

Glimpse of Europe

Trip Map




 Start Location

 End Location

 Over night

 Visited Location

 Cruise

 Ferry

 Plane

 Train

Day 1 | Arrive Amsterdam



Start your unforgettable European adventure in Amsterdam. If you can tear your eyes from its scenic canals, you'll be staring at the city's teetering gabled homes that proclaim their birthyear with pride on their colourful façades. There's no better way to immerse yourself fully in Amsterdam's gezelligheid than taking an optional canal cruise in a glass-topped boat this evening.

Hotel: Holiday Inn Express - North Riverside

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Taste of Amsterdam & Holland - Experience the picturesque countryside of Holland and the charming atmosphere of vibrant Amsterdam on an immersive tour led by our Local Specialist. Visit a centuries-old farm to taste traditionally made Gouda cheese and see how local artisans create handcrafted wooden shoes. Next, visit a working Windmill with a tour by the Miller himself!

Adult: 44.00 EUR

Amsterdam Discovery Canal Cruise - Your travel dreams are about to become a reality as you enjoy a private cruise down the iconic canals of Amsterdam with a Local Specialist, marvelling at the wondrous sights. Travelling by glass-roofed boat along the historic canal ring, you'll discover imposing warehouses, stately merchant homes, houseboats and picturesque bridges from an idyllic vantage point.

Adult: 38.00 EUR

Day 2 | Amsterdam – Cologne – Rhine Cruise – Rhineland



From Amsterdam's leafy canals to the towering spires of Cologne, your morning will be jam-packed with sights you'll want to capture on camera as you head east into the lush landscapes of Germany. View the imposing Gothic Cologne Cathedral then head to Boppard where you'll board your river cruise down the Rhine. Pass storybook villages, terraced vineyards and medieval castles where feuding lords must have surveyed their lands once upon a time. Watch the soul-stirring scenery of the Rhine Valley unfold as you kick back and watch the world go by. Arrive later at your hotel where you'll join your travel companions for dinner.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: NH Weinheim

Day 3 | Rhineland – Black Forest – Rhine Falls – Lucerne Region



Straight out of a Brothers Grimm fairy tale, Germany's Black Forest is the perfect backdrop for this morning's scenic drive. You'll see why its enchanting landscapes have inspired myths and fables throughout the centuries before crossing into Switzerland. A quick stop in Schaffhausen means there's time to capture the cascading waters of the Rhine Falls, Europe's biggest waterfall, before you arrive in the scenic region of Lake Lucerne. This evening, consider an Optional Experience to a Swiss folklore show which will highlight many Swiss traditions including yodelling and alpine horn playing.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: City Brunnen

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

You will be offered one of the following two optional experiences depending on availability:

Swiss Folklore Evening with Dinner - Tonight we'll enjoy a tasty Swiss meal, including the famous Swiss cheese fondue, in a typical restaurant. While enjoying dinner, you can also join in a lively folklore show which includes yodelling, flag-throwing and Alpine horn-blowing. Two drinks are also included.

Adult: 110.00 CHF

Swiss Dinner by the Lake - Tonight, we'll enjoy a delicious Swiss meal that includes the famous Swiss cheese fondue in a typical local restaurant. Its lakeside location and well-placed terrace will ensure a relaxing evening enjoying the hearty Swiss menu. Two drinks are included.

Adult: 103.00 EUR

Day 4 | Lucerne orientation and free time



Join your Travel Director for an orientation through the Old Town and to the ancient Chapel Bridge and Lion Monument. See the mournful, mortally wounded lion hewn from rock to commemorate the sacrifice made by the Swiss Guards who died defending Louis XVI during the French Revolution, then enjoy some time on your own. You'll then have the full day to discover why Lucerne earned its place on the 'Grand Tour' of Europe. You could choose to ascend to the alpine heavens, joining an optional scenic cruise across Lake Lucerne, then travel by railway and cable car into the mountains for exhilarating views.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: City Brunnen

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Mount Pilatus And Lake Cruise - Embrace the great outdoors as we travel to Mount Pilatus, ascending to the towering summit by a thrilling cog-wheel train. Soak in the spectacular views and breathe in pure air, marvelling at the magic of the Swiss scenery. Then, we'll descend by cable-car before taking a scenic lake cruise. It doesn't get much better than this!

Adult: 118.00 CHF

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

Swiss Countryside & Carriages - Travel through the rolling green hills of Switzerland in style, as you meet local farmers and enjoy a delightful countryside tour in horse-drawn carriages. Soak up the stunning scenery as we trot around a rural community, en route to a working farm where you'll savour local refreshments and uncover the charms of country life.

Adult: 77.00 CHF

* Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Day 5 | Lucerne Region – Paris



Enjoy a brief second encounter with the Rhine River when you head north, passing Basel en route to France. Admire the scenic views of the Burgundy wine region that follow your journey north to the French capital. Get a head start on your sightseeing and delve into Paris's grand past, dynamic present and exciting future on your own this evening. Why not join an Optional Experience, including a scenic river cruise and an illuminations drive, stopping at all the best photo spots?

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Hotel Novotel Paris Pont de Sevres / Hampton By Hilton Paris Clichy

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Seine Cruise and Paris Illuminations - Experience the world-famous 'City of Lights' as Paris transforms in the evening. Enjoy a leisurely cruise along the River Seine, taking in views of iconic Parisian sights such as Grand Palais and the Eiffel Tower. Later, kick back for a relaxing drive through this picturesque city that will show off the best Paris has to offer.

Adult: 47.00 EUR

Day 6 | Paris sightseeing and free time



Embrace elegance today with a full day to get under the skin of the City of Lights. Your Travel Director will deliver an excellent introduction during your sightseeing tour which includes views of the Arc de Triomphe, Eiffel Tower and Champs-Élysées. There's time to see the sights on your own this afternoon. You could choose to hit the shops or tread in the footsteps of Picasso and Dalí in Montmartre, exploring its maze of streets and Artists' Square. Tonight, the frills and flounces of the Can-Can girls at a cabaret promise an entertaining evening should you wish to join this Optional Experience.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Hotel Novotel Paris Pont de Sevres / Hampton By Hilton Paris Clichy

CHOICE OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

La Nouvelle Eve Cabaret and Dinner - Nestled in the heart of Montmartre, Nouvelle Eve has been spotlighted by 'Emily in Paris' and has hosted events for high-fashion icons like Dolce & Gabbana, Christian Louboutin and Vivienne Westwood. An icon of Parisian elegance for 125 years, this chic revue theatre is your ticket to an unforgettable night. An a la carte meal and dazzling cabaret will bring the French Cancan to life before your eyes. Performances run from April 20 to October 26.

Adult: 163.00 EUR

You will be offered one of the following two optional experiences depending on availability:

Montmartre Village and Artists' Square - Dominated by the soaring Sacre Coeur Basilica, Montmartre is a must-visit destination in Paris. Join a Local Specialist to explore the winding streets, unusual galleries and world-famous Artist's Square - once home to the works of Toulouse Lautrec and Picasso. With time to browse, barter for original art and taste local cuisine, this tour uncovers the true joy of the Montmartre lifestyle.

Adult: 47.00 EUR

Montparnasse and Latin Quarter - Led by a Local Specialist, you'll see the 'City of Lights' from a new perspective on the Panoramic Observation Deck. Later, you'll visit the Latin Quarter to stroll through the medieval maze of cobblestone alleyways, with sidewalks bistros, boutiques and hidden squares

to explore.

Adult: 44.00 EUR

Day 7 | Depart Paris



After breakfast, say farewell to your fellow travellers at the end of your holiday.

Meals: Breakfast