this free day. Join this popular optional excursion and take a train or gondola to "the top of Europe" for magnificent mountain vistas. Admire picture-perfect beauty all around, play in the year-round snow, and look forward to endless photo opportunities. For those wishing to spend their free day exploring the local sights, wander through the villages and breathe in that crisp, fresh, Alpine air. Why not warm up this evening with a delicious Swiss fondue dinner?

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Alpenrose Hotel & Gardens, Hotel Alpina Kandersteg, Hotel Baren Wilderswill, Hotel Merkur or similar

Day 9

Swiss Alps 🚗 Lake Como 🚗 Tuscany

Today, leave the Swiss Alps and head back towards Italy, stopping for lunch at the famous Lake Como. An enormous expanse of water fringed by picturesque scattered villages, it's perhaps not surprising that one of the villages, Laglio, is where George Clooney has a luxurious villa. Then, it's onwards to the exquisite Tuscan region - famous for wine, food, art and architecture. Settle in Montecatini Terme and join tonight's optional excursion to fully experience this gorgeous spa town.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel Terme Pellegrini or similar

Day 10

Tuscany 🚗 **Pisa** 🚗 **Florence** 🚗 **Rome**

This morning, capture iconic shots at the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa. The UNESCO-listed Leaning Tower is one of the most popular European landmarks. Then, head to the enchanting city of Florence. Arrive and embark on a walking tour with a local guide. History oozes out of every pore of this artistic and cultural centre, which was the birthplace of the Renaissance. Afterwards, enjoy some free time to further explore or join the 'Taste of Tuscany' optional excursion to sample delectable local cuisine with a family-style meal. Later, the tour makes its way back to where this adventure began, because all roads eventually lead to Rome. The tour ends upon arrival, so safe travels on the rest of your adventure in Europe.

Meals: Breakfast

Accommodation: Hotel Terme Pellegrini or similar

Inclusions & Exclusions

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- 9 nights in 3 & 4-Star hotel accommodation with private bathrooms
 - 9 breakfasts and 3 dinners
 - Modern air-conditioned coach with reclining seats and toilet onboard
 - Fully guided tour with experienced tour leader
 - Any public transport used as a part of the tour (excluding free days)
 - Explore Venice, Italy's floating city
 - Enjoy a scenic mountain drive through Brenner Pass
 - Visit the beautiful Austrian city of Innsbruck
 - See the restored Munich city centre on an orientation tour
 - Say "prost!" at an authentic German Beer Hall
 - Admire the scenery on Rhine River cruise
 - Taste local wines in the Rhine Valley
 - See the iconic Riekermolen windmill
 - Enjoy a traditional cheese and clogs demonstration
 - Cruise along the Amsterdam canals
 - Visit Ghent, a medieval Belgian city
 - See iconic landmarks on a driving tour of Paris
 - Visit Burgundy, a stunning French winemaking region
 - Enjoy a scenic mountain drive through the Swiss Alps
 - Visit the picturesque Lake Como
 - Get a photo by the Leaning Tower of Pisa
 - Explore Florence, the birthplace of the Renaissance
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Exclusions

- International airfares
- Travel insurance (highly recommended)
- Meals and sightseeing not specified
- Entrance fees not specified
- Optional add-on tours
- Tipping or gratuities
- Items of a personal nature, such as drinks, snacks, laundry etc
- Any items or services not listed in the above inclusions.

Child Policy: No children under 10 years of age permitted on this tour. Please contact us if you are after a family-friendly trip.

Single Supplement: Travelling solo? The single supplement to have your own room is \$1399, and is available on check-out. If you don't mind sharing a room with a fellow solo traveller of the same gender, this tour provides the option of doing so at no extra charge.

Travel Insurance: We recommend Covermore travel insurance. To quote and book, please click [HERE](#).

Optional Extras: Want to add airfares, extra accommodation or add additional tours? Get in touch with us so we can help build your dream trip.