



COACH TOUR - SIX COUNTRIES, VENICE & PARIS - 9N/10D

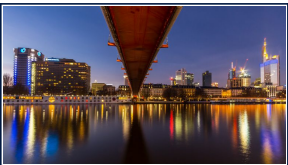


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10day Tour from London to Paris (Cosmos)

Vacation Overview

If you want to see Western Europe's main highlights but don't have a lot of time, this is the vacation for you! Visit England, Belgium, Germany, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, and France. Sample France's celebrated cuisine—from fresh baguettes and pastries to fine wines. See London's famous museums, shop at its famous stores on Bond Street and Knightsbridge, or kick back and stroll through lovely Hyde Park. Highlight of your trip include Brussel, home of the European Union, a scenic cruise on the Rhine River, Germany's Romantic Road, a trade route during the Middle Ages. Once you cross into Austria, head south into Italy to visit the unique floating city of Venice as well as Romeo & Juliet's Verona. Another feature of your holiday is your stay in Lucerne, one of Switzerland's finest cities, situated on the shores of beautiful Lake Lucerne and nestled within the snowcapped Swiss Alps. Your vacation concludes in Paris, the "Ville Lumière," where you will experience French elegance. In a short period of time, this affordable European vacation offers it all—historical sites, gastronomic delights, quaint towns, and scenic beauty.



Itinerary:

Day 1 : Arrive in London, England

Check into your hotel. Uniformed hosts are available to help you make the most of your stay.



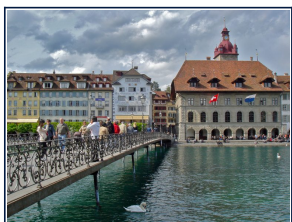
Day 2 : London

A full day to savor our rich program of optional activities: take a panoramic tour of London's landmarks, visit the Tower of London, or choose an excursion to Windsor Castle. Tonight, maybe a leisurely cruise on the Thames River? (B)



Day 3 : London-Brussels, Belgium

Leave in the early morning and head through the lush English countryside to the Channel port, where you board your FERRY for the Continent. Here, your Tour Director and comfortable coach wait to take you to Brussels for an orientation drive and an overnight. (B)



Day 4 : Brussels-Rhine Cruise, Germany-Frankfurt Area

Today, journey into Germany to the shores of the mighty Rhine to enjoy the afternoon CRUISE. Then, on to the Frankfurt area for an overnight. (B,D)

Day 5 : Frankfurt Area-Romantic Road-Innsbruck Area, Austria
Today's highlight is undoubtedly a drive along the Romantic Road, through towns and villages protected by medieval towered gates and battlements, with squares of half-timbered houses and richly decorated fountains. Enjoy a fine example of this architecture in the center of Rothenburg before heading to the Innsbruck area for an overnight. (B,D)



Day 6 : Innsbruck Area-Brenner Pass-Venice Area, Italy
Journey south into Italy by way of the majestic Europa Bridge and Brenner Pass. Arrive in Venice, where the included orientation starts with a BOAT RIDE along the Giudecca Canal to Piazza San Marco. Time at leisure to soak up the magical atmosphere of this unique city. Also visit a typical Venetian GLASSBLOWING WORKSHOP. (B,D)



Day 7 : Venice Area-Verona-Lucerne Area, Switzerland
Stop in Verona to see Juliet's legendary balcony. Over the Swiss border, begin the climb to the St. Gotthard Tunnel and descend to the breathtaking beauty of Lake Lucerne. (B)

Day 8 : Lucerne Area-Dijon, France
Your visit this morning focuses on the main highlights of Lucerne. Also, there's time for an optional excursion to the Stanserhorn. In the afternoon, journey into France for an overnight in the charming town of Dijon. This evening, dine at a local restaurant. (B,D)

Day 9 : Dijon-Paris

This morning, leave Dijon and travel via the autoroute to Paris. An afternoon's included SIGHTSEEING with a local expert shows you many of the best-known Parisian sights. (B)

Day 10 : Paris

Your vacation ends with breakfast this morning. (B)

Transportation:

Round-trip transportation between London and the Channel ports; on the Continent, private first-class air-conditioned motorcoach; cross-Channel ferry; Rhine cruise; canal transfer boat in Venice

Accommodation:

LONDON Novotel London West (F)

BRUSSELS Park Inn (ST) or Ramada La Woluwe (ST)

FRANKFURT AREA Mercure (ST) at Friedrichsdorf or Leonardo Royal Hotel Frankfurt (F)

INNSBRUCK AREA Bon Alpina (ST) at Igls or Alpinpark (F) or Alphotel (F)

VENICE AREA Holiday Inn (ST) at Marghera or Poppi (ST) at Mira or Antony Palace (F) at Marcon

LUCERNE AREA Drei K枚nige (ST) or Ibis (ST) at Kriens

DIJON Ibis Styles Dijon Central (ST)

PARIS