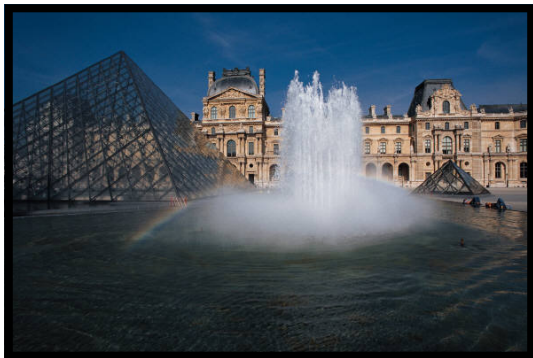


LONDON, PARIS & ROME

ITINERARY NIGHTS: London (3), Paris (3), Night Train (1), Rome (3)

HIGHLIGHTS: London City Tour • The Tower of London • Windsor Castle • Canterbury Cathedral • Paris City Tour • Louvre • Versailles • Bateaux Mouches • Florence City Tour • Orvieto • Rome City Tour • Vatican and Vatican Museum

OPTIONS: Pompeii Tour



DAY 1 Depart for England.

DAY 2 LONDON Welcome to London! Your TSA Tours representative will meet you at the airport and escort you to your hotel or introduce you to your host family. The rest of the day is free for discovery.

DAY 3 LONDON On today's **London City Tour** see Piccadilly Circus, Tower Bridge, Buckingham Palace, Trafalgar Square, Fleet Street, the Houses of Parliament, St. Paul's and Big Ben. Continue to Westminster where you'll tour the formidable Westminster Abbey, site of numerous royal weddings and coronations. The first King crowned at Westminster was William I in 1066. Highlights include the Coronation Chair and Screen, the monument of the Unknown Warrior and Poet's Corner with its monuments to Chaucer, Milton, Longfellow and Thomas. Then cross an actual drawbridge to the **Tower of London**. Originally constructed by William I in 1067, the Tower fortress was intended to dissuade citizens from revolution. The Tower has also housed the Royal Mint and served as a prison. Today it houses a noteworthy collection

of royal and historical artifacts. Here the legend of the ravens and see the fabulous Crown Jewels, some of which date back to 12th century. Also on display is the Star of Africa in the Royal Sceptre. At 530 carats, the Star of Africa is the largest diamond in the world. Before leaving, be sure to have your picture taken with a Beefeater in his Tudor uniform.

DAY 4 LONDON Explore **Windsor Castle**, the weekend retreat of the royal family and the largest castle in Europe still inhabited. See the Round Tower built by Henry II, St. George's Chapel, the State Apartments and Queen Mary's Dolls' House.

DAY 5 PARIS Visit Canterbury, home of the majestic **Canterbury Cathedral** and the ecclesiastical capital of England. Then travel under the English Channel via the Chunnel to France and on to Paris, *City of Light*.

DAY 6 PARIS Bienvenue à Paris, the most magical city in the world! On your **Paris City Tour** see the Eiffel Tower, the Champs-Élysées and l'Etoile with the Arc de Triomphe. You'll also visit the **Louvre**, the largest museum on earth, to see its art treasures. Later, enjoy a **Bateaux Mouches Cruise** on the

Seine. View the monuments of France from a unique perspective as you take in the brilliance of the lights of Paris after nightfall. Sail past the Alexandre III Bridge, the Pont Neuf, the oldest bridge in Paris and the Petit-Pont, the smallest bridge in the city. Glide between the Ile de la Cité and the Ile St.-Louis and be sure to make a wish as you pass under the Pont-Marie - it's guaranteed to come true!

DAY 7 PARIS Tour the Palace of **Versailles**, home of Louis XIV, the Sun King. Walk through its fabulous galleries, including the Hall of Mirrors, where the Treaty of Versailles was signed, ending World War I. See the formal gardens, preserved in their original state with beautiful fountains, statues, paths and ornamental ponds.

DAY 8 NIGHT TRAIN Enjoy a free day to explore Paris on your own. Perhaps visit the Musée d'Orsay, home to one of the greatest collections of Impressionist works ever assembled. Or choose to visit Centre Pompidou, then stroll through the energetic Les Halles district. This evening board



your night train with couchettes, for Italy.

DAY 9 ROME Buon giorno! Welcome to *Firenze*, the birthplace of the Renaissance. Your guided a **Florence City Tour** takes you to see the cathedral and baptistery, the Church of San Lorenzo and visit the Accademia with Michelangelo's *David*. Then travel on to Rome via **Orvieto**, where you'll take a funicular up the hillside to see the magnificent Duomo, or cathedral.

DAY 10 ROME Discover the wonders of the *Eternal City* on your **Rome City Tour**. Visit the Colosseum, and see the Roman Forum, the Monument to Vittorio Emmanuel, the Piazza Navona, the Spanish Steps and the Trevi Fountain, where a toss of a coin guarantees your return to Rome. Cross the Tiber to **Vatican City** and its museum. Visit **St. Peter's Basilica** and the **Sistine Chapel** to see the finger of man touch the finger of God in Michelangelo's stunning depiction of the creation.

DAY 11 ROME Today is free to sightsee or shop for souvenirs. **Optional:** Visit Pompeii to see the destruction caused by the eruptions of Mt. Vesuvius in 79 AD.

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